

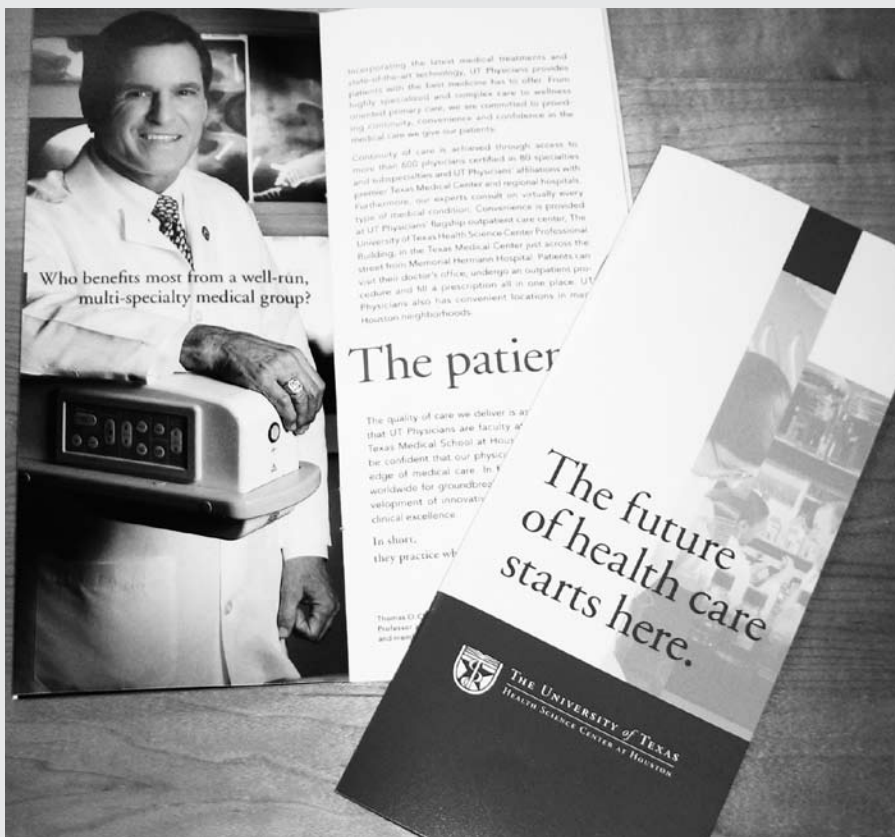
## Top 10 Reasons to Attend Fun Fest

1. Enjoy delicious food from Pappas Catering.
2. Listen to great music provided by a fun DJ.
3. Sip beer served to you by executive leadership, no less.
4. See friends from across campus.
5. Get a souvenir photo made with your buddies.
6. Taste the chili and salsa at the cook-off competition.
7. See what wild and wooly things some groups will do to promote their cook-off entry.
8. Put a face to that contact you have been e-mailing at another school or area.
9. Bid on great items in the University Classified Staff Council's Silent Auction, benefiting scholarships for children of classified employees.
10. Be glad you are not at your desk, wishing you were somewhere else on a Friday afternoon!

Visit the Web site at [www.uthouston.edu/funfest](http://www.uthouston.edu/funfest) for more details and volunteer information.



## University Rolls Out New Video, Brochure



### The future of health care starts here.

That's the message to the community from The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, conveyed through a new five-minute institutional video and companion 12-page brochure debuting this month.

Produced by the Office of Public Affairs, the two pieces seek to define what the UT Health Science Center is, highlighting the commitment to campus growth and the significance of our activities in education, research and service. The fast-paced video features actual faculty, staff and students moving through their usual paces on the sprawling UT campus. A special feature of the printed brochure is a foldout map illustrating the location of each UT Health Science Center building on the Texas Medical Center campus.

The new promotional items will be used throughout the year for new employee orientation, for campus visitors and more.

In the weeks ahead, Public Affairs staff will show the new video at a meeting of the university's Development Board and at various council and committee meetings around campus. If you would like to request a showing at a meeting, or if you wish to borrow a copy of the video to show to campus visitors, and/or if you would like to have some copies of the brochure for your own use, please contact Sheila. [Amiot@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:Amiot@uth.tmc.edu), (713) 500-3021.

## CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER 20 – OCTOBER 19

Please submit calendar items for the **October 16** issue of *The Leader*, which covers **October 17-November 15**, to [Pamela.Lewis@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:Pamela.Lewis@uth.tmc.edu), by **September 22**.

### September

★ **21** — Constitution Day, Carl Hacker, Ph.D., associate professor in the School of Public Health, presents an interactive discussion on the U.S. Constitution, by appearing in costume and offering the point of view of President James Madison, noon, School of Public Health Auditorium, along with a live TV feed to Medical School Building, Room 1.006. Contact: Betty. [M.Vaughan@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:M.Vaughan@uth.tmc.edu), (713) 500-3068.

★ **23** — School of Nursing Research Seminar Series, "The Texas Youth Obesity Epidemic: How Big is the Problem and What Can We Do About it?" presented by Steven H. Kelder, Ph.D., professor and associate dean for research at the School of Public Health, noon, School of Nursing and Student Community Center, Room 508. This brown-bag event is free and open to the public. It is sponsored by the School of Nursing Center for Nursing Research. Contact: [Tammy.Clemmons@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:Tammy.Clemmons@uth.tmc.edu), (713) 500-2041.

★ **24, 25** — Occupational & Environmental Medicine for Primary Care Practitioners, presented by the Southwest Center for Occupational and Environmental Health of the School of Public Health, 8 a.m.-noon, The Woodlands. Contact: Continuing Education Coordinator [Vickie.L.Mason@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:Vickie.L.Mason@uth.tmc.edu), (713) 500-9451.

★ **26** — 13th Annual UT Health Science Center Scholarship Golf Classic, 7:30a.m.-3p.m., Timber Creek Golf Club, 4554 FM 2351, Friendswood. Contact: [Dustin.Childers@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:Dustin.Childers@uth.tmc.edu), (713) 500-3258.

★ **29** — President's Update, noon, School of Nursing and Student Community Center Auditorium.

### October

★ **6** — UT Cardiology Division Research Lab Seminar, 4 p.m., Lutfi Abu-Elheiga, Ph.D., associate professor in the Department of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology at Baylor College of Medicine, presents "The Role of Acetyl-CoA Carboxylase 2 in Obesity and Diabetes," Medical School Building, Room B.100. The lecture is open to the public. Contact: [Roxy.A.Tate@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:Roxy.A.Tate@uth.tmc.edu), (713) 500-6569.

★ **17-18** — Air Toxics: What We Know, What We Don't Know and What We Need to Know, a workshop for researchers and policymakers organized by the Mickey Leland National Urban Air Toxics Research Center at the School of Public Health and the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, 8:30 a.m.-4 p.m., University of Houston Hilton. Other co-sponsors include the Greater Houston Partnership, the American Petroleum Institute, and the University of Houston. Registration: \$99, includes breakfast and lunch both days. More information at <http://www.sph.uth.tmc.edu/mleland/Pages/what.htm>. Contact: [Sharon.Curry@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:Sharon.Curry@uth.tmc.edu), (713) 500-3450.

## State Charitable Campaign Nears

As time passes, the effects of Hurricane Katrina may begin to fade for everyone except those directly affected by it. But now is exactly the time to remember all of those who have suffered because of this storm.

Why is now the time? Because the annual State Employee Charitable Campaign begins Oct. 1 and runs through Oct. 31.

How can you help? Read the literature you will receive. Look at the many groups on the lists of charitable organizations that helped those in need in the late summer and early fall that may find themselves with less money in their coffers to help others during the coming year.

"We hope that you will take this opportunity to look deep into your hearts and pockets to help those less fortunate than yourselves," says Marsha Brody-Silva, chair of the SECC 2005 campaign: Committed to a Stronger Community. "Yes, it has already been a year

of great need," Brody-Silva says, "but that does not mean that there will be fewer people to help during the coming year. It is quite likely that the need will be even greater."

Join campaign co-coordinators Paul Kattapong, Debbie Norris and Kay Williamson to meet agency representatives and enjoy light refreshments at one of two campaign kick-off events, Thursday, Sept. 29:

- 10 a.m.-noon, School of Public Health lobby
- 2-4 p.m., Medical School Leather Lounge

Last year, the UT Health Science Center raised more than \$174,000 with participation from 27 percent of the employees, making us the No. 2 dollar amount campaign contributor for the Gulf Coast region. Let's make our contribution this year even bigger.

All it'll take is to give up one of those Starbuck visits a week, or two fewer sodas a day, for example. A few cents a day adds up quickly. Every little bit helps! ★



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### DEADLINES

Submit information to be considered for publication in *The Leader* by the 15th of the month one month prior to the desired time of publication. Requests for feature articles require a longer lead time and will receive strategic consideration. Send electronic information in Word format (no PDFs or posters) and digital photos as unedited, high-resolution images at 300 dpi or better. E-mail to [Pamela.Lewis@uth.tmc.edu](mailto:Pamela.Lewis@uth.tmc.edu). Include a contact name, phone number and e-mail address. Mail hard copy to *The Leader*, c/o Pamela Lewis, Office of Public Affairs, University Center Tower, 1200, or fax to (713) 500-3037. For information regarding *The Leader*, call Pamela Lewis at (713) 500-3040.

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### Staff

★ Pharmacist Vivian Abobo, who works under contract with McKesson at the UT Harris County Psychiatric Center, was presented with the McKesson Medical Management Award for Clinical Excellence and Innovation at the company's annual meeting. McKesson senior management was impressed with many of the programs implemented at HCPC, including the patient monitoring guidelines, drug therapy monitoring, empiric antibiotic monitoring guidelines and other programs implemented to improve patient care.