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A Cultural Affair

Student National Medical Association to Host Scholarship Gala

The Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center (TTUHSC) Student National Medical Association (SNMA) will host a scholarship gala, “A Cultural Affair: Scholarship Gala,” from 6 to 11 p.m. Nov. 1 at the TTUHSC Academic Event Center, 3601 Fourth St.

This scholarship banquet is a celebration of food, drinks and entertainment with respect to a variety of cultures. The funds raised go directly towards financial need-based scholarships for TTUHSC School of Medicine students. Last year, more than \$40,000 was raised for scholarships and the building of an endowment.

“The high cost of a medical education is an investment for students, but it can be an enormous burden,” said Briget Hyde, SNMA president and second-year medical student. “SNMA is proud to host this event each year to benefit our students. We hope to raise more this year with the community’s support.”

This year’s gala will include performances by:

- African Student Association Dance Team
- The Texas Tech University (TTU) Mariachi Los Matadores
- TTU Kahaani Bollywood Dance

SNMA is one of the nation’s oldest and largest independent, student-run organizations focused on the needs and concerns of culturally diverse medical students. The TTUHSC School of Medicine SNMA chapter participates in various projects including mentoring undergraduate students, promoting health care fields with elementary students, organizing community health fairs, working with the undergraduate community and helping improve medical school curriculum and admissions.

“SNMA is dedicated to community service and promoting cultural awareness within the medical school and the Lubbock community,” Hyde said.

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