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Foundation created by Western-boot legend and wife gives \$1 million to support UT Southwestern

DALLAS – Jan. 13, 2005 – The Jane & John Justin Foundation of Fort Worth has given \$1 million to establish a distinguished chair in urology at UT Southwestern Medical Center in honor of one of its pre-eminent physicians.

The gift, given through the Southwestern Medical Foundation, will establish the Jane and John Justin Distinguished Chair in Urology, in Honor of Claus G. Roehrborn, M.D., and will support clinical care and research programs at the medical center.

Prominent Texas businessman and Western-boot legend, the late John Justin Jr., was the president and chief executive officer of Justin Industries, Inc., a Fort Worth mayor, and longtime chairman of the Southwestern Exposition and Livestock Show. He and his wife, Jane, who died in 2002, established the foundation in 1992.

Dr. Roehrborn, who treated Mr. Justin for prostate cancer before his death in 2001 at age 84, is chairman of urology at UT Southwestern and holder of the E.E. Fogelson and Greer Garson Fogelson Distinguished Chair in Urology.

“The Justins thought highly of Dr. Roehrborn, who treated John with compassion, and they admired the research being conducted at UT Southwestern,” said J.T. Dickenson, president of the Justin Foundation and former president and CEO of Justin Industries, Inc. “We know that they would be thrilled to see the medical center supported in this way, and they would be proud to see Dr. Roehrborn honored for his exceptional work.”

Mr. Justin was the grandson of H.J. Justin, who founded Justin Boot Co. in Spanish Fort in 1879. John Justin Jr. took over the family business in 1950 and is credited with turning the company into a Western-boot dynasty. He was chairman of Justin Industries, Inc. – which owned Justin Boots and Acme Brick – until he retired in 1999. The company was sold the following year to Berkshire Hathaway.

Jane Chilton Justin was married to Mr. Justin for 48 years and was an accomplished cook and avid china collector. She wrote two books – *Mother Jane's Prescriptions for Hunger* and *Collecting*

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With a Purpose. Mrs. Justin also was instrumental in the establishment of the Child Study Center in Fort Worth, and served as a leader in the Gladney Center for Adoption; Camp Fire USA; the YWCA; Jewel Charity Ball; and the First United Methodist Church of Fort Worth, which named its youth building after the couple.

Together, the Justins were given numerous awards and honors, including the Golden Deeds Award by the Exchange Club of Fort Worth, Man and Woman of the Year Award by the National Cowboy Hall of Fame in Oklahoma City, and the Royal Purple Award from Texas Christian University. Mr. Justin served on the board of directors of Zale Lipshy University Hospital, which now has been merged with UT Southwestern Medical Center.

“The Justins are true Texas legends – not only for what they accomplished as business and civic leaders, but for how much they gave to others through their tireless efforts to build a stronger community,” said Dr. Kern Wildenthal, president of UT Southwestern. “This wonderful endowment is further evidence of the Justins’ enduring dedication to the Fort Worth-Dallas area, and an exceptional tribute to the quality of care delivered by UT Southwestern physicians.”

Dr. Roehrborn, an internationally respected prostate-cancer surgeon and researcher, joined the UT Southwestern faculty in 1992. He earned his medical degree from Justus-Liebig University Medical School in Giessen, West Germany, in 1980 and – after further training at the West German Army Hospital in Giessen – came to UT Southwestern in 1984 to complete his residency. He has received a number of professional honors, has served on the editorial boards of numerous research and healthcare publications, and has been active in the World Health Organization.

“The gift from the Jane & John Justin Foundation will, in time, help us learn better ways to diagnose and treat urologic diseases,” Dr. Roehrborn said. “The endowment will be of great assistance in our efforts in the Department of Urology to build one of the greatest programs in the world. I am very grateful for the opportunities the Justin family’s generosity will bring and am honored by the foundation’s faith in our work.”

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