You are invited to attend the 18th Annual Scientific Meeting of the Texas Research Society on Alcoholism (TRSA) - reserve FEBRUARY 29, 2008 on your calendars. TRSA is a non-profit organization devoted to the promotion of increased public awareness and support for research in the field of alcoholism and other substance abuse/dependence. Members include scientists working in the field of alcoholism and other substance abuse/dependence and also non-scientist members who wish to enhance public awareness and support for scientific research in these areas.

The program is focused on research and is intended to promote communication and collaboration among researchers at Texas institutions and treatment professionals interested in learning more about recent research findings in substance abuse/dependence. The schedule will include submitted oral and poster presentations, the 2007 TRSA McGovern Fellowship Awardee and other invited presentations, including presentations from scientists from various Texas medical schools.

The informal nature of this meeting will make for a great "practice session" for students and young investigators who are planning to present their data at future meetings (i.e., RSA, CPDD). Please pass this information on to your colleagues. Reduced registration fee for students!

**MEETING LOCATION:** The University of Texas Club - 2108 Robert Dedman Dr., Austin

**RECOMMENDED ACCOMMODATIONS:** Courtyard Marriott, 5660 N. IH 35, Austin, TX 78755 --- 512-458-2340 At the hotel - Buffet Breakfast available - $9.95 or full menu. Coffee/Juices/Danish/Muffins will be available at the meeting.

We have been granted the rate of $99 per night, single or double, for a standard room. To reserve a room, contact the hotel directly (512-458-2340) and identify yourself as a participant of the TRSA Meeting. For this special rate, good through the weekend, reserve by February 14.

**SHUTTLE:** For those flying in, you can reserve transportation to the hotel through Super Shuttle (approx. $15) by calling 800-258-3826. Super Shuttle will also be available to the University then to the airport, possibly at a discounted rate - depends on the number of attendees who will need transportation from the hotel to the meeting site.
MEETING REGISTRATION: If you wish to attend, please complete the registration form and return with your remittance to the TRSA office. The pre-registration fee is $25 for students (I.D. or letter from advisor required); $45 for TRSA members and $55 for non-members. Valid pre-registration must be received by February 14, 2008. On-site or late registration will cost an additional $10. Check-In at the meeting location will begin at 8:00am with coffee and Danish available. Refreshments and lunch are included with registration.

AGENDA: The following is a preliminary agenda; the final program will be set according to the number of abstracts submitted.

1) Registration will begin at 8:00am – Coffee and Danish included
   A warm TRSA Welcome will be at 8:25am.

2) The **Morning Session** will consist of oral presentations

3) “Combining Pharmacotherapy and Behavioral Treatment for Alcohol Problems: Recent Findings” presented by Allen Zweben, D.S.W., Columbia University School of Social Work, New York

4) The **Poster Session** will last about 1 hour – followed by Lunch

5) TRSA 2007 John P. McGovern Fellowship Awardee: “A Structural Equation Model of Heavy Alcohol Use Among Young Adults in the U/S/ Military: Complexities of Stress Level, Personal Propensity, Alcohol Use, and Job Performance”, presented by Sunju Sohn, MSSW, University of Texas School of Social Work, Austin

6) The **Afternoon Session** will resume oral presentations

7) “A Career Retrospective” – R. Adron Harris, Ph.D., Director, Waggoner Center for Alcohol and Addiction Research, Austin

8) “Is Prohibition Working? If Not, What Next?” presented by Mike Gilbert, Criminal Justice Professor at University of Texas, San Antonio

9) Adjournment – approximately 5:00pm

ABSTRACT SUBMISSIONS: Member and non-member researchers are invited to submit abstracts of research findings to be presented at the meeting. For each abstract submitted (see form below), the authors should indicate whether they prefer an oral presentation or a poster format. Each investigator may submit as many as one oral presentation and one poster. The abstract submission deadline is February 14, 2008. You can submit the text or an attachment of your abstract by e-mail: debbyrsa@sbcglobal.net. The Alcoholism: Clinical and Experimental Research (ACER) Editorial Board has approved having the TRSA abstracts (poster and oral) published – publication is optional.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION: If you have questions, please call TRSA at (512) 454-0022 or e-mail: debbyrsa@sbcglobal.net. Directions to the University Club are below.
DIRECTIONS to TRSA Scientific Meeting
February 29, 2008 ~ Austin, Texas

MEETING LOCATION: University of Texas Club, 2108 Robert Dedman Dr.

The University of Texas Club - http://www.utclub.com/Directions_to_the_Club.pdf

From Interstate 35 take the MLK Exit then head west.
Turn Right on Red River.
Turn Left on Clyde Littlefield Drive.
The University of Texas Club is located in the East Side of the Darrell K Royal Memorial Stadium.

Parking is available in the Parking Garage (PG5) on Clyde Littlefield and Robert Dedman Drive. On the Registration Form, indicate if you need a parking pass.

The Club entrance has an orange awning bearing "The University of Texas Club." Go through the glass door and proceed down the stairs. The elevators are to your left. The Receptionist is located on the 7th Floor.

*If you are a Member of the Club or attending an event where parking is paid by the host/hostess, please bring your garage-issued parking ticket to the Club for processing. If you are not a Member of the Club or your host/hostess is not procuring your parking charges, you must pay the cashier on the 2nd floor of the garage before exiting.

Room Location: President’s Room East & West - 6th Floor