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THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS - HOUSTON MEDICAL SCHOOL

## Calendar Week of September 25 - Oct. 2

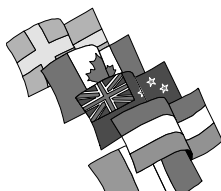
**25 AHA Grant-In-Aid Program Workshop** led by **Dr. Richard Kulmacz**, 1 p.m., MSB 3.001.

**25 Conquering Cancer March**, 6:15 p.m., Institute of Religion garden, 1129 Wilkins.

**Oct. 2 UT-Houston Research Day**, 12:30-3:30 p.m., Edwin Hornberger Conference Center, 2151 W. Holcombe.

## UTmost Interest

**Dr. George Stancel**, Division of Pharmacology, recently gave a seminar, "Estrogen-Female Sex Hormone and a Whole Lot More!" at UT-San Antonio, also spoke at the Third International Symposium on Hormonal Carcinogenesis in Seattle, WA. He will give a talk on Oct. 3 at the "Estrogens and Human Health" conference in Urbana, IL.



## DR. DAVID TAYLOR IS FIRST PRESENTER IN CME INITIATIVE

**Dr. David E. Taylor**, Pulmonary and Critical Care Medicine, will make the first presentation in the UT-H Medical School/Memorial Hospital Southeast CME Initiative Wednesday, **Sept. 30**, at the hospital. His topic for the noon event will be "Outcome of Resuscitation Procedures in the ICU." The October speakers and their topics are **Dr. Charles E. Ericsson**, Infectious Diseases, "Outpatient Infectious Diseases," and **Dr. John R. Stroehlein**, Gastroenterology, Hepatology and Nutrition, "Ulcers."



Dr. David E. Taylor

## HOUSTON INTERNATIONAL HEALTH SUMMIT, OCT. 1-2

Speakers and guests from Egypt, China, El Salvador, India, Zambia, Vietnam, Mexico and other countries will attend the Houston International Community Health Summit **October 1-2** to be held at the Medical School.

**Dr. Maria Ferris**, Dept. of Pediatrics and medical director of Hermann Hospital's international affairs program, is coordinator of this year's summit. Conference chair is **Dr. Rodolfo J. Cortina**, director of the University of Houston's Center for the Americas.

"This summit is about sharing," says Dr. Ferris. "The concern about health and the well-being of communities is world-wide, so what we expect at this year's conference is an exciting colloquia of approaches to health care crises and educational models."

A number of Houston-area health care organizations and academic institutions have been involved in the planning of the upcoming event which includes continuing education credits for health professionals. For more information regarding registration, call 500-5249.

## SOLAR PANELS INSTALLED AT UCT

Renewable solar energy has a friend in UT-Houston Health Science Center, specifically **Brian Yeoman**, assistant vice president of UT's Support Services. Yeoman's dream to solar power the University Center Tower (UCT) got turned "on" during a ribbon-cutting ceremony there Wednesday, September 16. Four large solar panels are housed atop the UCT's six-floor garage. The arrays will provide a minimum of 20 kilowatts of solar power to the building, eliminating



65,000 pounds of carbon dioxide emissions into the atmosphere. UT campus energy manager **Mani Palani** said the university hopes to install solar panels and wind machines campus-wide, including the medical, dental and nursing schools. Upon completion, this will be the largest solar array installation in the Houston/Gulf Coast area. Support for the project has come from both ongoing UT energy conservation efforts and a Utility Photovoltaic Group Match-Up grant as part of the Clean Power Alliance, and the State

Energy Conservation office. To the left, **John Poretto**, Executive Vice President for Administration and Finance, and **Jane Pulaski**, program manager of the Texas State Energy Conservation Office, show off the new solar panels.

## EVENTS TO KNOW:

- **Sixth Annual UTHSC Golf Tournament**, benefiting student scholarships, 10 a.m.-4 p.m., Monday, **Sept. 28**, Ravenaux Country Club.
- **Dr. Charles E. Glassick** lecture, Carnegie Foundation Author, (See *Monday Morning*, 9/21/98 and *Scoop* 9/11/98), Tuesday, **Oct. 6**, 11:45 a.m.-1 p.m., 3.001.
- **Dr. Gunter Blobel**, Rockefeller University, Dean's Lecturer, Wed., **Oct. 28**, 3.001.

## 20th Annual ChiliFest Oct. 16

"Rotel & the Hot Tomatoes" music, Goode Co. food, and an extra anniversary bonus to the first 3,000 people will mark this year's festivities. Fifteen UT-Houston community outreach programs will be featured. Fifteen display booths housed with antics and chili will vie for top chili dog position. The event will be at the HMB Park inside the jogging track between 2 - 6 p.m.



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Once **MEDLINE** was released, researchers could search for subject terms, keywords, authors and years--all with one easy set of commands. Even with this breakthrough, there was still the task of finding the articles and getting copies or notes. The widespread use of photocopying machines helped make the job easier.

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## Buycard Software Training

UT-H Buycard software training, termed "P-Card Solution," has been extended. Training classes are in University Center Towers (UCT), room 1505B. Classes remaining include: Sept. 25, 28, 29, 30, and Oct. 1. Times are 9-11 a.m. on Sept. 25 and Sept. 28; and 2-4 p.m., on Sept. 25, 28, 29, 30, and Oct. 1. You can register online at <[http://www.uth.tmc.edu/ut\\_general/admin\\_fin/hr/index.html](http://www.uth.tmc.edu/ut_general/admin_fin/hr/index.html)>. For more information, call **Zera Harden, 500-3133**.



## Texas Healthy Kids

One of the few child-only (ages 2-17) medical insurance programs in the nation opened its doors last week to the uninsured children of Harris and 10 neighboring counties. *Texas Healthy Kids Corp.*, a non-profit organization created last year by the State Legislature, is offering medical coverage at \$68.21 per child per month. Dental coverage is an additional \$3.75 per child per month. Parents still pay \$10 for doctor visits and \$5-10 for prescription drugs. There is a \$250 deductible for hospitalization. Covered options include doctor office visits, well-child visits, eyeglasses, x-rays, immunizations, lab tests, basic mental health, and home health services. Applications are being accepted through **Nov. 15**. For more information, call **713-770-2600**, option 0, or call **1-877-WELL KID** to apply.



**FYI** - The Thirteenth Annual Arts and Crafts Fair, from 9 a.m. - 3:30 p.m. on **Thursday, Dec. 3**, in the Medical School's Leather Lounge, still has a few tables available. Prices are \$22 for one table and \$35 for two tables. Call **Kathy Crowley, 500-6511**, or **Beverly Head, 500-6512**, to reserve a table.



**Grant Award** - The Burroughs Wellcome Fund is soliciting applications for the New Investigator Awards in the Pharmacological or Toxicological Sciences. The award provides \$ 70,000 per year for three years. Candidates must have an M.D. or Ph.D. degree and must be independent investigators appointed to a tenure-track position as an assistant professor or its equivalent within three years of the **Nov. 2** agency deadline. If you intend to apply, notify the Office of Research Services, 500-3075 by **Oct. 12**.

**October Schedule** - Electronic Medical Record Class for Hermann Doctors: 3-4 p.m., **Oct. 2, 8, 15, 27**; 5-6 p.m., **Oct. 6, 20, 29**; 11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m., **Oct. 1**; 4-5 p.m., **Oct. 13**; 12-1 p.m., **Oct. 22**. RSVP to **Marsha Glickman, 704-6323**. Leave your full name and phone number to ensure username and password setup.

### Employee Relations Committee (ERC) Winners

Winners of the ERC drawing and their prizes, drawn at Employee Appreciation Day on Sept. 16 include: **Robin Lane**, health club membership for six months; **Kathy M. Brucki**, chair; **Dacheng He**, overnight stay; **Carolyn Ardoin**, Sunday brunch; **Nancy S. Shipley**, bear; **Erzsebet Thomazy**, bear; and **Malik Kalimuddin**, bear.