



# Scoop

Sept. 6, 2002

THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MEDICAL SCHOOL AT HOUSTON

## Events to Know

### September

- 6 Today. Updates in Women's Health, Dr. Noranna Warner, "Aches & Pains,"** noon, MSB 3.001.
- 9 Bioterrorism Preparedness and Response Series, Dr. Richard Stoll,** noon, **MSB 3.001** (Room change).
- 11 Medical School Remembers Sept. 11, 8 - 8:30 a.m.,** MSB 2.006.  
**Clinical Research Curriculum, Biostatistics for Clinical Investigators, Dr. Kathleen Kennedy, "Comparing Two or More Groups-Continuous Data,"** 5 - 6:30 p.m., MSB 2.135.
- 18 Employee Appreciation Day,** Webber Plaza, 11 - 1:30 p.m., bring ID badge.
- 24 Town Hall Meeting,** noon, MSB 3.001.
- 25 First Annual Louis Faillace Lectureship, Judge William Wayne Justice, "Is the Law's Treatment of the Insane Sane?"** 4 - 5 p.m., MSB 3.001.

## UTMost Interest

**Dr. Gailen Marshall,** director, Allergy and Clinical Immunology, recently was interviewed by ABC's *20/20* for a segment on "toxic mold."

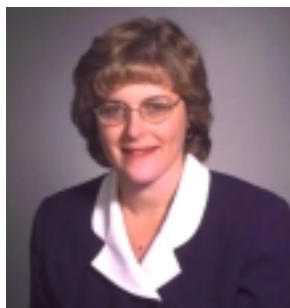
## NOV. 1 IS UT-H RESEARCH DAY

There's still time to register your poster at <http://research.uth.tmc.edu/ResearchDay>. The eighth annual event will showcase the breadth and quality of the research conducted at UT-H Health Science Center.



## ZANDER ASSUMES DIRECTORSHIP OF ANATOMIC PATHOLOGY

**Dr. Robert Hunter,** professor and chairman, Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, announces the appointment of **Dr. Dani S. Zander** as professor and director, Anatomic Pathology, in the Department of Pathology and Laboratory Medicine, effective September 2002.



**Dr. Dani S. Zander**

Zander, an internationally known pulmonary pathologist, comes to us from the University of Florida College of Medicine, where she served as chief of Anatomic Pathology for the North Florida/South Georgia Veterans Health System, director of Pulmonary Pathology, and associate professor in the Department of Pathology, Immunology, and Laboratory Medicine. She also served as chair of the College of Medicine's Financial Aid Committee and the Compensation Committee of the Department of Pathology. In addition to resident and student teaching, Zander has been an invited speaker at post-graduate medical education courses and pathology society meetings. She has an active funded research program on lung pathology and is principal investigator on numerous state and private research grants.

## SINO-U.S. SYMPOSIUM ON MEDICINE TAKES PLACE OCT. 25 - 29

All interested faculty are invited to participate in The Second Sino-US Symposium on Medicine in the 21st Century in Shanghai, China **Oct. 25-29**. The symposium is sponsored by the American Medical Association, the Chinese Academy of Science, the Chinese Medical Association-Shanghai, and the Texas Medical Center (Baylor, UT-Houston, and UTMDACC). Major topics to be covered will include: Informatics Medicine, Genetic Diagnosis and Gene Therapy, Tissue Engineering and Organ Transplantation, Advances in Cardiovascular Diseases, Update in Cancer Research, and New Developments in Bio-Medical Technology. Information on the symposium can be found at [www.simc2002.net](http://www.simc2002.net), or contact program director, Peiyang Li, at [SIMC2002@VIP.163.com](mailto:SIMC2002@VIP.163.com).

## VISIT THE NEW MEDICAL SCHOOL WEB SITE

Log on and check out the Medical School's new and improved Web site at [www.med.uth.tmc.edu](http://www.med.uth.tmc.edu). Additions to the site include current events, scrolling news headlines, and a welcome video. Feedback is encouraged via the new site.



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## Faculty Profile

### **DR. MARSHA CLINE HOLLEMAN WINS CITY OF HOUSTON AWARD**

It is small wonder that **Dr. Marsha Cline Holleman**, medical director, UT Houston Recovery Campus (HRC), recently received the **Access 2002 Award of Substance Abuse Practitioner of the Year**, presented by Houston Crackdown and the Office of Mayor Lee P. Brown, City of Houston.

Any health-care organization would be ecstatic to have a practitioner like Holleman on its staff. Bright, accomplished and well qualified, Holleman also is a gentle and caring clinician.

She probably could have her pick of positions at any number of the top ranked medical institutions around the country. But, you won't find Holleman working in a place of prestige or power; you will find her quietly and calmly plying her compassionate and holistic brand of medicine with people who are often shunned by society — the unfortunate victims of alcohol and drug abuse.

"I feel most satisfied when I am working with persons who are in need, who don't have health insurance or are indigent," she says simply to explain her choice. "They are always so grateful for the care we give them."

Holleman came to HRC after nine years of teaching in the family and community medicine at Baylor College of Medicine, where she received her medical degree. Both she and her husband, who has degrees in religion and family therapy and also teaches at Baylor, have created their careers around service to those most in need.

A native of Alvin, where she graduated as valedictorian of her high school class, Holleman attended Harvard University, majoring in biochemistry and graduating cum laude. She returned to Texas to attend medical school at Baylor, where she also completed a residency in family medicine, serving as chief resident.

During her third year of residency — a time when many physicians find employment in the community in addition to their residency training — Holleman instead decided to pursue her aspiration to serve by becoming medical director at Casa Juan Diego, a free clinic for Latin American immigrants.

Mark Zwick, director of the clinic said, "She has been crucial to our existence, since we have so many mothers and children who are often ill. She will see a dozen patients a day."

In 1985, along with joining the Baylor faculty as an assistant professor, Holleman also began studies toward a master's in public health degree, which she received in community health planning. Her thesis title shows her strong commitment to those most in need: "Physician Provision of Uncompensated Care."

In 1988, Holleman became an assistant professor of community medicine and also received the Leonard D. Moise teaching award for her work with family medicine residents.

In 1995, she accepted a position as a visiting clinical professor in the UT-Houston Department of Family Practice and Community Medicine, becoming one of two physicians for patients at the UT-Houston Recovery Campus.

"I really enjoy it. When our clients arrive the first day, most of them are irritable, disheveled and afraid, but once they've been in our care a few weeks, they'll come up and give you a big hug, and you can see that they've begun to care about themselves and become the person they were meant to be. Even better, is when you see them after they've left and they're still doing well," she said.

"She is very compassionate," says co-worker Mary Lou Heater. "I've never seen her get aggravated, angry, or impatient with any of our clients, with the staff or the residents."

Holleman firmly believes that the integrated treatment regimen at the Recovery Campus is what makes it most effective. "We know that when both physical and psychological services are integrated, there is a much better chance for recovery," she said.

Among the needs she would most like to see met are integrated care for persons with co-occurring substance abuse and mental health disorders, helping foster increased long-term care programs for those in treatment, and more programs and shelters for women, and women and children.

Most importantly, Holleman says, our society needs to pay attention to our families and provide the help to strengthen them and our civic institutions so that substance abuse does not occur in the first place.

She admits that stigma hurts efforts like the Recovery Campus, but she is quick to note that there is much hope: "What many people don't realize is that substance abuse treatment really is effective and that people can recover." *- F. Dressman*