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The mission of the Men of Distinction Annual Awards Luncheon is to recognize Houston men who have distinguished themselves through excellence in community achievement, thereby providing support for superior biomedical research, education, and patient care in the Texas Medical Center and directly benefiting the Houston community. A.G. 'Tony' Gracely and Harry Mach and The Men of Distinction Steering Committee

welcome you to the

2007 INAUGURAL PRESENTATION OF THE



ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON

honoring

D. Kent Anderson Dan L. Duncan John P. McGovern, M.D. Lester H. Smith

#### PROGRAM

Welcome and Opening Remarks TOM KOCH

**Invocation** The Reverend William A. Lawson

Lunch

Presentation of Honorees TOM KOCH

**Presentation of Medical Honorees** A.G. 'TONY' GRACELY AND HARRY MACH

**Closing Remarks** A.G. 'TONY' GRACELY AND HARRY MACH

# HONOREES



## D. Kent Anderson

As Chairman of Houston Endowment, Kent leads the board of directors of a private foundation that improves the lives of the people of the greater Houston area. With assets exceeding \$1.6 billion, the foundation provides more than \$70 million a year to a wide spectrum of charitable organizations. Widely respected as a leader in Houston's nonprofit community, the foundation has cumulatively distributed more than \$1.2 billion since it was established in 1937 by Jesse and Mary Gibbs Jones. Since Kent's election as chair in January 2003, the Endowment has granted more than \$285 million to nonprofit organizations supporting the arts, education, the environment, and health and human services.

A graduate of Rice University and the Colgate Darden Graduate School of Business at the University of Virginia, Kent spent his career in banking and finance. He has served as chairman and/or chief executive officer of Allied Bancshares, First Interstate Bank of Texas, and Post Oak Bank. Most recently he has been a special consultant to the chairman of Compass Bank. He is also a member of the board of directors of a number of public and private companies, including Pulte Homes, Inc., and Sam Houston Race Park.

Within the nonprofit community, Kent currently is in his third decade of service as a trustee of Rice University. In honor of his contributions to Rice, he was presented with the institution's highest honor – the Gold Medal Award. Kent has previously served on the governing boards of Children's Museum of Houston; Museum of Fine Arts, Houston; Houston Ballet; Houston Symphony; and the Texas Presbyterian Foundation. The National Jewish Hospital awarded him its National Humanitarian Award.

Other civic activities include service on the governing boards of Central Houston, Inc.; the Greater Houston Partnership; the Texas Chamber of Commerce; and the Texas Research League. He has also served on several state-wide governmental committees and authorities.

Kent served his country in the United States Air National Guard, and received the American Spirit of Honor Medal presented by the Citizens Committee for the Army, Navy, and Air Force. Recently he was chosen by the Department of Defense for the Joint Civilian Orientation Conference which is a program for civilian public opinion leaders.

A native of Lake Charles, Louisiana, Kent and his wife, Linda, have three children and three grandchildren.



## Dan L. Duncan

As the controlling shareholder of privately held EPCO, Inc., a company he founded in 1968, Dan L. Duncan has built a successful family of companies that now includes four publicly traded partnerships with an aggregate enterprise value of more than \$29 billion. The largest of these entities, Enterprise Products Partners L.P., (NYSE:EPD), is one of the premier midstream energy partnerships in North America. Through its comprehensive network of pipelines, plants, terminals and storage facilities, Enterprise plays an important role in meeting the country's demand for the energy that heats homes, powers industry, fuels vehicles, including commercial and military aircraft, and drives economic growth. Mr. Duncan is the largest unit holder in Enterprise and also serves as chairman.

Since its humble beginnings in 1968, when the company had two trucks and two customers, Enterprise has flourished under Mr. Duncan's leadership and vision to become a Fortune 200 company that is consistently ranked among the nation's best-managed companies. Mr. Duncan previously served as president and chief executive officer, and has been chairman since 1995. In 2003, his remarkable career was recognized when he was inducted into the Texas Businessman's Hall of Fame. Keys to the success of Enterprise are four basic, but very important principles that are still followed today:

- Always be completely honest with customers, suppliers, investors and employees;
- Hire the best employees available in all aspects of operations;
- Maintain transparency with regards to financial structure and reporting;
- Treat all professional clients, such as financial, legal and auditing personnel, fairly and openly

In addition to his success as a businessman, Mr. Duncan is involved with the Baylor College of Medicine, the Weatherby Foundation International, and the University of Texas at Houston Development Board.

A world-class, international big game hunter, Mr. Duncan has hunted on six continents. Among his outstanding achievements in this area are the Weatherby Award, the Safari Club International Hunter of the Year, the Houston Safari Club Hunter of the Year Award, and the Conklin Award. His Smithville ranch has been recognized for its conservation efforts by the state of Texas, the only partial high fence ranch to win such an award.

Perhaps his most enduring legacy, Mr. Duncan is one of our country's great supporters of medical research, helping to create a new backbone of research and comprehensive patient care. Through his generous commitments to the Baylor College of Medicine and the University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston, Mr. Duncan is committed to ensuring that Houston remains a leader in the field of medical research and treatment. As a prostate cancer survivor, he hopes that the Dan L. Duncan Cancer Center at Baylor College of Medicine will provide hope and care to others in their battles with cancer.

Mr. Duncan resides in Houston with his wife, Jan, and has four children and three grandchildren.



## John P. McGovern, M.D.

John P. McGovern, M.D. is a distinguished American and an internationally noted physician who has been lauded by numerous foreign countries for his significant medical and scientific contributions, as well as for his leadership, teaching, research, and professional writings. He is the founder-emeritus of the McGovern Allergy Clinic Houston, Texas, from which he retired in 1984. He is president of the board of the John P. McGovern Foundation, which he established in 1961.

Dr. McGovern's present faculty appointments are unique in number and diversity: he holds 17 professorships at 15 universities. He is a member of Phi Beta Kappa, Alpha Omega Alpha, Sigma Xi, and many

other honorary and professional societies in medicine, science, and health education. He is the past president or chief elected officer of 15 such organizations, including the American College of Allergy and Immunology and the American Osler Society. Dr. McGovern is the author or co-author of 246 publications including 26 books, in the medical sciences, humanities, and health promotion and disease prevention, with special emphasis in the field of addiction, disease prevention and health promotion, in general and especially the diseases of lifestyle with emphasis on addiction (alcoholism and drug abuse). He has been the editor, associate editor, or a member of the editorial boards of more than 20 scientific journals.

Dr. McGovern's service to governmental agencies is extensive and includes a presidential appointment to the Board of Regents of the National Library of Medicine, which he chaired in 1973-74.

His most recent honors include in January 2002, the Board of the Museum of Health and Medical Science changed its name to the John P. McGovern Museum of Health and Medical Science to honor Dr. McGovern for his longstanding dedication to the Museum. The Texas Medical Association Foundation established the John P. McGovern Champion of Health Award in 2004. Also in 2004, the Texas Medical Center renamed its new Holcombe Street Annex Campus the John P. McGovern Campus. In 2005, The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston Medical School established the John P. McGovern, M.D. Center for Health, Humanities, and the Human Spirit. The American Medical Association Foundation in 2007 presented him with the Excellence in Medicine President's Award.



#### Lester Smith

Lester Smith is one of Houston's most well-respected philanthropists. A two-time cancer survivor, Mr. Smith is a long-time supporter of Baylor College of Medicine (BCM) and the third-largest individual donor to the College.

Mr. Smith's battles with bladder and prostate cancer prompted his involvement with the Scott Department of Urology at Baylor College of Medicine. As Chairman of the Prostate Cancer Research Initiative (PCRI) and Chairman of the Partnership for Bladder Cancer Research, he has raised community awareness and millions of dollars for research into these cancers in the Scott Department of Urology. The Smith Foundation has endowed four chairs at Baylor including a chair

at Texas Children's Hospital, Pediatric Urology Department. In 2004, Mr. Smith founded The Honor Your Father Campaign for Prostate Cancer Research. The yearlong campaign became the largest single fundraising event in the history of the College, raising a record-breaking \$6.4 million.

Mr. Smith spearheaded a campaign to increase support for BCM through membership in The Partnership for Baylor College of Medicine, the College's preeminent volunteer advocacy group. This campaign, underwritten by The Smith Foundation, has resulted in a membership increase of over 250 percent in the past two years. Sue and Lester Smith were named Outstanding Volunteer Fundraisers at the 2006 Association for Fundraising Professionals Awards luncheon. Sue and Lester Smith recently chaired The Partnership Gala, which raised more than \$1.5 million for the Baylor Clinic. The couple has also pledged to chair this event through 2010.

In May 2007, The Smith Foundation announced a substantial multi-year challenge grant to the College, with funds earmarked for the Breast Center and Genome Medicine, as it supports breast cancer research. As part of this grant, the Smith Foundation will underwrite all yearly event expenses and match all funds raised for the 2008 Gala beneficiary, the Breast Center.

Lester Smith's generous spirit is also evident throughout the city of Houston. Mr. Smith is a Trustee of the Houston Museum of Natural Science (HMNS), and will serve as Chairman in 2008. At HMNS, Mr. Smith has provided extensive funding to advance science education and bring diverse exhibitions including Body Worlds 3: The Anatomical Exhibition of Real Human Bodies. This exhibition set new membership and attendance records, becoming the largest attended exhibition in Museum history. An avid rock collector, Mr. Smith's fascination with gems and minerals led to the creation of the Lester and Sue Smith Gem Vault, featuring the most extraordinary cut and polished jewels ever displayed in a single permanent exhibition. The Smith Foundation will underwrite Lucy's Legacy: The Hidden Treasures of Ethiopia, as well as the Museum's new satellite facility in The Woodlands. Sue and Lester Smith have been honored by numerous organizations including Houston Children's Charity, The Heart Association and Holocaust Museum Houston.

Lester Smith is a member of the Board of Directors of The Holocaust Museum Houston, the Board of Visitors at M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, and the Board of Directors of the National Prostate Cancer Foundation. The Smith Foundation supports numerous non-profit organizations throughout the Houston area including Baylor College of Medicine, The Holocaust Museum, Houston Museum of Natural Science, M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, The Museum of Fine Arts, Houston, Texas Children's Hospital, and The University of Texas Health Science Center at Houston.

# **BENEFICIARY INSTITUTIONS**

## **Baylor College of Medicine**

Baylor College of Medicine, the only private medical school in the Greater Southwest, was founded in 1900 and is today an internationally respected medical and research institution known for excellence in education, research, and patient care.

The College consistently ranks among the top of the country's 125 medical schools. For 2007, U.S. News & World Report ranked the College 10th overall among the nation's top medical schools for research and 11th for primary care. BCM also is listed 13th among all U.S. medical schools for National Institutes of Health funding, and 1st for research expenditures in biological science by the National Science Foundation.

Located in the Texas Medical Center, a 700-acre complex housing 42 member institutions, BCM has affiliations with seven teaching hospitals, each with a national and international reputation for medical excellence.

The College has total research support of \$374 million, with \$314 million from federal sources, and more than 90 research and patient care centers and units. Currently, BCM trains more than 3,000 medical, graduate, nurse anesthesia, and physician assistant students, as well as residents and post-doctoral fellows.

## Texas Children's Hospital

Texas Children's Hospital is an internationally recognized full-care pediatric hospital located in the Texas Medical Center in Houston. One of the largest pediatric hospitals in the United States, Texas Children's Hospital is dedicated to providing the finest possible pediatric patient care, education, and research.

Since opening its doors in 1954, Texas Children's has cared for more than 1 million children from every corner of the world, and has more than 2.2 million patient encounters a year.

Texas Children's is nationally ranked in the top five among children's hospitals by both *Child* magazine and *U.S. News & World Report*. The hospital has garnered widespread recognition for its expertise and breakthrough developments in the treatment of cancer, premature infants, cardiogenic disorders, diabetes, asthma, and neurological disorders.

Texas Children's is affiliated with Baylor College of Medicine and is its primary pediatric training site. Baylor professors also are the service chiefs and staff physicians of Texas Children's more than 40 patient care centers.

The hospital's award-winning medical staff consists of more than 1,580 board-certified, primary-care physicians, pediatric subspecialists, pediatric surgical subspecialists and dentists. In addition, Texas Children's offers a dedicated, highly skilled nursing and support staff of more than 6,000.

# PEDIATRIC GASTROENTEROLOGY RESEARCH 2007 FUNDRAISING PROJECT

Approximately 1.5 million people in the United States are affected by inflammatory bowel disease (IBD), including Crohn's disease and ulcerative colitis. IBD can be a lifelong and debilitating condition for many children and adults. Having IBD also increases the individual's risk of colorectal cancer. The Pediatric Inflammatory Bowel Disease Center at Baylor College of Medicine (BCM) and Texas Children's Hospital, headed by George D. Ferry, M.D., is one of the largest IBD centers in the United States. As a referral source for children throughout Texas and the nation, the Center's mission is to provide the most up-to-date medical care and education for children with IBD and to carry out research that will improve the long-term outlook for children with this chronic condition.

The IBD Center is working with James Versalovic, M.D., Ph.D., and his research team at BCM, who are studying the use of beneficial bacteria – called probiotics – as an alternative and safer treatment option for IBD. Probiotics, which are found on the skin and in the intestine of humans, are important for promoting health, relieving disease, and preventing illness. The research team is investigating ways in which probiotics can be engineered to serve as the body's own remedy for IBD. Dr. Ferry and Dr. Versalovic hope to apply novel probiotic therapies so that children can overcome the hurdles of Crohn's disease, ulcerative colitis, and other digestive diseases.

#### George D. Ferry, M.D.

Dr. Ferry earned his undergraduate degree in biology from Stanford University and received his medical degree from BCM in 1964. He completed his residency in pediatrics at BCM and performed a fellowship in gastroenterology at Johns Hopkins University School of Medicine in Baltimore. He returned in 1970 to help establish the new field of pediatric gastroenterology in Houston. Dr. Ferry has served as Chief of the Inflammatory Bowel Disease Clinic at Texas Children's Hospital since 1999 and became Director of Texas Children's Inflammatory Bowel Disease Center in 2004 and holds a faculty position at BCM. He recently received the prestigious 2006 Murray Davidson Award from the American Academy of Pediatrics Section on Gastroenterology and Nutrition in recognition as an



outstanding clinician, educator, and scientist, who has made significant contributions to the field of pediatric gastroenterology and nutrition.

## James Versalovic, M.D., Ph.D.

Dr. Versalovic received his doctorate in cellular and molecular biology and his medical degree from Baylor College of Medicine. After completing his residency training at Massachusetts General Hospital and Harvard Medical School in Boston, he became a faculty member at both institutions in 1999. Dr. Versalovic returned to Houston in December 2001 as Director of the Microbiology Laboratories at Texas Children's Hospital and as Assistant Professor in the Departments of Pathology and Molecular Virology & Microbiology at BCM. He also is currently serving as the Director of the Division of Molecular Pathology at Texas Children's Hospital. Dr. Versalovic is Principal Investigator of a comprehensive probiotics research program,



which receives support from the U.S. National Institutes of Health, the U.S. Department of Defense, and the Crohn's and Colitis Foundation.

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