

UPDATE

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CRISIS MANAGEMENT PLAN ADOPTED

University officials have adopted a Crisis Management Plan which provides procedures for administrators, faculty and staff to follow in the event of an emergency or potential controversy. A copy of the plan has been sent to all TWU administrators, including deans, department heads, program directors and nonacademic unit heads.

Essentially, the plan enables the university to respond quickly, decisively and positively to a crisis, which may include emergencies such as fires, accidents, explosions, tornadoes and other weather-related incidents and natural disasters; or to controversies such as crimes against students, faculty or staff; suicides; student demonstrations; academic freedom issues; fiscal irregularities; and certain personnel issues. Events or issues of this magnitude quickly become public matters and require that accurate and appropriate information be provided to the news media, the university community and others who should receive communications.

The Office of Public Information is responsible for coordinating and implementing all communications related to a crisis, and the director of public information or the assistant director for media relations should be notified immediately of any developing incident. Both the public's legitimate right to know the essential facts, as well as privacy concerns--especially those related to individual rights, personal security and legal liability--must be determined and considered before any public statements are made.

A crisis management group will be formed and will include the director of public information, the assistant director for media relations, the vice president for institutional advancement and others appropriate to the situation, such as the director of public safety, the vice president for the area in which the crisis has occurred, the president, etc. This group establishes policies related to the release of facts, public statements and the planning and coordination of these activities.

Other procedures to be followed include: identification of the crisis and the seriousness of the situation; preparation of a fact sheet as soon as sufficient details are available; preparation of a brief statement that can be distributed to those persons who may receive telephone calls from the news media before more detailed information is available; identification of key audiences who should receive information; determination of the best method of communication. News media requests for interviews and statements will be handled by the Office of Public Information, and a spokesperson will be designated.

For information about the crisis management plan, call the director of public information or the assistant director of public information for media relations at Ext. 3456.

STUDENT PANEL TO DISCUSS DIVERSITY ON CAMPUS

"Diversity Issues on Campus" will be discussed by a student panel as the first of the spring semester programs sponsored by the Human Relations Committee. The session will be held on Tuesday, Feb. 8, at 9:30 a.m. in Student Center 207-208. A faculty panel will respond to the students on Thursday, Feb. 17, also at 9:30 a.m.

Other programs planned during the spring include: Thursday, Feb. 17, 1 p.m.--a panel from the Dallas Gay and Lesbian Alliance, co-sponsored by Student Advocates for Lesbian and Gay Affirmation; Wednesday, March 9, 9:30 a.m.--panel of Dallas executive women; Tuesday-Thursday, April 12-14--Human Relations Film Festival on topics related to social, health, civil rights and multicultural issues. Films also will be presented on Feb. 1, during Black History Month; March 9, during Women's History Week; and April 5, during BIONIC Week.

The Human Relations Committee is also sponsoring a student assistant workshop on Friday, Feb. 4, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. in Student Center 006-007. Details of the program were announced in last week's Update. For information, call Student Life at Ext. 3601.

Enrollment forms were sent to all university personnel last week to enable faculty and staff to indicate which programs they plan to attend. The forms should be returned to the vice president for student life by Feb. 1. Faculty are invited to bring their classes to programs, but should call in advance (Ext. 3601) so adequate seating can be arranged.

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TIME TO PLAN FOR FOUNDERS' DAY CELEBRATION

It's time to make plans for the annual TWU Founders' Day Celebration sponsored by the National Alumnae Association and the university. This year's event is on Friday, Feb. 18, at 6:30 p.m. in Hubbard Hall and includes dinner and a special pancake dessert; musical numbers by the TWU Choraliers and Anointed Voices for Christ called "Steppin' Out"; and a message from Interim President Patricia Sullivan, titled "Stepping Stones."

The cost is \$8.50 each and checks, made payable to the National Alumnae Association, should be sent to the alumnae office with your reservation no later than Monday, Feb. 14. All tickets will be picked up at the door.

Founders' Day honors those whose vision formed the university and those whose gifts of endowed scholarships ensure the promise for new generations of students. For information, call the alumnae office at Ext. 2586.

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REMINDER: OPEN MEETINGS TO AID IN PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH

Faculty, staff and students are reminded to attend open meetings on Wednesday, Feb. 2, in ACT 301 to share their ideas and opinions about the characteristics needed by the university's next president. The faculty session will be from 10 a.m. to noon, students from 2 to 3 p.m. and staff from 3 to 4 p.m.

Representatives of Korn/Ferry International will conduct the meetings. The executive search-consulting firm was hired by the TWU Foundation to conduct a national search for a TWU president and to work with the university's presidential advisory search committee and the Board of Regents.

MAKING SCIENCE 'FEMALE FRIENDLY'

Dr. Sue Rosser, a nationally recognized expert in both the natural sciences and women's studies, will speak on "Female Friendly Science" Thursday, Feb. 3, at 4 p.m. in ACT 301. The program is presented by the Women's Studies Committee and is open to all interested persons.

Rosser is the director of the women's studies program and professor of family and preventive medicine at the University of South Carolina at Columbia. Last fall, she was a visiting distinguished professor with the University of Wisconsin System.

A noted lecturer and author, Rosser's books include *Female-Friendly Science: Applying Women's Studies Methods and Theories to Attract Students to Science*; *Feminism in the Science and Health Care Professions: Overcoming Resistance*; *Teaching Science and Health from a Feminist Perspective: A Practical Guide*; *People Friendly Medicine*; and *Teaching the Majority: Science, Mathematics, and Engineering Teaching that Attracts Women*.

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LIBRARY PLANS SPECIAL EXHIBITS

Three outstanding exhibits prepared by the Texas Humanities Resource Center will be on view this spring at the Blagg-Huey Library. The exhibits, which will include bibliographies and video tapes, include "New Spain," Feb. 7-25; "Black Art: Ancestral Legacy," March 21-April 8; and "Biography," April 18-May 6.

"New Spain: The Frontiers of Faith is a photographic exhibition featuring letters, diaries, decrees and court records selected from the Hispanic Documents Collection of the Gilcrease Museum of Tulsa, Okla. Also included are unique paintings and engraved illustrations from early printed books dealing with "the mysterious new lands across the sea."

An announcement from the Texas Humanities Resource Center states that "if we want to understand the connections between 1492 and 1994, then New Spain--that is, Mexico--is an ideal place to begin because the conquest of the Aztecs convinced Spain and all of Europe that America was worth the expense and effort required to explore and occupy the land. The realm of New Spain also encompassed vast territories to the north."

Films accompanying the exhibit include "Cortez and the Legend," a documentary of the meeting of Spaniards and Aztecs, and "Mariachi Mass," a close look at efforts to relate Latin rituals of the Catholic Church to Indian heritage deriving from the Aztecs. The films may be scheduled by faculty for showing to classes or may be viewed in Media Services. For information, call Ext. 2665.

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HUMAN SUBJECTS REVIEW COMMITTEE SETS MEETINGS

The Human Subjects Review Committee for the Denton campus has set the following schedule for meetings to review applications during the spring semester. For an application to be reviewed, it must be received by the Office of Research and Grants Administration by Wednesday of the week before the meeting.

The first meeting was on Jan. 28. Other meetings dates are (with application deadlines in parenthesis): Feb. 11 (Feb. 2), Feb. 25 (Feb. 16), March 11 (March 2), April 8 (March 30), April 22 (April 13), and May 13 (May 4). If additional information or applications are needed, contact Research and Grants at Ext. 3375. Dr. Patti Hamilton of nursing is committee chair.

BRIEF NOTES...

Beginning Feb. 1, the Cashier's Office will be open for business from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday through Thursday, and 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Friday. The hours will continue until further notice.

Crystal Carriage Tours, the commuter bus running from Dallas to TWU and UNT will discontinue its service during the summer sessions, but will resume service in the fall. New schedules will be available in August. A car pool sign-up service is offered in the Student Development Office, or you may call them at Ext. 3626 for information.

University Club brown bag luncheon speakers are scheduled for Monday, Feb. 7, March 7 and April 4 at 12:15 p.m. in CFO 13. Programs will end in time for 1 p.m. classes. Dr. Reg Rezac of business and economics will speak on Feb. 7 about his recent trip to Nepal--"What Can One Do in Kathmandu?"

Alexandria's Ragtime Band will perform at the Houston Center on Thursday, Feb. 3, at Houston high schools on Friday, Feb. 4, and at the Galveston Mardi Gras on Saturday, Feb. 5.

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WELLNESS CENTER TO BEGIN YOGA CLASSES

Back by popular demand, the Wellness Center will offer YOGA classes on Mondays and Wednesdays at 5:30 p.m. in Jones Hall 306 beginning Jan. 31. Classes are free to Wellness Center members. You can become a member for only \$10 a month, \$35 a quarter or \$100 a year. New this semester is a class in Jeet Kune Do, a street combat, self-defense skill taught by Hock Hochheim of the Denton Police Department, who has a program on Sammons TV (Ch. 25) called "Defend Yourself." The class meets on Mondays from 7 to 9 p.m in Jones Hall 306; the cost is \$35 per month.

Also coming on Thursday, Feb. 24, from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m., a program for employees called "Is it hot in here, or is it just me?" Watch for more information.

The Wellness Center also may add an exercise class during the noon hour that is designed for faculty and staff who want a low impact, low intensity, beginner/intermediate program. It would be designed so you would "move and stretch for relaxation, but not necessarily sweat and feel drained for going back to the office afterwards," says Linda King, director. If you are interested in a program of this kind, please fill in the form below and return it to her at the Wellness Center, or call her at Ext. 2901 if you would like more information.

-----Please detach and return-----

Yes, I am interested in a noon low impact, low intensity exercise class.

Name _____ Dept./Unit _____

Campus Phone _____

Return form to Dr. Linda King, director, TWU Wellness Center.

DEFENSIVE DRIVING COURSE OFFERED

A Defensive Driving course will be offered by the Department of Public Safety on Friday, Feb. 18, in ACT 501. The session will last from 8 a.m. to 2:30 p.m., with a 30-minute lunch break. The fee is \$20, due at the beginning of the morning session, and may be paid by cash (no change will be available), check (payable to TWU) or interdepartmental transfer.

Registration is limited to 35 students and is due to Vicki Byrd (Ext. 2924) no later than Feb. 16.

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UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE

The Office of Research and Grants Administration has announced that **Sherrie Taylor** (Business and Economics) has been awarded \$4,000 by the U.S. Small Business Administration for the Small Business Institute (SBI) program. Under the program, senior or graduate students will work under faculty supervision to provide business counseling and technical assistance to small business clients.

A retirement party honoring **Delia Benton** (Performing Arts-Music) was held on Jan. 22 at the Raddison Hotel in Denton. She served TWU for 25 years as staff accompanist and received the Outstanding Staff Award in 1990. Hosting the event were **Joan Wall** and **Lanelle Stevenson** (Performing Arts-Music), and Betty King, a distinguished alumna who had a small role in the movie, *Terms of Endearment*.

Brenda Klingner, formerly in the registrar's office, is now working as administrative assistant in enrollment management, replacing **Carla Robertson**, who has requested part-time status.

Dr. Rose Marie Smith (Mathematics and Computer Science) has been selected to serve as a member of the mathematics committee for the Reaffirmation Committee Site Visit of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools of the University of Alabama-Tuscaloosa, Feb. 7-10.

Dr. Ruth Caswell (Reading and Bilingual Education) gave a research presentation titled "Conceptually-Oriented Science Instruction with Videodisc as Text" at the National Reading Conference held in Charleston, S. Car., in December. The presentation was part of a symposium on "Text and Science Instruction" featuring alternative approaches to the traditional textbook.

Doctoral student **Rosemary Chance** (Library and Information Studies) is author of an article on "Teleconferencing: An Overlooked Technological Approach to Learning" published in the November/December issue of *The Emergency Librarian*.

Reggie Campbell (Occupational Therapy, Dallas-Presbyterian) participated in a diversity initiative meeting in Gaithersberg, Md., on Jan. 28. Occupational therapists from throughout the U.S. met to consider ideas, recommendations and strategies to help facilitate, build and integrate diversity into the American Occupational Therapy Association and the occupational therapy profession.

THIS WEEK AT TWU: JANUARY 31-FEBRUARY 6, 1994

- Jan. 16-Feb. 25 -National Watercolor Invitational, curated by Rob Erdle, West Gallery, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (Ext. 2530)
- Mon.-Thurs. -Blagg-Huey Library open 8 a.m.-midnight.
Jan. 31-Feb. 3 -Bookstore open 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Mon., Jan. 31 -Last day to drop a class, but not withdraw from the university for the current semester, and receive a refund, 5 p.m.
- Tues., Feb. 1 -Application deadline for 1994-95 academic scholarships, Denton financial aid office, 5 p.m. (Ext. 3050)
-Human Relations Program: Film presentations on Black history, SC. (Ext. 3601)
-Continuing Education Workshop: "Program for Education and Enrichment in Retirement," ACT 5-6. (Ext. 3411)
-Self Defense Class, SC 110, 5 p.m. (Ext. 3611)
-Recreational Sports: Bowling League, 6-8 p.m. (Ext. 3612)
-Leadership Development Series reception, SC 006-007, 5:30-7 p.m. (Ext. 3611)
- Wed., Feb. 2 -S.O.A.P., NAACP and AKA: "Relevance of African-American History-4000 B.C.-Present," SC 207-208, 9:30-11 a.m. (Ext. 3611)
-Recreational Sports: Volleyball sign-up deadline, SC 011, 2 p.m. (Ext. 3612)
-Open meetings to discuss TWU presidential search, ACT 301--faculty, 10 a.m.-noon; students, 2-3 p.m.; staff, 3-4 p.m. (Ext. 3201)
- Thurs., Feb. 3 -Dallas Service Awards and Retirement Recognition Program, Dallas-Parkland, 10 a.m.
-Black History Dancers and Fashion Show, SC Underground, noon-1 p.m. (Ext. 3611)
-Early Childhood Symposium featuring Dr. George Morrison, E.D. Walker School, Dallas; 6:30-8 p.m. (Ext. 2284)
- Fri., Feb. 4 -Blagg-Huey Library open 8 a.m.-9 p.m.
-Bookstore open 8 a.m.-4 p.m.
-Last day to file application for graduation by students completing degree requirements for May 1994.
-Human Relations Program: Student Assistant Training Workshop, SC 006-007, 8 a.m.-3 p.m. (Ext. 3601)
-Federation Psychology Workshop, UNT, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; admission free for Federation, faculty and students. (Ext. 2312)
-Biology Seminar: student presentations by Cindy Ball, Astra Jackson and Mitra Ghobadimanesh; SCI 303, 3 p.m. (Ext. 2351)
-University Club Social Hour, Sarah McIntire's home, 5-7 p.m.
- Sat., Feb. 5 -Blagg-Huey Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
-Bookstore closed.
-GRE testing, MCL 101, 8 a.m. (Ext. 3801)
-S.O.A.P.: Trip to the Fort Worth Zoo, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. (Ext. 3611)
-Basketball: TWU vs. Texas A & M - Kingsville, Denton, 7 p.m.
- Sun., Feb. 6 -Blagg-Huey Library open 2 p.m.-midnight.
-Bookstore closed.

COMING EVENTS

- Feb. 7-25 -Exhibit: "New Spain," Blagg-Huey Library (Ext. 2665)
- Feb. 8 -Human Relations Program: Student Panel on Diversity Issues, SC 207-208, 9:30 a.m. (Ext. 3601)
- Feb. 9 -Houston Service Awards and Retirement Recognition Program, Houston Center, 10 a.m.