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Presidents' Day
Holiday, Mon., Feb. 15
Friday, February 12, 1999

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS - HOUSTON MEDICAL SCHOOL

EVENTS TO KNOW:

- **Go Texan Day, TODAY, Fri., Feb. 12, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.,** Frito Pie Sale, Webber Plaza.
- **Valentine's Day Sale, TODAY, Fri., Feb. 12, 7:30 a.m. -10:30 a.m.,** Leather Lounge.
- **Ninth Annual Preventive Cardiology Forum, Sat., Feb. 13, 7 a.m.-12:30 p.m.,** 3.001.
- **Second Annual American Heart Association Women's Night at the Museum, Thurs., Feb. 18, 6-8 p.m.,** call 713-610-5015.
- **Second Annual Heart of Houston Researchers' Reception, Wed., Feb. 24, 6-8 p.m.,** Museum of Health and Medical Science. Researchers call 713-610-5000 to RSVP.

DR. JAMES GROTTA RECEIVES CLINICAL STROKE AWARD

Dr. James C. Grotta, Professor of Neurology and Director of the Stroke Program at UT-Houston Medical School, has been selected to receive the 1999 William M. Feinberg Award for Excellence in Clinical Stroke by the National Center of the American Heart Association. This prestigious award is given to a Stroke Council Fellow who is actively engaged in ongoing research in clinical stroke, has made significant contributions to clinical research in stroke, and has been active in the Stroke Council's programs. Feinberg, an outstanding member of the stroke research community at the University of Arizona, died two years ago of cardiac arrest. "To be recognized by my peers for the work I have done over the last 20 years - all of it at UT-Houston - is a huge honor for me," said Grotta, whose career and his lecture at this year's AHA meeting focus on translating laboratory research into effective acute stroke therapy. He and his staff have pioneered the use of thrombolytic therapy (tPA) and neuroprotection for stroke. Grotta also recently accepted a three-year American Heart Association national grant in the amount of \$497,000 for his "Can Paramedic Education Improve Stroke Outcome?" study.



Dr. James Grotta

SCHOOL'S FIRST M.D./PH.D. GRADUATE TO LECTURE ON FEB. 24

Dr. Ennio A. Chiocca, the first graduate of the M.D./Ph.D. Program here, will be lecturing as an M.D./Ph.D. Program Visiting Seminar Speaker on Wednesday, **February 24**, 4 p.m., at the Anderson Auditorium at M. D. Anderson Cancer Center. The seminar's title is "Onclytic Viruses for Tumor Therapy." Chiocca graduated from the combined program, available through the Medical School and the Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences, in May of 1988. He went on to a neurosurgery residency at Massachusetts General Hospital, one of the premiere teaching institutions of the Harvard Medical School. Commented **Dr. Dianna Milewicz**, Director of the M.D./Ph.D. program, "We're very proud of him. He epitomizes the type of physician/scientist we're striving to train." Chiocca is currently Associate Professor of Surgery (Neurosurgery) at Harvard Medical School and a neurosurgeon at the Brain Tumor Center at Massachusetts General Hospital. A native of Padua, Italy, Chiocca won both the Walter G. Sterling Outstanding Student Award while a student here, the Alumni Association Senior Student Research Award, and more recently, the Congress of Neurological Surgeons Resident Award.



Dr. Ennio Chiocca



RODEO TIME!

Tomorrow, Saturday, **Feb. 13**, at 10 a.m. at the corner of Texas Avenue and Smith Street, a Downtown Parade will highlight the return once more of the Houston Livestock Show & Rodeo extravaganza. Performances are in full swing from Friday, **Feb. 19** through Sunday **March 7**. This year more than \$7 million is committed to scholarships through the Rodeo. For ticket information, concert stars, Go Texas events, and a daily schedule of rodeo doings, check out <<http://www.hlsr.com>>. Upcoming events include The World's Championship Bar-B-Que Contest, Feb. 11-13, the Rodeo Parade Feb. 13, the Horse Show, Feb. 16-March 7, and the Livestock Show beginning Feb. 19 and continuing through March 7.

AN UPLIFTING EXPERIENCE

Monday, **February 22**, 9 a.m.-3:00 p.m. in the Leather Lounge, the Medical School Blood Drive will be in full swing. Picture I.D. and social security number required. To schedule an appointment, contact **Karen Smith**, 500-5608.



CLASSIFIED STAFF WORKSHOP BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

The 4th Annual Classified Employee Workshop, entitled, "*Focusing on the Future*" will be held Wednesday, **March 31**, 1999 7 a.m. - 4:30 p.m. at the Sheraton Astrodome, 8686 Kirby. The keynote speaker for the workshop is **Jim Kollaer**, President, Greater Houston Partnership. Topics, 28 in all, ranging from your financial future and work/life, to leadership and mind/body/soul, will be available to choose from. Invitations will be mailed out March 1. There is a 300-participant workshop limit. Registration deadline is **March 12**. Registrants will be selected in a random drawing on March 15. With cancellations, additional names will be drawn to fill the 300-person capacity. For queries, call **Alexis Basha** at 713-500-5110 or **Sherry Dunn** at 713-500-5505.

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Calling All Recipes

For those of us with a yen to share our favorite recipes, now's our chance. The **Organization of Faculty Wives and Women Faculty** is looking for a few good cooks. Submit your favorite today for consideration. Proceeds from the cookbook project will fund various medical student scholarships and special purchases. Use the following model as a template, and FAX your recipe(s) to 713-465-5759 or e-mail to <cweisbro@neuro.med.uth.tmc.edu>.



Recipe Title: Party Cookie That Bakes While You Sleep

Ingredients: 2 egg whites, 2/3 cup sugar
1 cup chopped pecans
1 cup chocolate chips
1 tsp. vanilla
a pinch of salt

Cooking Instructions: Beat egg whites until foamy. Gradually add sugar and continue beating until stiff. Then add salt, pecans, chocolate chips & vanilla. Mix well. Preheat oven to 350. Drop cookies by teaspoonfuls onto ungreased foil-lined cookie sheet. Place in oven and immediately turn off. Leave in overnight.

Comments: Perfect for bringing to the office in the morning!

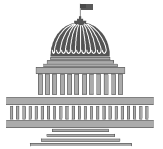
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Medical Education Trust Fund Introduced

The AAMC's *Washington Highlights* (Jan. 29, 1999) notes that **Senator Patrick Moynihan** (D-NY) reintroduced on Jan. 19 legislation known as S. 210 to establish a Medical Education Trust fund to support medical schools and teaching hospitals. Sen. Moynihan introduced similar legislation in 1997. Recognizing that all sectors of the health care system should share the responsibility to fund graduate medical education, the bill requires Medicare, Medicaid, and the private sector to contribute to a trust fund to support medical education. Calling medical schools and teaching hospitals "national treasures," Sen. Moynihan said that "the fiscal pressures of a competitive health market are increasingly closing off traditionally implicit revenue sources that have supported medical schools, graduate medical education and research."



Summer Research Foreign Exchange

MSIs, learn about the all-expense-paid research opportunities available this summer at McMaster University, Ontario, Canada, and the University of Calgary, Calgary, Canada. An informational seminar will be on Tuesday, **Feb. 16**, noon to 1 p.m., 2006. Contact **Dana Farver** at 713-500-3192 or <dfarver@admin4.hsc.uth.tmc.edu>.

“RESEARCH INTEGRITY”: CONFERENCE MARCH 11 - 12

The University of Texas-Houston Health Science Center, along with co-sponsors, has organized a conference for **March 11-12**, focusing on shared research accountability among members of the scientific community and the general public. Co-sponsors are the UT-HHSC's Public Health Services Office of Research Integrity, the University of Houston, UT M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, Texas Woman's University-Houston Center, Texas Southern University, and Prairie View A & M University. On Thursday, March 11, topics to be addressed include: perspectives on scientific misconduct and research integrity; the roots and origins of scientific integrity; self-deception in research; ethics of authorship and publication; records and data; and the ethics of randomized clinical trials.



On Friday, March 12, subject matter to be covered will be: the public view of biomedical research; science vs. mass appeal; setting the biomedical research agenda; and industry sponsorship of research. Access web address <<http://sonser4.uth.tmc.edu/cnr/agenda.htm>> for specific conference information, on-line registration form, and agenda.

Friday's speakers are: **Dr. Tom Burks**, UT-HHSC, Executive VP, Research & Academic Affairs; **Dr. Stanley Reiser**, UT-Houston Medical School, Griff T. Ross Professor of Humanities & Technology in Health Care; **Dr. Elizabeth Heitman**,

UT-H School of Public Health, Assistant Professor, Management & Policy Sciences; **Dr. Charles Ericsson**, UT-H Medical School, Professor, and editor of the *Journal of Travel Medicine*; **Dr. Joseph Eichberg**, Professor of Biophysical and Biochemical Sciences, UH, and deputy chief editor, *Journal of Neurochemistry*; **Dr. Ruth Bulger**, VP for Research, Uniform Service, University of the Health Sciences, Bethesda, Md.; **Dr. Harold Vanderpool**, Professor, Preventive Medicine & Community Health, and member, Institute for the Medical Humanities, UTMB; and **Dr. Dorothy K. Macfarlane**, Acting Director, Division of Research Investigations, Office of Research Integrity, U.S. Public Health Service.

Saturday's panel speakers will be: **Dean Joseph Jones**, Graduate School and Research and Professor of Biology, TSU; **Dr. John Lienhard**, M. D., Anderson Professor of Mechanical Engineering and History, UH; **U.S. Congressman Ken Bentson, Jr.**; **Dr. Len Zwelling**, Associate Vice President of Research Administration, MDACC; **Dr. Geoffrey Cox**, Chairman and CEO Aronex Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; **President M. David Low**, UTHHSC; **Mark Carreau**, *Houston Chronicle*; and **Dr. John B. Charles**, Manager, Planning and Integration, Discipline Scientist for Human Life Sciences on STS-95.

Also on the roster are: **Dr. P. Pearl O'Rourke**, Deputy Director, Office of Science Policy, Office of the Director, National Institutes of Health; **Dr. Morris Crawford**, UT-H Medical School, Professor, Ophthalmology; **Dr. George Phillips**, Professor, Biochemistry & Cell Biology, Rice University; **Dr. Anita Goodman**, Director, Lipha Pharmaceuticals, Inc.; and **Dr. John Grabowski**, UT-H Medical School, Professor and Director of Substance Abuse Research Center, Psychiatry and Behavioral Sciences. The conference will take place in the auditorium of the UT-H School of Public Health, 1200 Herman Pressler St. at Bertner in the Texas Medical Center. Faculty, staff, and students from sponsoring institutions may register for \$50 before **Feb. 15**. For all others, early registration is \$100 through Feb. 15, (late registration fee, \$150). Limited to 200 participants. For more information call **Ria Griffin**, 713-500-2028 or e-mail <rgriffin@son1.nur.uth.tmc.edu>.