

STUDY SEEKS VOLUNTEERS

Discovering more about learning disorders is the focus of a study under way at TWU, directed by Dr. Daniel Miller (psychology and philosophy). The ADD/ADHD/CAPD Research Project, which starts this summer, will involve testing youngsters who may have a learning disability and gaining a greater understanding of attention deficit and related disorders.

"We are beginning a study to learn more about Attention Deficit Disorder, Central Auditory Processing Disorder and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder. We are asking parents whose children -- ages 8 to 11 -- have ADD, ADHD or CAPD to participate in the study," said Miller, who is considered to be an expert in learning, especially among children.

He added, "The goal of our study is to gain a better understanding of these related learning disorders. For example: CAPD results in many behaviors that are similar to ADD, but children who have CAPD may not respond to the same treatments. This research will lend greater insight into these disorders and also will contribute to improved treatment and diagnosis in the future."

The primary location for testing will be TWU's Denton campus; however, satellite testing may be arranged at other locations in the metroplex. The cost is \$20, which covers materials used, and participation will involve approximately four to five hours. Parents will answer questions as their children complete tasks in the areas of audiometric hearing sensitivity, behavioral, intellectual, academic, emotional and neuropsychological testing.

Parents whose children participate will receive test scores and will be invited to attend one of several question-and-answer meetings. For more information or to volunteer for this study, contact Miller at 8-1-2289 or visit the project website at www.customforum.com/adhdresearch and click on "message board."

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READY, SET, GO!

Even as TWU faculty are leaving campus to travel, teach or take a quick vacation, planners for the university's annual Faculty Development Day are asking everyone to mark their calendars for Tues., Aug. 25. Dr. Clay King (nutrition and food sciences), who is coordinating the one-day program, wants to ask faculty now to attend this worthwhile program later.

"We are excited to present our annual Faculty Development Day, which provides new and returning faculty with an opportunity to learn more about issues facing higher education and to explore how faculty play a key role in the university setting," said King. "We will present three tracks and a keynote speaker who we feel will motivate all of us as we prepare to begin another academic year."

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The tracks will include: faculty evaluation and development -- peer review framework and post-tenure review; technology -- including "hot" hi-tech areas; and academic and global issues -- Texas legislators and the TWU fiscal budget.

The keynote speaker will be Dr. Robert Diamond, assistant vice chancellor of the Center for Instructional Development and professor of instructional design, development and evaluation, and higher education at Syracuse University. Diamond is director of the National Project on Institutional Priorities and Faculty Rewards funded by the Lilly Endowment and the Pew Charitable Trusts. Also a consultant, he co-authored the 1987 *National Study of Teaching Assistants*; the 1992 *National Study of Research Universities and the Balance of Research and Undergraduate Teaching*; and was responsible for the design and implementation of Syracuse University's award-winning high school/college transition program, "Project Advance." He also co-directs SU's Focus on Teaching Project.

Additional details will be published in future issues of *TWU Update* during the summer. For more information, call King at 8-1-2636.

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INTERNATIONAL STUDENTS WILL PAY NEW INSURANCE FEE

As a condition of admission, TWU requires all non-immigrant international students to maintain medical and accident insurance coverage, including repatriation and medical evacuation, during their studies at the university. TWU sponsors a health insurance policy that provides medical coverage, as well as the required repatriation and medical evacuation provisions. (The policy also provides health options for a spouse and children, at an additional cost.)

In the past, international students were blocked from registration until appropriate proof of insurance was provided. However, effective summer 1998, all international students at TWU will be assessed an insurance fee on their tuition and fees statement each semester. The cost of the plan will be \$155 for the fall semester, \$140 for the spring semester and \$76 for the summer. Students who have alternate coverage through another insurance provider may obtain an insurance fee waiver through Student Health Services so that they may be considered for a credit or refund.

However, if the alternate insurance coverage does not meet all of the requirements, the university-sponsored plan will be required. If the insurance coverage meets all requirements except repatriation and medical evacuation, the international student will be assessed a \$25 yearly insurance fee that will provide this needed coverage. International students who will serve as graduate assistants and who are eligible for university staff insurance will receive a waiver from the department of human resources. The form will entitle those students to a credit/refund of insurance fees, except the repatriation and medical evaluation insurance fee; that annual \$25 cost will be billed to the international student. The student is responsible for completing the waiver and turning it in to Student Health Services to receive a credit or refund.

For more information, call Amy Berliner (Student Health Services) at 8-1-3816 or send e-mail to Stuhealth@twu.edu.

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TWU SIGNS AGREEMENT IN HOUSTON

The TWU Institute of Health Sciences Houston Center and the Houston Community College System recently signed a guaranteed transfer agreement for students who want to finish or already have

completed an associate's degree in nursing and who wish to transfer to TWU to earn a bachelor's degree in nursing. Dr. Carol Surles (president's office) and Dr. Ruth Burgos-Sasscer, chancellor of HCCS, signed the paperwork last month; the agreement is effective beginning the fall 1997 semester.

"We are extremely pleased to develop this agreement between TWU and the Houston Community College System," said Surles. "Both TWU and HCCS will benefit, and the students will enjoy careers in a field that continues to expand with opportunities in health care."

The agreement also is for students who have an active Texas registered nursing license and who wish to take academic prerequisites at HCCS so that they may enter the bachelor's degree program in nursing at TWU. With an active Texas nursing license and by fulfilling TWU's prerequisites for a bachelor's degree, these students also will earn an Associate of Arts degree from HCCS. TWU will transfer a maximum of 72 hours from HCCS.

Automatic admission to TWU's upper-division nursing program is granted under the agreement when a student applies to the TWU undergraduate admissions office and the College of Nursing by the appropriate deadlines; takes the academic prerequisites at HCCS under the joint agreement and completes them with an overall 2.0 grade point average, with a minimum grade of "C" in microbiology, and anatomy and physiology; with an active Texas registered nursing license; and with acceptance for admission granted to TWU. (Once admission to the TWU College of Nursing is given, TWU will grant 25 semester hours of competency credit for an active Texas registered nursing license.)

For more information, contact Dr. Carolyn Gunning (Nursing, Denton) at 8-1-2402 or Dr. Kathryn Stream (Houston Center) at 8-4-2331.

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TWU OFFERS SUMMER DANCE WORKSHOP

The department of performing arts programs in dance will offer a summer workshop with Michael Foley from May 18 to 30, Monday through Saturday, from 10 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. "The workshop will explore finding movement that focuses on the familiar, while it incorporates a real wallop of the new and uncharted," said Mary Williford-Shade (performing arts, dance). "Drawing from diverse inspirational sources such as street dancing, hip-hop, folk forms and culturally-specific dance traditions, Michael Foley will bring the streets to the studio, the studio to the stage and the stage to the streets -- a personal and public journey through your 'hometown' of dance."

Interested students must be admitted to TWU; cost varies, based on undergraduate and graduate tuition rates and fees. For details, call 8-1-2086.

Foley, artistic director of Michael Foley Dance, is from Shewsbury, Mass.; he received his bachelor's degree in English and Spanish from Bates College in 1989, where he also studied with Marcy Plavin. He joined the faculty at Bates in fall 1996 as a lecturer in dance in the department of theatre, and he has served as co-director and faculty for the Bates Dance Festival Young Dancer's Workshop since then. He

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UPDATE ON TWU ATHLETICS

Several student-athletes were honored during TWU's annual athletics banquet. Dr. Carol Surles (president's office) presented the awards. Those honors included: the President's Award, for outstanding excellence in a sport, to senior Chantelle Clegg (volleyball) and senior Wendy Graves (gymnastics); the Kitty Magee Award, for the most dedicated student-athlete, to gymnast Cari Casazza; the Jo Kuhn Award, for outstanding leadership, to Clegg; the Golden Cast Award, for most conscientious rehabilitation of injuries, to sophomore gymnast Melissa Peed; and Outstanding Athlete Awards, one in each sport, to senior Melony Cormier (tennis), senior Felicia Walker (softball), sophomore Angie Traplena (basketball), Clegg (volleyball) and Casazza (gymnastics). In other news:

- Two TWU softball players recently were selected for the NCAA All-South Central Region Team: junior Cathy Jacobson was voted 2nd Team All-Region in the outfield, and redshirt freshman Nickie Engelbrecht was named 2nd Team All-Region at shortstop.
- Summer camps are scheduled as follows: **volleyball** -- June 3-4, Youth Day Camp for Girls and Boys (beginning players, ages 9 to 12, or grades 3 to 6 in the fall), \$75; June 5-8 and June 10-13, instructional camps (for girls ages 13 to 18 who want to learn volleyball skills, as well as defensive and offensive systems), commuter camper fee is \$175 and resident camper fee is \$250; **basketball** -- June 14-17, instructional camp (for girls ages 10 to 17 who want to improve their individual basketball skills), commuter camper fee is \$175 and resident camper fee is \$250; June 29 - July 1, day camp (instructional camp for girls in grades 3-6, morning session, and grades 7-9, afternoon session, to improve individual basketball skills), day camp fee of \$75; **gymnastics** -- June 21-25, instructional camp (for girls ages 8 to 17 of all ability levels), commuter camper fee of \$220, and resident camper fee of \$290; **softball** -- June 10-12, specialty day camp (day camp for girls in grades 9 to 12 who want to work on their primary positioning and hitting), fee is \$100; June 17-20, instructional camp (for girls ages 10 to 18 who want to learn and improve their individual skills, team concepts and strategies in softball), commuter camper fee is \$175, and resident camper fee is \$250. Call 8-1-2378 for more information.

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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.

TWU Update begins its biweekly summer publication schedule on Mon., May 18 (today). Please continue to submit items throughout the summer; for details, call 8-1-3456.

Reminder: Payroll deadlines for this month have been announced: timesheets for hourly employees must be finalized on Mon., May 18, so that they may be downloaded to Rhea at 5 p.m.; edit hourly timesheets on May 19 and finalize on May 20 by 5 p.m. for final approvals.

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Reminder: TWU's outdoor pool will open on June 1. Children's swimming lessons will be offered beginning June 8. For details, call the Wellness Center at 8-1-2900 now or the outdoor pool at 898-2902 after June 8.

"On My Own Time" winners in the TWU employee arts and crafts show were honored during a reception last week by Dr. Carol Surles (president's office), who hosted the event. In the juried show, judges chose a drawing titled "Nike of Samonthrace" by Mark Harris (public information) as "Best of Show," which will be one of 17 entries by artists from TWU in the citywide exhibit in June and July. For the first time in TWU's history, a tie resulted from votes cast by faculty and staff in the "People's Choice" Award. The winners were Blanche Burke Shull (institutional research and statistics) for "Wedding Dress," circa 1914, and "Fireflies" by Harris.

Reminder: Faculty and administrators who wish to be included in the university's "experts guide" for the news media are reminded they can still turn in their forms to Ann Hatch (public information). Anyone who has misplaced a form or would like to request one can call 8-1-3456.

Donations requested....The TWU gymnastics team is looking for donations of any exercise equipment people might have, including stationary bikes, riders or treadmills. "If your exercise equipment is collecting dust or doubling as a clothes rack, you can clear some space in your home by donating it to the TWU gymnastics team," said Frank Kudlac (kinesiology/intercollegiate athletics). Equipment pick-up service can be arranged; call Kudlac at 8-1-2384 for details.

The TWU Community Dance/Physical Conditioning Center will offer a physical conditioning mat work exercise class, based on the Pilates method, June 2 through Aug. 11. The 10-week course is \$100 for 10 classes, which will be held in DGL studio 210 on Tuesday evenings from 6 to 7 p.m. A free demonstration class will be offered on Tues., June 2 (same time and location); interested persons may register at that time. For details, call the TWU department of performing arts programs in dance at 8-1-2086.

Reminder: National Employee Health and Fitness Day will be held on Wed., May 20, from noon to 1 p. m. in Pioneer Hall. A walk on the indoor track will begin at 12:15 p.m. -- walk as many laps as possible in 30 minutes. Participants will receive a ticket for each completed lap; each ticket represents a chance to win a prize: a one-year membership in the Wellness Center; NEHF Day T-shirts; one visit to the Wellness Center dietitian; or one personal training appointment ("Fresh Start"). The walk will be followed by a box lunch for \$5 (turkey sandwich, chips, banana and bottled water from the Garden Room), or bring your own.

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UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE

Several representatives from TWU attended the American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance convention in Reno, Nev., recently. Dr. **Carol Huettig** (kinesiology) presented a workshop, "The Evolving Role of the Adapted Physical Education Specialist," while doctoral students **Cindy Piletic, Linda Hilgenbrinck, Debra Buswell, Trish Hughes, Lupe Castaneda** and **Beez Schell** presented poster sessions during the event.

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Dr. **Russell Greer** (English, speech and foreign languages), advisor to Sigma Tau Delta's Beta Epsilon chapter at TWU, announced that **Nancy W. DeHonores** presented a paper at the 1998 international

conference of Sigma Tau Delta (the English honor society) in Anaheim, Calif. Her work was titled "The Influence of Castillian Spanish in the Development of the English Language."

Governor Jackson (financial aid) presented testimony in April to the subcommittee on agency oversight and financial aid in Austin. The subcommittee reports to the committee on higher education, and it is responsible for making recommendations to the Texas Legislature on state financial aid programs and oversight issues.

Ann Hatch (public information) has been appointed to serve as a member of the 1998-2000 Communications Council of the Association of Texas Colleges and Universities. The membership comprises public relations directors from a number of Texas colleges and universities who will network and promote higher education in Texas.

Dr. **Linda Sluder Schertz** (early childhood and special education) wrote an article titled "Integrated Program Development for Early Childhood Inclusion" that was published in the winter 1998 edition of the *Early Childhood Education Journal*. Shertz also will co-chair the 1998 International Conference on Early Childhood in Beijing, China, for Citizen Ambassadors and People to People.

Susan kae Grant (visual arts) attended the Society for Photographic Education's national conference in Philadelphia, Penn., in March; she also served as a portfolio reviewer during the program. In April, Grant participated in a panel discussion titled "Women and Technology" at the University of Texas at Dallas. The panel was held in conjunction with the opening of "Women, Photography and Related Technologies," an exhibition of works by women photography students exploring new technologies. Six TWU students placed their work in the show, and four received outstanding awards. **Sheri Penland** earned the "Best of Undergraduates Award"; exhibition awards went to **Gina Hill, Vicki Kluthe** and **Cassandra Furhman**.

Dr. **Lin Moore** (early childhood and special education) presented a research paper titled "The Double-Bind Dilemma for Teachers: Implementing Developmentally Appropriate Practices versus High-Stakes Standardized Testing in Public Schools" at the 49th annual Southern Early Childhood Association Conference in Louisville, Ky. Moore also delivered a highlighted research presentation, "Do Developmentally Appropriate Practices Lead to Caring Communities of Learners," on April 17 at the 1998 Association for Childhood Education International conference in Tampa, Fla. During that meeting, Moore was elected incoming co-chair of the ACEI research committee and will coordinate the research poster sessions for that organization's 1999 conference.

Olinda Pruitt Johnson (Houston, Nursing) is a TWU adjunct faculty member and a clinical nurse specialist in the OB/GYN service at Lyndon B. Johnson General Hospital. She recently was selected by *Health Week* to receive an Excellence Award for her work and dedication to nursing.

A warm welcome is extended to **Richard Hotinski** (internal audits), who joins TWU as senior auditor. He is a retired Air Force lieutenant colonel and most recently worked for Denton State School. Hotinski works with **Dennis Haisten**, who directs internal audits for the university.

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Dr. **Jackie Low** (Occupational Therapy, Houston) was named "Academic Educator of the Year" during the recent annual state conference of the Texas Occupational Therapy Association.

Dr. **Robin Britt** and Dr. **Rebecca Krepper** (Nursing, Houston) both were honored recently as new Virginia Henderson Fellows during the 75th jubilee biennial convention of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society in December.

Dr. **Becky Code** (biology) presented a research seminar titled "Effects of Opioid Peptides on Intracellular Calcium Concentrations in Chick Cochlear Nucleus Neurons" for the University of Montana's department of pharmaceutical sciences on April 2.

Dr. **Carol Surles** (president's office) has been selected to serve on the Business Higher Education Forum, along with Jim Watson, president of TwinStar Semiconductor Incorporated; both are members of the Alliance for Higher Education. The Business Higher Education Forum is a national membership organization of chief executives from American businesses, colleges and universities, and museums who work and learn cooperatively to improve the global competitiveness of these sectors. Surles and Watson also will work with AHE to form a Texas Business Higher Education Forum.

Dr. **Leila Flores Duenas** (reading and bilingual education) will offer a unique six-credit, graduate-level class this summer, "Educating the Mexican-American Child." Two weeks of study will be conducted in Cuernavaca, Mexico; the remainder of the course will be taught on the Denton campus. The course will be offered June 10 through July 29, and it is open to graduate students across the university.

TWU alumna **Veronica Valenzuela** (admissions, Houston) has joined the TWU Houston Center as a new senior admissions counselor. Valenzuela previously worked in undergraduate admissions in Denton before she moved to the Houston area.

Dr. **Cynthia Brock** (reading and bilingual education) will offer a six-hour, graduate-level summer course, "Language, Literacy and Culture," in Cuernavaca, Mexico, from June 10 to July 29. Two weeks of study will be conducted in Mexico, and the remainder will be taught in Denton. Interested graduate students from across the university may enroll.

Dr. **Linda Sluder Schertz** (early childhood and special education) was written an article, "From Apartheid to Democracy: the Renaissance of Early Childhood Education in the Republic of South Africa," that has been accepted for publication by the NAEYC.

Kim Lahart (student development), **Silvia Lesko** (continuing education) and **Governor Jackson** (financial aid) graduated from the 1997-98 Leadership Denton Class on May 7. The nine-month program, sponsored by the Denton Chamber of Commerce, prepares participants to assume leadership roles in volunteerism and local government.

Dr. **Gayle Hersch** (Occupational Therapy, Houston) discussed "Family Perspectives on Caregiving for Elders in Transition" during the American Society on Aging conference in San Francisco, Calif., in March.

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Business and economics faculty members **Sherrie Taylor** and **Chandra Schorg** again have been named Sam Walton Free Enterprise Co-Fellows by Students in Free Enterprise. They serve among 300 SIFE Sam Walton Fellows, who are described as "...America's most effective teachers of free enterprise..." by Jack Kahl, chairman of the board of SIFE and chairman of Cleveland-based Manco Inc. Members of TWU's student SIFE team also recently won second runner-up in their division during a regional SIFE meeting held in Fort Worth in April. Competitions match team educational outreach projects against the programs of other SIFE teams -- an effort designed to better their communities through such efforts. SIFE is a non-profit organization on more than 500 college campuses nationwide that works in partnership with business and higher education. The organization provides college students with an opportunity to make a difference and to develop leadership, teamwork and communication skills through learning, practicing and teaching the principles of free enterprise.

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: MAY 18 - 31, 1998

May 18-21

- Baker's Dozen open 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

May 18 - 22

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

May 19-30

- Michael Foley summer dance workshop.

Tues., May 19

- Houston: Advising for new nursing students, fall 1997, E17, 1-1:30 p.m.

Wed., May 20

- Houston: seminar for prospective nursing students, E60, 10 a.m.-noon.
- National Employee Health and Fitness Day, Pioneer Hall, walk on the indoor track begins at 12:15 p.m.; activities from noon to 1 p.m.

May 22-24

- All Marriott food service operations closed.

Sat., May 23

- Blagg-Huey Library, bookstore closed; Wellness Ctr. open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Sun., May 24

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

May 25-28

- Baker's Dozen open 8 a.m.-2 p.m.

May 25-29

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

Mon., May 25

- Memorial Day: university offices and departments open.

May 29-31

- All Marriott food service operations closed.

Sat., May 30

- Blagg-Huey Library, bookstore closed; Wellness Ctr. open 8 a.m.-6 p.m

Sun., May 31

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

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