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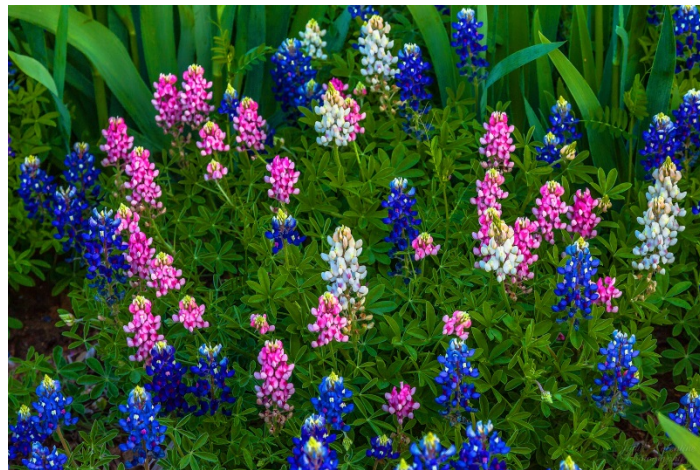
## Program

### 2017 Spring Meeting

March 23 – March 25, 2017

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9:30 – 9:45 am	Coffee
9:45 – 12:15pm	Undergraduate Student Oral Presentations (in competition for Orville Wyss undergraduate student award)  Graduate Student Oral Presentations (in competition for Charlie Gauntt graduate student award)
12:15 – 1:15 pm	Lunch
1:15 – 2:00 pm	Eugene and Millicent Goldschmidt Graduate Student Award  “ <i>Streptococcus mitis</i> and <i>Streptococcus oralis</i> mutate an ‘essential’ gene upon exposure to daptomycin”  Hannah Adams, MS University of Texas at Dallas
Careers Session 2:00 – 2:45 pm	Organizer - Bob McLean, PhD Texas State University  “Career paths in industrial research and academics” Brenda Rushing, PhD Texas A&M San Antonio
2:45 – 3:00 pm	Coffee
3:00 – 5:00 pm	Student Poster Presentations and judging
5:00 – 6:00 pm	Business Meeting
7:00 – 7:45pm	Dinner
8:00 – 9:00 pm	Goldschmidt Lecture “ <i>Candida albicans</i> : an old pathogen with new tricks”  Michael C. Lorenz, PhD University of Texas Medical School

- 9:00 – 9:30 pm Awards presentation
- 9:30 - ? Reception- Sponsored by the Department of Microbiology and Molecular Genetics, University of Texas Medical School

**Saturday March 25<sup>th</sup>**

8:00 – 8:45 am Breakfast: Check out of rooms before 11 am

9:00 – 11:00 am Education Session  
Organizer - Todd Primm, PhD  
Sam Houston State University

“Inspiring young students with hands-on, scientific research experiences”

M. Gabriela Bowden, PhD  
University of Houston-Downtown

“Undergraduate Research: the End of the STEM Crisis?”

John (Rob) Hatherill, PhD  
Del Mar College

“Teaching Taxonomy and Phylogenetics”

Frank Healy, PhD  
Trinity University

“The Summer Undergraduate Research Program in Del Mar College, a Pedagogical Model for Community College”

Daiyuan (Daisy) Zhang, PhD  
Del Mar College

Meeting Adjourned,  
See you at the Fall Meeting, October 19-21, 2017 at TAMU!