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Dallas investor Peter Denker and wife, Charron, give \$100,000 to support general internal medicine at UT Southwestern

DALLAS – June 12, 2008 – Dallas investor Peter Denker and his wife, Charron, have given \$100,000 to establish a fund for programs and activities in general internal medicine at UT Southwestern Medical Center in honor of the medical director for the William T. and Gay F. Solomon General Internal Medicine Clinic.

The gift, which was given to Southwestern Medical Foundation, will create the Charron and Peter Denker Fund for Medical Excellence, in Honor of Steven Leach, M.D.

The couple has been acquainted with Dr. Leach for several years. Both Mr. and Mrs. Denker and her parents are patients of Dr. Leach, professor of internal medicine.

"We chose to honor Dr. Steven Leach with our donation because he is not only our primary care physician, but he is for my parents as well; therefore, he plays an integral role in our family life," Mrs. Denker said. "We consider Steve a friend as well as our doctor. His role at UT Southwestern requires a combination of high quality patient care with his responsibilities in teaching and research. His contributions are outstanding in all areas."

Mr. Denker said Dr. Leach's skill set is singular.

"I have nothing but good things to say about Steve Leach," he said. "I think he is very responsive, skilled, caring and is all you could ask for in an internist and friend."

Born in New York City, Mr. Denker grew up on Long Island and graduated from Duke University in 1960 before joining the investment firm Scudder, Stevens and Clark. In 1980 he co-founded Denker & Goodwin Inc. Investment Counsel, where he was chairman.

In 1989 Denker & Goodwin became part of U. S. Trust, and Mr. Denker served as chairman of U. S. Trust Co. of Texas, N.A. He left U. S. Trust in April 2006 to form Enceladus Investment Management. The Denkers have two grown children and are long-time supporters of the Dallas Museum of Art and the Dallas Opera.

"I am very grateful to Peter and Charron for their support," Dr. Leach said. "Their generosity will enhance the department's mission to provide superior patient care."

General internal medicine is the largest single clinical care division at UT Southwestern. Faculty (MORE)

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members also provide outpatient and inpatient care and conduct consultations at UT Southwestern University Hospitals and Clinics, Parkland Memorial Hospital and the Dallas Veterans Affairs Medical Center.

"Peter and I want to support UT Southwestern because it is universally recognized as one of the preeminent healthcare and research facilities in the world supporting UT Southwestern's research not only benefits those of us locally, but those benefits have universal impact on people's lives," Mrs. Denker said.

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