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THE UNIVERSITY OF TEXAS MEDICAL SCHOOL AT HOUSTON

Events to Know

January

22 Deadline for the Writing/Healing Retreat for Health Professionals in Boerne, Texas. Event is Feb. 24-27. Sponsored by The John P. McGovern M.D. Center for Health, Humanities, and the Human Spirit. Conference faculty: **Julie Reichert, Ph.D.**, cofounder of the annual Taos Writing Retreat for Health Professionals and **Tom Cole, Ph.D.**, director of the center and author of "The Journey of Life" and "No Color is My Kind," as well as producer of several films. A time for reflection, writing, music, movement, and other forms of creative expression. All-inclusive cost is \$925. Call 713-500-5080, or e-mail <Janice.L.Glover@uth.tmc.edu>.

ANNOUNCING NIH 'K' AWARD SUPPLEMENT

Attention: A program is now available to provide supplemental support to clinical investigators (full-time Medical School faculty) who are recipients of new (Year 01) NIH type K awards. The application deadline is **Feb. 15**. For more information, e-mail <Kimberly.J.Campbell@uth.tmc.edu> or call 713-500-5605.

TOWN HALL MEETING JAN. 11 CANCELLED

Dean Stanley Schultz will hold a town hall meeting toward the end of February. Further information will be forthcoming.

LOADING DOCK NOTICE

The Medical School loading dock **will be closed to parking permanently** starting at 5 p.m. Fri., **Jan. 7**. The loading dock stairs will be removed over the week-end of Jan. 8. The demolition of the John Freeman Building and construction of the Replacement Research Facility necessitates that the loading dock **be used for loading and unloading only**.



DR. JAMES ARENS NAMED ANESTHESIOLOGY CHAIR

Dean Stanley Schultz has announced the appointment of **Dr. James F. Arens** as term chair of the Department of Anesthesiology, effective **Jan. 10**.



Dr. James Arens
Critical Care Medicine.

Arens comes to the Medical School from The University of Texas M. D. Anderson Cancer Center, where he was the R. Lee Clark Professor and Chair, Department of Anesthesiology, a position he held for 5 years. Arens previously was vice president for clinical affairs at The University of Texas Medical Branch at Galveston; he came to UTMB in 1977 as chairman and professor of anesthesiology.

"I am very pleased that we have someone with Dr. Arens' great stature and experience to lead our Department of Anesthesiology," Schultz said.

Arens helped pioneer anesthetic techniques for open heart and other cardiac surgeries without the risks previously associated with general anesthetics. He holds Certificate #1 from the American Board of Anesthesiology in

Critical Care Medicine. A native of Hamel, Minn., Arens received his medical degree in 1959 from Creighton University Medical School. He did postgraduate training at Tripler Army Hospital in Honolulu and Charity Hospital in New Orleans.

He has received numerous honors, including the creation of the James F. Arens Chair in Anesthesiology at UTMB in 1986, and the Distinguished Service Award from the American Society of Anesthesiology in 1997. He has been president of the American Society of Anesthesiologists, the American Board of Anesthesiology and the American Board of Medical Specialties. He also served as chairman of the Residency Review Committee.

Former department chair **Dr. Jeffrey Katz** was named medical director of UT Physicians in April 2004.

BERM PROJECT COMMENCES

The construction fence going up around the Medical School signals the start of the long-awaited berm project. The project will feature the construction of earthen berms and hydrostatic walls as a secondary flood protection measure for the Medical School as well as new landscaping for Webber Plaza.



Marvin Allison, electrical foreman, Design Electric, works on berm project plans on the Fannin side of the Medical School.

The Fannin side entrance to the Medical School Building closed Jan. 4 as a result of this work and is expected to remain closed until mid-summer. The entrance will be available as an emergency exit only, as will the nearby stairs, "H," and the exit to the cyclotron building.

While work commences on the Fannin side of the building, the Webber Plaza side work will start soon pending the approval of the Houston Academy of Medicine-Texas Medical Center Library Board, which meets **Jan. 18**.

Vaughn Construction is the contractor on the project, which is expected to last 10 months.



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**NEW PHONE CONTACTS OF ADMINISTRATORS AND UT PHYSICIANS CLINICS
AT 6410 FANNIN**

UT Physicians' administrative offices have moved to Suite 1111 in The University of Texas Health Science Center Professional Building.

Personnel and their new numbers are:

- Diana Browning**, VP Clinical Operations, 832-325-7320
- Andrew Casas**, VP Business Operations, 832-325-7317
- Cheryl Oravetz**, Human Resources, 832-325-7313
- Debra Glenn**, Front Desk Reception, 832-325-7310
- Don Carr**, Compliance, 832-325-7322
- Don Meade**, Business Development, 832-325-7314
- Eileen Scallan**, Reimbursement Operations, 832-325-7316
- Melly Chapa**, Office Manager, 832-325-7318
- Robin Allen**, Managed Care, 832-325-7321
- Sachin Kulkarni**, Financial Analysis, 832-325-7315
- Main Line**, 832-325-7325
- FAX**, 713-512-2219



Robin Allen, manager of contract administration, extends a welcome to visitors to suite 1111, The University of Texas Health Science Center Professional Building.

ADULT PRIMARY & SPECIALTY CARE CLINICS:

Audiology and Hearing Aids	832-325-7171
Cardiology	832-325-7211
Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery	713-500-5304
Dermatology/Cosmetic Dermatology	713-500-8260
Endocrinology/Diabetes	832-325-7161
Family Practice	832-325-6500
Gastroenterology	713-704-5910
General Medicine	832-325-7100
General Surgery	832-325-7125
Genetics (Medical)	713-500-5765
Hyperbaric Medicine	713-704-4268
Infectious Diseases	832-325-7070
Kidney/Pancreas Transplant Center	713-704-3963
Liver Transplant Center	713-704-6800
Medical Records	832-325-6543
Nephrology	832-325-6545
Neuropsychology	832-325-7090
Neurology	832-325-7080
Neurosurgery	832-325-7090
Non-invasive Cardiology Lab	832-325-7099
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Ophthalmology	713-704-1777
Oral/Maxillofacial Surgery	713-790-4600
Orthopaedics	832-325-7141
Otolaryngology (Ear, Nose & Throat)	832-325-7171
Pain Management	713-704-7246
Physical Medicine and Rehabilitation	713-797-5929
Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery	832-325-7181
Psychiatry	713-500-2500
Pulmonary Medicine	832-325-7222
Rheumatology	832-325-7191
Travel Medicine	713-572-8122
Urology	713-704-2494
Women's Health Center	832-325-7131
Wound Healing/Lymphedema	713-704-5900

PEDIATRIC PRIMARY & SPECIALTY CARE CLINICS:

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Asthma, Pediatric	832-325-6516
Audiology and Hearing Aids, Pediatric	832-325-7171
Cardiology, Pediatric	832-325-6516
Child and Adolescent Psychiatry	713-500-2666
Dermatology, Pediatric	713-500-8260
Developmental Pediatrics	713-500-3709
Endocrinology/Diabetes, Pediatric	832-325-6516
Gastroenterology, Pediatric	832-325-6516
General Pediatrics	832-325-7111
Genetics, Pediatric	713-500-5765
Hematology, Pediatric	832-325-7111
Hemophilia, Pediatric	713-500-8360
Hyperbaric Medicine, Pediatric	713-704-4268
Infants at High Risk	713-500-5736
Liver Transplant Center, Pediatric	713-704-6800
Medical Records, Pediatric	832-325-6543
Nephrology and Hypertension, Pediatric	832-325-6516
Neurology, Pediatric	832-325-7151
Neuropsychology, Pediatric	832-325-7090
Neurosurgery, Pediatric	832-325-7242
Orthopaedics, Pediatric	832-325-7141
Otolaryngology (Ear, Nose & Throat), Pediatric	832-325-7171
Plastic and Reconstructive Surgery, Pediatric	832-325-7234
Pulmonology, Pediatric	832-325-6516
Surgery, Pediatric	832-325-7234
Urology, Pediatric	713-704-2494
Weight Management, Pediatric	832-325-6516
Wound Healing/Lymphedema, Pediatric	713-704-5900