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## **\$1.5 Million Endowed Chair in Pediatric Surgery Honors Pedi Surgeon**

A \$1.5 million endowed chair has been established honoring Donald Meier, M.D., professor of clinical surgery, Texas Tech University Health Sciences Center at El Paso, for outstanding lifelong work in pediatric surgery, and for care he provided to a baby boy this year.

The Meier/Mounsey Chair in pediatric surgery honors Dr. Meier for life-saving surgery he performed on baby Peter Mounsey, son of Pete and Anne Mounsey. The child was airlifted to El Paso from Mexico in March of 2007 for emergency surgery to relieve a life-threatening intestinal obstruction.

The endowed chair is the most prestigious award an academic institution can grant one of its physicians or scientists. The endowment will enable TTUHSC at El Paso to attract pediatric surgeons like Dr. Meier to El Paso and Texas Tech, support the teaching of outstanding patient care by physicians at Texas Tech, buttress research in the area of pediatric surgery and encourage chairholders to utilize their surgical skill and teaching abilities on a charitable basis around the world.

Peter R. Mounsey is an attorney and CEO for MAK-J-Energy Operating Company, an oil and gas exploration service with operations in Wyoming, Colorado and Texas. Anne E. Mounsey has served as a member of Markwest Hydrocarbon's Board of Directors since October 2004. Before that, Mrs. Mounsey was Manager of Marketing and Business Development in this company run by her father.