

STUDENT RESEARCH SYMPOSIUM SET THIS WEEK

From music and Shakespeare to business and biology, research done by students at TWU will engage and educate participants in the university's first Student Research Symposium on April 16 and 17 in Denton. Presented by the newly-created office of undergraduate and graduate research support, the symposium offers an opportunity for more than 100 students to showcase their work and their skills. The symposium will feature presentations, exhibits, a luncheon and a keynote address titled "Ethics in Research" by Richard O. Mason, the Carr P. Collins Distinguished Professor, from Southern Methodist University.

"Undergraduate and graduate students from all academic disciplines are celebrating scholarly activities during this inaugural symposium at TWU," said Dr. Michael Droge, TWU professor of biology and director of the office of undergraduate and graduate research. "This (event) is a great opportunity for students to gain experience presenting their research or creation of art, and to add to their resumes." He added, "At TWU, we want to encourage our students at both the undergraduate and graduate levels to conduct research and to learn from their experiences -- whether they are majoring in chemistry, education, English, biology, mathematics or health sciences. That's the purpose of the UGRS office...to help students pursue their research interests to enrich their academic careers."

Mason currently is teaching courses in corporate ethics and social responsibility, managing information technology and managing emerging technologies. His research areas include business strategy and information systems, social ethical implications of information systems and the history of information systems. He is an advisory board member of the Maguire Center for Ethics and Public Responsibility and the Clements Center for Southwest Studies, both at SMU. He holds a bachelor's degree in business and technology from Oregon State University and a doctorate in business administration from the University of California-Berkeley. He will speak on Friday at 4 p.m. in CFO 204.

The focus of the two-day program is on TWU students and their research efforts. Poster presentations begin at 3 p.m. on Thursday on the 2nd floor, CFO. Other sessions will be held on Friday from 9 to 11:30 a.m., also on CFO 2nd floor, and from 1 to 3:30 p.m. in CFO 204. The symposium features poster, oral and visual art presentations. A sampling of the sessions include: dental hygiene product evaluations, tooth whitening, entrepreneurship in occupational therapy, nutritional messages in commercials on different days of the week, distance learning, English and rhetoric, protein and DNA research, health messages in magazines aimed at teen women, women's health, the classics (in English), dramatic productions and a wide range of other topics.

TWU also is launching a new funding campaign to support student research called REACH for Students (Research-Energized Academics Can Happen). Donations are tax-deductible and will provide direct support for student research activities.

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CONGRATULATIONS TWU PIONEER GYMNASTICS TEAM --

5-TIME NATIONAL CHAMPS! (See page 5)

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HOMEcomings IS "LOOKIN' GOOD!"

Encouraging alums to return to their alma mater and recognizing them always have been the focus of homecoming celebrations at TWU. However, alums who turn out for this year's homecoming celebration, April 23-26, will be recognized in a brand new way. TWU alums are "Lookin' Good" in 1998...whether they graduated 50 years or 5 years ago (this year's theme).

"In the past, homecoming activities have focused on the reunion class and our alums, based on when they graduated," said Mary Ann McDuff (academic affairs), homecoming chair. "This year, though, we're bridging the gap from the old to the new by focusing on both reunion classes and our graduates' connection (or affiliation) with their own academic departments."

According to McDuff, activities for both reunion class members and alums who belong to department-specific academic chapters will be hosted simultaneously throughout homecoming weekend. Current students are encouraged to participate as the various department chapters will be recognized for their institutional support, along with the reunion classes during a luncheon and dinner on Sat., April 25. Homecoming is sponsored by the TWU National Alumnae Association.

McDuff says she and others have been working over the course of the last five years to expand the academic chapters; at present, 18 such chapters have been chartered. "Until about 1980, students tended to identify with their class," says McDuff, who hopes to see additional academic chapters chartered during the April 25 luncheon. "But, as Denton changed and the university changed, catering more to non-traditional students, they came to identify more with their department and their major than the people they lived with in the residence halls."

Aside from alumni affiliation, TWU Homecoming 1998 will attract graduates with the dedication of Pioneer Hall, which takes place at noon on April 24. The event will be followed by building tours and activities related to the science and art of human movement.

McDuff said that alums have many reasons to make it out to this year's homecoming event. "It's the one weekend during the entire year that gives you an opportunity to come back to your alma mater -- the institution that helped make you who you are today -- and become reacquainted with the university culture," she said. Key activities for TWU Homecoming 1998 include:

Thursday, April 23

- Redbud Awards, 5 p.m., Hubbard Hall, Southeast Dining Room.

Friday, April 24

- Senior breakfast, 8:30 to 10 a.m., Hubbard Hall, Banquet Room.
- Honors Convocation, 10 a.m., Margo Jones Performance Hall.
- Dedication of Pioneer Hall, noon, followed by building tours and activities.
- Guided campus tours, 4 p.m.
- Golden Girls dinner, 6:30 p.m., Hubbard Hall, southeast dining room.
- "Remember When" dessert for students and alumni, 8:30 p.m., Hubbard Hall.

Saturday, April 25

- TWU NAA annual business meeting, 8:30-11:15 a.m., Blagg-Huey Library lecture hall.
- Distinguished Alumna Awards luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Pioneer Hall.
- Tea and Talk: "Estate Planning for Women," 2:30 p.m., ACT 217.
- Class reunion dinner, 6:30 p.m., Hubbard Hall, Southeast Dining Room.

Sunday, April 26

- Chapel Service, 9 a.m., Little Chapel-in-the-Woods, followed by reception sponsored by TWU President Carol Surles at University House.

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HONORS CONVOCATION COMING NEXT WEEK

TWU will honor the "best of the best" on its Denton, Dallas and Houston campuses during special Honors Convocation ceremonies this month in Margo Jones Performance Hall on Fri., April 24. Dr. Carol Surles (president's office) will welcome and present the university's highest honors to members of the campus community. The university community and the general public are invited to attend the 10:00 a.m. program, which honors outstanding faculty, staff and student accomplishments for the 1997-98 academic year. Classes on TWU's Denton campus are dismissed from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. so that the university community may attend; most offices will be closed as well.

Traditionally the university invites a keynote speaker to address the awardees; this year, however, TWU will dedicate its newest facility -- Pioneer Hall -- at noon. (The new 143,000-square-foot, \$17 million building houses academic space for the department of kinesiology and the department of performing arts programs in dance, as well as offices of intercollegiate athletics and specific space use for the TWU Wellness Center. Features include classrooms, state-of-the-art research laboratories, dance studios, offices, a natatorium, locker rooms, a weight room, a multipurpose gymnasium and other features. Teaching, research and performance in TWU's Pioneer Hall will focus on the science and art of human movement.)

Special awards presented include: the Cornaro Award, for a distinguished senior faculty member, and the Mary Mason Lyon Award, to three junior faculty members (who have fewer than 10 years of university teaching) -- all honoring excellence in teaching, research and service; the TWU Excellence

Award and Outstanding Achievement Awards, recognizing the dedication of TWU staff members; and Outstanding Senior and Graduate Student Awards. In addition, several student leaders and recipients of the 1998 Distinguished Alumnae Award will be introduced.

Faculty and academic administrators march in the Honors Convocation procession and wear academic regalia. Student members of honorary organizations can join the procession and sit in the center section of the hall, directly behind the faculty. Members of the TWU board of regents also have been invited to participate. For more information, call Dr. Wilkes Berry (academic and cultural affairs) at 8-1-3350.

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DIVERSITY DAYS: CELEBRATE ONE ANOTHER

Sixteen TWU student organizations will come together, working toward a common goal, when they present *TWU Diversity Days: Moving Toward Community*, April 13 to 17, on the university's Denton campus. Patrick Vasquez (intercultural services) said he and other planners see the event as an opportunity to create a dialogue in which to share and discuss different cultural issues affecting students, faculty and staff.

"We feel that there are not many opportunities for students from very diverse cultural backgrounds to work together toward a common goal," Vasquez said. "You usually find that Hispanic students work in planning Hispanic Heritage programs and African American students plan Black History programs. 'Diversity Days' planning at TWU has provided a wonderful opportunity for students of color to work side by side and share their different cultures."

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TWU Diversity Days will feature activities ranging from international craft exhibitions to a poetry night of multicultural authors to discussions on race, sexuality and relationships. Planners include members of the following organizations: Alpha Gamma Delta Sorority; Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority; Asian Student Association; Bilingual Education Student Organization; Disability Support Services; Hispanic Organization for Leadership and Advancement; International Student Association; LULAC; NAACP; National Association of Black Journalists; Sigma Lambda Alpha Sorority; Zeta Phi Beta Sorority; intercultural services; recreational sports; SOAP multicultural committee; and the office of student activities. Most programs are free and open to the public; call 8-1-3679 for more information. Some of the highlights will include:

- An exhibition of international crafts each day (noon to 2 p.m., Monday through Thursday, and 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. on Friday), SC 2nd floor.
- An Asian culture exhibit each day, 2nd floor of the TWU Blagg-Huey Library.
- Poetry Nite on Thurs., April 16, at 7 p.m. in the Kool Blues room of Hubbard Hall; \$3 admission.
- Several events on Fri., April 17, include a fun run at the Hubbard Oval, 10 a.m.; sports day at 11 a.m.; and a concert from 7 to 10 p.m., Hubbard Oval.

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SPECIAL DANCE WORKSHOPS SET

Thirty years ago, the assassination of civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. left a great many people stunned, mournful and wounded. African-American dance guru Chuck Davis was among them, and he was determined to heal those wounds -- by getting in touch with his roots.

"The story as he tells it goes like this," said Janice LaPointe-Crump (performing arts, dance). "He was a modern dancer who had trained and performed with Katherine Dunham and Pearl Primus, both of whom were the founders of the African-American modern dance style. After working with them, he started his own dance company, the Chuck Davis Dance Company. Then, after Dr. King was assassinated, he was moved to the point that he really wanted to find out about his roots, and that's what took him to Africa. He started traveling to Ghana, which is where his ancestors lived, and began studying the culture in the villages. Eventually, he disbanded the Chuck Davis Dance Company, and today he is the artistic director of the African American Dance Ensemble, which he founded in 1980 in Durham, N.C."

Davis, who will conduct a workshop from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. on Wed., April 15, in DGL studio 210, eventually won a congressional medal for his work on behalf of giving African-American people a sense of their roots, and the group garnered worldwide acclaim, becoming a fixture at the annual American Dance Festival.

According to LaPointe-Crump, Davis' journeys -- both within and without -- and methods were quite revolutionary for the time. "He was one of the first to really go back and live in the villages and learn how to make the different drums that he uses today with his company," she said. "He then trained

drummers here in the U.S. -- men and women -- which was unheralded because women are not permitted to drum in Africa."

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LaPointe-Crump said that Davis, who is returning as plenary artist for the Dallas Dance Council's second annual *Dance for the Planet* festival in Artists' Square in Dallas, April 16-19, uses performance as a means of evangelizing. "What he will do is lead the audience in chants," she said. "His mantra -- which he says has carried him through these last 20 years or so and helped him heal from the effects of the assassination -- is 'Love, Peace, Respect for Everybody.' In performances, he will lead people in a chant saying these three things in Twi, the language of Ghana, and what he's trying to say, I think, is that everyone needs healing -- a sense of healing and loving." For more information, contact LaPointe-Crump at 8-1-2090.

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CONGRATULATIONS TO FIVE-TIME NATIONAL CHAMPS!!!

The TWU Pioneers gymnastics team won an unprecedented 5th national team title (in six years) in the USA Gymnastics Collegiate National Championship, held in New Haven, Conn., April 9 to 11. The Pioneers defeated defending champ Seattle Pacific with a score of 192.25 and tied the national championship meet record with that score. "We're absolutely elated," said coach Frank Kudlac after the victory. "We had great crowd support, too."

Fans and news media greeted the returning champions on Sunday at DFW Airport and at TWU. Aside from the team title, two gymnasts earned individual honors -- Kim Koenig won on balance beam and Cari Casazza took the floor championship. The team's success and titles reflect their determination to succeed -- their slogan throughout this season of competition was "Dominate in '98" -- and they have.

Congratulations!

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NEWSBRIEFS

Information and news about activities, programs or TWU people may be sent to Ann Hatch (public information), editor, either through campus mail or by e-mail to s_hatch@twu.edu. The weekly deadline to receive information is 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 TWU bookstore will be closed on Fri., April 17, for inventory.

Reminder: The TWU department of performing arts program in drama will present *The Three Sisters* at 8 p.m. on April 17, 18, 24 and 25, and at 2 p.m. on Sun., April 26, in Redbud Theatre. Tickets, which go on sale April 12, are \$5 for TWU students and children; \$7 for other students, TWU faculty and staff, and senior citizens; and \$10 for general admission. Reservations may be made by e-mail at theatre@twu.edu or by phone through the theatre box office at 8-1-2020.

A space allocation open forum is scheduled on Tues., April 14, from 2 to 4 p.m., ACT 301, to discuss space allocation and space use with Harry Montgomery of HG Montgomery and Associates. All faculty and staff are invited.

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Reminder: TWU dance students will flex their creative muscles at 8 p.m. on Fri. and Sat., April 17 and 18, at 8 p.m. and at 2 p.m. on April 18 for Dancemakers '98. Presented by the programs in dance, performances will feature as many as seven student-composed dance numbers, all of which will be

presented as complete productions in Margo Jones Performance Hall. Tickets are \$7 for adults; \$5 for TWU faculty and staff, and seniors; \$3 for students; and \$2 for TWU students and children. Call 8-1-2093 for ticket reservations or 8-1-2085 for program details.

TWU's annual Pioneer Pace, sponsored by the Student Dietetic Association, will be held on Sat., April 18, at 8:30 a.m., beginning at Hubbard Oval. The third annual event is a 5K walk/run, and all proceeds benefit the Salvation Army food pantry. Entry fees are \$12 for adults and \$10 for children ages 10 and under or seniors age 65 and older. All participants receive a T-shirt with their entry fee and are entered to win gift certificates, movie passes and more. Entry forms can be picked up from the department of nutrition and food sciences, OMB 301, or call Katie North at (940) 382-1889 for more information.

Reminder: The TWU student art competition, sponsored by Voertman's bookstore, is on display through April 30 in the student gallery of the Fine Arts Building. Hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; the show is free and open to the public. Call 8-1-2530 for information.

The women's studies program announces the Women's Studies Vision Award, which recognizes individuals "of courage, vision and leadership" who have made long-term contributions to the women's studies program at TWU. Those who are eligible for nomination are faculty, staff and administrators who have demonstrated eight to 10 years of "substantial and sustained commitment" to the development of the program at TWU. Send a letter of nomination (outline the contributions made that demonstrate why the individual should be a recipient) to the honors and scholarship committee of the women's studies program or e-mail to womenstudies@twu.edu. The deadline for nominations is Mon., April 20, at 5 p.m. For details, call 8-1-2119.

Reminder: The office of disability support services is sponsoring a program on Fri., April 17, featuring Dr. Colin A. Ross, who will discuss dissociative identity disorder. His presentation will be held from 1 to 4 p.m., CFO 105. "The purpose of this program is to provide an educational forum for people in the TWU community -- such as housing, public safety, faculty, staff, the Counseling Center and others -- who may provide services to students who have dissociative identity disorder (multiple personalities)," said JoAnn Nunnelly (disability support services). Interested persons are asked either to sign up in that office, located in CFO 105, or call Nunnelly at 8-1-3835 to reserve a place.

The Friends of the TWU Libraries will hold a book and video sale on Mon. and Tues., April 27 and 28, on the garden level of the Blagg-Huey Library from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Videos will be \$3 each (special video collections priced higher) and books will be \$3 per container (supplied by the library to measure the books). All proceeds will benefit the collections and services of the TWU libraries. Call 8-1-2665 for more information

Reminder: The core curriculum review committee will meet April 16, at 3 p.m., ACT 10.

Reminder: TWU's annual retirement dinner is scheduled on April 21, HHSE, at 6:30 p.m.; tickets are \$9.50 each and may be purchased through human resources; call 8-1-3555.

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NEWSBRIEFS, continued

Reminder: *The Institute for Clinical Services and Applied Research* will present an interdisciplinary clinical staffing workshop on Wed., April 15, from 5 to 6:30 p.m., ACT 3. (No audiotaping or videotaping will be permitted.) For details, call 8-1-2285.

Phi Delta Kappa's TWU/UNT chapter will install new members on Wed., April 22, during a 6:30 p.m. ceremony in Hubbard Hall, followed by a 7 p.m. dinner and speaker. The cost is \$10 per person, and the speaker will be Dr. Lloyd Campbell, Regents Professor at UNT, who will discuss "Instructional Approaches of Superior Teachers." RSVP by April 16; call 8-1-2241.

Reminder: "*The Big Easy*" Comes to Denton -- actually to TWU -- on Tues., April 21, when the quantity foods class in the department of nutrition and food sciences presents an evening filled with New Orleans cuisine and live jazz. Tickets for the dinner, set at 6:30 p.m. in HHSW, are available from the department; call 8-1-2636 as soon as possible.

Reminder: *The department of English, speech and foreign languages* will host its annual Awards Day ceremony on Fri., April 24, at 1:30 p.m., ACT 301. Honor students will receive certificates of recognition, and scholarship recipients will be named (up to \$15,000 in scholarships will be awarded). TWU alumna Jane Erwin (institutional advancement) will speak, and a reception is scheduled on ACT 16 following the program. For details, call 8-1-2324.

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UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE

Dr. **Carol Surles** (president's office) has been appointed by the Denton Chamber of Commerce board of directors to serve as an ex-officio director for the 1998-99 program year.

Dr. **Janette Schkade** (Occupational Therapy) has been appointed to serve on the editorial board of a new journal, *Innovation in Occupational Therapy Education*.

Two faculty members and a doctoral candidate from the department of performing arts programs in dance -- Dr. **Janice LaPointe-Crump**, **Gladys Keeton** and **Mei H'sui Chan** -- and members of the **TWU International Folk Dance Company** completed a two-day interdisciplinary residency on World Culture Dance with the English department at Denton's Ryan High School. During that time, they performed folk dance repertory and taught ethnic dances to more than 800 students. The annual program is part of Denton ISD's Adopt-A-School Inc.

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THIS WEEK AT TWU: APRIL 13-19, 1998

April 1-30

-Visual arts: Voertman's Student Art Competition/Exhibit, East and West galleries, weekdays, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

April 13-16

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

April 13-17

-Diversity Days, exhibits and programs, library and Student Center.

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CALENDAR, continued

Tues., April 14

- HR: "Retirement Made Easy," Denton, 2-4 p.m.
- SOAP general meeting, SC 207, 5:30 p.m.
- ITS: "Requisition entry and receiving," SH 206, 9-10:30 a.m.
- ITS: "Travel requisitions," SH 206, 10:30-11 a.m.
- ITS: "Approval of requisitions," SH 206, 2-2:30 p.m.
- ITS: "Approval of employee online timesheets," SH 206, 3-4 p.m.

Wed., April 15

- Performing arts, dance: workshop by Chuck Davis, DGL studio 210, 1 to 3 p.m.
- Institute for Clinical Services and Applied Research: interdisciplinary clinical staffing workshop, ACT 3, 5-6:30 p.m.
- Houston: "Spring Fling," CY.
- HR: "Printing and Mailing Services," Denton, 9-10 a.m.
- Tennis: TWU vs. Weatherford College, PH Field, 2:30 p.m.
- Car maintenance clinic, library parking lot, 4:30 p.m.
- USA Senate meeting, SC 006-007, 5-7 p.m.
- ITS: "Entering time online, non-exempt employees," SH 206, 9-9:45 a.m.

-ITS: "Entering time online, exempt employees," SH 206, 10-10:45 a.m.

Thurs., April 16

-Diversity Days: Poetry Nite, Kool Blues (HH), \$3, 7 p.m.

-Meeting: core curriculum review, ACT 10, 3 p.m.

-HR: "Coaching Skills for Managers/Supervisors," Denton, 1:30-4:30 p.m.

-HR: "Printing and Mailing Services," Dallas-Parkland, 10-11 a.m.

-ITS: "Approval of requisitions," SH 206, 2-2:30 p.m.

-ITS: "Approval of employee online timesheets," SH 206, 3-4 p.m.

Fri., April 17

-Blagg-Huey Library open 7:30 a.m.-9 p.m.; bookstore closed for inventory; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

-Student Research Symposium, CFO, all day.

-Diversity Days: fun run at the Hubbard Oval, 10 a.m.; sports day at 11 a.m.; a concert on Hubbard Oval, 7 to 10 p.m.

-Performing arts, drama: *The Three Sisters*, Redbud Theatre, 8 p.m.

-Performing arts, dance: Dancemakers '98, MJPH, 8 p.m.

-Disability Support Services: speaker on multiple personalities, Dr. Colin Ross, CFO 105, 1-4 p.m.

-Finalize hours on web for hourly employees for download at 5 p.m.

-HR: "Personnel Transaction Forms Workshop," Houston, 1:30-3:30 p.m.

-Tennis: TWU vs. St. Mary's, San Antonio, 3 p.m.

-University Club at the home of Peggy and Reg Rezac.

Sat., April 18

-Blagg-Huey Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Wellness Center open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

-Performing arts, drama: *The Three Sisters*, Redbud Theatre, 8 p.m.

-Performing arts, dance: Dancemakers '98, MJPH, 2 and 8 p.m.

-Pioneer Pace 5 K walk/run, Hubbard Oval, 8:30 a.m.

-Tennis: TWU vs. Trinity University, 9 a.m.; Incarnate Word, 2 p.m.

-SOAP: trip to Holocaust Memorial, \$2, SC, 10 a.m. departure.

Sun., April 19

-Blagg-Huey Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; bookstore closed; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m.

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