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Ross and Margot Perots' contributions recognized with Foundation's Community Service Award

THE RECIPIENTS OF THE 1997 CHARLES CAMERON SPRAGUE COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD ARE TWO PEOPLE WHO HAVE STOOD UNITED FOR 41 YEARS IN THEIR EFFORT TO HELP OTHERS: ROSS AND MARGOT BIRMINGHAM PEROT.

Southwestern Medical Foundation honored Mr. and Mrs. Perot with its annual award at a dinner Oct. 30 at the Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center. The dinner took place on the first evening of the Foundation's symposium, "Cell Biology and Genetic Diseases," which celebrated the 25-year partnership between UT Southwestern Nobel laureates Drs. Michael S. Brown and Joseph L. Goldstein and attracted some of the country's leading scientists.

The Perots join a short and distinguished list of Dallas-area residents who have been honored with the Foundation's Community Service Award. The award was established in 1991 to recognize individuals who have provided significant support for efforts related to the improvement of health care, medical education and research. In 1996 the award was renamed in honor of Dr. Charles Cameron Sprague, the Foundation's chairman emeritus and the former president of UT Southwestern.

"Many important programs here in our area have been enriched by a gift from Margot and Ross Perot," said W. Plack Carr Jr., the Foundation's president. "Most of their financial support

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MR. AND MRS. PEROT SPOKE ABOUT THEIR INTERESTS AT THE SOUTHWESTERN MEDICAL FOUNDATION AWARD DINNER.

Rabiner gift strengthens bonerelated research

gift of \$500,000 from Dallas philanthropist Muriel B. Rabiner to Southwestern Medical Foundation will support groundbreaking research related to osteoporosis.

The donation will establish the Alfred L. and Muriel B. Rabiner Academic Chair for Mineral Metabolism Biotechnology Research at UT Southwestern and will support clinical and laboratory studies. The gift has been matched by an anonymous donor. Alfred L. Rabiner, Mrs. Rabiner's late husband, died in 1981.

UT Southwestern researchers are among the world's leading investigators of osteoporosis and associated disorders. The team is awaiting approval from the Food and Drug Administration of its new sustained-release sodium fluoride treatment, which could improve the quality of life for many post-menopausal women suffering from osteoporosis.

Mrs. Rabiner is a patient of Dr. Charles Pak, director of the Center for Mineral Metabolism and Clinical Investigation and the Robert T. Hayes Center for Mineral Metabolism Research. Dr. Pak leads UT Southwestern's osteoporosis research efforts and will oversee development of new

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In Memoriam

Larry S. Edwards

arry S. Edwards, a prominent local insurance executive and a trustee of Southwestern Medical Foundation since 1990, died in May. Adenocarcinoma of the lungs was the cause of death, though Mr. Edwards was a lifetime nonsmoker.

He served as representative of the external advisory committee to the Mobility Foundation Center for Rehabilitation Research at UT Southwestern.

Mr. Edwards worked for 20 years at the Texas Employers Insurance Association, serving as manager of medical services. He started his own insurance business, Larry S. Edwards and Associates, in 1989.

A member of the National Insurance Rehabilitation Study Group, Mr. Edwards also was a longtime supporter of the Garland Symphony Orchestra Association. He was a trustee of Hardin-Simmons University, his alma mater, and belonged to First Baptist Church of Garland, Texas.

After graduating from Hardin-Simmons, he served in the Army as an officer, paratrooper and Green Beret.

Mr. Edwards is survived by his wife of 34 years, Mary; his daughters, Laurie Martin and Christie Barnes; his mother, Margaret Edwards; a sister, Sylvia McDonald; a brother, John Edwards; and two grandsons.

Jack Wilson Evans Sr.

Former mayor and civic leader Jack Wilson Evans Sr., a trustee of Southwestern Medical Foundation from 1987 to 1994, died in June of colon cancer. He was 74.

Mr. Evans served on the public affairs committee of the Foundation from 1987 to 1992 and was named an honorary trustee in 1994.

A grocery executive and banker, Mr. Evans served as mayor of Dallas from 1981 to 1983. He is credited with making the Dallas arts district possible by securing a location for a new symphony hall. Mr. Evans started the Evans Lakewood Food Mart in 1947. Eleven years later, he sold his 10-store chain to Kroger Food Stores. He later joined Cullum Cos. as executive vice president for Tom Thumb stores and became Cullum Cos. president and chief executive officer in 1977, and chairman and CEO in 1986. In 1992 the company was bought by Randall's Food Markets, and Mr. Evans continued working for the firm as vice chairman and director of public affairs.

Mr. Evans served on the boards of many corporations. He was elected chairman of the Dallas/Fort Worth International Airport Board in 1980, and in 1987 he was named chairman of the Dallas Citizens Council. In 1992 he was named executive director of Dallas Area Rapid Transit.

Mr. Evans was honored with the Linz Award in 1979 for outstanding civic contributions. He received the Henry Cohn Humanitarian Award from the Anti-Defamation League last January.

At the time of his death, Mr. Evans was vice chairman of public affairs for Randall's/Tom Thumb Food and Drugs, chairman of the board of American Title Co. and owner of Jack Evans Investments.

Mr. Evans is survived by his wife, Gene; three sons, Jack Evans Jr., Roy Gene Evans and H. Craig Watson Evans; seven grandchildren; and one great-grandchild.

Martha "Marty" Steed Lyne

Marty" Steed Lyne, a generous supporter of Southwestern Medical Foundation and psychiatric research, died in July of heart failure.

Mrs. Lyne, 69, was elected to the Foundation's board of trustees in 1987 and served on the grants committee from 1992 to 1996.

Mrs. Lyne and her late husband, Fritz Lyne, established the Fritz and Marty Lyne Fund in 1975 to benefit psychiatric research at UT Southwestern. The couple made yearly donations to the fund until Mr. Lyne's death in 1987. He was

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has been given very quietly, with little or no publicity given to the gift. We are honored that the Perots have agreed to accept the Foundation's Charles Cameron Sprague Community Service Award."

The Perots have devoted millions of dollars and countless hours to the causes that matter most to them, which often overlap with the Foundation's mission. Their support for UT Southwestern has been crucial to its emergence as one of the world's most eminent medical centers.

The Perot Foundation's many gifts to UT Southwestern include two of the largest pledges ever made to a public university or medical school. Both donations were designated to strengthen training for aspiring medical scientists and to enhance biomedical research in the laboratories of the medical center's Nobel laureates and their colleagues.

The Perot Foundation's gifts have been used to buy state-of-the-art medical equipment that directly benefits patients and to enable diabetes investigations, molecular research and studies to unlock the mysteries of the illnesses affecting some Gulf War veterans.

Mrs. Perot, who has served on the board of Presbyterian Hospital of Dallas, is treasurer of the Friends of the Center for Human Nutrition at UT Southwestern.

The previous recipients of the award are Ruth Collins Altshuler, James W. Aston, Paul M. Bass, Julia T. and Louis A. Beecherl Jr., Joe M. Dealey, Cecil H. Green, Nancy B. Hamon, Jess Hay, J. Erik Jonsson, George L. MacGregor, Margaret Milam McDermott, Edith and Peter O'Donnell Jr., Ralph B. Rogers, Sarah M. and Charles E. Seay, Annette and Harold Clark Simmons, Dr. Sprague and Donald Zale.