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CLASS OF 2009: THE KATRINA CLASS
T-WAVE
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Dear Classmates.

Before you enjoy the photos and memories contained in the following pages, we would like you to take a few moments to reflect on all that you have accomplished within these past 4 years. You have worked hard, learned more than you probably could have imagined, and, as evidenced by the hundreds of pictures you submitted, had a great time along the way. We applaud you.

If you let your mind wander back to our white coat ceremony, you may recall the keynote address that encouraged us to achieve our dreams by "standing on the shoulders of giants." Little did we realize how soon this message would come into play. Just weeks later, Hurricane Katrina uprooted our lives and threatened our dreams of becoming doctors. Yet, through a Tulane alumnus and true "giant" of medicine, Dr. Michael E. DeBakey, we were able to continue our education, our dreams, in Houston. Through the hard work and tenacity of our administration and faculty, we were able to see what self-sacrifice can accomplish. And through all of us—our diversity, our compassion, our fortitude—we were able to continue and build upon the unique spirit of Tulane.

Indeed, although our medical school memories will always be influenced by the devastation of Hurricane Katrina, the "Katrina Class" label is one we have worn with honor. Our school was flooded with six feet of water, our hospitals severely damaged, our population depleted, yet we stood by to play a role in Tulane's, and New Orleans', resurrection. With collective resilience in the face of this upheaval, we channeled our energies towards the citizens of our city who were in desperate need of healing, and we should feel fortunate that even our nascent medical knowledge had a meaningful impact. On many levels, we have faced challenges head-on, looking to them as opportunities for change, approaching them with great patience and pragmatism. Our class has already endured much more than most graduating medical students and we should take pride in the fact that we are bound by an experience greater than our common medical education.

Another "giant" of medicine, Sir William Osler, once wrote of student life: "The hardest conviction to get into the mind of a beginner is that the education upon which he is engaged is not a college course, not a medical course, but a life course, for which the work of a few years under teachers is but a preparation." As we excitedly advance on to the challenges of finally being a "doctor," we are indeed still in the preparation stages of a greater life course. However, have faith in the fact that we have benefited from some of the most unique and invaluable of life lessons. We will be better doctors because of it.

Thank you, Class of 2009, for an amazing 4 years. It has been a true honor and privilege to compile this yearbook, and we have aimed to capture all the passion and joie de vivre that each of you embodies.

Congratulations! We wish you nothing but the best in achieving your dreams in all stages of your medical career.

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Dear Class of 2009,

It gives us great pleasure to welcome you into the medical profession. You began your medical school studies with us in August of 2005, and on August 29, we all became participants and witnesses to one of this country's greatest natural disasters. Shortly after Katrina we made a commitment to you: we would make sure you graduated on time from Tulane. In spite of what seemed like insurmountable obstacles, you persevered, stuck with us, and came back to New Orleans to help rebuild our city. For that, we are forever grateful. We are sure that you, like us, learned what is truly important from this experience. We certainly learned what it means to be patient, but more importantly, we learned what it means to be part of something much larger than ourselves.

We are both very proud of what your class has achieved. Among your many accomplishments include establishing free clinics in New Orleans, working to help rehabilitate substance abusers and working with local school children to improve their scholastic performance. Many of you have helped build homes and repair broken lives. Medicine is a service profession, and you certainly have shown your dedication to serving others.

The promise that you all began with in 2005 was realized during the 2009 match, when you were rewarded for your efforts with the opportunity to train in so many outstanding programs and disciplines. Some of your best and brightest have chosen to stay with us at Tulane. Others have chosen to go on to some of the best and most prestigious programs in the country. All of you will carry that Tulane spirit and the Katrina experience to make you excellent physicians as scores of Tulane students have done before you.

All of our paths will cross again, whether professionally or because we know what it means to miss New Orleans...so we expect to be able to say "I knew that student when...."

Class of 2009, go out, practice your art, show your compassion, and make a difference! We wish you success and don't forget us!

With our most sincere wishes for your successful futures,

Marc J. Kahn, MD

N. Kevin Krane, MD



I swear by Apollo the physician, and Asclepius, and Hygieia and Panacea and all the gods and goddesses as my witnesses, that, according to my ability and judgement, I will keep this Oath and this contract:

To hold him who taught me this art equally dear to me as my parents, to be a partner in life with him, and to fulfill his needs when required; to look upon his offspring as equals to my own siblings, and to teach them this art, if they shall wish to learn it, without fee or contract; and that by the set rules, lectures, and every other mode of instruction, I will impart a knowledge of the art to my own sons, and those of my teachers, and to students bound by this contract and having sworn this Oath to the law of medicine, but to no others.

I will use those dietary regimens which will benefit my patients according to my greatest ability and judgement, and I will do no harm or injustice to them.

I will not give a lethal drug to anyone if I am asked, nor will I advise such a plan; and similarly I will not give a woman a pessary to cause an abortion.

In purity and according to divine law will I carry out my life and my art.

I will not use the knife, even upon those suffering from stones, but I will leave this to those who are trained in this craft.

Into whatever homes I go, I will enter them for the benefit of the sick, avoiding any voluntary act of impropriety or corruption, including the seduction of women or men, whether they are free men or slaves.

Whatever I see or hear in the lives of my patients, whether in connection with my professional practice or not, which ought not to be spoken of outside, I will keep secret, as considering all such things to be private.

So long as I maintain this Oath faithfully and without corruption, may it be granted to me to partake of life fully and the practice of my art, gaining the respect of all men for all time. However, should I transgress this Oath and violate it, may the opposite be my fate.

In Memoriam

Dr. Michael E. DeBakey

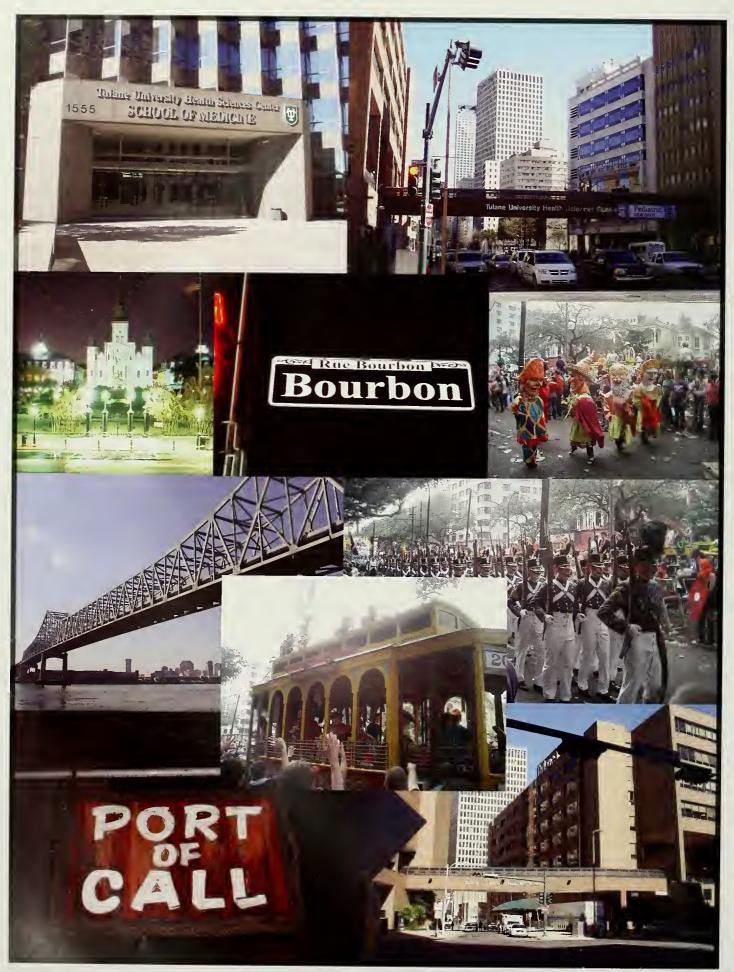
September 7, 1908 – July 12, 2008



Dr. DeBakey was one of the most revered physicians of our time and has been called "the greatest surgeon of the 20th century." After being in Houston for half a century, he immediately came to the aid of his alma mater following Hurricane Katrina. Dr. DeBakey, at age 97, personally arrived to support and welcome us on our first day at Baylor. The DeBakey Foundation also donated funds to Baylor to cover expenses incurred by hosting Tulane following the storm.

Thank you, Dr. DeBakey, for a lifetime of service and invention and for being a role model for generations of medical students.

- Tulane SOM Class of 1932
- •Tulane Surgery Faculty 1937-1948
- •Pioneered Aortic Aneurism and Dissection Repair 1952-1955
- First Carotid Endarterectomy 1953
- •Invented or contributed to Left Ventricular Assist Device, Heart Bypass Equipment, Synthetic Vascular Grafts, Military MASH units, and many other tools and procedures common in modern surgery.
- •Supervised First Multi-Organ Transplant 1968
- •Founded the Journal of Vascular Surgery
- •Helped Establish National Library of Medicine
- •Presidential Medal of Freedom with Distinction 1969
- National Medal of Science 1987
- Congressional Gold Medal 2008





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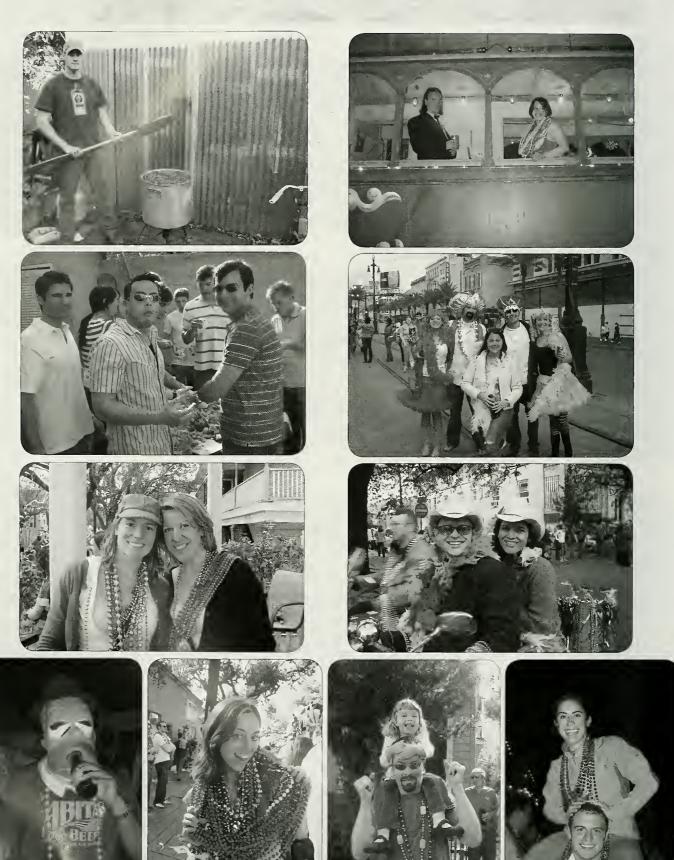




























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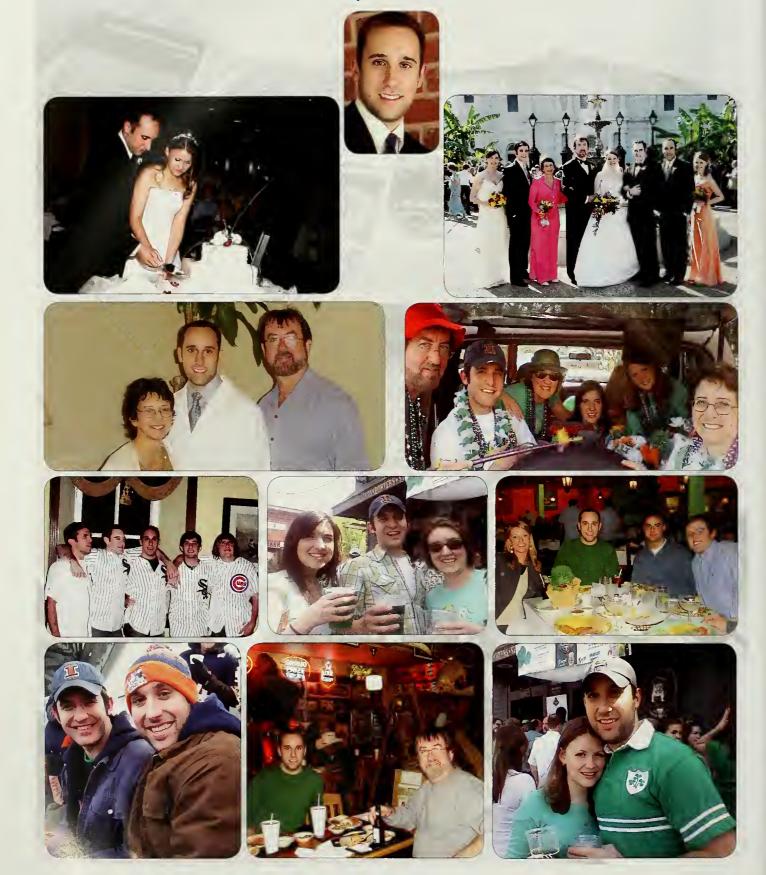








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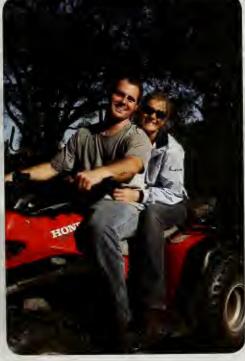












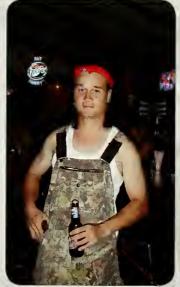




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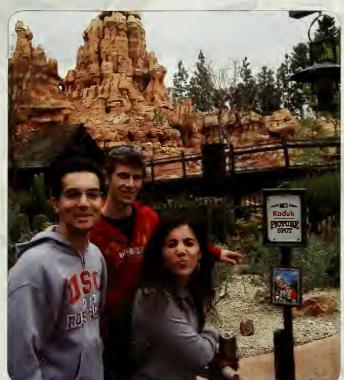






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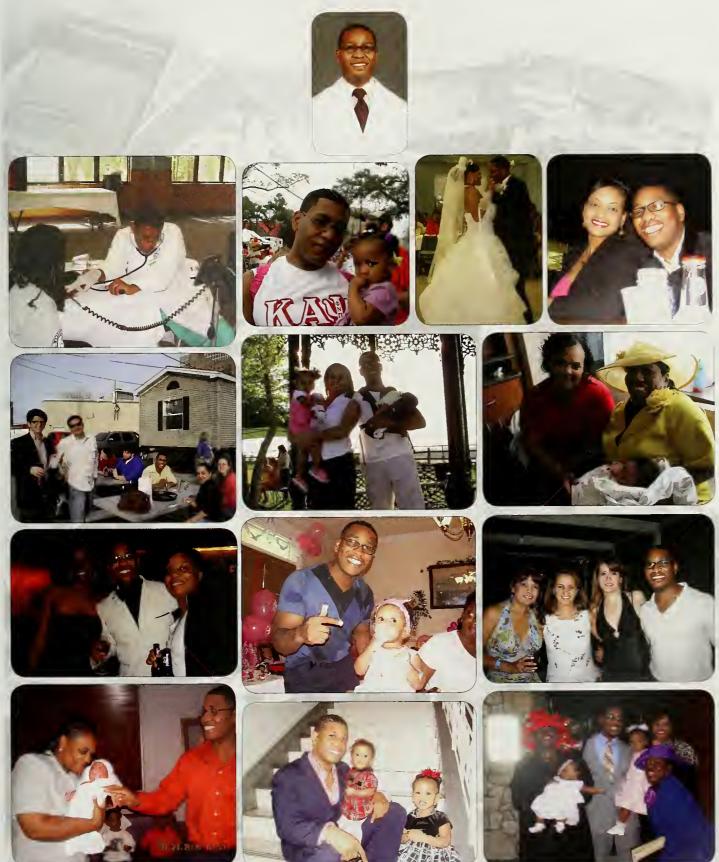








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In memorandum of the loved ones I lost during my years at Medical school.

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My loving mother, I miss you dearly and would never have been here without your encouragement.

Wayne Wagner May 31st, 1933-March 25th, 2007 My wonderful step-father, I miss your love and even your bad jokes.

Monty Galloway December 3rd, 1952-January 5th, 2009 Teacher, Mentor, and friend. Whenever times got rough you were always there to support and guide me. I will always build on the life lessons you taught me.

Pippin Haigh September 15th, 2003-April 30th, 2007 My little kitten, our time together was too short.

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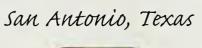








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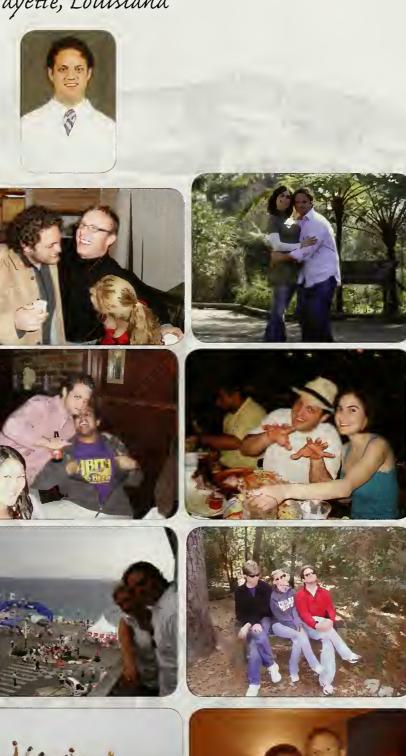








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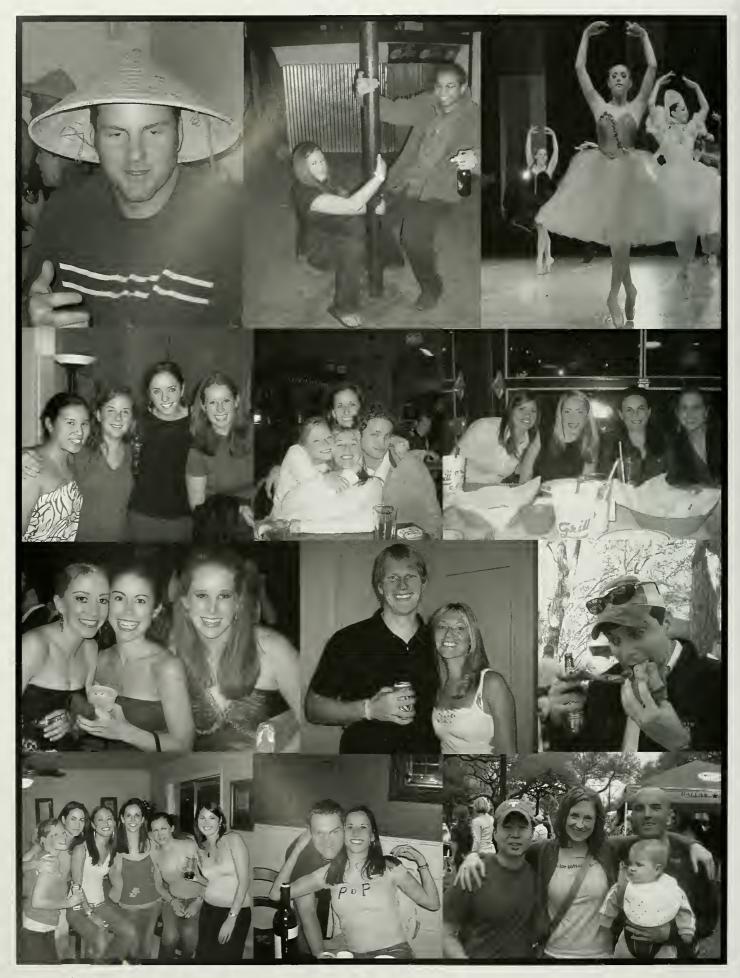


































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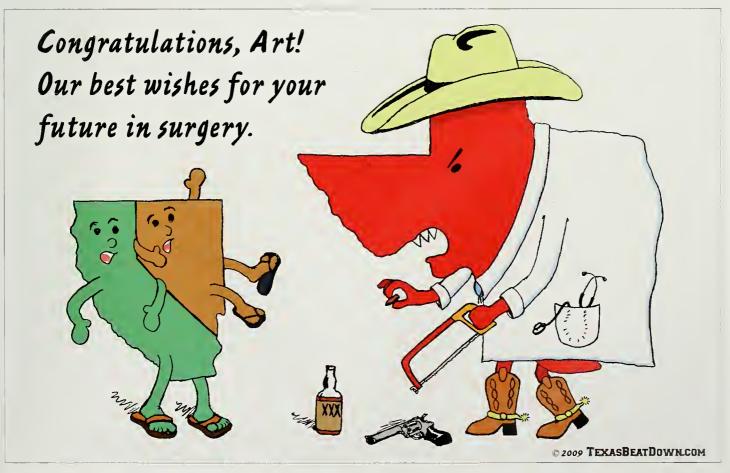
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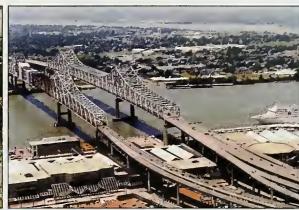
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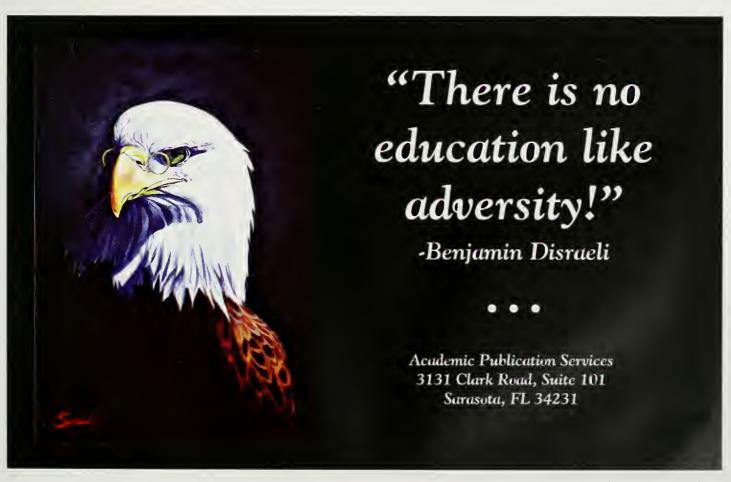
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