

From your Alumni Office. . .



Greetings to All,

The Alumni Office has had a terrific reunion summer, celebrating with our reunion classes, as all honored our 50th reunion Class of 1961 this year. The class was recognized at the annual luncheon at the Hilton, following the Scientific Session held on the Saturday of reunion weekend. They then partied into the wee hours of the morning at the newly renovated Blueroom of the Roosevelt Hotel. Other classes celebrating reunions this year participated in events across the City, including venues such as Pat O'Brien's, Galatoire's, and Palace Cafe, to name just a few.

Your financial support has enabled this office to sponsor and underwrite multiple student events, such as Camp Tiger (the summer camp run by medical students for disabled children), Match Day events, White Coat ceremony, Student-Run Homeless Clinics, and scholarships. The Alumni Office has developed a closer relationship with students over the years, realizing that a healthy relationship with our future alumni is the key to success for our organization.

Your contributions to the **Russell C. Klein, MD ('59)**, Center for Advanced Practice and the **Isidore Cohn, Jr., MD**, Student Learning Center are greatly appreciated by students, residents, faculty, and even outside physicians who benefit from the educational programs provided in these facilities.

Please take advantage of the opportunity to attend our upcoming fundraising gala in October (complete information available in this edition). The theme this year is the Roaring 20's and we expect attendance to be high. This event is not limited to alumni, so feel free to share the information with friends. If you cannot attend, please consider making a contribution that would allow a student to attend in your place.

As always, I appreciate the chance to serve you in this capacity and strongly encourage you to stop by for a visit when you are in New Orleans. This office is here to serve you,

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Cathi Fontenot". The ink is dark and the signature is fluid and legible.

Cathi Fontenot ('84)

Associate Dean

for Alumni Affairs and Development

Tiger in the News

Virginia Connally, MD: Trailblazing Physician, Woman of Faith

The extraordinary life of **Virginia Boyd Connally** ('37), EENT specialist of Abilene, TX, has been detailed in a biography by Loretta Fulton: *Virginia Connally, MD: Trailblazing Physician, Woman of Faith*. Dr. Connally, who was born in Temple, TX, in 1912, obtained her undergraduate degree at Hardin-Simmons University [then Simmons University], Abilene, TX, in 1933, and her MD degree from LSU School of Medicine in 1937. She returned to Abilene, TX, in 1940 and began a remarkable career as the Abilene's first female physician, plus a life of worldwide travel and a brush with Washington's elite through her husband's political involvement. Much of her travel has been in support of Baptist causes and missions. Information and photos from Dr. Russell C. Klein's book, *A History of LSU School of Medicine – New Orleans* (LSU Medical Alumni Association, 2010) were used in the chapters involving LSU School of Medicine. Dr. Connally, whose vibrant personality continues to inspire those around her, will celebrate her 99th birthday in December 2011.

Virginia Connally, MD: Trailblazing Physician, Woman of Faith may be ordered from Texas Star Trading Company in Abilene at www.texasstartrading.com or 325-672-9696.

'49

Wilfrid Dolan, Lafayette, LA – Since 1996, Medical Director for local Plasma Center – Talecris.

John Hamilton, St. Petersburg, FL – “I still volunteer for the St. Petersburg Free Clinic doing Family Practice every Friday for the last 10 years. I love it!”

'50

Thomas McNeely, Crowley, LA – Retired from practice 15 years. Maintain CME with meeting and journals. On Emeritus Staff American Legion Hospital of Crowley and remain active on volunteer staff of Hospice of Acadiana with 25 other physicians, largely LSU alumni.

'57

Guy Guarino, Hickory, NC – “I always enjoy Medicinews!”

Sam Holladay, Springhill, LA – “Three of our offspring practicing physicians – two in Louisiana. I'm still working Mondays and Tuesdays. Looking forward to next year's reunion.”

'58

Cy Vaughn, Phoenix, AZ – “Barbara Vaughn, P.H.T. ('58) (Putting Hubby Through), my wife and best friend, passed away on June 5, 2010. We have five children: Vicki (RN), Cecil III (Butch) ('88) and Paul ('91), who are vascular surgeons in the Valley, Mike (J.D.) is an attorney in California and Katy (PhD) is psychologist in Phoenix. We have 10 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren. I love LSU and remember walking to School from the Iberville Housing Project.”



Dr. Griffen

131st President of State Medical Society

F. Dean Griffen ('65) of Shreveport, LA, was elected to serve the Louisiana State Medical Society (LSMS) as its 131st president. An active LSMS member since 1969, Dr. Griffen has served in several positions of leadership over the years, including president of Shreveport Medical Society in 1997. Dr. Griffen maintained a private practice in general, thoracic and vascular surgery with Highland Clinic in Shreveport from 1972 to 2007, while maintaining an academic appointment in surgery at the LSU Medical Center. Since 2007, he has established his practice as a professor of clinical surgery at LSUHSC-Shreveport.

'59

Charles Abdo, Las Vegas, NV – “I will be 79 on 8/31/2011. I am retiring after 47 wonderful years practicing ENT, 44 in Las Vegas; the last 10 have been on a part-time basis. I will miss patients and colleagues. Ruth and I have travelled to most of the places we wanted to visit. Plan on spending time at our home in Incline Village, Lake Tahoe, NV, and visiting our children and grandchildren in Paradise Valley, AZ, Pasadena and Beverly Hills, CA, as well as a son and grandson in Incline Village, and the three families in LV. We have 7 children and 16 grands. No greats yet. I would be remiss if I didn't express my profound gratitude to my mentor and friend Irving Blatt, MD, FACS. Thanks, Irv.”

Mickey Salmon, St. Petersburg, FL – “I'm proud to state I have six children, grown and successful and 17 grandchildren. Living in Florida close to five of them.”

'61

Clyde Wagner, San Antonio, TX – “Retired – Fifty great years was enough!”

'65

John Sorrells, Lake Charles, LA – Retired on 1/1/11.

Tiger in the News

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James Gregory Jolissaint ('86) was interviewed by Fathers for Good (an initiative for men by the Knights of Columbus) for a "Courageous Dads" article, under the title "Frontier Physician." The article may be read at the Fathers for Good website (www.fathersforgood.org). Dr. Jolissaint is a family medicine physician who served 32 years in the U.S. Army, retiring with the rank of Colonel in the Medical Corps. He currently serves as the Medical Director and Chief of the Clinical Operations Office for the Medical Communications for Combat Casualty Care (MC4) Program.

'66

Bill DeVillier, Hattiesburg, MS – "Judy and I living in our new home in Hattiesburg, MS. I retired from La. State Mental Health after 25 years and retired again from Ms. State Mental Health Department but still working around Hattiesburg, MS, area. We also enjoy traveling with our trip to Egypt just prior to the uprising. Very memorable!"

'68

Joseph LaNasa, Destrehan, LA – "I have closed my practice in Monroe, LA, as of November, 2010. I moved there after Hurricane Katrina forced me to relocate. As of January 1, 2011, I was offered and accepted a faculty appointment at Tulane Medical Center in New Orleans with Dr. Raju Thomas in the Department of Urology. We have maintained our home in Destrehan, La during our tenure in Monroe. Wanda and I are elated to be back in New Orleans close to our daughter, Connie, and four of our eight grandchildren who live in Metairie. Our two sons live out of state in Greenwich, CT, and Raleigh, NC. They each have two children.

"We recently attended the inaugural meeting of the LSU Uro-Tigers Society at the LSUHSC in January, 2011. Its membership is open to all LSUHSC alumni and residents who are practicing or retired urologists. Please contact **Chris Winters ('88)** or **Tony Fuselier ('67)** of the LSUHSC Department of Urology to join!!! The department needs our support to continue to grow and

prosper in these difficult financial times. As co-founder of the LSU Urology Alumni Association in 1973, our members have agreed to meld with Uro-Tigers. The balance in our Association account of \$50,000 has been pledged to Uro-Tigers to fund a perpetual 'Gilbert C. Tomskey Lectureship' in Urology."

Bert Oubre, Columbia, SC – "I attended the inauguration of the third African Hospital that my wife and I have helped open, Hospital de Guinebor II on January 13 in Chad. The Chad Minister of Health and the Governor were there – as well as TV crews. The next day we saw 75 patients in the clinic. The hospital staff is now delivering babies, performing surgery, caring for outpatients and inpatients – hey, just like any hospital. Hospital charges have resulted already in breaking even! Even I, Mr. Optimist, am surprised. A couple from Baton Rouge will join our European British and Chadian team next month. Thanks for your help!"

'71

Charles Black, Shreveport, LA – Retired from private practice and now

MEDICAL ALUMNI REUNIONS 2012

for the following classes:

'46, '47, '48, '52, '57, '62, '67,
'72, '77, '82, '87, '92, '97, '02

June 8 and 9, 2012

New Orleans Hilton, Poydras at the River

To volunteer
to help with
your 2012 reunion,
contact the Office of
Alumni Affairs
at (504) 568-4009
or e-mail:
ROAR@lsuhsc.edu

See you
there!



Tigerlines

employed full time at the VA Hospital attending in General Surgery.

Bruce Gordon, Sacramento, CA – “Son **Nathaniel** (’10) finished internship (IM/Critical Care) at UC Davis, Sacramento. He also finished 2010 Coeur d’Alene – Iron Man Triathlon.”

Robert Schwendimann, Shreveport, LA – Interim Chairman, Department of Neurology, LSUHSC-Shreveport and Professor of Clinical Neurology. “Back to Academic Neurology since 1995 – Busy with new residency program in Neurology.”

’72

Edmund Nagem, Salem, SC – “I am proud to announce that my son, Ross A. Avant, will begin his medical career at LSUHSC-New Orleans.”

’73

Pop Neumann, Tallulah, LA – “Eight grand “kids” is more than Emily can handle.”

’74

Patricia McGuff Schneider, St. Francisville, LA – “Back to St. Francisville, primary care Pediatrics. I have a terrific practice – children and grandchildren of my original pediatric patients. St. Francisville is rural, suburban with one of the best public school systems in the state. It’s fun to go to work every day. Kids are grown, grandkids are fun.”

’75

Nicholas Danna, Metairie, LA – Thirty-two years in practice of Pediatrics in Metairie. “Three grandsons provide continuing education in Pediatrics.”

’80

Mark Rubin, West Monroe, LA – “I really enjoyed our Class of 1980 Reunion. I wish that we could meet yearly – Had a great time!”

Jon Schellack, Baton Rouge, LA – “Dr. Paul Perkowski and I are looking forward to having **London Guidry Lyons** (’04) join us in the practice of Vascular Surgery in July!”

’85

Tom Curtis, Rayne, LA – “Amanda and I are grandparents! He (Jack) is such a blessing. J.T. finishes Petroleum Engineering in May. Logan ends second year at LSU Vet School. Carl applies for medical school this fall. Scott begins Chemical Engineering at LSU this fall.”

’87

Gordon Schally, New Orleans, LA – “After nine years in the Army and 14 years in private practice in Little Rock I have returned to New Orleans to practice Radiology at the VA.”

’88

Allen Dupre, Montgomery, AL – “Debbie and I are doing great in Montgomery. Our youngest child graduates high school this year so our “empty nest” invites you to visit. **Jimmy McCready** (’88) is the only member of our class who writes about his life. . . does anyone else have a life!?! Let’s hear from you!”

’92

Ted Hart, Willis, TX – “Moved to Texas from Colorado with Julie and our three-year-old, John. I am currently Medical Director of Anesthesia at

Tiger in the News

Andrew Nakamoto (’09) is in the process of starting a nonprofit organization called RESTART, which stands for “Recreational and Educational Sports Therapy and Rehabilitation Treatments.” The mission is to donate various sports equipment to correctional facilities in order to teach offenders cooperation and teamwork while building up their self-esteem. The goal is to provide them with the opportunity to learn certain job skills that offenders can use to secure jobs on their release from incarceration. The three facilities that are RESTART’s initial targets are Elayn Hunt Correctional, Louisiana State Penitentiary (Angola), and Dixon Correctional.

To quote Warden Burl Cain of Louisiana State Penitentiary in Angola, LA, “Our greatest challenge is to give hope where there is hopelessness.”

Huntsville Memorial Hospital. We are back in the heat and humidity, but enjoying living on Lake Conroe. Also, close enough to drive in for LSU games. *Geaux Tigers!*”

Laura Spurl, Tacoma, WA – “Practicing Ob/Gyn in Tacoma, Washington. Involved in robotic surgery. Recently engaged after the loss of my husband four years ago.”

COLIN GOODIER GOLF TOURNAMENT

The 4th Annual Colin Goodier Golf Tournament was held at Audubon Golf Course on Friday, September 23, 2011. The tournament was established to honor the memory of **Colin David Goodier** (’05). Proceeds will go to a scholarship fund created in his name at LSU Medical School. Think about participating next year. For information about the tournament, contact Nicette Goodier (504) 895-7076 or Ben Hales (504) 508-1862. The registration form will be available at the Alumni Affairs website (http://www.medschool.lsuhs.edu/alumni_affairs/).

DECEASED

1939

Lamar L. Lambert

1940

E. Craig Heringman
Harold S. Miropol

1941

Earl H. Morrogh
Thomas R. Wilson

1942

Martin Harwin
Thomas W. Kleinpeter

1943 March

Lucille E. Tognoni

1944

Joseph B. Miller
George D. Tennison

1946

Francis M. Harris
Fleater Palmer

1948

John J. Davis

1952

Lastie J. Broussard
Thomas J. Hebert
Eli Sorkow

1954

William M. Roeling

1956

Eugene C. Crisler

1957

John D. Brooks
William J. Erwin
Archie B. Osborn

1959

Robert H. Schulingkamp
Donald H. Vines
Malcolm L. Latour

1962

James W. O'Neal

1964

Thomas D. McCaffery, Jr.
William H. Steen

1967

Beuker F. Amann

1972

James W. Cabaniss

1978

H. Stanley Culbertson
George W. Stubbs

1997

Julie G. Bragg

1999

Timothy A. McGowan

'95

Katherine Kreutziger Baumgarten, New Orleans, LA – Now the Medical Director of Infection Control and Employee Health for the Ochsner System.

Mia Singleton-Ben, Opelousas, LA – “Still practicing Pediatric Medicine and playing women’s tackle football. Acadiana Zydeco won first game 44-20 with me playing center and middle linebacker.”

'05

Jeffrey Elder, Metairie, LA – Appointed Director of New Orleans EMS.

Sarah Glorioso, Shreveport, LA – “Working in Shreveport, expecting 1st Baby Boy!”

'06

Lauren C. Anderson de Moreno, Lexington, KY – “Graduated from Indiana School of Medicine in June and will be joining the staff as Assistant Professor in Otolaryngology-Head & Neck Surgery at the University of Kentucky to join my husband Oscar, who is a General Surgery Resident there. I am slowing moving my way down south from the cold but warm-hearted Midwest. My research entitled: “The

Effects of Prematurity on Incidence of Aspiration following Supraglottoplasty for Laryngomalacia,” which also won first poster competition at the Triological Society meeting in Scottsdale, AZ, in January 2011, will be featured in an upcoming publication of *The Laryngoscope*.

William Rolston, Savannah, GA – Completed Otolaryngology residency in Arkansas and going into private practice in Savannah, GA.

'09 & '10

Laura Folsie McCormick and Michael McCormick, Greenwood Village, CO – “We had a son, Andrew Joseph McCormick – born July 6, 2011!”

Charitable Giving Through Individual Retirement Accounts

If you are over age 70½, the Federal government permits you to rollover up to \$100,000 from your IRA to charity without increasing your taxable income or paying any additional tax. These tax-free rollover gifts could be \$1,000, \$10,000 or any amount up to \$100,000 this year. For more information, contact the LSUHealth Foundation (www.lsuhsfoundation.org).

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Greetings to all

Unquestionably we find ourselves immersed in intriguing times fortified by stirring events. The seemingly collapse of myriad foreign heads of state and their autocratic regimes, European economic destabilization, intemperate US debt and a rivetingly unpredictable market in sum may easily overwhelm the staunchest among us. The take-home point endures – remember the small meaningful stuff. As we approach the ten-year anniversary of the “September 11 Attacks” we must remain circumspect while continuing to honor those who willingly place themselves in harm’s way battling for our freedom.

The merit of God, family, friends and yes, even our alma mater can never be overstated. Certainly without these latter ingredients our lives would markedly be less significant. I have recently been honored and asked to assume the reigns as alumni president from my far more capable predecessor, **Charles Schibler II** (’92). Thanks, Chuck, for superlative leadership over the previous 12 months.

Your Alumni Association, under the watchful direction of **Cathi Fontenot** (’84), continues to make strides at reducing the debt of our prodigious undertaking relative to the Center for Advanced Practice.

Our chancellor, **Larry Hollier** (’68), remains unwavering as the stalwart motivator for the new medical complex. These two highly enthusiastic players and their respective accomplishments deserve ongoing accolades.

The annual Purple and Gold Gala with “The Rrrroaring ’20s” theme occurs on October 15, 2011, at the New Orleans Marriott. The event features The Jimmy Maxwell Orchestra. Additionally, as customary, you’ll enjoy a dinner buffet and live/silent auctions That evening the tigers play the Tennessee Volunteers at Knoxville. Not to worry a Big Screen TV will be present in the Ballroom. Kudos to the tigers and coaching staff for their fine performance in the season’s opener against the Ducks. Please make an extra effort to attend the 6th annual gala. It’s always a special night. If I may be so bold as to gently suggest purchasing an entire table and any unfilled seats may then be offered to LSU Medical Students.

Also be mindful of the summer reunions, which were a great success and highlighted in this edition of your newsletter. Reunions are a terrific way to honor your alma mater and catch up with old friends.

I look forward to a great year as Alumni President.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Lee R. Domangue". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "D" at the end.

Lee R. Domangue (’76)

President

LSU Medical Alumni Association