# **The Future of LSU Faculty Group Services**

n or about October 10, 2011, clinical services provided by the Faculty Group Practice (the LSU Healthcare Network) that are currently offered at an office on Napoleon Avenue, will relocate to a newly renovated office building at 3700 St Charles Avenue. Primary care as well as multiple specialties will be represented at this

location, including family medicine, internal medicine, pediatrics, obstetrics and gynecology, endocrinology, pulmonary, and cardiology. Specialty services will include orthopedics, vascular surgery, oral surgery, urology, neurology, and ophthalmology.

These represent clinical services that are provided directly by the faculty of the School of Medicine. Soon after opening for services, this location will also be ready to provide radiology and laboratory support for patients seen at this location. For additional information on how to refer to this practice or make an appointment, feel free to visit our website at LSUHN.com.



The new location for the LSU Faculty Group Services, at 3700 St. Charles Avenue.

# **Faculty News**

- William T. Cefalu ('79), Professor and Chief of the Section of Endocrinology, Diabetes and Metabolism, has been appointed as the Editor-in-Chief of Diabetes Care, the American Diabetes Association's premier peer-reviewed journal dedicated to diabetes care, prevention, and treatment. Dr. Cefalu will serve a three-year term, for the 2012 to 2014 volume years, with an optional two-year extension. He is a past associate editor for Professor Diabetes Care and is currently an Associate Editor for Diabetes. Diabetes Care is the highest-ranked journal devoted exclusively to diabetes prevention and treatment.
- Jack C. Winters ('88), the H. Eustis Reily Professor and Chairman of Urology, was elected Trustee of the American Board of Urology for a six-year term. In addition to service on numerous national committees, including the American Urological Association Health Policy Council as well as the Quality Improvement and Patient Safety Committee, Dr Winters serves as Fellowship Director of the LSU Fellowship Program in Female Pelvic Medicine and Reconstructive Surgery, which provides multidisciplinary training to urologists and gynecologists choosing to specialize in this field.
- Kim Edward LeBlanc, MD, PhD, was

chosen by the Louisiana Academy of Family Physicians 2011 Family Physician of the Year. This award recognizes Dr. LeBlanc's years of service to his patients, his dedication to Family Medicine and his contributions to developing and improving the profession for future physicians and patients. Dr. LeBlanc is the Marie Lahasky Professor and Head of the Department of Family Medicine at LSUHSC School of Medicine - New Orleans. He is also the Director of Rural Education for the School of Medicine, overseeing the Rural Scholars Track, and a Professor in the Department of Orthopedics.

## White Coat Ceremony

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students

were "coated" by

n July, 191 second-year medical students at LSU New Orleans received their white coats, a symbol of the "rite of passage" from basic science training to clinical expe-



faculty members chosen by the class for their to medical education and their students. The cloaking with the white coat

Cathi Fontenot ('84)

— the mantle of the medical profession - underscores the commitment of the medical students to develop a patient centered approach to the remainder of their education and their careers.

Cathi Fontenot ('84), Associate Dean for Alumni Affairs at the School of Medicine, gave the keynote address. She was



Dr. Robin English coats Jolisha Eubanks.

the students' nominee for the 2011 Humanism in Medicine Award, recognized by the American Association of Medical Colleges. In her address, she encouraged students to practice her five habits of commitment highly effective doctors:

- 1. Listen to your patients. The majority of patients will guide you to their diagnosis if you pay attention.
- 2. Look at your patient when you talk to them. This may sound silly but in this world of advanced technology, computers, iPads, and Smart Phones can come between you and your patient.
- 3. Ask the patient at every encounter if they have questions about what they've been told. Many patients are intimidated by medical jargon and nod knowingly even when they have no clue what you've just said.
- 4. Don't call the patient "a great case." That usually means they have



something awful or no one knows what the diagnosis is.

5. Remember that every patient has a life that includes much more than his or her health, good or bad. Dysfunctional families, financial difficulties, sick or disabled children, and the general stresses of life abound, whether you are caring for a patient who is homeless or a patient who is a successful businessman accustomed to a 3-martini lunch.

Perhaps these can be summarized in the words of the ancient Jewish physician, Moses Maimonides, "The physician should not treat the disease but the patient who is suffering from it."



### LSUHSC medical students work at City Park

About 200 first-year LSUHSC medical students worked in the mid-August scorching heat on a variety of activities to improve City Park. Just in time for football season, the medical students worked to get Tad Gormley Stadium in shape for Friday night high school matches. The students scraped down and cleaned miles of railings before giving them a fresh coat of glossy black paint.

On the other side of the park, the students attacked weeds and cut back leggy plants in the New Orleans Botanical Garden. After preparing the beds, they planted bedding plants, filling the flowerbeds with explosions of color.

The LSUHSC School of Medicine Class of 2015 Service Project was one of two major annual projects these first-year students undertake to give back to the community. Participation was high even though their classes didn't start until the following week.

### New Leadership Appointments

A number of new leadership appointments were made in the summer of 2011.Below are the new appointees.

#### Robert C. Batson ('71)

Head, Department of Surgery, and the Isidore Cohn Chair of Surgery.

Dr. Batson is a graduate of LSU in Baton Rouge, LSU School of Medicine in New Orleans (AOA), and LSU New Orleans Surgery Residency Program. He undertook vascular surgery training at Baylor University. He has been active on our faculty since 1975, returning to full-time professorial status in 2007.

#### Mary Thoesen Coleman, MD, PhD

Director of Community Health Clinics, and Professor in the Department of Family Medicine

As Director of Community Health Clinics, a Dean's Office position, Dr. Coleman will work on the development of a LSU network of primary care health clinics; this network of clinics, conforming to the "medical home" model or "accountable care organization" paradigm, will be developed to enhance our educational programs and outcomes research. She will also be involved in our educational efforts in rural medicine, in curriculum development, and in mentoring initiatives.

Dr. Coleman completed her doctoral work in physiological chemistry and medicine at Ohio State University. After several years in community practice she returned to full time academic medicine, serving on the faculties of both Ohio State University and University of Louisville, where she was Associate Dean for Curriculum. She recently served as Dean at Ross University School of Medicine.

#### Frank W. Smart ('85) Head, Section of Cardiology, and Professor of Medicine

Dr. Smart, an internationally recognized expert in heart failure, will also serve as the Director of the Cardiovascular Center of Excellence. Dr. Smart is a LSU medical graduate; he completed his training at Ochsner Foundation and Baylor College of Medicine. He has served on the faculties of LSU New Orleans, Tulane, Baylor and Mount Sinai (New York). Since 2007 Dr. Smart has been the Dorothy and Lloyd Huck Chair of the Department of Cardiovascular Medicine Gagnon Atlantic Health in northern New Jersev.

#### Jayne S. Weiss, MD

Head, Department Ophthalmology, and the Herbert Kaufmann Chair in Ophthalmology.

A graduate of SUNY Buffalo and Mount Sinai Medical Center (AOA), she trained at the prestigious Bascom Palmer Eye Institute in Miami. She also completed fellowships at Harvard and Emory. Most recently she has held the post of Professor at Wayne State University, Department of Ophthalmology, and Director of Ophthalmic Pathology; she previously held a faculty appointment at the University of Massachusetts.

#### Amy E. Young, MD

Head, Department Obstetrics and Gynecology, and the Abe Mickal Chair of Obstetrics and Gynecology

Dr. Young, who is President Elect of the Association of Professors of Obstetrics and Gynecology, is a graduate of Vanderbilt University and the University of Mississippi School of Medicine. She trained at Emory and Baylor College of Medicine. Most recently she held the Henry and Emma Meyer Endowed Chair for Education in Obstetrics and Gynecology and served as the Executive Vice Chair of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology at Baylor and also the Chief of Obstetrics and Gynecology at the Harris County Hospital District.

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### **Match Day**

ne hundred four of 178 LSUHSC graduating medical students participating in the National Resident Match Program chose to remain in Louisiana to complete their medical training. That's about 60% of the class, the same as last year. The LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans residency programs also did very well accepting 132 new residents who will begin their programs next summer.

"I believe that the high number of LSU graduates choosing to remain in Louisiana again this year and those who chose LSU residency programs is a testament to the quality of both the undergraduate and graduate medical education programs here at LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans," said Larry Hollier (68), Chancellor of LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans. "We're gratified by their confidence in us and our programs."

LSUHSC New Orleans based primary care residency programs all filled in the Match and Scramble. The percentage of LSUHSC medical graduates going into primary care is 44% this year. Primary Care specialties included are Family Practice, Internal Medicine, Medicine-Preliminary, Obstetrics-Gynecology, Pediatrics, and Medicine-Pediatrics. OB-GYN is not always included in primary care data; however, in some Louisiana communities the only physician is an OB-GYN.

"Our very successful Rural Physicians *left to Neum* Program is addressing the need for greater numbers of primary care physicians for our state," notes Dr. Nelson.

"This year about 60% of our students again chose to remain in Louisiana for their postgraduate medical education and training," said Dr. Steve Nelson, Dean of the School of Medicine at LSU Health Sciences Center New Orleans. "And we are again pleased to provide the majority of new physicians for our state. We are delighted to keep so many of our own graduates here at home while also attracting quality residents from other schools."



left to right: Matt Neumann (L3), **Dianne Neumann ('84)**, **Julie** Neumann ('11) and Ed Neumann ('84)



left to right: Robert Pflug ('62), Kathryn Pflug ('11) and Steven Pflug ('89)



left to right: Deborah Hilton ('98) Charles Hilton ('76) and Taylor Hilton ('11)



left to right: Patrick Hallon, McKenzie Mayo ('11), Elizabeth Schonlau ('74), and India Mayo (L3). Grandfather was James Schonlau ('39), deceased. [Not pictured is Ray Cody Mayo ('09)]

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left to right: Terry Fugetta (DDS '77), Cecilia Fugetta, Isabella Adams, Erin Adams ('11) and Todd Adams



left to right: Travis Taunton, **Stephanie Savoie Taunton** ('11), Susan Savoie (N '79) and **Anthony Savoie** ('80)



John Gulotta ('11) wins jackpot for being the last name called.



Carter Davis ('11) and William Davis ('83)



Paul Slocum, Sr. ('81) and Paul Slocum, Jr. ('11)



left to right: Philip DiSalvo (DDS '75), Nicholas DiSalvo ('11), and Catherine DiSalvo (N '72)



left to right: Susan Kalil (N '80), David Kalil (N '79), **Kellin Kalil Reynolds** ('11), Jordan Reynolds and Jeffrey Reynolds (DDS '10) [Kellin is niece of *Mario Calonje* ('59)]

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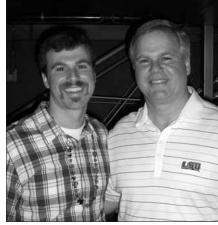
left to right: Catherine Plauche, **Virginia Plauche** ('11) [(daughter of **Hebert Plauche** ('63)] and Andrea Frankle



Michael Berger ('73), Jill Berger ('11) and Debra Berger (N '73 & N '90)



Cooper Benson ('11) and David Benson ('82)



Ashton Mansour ('11) and Alfred Mansour ('75)



Pam Darr ('81) and Charles "Chase" Schumacher ('11)



Chad Murphy ('11) [son of Charles Murphy, ('82)] and Cindy Murphy



The plaque beneath the signed coat, which is framed and on display in Student Affairs, reads:

FOREVER THANKFUL – CLASS OF 2011

## **ALUMNI GOLF TOURNAMENT**



First place winners, displaying their trophies, are (left to right): Steven Lantier ('86), Gary Harrelson ('81), Rick Keppel ('81), and Tim Trainor ('86).

hysicians have historically been attracted to golf because it is a challenging game that can be enjoyed with friends into our later years and is filled with tradition and sportsmanship. Golf today is not the game enjoyed by our parents and

grandparents. Technological advances enhance the challenge and interest for both amateurs and professionals. Improved club design, computer fitting, long putters, course



Representing the third place winners are **Ken Adatto** ('68), left, and Tom Adams, DDS.

design and upkeep, all stimulate us to continue to attempt to conquer the sport and stay in the game. Judging from the scores and competition this year even doctors with limited playing time have benefited.

The tournament this year was played at Lakewood *I*), Golf Course. This previously was the Lakewood Country Club Course that hosted many P.G.A. tournaments. The course was renovated post-Katrina, having lost many trees, but is still challenging and retains some of the old course.

The Tournament winners should be congratulated for their great play. The

team of Gary Harrelson ('81), Rick Keppel ('81), Steven Lantier ('86), and Timothy Trainor ('86) posted an amazing score of 57. Dr. Harrelson on Hole 14 duplicated a famous shot of Jack Nicklaus by cutting the dogleg, driving over the trees and dropping the ball onto the green. He followed this with a



Second place winners (left to right): Macy Vidrine ('01), Joseph Miller ('91), Trey Blue ('01), and Jake LaFleur ('01)

long putt for eagle giving his team a boost.

Two teams tied for second with the team of Joseph Miller ('91), Jake Lafleur ('01), Macy Vidrine ('01), and Trey Blue ('01) posting a 59 and winning the tie breaker. Long-time tournament players and perennial challengers, Ken Adatto ('68); Tom Adams, DDS; Al Wiedemann ('54), and Eric Schultis ('77) took home the third-place trophies.

It was a great day and a good beginning to the alumni meeting. Those of you planning to attend next year's Alumni Meeting should consider joining us for a morning of golf. The format is a scramble, and golfers of all abilities can have a good time. Bring your best shots.

### **CAMP TIGER GOLF TOURNAMENT**

Saturday, November 12, 2011

Lakewood Golf Club 4801 General Degaulle Dr. New Orleans, LA 70131

Registration: 11:00am - 12:00 p.m. Shotgun Start: 12:00 p.m.

Entrance Fees: Medical Students \$55; Non-Medical Students \$100

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Camp Tiger is a week-long, summer day camp for children who are physically, cognitively, or emotionally challenged. It is run by the freshman class of the LSUHSC School of Medicine. With the students as counselors, campers spend the entire day going to fun places like the zoo, the aquarium, and the Children's Museum. This opportunity is free for the campers and made possible by the generous support of people like you. Please help us in our fundraising efforts and consider participating in the 2011 Camp Tiger Golf Tournament so that we can continue providing this amazing experience for the children.

For more information, visit http://www.lsuhsc.edu/no/organizations/camptiger/index.php/fundraisers.