

CHANCELLOR'S Notes



Chancellor Larry Hollier, MD

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LSUHSC's Trapido testifies on oil spill

COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE

Dr. Ed Trapido, Associate Dean for Research in our School of Public Health, was one of three people invited to testify before the U.S. Subcommittee on Energy and Environment last week.

He was asked to address whether the release of oil, which typically contains carcinogenic polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (PAHs), and whether the burning of oil are exposing those responding to or living near the impacted areas to toxic air pollution, as well as potential short and long-term health effects.

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RWJ Fellows come to LSUHSC to learn about LA health

The current class of the most prestigious health policy fellowship in the country spent the day at our Health Sciences Center recently to learn about the post-Katrina status of health resources, infrastructure, challenges, and successes in Louisiana. Mayor Mitch Landrieu addressed the group of ten Robert Wood

Johnson Health Policy Fellows which includes Janet Leigh, BDS, DMD, Professor and Chair of Oral Medicine at our dental school.

They learned about the medical, nursing, dental, and allied health workforce, community health, translational research, rebuilding hospital infrastructure with the new VA and Academic Medical Center, and the development of a Biosciences District in New Orleans.



Mayor Mitch Landrieu



Dr. Janet Leigh

Lombardi and Lamonica named Honorary Alumni of the Year

The Medical Alumni Association held its Reunion Weekend and Scientific Session last week. LSU System President Dr. John Lombardi and LSU System General Counsel P. Raymond Lamonica, JD, were named Honorary Alumni of the Year.

(70) from Alabama, and Orleans Parish Coroner Frank E. Minyard, MD, ('55).

The weekend, which also honored the Class of 1960 celebrating its 50th Reunion, was quite successful. About 600 Medical School alumni participated in the various events which kicked off with a Committee of 100 event "roasting" Dr. Warren Summer.



Drs. Frank Minyard, Parker Griffith, Larry Hollier, John Lombardi, Steve Nelson, & Cathi Fontenot