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OPEN DOOR MEETINGS SET IN DALLAS, HOUSTON

Dr. Carol Surles (president's office) will schedule open door meetings with Dallas and Houston TWU faculty, staff and students in September and October so that she can talk individually with interested members of the campus community. The meetings -- 20 minutes each -- will give the president an opportunity to get to know members of the university community at the centers, to discuss their role in TWU's future and to share their ideas.

Interested persons in Dallas who wish to chat with Surles on an individual level can call Helene Bonavita (associate vice president's office) at 8-2-6600 to schedule an appointment from 1 to 5 p.m. on one of two the following dates: Tues., Sept. 12, or Tues., Oct. 10. Faculty, staff and students in Houston who would like to make an appointment should call Lori Nelson (associate vice president's office) at 8-4-2331 to schedule an appointment from 1 to 5 p.m. on either Tues., Sept. 19, or Tues., Oct. 17, from 1 to 5 p.m.

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TDA HONORS ALFORD, NANCE

TWU faculty member Dr. Betty Alford (nutrition and food sciences) and alumna Dr. Emma Nance each received honors from the Texas Dietetic Association during that organization's recent annual meeting in Houston.

Alford, who also is director of the Didactic Program in Dietetics (DPD) for undergraduate students, was honored with TDA's Distinguished Scientist Award, which is presented to a registered/licensed dietitian for contributions to research in nutrition and dietetics.

Nance, who graduated from TWU in 1934 and 1984, is a consultant for the Humble Independent School District's school food service program. She was given the Distinguished Dietitian Award -- TDA's highest honor -- which recognizes the outstanding achievements of its members in advancing the profession of dietetics, professional achievements and improving the health of Texans.

Alford, who also received TDA's Distinguished Educator Award for her DPD work, has been involved in many research projects at TWU, including obesity, weight control, body composition and nutrition education. She also was part of a team of researchers at TWU who worked on projects funded by NASA. Alford developed a graduate-level course in grantsmanship, which she teaches regularly, sharing her knowledge and experience in the grant writing process with many others.

"For many years, Dr. Alford has been a leader in advancing the science of nutrition and dietetics and in improving the nutrition of human beings," said Dr. Leslie Thompson (research; Graduate School).

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Nance, who earned her bachelor's and doctoral degrees from TWU, has focused her professional efforts on nutrition programs for children. She has implemented nutrition education curricula in the Fairfield Independent School District and Carrollton-Farmers Branch ISD. She previously worked for the U.S. Department of Agriculture in its southwest region's food and nutrition service, where she provided technical support for nutrition programs in 11 states. The programs included child nutrition (school lunch, breakfast, day care and summer food service); Women's, Infants and Children (WIC); donated foods (U.S. Department of Agriculture commodities); and food stamps.

"In the course of her 59-year career, Dr. Nance became a leader of national stature in child nutrition programs. She is highly respected for her distinguished and sustained contributions at local, state and national levels," said Helen B. McGee, past president of the American School Food Service Association. Nance, in cooperation with ASFSA, has developed a comprehensive curriculum for grades kindergarten through 12 that integrates teacher interaction with school food service in nutrition education.

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RESEARCH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR PROJECT

People who have been diagnosed with Crohn's disease -- a chronic inflammatory condition that affects the intestinal tract -- face an increased risk of developing osteoporosis, a disease that is characterized by weak, brittle bones. The TWU department of nutrition and food sciences is conducting a study to determine if dietary factors affect the loss of bone in women who are diagnosed with Crohn's disease.

The purpose of the study is to help identify women who may be at risk developing osteoporosis (which is considered a major health concern in the United States) and to determine what role diet may play in the development of this condition.

The department is seeking subjects who are interested in participating in this study: 30 non-smoking, premenopausal women between the ages of 25 and 45 who currently are diagnosed with Crohn's disease. As part of the study, qualified participants will receive a free dietary analysis (a \$38 value), a free bone density mineral test (a \$375 value) and free, personalized recommendations that will help them decrease their risk of developing osteoporosis.

Participants will be screened for osteoporosis using a dual energy x-ray absorptiometer to measure bone mineral density -- the amount of bone that is present in the lower back, hip and wrist. The amount of radiation from the dual energy x-ray absorptiometry scan (less than 5 milliroentgens) is far less than the 100 milliroentgens of a chest x-ray. In addition, each participant's current dietary intake will be assessed using three-day dietary records; dietary intake over the past year will be assessed using a food frequency questionnaire.

For more information, call either Dr. Nancy DiMarco or Cindi Reed (nutrition and food sciences) at exts. 2645 or 2636.

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EDUCATION WORKSHOPS FEATURE TV, TECHNOLOGY AND TEACHING

From television and technology to science and mathematics, the TWU department of reading and bilingual education will offer three summer workshops for elementary and secondary education teachers during June and July. Course credit may be applied to master's and doctoral degree programs in education-related areas. Students can take a tour of the world through *USA Today*...try hands-on activities that will enhance teaching in science and mathematics...and learn advanced techniques to teach more effectively.

The selections will include:

■ *Television, Technology and Teaching* (July 11-31, 1 to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday) -- This new course involves three weeks of television and technology in the classroom! Taught by Dr. Wanda Zamorano, the workshop will take teachers step by step through the effective use of television, technology and instructional techniques using *USA Today* and CNN Newsroom in the curriculum for grades 4 through 9. Participants will take a look at strategies for improving TAAS scores, developing newspaper and technology activities for students using hands-on instruction and updating student learning techniques by using academic teams. Instructor Zamorano, a master teacher in the Hurst-Euless-Bedford Independent School District, was named Texas Cable Teacher of the Year in 1993, CNN National Faculty Member and a *USA Today* Newspaper Power Teacher.

■ *Science/Mathematics Methods for Elementary School* (June 5-22, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday) -- Teachers who wish to improve their understanding and use of science and mathematics manipulatives will want to sign up for this workshop, taught by Dr. Lloyd Bennett (reading and bilingual education). Through "hands-on" activities, Bennett will examine overall enhancement of knowledge and teaching techniques in science and mathematics, and students will be asked to compile a portfolio that incorporates their classroom materials.

■ *Research on Teacher Effectiveness* -- (June 12-29, 8 to 10 a.m., Monday through Thursday) -- Students in teacher education will join consultant Dr. Don Maas, California Polytechnic State University Center for Teacher Effectiveness, and Dr. Don Whitmore (reading and bilingual education), as they share advanced concepts and processes for effective teaching -- areas which will include models of decision making; professional roles and participation; classroom methodologies; and classroom methodologies and strategies to improve appraisal performance.

In conjunction with the workshop, Maas will be the keynote speaker on Thurs., June 22, at a dinner sponsored by the TWU and University of North Texas chapters of Phi Delta Kappa. He will discuss "Planning is not having to say you're sorry." The dinner will begin at 6:30 p.m. in the banquet room of Hubbard Hall at TWU; the cost to attend is \$10 per person.

Dinner reservations must be made by Mon., June 19; contact Dr. Howard Stone (educational leadership), treasurer of Phi Delta Kappa, at ext. 2241. Anyone who does not wish to attend the dinner but would like to hear Maas' presentation is invited to arrive no later than 7:15 p.m. Limited seating will be provided at the back of the room.

For more information about any of the teacher education workshops, contact Dr. Rudy Rodriguez (reading and bilingual education) at ext. 2227.

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ADMISSIONS SETS TWO RECRUITMENT PROGRAMS

The office of admissions has scheduled two programs in June in an effort to recruit both nontraditional students, as well as high school juniors and seniors who would like to attend TWU.

The first program will be a workshop for nontraditional students -- usually persons age 25 and older -- who would like to attend TWU so that they can either complete a degree or begin college. The program, which is free to interested participants, will be held on Mon., June 12, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. in the "Underground" (basement level) of the TWU Student Center.

TWU admissions counselors will discuss several subjects: becoming a student again, applying for admission, obtaining financial assistance and getting started academically. Information about both career and student services will be provided. For details, call ext. 3014.

The second event will be a Saturday Visit on June 17 from 9 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The half-day program, which is free to high school juniors and seniors interested in attending TWU, will be held in ASB 300. *This program has been rescheduled; its original date was June 3.*

"Our June Saturday visit is designed for families with students who will begin their junior or senior year in the fall of 1995," said Charlotte Villarreal (admissions). "This program is offered as a public service for anyone from the Metroplex who is interested in attending, and families are invited, too. We will present general information about attending college, as well as TWU's admissions perspective."

Registration begins at 9 a.m., and guests are encouraged to arrive 15 to 30 minutes early so that they can park, sign in and enjoy a complimentary continental breakfast. Comfortable, casual attire can be worn; participants will tour the Denton campus as part of their schedule of activities. The program includes several sessions:

- 9 to 9:30 a.m. -- welcome and admissions presentation: "Preparing for the College Admissions Process";
- 9:30 to 10 a.m. -- "Selecting and Preparing for Your Anticipated College Major";
- 10 to 10:15 a.m. -- break;
- 10:15 to 11 a.m. -- student panel discussion;
- 11 a.m. to noon -- campus tour;
- noon to 12:30 p.m. -- financial aid presentation.

Advance registration is requested but not required; those who register in advance will receive directions and arrival information. For more details, call ext. 3047.

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STUDENT TRAVEL FUNDS AWARDED

The student travel fund committee met on April 28 to review all of the applications that met the third funding period deadline (April 7). The next deadline (for the fourth funding period) is July 13, and interested students can obtain application forms and guidelines from departmental offices or from the office of student life. Anyone who has questions can call Dr. Basil Hamilton (psychology and philosophy), who chairs the committee, at ext. 2303. Twelve students who received travel awards and were not listed in the May 15 issue of *Update* are printed on page 5.

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■ *Kimberly Coker* (biology) -- Research Society on Alcoholism in Steamboat Springs, Colo.; "Beer Drinking by Young Sprague-Dawley Rats."

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■ *Sandra Thompson* (English) -- Midlands Conference on Language and Literature in Omaha, Neb.; "Personality and Book IV of *Gulliver's Travels*."

■ *Susan Perry* (English) -- Sigma Tau Delta International Conference in St. Louis, Mo.; "The Rigors of Treeless Plains and Their Impact on Women's Pioneer Literature."

■ *Vivian Carraway* (fashion and textiles) -- Texas Council on Family Relations Conference in Houston, Texas; "Ethnicity and Diversity: Designing Effective Family Life Education."

■ *Lynda Cray* (mathematics and computer science) -- Conference on the Advancement of Mathematics Teaching in San Antonio, Texas; "Teaching Math...Mathematically."

■ *Lori Church* (English) -- Women's Studies and Comparative Literature Conference in Tulsa, Okla.; "Of Ghosts and Lovers: Intimate Female Relationships in Fantastic Literature."

■ *Sharles Smith* (sociology) -- Stone Symposium/Society for Symbolic Interaction in Des Moines, Iowa; "Talking at the Borders: Marking and Blurring Interactionist Boundaries" and "Incest and Symbol Sets: Power and the Pre-Presentation of Sexual Symbols."

■ *Marjan Schram* (early childhood and special education) -- Texas Association for Childhood Education in San Antonio, Texas; "Multi-Age Classrooms and the Special Needs Student."

■ *Robin Collen* (dance) -- American College Dance Festival in San Marcos, Texas; to teach a master class in modern dance techniques.

■ *Deborah Buswell* (kinesiology) -- Southern District, Association of Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance Conference in Orlando, Fla.; "Everyone Included: Rhythmic Movement and Dance Activities for All Abilities."

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UPDATE ON TWU ATHLETICS

Judy Southard (athletics) has announced the appointment of TWU alumna Dianne Baker as head softball coach; a team will be fielded in the fall of 1996. Recognized as one of the nation's leading softball instructors, Baker has been head softball coach at Stephen F. Austin State University in Nacogdoches for 15 years, where she led the Ladyjacks to a National Collegiate Athletic Association Division II national championship in 1986.

"I consider myself one of the luckiest people in the world," said Baker. "My dream always has been to work at two universities...Stephen F. Austin and TWU. That dream is coming true. I'm returning to my alma mater to start a new softball program and hopefully to take it to the national level. It's hard for me to describe how ready I am right now."

Baker, who earned her bachelor's degree from TWU in 1975, previously taught in the Lewisville Independent School District, served as head coach at Delay Middle School and was assistant coach for track and basketball at Lewisville High School. She earned her master's degree from SFA in 1979. While she was at TWU, the new softball coach lettered in five sports: softball,

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tennis, field hockey, soccer and badminton (in which she was state ranked). As a four-year short-stop, Baker played on one of the first collegiate teams that represented Texas in the national playoffs. She is the author of three books: *Winning Softball Drills*, *Winning Baseball Drills* and *Softball from Start to Win* (which will be ready this summer).

The new TWU coach captured her 500th win at SFA in April 1995 and holds a 500-292 career record. Her coaching honors include 1985 National Coach of the Year; 1985 and 1986 Regional Coach of the Year; and 1984 Gulf Coast Conference Coach of the Year. She has coached 14 All-Americans, and her squads have won the 1986 GCC championship and the 1990 Southland Conference championships. In other news:

■ Two junior college transfer students have signed national letters of intent to play basketball this fall at TWU: Rhonda Wilson of Slidell, who will transfer from Paris Junior College; and Melissa Crawford of Clifton, who will come to TWU from Weatherford Junior College. Wilson graduated from Slidell High School in 1993 and is a power forward. Crawford, a post player, graduated from Clifton High School the same year.

■ New TWU softball coach Dianne Baker (athletics) and head softball coach Anne Campbell from the University of Texas at Arlington will join UTA assistant coach Debbie Hedrick and SFA assistant coach Alisa Davis on staff for TWU's first softball camp this summer. The camp, which is scheduled June 25-28, provides girls ages 10 to 18 with an opportunity to learn and improve their individual skills, team concepts and strategies in softball.

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NEWSBRIEFS

Reminder: The North Texas Federation of Universities special education committee (specifically TWU and the University of North Texas) will present a three-day conference titled "National Coalition for At-Risk Children and Youth" at the Radisson Hotel June 8-10. The program will present an integrated approach to emerging trends and issues that affect work with at-risk children and youths in the areas of schools, community and health interventions and collaborative efforts. The cost to attend is \$99 for those who register by May 25; after that date, the fee is \$125. The registration fee includes instruction, continental breakfast, Saturday lunch and course materials. Additional expenses may include \$25 for a Friday excursion to Fort Worth, \$25 for a Saturday excursion to Dallas and \$15 for a conference monograph. For information or registration, call Silvia Lesko (continuing education) at ext. 3408.

Interviews with the search committee for the vice president for academic affairs will continue in June when two more candidates will visit Denton, Dallas and Houston. The committee is inviting two more candidates in order to fulfill Dr. Carol Surles' (president's office) request for five final candidates. More details will be published in the next issue of *Update* (June 12, 1995).

The duplicating department in printing services will be open the following hours during the summer: 7:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m., Monday through Thursday. All orders should be picked up daily by 5:30 p.m. Offices and departments that need orders early on Monday mornings are reminded to submit their jobs the previous Thursday morning in order to receive the finished product on time. For details, call Cindy Maloney at ext. 3129 or Bill Benson at ext. 3120.

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Reminder: Anyone on campus who subscribes to *U.S. News and World Report* and who still has an undamaged copy of the March 20, 1995, edition, is asked to contact Dr. Carolyn Rozier (Physical Therapy) at ext. 2460. This issue contains information about the TWU School of Physical Therapy's ranking among other PT schools in the U.S., and the school would like to have an intact original copy with cover and story.

Congratulations to the College of Nursing! The Board of Nurse Examiners for the state of Texas has decided to continue full accreditation of the nursing program. The board commended TWU faculty and administration for "the performance of your graduates on the National Council Licensure Examination for Registered Nurses" for the 1994 academic year. They also congratulated Dr. Eleanor Woods for obtaining her doctorate in nursing.

Rehearsals for "Blue Window," one of two TWU Summerfest '95 productions, will begin on Tues., May 30, at 7 p.m. in Redbud Theatre. Interested persons may check out scripts overnight from the department of performing arts. For details, call Pete Carver (performing arts, drama) at ext. 2500. TWU Summerfest '95 also will present "Steel Magnolias"; auditions were held May 25 and 26. The audition process comprises cold readings, plus a general movement audition.

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UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE

Dr. **Carol Surles** (president's office) has been elected to the board of trustees by the Council of Presidents of the Alliance for Higher Education, a Dallas-based organization. She also has been selected for inclusion in the golden anniversary edition of *Who's Who in America*.

During the First Annual Conference on the Education of Hispanics in Fort Worth May 12-13, participants dedicated the event to Dr. **Rudy Rodriguez** (reading and bilingual education). Educators honored Rodriguez for laying the foundation for the bilingual education program in the Fort Worth Independent School District. The conference was presented by Fort Worth ISD, the Hispanic Administrators Association and the Fort Worth Association for Bilingual Education.

Dr. **Betty Carter** (Library and Information Studies) recently attended the 40th convention of the International Reading Association in Anaheim, Calif. During the pre-conference, she presented a paper titled "Twenty-Five Years of Research in Young Adult Literature: Where Do We Go from Here?" Carter also presented "Fact Can Be as Appealing as Fiction, or Nonfiction Series Books for Children and Adolescents" during the formal conference.

Diana Freeman (doctoral student, reading and bilingual education) recently published an article titled "The Why and How of How-to-Books" in the winter 1995 issue of *SIGNAL*, the journal of the International Reading Association's special interest group on literature for the adolescent reader.

Sandy Troutt and **Kathy Dieringer** (kinesiology) spoke at a Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) workshop for the Dallas/Fort Worth Federal Women's Program Council's 18th annual May training. More than 200 women participated in the workshop, and Troutt discussed "Exercise Strategies: Use It or Lose It? Or What to Do If You Have Already Lost It!" Dieringer's topic was "Injury Prevention."

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Dr. **Janette Schkade** (Occupational Therapy) has been asked to serve on the steering committee of the education special interest section of the American Occupational Therapy Association.

Diana Everett and **Chalese Stachowiak** (athletics) participated in the Women's Sports Foundation Summit '95 held in Dallas May 19-21. Everett served as moderator for the workshop titled "Women Coaches: Employment, Contracts, Compensation and Benefits." Stachowiak participated in a panel discussion titled "Women Who Have Broken Barriers in Sports Careers."

Stachowiak also has been tapped by the U.S. Soccer Federation to serve as press officer for the U.S. Cup '95 soccer match between Nigeria and Mexico at the Cotton Bowl June 24.

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: MAY 29 - JUNE 11, 1995

April 15-Aug. 15 - "WASP" exhibit, 2nd floor, Blagg-Huey Library. (Ext. 3748)

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| Thurs., June 1 | -New student testing: English, ASB 301, 1-4 p.m.; math/science, GRB 214, 14 p.m.
-Mini orientation: new students, Denton, SC 207, 10 a.m.-noon.
-Academic advising for Summer I/II returning students continues, departmental offices, 1-5 p.m. |
| Fri. and Sat., June 2-3 | -Payment settlement for Summer I and III. |
| Sat., June 3 | -Blagg-Huey Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
-TASP test administered.
-Last day to withdraw from the university and receive full refund, minus matriculation fee. |
| Sun., June 4 | -Blagg-Huey Library closed. |
| Mon.-Wed., June 5-7 | -Late payment settlement: Denton, Dallas-Parkland and Houston, 9 a.m.-6 p.m. |
| Mon.-Thurs., June 5-9 | -Blagg-Huey Library open 8 a.m.-9 p.m. |
| Mon., June 5 | -Classes begin for Summer I and III. |
| Thurs., June 8 | -Last day to add a class for Summer I and III.
-Last day to drop a class but not withdraw from the university for the current semester and receive a refund.
-Last day to file applications for graduation and teacher certificates by students completing degree requirements by August 1995. |
| Sat., June 10 | -Blagg-Huey Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.
-TASP test administered. |
| Sun., June 11 | -Blagg-Huey Library open 2-9 p.m. |

COMING EVENTS

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| June 12 | -Admissions: nontraditional student workshop, SC Underground, 6:30-8:30 p.m. (Ext. 3014). |
| June 17 | -Admissions: Saturday visit, ASB 300, 9 a.m.-12:30 p.m. (Ext. 3047) |