

**SUMMER 2012** 

### **MANY THANKS**



### TOUGH ENOUGH TO WEAR PINK

Many thanks for another great rodeo season dedicated to raising funds for cancer research!

Special thanks to 1<sup>st</sup> Presbyterian Church for providing the space for the Spaghetti Buffet. It was attended by over 200 people. Cox Bros. BBQ with Chef Drew Zink donated the food.

KVRA also thanks Innovative Livestock Services, Inc., and Lee Borck for providing steaks for the very successful steak fry and auction evening!

These businesses and individuals were the 2012 sponsors:

PREMIER \$1,000+: Blue Eagle Productions, DeSoto, TX, Mike Herbel; Innovative Livestock Services, Inc., Lee Borck; Cox Brothers BBQ, Drew Zink

COWBOY PINK \$400: Women's Health Group, Schultz Construction, Riley Co. Medical Society

ROSE \$300: The Diamond Connection, Community First National Bank

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**BALLOON LAUNCH:** Sheer Dynamics, Belinda Snyder, GTM

The Mission of the
Johnson Cancer Research
Center at K-State is to further
the understanding of cancers
by funding cancer
RESEARCH
and supporting higher
EDUCATION
training and public

**OUTREACH** 

### WHAT'S HAPPENING IN OUR CANCER RESEARCH LABS...

We have often featured the work of Drs.
Deryl Troyer and Stefan Bossmann on new nanotechnology-based approaches to cancer diagnosis and cell-based targeted treatment.
They are now moving in an additional direction: studying pigs with compromised immune systems which allows transplantation and study of human tumors. Pigs are more physiologically similar to humans than smaller animals such as mice, and thus provide a more relevant model than now being used. Their work was recently featured in *Genetic Engineering and Biotechnology News*.

Dr. Masaaki Tamura and coworkers have published an article in the prestigious journal *Cancer Research* demonstrating the successful use in mice of a new nanoparticle-based gene delivery system to treat lung cancer. Their work was featured on the cover of that issue.

Dr. Jun Li recently received new National Cancer Institute (NCI) funding for his study using nanoelectrode array based electronic biosensors for cancer diagnosis.

Dr. George Wang, who is also funded by NCI, recently published a paper in the *Journal of Nutrition and Food Science* explaining the mechanism by which weight reduction and exercise positively affect cancer resistance.

Dr. Mark Weiss has published a paper in *Stem Cells and Development* that represents part of his exciting work focused on creating an important new rat model for pancreatic cancer.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Our faculty and student researchers are grateful to those who support their efforts. The center is indebted to everyone who makes a contribution — large or small. Together, individual donors and organizers of events like these work to make our fight possible. Plan to support these events!



### **COACH SNYDER & SUNNY**

**102.5FM** have been cancer research center partners since 1995 and they have raised over \$260.000.

John Anderson and the station promote the center in every way they can all year round!

Join the 2012 campaign. Help the cats beat cancer!

Go to www.cancer.ksu.edu for more information about these events.

# 3<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL PINK & PURPLE POLYESTER PARTY HOSTED BY DAVE LEWIS OCT 19, 2012

HOUSTON ST BALLROOM

Dave's goal is to help conquer cancer in our time. This will be another

785-313-0781.



### **TOUR DE TED:**

RIDE THE WIRE

This multi-state bicycle tour/fundraiser is sponsored by EDWARD JONES, in honor of Ted Jones who was lost to cancer. There will be local events along the "wire" and several groups have decided to support the Johnson Cancer Research Center, including the Manhattan organizers.

The Manhattan Bicycle event will be on Sept. 28, 2012. Registration is at the City Park Shelter from 8-11AM. There will be 3 course options, followed by a picnic for riders.

You can read more about the whole tour and other individual events and register or contribute

at: www.tourdeted.com

### 15<sup>TH</sup> ROB REGIER MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

September 7, 2012 at the Manhattan Country Club 1531 N 10th St, Manhattan

PREMIER SPONSOR





BANQUET SPONSOR

Sandy & Les Regier greatly appreciate your support!

Sponsor and registration form at: www.cancer.ksu.edu/ news-events/18/ rob-regier-memorial-benefit-golf-tournament

### **PINK POWER LUNCHEON**

October 12, 2012 11:30 AM – 1:00 PM Holiday Inn, 1641 Anderson Ave

The event will include lunch and a presentation: Why Me?: A Breast Health Awareness Journey, by Gayle Thomas, Executive Director, Witness Project® of Kansas, Wichita.

Participants will receive a souvenir item, educational materials and goodies, and prizes will be given away.

This event is free, but space is limited and **RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.** Please email marcia@ksu.edu by Oct 5<sup>th</sup> to make a reservation or learn more.

We are pleased to present this program with support from Susan G. Komen for the Cure®.

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### **CANCER RESEARCHERS**

The center supports the multidisciplinary cancer research of 80 faculty members in 17 departments of 5 colleges. This auspicious group includes 10 university distinguished professors, 2 endowed chairs and 5 new researchers in 2012.

#### **ARTS & SCIENCES**

BIOCHEMISTRY (11): Chen, Hiromasa, Kanost, Muthukrishnan, Prakash, Reeck, Roche, Tomich, Wei, Zolkiewska, Zolkiewski

BIOLOGY (22): Asano, Beeser, Brown, Chapes, Clem, Conrad, Dodds, Fleming, Govind, Hancock, Herman, Lee, Michel, Montelone, Passarelli, Perchellet, Roelofs, Rothenburg, Schrick, Tazi, Vediyappan, Welti

CHEMISTRY (11): Aakeröy, Bossmann, Chikan, Culbertson, Higgins, Hua, Ito, Jankowiak, J Li, P Li, Rayat

GEOGRAPHY: Lu KINESIOLOGY: Heinrich PHYSICS: Szoszkiewicz PSYCHOLOGY: Palmatier

### AGRICULTURE GRAIN SCIENCE & INDUSTRY (2):

Madl, Sun
HORTICULTURE: Park
PLANT PATHOLOGY (3):
Rotenberg, Todd, Whitfield

### ENGINEERING

**CHEMICAL ENGINEERING** (3): Berry, Prakash, Schlup

ELECTRICAL & COMPUTER ENGINEERING: Prakash EXTENSION: Snead

### **HUMAN ECOLOGY**

**HUMAN NUTRITION** (5): Haub, Lin, Lindshield, Melgarejo, Wang

### VETERINARY MEDICINE ANATOMY & PHYSIOLOGY (10):

Anji, Blecha, Fong, Pierucci-Alves, Schultz, Tamura, Troyer, Wang, Wangemann, Weiss

**CLINICAL SCIENCES** (5): Armbrust, Gehring, Higginbotham, McCaw, Schermerhorn

**DIAGNOSTIC MED/PATHOBIOLOGY** (2): Ganta, Nguyen

LEADERSHIP STUDIES: Carlin

You can learn more about them at: www.cancer.ksu.edu/research/5/ faculty-scientists

### **SPRING 2012 AWARDS**

Thanks to your support, the center awarded:

- \$105,900 (6) Innovative Research Awards
- \$19,564 (4) Equipment Grants
- \$1,700 (1) Faculty Travel Fellowship
- \$47,000 (47) Undergraduate Student Cancer Research Awards
- \$32, 600 (88) June Hull Sherrid Undergraduate Scholarships
- \$77,700 (20) Graduate Student Summer Stipends
- \$8,675 (8) Graduate Student Travel Awards

Currently, we are able to award about \$500,000 a year to K-State cancer research faculty and students.

# FALL DEADLINE FOR AWARD APPLICATIONS

OCT 1, 2012

- Undergraduate Cancer Research (CRA)
- Innovative Research
- Equipment
- Faculty Travel
- Grad Student/Post-Doc Travel

PLEASE DOWNLOAD

NEW FORMS!

www.cancer.ksu.edu/ award-programs

The center is going GREEN!

If you would like to receive newsletters and other updates electronically, send your email address to: cancerresearch@ksu.edu

GEORGE S. BASCOM MEMORIAL LECTURE PRESENTS
Yvonne A. Reid, PhD, Manager, Scientist, Cell Culture Contracts, ATCC\*

HELA CELLS & BIOMEDICAL RESEARCH:

THE GOOD, THE BAD AND THE UGLY

### WED, OCT 10, 2012 7PM - FORUM HALL K-STATE UNION

The center will host the 14<sup>th</sup>
Bascom Lecture in collaboration
with the K-State Book Network
(KSBN). This lecture series honors
Bascom, physician, poet, and
leader in the formation of the
center.

The 2012 book selection will encourage discussion on race, research and bioethics across our campus.

The book, THE IMMORTAL LIFE OF HENRIETTA LACKS by best selling author Rebecca Skloot, is based on a true story. Lacks was a poor black tobacco farmer whose cells — known as HeLa cells to the scientists who use them — were taken without her knowledge and used to help develop some of the most important advances in medicine, including the polio vaccine, cloning, gene mapping, invitro fertilization and more. Lacks was never recognized or compensated for the use of her cells.

The center is pleased to contribute to this valuable program, as well as inform the public about this important subject.

\*The American Type Culture Collection (ATCC) is a private, not-for-profit biological resource center whose mission is the acquisition, authentication, production, preservation, development and distribution of standard reference microorganisms, cell lines and other materials for research in the life sciences.

You can learn more about the series at: www.cancer.ksu.edu/news-events/ 103/george-s-bascom-memorial -workshop-series

## CONGRATULATIONS TO THE KU CANCER CENTER!

Their center's designation by the National Cancer Institute is an enormous achievement. It will provide opportunities for cancer researchers to expand research and link new discoveries across the region.

It will provide new prospects for K-State's cancer researchers to collaborate directly with clinical partners at KU and increase K-State's potential for success in meeting the center's mission..to cure cancer in our time!

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