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LUBBOCK -- Had it not been for a family doctor in DeRidder, La., West Texas might never have known J. Ted Hartman.

"A major reason I'm in medicine is because as a kid I admired our family doctor -- Dr. R.L. Love -- and my parents had such high respect for him," Hartman said.

That admiration for Dr. Love started Hartman on a medical career that would culminate as the dean of the School of Medicine at the Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center.

The story is one of life's personal vignettes that is wrapped up so neatly. A family physician influences a young patient's career choice. That patient grows up to direct a medical school which emphasizes the training and placement in West Texas of primary care physicians such as family doctors.

Now, after just over seven years as dean, Dr. Hartman is resigning from the position effective Oct. 31 to oversee the school's emerging MEDNET program, which will demonstrate ways various communication technologies can help rural West Texas physicians deliver quality health care.

"Quality will be the lasting imprint of Ted Hartman's tenure as dean," said TTUHSC Executive Vice President and Provost Bernhard T. Mittermeyer. "The giants of our medical faculty were recruited under his leadership, our research program has become one of the fastest growing in the nation and our students have continued to receive a first-rate education, even during a period of reduced appropriations.

"Our recent medical school accreditation for a full seven-year term reflects the progress of the Texas Tech School of Medicine and the success of his leadership as dean over the past seven years," Mitemeyer said.

Hartman and the Texas Tech School of Medicine have come a long way since 1971 when he became the first chairman of the Orthopaedics Department and only the fourth faculty member hired by the new school. Even before his hiring, Hartman had observed the school's genesis as a consultant to Texas Tech on organizing the new medical school.

"I was fascinated with the idea that the school would be on the campus of a major university so there could be this intellectual cross-fertilization," Hartman said. "The idea of starting a new school and establishing an entirely new Orthopaedics Department and residency program intrigued me, too."

Hartman found those factors, plus the appeal of West Texas as a good place to raise two sons and a daughter, drawing him to Lubbock from Chicago where he was a faculty member at the prestigious Northwestern University Medical School and chairman of the Orthopaedic Surgery Department at Cook County Hospital.

Hartman is a soft spoken man with a gentle, reassuring handshake from years of comforting and curing thousands of patients. When he relaxes, he turns from one form of life to another, giving up his patients for gardening. The plants adorning the shelves in his office came from his garden.

On his office walls hang three western paintings by Kenneth Wyatt. Hartman pointed to "The Devil's Pulpit," showing cowhands driving cattle into the east end of Palo Duro Canyon during the first snowfall of winter. "The thing that fascinates me about the paintings is that they are so realistic and yet they are so peaceful. It all makes such good sense."

Hartman made good sense in 1981 to then TTUHSC President Lauro F. Cavazos who named him interim dean and the next year recommended him as the permanent dean because he had just what the developing school needed. "Dr. Hartman," said Cavazos, "is a team worker and he has shown outstanding skill in working with others and harmoniously and effectively directing their efforts. He assesses problems quickly and is forthright in arriving at decisions and courses of action."

When Hartman is excited about a project, his eyes widen and his voice rises. And during his tenure as dean -- an era when the school has grown out of adolescence into early maturity -- Hartman has had much to get excited about.

For instance, in 1982 the school reached its full complement in student enrollment, accepting 100 students per class each year. A clinic was built for the Amarillo Regional Academic Health Center and another is near completion for the El Paso center. And, the Regional Academic Health Center in Odessa was established while he was dean.

With regional centers scattered from Amarillo to Lubbock to Odessa to El Paso, administering such a widespread school has been both a challenge and a pleasure because of the centers' varied personalities, he said.

"In Amarillo, the entrepreneurial spirit is strong -- strong in the best sense -- and I'm sure that's a major reason they get so many things done," Hartman said. "Amarillo, because it has a unique medical campus in the northwest part of the city, is really poised to be a major factor in health care delivery and research in the coming years."

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"El Paso is unique, from a medical sense, because in a border setting like that you come in contact with every type of disease that is known to man. From a teaching standpoint, it's absolutely fascinating," he said. "The patients are good patients, proud patients, in a truly international city where two cultures have learned to live with each other in a very attractive fashion."

"We really see a great future in Odessa because the regional center is helping Odessa develop more than just a petroleum economy. Odessa is strategically placed to service communities to the south toward the Rio Grande Valley and to the west toward El Paso," Hartman said. "The spirit of the people and the good community support have really made us succeed there."

In Lubbock, the School of Medicine has helped make the city a regional medical center. As a result, medicine has joined agriculture and education as Lubbock's major economic sectors.

"The thing that has been most exciting is seeing the quality of health care throughout this area improve," Hartman said. "The school did not do all that by itself, but the school served as a focus around which those improvements could occur. Many practitioners come to a community, even if they are not associated with the school, because the school is there and it provides a professional stimulus."

Of the many accomplishments during his tenure, Hartman thinks the most significant may have been in maintaining the school's academic program in the years since the collapse of world oil prices and in renewing its accreditation. The School of Medicine received full accreditation in 1988 for a seven-year term, the maximum accreditation period approved by the Liaison Committee on Medical Education.

Though the school has been accredited since it opened its doors in 1972, this year marked the first time it has received the maximum accreditation period. That accreditation, which came after several years of reduced budgets, reflects the school's growing maturity.

Personally, one of Hartman's proudest moments came with the start of construction on the El Paso clinic which is scheduled for completion in November.

"The Texas Tech Board of Regents deserves a lot of credit for moving ahead with that clinic," Hartman said. "More than anything else, because funds have been tight, it was the board's sense of social conscience that really pushed the issue forward."

Another moment of personal reflection struck Hartman when the School of Medicine celebrated its 10th anniversary. "From all over Texas we invited people who had been particularly helpful in getting this school going," he said. "More than 400 showed up, many of them from hundreds of miles away. It was then I realized the school was not just the faculty's and students' but theirs, the people of Texas."

While serving as dean has had its satisfactions, it has also had its trials such as dealing with lean budgets over the last four years, trying to deal with skyrocketing medical liability costs, seeking additional funding support for resident salaries, and administering a medical school in an era of increased federal control over both education and medicine. Running a medical school, Hartman said, can only be done today through a team of capable and dedicated staff.

Hartman had an early lesson in teamwork when he was a tank commander with Patton's Third Army as it advanced across Europe in the final two years of World War II. Twice his tank was blown out from under him, and both times his crew escaped without a fatality.

Once he and his crew were trapped behind German lines and had to carry a badly burned crewman out of an area crawling with enemy soldiers. The war experience changed him.

"It gave me a certain sense of religious commitment in my own life," Hartman said. "I don't go around talking about it, but I did believe having come through the war safely that there was something more I was still supposed to do."

After the war he took a bachelor's degree from Iowa State University, then earned his medical degree from Northwestern University. Almost from the beginning, he knew he wanted to specialize in orthopaedics.

"I enjoyed anatomy my first year and on Saturday mornings when we visited patients I could see with orthopaedics patients we were talking about an injury that had a very direct application to anatomy," Hartman said. "That appealed to me because I'm not very good at nebulous things that you can't put into a little package. I never changed my mind after that and my fascination with orthopaedics continues to grow."

Hartman and three bio-medical engineers in Chicago teamed together in 1971 to develop the first changing-axis knee brace. The brace provided greater support by more closely mimicking the motion of the knee than any of its predecessors. The principle behind the brace is still used today in designing braces for the knee. While at TTUHSC, he has helped develop a sequential compression device which reduces the risk of blood clotting after hip and knee surgery.

Until he became dean, Hartman had seen literally thousands of patients with orthopaedics problems, but time constraints in recent years made that impractical. That will change as he now plans to begin working with TTUHSC resident physicians and their patients.

"One of the most fascinating things is to take care of children with orthopaedic problems and then see them grow up as those problems have been resolved," Hartman said. "There's a lot of satisfaction just from realizing that you have been a factor in helping someone."

From somewhere, Dr. Love must surely be smiling at the words of Dr. Hartman, his former patient.

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LUBBOCK -- Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center psychiatry Professor Thomas F. McGovern is serving on a national committee of the Academy of Science's Institute of Medicine which is examining the nation's system of dealing with alcoholism and alcohol abuse.

The 13-member committee is conducting a two-year study of treatment and rehabilitation services for alcoholism and alcohol abuse. Committee members are drawn from varying sectors -- such as treatment, research and public policy -- which are working to ease the national problem with alcohol.

McGovern is assisting with the draft of the committee's final report which will be presented to Congress in April. The report will review available research knowledge and assess the cost, quality and effectiveness of programs and policies on alcohol problems.

McGovern is editor of the "Alcoholism Treatment Quarterly," a national journal on treatment issues. In addition, he presented a paper on "An International Perspective on Alcoholism and Drug Abuse Counseling" at the 13th World Health Education Conference in Houston in September.

He was honored in October by the Texas Council of Community Mental Health/Mental Retardation Centers for service over the last 11 years, especially as chair of the chemical dependency program. He was cited for his vision for quality community-based delivery systems.

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Also, McGovern has just been appointed to the National Advisory Committee of the Commission on Accreditation of Rehabilitation Facilities, which helps establish standards on alcoholism and drug abuse treatment.

A health sciences center faculty member since 1978, McGovern holds a doctorate of education from Texas Tech.

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LUBBOCK -- Three Nobel laureates and Lauro F. Cavazos, U.S. Secretary of Education and former president of Texas Tech University, will participate in a meeting hosted by the Physics Department of Texas Tech University.

The 1988 Fall Meeting of the Texas Sections of the American Association of Physics Teachers, the American Physical Society and the Society of Physics Students Zone 10 will be at the Civic Center Holiday Inn Nov. 3-5. Also joining in the meeting will be the American Vacuum Society and the International Amateur-Professional Photoelectric and Photometry Society.

The three Nobel laureates will participate in "Symposium on Frontiers of Physics," a highlight of the meeting. A. M. Cormack from Tufts University will present "Application of Tomographic Principles in Science," W. A. Fowler from the California Institute of Technology will present "Early Nucleon Synthesis in an Inhomogenous Universe" and R. W. Wilson from AT&T Laboratories will present "Millimeter Wave Spectroscopy of Interstellar Molecular Clouds."

Cavazos, the after dinner speaker at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 4, will present "Science Education: What Needs to be Done."

Besides traditional sessions on topics such as nuclear, atomic and mathematical physics, there will be special interest sessions on topics such as semiconductor physics, renewable energy and physics in industry.

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A Physics Fair will offer a series of student projects and classroom demonstrations. There will also be a microcomputer workshop, a computer software swapshop and a workshop for high school and junior college teachers on teaching introductory physics. Some of the workshops have been approved by the Texas Education Agency (TEA) for Advanced Academic Training (AAT) credit.

The registration fee for the meeting is \$10 if received before Oct. 31 and \$12 at the meeting. There will be additional fees for meals and selected workshops. For more information contact A.K Lodhi, Department of Physics, Texas Tech University, Lubbock, Texas 79409 or (806) 742-3767.

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LUBBOCK -- Religious architecture will be addressed by architects, scholars and designers during an international symposium Friday (Oct. 28) at Texas Tech University.

The Texas Tech College of Architecture and the Universidad de Guanajuato in Mexico are presenting "Historical Traditions In Post Modern Religious Architecture" from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. Friday in the gallery of the Architecture Building.

Symposium speakers will discuss church designs and how those designs are appropriate in religious architecture. Speakers also will explore the historical aspects, content or meaning and symbolism in religious architecture, said organizer Willard B. Robinson, a Texas Tech Horn professor of architecture.

"There is a conflict between modernism and tradition in religious architecture. The symposium partially focuses on that conflict and perhaps offers ideas about how to bring together modernism and tradition in church design," Robinson said. He will begin the lectures at 9 a.m. on the "Ecclesiastical Content of Historic American Churches."

"The Meaning in Mexican Religious Architecture" will be discussed at 9:45 a.m. by Arturo Parra-Moreno. "Analysis of Space in the History of the Mexican Temples" will be addressed at 10:30 a.m. by Alfonso Alcocer-Martinez. Both speakers are professors and architects at the Universidad de Guanajuato.

Houston architect William Cannady, who currently is designing churches, will talk at 11:15 a.m. about "Post Modern Church Design Philosophy."

An architect who is a consultant with the Southern Baptist Convention in Nashville, Tenn., Fred H. Turner, AIA, at 1:30 p.m. will discuss "Tradition Vs. Modernity in Church Design."

Also a professor at the Universidad de Guanajuato, Salvador Covarrubias-Alcocer will speak at 2:15 p.m. about religious frescoes in Mexico.

Austin architect Clovis Heimsath, FAIA, at 3 p.m. will address "Liturgical Imagery in Religious Architecture." The final talk will be given at 3:45 p.m. by Austin designer Maryann Heimsath who will discuss "Iconography in Stained Glass and Furnishings."

The symposium is sponsored with grants and support from the Texas Tech College of Architecture; the Lubbock chapter of the American Institute of Architects; the Lubbock City Council, as recommended by the Lubbock Cultural Affairs Council; the Southern Baptist Convention; and the U.S. Informational Agency in Washington, D.C.

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Texas Tech University School of Law students Paula Jones and Jennifer C. Beedy won first and second place, respectively, for essays in a recent national copyright competition sponsored by the American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers (ASCAP).

The Nathan Burkan Memorial Competition has been held annually since 1938 to stimulate interest in the field of copyright law, according to officials of the society. The competition is named after ASCAP's first General Counsel who died in 1936.

Jones, the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Paul D. Jones of Austin, received a bachelor's degree in speech in 1985 from the University of Texas at Austin. Her activities at Texas Tech include client counseling competition and membership in the Student Bar Association and the law student divisions of the Texas and American Bar Associations.

Beedy, the daughter of Kathryn Baldwin of Fort Worth and James C. Beedy of Manorville, New York, holds a 1984 bachelor's degree in philosophy from Rutgers University. At Texas Tech, she is a member of the Student Bar Association and Phi Delta Phi legal fraternity.

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The Louise C. and James G. Allen Engineering Communications Center recently became the official name of the student support facility located in the Civil/Agriculture Engineering Building at Texas Tech University.

The naming of the center in honor of the emeritus faculty members and still-active university supporters was funded by part of a \$10,000 endowment from Noel and Christia Bryant of Lubbock. The endowment also supports a scholarship program in the college's electrical engineering department where Mr. Bryant earned a bachelor's degree in 1940.

The communications center is a free support service that counsels engineering students who need to sharpen oral and written communication skills. The center also offers tutoring sessions, resume service and a composition marking service for engineering faculty.

Mrs. Allen retired from Texas Tech in 1964 as an associate professor emeritus. Starting in Texas Technological College's publicity department in 1928, she joined the journalism faculty in 1936 as an instructor. Mrs. Allen and her husband were jointly chosen for the Distinguished Faculty Emeritus Award in 1988.

Dr. Allen joined the Texas Tech faculty in 1927 as an English instructor. His career combined teaching with 12 years as dean of men and 19 years as dean of student life. After retirement from teaching in 1972, Allen remained with Texas Tech for 12 years as executive director of the Dads Association, which he founded in 1956.

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LUBBOCK -- The cover of the September/October issue of Texas Architect magazine features a winning design entry created by a Texas Tech University student.

Senior architecture major Daniel Chamberlain received \$1,000 for his first-prize entry in the 1988 Texas Society of Architects annual student design competition. Chamberlain's entry in the statewide competition is a design of an aerobics health/fitness center. He is the son of Elizabeth and Ronald Chamberlain, 54 Kendall St., Granby, Mass.

Another Texas Tech senior architecture student, Jack Atkins, received \$500 for his third-place entry. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Atkins, 1107 N. Main St., Jamestown, N.Y.

The current issue of Texas Architect focuses on architectural education in Texas and will present student projects that placed in the competition. Three architects and two fitness center developers juried the event, which was sponsored by the Texas Society of Architects student liaison committee and architecture for health committee.

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CAUSE OF HYPERTENSION? -- An as yet unidentified compound under study by a TTUHSC researcher may be a factor in high blood pressure. Peter Doris, Ph.D., of the cell biology and anatomy faculty heads one of maybe a half dozen groups worldwide which are narrowing in on this substance. Doris thinks the compound may be a novel adrenal steroid. Whatever it is, the substance is found in trace amounts in the blood. Researchers believe this compound may provide a link between salt intake and hypertension. Once the substance is identified and produced in larger quantities, many questions about its link to high blood pressure will be answered. Doris has done extensive research on hypertension. Papers on this aspect of his research, which utilizes laboratory rats for study, have been published in Life Sciences and Endocrinology. For details on the research and its implications, contact Doris at (806) 743-3046.

For assistance in covering this or other stories, contact TTUHSC news manager Preston Lewis at (806) 743-2143. Photographs and video footage can be arranged upon request.

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REAL-LIFE LAW COMES TO SCHOOL OF LAW

The Fifth Circuit United States Court of Appeals will be hearing appellate arguments Oct. 31 through Nov. 3 at Texas Tech School of Law. The three-judge panel will hear a variety of arguments during the regular visit to exhibit actual court processes to law students.

The court, beginning sessions at 9 a.m. daily, will hear cases involving age discrimination, medical malpractice, bankruptcy, prosecutorial immunity and other subjects. The visit is viewed by law school faculty as an opportunity for prospective attorneys to observe the workings of the circuit court which is the final step before cases are appealed to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Justices for the panel will be Thomas M. Reavley, Patrick E. Higginbotham and Jerry E. Smith.

The sessions will be held in the first-floor Law School courtroom. Cameras will not be allowed inside the court during sessions, but justices and students can be interviewed before each day's session or during recesses.

To ensure a scheduled interview, contact Law Professor Joseph Conboy at 742-3889.

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