# MEN & DISTINCTION



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and

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## ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON

honoring

ERNEST COCKRELL
CHARLES FRASER, M.D.
NED HOLMES
PAUL LOYD

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May 7, 2014 River Oaks Country Club



Paul Murphy, Jr.
2014 Men of Distinction
Awards Luncheon Chair

Dear Friends and Supporters of Men of Distinction:

Great cities do not just happen. Our founders must be pleased with how well our city has thrived. Why? Because the people who came here—and continue to come here—share a let's-get-it-done attitude that permeates our outlook and very being.

The Men of Distinction was created on this premise: A small group of men saw a need to foster the health and vitality of our future generations and became involved. That was eight years ago and as of today, more than \$2.5 million has been raised to support pediatric research and medical treatment for our very youngest citizens.

Houston is a city of great ideas and vision. But it takes action to make a difference. The Men of Distinction is to be commended for its commitment and your participation enables them to honor those today who are the achievers in pediatric healthcare in the Texas Medical Center.

For the future of Houston, thank you for your support.

Best regards,

Paul Murphy Chairman

## LUNCHEON CHAIR Paul Murphy, Jr.



## STEERING COMMITTEE

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Houston Area Lexus Dealers

left to right: Bret Aldridge, David Trice, Jerry Foyt, Joey Dupuis

Lexus and the Houston Area Lexus Dealers proudly join together in support of the Men of Distinction. It is an honor to partner and support an organization whose values and philanthropy mirror those of our dealerships and Brand. We recognize with gratitude their tireless passion to improve and give back to our community.

In the Lexus world the phrases "we can, we will" and "continuously pursuing perfection" are a part of our mission daily. The Men of Distinction can and will continue to improve our community through their philanthropic endeavors.

The following pages honor this year's Men of Distinction and their commitment to our community.

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## ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON PROGRAM

## WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS Tom Koch

Star Spangled Banner
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Invocation

The Rev. Rutger-Jan (R-J) F. Heijmen St. Martin's Episcopal Church

Presentation of 2014 Beneficiaries

LUNCH

Presentation of 2014 Honorees

CLOSING REMARKS
Paul Murphy, Jr.

## **MENU**

Wedge Salad Crisp Iceberg, Roma Tomato, Pickled Red Onion, Brie Cheese and Choice of Dressing

Petite Filet of Prime Beef Tenderloin Caramelized Cipollini Onion, Mushroom Madeira Sauce and Horseradish Whipped Potatoes

CHOCOLATE PECAN BALL



#### Ernie Cockrell

Ernest H. Cockrell ("Ernie") is chairman of Cockrell Interests LLC, a diversified asset holding company, and president and director of The Cockrell Foundation, a private charitable foundation. After joining the family oil and gas company and filling various field and office positions, he spent 30 years leading Cockrell Oil Corporation. He obtained a bachelor's degree in engineering and an MBA from The University of Texas at Austin.

Ernie is a founder and past director of Amegy Bank of Texas, and is a member of the All-American Wildcatters Association. He has been honored as a Distinguished Alumnus of The University of Texas, a Distinguished Graduate of the UT College of Engineering, and a member of the UT McCombs School of Business Hall of Fame. He is a member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, and The Philosophical Society of Texas.

As a community leader, Ernie has served as chairman of the board of many major non-profits, including The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center Board of Visitors, Houston Methodist Research Institute, the Sam Houston Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America, the Greater Houston Community Foundation, The University of Texas College of Engineering Foundation, The Welch Foundation, and as the founding chairman of Reasoning Mind, Inc. He is a director emeritus of Pennzoil Company, and a past trustee of the Cullen Trust for Health Care.

Ernie's and his family's deep connection to philanthropy began with his parents, the late Virginia H. and Ernest Cockrell, Jr., who established The Cockrell Foundation in 1966. Over 43 years, nearly 300 organizations have benefited from The Cockrell Foundation and the Cockrell Family Fund. Ernie and his family's philosophy is focused on financial support combined with personal involvement. They have deeply invested themselves and their funds in a transformational way for a handful of key institutions: The University of Texas Cockrell School of Engineering, The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center, Houston Methodist Hospital, Sam Houston Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America, Houston Museum of Natural Science, and Reasoning Mind. Ernie and his family's philanthropic spirit have helped change the lives of thousands of patients, young people, medical and engineering professionals, students and families across the community and around the world.

Ernie was born in Houston, Texas. He and his wife, the former Janet Schuster, currently reside in Houston and have two children and four grandchildren.



## CHARLES FRASER, M.D.

Charles D. Fraser, Jr., M.D., is Surgeon-in-Chief, Chief of Congenital Heart Surgery, and Cardiac Surgeon-in-Charge at Texas Children's Hospital, the largest pediatric hospital in the United States. His academic appointments include Professor of Surgery and Pediatrics (tenured), Baylor College of Medicine, and Adjunct Professor of Bioengineering at Rice University. Dr. Fraser holds the Donovan Chair in Congenital Heart Surgery at Texas Children's Hospital and the Susan V. Clayton Chair in Surgery at Baylor College of Medicine. Dr. Fraser has joint clinical appointment at the Texas Heart Institute, where he also serves as Director of the Adult Congenital Heart Surgery Program.

As Chief of the Division of Congenital Heart Surgery at Baylor and Co-Director of the Texas Children's Heart Center, Dr. Fraser works to refine the surgical treatment of small babies, children and adults with congenital cardiac disease. Dr. Fraser's focus is on the surgical care of these patients with particular emphasis on complex neonatal repairs of serious cardiac malformations. Dr. Fraser has developed dedicated pediatric heart and lung transplant and mechanical circulatory support teams to offer every available therapy in the care of critically ill children.

Dr. Fraser became Surgeon-in-Chief at Texas Children's Hospital in 2010 where he oversees the entirety of the surgical enterprise, including over 100 full time children's surgical specialists and 500 staff. Dr. Fraser's commitment is to develop programs to offer children in need of surgery the very best opportunity for a quality outcome, to promote cutting-edge surgical research, and to educate tomorrow's leaders in children's subspecialty surgery. The surgical service with the TCH enterprise includes 26 operating rooms over multiple campus locations and performs over 24000 operations annually with an annual operating revenue over \$300 million.

Dr. Fraser received a bachelor's degree with honors in mathematics from The University of Texas at Austin in 1980 and was a member of the Southwest Conference Champion varsity tennis team in 1977. He received his medical degree in 1984 from The University of Texas Medical Branch in Galveston, where he was elected into the Alpha Omega Alpha medical honor society. His postgraduate residency education was at The Johns Hopkins Hospital in Baltimore, Maryland, where he specialized in general, cardiothoracic and thoracic transplant surgery. Dr. Fraser completed fellowships in pediatric cardiac surgery at The Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne, Australia, cardiac transplant research at The Johns Hopkins Hospital and cardiovascular surgery at the Texas Heart Institute in Houston, Texas. He was a staff member in Cardiothoracic Surgery at Cleveland Clinic Foundation prior to his recruitment to Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital in 1995 to establish a new, focused congenital heart surgery unit. Since that time, he and his team have performed over 10,000 congenital cardiac repairs and related surgeries in children and adults.

Dr. Fraser maintains active research interests including congenital heart surgical outcomes and quality, transplantation, mechanical circulatory support, brain protection, and bioengineering. In 2002, his team developed the first pediatric lung transplant program in the Southwest, which has subsequently grown to be the nation's largest. In 2005, he performed the first successful pediatric heart/lung transplant in the Southwest. He implanted the world's first DeBakey Child™ Cardiac assist device in March of 2004. Dr. Fraser served as the National Principal Investigator of a pivotal, first ever, multi-center pediatric ventricular assist device trial to assess the safety and benefit of the Berlin Heart Pediatric EXCOR® ventricular assist device. This device was subsequently approved in December 2011 by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration for clinical use - the first device to be approved specifically for small babies. In 2011, Dr. Fraser's heart failure team implanted the first total artificial heart at a children's hospital. Dr. Fraser has contributed over 200 journal articles, numerous chapters and textbooks to the medical literature. His awards include the Outstanding Young Alumnus Award from the University of Texas at Austin in 1999, The American Heart Association Medical Honoree in 2002, the Michael E. DeBakey Distinguished Service Award from Baylor College of Medicine in 2004, the Ashbel Smith Distinguished Alumnus Award from the University of Texas Medical Branch in 2007, the Distinguished Surgeon Award from the Association of perioperative Registered Nurses (AORN) of Greater Houston in 2008, the Ray C. Fish Award for Scientific Achievement from the Texas Heart Institute in 2010, Distinguised Alumnus Award and the Phi Gamma Delta Fiji Award from the University of Texas at Austin in 2013. He was a member of The University of Texas at Austin Commission of 125 in 2004. He has served as a member of The University of Texas Alumni Association Board of Trustees, the Board of Trustees of the Episcopal High School of Houston, the greater Houston Chapter of the American Heart Association, and the Vestry of St. John the Divine Episcopal Church in Houston. He served as President of the American Heart Association Houston Board in 2012.

Dr. Fraser and his wife, Helen, have been blessed by 30 years of marriage and have four children: Laura Margaret Fraser Nachitgall, Charles Duncan Fraser, III, Grace Cooley Fraser, and William Scott Fraser.



#### NED HOLMES

Ned. S. Holmes is a native of Houston, Texas and a graduate of the University of Texas with a BBA and a JD from the University of Texas School of Law. Mr. Holmes and his wife, Kay, together have seven children and nine grandchildren.

Mr. Holmes began his career at Morgan Guaranty Trust Company in New York in 1969.

In October, 1971 Mr. Holmes returned to Houston, and entered the real estate business as an independent developer involved primarily in residential (apartment and townhouse), commercial (office and warehouse) and subdivision projects. From 1980 to December 2005, Mr. Holmes has been associated with a UK public company in the development and management of various assets and operating companies in Houston, Atlanta, Denver, Orlando, San Diego and various other US cities. He is currently Chairman and CEO of Holmes Investments, Inc. Mr. Holmes served on the Board of Directors of Archstone-Smith Trust, a New York Stock Exchange Multifamily REIT from 1994 to 2007.

In 1980, Mr. Holmes founded Commercial Bancshares, Inc., a bank holding company, based in Houston, and served as its President until 1985, and Chairman from 1986 until 2001. From 1991, Mr. Holmes served as Senior Chairman of Heritage Bank which was wholly owned by Commercial Bancshares, Inc. Effective February 2001, Commercial Bancshares, Inc. was merged with Prosperity Bancshares, Inc., a multibank holding company also based in Houston, with numerous locations in Texas and Oklahoma. Mr. Holmes served as Chairman of Prosperity Bancshares, Inc. from February, 2001, until April, 2006. He is currently a member of the Board of Directors of Prosperity Bancshares, Inc., a New York Exchange bank holding company.

In addition to land development, construction, and banking interests; Mr. Holmes serves both public and private commissions. He served on The City of Houston Planning Commission from June 1983 to October 1988. He accepted an appointment as a Commissioner of the Port of Houston Authority in August 1987. After serving as Chairman of the Port Commission from June 1988 until July 2000, Holmes was elected Chairman Emeritus of the Port Commission. Mr. Holmes was appointed as a Commissioner of the Texas Parks & Wildlife Department in April, 2003 and served until January, 2007. In January 2007, Holmes was appointed as a Commissioner of the Texas Department of Transportation, where he served until June 2012. In addition, he served as Chairman of the Greater Houston Partnership in 1999, and has served on its Board of Directors and Executive Committee. Mr. Holmes currently serves on the newly reconstituted oversight committee of the Cancer Prevention and Research Institute of Texas (CPRIT). His term expires in January of 2019.

Mr. Holmes previously served on numerous charitable boards including Memorial Hermann Hospital System, Baylor College of Medicine, M.D. Anderson Board of Visitors, Episcopal High School, The Montessori School of Houston and the Houston Ballet.



#### Paul Loyd

Paul B. Loyd, Jr. served as Chairman & CEO of R&B Falcon Corporation, the world's largest and most diversified offshore drilling company. During his tenure, the market capitalization of the company grew from approximately \$200 million, post-recapitalization in 1991, to approximately \$5 billion upon its sale in 2001 to Transocean Ltd. At that time, Mr. Loyd retired as Chairman and joined the Board of the new company.

Prior to his tenure at R&B Falcon Corporation, Mr. Loyd accumulated more than 20 years of experience in the energy and energy services industry. He began his career in 1969 with Reading & Bates Offshore Drilling Company, holding various positions both in the United States and overseas, primarily West Africa, the Middle East and the Far East. He also served with Houston Offshore International, Inc. a domestic offshore drilling company, Atwood Oceanics, Inc, an international drilling contractor, Griffin-Alexander, Inc. and Chiles-Alexander, Inc. a domestic drilling contractor. With the latter two companies, he was President and CEO, respectively.

In addition to the drilling industry, Mr. Loyd served as a consultant to the Central Planning Organization of the Government of Saudi Arabia, and assisted in writing the Five Year Plan for 1975 – 1980. He also founded Carrizo Oil and Gas Corporation, an oil and gas exploration company. He was an Executive-in-Residence for J. P. Morgan Capital Partners. Paul is currently the founder and principal of a private investment firm in Houston, Texas JVL Advisors, an energy based hedge fund.

Mr. Loyd serves as a member of SMU's Board of Trustees, and is Chairman of the Athletic Committee. He is a member of the executive boards for the Cox School of Business, and the Annette Caldwell Simmons School of Education and Human Development. Mr. Loyd received SMU's Mustang Award in 1999, which honors individuals whose long-time service and philanthropy have made a lasting impact on the University. Cox School of Business honored Mr. Loyd in 2001 with its Distinguished Alumni Award, and in 2012, Paul was named an SMU Distinguished Alumnus, the highest and most prestigious award the University can bestow upon its alumni.

In 2009 Paul, along with his wife Penny, created The Loyd Charitable Foundation to support charities in the Houston area as well as international charitable organizations. From goodwill mission trips in American Samoa, to generous donations to the Baylor College of Medicine, Paul's generosity knows no bounds. Mr. Loyd serves on the board of directors of Houston Children's Charity, the Boys and Girls Clubs of American Samoa, and the Marshall Plan Charities for Afghanistan Recovery, as well as advisory boards of the June Jones Foundation, the College Football Assistance Fund, the Eddie G. Robinson Foundation, the Dikembe Mutumbo Hospital Foundation, Opportunity International, the Linda Lorelle Scholarship Fund, the United Way and Boys and Girls Country. Mr. Loyd is also the Chairman of the Navy SEAL Legacy Foundation national advisory committee, and chaired the Inaugural Navy SEAL Golf Tournament held in Houston in 2012. Paul has worked with numerous Houston charities and organizations, including Theatre Under the Stars, for which Paul and Penny are the host of the TUTS Annual Scotch Tasting party, and are underwriting chairs. He has also hosted The Bayou Preservation Association's 2011 Gala, and the Houston Zoo Asante Society's 2011 cocktail reception in his home. Mr. Loyd has received numerous awards and honors for his charitable work, but his most humbling was being named Man of the Year in 2004, at Fort Benning by troops returning from Iraq and Afghanistan for his contribution in setting up satellite computers for the troops to communicate with loved ones at home, and his funding of much needed equipment not readily available at that time to troops in the field.

Mr. Loyd earned a B.B.A. in economics from SMU, and a M.B.A. degree from the Harvard Graduate School of Business. He was a member of SMU's Southwest Conference championship football team in 1966, and played in the 1967 Cotton Bowl Classic. He was elected captain of the SMU football team in 1967.

Paul and Penny have five children and two grandchildren. They attend Chapelwood United Methodist Church in Houston.

## PAST HONOREES

D. Kent Anderson, 2007

James A. Baker III, 2012

Thomas D. Barrow, Ph.D., 2010\*

Fred C. Burns, 2011

George H.W. Bush, 2012

Denton A. Cooley, M.D., 2009

James W. Crownover, 2013

O. Holcombe Crosswell, 2011

Michael DeBakey, M.D., 2008\*

James H. "Red" Duke, Jr., M.D., 2011

Dan Duncan, 2007\*

Ralph Feigin, M.D., 2008\*

Walter Johnson, 2008

Don D. Jordan, 2008

John P. McGovern, M.D., 2007\*

Drayton McLane, Jr., 2009

Robert C. McNair, 2013

John Mendelsohn, M.D., 2010

George P. Mitchell, 2011\*

Corbin J. Robertson, Jr., 2008

Marc J. Shapiro, 2011

Lester Smith, 2007

Mike Stude, 2010

Charlie Thomas, 2013

J. Virgil Waggoner, 2009\*

James T. Willerson, M.D., 2013

<sup>\*</sup>deceased

## PAST BENEFICIARIES

2013

Joseph F. Petrosino, PH.D.

Director, Alkek Center for Metagenomics and Microbiome Research Baylor College of Medicine Charles S. Cox, Jr., M.D.

University of Texas Medical School, Pediatric Trauma Program at the University of Texas - Houston/ Children's Memorial Hermann Hospital in the Texas Medical Center

2012

Brendan Lee, M.D., PH.D.

Director, Bone Disease Program of Texas at Baylor College of Medicine Laurence J.N. Cooper, MD., Ph.D.

Turning Immune Cells into Childhood Cancer Fighters

2011

Brendan Lee, M.D., PH.D.

Director, Bone Disease Program of Texas at Baylor College of Medicine Donald L. Yee, M.D.

Director, Hemostasis and Thrombosis Program at Texas Children's Hospital

2010

ZoAnn E. Dreyer, M.D.

Medical Director, Long-Term Survivors Program at Texas Children's Cancer Center Cynthia E. Herzog, M.D.

Director of Clinical Research, Department of Pediatrics, at The University, of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center

2009

Huda Y. Zoghbi, M.D.

Director of the Jan and Dan Duncan Neurological Research Institute at Texas Children's Hospital Judith Z. Feigin, Ed.D.

Executive Director, Bridges Program, and Chief at the Clinic for Attention Problems, Diagnosis of Autistic Spectrum Disorders, and the Learning Support Center for Child Psychology at Texas Children's Hospital

2008

C. Kent Osborne, M.D.

Director of the Dan L. Duncan Cancer Center and the Lester and Sue Smith Breast Center at Baylor College of Medicine David G. Poplack, M.D.

Director of the Texas Children's Cancer Center and Deputy Director of the Dan L. Duncan Cancer Center at Baylor College of Medicine

2007

George D. Ferry, M.D.

Director of the Inflammatory Bowel Disease Center at Texas Children's Hospital James Versalovic, M.D., Ph.D.

Director of the Microbiology Laboratories at Texas Children's Hospital

#### 2014 MEN OF DISTINCTION PROGRAM BENEFICIARY

## SUNDARARAJAH THEVANANTHER, Ph.D.

Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Liver Center



As a faculty member at Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Liver Center for the past 13 years, Dr. Thevananther is directing a liver research program with the objective of understanding how ATP, most frequently known for its role in providing energy for reactions inside cells, also works outside of cells, to stimulate growth and repair of injured livers. These effects of ATP outside the cell occur via a mechanism known as purinergic receptor-mediated cell signaling. This signaling is critical for vital liver functions such as making and secreting bile. Impaired bile secretion (cholestasis) and bile acid-mediated toxic liver injury and scarring of the liver (fibrosis) are central pathogenic mechanisms in a spectrum of cholestatic liver disorders. Biliary atresia is one of the most devastating cholestatic liver diseases of infants and the primary indication for liver transplantation in children. Lack of alternatives for surgical interventions, which are not curative except for liver transplant, and a lack of effective medical therapies for cholestatic liver diseases is a major challenge for pediatric hepatologists and families with infants diagnosed with biliary atresia.

Dr. Thevananther's laboratory-based research at Texas Children's Liver Center has identified purinergic cell signaling as a potential new target for therapy to stimulate bile secretion and protect the liver against

toxic liver injury and scarring. These findings were based on studies in animal models of cholestatic liver injury and extensive research for the past several years characterizing P2Y2 purinergic receptor gene-deficient mice in his laboratory. Dr. Thevananther collaborates with a team of pediatric hepatologists, surgeons and pathologists at Texas Children's Liver Center to translate his laboratory research findings to benefit children with chronic liver diseases, and the development of purinergic therapeutics for cholestatic diseases is an active area of research in his laboratory.

Dr. Thevananther was born in Sri Lanka, received his early education in Sri Lanka and India, and migrated to United States in 1989 to pursue graduate studies in Chemistry (M.S., 1991) and Biological Sciences (Ph.D., 1995) from Bowling Green State University, Ohio. He developed his current passion for the study of gastrointestinal and liver diseases during his post-doctoral training at Yale University School of Medicine, New Haven, CT. He then moved to Houston in 2000 to become a faculty member in the Department of Pediatrics at the Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Liver Center, where he has served for the past 13 years.

In parallel to conducting his research, Dr. Thevananther has a passion for teaching. He mentors graduate students pursuing their Ph.D.s in the Inter-Departmental Graduate Program in Translational Biology and Molecular Medicine, and pediatricians pursuing subspecialty clinical and research training in the Pediatric Gastroenterology, Critical Care and Neonatology training programs. He is a recipient of the 2013 Pediatric Research Mentorship Award from the Department of Pediatrics, Baylor College of Medicine.

Dr. Thevananther and his wife Paula thoroughly enjoy living and working in Houston and raising their children, Anjali (5 yrs) and Nealan (4 mo), both native Houstonians.

#### 2014 MEN OF DISTINCTION PROGRAM BENEFICIARY

## Dr. Richard Kellermayer, M.D., Ph.D.

Texas Children's Hospital



Richard Kellermayer M.D., Ph.D. is a faculty member of the Section of Pediatric Gastroenterology, Baylor College of Medicine, Texas Children's Hospital since 2009. He was born and raised in Hungary, Europe, and graduated from the University Medical School of Pecs with summa cum laude in 1997. After medical school, he joined the laboratory of Dr. David M. Bedwell as a postdoctoral research fellow at the University of Alabama in Birmingham. This work provided the basis for his successive Ph.D. thesis. Meanwhile, his urge to pursue clinical medicine in addition to laboratory work persisted, and he completed pediatric residency training in the Children's Hospital of Buffalo, New York. Thanks to Drs. Susan and Robert Baker, he became enthusiastic about pediatric gastroenterology, and received an ALF/AASLD Resident Scholar Travel Award in 2002. After the completion of his residency training in 2003, he returned to his home country. Richard took the opportunity to start a clinical genetics fellowship and he completed a Ph.D. in human molecular genetics. Following a year of faculty service, his clinical interest in pediatric gastroenterology drove him towards pursuing this carrier. Therefore, in 2006, he applied and was accepted to the pediatric gastroenterology fellowship training program of the Baylor College of Medicine. During his clinical course work, he had the opportunity to train under among others, Dr. William Klish, one of the pioneers of the field in the United States

and was introduced to the unique challenges that inflammatory bowel diseases represent to the physician by Dr. George D. Ferry. Thanks to Dr. Ferry's mentoring, Dr. Kellermayer is most intrigued by this disease group both as a physician and as a researcher.

Dr. Kellermayer's research focuses on gastrointestinal disorders where disease distribution and occurrence indicates that environmental influences may play a major role in their development. This is particularly true for inflammatory bowel disease (IBD) comprising Crohn's disease (CD) and ulcerative colitis (UC). In addition, the concept applies to rare, but devastating disease of the liver (in the form of biliary atresia - the leading cause for liver transplantation in children), and the more common disease, irritable bowel syndrome. Richard's basic and clinical scientific work has generated over 70 peer reviewed publications, several book-, and online chapters.

Dr. Kellermayer has successfully mentored the work of postdoctoral research-, and clinical fellows, as well as pre-medical students. He actively participates in the education of medical students and pediatric residents at the Baylor College of Medicine.

Dr. Kellermayer is the primary investigator in more than 10 IRB approved animal and human research projects, including international ones. He leads the clinical efforts in unique intestinal microbiome transplantation protocols for children.

Richard's wife, Reka Szigeti, M.D., Ph.D., is a hematopathologist faculty member of the Pathology Department, Baylor College of Medicine. They are blessed with 3 boys: Timot (18), a soon to be freshman at Emory University; Domos (13), graduating from Lanier Middle School; and Abris (8), a second grade student at West University Elementary. After many years of transition, Richard and his family have found their home in Houston, and the Texas Medical Center community. Dr. Kellermayer is most grateful for the outstanding honor bestowed upon him by the Men of Distinction.



Paul E. Klotman, M.D.

Dear 2014 Men of Distinction,

Thank you for your work with the Men of Distinction organization, which sustains key programs at Baylor College of Medicine and Texas Children's Hospital.

This year's beneficiaries, Sundararajah Thevananther, Ph.D., associate professor of pediatrics, and Richard Kellermayer, M.D., assistant professor of pediatrics, are conducting basic and translational research in gastroenterology, hepatology and nutrition and providing lifesaving care to the most vulnerable infants.

I know the Baylor Board and faculty join me in congratulating our friends Ernie Cockrell, Charles D. Fraser, Jr., M.D., Paul Loyd, and Ned Holmes for being honored this year. Their distinctive contributions to the Texas Medical Center and the Houston community deserve recognition and praise.

This event both highlights and supports important research that is improving children's health and quality of life. I greatly appreciate the wholehearted participation of everyone involved with Men of Distinction.

Sincerely,

Paul E. Klotman, M.D. President and CEO Baylor College of Medicine



Mark A. Wallace

Dear 2014 Men of Distinction:

On behalf of everyone at Texas Children's Hospital, I would like to thank this year's honorees—Ernest Cockrell, Dr. Charles D. Fraser, Jr., Ned Holmes, and Paul Loyd—for their many contributions to our great city. Through their leadership, vision and commitment, they have touched the lives of countless individuals, and they continue to make our community a better place.

They are indeed men of distinction, and I am proud to be part of this celebration that recognizes their commitment and generosity and that also provides so much support for programs throughout the Texas Medical Center that benefit children. I am truly grateful for all they do.

Sincerely,

Mark A. Wallace President Chief Executive Officer Texas Children's Hospital

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The luncheon was created eight years ago by a small group of volunteers, who wanted to pay tribute to those MEN in the Houston community who have distinguished themselves through their leadership as businessmen, volunteers and philanthropists...And to simultaneously raise funds to support pediatric biomedical research, education and patient care in the Texas Medical Center.

In keeping with the spirit of philanthropy shown by these distinguished gentlemen, ALL of the proceeds from the luncheon stays right here in Houston for the direct benefit of children's causes at the Texas Medical Center.

Honorees and beneficiaries for each year are chosen by a unanimous vote of the Men of Distinction Steering Committee. The Steering Committee consists of men and women in the community who desire to help promote our charitable endeavors. We are very proud of the fact that everyone who has chaired our luncheon for the past seven years has asked to remain an active member of our Steering Committee.

If you would like to know more about our organization, please contact our Steering Committee chairman, David Wuthrich at 713-204-0216.

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