

### ***SUBMISSIONS SOUGHT FOR COMPILATION***

"The TWU Student: A Collection of Perspectives for Newcomers," a compilation of observations from members of the TWU community, will be distributed at the new faculty orientation session in August. Any faculty member, staff member, administrator, or current student who would like to contribute some words of advice about "the TWU student" to newcomers (faculty, staff, and administrators) for possible inclusion in the third edition of this volume should send comments to Stephen Souris (English, Speech, and Foreign Languages) at [SSouris@ATT.net](mailto:SSouris@ATT.net); or call 8-1-2343. The collection is intended especially for new faculty.

The deadline for submission is July 15.

Writing may be formal or informal, and comments may be extensive or brief. Brief, informal submissions are especially welcome. Submission by e-mail is preferred and should include "The TWU Student" in the subject line. Contributors should include contact information and their position and title or student status.

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### **CONFERENCE TO EXAMINE VIOLENCE IN SCHOOLS**

The string of school shootings over the last five years has captured the nation's attention. Many schools have responded by adopting a law enforcement approach which includes metal detectors, resource police officers in the hallways and a zero-tolerance policy concerning threats and weapons. Other schools have emphasized long-term solutions, including conflict resolution programs as well as after-school programs.

The sixth annual National Coalition for At-Risk Children and Youth, scheduled Friday, June 8 in the MCL Auditorium on TWU's Denton campus, will examine the different issues surrounding violence in schools. The conference, scheduled from 8 a.m. until 4 p.m., will feature a variety of breakout sessions

on topics ranging from "Nurturing Talent in Your Students" to "My Child's in Therapy, Where Am I?"

Jack Levin, Ph.D., will present the keynote address, "Violence Goes To School," in which he will talk about the range of possible solutions and suggest which policies and programs are likely to work effectively to reduce school violence, and which are doomed to fail. His presentation is scheduled to begin at 8:30 a.m.

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### ***CONFERENCE, continued***

Levin is the Brudnick Professor of Sociology and Criminology and director of the Brudnick Center on Conflict and Violence at Northeastern University. He has authored or co-authored 22 books, and has published more than 150 articles in professional journals and major newspapers.

Registration is \$79 before Friday, June 1, and \$89 after that date. The conference has been approved for six clock hours (.6 CEU) of continuing education. The conference is presented by the TWU departments of teacher education/professional studies, family sciences, psychology and philosophy, social work, and the Office of Lifelong Learning and Education Service Centers Region X and Region XI.

To register, or for more information, contact the Office of Lifelong Learning at 8-1-3408.

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### **CROSS-COUNTRY FUND-RAISER CONTINUES**

One man's cross-country fund-raiser for TWU's Nancy Johnson Coyle Endowment Fund is in full swing.

Jim Damico, Johnson Coyle's cousin, launched the 8,500-mile mountain bike trip across the United States on April 15 in Yorktown, Va. After making a loop into the Pacific Northwest, Damico will head south and end his trip in Denton in early November.

Damico visited the Denton campus shortly before setting out on the trip. He told students the purpose of the ride was to raise money for the Nancy Johnson Coyle Endowment Fund, which provides scholarships for students who are pursuing a master of arts degree in women's studies. Damico decided to make the trip after learning of his cousin's death in July 1998.

More information is available on Damico's Web site, [www.WanderingTheWorld.com](http://www.WanderingTheWorld.com). The site includes

a link which will enable readers to receive Damico's eNewsletter from the road. He has written about the many friendly people he has met, as well as some not-so-friendly dogs. At last report, he was nearing Kansas City, Mo.

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## **LIBRARIES HIGHLIGHT NEW RESEARCH DATABASE**

A new research database is now available through the TWU Libraries' Electronic Resources Pages.

Social Science PlusText, a ProQuest database, links full-text and full-image articles from more than 200 journals and citations to an additional 200.

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### ***LIBRARIES, continued***

Disciplines covered include addiction studies, gerontology, economics, international relations, minority studies, urban studies and more. Included are such journals as "American Demographics," "Ethics," and "Journal of Family Issues." Coverage begins in 1994, with monthly updates.

From your Internet browser (Internet Explorer, Netscape, etc.), go to the TWU Library, <http://www.twu.edu/library/>

Choose "Resources," then "Databases."

Select "Social Science Plus" from the A-Z Database List. Log in with your Venus username and password. Click on "Submit."

Once at the ProQuest page, choose "Guided Search" for best search results.

For assistance in Denton, call 8-1-3702 and ask for the librarian on duty. For assistance at Dallas Parkland, call 8-2-6580 and ask for Eula Oliphant. At Dallas Presbyterian, call Susan Roosth at 8-3-2395. For assistance on the Houston campus, call Marilyn Goff at 8-4-2481. For assistance via e-mail, contact [reference@twu.edu](mailto:reference@twu.edu)

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## **NEWSBRIEFS**

**Information and news about activities, programs or TWU people may be sent to the office of marketing and communication through campus mail, by fax to 8-1-3463 or by e-mail to info@twu.edu. The deadline to receive information is every other Tuesday at 5 p.m. for the following week. Student information for the "People" section is not published unless it is submitted by or in conjunction with a faculty member and that faculty member's related activities.**

*The campus plant Web site* is up and running! Access the site at [http://www7.twu.edu/~f\\_maier/](http://www7.twu.edu/~f_maier/) and click on "Campus Plants." The photography and site were developed by Dr. Camelia Maier (biology) and her webmaster, Catalin Lungu, and launched at the Century of Native Plants Celebration conducted April 20 by the biology department as part of TWU's Homecoming Celebration.

*"Treasures from the Attic"* is the theme for the ASSET noon meeting Friday, May 25 in SC 207-208. Those attending may bring an antique or collectible to the meeting (no paintings, furniture, oriental art or sculptures. Dr. Georgia Kemp Caraway, executive director of the Denton County Museums, will share historical information about the items that are brought. Caraway is also the director of the Texas Institute of Antiques and Collectibles in Denton and has a brokerage and appraisal certification from Edinboro University of Pennsylvania. It will be a brown bag lunch. Questions? Call Jane Erwin at 8-1-3869 or Vernie Wilson at 8-1-3602.

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### ***UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE***

**Please submit "People" items (faculty and staff only) to the office of marketing and communication by campus mail or by e-mail to info@twu.edu! Include first and last names (no initials, please) and appropriate titles (ie. Dr.).**

**Dr. Lynn Wieck** (nursing, Houston) was recently elected president of the Texas Nurses Association.

**Dr. Camelia Maier** (biology) and students Diedre Shepard and Catalina Pislariu presented research work at the Texas Society for Microscopy Spring Meeting held April 5-7 in Houston. Shepard won a student award for her presentation titled, "Calcium deposition and idioblast development in buds of dioecious mulberry," an ongoing project in

Maier's lab.

Condolences are offered to the family of Dr. **Patricia Joann Campbell**, who died May 9. She earned her bachelor's and master's degrees from TWU, and received her doctorate in sociology here in 1997. She was a lecturer in Hardin-Simmons University's sociology department in recent years. Survivors include two daughters, a son and a sister.

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## **THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: MAY 21-JUNE 3, 2001**

May 21-24

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Fri., May 25

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- ASSET meeting, noon, SC 207-208

Sat., May 26

- Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Sun., May 27

- Library closed; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m.

Mon., May 28

- Memorial Day holiday; Library open 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m. Bookstore and Wellness Center closed.

May 29-31

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Fri., June 1

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Sat., June 2

- Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Sun., June 3

- Library closed; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m.

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