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4th Annual Dinner

DICKIE BRENNAN'S BOURBON HOUSE

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28, 2004

EVENT CO-CHAIRS
MARGIE AND SANDY VILLERE

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Dear Friends,

Leadership comes in many forms and styles, and tonight we celebrate the life of Donald Nalty and the fruits of his vision and commitment to our community. While I did not have the privilege of knowing Mr. Nalty, many of you who did, understand the impact that his business and philanthropic leadership had on our community. I am delighted to welcome his family and friends tonight to the annual dinner benefiting the work of the LSU Neuroscience Center.

I also want to thank Margie and Sandy Villere for their commitment to the Neuroscience Center. Our relationship began when the Villere family established the Ernest C. and Yvette C. Villere Endowed Chair for Research in Retinal Degeneration and endures today as Dr. Nicolas Bazan and his team of researchers continue to find clues to curing blinding eye diseases.

Which brings me to another leader – Dr. Nicolas Bazan. Dr. Bazan combines a brilliant scientific mind with the ability to manage and grow the academic center concept of scientific discovery. He has recruited a stellar group of young and established scientists who collaborate with one another daily, creating a fertile environment for new findings in the fight against neurological diseases.

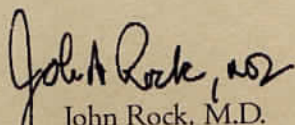
Over the last 20 years, the LSU Neuroscience Center has grown into a formidable research institute with 100 scientists and the influx of more than \$100 million in extramurally funded research. With that growth and success has come the need for a building that will take the Center to the next level. The projected cost of this building, which will bridge fundamental and clinical sciences to combat brain and neurological diseases, is \$90 million.

Louisiana has elected a new governor and New Orleans a mayor, both of whom made economic development and new jobs a focus of their campaigns. Biomedical science is at the forefront of their plans to grow our economy. Dr. Bazan has led that charge, too, by bridging academic science with business opportunity. With sixteen patents to his name and nine in process, he is applying knowledge gained in his laboratory to develop new drugs for neuro-protection in brain injury and stroke, and analgesics for pain. Dr. Bazan also created St. Charles Pharmaceuticals, Inc., one of New Orleans' first biomedical start-up firms.

At the LSU Health Sciences Center and as a community, we must build upon our successes. If we do that, we will enrich the lives of Louisiana citizens through scientific discovery, work force development, and new economic opportunity. I am proud as Chancellor to recognize the LSU Neuroscience Center as one of our greatest success stories with more chapters to be penned.

Thank you for your investment in superb medical research and tangible hope for new economic vitality for our community.

Sincerely,



John Rock, M.D.
Chancellor
LSU Health Sciences Center

Program

WELCOME & INTRODUCTIONS

MARGIE AND SANDY VILLERE

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DINNER IS SERVED

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CLOSING REMARKS

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A Special Thank You

The LSU Neuroscience Center faculty generates the ideas and work that lead to new discoveries. The Center's Community Advisory Board provides the Center's window to the world. This night is a tribute to these individuals who are the strength behind the Center, investing their time and resources in making life better for the rest of us. Thanks.

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Menu

PASSED HORS D'EOUVRES
CRAB CANAPÉS
MUSHROOM TERRINE
FOIE GRAS CANAPÉS

Pommery, Brut Royal, Reims NV



APPETIZER

TRIO OF ROASTED OYSTERS
ROCKEFELLER, BIENVILLE & FONSECA

Trimbach, Riesling, 2001, Alsace, France



SALAD

SPINACH SALAD
WITH MOLASSES PECAN DRESSING

*Gary Farrell, Pinot Noir, 2001, Russian River Valley,
Sonoma County*



ENTREE

GRILLED FILET MIGNON WITH BBQ SHRIMP
SERVED WITH GARLIC POTATOES

Ehlers, Cabernet Sauvignon, Napa Valley, 2000



DESSERT

PONCHATOULA STRAWBERRY SHORTCAKE

*Bonny Doon, "Vin de Glaciere", Muscat,
California, 2000*



Dear Friends,

The 2004 LSU Neuroscience Center Annual Dinner celebrates the life and legacy of Donald Nalty and raises funds for research into the cause and treatment of many neurological diseases.



Donald Nalty

Because Donald experienced head trauma and struggled with Parkinson's Disease, the research conducted at the LSU Neuroscience Center is particularly relevant. But perhaps more important from Donald's perspective would have been the great success that he helped seed in the growth and development of the Center.

In 1986 the Edward G. Schlieder Educational Foundation under Donald's leadership invested \$100,000 in Dr. Bazan's research. That gift helped seed the development of the LSU Neuroscience Center which, to date, has brought in more than \$100 million in extramural funding. Donald would have been proud of that kind of return on investment and its impact on the economic vitality of our city and state.

Donald Nalty served as a model for leadership in business, civic affairs and personal integrity. We will enjoy the richness of his work for years to come. The LSU Neuroscience Center is proud to salute him as an integral part of its success.

Margie and Sandy Villere

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