## CONVERSATIONS Sharp: Congratulations to faculty, staff of LSUHSC-S



Jack Sharp Guest columnist

Recently the LSU Health Shreveport (LSUHSC-S) administration announced that they have received a 10-year accreditation from The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. The full 10-year accreditation is a big deal, and an honor not easily earned. It is a testament to the service and commitment of the faculty and staff in preparing the doctors and medical technicians of the future to the highest standards of medicine and health care delivery. Many of us are already beneficiaries of the care provided by the students and residents associated with LSUHSC-S.

For several years LSU Health Shreveport, along with other public universities, has been the victim of continued reductions in financial support as Louisiana has made budgetary reductions to higher education. In spite of these reductions in needed resources, the staffs of the Medical School and School of Allied Health have made significant advances in the training provided to their students. In doing so they have made an important and valuable commitment to us as well, the result of which is evident in this accreditation achievement.

On behalf of the Shreveport-Bossier Business Alliance for Higher Education, and hopefully everyone who lives in and loves the Ark-La-Tex region, I offer a very sincere and heartfelt congratulations to Chancellor Dr. Robert Barish, Associate Dean Dr. Jane Eggerstedt, the faculty, staff and students of LSUHSC-S who made this high honor and recognition possible! Please join me in making a pledge to redouble the community efforts to preserve and grow this invaluable asset of North Louisiana.

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