



# Scoop

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THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MEDICAL SCHOOL AT HOUSTON

## Events to Know

### March

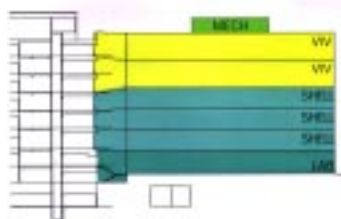
- 15 Dr. Susan Buchanan**, "Structure and Function of Outer Membrane Iron Transporters," 11:45 a.m., MSB 2.135.
- 16 Health Care and the Arts Lecture Series, Dr. John Lienhard**, lecturer, noon, MSB 3.001.
- 16 Dr. Reinhard Grisshammer**, "Towards the Structure of G-Protein-coupled receptors and Ligand Recognition," 11:45 a.m., MSB 6.018D.
- 18 The Match**. 11 a.m., Webber Plaza. In case of rain, Fifth Floor Gallery.
- 18 Health Care and the Arts Lecture Series, Katherine Ciesinski**, lecturer, noon, MSB 3.001.
- 20 The Developing Brain**, a free event, 10:30 a.m.-noon, MSB 3.001.
- 30 Health & Human Spirit Lecturer, Dr. Jeffrey Bishop**, noon, MSB 3.001.

### April

- 17 & 24 UT House Medics**. Volunteer to lend a hand with a scraper, hammer and paint brush for elderly homeowners. Contact **Krysti Suarez**, 713-500-2241.

## NEW SIX-STORY BUILDING TO TAKE PLACE OF JFB

**Interim Dean Stanley Schultz** announced that plans are under way to demolish the John Freeman Building and replace it with a six-story building having four floors of wet labs and a two-story vivarium on top. Each story will connect to the Medical School.



The proposed 208,500 gross square feet research and vivarium building will cost an estimated \$55.53 million and is expected to be finished by September 2006. Just one of the four lab floors will be built out upon the building's completion, with plans to build out the remaining shelled floors when necessary funds becomes available.

"This is a very exciting development in our post-Allison reconstruction program," Schultz said. "The faculty, staff, and students have had their patience tested throughout this time, and I am pleased to say that we are moving forward and will soon have a great new building in which to grow."

Plans for relocating the current John Freeman Building occupants are under way, with a goal to have the building emptied by the end of fall 2004 so that it may be demolished in January 2005.

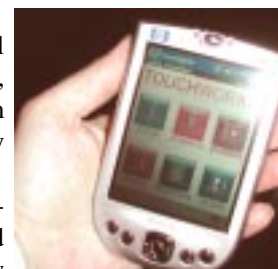
The new building's lab space will be home to four areas of research focus: structural biology, developmental neurobiology, functional (physiological) genomics, and molecular biology of human pathogens.

"I am also happy to report that reconstruction of the ground floor and basement are on time and the Webber Plaza entrance and much of the ground floor, including the new leather lounge, is scheduled to open the first week of April," Schultz added.

## UT PHYSICIANS TO USE TECHNOLOGY FOR CHARGE CAPTURE, EMR

The day when a UT physician dictates into a handheld computer and accesses patients' medical records and charge information through the same device is just around the corner for 20 faculty members in the departments of Orthopaedic Surgery and Surgery.

The new technology — TouchWorks software from Allscripts — will be piloted with 20 faculty members in April. And by the end of the year, 100 UT Physicians will be able to access patient information in the palm of their hands. The Department of Family Practice and Community Medicine will be the next department to come online.



Medical records in the palm of a doctor's hand.

TouchWorks features many different modules, but the UT Physicians are beginning with five: charge, base, dictate, document, and scan. These modules automate the charge and billing process, allow physicians' dictations to be sent electronically to the transcription company and digitally sign patient notes. A mechanism to scan documents directly into a patient's electronic medical record (EMR) will ensure that the EMR includes the paper record of returning patients. Each service physician will be provided with an iPAQ to carry with them as they see patients and submit charges after each patient's visit. Some of

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## CONTEMPORARY CARDIOLOGY FORUM IS APRIL 1 - 3

"Concepts in Contemporary Cardiology," a symposium **April 1 - 3** at the George R. Brown Convention Center, will feature lectures from all areas of cardiovascular medicine and will include live cases highlighting peripheral and coronary interventions, carotid stenting, percutaneous AAA repair and endovascular cardiac defect repair.

Up to 19 category 1 credits towards the AMA physician's Recognition Award will be offered. Also to be featured are workshops and group discussions on the latest cardiovascular topics and controversies.

Entertainment will include the "Taste of Texas" gala April 2 and the 5th Annual Bayou City Shoot-Out Golf Tournament April 3.

For more information visit <http://www.cardioconcepts.org>.



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## REQUIRED SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION FOR A VOUCHER

*Editor's note: The PeopleSoft FMS support team along with Finance and Procurement are writing periodic articles to keep the Medical School community abreast of progress at the request of Interim Dean Stanley Schultz:*

**FMS User Question:** Which screen prints and documentation are required for various kinds of vouchers? We're getting conflicting information.

### PEOPLESOFT SOLUTIONS

**Answer:** These requirements differ depending on the type of payment or reimbursement sought. There are three general types of payments:

#### EMPLOYEE TRAVEL REIMBURSEMENTS PROCESSED BY ERT

- From the voucher: Invoice Information and Voucher Attributes pages
- Requisition summary page (lists all lines and information for pre-encumbrances)
- From Cost Travel: Travel Segment page
- TE worksheet (signed by the traveler) and supporting receipts and documents

#### CONSULTANT PAYMENTS PROCESSED BY ERT

- From the voucher: Invoice Information and Voucher Attributes pages
- Requisition summary page (lists all lines and information for pre-encumbrances)
- From Cost Travel: Travel Segment page
- Signed State of Texas Purchase Order
- No TE WORKSHEET is required

#### NON-PO VOUCHERS FOR SUPPLIER VENDOR PAYMENTS PROCESSED BY DISBURSEMENTS

- From the voucher: Invoice Information and Voucher Attributes pages
- Supporting invoices, receipts, and documents

*Note: Before printing Invoice Information page, please be sure that all voucher lines and all accounting distribution lines are visible. This is achieved by clicking on View All hyperlinks on each of those lines.*

- S. Ball, M. Hillman

## PATIENT CARE TO BECOME EASIER TO MANAGE WITH NEW TECHNOLOGY

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these functions require wireless Internet access, but the data and software applications are available through password-protected Internet access via any computer. "This technology will help us in two main areas: on the inpatient side it will maximize our charge capture since it automates this function and reconciles with the hospital lists; and on the outpatient side, electronic medical records will make patient care much easier to manage," said Diana Browning, assistant vice president for clinical affairs for Medical Service Research and Development Plan (MSRDP). The software will be seamlessly integrated with the IDX billing system, she added.

"The new technology also will help with billing compliance, improve patient safety, and make better use of personnel time," said Dr. James Griffiths, assistant vice president of clinical information systems. "Any physician will have all patient records available to them wherever they are, on their iPAQ or the Web, so they can care for the patient."

- D. Brown

### Literature and Medicine Seminar Series

## ACTOR AND VISITING PROFESSOR TO CONDUCT SEMINAR

Medicine and literature share a fundamental concern with the human condition. **Megan Cole**, actor and visiting professor, will hold a six-session seminar on these two topics, starting at noon Mon., **March 15**, with the opening subject, "Viewing Literature and Medicine: A Rationale," in MSB 5.036. The remaining sessions will be:



Megan Cole

Wed., **March 17**: The Short Story

Mon., **March 22**: The Poem

Wed., **March 24**: The Play

Mon., **March 29**: The Narrative

Wed., **March 31**: Synthesizing the Genres: A Retrospective.

All sessions will take place at noon, in MSB 5.036.

The major objectives of the sessions are to:

- ◆ Provide access to various great and near-great works of literature that deal with medical issues and themes.
- ◆ Consider how the characters view and cope with the medical challenges in these works.
- ◆ Illuminate the connections between the reader and the literary work.

Authors to be illustrated include: Anton Chekhov, Leo Tolstoy, Thomas Mann, Nathaniel Hawthore, William Carlos Williams, Walt Whitman, John Keats, W. H. Auden, Margaret Atwood, William Shakespeare, Henrik Ibsen, Moliere, Margaret Edson, Eugene O'Neill, Edward E. Rosenbaum, Abraham Verghese, Audre Lorde, Perri Klass, and Anne Fadiman.

Blue book credit will be offered for attending five of the six lectures. The seminar series is free and open to the public.

## A GRADUATE STUDENT POSTER COMPETITION

Winners for the 2004 Graduate Student Education Committee Research Competition March 5 in the Fifth Floor Gallery were: 1st place - **Amir Mohsenin**; 2nd place - **Tera Guidry** and **Susan Ritter**; and 3rd place - **Melissa Drysdale**, **Jonathan Volmer**, **April Hebert**, and **Shen-An Hwang**.

