

MEN *of* DISTINCTION

Steve Trauber
and
The Men of Distinction Steering Committee
welcome you to the

MEN *of* DISTINCTION

17TH ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON

Honoring

J.P. Bryan
Joe Cleary
Frank Tsuru
Russell Ybarra

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Dear Friends of Men of Distinction,

It is with great pleasure that I welcome you to the 2024 Men of Distinction Luncheon. Your presence here today is a testament to your commitment to making a positive difference in our community, and we are honored you have decided to join us today.

As we gather here today, we are reminded of the importance of supporting the best medical center in the world. Since our inception in 2007, this luncheon has raised more than \$6 million in non-restricted research grants to pediatric research in the Texas Medical Center. It is only through the support of generous donors like yourselves that this research can continue to thrive. The three grant recipients this year are working on cutting-edge research that will directly impact children not just in our community, but all over the world and we are excited to play a small but important part in that success.

I am also reminded of the significance of charitable giving in our community. Today we honor four true Men of Distinction, J.P. Bryan, Joe Cleary, Frank Tsuru and Russell Ybarra, whose compassion, determi-

nation, honesty, and service have set a powerful example for others in our community. Their leadership and support have made significant contributions to the Houston and created meaningful impact on the lives of those around us.

So once again, I extend a warm welcome and my heartfelt appreciation to each and every one of you for your support of the Men of Distinction luncheon. Together, we can make a real difference in the lives of children and their families, and I look forward to seeing how this powerful research will help change the world.

Sincerely,

Steve Trauber



LUNCHEON CHAIR
John Cangelosi, M.D.



STEERING COMMITTEE

*Left to right: Scott Evans, Devinder Bhatia, Ed McMahon, David Wuthrich, Tony Bradfield, Steve Trauber,
Jesse Tutor, Tracy Dieterich, Michael Mithoff, Jonathan Ayre, Cody Patel*

*Not pictured: Steve Mach, Butch Mach, Scott Schwinger, Ross Robin, Oliver Badgio, Stephen Lewis,
Tony Gracely, Austin Quisenberry*

WHAT IS THE MEN OF DISTINCTION?

The luncheon was created seventeen 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.

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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ANNUAL AWARDS LUNCHEON PROGRAM

WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Tom Koch

STAR SPANGLED BANNER

Senior Master Sergeant Promise Harris

INVOCATION

Pastor Dwight Edwards

PRESENTATION OF 2024 BENEFICIARIES

LUNCH

PRESENTATION OF 2024 HONOREES

CLOSING REMARKS

Steve Trauber

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 Medeira Sauce and Horseradish Whipped Potatoes

Chocolate Pecan Ball



GITTINGS

J.P. BRYAN

J.P. Bryan, Jr., a native Texan and lateral descendant of Stephen F. Austin, has been involved in the energy and investment industries for more than five decades. He began his career in investment banking serving as Assistant Treasurer for J. P. Morgan (1966-69), Executive Vice-President and Director of Dominick & Dominick, Inc. (1969-74), President and CEO of The Mortgage Banque (1974-78), and First Vice-President of E.F. Hutton & Company and Director of Investment Banking-Southwest Region (1978-81). Navigating to the energy sector, J.P. served as Chairman & CEO of Torch Energy Advisors (1981-2012), CEO at Bellwether Exploration (1987-97), CEO of Nuevo Energy (1990-95), and President and CEO of Gulf Canada Resources Ltd. (1995-98).

Among his numerous business awards are Texas Entrepreneur of the Year (1994) and Canadian Oil Producer of the Year (1995).

J.P. received his B.A. from The University of Texas at Austin (1958-62); his LLB from The University of Texas Law School at Austin (1963-65); and his BFT from the American Institute of Foreign Trade at Phoenix, Arizona (1966). While at UT, J.P. was President of his law school and was a member of the Student Honor Council and founder of the International Law Society. JP was a participant of the law school's winning team's 1st School of Law's Moot Trial debate challenge. He also started a rare book and printing business at UT, the Pemberton Press which published and reprinted books on Texas history, such as the first biography of Frank Dobie and Frank Hamer; it was then that his passion for collecting Texana and Texas art expanded. Over the years, Bryan has purchased important art and artifacts important to the history of the settlement of the West and Texas.

J. P. has also devoted much of his life to his passion for historic preservation. He has been president of both the Texas Historical Foundation and the Texas State Historical Association and was appointed commissioner for the Texas Historical Commission by Governor George Bush. He served on the advisory board for the Brazoria County Historical Museum and was the chairman of the board for the Institute of Texan Cultures. He received an award for historical preservation from the Museum of Southern History, the Wheat Award for historical preservation from the Texas Historical Foundation, the Stephen F. Austin Leadership Award from the Brazoria County Museum, the Briscoe Achievement Award from the National Western Art Foundation, accolades from

Architectural Digest, the T.R. Fehrenbach Award for distinguished service and contribution to the promotion and preservation of Texas history, was named a Texas State Historical Association Fellow in 2012, received Preservation Houston's Good Brick Award in 2013, was presented with the Star of Texas Award by the Texas Historical Foundation in January 2014, and named Houston History Hero 2015 by the Houston History Association. In 2016 J.P. was made a Commissioned Admiral in the Texian Navy and in 2017 was awarded the National Society of the Daughters of the American Revolution Historic Preservation Medal.

In 2019 Texas Governor Abbott appointed J.P. to the Board of Pilot Commissioners for Galveston County Ports. On April 7, 2021, the city of Houston Mayor, Sylvester Turner, signed a proclamation proclaiming, "J P Bryan, Jr. Day". In 2023 JP was the recipient of the Houston Treasure Award and has been named one of the 2024 Houston Man of Distinction.

Over the years, J.P. has given, and continues to give, hundreds of speeches to various groups on the history of Texas and the American West. He has written numerous booklets and book introductions, including one on the history of Lonesome Dove and another about artist Tom Lea. Just recently, after years of extensive research, J.P. submitted his book for publication concerning the Texas Revolution and the Battle of San Jacinto. He is currently working on compiling material for 5 books regarding various aspects and personalities of Texas history.

J. P. and his wife Mary Jon spent two decades restoring the Gage Hotel in Marathon, Texas. The Gage Hotel has been awarded several distinctions: Geographic Travel Magazine "Stay List", voted the #1 Hotel in Texas and #17 in the United States by readers of Condé Nast Traveler, and the hotel's famous White Buffalo Bar was selected by Texas Monthly Magazine as "Best Hotel Bar" in Texas. J.P. and Mary Jon have overseen the restoration of 26 buildings in the town of Marathon.

In October 2013, J.P. purchased the 1895 Galveston Orphans Home in Galveston, Texas. Today, the restored building houses The Bryan Museum and contains the world's largest collection of over 70,000 rare artifacts, documents, maps, and works of art relating to the history of the American West. The Bryan Museum was presented the Texas Historical Commission's John L. Nau, III Award of Excellence in Museums in September of 2016, and also in that year was named the "Best Art Gallery" by the Galveston Daily News, the "Best of the Island "Gold" Award for the Best Museum" by Galveston.com, and named the "Best Attraction" by the Texas Travel Industry Association/Texas Department of Transportation. In 2017 the Museum was given the Reader's Choice Award for "Best Art Gallery and Museum" by the Galveston Daily News, voted "Best of the Island "Gold" Award

for Best Wedding Venue" by Galveston.com, and was again voted "Best of the Island "Gold" Award for Best Museum" by the Galveston Daily News. The following year in 2018, the Museum was again voted "Best of the Island "Gold" Award for Best Museum" by the Galveston.com and received the Reader's Choice Award as "Best Art Gallery & Museum" by the Galveston Daily News. In addition to the restoration of the Galveston Orphans Home, J. P. and Mary Jon recently restored 3 historical homes in the city of Galveston.



GITTINGS

JOE CLEARY

Joe was born and raised in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. After graduating from Temple University in 1976 with a Bachelor of Science in Civil Engineering and Construction Technology, Joe moved to Houston to work for Harvey Construction Company. Joe is currently the Co-Chairman of Harvey.

Over the past 40 years, Joe has been involved in a number of not for profits and is currently on theboards of The Houston Zoo, Texas Children's Hospital, The University of St. Thomas and The SalvationArmy of Greater Houston.

Joe and Cathy have four children, John, Joe III, Randi and David, daughters-in-law, Brigid and Madeline, son-in-law, Jeff and grandbabies, Tanner, Jack, Hayden and Caroline.

Joe and Cathy enjoy traveling, outdoor sports, volunteer work and spending time with family.



GITTINGS

FRANK TSURU

Frank Tsuru co-founded Momentum Midstream in 2004 and currently serves as its CEO. In addition to his executive role at Momentum, he was the President and CEO of Indigo Natural Resources, an E&P company operating primarily in North Louisiana, for 5 years prior to its sale in 2021.

Tsuru graduated from the University of Kansas with a degree in Petroleum Engineering in 1983. He was selected to run the Southern Ute Indian Tribe's midstream company, Red Cedar Gathering in 1994. In 2002, Tsuru started Aka Energy, another successful midstream company for the Tribe before starting Momentum.

Frank is an Eagle Scout with multiple distinguished awards. He is the past Chairman of the Sam Houston Area Council, the past President of the National Eagle Scout Association and is on the Executive Committee of the National Board of BSA.

Additionally, Frank is very involved with community, national and international philanthropic organizations. He was a founding member of the University Lands Advisory Board, guiding the first management team that was responsible for the development and management of the University of Texas and Texas A & M University mineral interests. Tsuru currently serves on the Board of Trustees of the University of Kansas Endowment.



GITTINGS

RUSSELL YBARRA

Russell Ybarra is the Founder and CEO of Gringo's Mexican Kitchen & Jimmy Changas restaurants. For nearly 50 years, Ybarra, known as the Master Enchilada Roller, has been a mainstay in the restaurant industry and is a valued community leader. Russell started his restaurant career in the kitchen washing dishes and learning first-hand all facets of the foodservice industry. He caught the entrepreneurial spirit early in life and started El Matador Foods in 1986, a tortilla factory in Baytown, Texas which specializes in a wide variety of tortilla products for the food industry around the world. Gringo's Mexican Kitchen came to life in 1993 when Russell had the opportunity to branch out on his own, taking over a building in Pearland, TX that had been home to four other failed restaurant concepts. Russell applied his philosophy of serving the highest quality food at the lowest price possible to the new venture. The community responded and their support has allowed Russell, along with his 2,600 team members, to expand the company to 23 locations and growing. Russell also founded three other restaurant concepts – Bullritos, The Lunch Box and Burger Libre.

Thirty-one years later, with annual revenues expected to exceed 160 million dollars in 2024, Russell's passion for the well-being of his team members and community is paramount. Russell always says, "Take care of what is important and the rest will fall into place." Russell believes that in order for a business to realize its true purpose, their primary mission must go beyond focusing mainly on profits. He believes in giving back to the communities that have supported him throughout his career in the restaurant industry. Russell currently serves on the board of the PTSD Foundation of America, Houston Police Foundation, Houston Firefighters Association and Houston Children's Charity. He proudly served as director for the Texas Restaurant Association and chaired their governmental affairs committee and is the past President of the Houston Restaurant Association.

He was named "Outstanding Hispanic Business Leader" by the Houston Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and was the President of the Baytown Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. He also has served on the board of the American Diabetes Association and Tortilla Industry Association. As a young entrepreneur in his hometown he was involved as a member of the Planning and Zoning Committee of La Porte, Texas and Russell was given an award of appreciation for six years of service on the "Precinct2gether" building committee of Harris County.

Russell lives and supports conscious capitalism and living beyond the product for a higher purpose. These efforts range from Gulf Coast Flood recovery efforts, feeding first responders, providing bikes for Christmas for families in need, purchasing livestock at the local county fair, investing in gym equipment for our veterans at Camp Hope, raising funds for fallen police officers, or assisting team members who are dealing with life challenges - community and giving is the Gringo's way. Under the guidance of Ybarra, Gringo's has also led the way in donations and support to the Boys & Girls Harbor and the Neighborhood Centers, Inc., Gulf Coast Regional Blood Center, and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital and is the namesake of the "Home for Heroes" building at The PTSD Foundation of America, Camp Hope. Ybarra is also a Texas Restaurant Hall of Fame inductee and holds an Honorary Doctorate from the University of Houston.

Russell is married to his high school sweetheart, Monica. They have two sons, Steve and wife Hilary, Derek and wife Skylar and 5 grandchildren.

PAST HONOREES

D. Kent Anderson, 2007*
Stanley H. Appel, M.D., 2022
John Arnold, 2023
John “Scotty” Arnoldy, 2020
James A. Baker III, 2012
Thomas D. Barrow, Ph.D., 2010*
Craig Biggio, 2018
Fred C. Burns, 2011
George H.W. Bush, 2012*
John R. Butler, Jr., 2022
Ernest Cockrell, 2014
Denton A. Cooley, M.D., 2009*
Rufus Cormier, 2018
Jim Crane, 2023
James W. Crownover, 2013
O. Holcombe Crosswell, 2011
Harry Cullen, 2016*
Michael DeBakey, M.D., 2008*
James H. “Red” Duke, Jr., M.D., 2011*
Dan Duncan, 2007*
Ralph Feigin, M.D., 2008*
Charles Fraser, M.D., 2014
O.H. “Bud” Frazier, M.D., 2015
Gerald Hines, 2016*
Ned Holmes, 2014
Walter Johnson, 2008
Don D. Jordan, 2008
Mark Kline, M.D., 2016
Berdon Lawrence, 2017
Paul Loyd, 2014
Harry Mach, 2015*
John P. McGovern, M.D., 2007*

Jim McIngvale, 2018
Bill McKeon, 2023
Alexander K. “Mike” McLanahan, 2017
Drayton McLane, Jr., 2009
Robert C. McNair, 2013*
John Mendelsohn, M.D., 2010*
George P. Mitchell, 2011*
Richard Mithoff, 2017
Stewart Morris, Sr., 2019*
Keith Mosing, 2022
Jim Muntz, M.D., 2023
C. Kent Osbourne, M.D., 2020
David Ott, M.D., 2019
Gary Petersen, 2020
James Pool, M.D., 2017
David Poplack, M.D. 2018
James J. “Jim” Postl, 2022
H. John Riley, 2015
Corbin J. Robertson, Jr., 2008
Marc J. Shapiro, 2011
Lester Smith, 2007*
Mike Stude, 2010
Charlie Thomas, 2013*
Bobby Tudor, 2019
Jesse Tutor, 2020
J. Virgil Waggoner, 2009*
Dave Ward, 2023
David Weekley, 2015
James T. Willerson, M.D., 2013*
Welcome Wilson, Sr., 2019*

**deceased*

PAST BENEFICIARIES

2023

Gerard Francisco, M.D.
Children's Memorial Hermann
TIRR
McGovern Medical School at UT Health

Shaine A. Morris, MD, MPH,
Tam T. Doan, M.D., MS, RDCS,
Pamela Deaven Ketwaroo, M.D.
Texas Children's Hospital
Baylor College of Medicine

Joan Nichols, Ph.D.,
Omaima Sabek, Ph.D.
Osama Gaber, M.D., FACS, FAST
Houston Methodist
Weill Cornell Medical College

2022

Allison Speer, M.D., FACS, M.D.
McGovern Medical School at UT Health
Children's Memorial Hermann

Sundeep Keswani, M.D.
Michael A. Belfort, M.D., Ph.D.
Texas Children's Hospital
Baylor College of Medicine

Alessandro Grattoni, Ph.D.
Osama Gaber, M.D., FACS, FAST
Houston Methodist
Weill Cornell Medical College

2020

David I. Sandberg, M.D.
McGovern Medical School at UT Health
Children's Memorial Hermann
MD Anderson Cancer Center

Amy Hair, M.D.
Geoffrey A. Preidis, M.D., Ph.D.
Texas Children's Hospital
Baylor College of Medicine

Branko Cuglievan Gulman, M.D.
MD Anderson Cancer Center

2019

Matthew T. Harting, M.D., MS
McGovern Medical School / UT Health
Children's Memorial Hermann

Alessandro Grattoni, Ph.D.
Houston Methodist

Ennio Tasciotti, Ph.D.
Ava Brozovich, M.D., Ph.D. student
Houston Methodist and Houston Methodist
Texas A&M University

2018

Sanjiv Harpavat, M.D., Ph.D.
Mary Elizabeth M. Tessier, M.D.
Baylor College of Medicine
Texas Children's Hospital

Manish N. Shah, M.D.
McGovern Medical School
Children's Memorial Hermann

Ennio Tasciotti, Ph.D.
Houston Methodist

2017

Michael A. Belfort, M.D.
Baylor College of Medicine
Texas Children's Hospital

Penelope E. Bonnen, Ph. D.
Baylor College of Medicine

Matthew R. Greives, M.D.
Children's Memorial Hermann
McGovern Medical School / UT Health

2016

Carolyn L. Cannon, M.D., Ph.D.
Texas A&M University
Texas Children's Hospital

Joseph L. Alcorn, Ph.D.
University of Texas Graduate School of
Biomedical Sciences and Pediatric Research Center
Children's Memorial Hermann Hospital

Jared Howell
Baylor College of Medicine

2015

David I. Sandberg, M.D., FANNS, FACS, FAAP
Children's Memorial Hermann
UT Health
M.D. Anderson

Jon Tyson, M.D.
UT Health

Jared Howell
Baylor College of Medicine

2014

Sundararajah Thevananther, Ph.D.
Baylor College of Medicine
Texas Children's Liver Center

Richard Kellermayer, M.D., Ph.D.
Baylor College of Medicine
Texas Children's Hospital

2013

Joseph F. Petrosino, Ph.D.
Baylor College of Medicine

Charles S. Cox, Jr., M.D.
University of Texas Medical School - Houston
Children's Memorial Hermann Hospital

2012

Brendan Lee, M.D., Ph.D.
Baylor College of Medicine

Laurence J.N. Cooper, MD., Ph.D.
The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center

2011

Brendan Lee, M.D., Ph.D.
Baylor College of Medicine

Donald L. Yee, M.D.
Texas Children's Hospital

2010

ZoAnn E. Dreyer, M.D.
Texas Children's Cancer Center

Cynthia E. Herzog, M.D.
The University of Texas M.D. Anderson Cancer Center

2009

Huda Y. Zoghbi, M.D.
Judith Z. Feigin, Ed.D.
Texas Children's Hospital

2009

Huda Y. Zoghbi, M.D.
Judith Z. Feigin, Ed.D.
Texas Children's Hospital

2008

C. Kent Osborne, M.D.
Baylor College of Medicine

David G. Poplack, M.D.
Texas Children's Cancer Center
Baylor College of Medicine

2007

George D. Ferry, M.D.
James Versalovic, M.D., Ph.D.
Texas Children's Hospital

2024 MEN OF DISTINCTION PROGRAM BENEFICIARY

RAMESHA PAPANNA, MD, MPH

Children's Memorial Hermann and McGovern Medical School at UTHealth



Ramesha Papanna, MD, MPH, is a board-certified specialist in maternal-fetal medicine and obstetrics and gynecology. Also, he is a formally fellowship-trained fetal interventionist. He is a professor with tenure in the Department of Obstetrics, Gynecology, and Reproductive Sciences at McGovern Medical School (UTHealth), the Program Director for the Fetal Intervention Fellowship, and the Co-Director for The Fetal Center. He is the elected president of the North American Fetal Therapy Network with tenure from 2022-2025.

Dr. Papanna received his medical degree in 2000 from Kasturba Medical College in India. He then received his master's in public health from UTHealth Houston School of Public Health. He completed his residency at Rochester General Hospital in 2008 with a research focus on the diagnosis of preeclampsia. In 2010, he completed a fetal intervention fellowship at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, followed by a maternal-fetal medicine fellowship at Yale University focusing on fetal membrane biology for the prevention of preterm, premature rupture of the membranes after fetal surgery in 2013.

His clinical interests include fetal intervention for conditions including twin-twin transfusion syndrome, in-utero spina bifida repair, and other fetoscopic-based and needle-guided in-utero procedures. He pioneered the novel method of fetoscopic spina bifida repair using cryopreserved human umbilical cord as a meningeal patch, to improve spinal cord function in the children. He is also recognized for his research and presentations about improving outcomes following fetal intervention and investigating methods for the prevention of preterm delivery.

Dr. Papanna is involved in multiple research studies, including NIH-funded research investigating a cryopreserved human umbilical cord patch as a regenerative matrix for in-utero spina bifida repair. He has multiple NIH-funded collaborative studies to improve understanding of the health and disease in fetal conditions.

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JAMIE ANASTAS, PHD

Baylor College of Medicine



Dr. Jamie Anastas is an Assistant Professor in the Department of Neurosurgery and in the Center for Cell and Gene Therapy at Baylor College of Medicine. Research in the Anastas lab focuses on pediatric high-grade glioma (pHGG) and diffuse midline glioma (DMG), which are rare but aggressive brain tumors frequently harboring mutations in genes called histones. Histones function as important regulators of cell behaviors underlying the development of cancer like growth, proliferation, survival and escape from detection by the immune system. This research addresses a critical, unmet medical need as there are no effective therapies for these brain tumors.

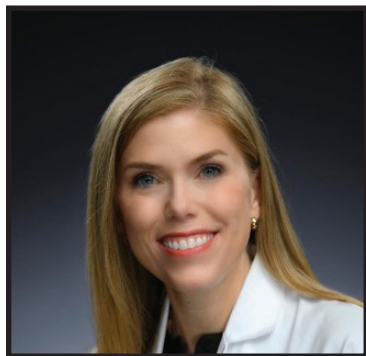
The broad, long-term research goals of the Anastas lab are to determine how histone mutations lead to brain tumor formation and to use this knowledge to develop better therapies. Dr. Anastas and her team have identified several drugs including CDK inhibitors, SSRIs and histone-targeting drugs that show promise in reducing pHGG and DMG tumor growth. The Anastas lab is pursuing these drugs as novel treatment strategies for glioma and working to develop synergistic, multidrug combination therapies. In addition to these drug candidates, immunotherapies like chimeric antigen receptor T cells (CAR T cells) targeting pHGG and DMG have shown promise in recent clinical studies. Dr. Anastas is collaborating with colleagues at the Center for Cell and Gene Therapy to combine treatment with these drugs and CAR T cell therapy with the goal of completely eliminating these brain tumors.

Dr. Anastas aims to translate these findings into future clinical trials that will hopefully improve outcomes for children diagnosed with these devastating cancers.

2024 MEN OF DISTINCTION PROGRAM BENEFICIARY

SHAINE A. MORRIS, M.D., M.P.H.

Texas Children's Hospital and Baylor College of Medicine



Pediatric Cardiologist
Medical Director, Cardiovascular Genetics
Associate Program Director, Pediatric Cardiology Fellowship
Associate Director, Fetal Cardiac Intervention Program
Associate Professor, Baylor College of Medicine

EDUCATION

UT Southwestern – Medical School – Doctor of Medicine – 2022
Children's Hospital Boston – Internship – Pediatrics – 2003
Children's Hospital Boston – Residency – Pediatrics – 2005
Baylor College of Medicine – Fellowship – Pediatric Cardiology – 2009

Children's Hospital Boston – Fellowship – Echocardiography and Cardiac MRI – 2010

Harvard School of Public Health – Masters – Masters of Public Health - 2012

ABOUT

Dr. Morris specializes in cardiovascular imaging of the fetus, child, and young adult and cardiovascular genetics. She is the Medical Director of the Fetal Cardiology Program that provides comprehensive care to families, including diagnosis, counseling, and management, from the time a fetal anomaly is suspected. She is a member of the fetal cardiac intervention team that offers in-utero procedures for specific heart conditions to try to optimize outcomes in major cardiac anomalies, especially procedures for hypoplastic left heart syndrome and related disorders.

A large part of Dr. Morris' clinical practice is caring for children and young adults with Marfan syndrome and related genetic disorders, including Loeys-Dietz syndrome, familial thoracic aneurysms and dissections, vascular Ehlers-Danlos syndrome, and Turner syndrome. She serves as a Medical Director of the Cardiovascular Genetics program, which provides comprehensive diagnosis, counseling, and cardiovascular management for young people with genetic conditions and cardiovascular disease.

Dr. Morris' research interests align with her clinic interests, and focus primarily on improving outcomes for children with Marfan syndrome and related disorders. She specifically investigates novel imaging markers that may help better predict long term outcomes, and how to use these markers to determine early in life how to optimize care. Her primary goal is to prevent adverse outcomes in patients with aortic disease so that they can live long and healthy lives.

Another research interest is understanding modifiable risk factors for adverse outcomes in infants with congenital heart disease, especially regarding the fetal and perinatal period. This research includes studying novel fetal cardiovascular interventions as well as how to optimize delivery management after fetal diagnosis. She conducts multiple research projects locally, nationally, and internationally including collaborative projects with state of Texas and national collaborative research organizations.

Dr. Morris also thoroughly enjoys teaching, and is committed to helping train future generations of health care providers, especially in cardiovascular imaging, cardiovascular genetics, and clinical research methodology.

2024 MEN OF DISTINCTION PROGRAM BENEFICIARY

TAM T. DOAN, M.D., M.S., R.D.C.S.

Texas Children's Hospital and Baylor College of Medicine



Staff Cardiologist, Non-invasive Imaging & Fetal Cardiology
Assistant Professor of Pediatrics, Baylor College of Medicine

ABOUT

My clinical practice focuses on the diagnosis and treatment of fetuses and children of all ages with cardiovascular diseases both in the hospital and in the clinic. My primary goals are to provide transparent and accurate information to my patients and families and to ensure they have a complete understanding of the diagnoses and know what to expect in the near and distant future. I have a special interest in teaching students, residents, cardiology fellows, and sonographers in training pediatric cardiology and

non-invasive cardiac imaging.

CLINICAL INTERESTS

Fetal Cardiology, Transthoracic Echocardiography, Transesophageal Echocardiography and Cardiac MRI

RESEARCH INTERESTS

Cardiac MRI and echocardiographic predictors of outcomes in patients with cardiovascular disease

PAMELA DEAVER KETWAROO, M.D.

Texas Children's Hospital and Baylor College of Medicine



Staff Radiologist, Body Radiology Section, Fetal Imaging Section, and Cardiac Radiology Section

Assistant Professor, Radiology, Baylor College of Medicine

ABOUT

It is a privilege to be part of a multi-disciplinary team caring for children and their families. In that capacity, I strive to have a positive impact and improve patient outcomes in both the pre-natal and post-natal settings. My clinical and research interests include fetal imaging, congenital heart disease, and the application of cardiac

MRI techniques to fetal imaging.



Dear Men of Distinction:

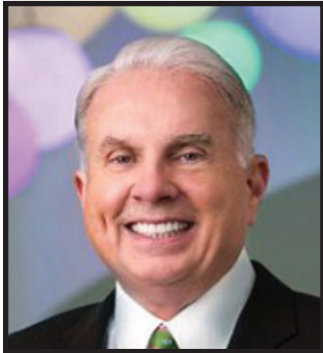
Today's honorees, J.P. Bryan, Joe Cleary, Frank Tsuru, and Russell Ybarra have made a significant impact on the Houston community through their vision, leadership, and service. On behalf of all of us at Memorial Hermann, congratulations on this great honor.

I also want to congratulate this year's physician honorees which include Dr. Ramesha Papanna, research director for The Fetal Center at Children's Memorial Hermann Hospital. Dr. Papanna is an accomplished physician whose clinical practice and research is recognized internationally. Funding from Men of Distinction will expand his work treating spina bifida in children before they are even born.

For nearly 100 years, Memorial Hermann has endeavored to create healthier communities now and for generations to come. We are grateful for the generous support of Men of Distinction who empower our work and congratulate today's honorees for their contributions to our community.

Sincerely,

David L Callender, MD
President and CEO , Memorial Hermann Health System



Dear Men of Distinction:

On behalf of everyone at Texas Children's, I would like to offer my congratulations to this year's Men of Distinction honorees. What an amazing group of leaders and what well-deserved recognition for the impact they have made on the Houston community!

We are so honored that a Texas Children's physician is among this year's beneficiaries of your generosity. Dr. Shaine Morris, a pioneer in the area of fetal cardiology, is piloting a study of a novel electrocardiographic device to facilitate magnetic resonance imaging in a fetus. I am confident that one day, her work will make a life changing difference for patients and families here and around the world.

It is a privilege to continue our partnership with Men of Distinction. As always, we are grateful for your support and commitment to helping us create a healthier future for those we serve.

Sincerely,

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



Dear Men of Distinction,

The Baylor College of Medicine community and I congratulate the 2024 Men of Distinction honorees, including Baylor's honoree, Jamie Anastas, Ph.D. These incredible leaders make contributions that benefit all of Houston and beyond.

I appreciate Men of Distinction's selection of Dr. Anastas as she seeks to improve the health of children with brain tumors by developing a novel, more effective combination therapy. This work holds great potential to eradicate pediatric brain cancer and significantly reduce the negative side effects that often accompany current treatment options.

Men of Distinction has been an important partner at Baylor and across the Houston community for many years. We are excited to continue our work together to bring lifesaving therapies to our most vulnerable patients.

Sincerely,

Paul Klotman, M.D.
President and Chief Executive Officer, Executive Dean, Baylor College of Medicine

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