



## THE FLORIDA STATE UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICINE

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### **FUDGE COOK-OFF RAISES MONEY AND LIFTS SPIRITS**

Most people probably don't consider fudge a food that promotes good health. But on Nov. 13, College of Medicine students, faculty, staff and visitors had the chance to eat gooey goodness in support of bringing good nutrition to others.

The college's second annual fudge cook-off benefited Hogar Quietud, a home for destitute seniors in Rio Bravo, Tamaulipas, Mexico. Although the fudge itself was free, the event raised more than \$875 through donations, a fudge auction and the sale of \$1 Best Recipe votes, which were tallied to reward the two most popular entries with "People's Choice" honors.

More than 200 fudge fans came by to applaud the chefs and contribute money, which FSUCares will use to provide Hogar Quietud's residents with much-needed nutritional supplements. The Rio Bravo community has been accepting and supportive of many College of Medicine students over the years, according to FSUCares advisor Elena Reyes, and the home itself has recently seen a troubling decrease in funding.

Thirteen varieties of fudge competed for the top prizes. The judges awarded first place to Rhonda Collins' Cinnamon Apple Pie Fudge, and Dale Langevin's Pumpkin Fudge took second place. College of Medicine VIP Dr. Charlotte Maguire presented those awards to the winners. For the People's Choice category, Dean John Fogarty presented Adrienne Allen top honors for her Key-lime-flavored Margarita Fudge, and Andree Aubrey's Hawaiian Fudge came in second.

Organizer Barbara Shearer said she planned for the tradition to continue next year.