

DSU gears up for Elliott-Nowell-White Symposium

University to hold three-day event April 13-15

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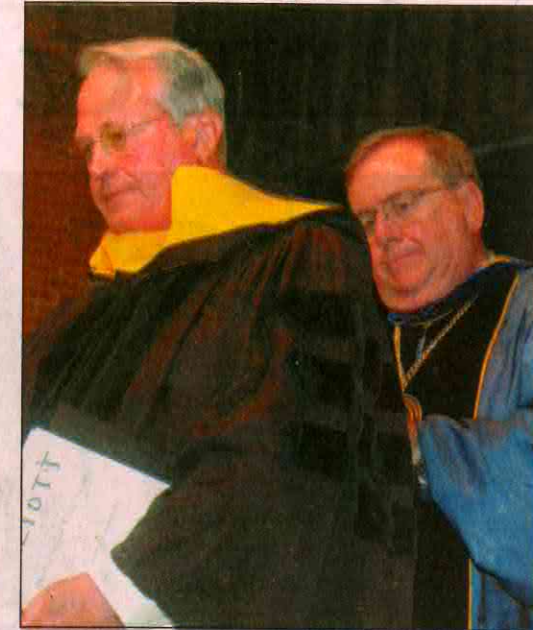
The 18th Annual Elliott-Nowell-White Science Symposium will be held at Delta State University April 13-15. The three-day event will include presentations and lectures from highly-respected speakers in the sciences and education. Van D. Hipp, Jr., an expert commentator on the War on Terror, will deliver the keynote lecture for the event.

The symposium's theme is "New Approaches to Cancer Treatment: Immunotherapy and Beyond." According to Dr. Bob Elliott, immunotherapy is the fourth modality in cancer treatment and one that is most often forgotten. This year's symposium will focus on this treatment and the progress made in its field. The event is

part of the Elliott Program of Excellence, created by Drs. Robert and Mary Elliott, who are both Delta State graduates. The excellence program consists of three phases — student scholarships, internships, and the symposium.

On Wednesday, sessions will begin at 4:30 p.m. in Caylor Hall. Henry Laws, M.D. will head the day's sessions that will revolve around careers in bioscience and the power of placebos. On Thursday, the Johnny Outz Memorial Lectures will start at 7 p.m. in Jobe auditorium, featuring Thomas Wagner, Ph.D, and Manuel L. Penichet, M.D., Ph.D. On Friday, the Roy Lee Wiley Memorial Lectures will be held in Caylor Hall beginning at 8 a.m. The lectures are free and open to the public.

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Dr. Elliott received a honorary Doctor of Science degree during DSU's spring 2009 commencement ceremony.