LSUHSC faculty among Great 100 Nurses

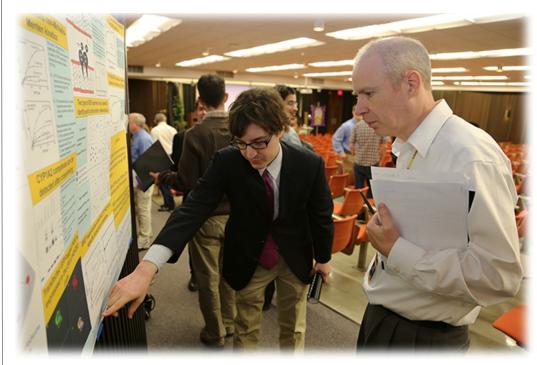
Eight members of the faculty of the LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans School of Nursing were recognized among the 2012 Great 100 Nurses of Louisiana. They are Jennifer Badeaux, CRNA, MN, Jean Cefalu, MSN, ANP-C, GNP-C, CWOCN, CFCN, Kimberly Cheramie, MSN, RN, BC, Gerald Guidry, MSN, RN, Martha Miller, MN, APRN-BC, Alma Nixon, RN, MN, Andrew Pitt, CRNA, MS, and Julia Tipton, MSN.



According to the Great 100 Nurses Foundation, every year the Great 100 are chosen for their truly impressive contributions to humanity and healthcare. They are outstanding nurses whose courage, stamina, and compassion make a difference in the world. A panel of nurses is selected and asked to choose 100 nurses based on their achievements in four areas called the "CARE" model: Clinical/ Community, Administration, Research, and Education. Nominees are chosen for their concern for humanity, significant contributions to the profession, and service as a mentor or role model for others.

Graduate Studies celebrates 26th Annual Research Day

Fifty-six students and postdoctoral researchers in LSUHSC's School of Graduate Studies gave oral presentations or presented posters on their research projects at Graduate Studies Research Day today. Held at the School of



Dentistry, the day began with opening remarks by Dr. Joseph Moerschbaecher, Dean of the LSUHSC School of Graduate Studies and Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs. It was a fascinating and informative day revealing impressive research findings on a variety of important health issues.

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PT Class of 2014 hosts 6th Annual Health & Wellness Event

A bout 250 LSUHSC faculty, staff, and students participated in the 6th Annual Health and Wellness Event sponsored by the Department of Physical Therapy in the LSUHSC School of Allied Health Professions on

Wednesday. Held during Allied Health Week, the event was planned, organized, staffed, run, and evaluated entirely by the students.

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This year the theme of the event was "Krewe Du Health" and decorations, activities, and giveaways all boasted a Mardi Gras flair.



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Findings reported included how exposure to particulates in the environment from

combustion engines leads to toxicity and death of heart cells; the major contribution of a DNA mismatch repair protein in the severity of neurodegenerative diseases like Friedreich ataxia, Huntington's disease, myotonic dystrophy, and amyotrophic lateral sclerosis (ALS); the role of a specific biochemical mechanism in the development of deadly melanoma; the identification of a microRNA involved in a defect



of pancreatic islet cells leading to insulin resistance, gestational diabetes and type 2 diabetes.



Mary Hines, Jack's widow, looks on as Dr. Moerschbaecher presents the award

A panel of judges evaluated the projects and the following results were announced at the awards ceremony at the end of the day. In the Oral Presentation Category, Anasheh Halabi won first place. Monic Ertel came in second, and Daniel Edwards was third. Ji Won Park took first place in the Poster Presentations, followed by Felix Nau, Jr., and Kun Qian. Juan Gao scored highest in the Post Doc Category, with Abhilash Ponnath next, followed by Gin C. Chuang.

The 2012 Chancellor's Award for Graduate Studies was awarded to

Annie M. Whitaker. The inaugural Jack D. Hines Ill Graduate School Award in recognition of Outstanding Service was presented to Jaime T. Becnel, PhD.

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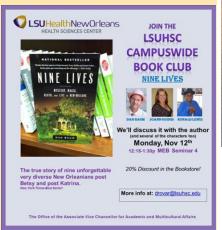


There were more than 20 booths including Vital Signs (Blood pressure, heart rate, etc.), Body Fat Analysis (bioelectrical impedance), Diabetes Screening, Strength Assessments, Hearing Testing, Nutrition, Lung Function Testing, Ergonomics Assessments, Disability Awareness, and more. Door prizes were given throughout the event.

Preliminary results from the exit survey show that the event was an overwhelming success. Participants enjoyed the diversity of health assessments and activities available as well as the students' involvement.

Book Club meets Monday

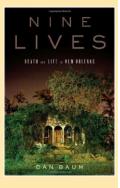
he LSUHSC Campuswide Book Club will meet on November 12 from 12:15pm to 1:30 pm in the Trail CSRB 523 for a "brown bag" discussion.



Nine Lives: Mystery, Magic, Death, and Life in New Orleans, by Dan Baum, is the second book chosen for discussion by the LSUHSC Campuswide Book Club sponsored by the Office of Academic and Multicultural Affairs.

Nines Lives is a biography of New Orleans told by nine New Orleanians through two epic storms: Hurricane Betsy, which transformed New Orleans in the 1960s, and Hurricane Katrina, which nearly destroyed it. It's discounted in the LSUHSC bookstore.

The book's author, Dan Baum, as well as some of the people featured in the book have agreed to join us for what promises to be a lively and



interesting discussion.