

TAKE OFF ON TWU'S FASHION RUNWAY!

Construction, parts, materials and runways...no, it's *not* DFW International Airport. But it *is* the fashion runway at TWU...a path along which successful students in fashion design show their talent and skills...a runway they walked recently to win top honors and scholarship money at the Dallas Apparel Mart in the Texas Natural Fibers Fashion Design Competition. On Fri., May 8, TWU student volunteers, faculty and staff will model those and other haute couture designs during the department of fashion and textiles' "Fashion Show '98" at 6 p.m. in the theater of HDB. The event is free and open to the public; a reception will follow.

From Titanic-era garb to evening wear to mohair suits and springtime cotton daywear, haute couture designs by TWU students reflect their talent. The work done for each garment involves every step...from pattern design to fabric selection, cutting and construction to beadwork and lines. "We are extremely proud of our students and their work," said Dr. Sharon Underwood (fashion and textiles). "Our department traditionally has earned a statewide and national reputation in fashion design. Our students' haute couture creations reflect that tradition, as well as their talents."

Sponsored annually by the Texas Food and Fibers Commission, the Texas Natural Fibers Fashion Design Contest "...is a natural fibers showcase," explained Underwood. "Our TWU students -- using mohair, cotton and wool -- have designed evening wear, office apparel and garments fun for many occasions. The judges in the statewide competition recognized the talent and skill, from start to finish, that our students exhibited."

Awards earned by TWU students during the Dallas Apparel Mart show included:

- *First Place, Best of Cotton* -- to Amanda Bezemek, TWU junior in fashion design, for a pink-and-white-striped sundress with floral bodice, accented with a white, short-sleeved bolero;
- *Outstanding Graduate Student* -- to Eunyong Yang of TWU for her work, a black-and-white, Titanic-era pinstripe suit with matching hat (circa 1914);
- *Outstanding Graduate Student* -- also to Daily Mangual-Vasquez, for a long, black wool evening

- dress and matching long-sleeved coat, with gold sunbursts and gold accents;
- *Second Place, Best of "After Five"* -- to TWU senior Olivia Solano for a full-length black-and-royal-blue wool crepe evening gown and mohair wrap;
 - *Second Place, Best of Cotton* -- to Minsu Kim, also a junior in fashion design, for a multi-print cotton sun dress accented with a large fabric floral piece on the bodice;
 - *Second Place, Best of Mohair* -- to Zenabu Smith, a junior at TWU, for a dress suit (she entered one in royal blue with black piping and accents; and one in red with gold buttons and black accents).

Fashions by other students also are included in the display; more than 70 garments made by undergraduate students will be modeled by volunteers during the May 8 show. For details, call Underwood at 8-8-2661 or 8-1-2669.

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CONTEST SUCCESS WAS "AUTO"-MATIC....

The pit crews were ready, the ramp was prepared...but the cars looked a bit unusual as drivers put them through their paces. Smokin' Joe, the Breadmobile and the Banana Boat looked good enough to eat, but Speedy Gonzalez (a jalapeno pepper) drew a "caution" on the first round.

The entries -- all edible cars -- competed against one another for design and speed (aerodynamics) during TWU's Engineering Week, April 27 to May 1. With judges from TWU and Raytheon (both contest sponsors) looking on and measuring speed electronically, three car crews pitted their skills to win cash prizes and learn from their designs last Friday. Raytheon provided \$400 in prize money. The winners were:

Design

- 1st place (\$100) -- Smokin' Joe (a cucumber with cheddar cheese wheels and candy cane axles "greased" with canola oil) with C-3/C-4 team members Gabrielle Truanova, Joe LaCour and Jennifer Stark;
- 2nd place (\$50) -- The Breadmobile (a hollowed-out loaf of homemade bread with rice cake rear

wheels, cookie front wheels, candy cane axles, hollowed carrot-slice bolts and chocolate frosting to "glue" the parts) with C-2 team members Sylvia Dunn, Tu Dao and Dan Nguyen;

- 3rd place (\$25 each/tie) -- The Banana Boat (a banana with beefstick axles and candy wheels) with C-1 team members Debbie Prestridge, Catherine McDonald and Tai Chun Wei; and Speedy Gonzalez (a jalapeno pepper with cheddar cheese rear wheels and potato slice front wheels) with C-3/C-4 members.

Speed/Aerodynamics

- 1st place (\$100) -- Smokin' Joe;
- 2nd place (\$50) -- The Banana Boat;
- 3rd place (\$25 each/tie) -- The Breadmobile and Speedy Gonzalez.

"We're already making plans for next year," said Dr. Frances Thompson (mathematics and computer science). "Everyone had fun and learned about engineering as well. We hope to recruit area high schools and more college teams next year." TWU alumna Anngienetta Johnson of NASA, this year's Harlan Miller speaker, also attended the contest and spoke with students.

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"ON MY OWN TIME" EXHIBIT READY FOR GUESTS

TWU's annual "On My Own Time" exhibit, featuring original artwork by university faculty and staff, is on display now through May 14 on ACT 2. Sponsored by the Greater Denton Arts Council, the juried exhibition is one of eight that feature employee artwork at businesses and organizations in Denton. Similar shows are done by Boeing, the city of Denton, Denton Community Hospital, the Denton State School, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, Peterbilt Motors and Sally Beauty Company. Prize winners from each organization will have their work featured in a citywide show from June 22 to July 24 at the Center for the Visual Arts.

Sara Harvey, associate director for the Greater Denton Arts Council, said the event show another side of employees. "We started this program in 1992 with the intention of making it a citywide event involving employees who are artists. Through the show, employees get involved in their companies on a different level," she said. "The shows allow each institution to recognize employees in a different way. It's part of our philosophy of making art accessible to everyone."

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At TWU, employees may submit a maximum of four pieces for the exhibit. A juror then decides which piece will receive "Best of Show," as well as which works will be included in the citywide display this summer. In addition, a "People's Choice" award -- voted on by those who view the exhibit -- will be presented. Patrice Benfield (institutional advancement), coordinator for the TWU show, said, "The TWU faculty and staff just enjoy the show so much. The people who participate are excited to show their work, and it's fascinating to see the work that these people do on their own time." She added, "We invite everyone to view the exhibit and cast a vote for the 'People's Choice' Award."

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AREA BANK OFFERS SPECIAL DISCOUNTS

First State Bank of Denton is offering several special discounts on banking services for TWU employees who elect direct deposit for their payroll checks each month. The program includes a free regular checking account with free check safekeeping. "With this account, employees will receive unlimited check writing capability, free First State Bank of Texas ATM use, a free first box of checks and a Visa First Check card," said Dana Gibson (controller's office) in a general memo to all TWU employees.

Additional services included in the program are a safe deposit box at no charge for 12 months; a coupon for a Certificate of Deposit rate higher than the bank's stated rate; a loan rate discount on consumer loans automatically debited from a First State Bank checking account; \$200 savings on mortgage loan closings; and a free Financial Profile by an investment specialist.

A representative from First State Bank will visit TWU on Thurs., May 7, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m., SC 2nd floor, to answer questions and to open new accounts for TWU employees. Faculty and staff also may contact Carrell Ann Simmons at First State Bank, (940) 381-7229, for assistance. To set up direct deposit, call the payroll office at 8-1-3561 for the necessary forms. Anyone who already has an account and payroll direct deposit at First State Bank should contact the bank and ask to have this offer extended to her or his account.

For students, First State Bank offers a free checking account and an economy checking account designed primarily for the local student market. In addition, free checking is provided to all university student organizations.

NEW LIS JOINT PROGRAM OKAYED

TWU is participating in a unique academic venture with the University of North Texas as the two institutions offer the first cooperative master's degree in librarianship by distance learning to four areas in Texas. Approved in April by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, the degree is accredited by the American Library Association. "The program also is unique because it brings together several types of institutions -- public and private -- in different systems ...independent universities, the Texas A&M University system and the University of Texas system," said Dr. Keith Swigger (Library and Information Studies).

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COOPERATIVE DEGREE, *continued*

The TWU School of Library and Information Studies and the UNT School of Library and Information Science cooperatively will deliver library education to four Texas cities -- Edinburg, Texarkana, Abilene and Wichita Falls -- using interactive television.

"We are partnering with UNT, UT-Pan American in Edinburg, Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, Abilene Christian University and Texas A&M-Texarkana to offer our ALA-accredited degree programs in librarianship," said Swigger. "Texas needs new librarians to serve the growing population of children in its school and public libraries. The state also must cope with new demands for information services in both print and electronic forms, and we must replace a large group of librarians who entered the profession in the 1960s and 1970s and who are retiring."

The program will begin in September 1998 and will welcome a cohort group of students who will complete their degrees by the spring 2000 semester. They will take classes on interactive television each Saturday and also will take onsite elective courses at one of the four partner universities. UT-Austin will offer televised electives.

Swigger and Dr. Phil Turner, dean of the UNT School of Library and Information Science, will visit

each of the four cities involved during May on host campuses to discuss the program with potential students at 7 p.m. on each date: May 11, Abilene; May 14, Wichita Falls; May 20, Texarkana; and May 26, Edinburg. To participate, students must enroll to begin in this September. For details, call Swigger at 8-1-2602 or e-mail him at Slis@twu.edu. To contact Turner, call (940) 565-3567 or e-mail him at Totten@lis.unt.edu.

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TWU HOSTING BUSINESS CONFERENCE

The TWU department of business and economics will host the 1998 Denton Human Resources Association annual conference on Thurs., May 7, SC 207-208. Sherrie Taylor (business and economics) is chairing the event, and the TWU's student chapter of Student Human Resources Management is assisting with facilities and registration. The cost to attend is \$65 for all registrants who sign up after May 4.

The program begins with registration and a continental breakfast from 8 to 8:30 a.m. Presenters are scheduled from 8:30 a.m. to noon who represent the Fort Worth law firm of Law, Snakard and Gambill: Lon R. Williams Jr. on "Current Recommendations on Pre-Hire Employment Practices and Their Consequences"; Chris R. Richie on "Implications to Employers on the Fair Credit Reporting Act and the New Hire Reporting Law in Texas"; and Chrys Meadors on "Permissible Interviewing Questions and Techniques Under Equal Employment Opportunity Commission's Guidelines."

The day's activities include a box lunch from noon to 1 p.m. and a luncheon keynote by Lynne Wilford Scarborough titled "Power Communication in a World with ADD." Scarborough is president of Effective Television Communications, a firm specializing in media training for news organizations. For more information, call Taylor at 8-1-2903 or Joye Williams at (940) 627-2191.

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BOOKSTORE OPERATING UNDER BARNES AND NOBLE

Barnes and Noble College Bookstores Inc. began operating the TWU bookstore on April 20. Any outstanding purchase order to the bookstore will be closed as soon as the interdepartmental sales transactions are entered by accounting for purchases prior to April 17. "When a purchase order is closed,

any unused portion is returned to your account," said Dana Gibson (controller's office). "Beginning Mon., April 20, any department, office, college or school that wants to purchase items from the Barnes and Noble bookstore will need to set up a blanket or regular purchase order to Barnes and Noble College Bookstore Inc. (vendor ID number 521690). Then you may pick up and sign for items received as done in the past. Barnes and Noble will bill accounting for your received purchases."

Barnes and Noble College Bookstores Inc. is offering university departments a 20 percent discount on all merchandise available at the bookstore, except adopted textbooks, special orders, sale books, class and alumni rings, computer software and hardware, periodicals, stamps, health and beauty aids, food snacks, beverages and discounted merchandise. Faculty and staff receive a 10 percent discount with the same exceptions. Anyone who has questions may call 8-1-3531 or e-mail dgibson@twu.edu.

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VP SEARCH BEGINS

A search committee has been appointed by Dr. Carol Surles (president's office) for the vice president for student life. The committee, which has met several times, will begin advertising this week. Surles has charged the committee to conduct a national search and to forward unranked recommendations so that an appointment can be made by July 20. The position announcement will be included in the next issue of *TWU Update*; candidate visits will be publicized on campus as well, and nominations are invited for the position.

Committee members include: Dr. Janice LaPointe-Crump, co-chair (performing arts, music); Dr. Michael Droge, co-chair (biology); Dr. Betty Adams (Nursing); Dr. Jim Alexander (history and government); Dr. Beverley Byers-Pevitts (academic affairs); Dr. Amanda Chesser (student life, Houston); Kameshe Clark (student representative); Amber Garrison (student representative); Dr. Dana Gibson (controller's office); Ann Hatch (public information); Dr. Michael Laman (associate vice president's office, Dallas); Monica Mendez-Grant (student development); Dr. Mahmoud Sadri (sociology and social work); Dr. Sterling Smith (Faculty Senate/biology); Judy Southard (intercollegiate athletics); Sherrie Taylor (business and economics); Trisha Van Duser (student representative); and Patrick Vasquez (intercultural services).

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UPDATE ON TWU ATHLETICS

Kathy Dieringer (intercollegiate athletics) has resigned as health athletic trainer at TWU, effective May 30. After 11 years at TWU, she has decided to join Matrix Rehabilitation of Denton as clinic administrator....In other news, three prospective students have signed national letters of intent to compete on TWU's championship gymnastics team, beginning this fall. They are: Summer Haynes of Tulsa, Okla.; Michelle Hepner of West Chester, Penn.; and Lacy Hudson of Richardson.

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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.

Reminder: The TWU Athletics Awards Banquet will be held on Thurs., May 7, at 6:30 p.m., HH northeast dining room. Tickets are \$12 each; call 8-1-2378 for details or tickets.

Please note: A second reference in last week's *TWU Update* to Sophia Alvarez identified another student. Alvarez (not another student) has been active on campus, serving the League of Latin American Citizens and the Latin Alliance, and the Multi-Ethnic Biomedical Research Program.

TWU's Family Picnic will be held on Wed., May 6, from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. on the green area south of TWU's Alumni House. All faculty, staff and students are invited for music, free food and lots of fun! The event is sponsored by the TWU National Alumnae Association, in collaboration with the United Students Association and all of its branches.

Reminder: Two MFA exhibits, titled *Amalgamation* and *Three Cantos: An Inner Journey*, will be displayed May 11-15 in the East and West Galleries of the Fine Arts Building, weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The exhibits are free and open to the public.

Volunteers among faculty and staff are needed for this semester's "Midnight Breakfast" on Mon., May 11, from 10 p.m. to midnight in the Pioneer Cafe. The "all-you-can-eat" pancake breakfast is staged for TWU students during finals week as they study for exams. To help, call the Sudexho-Marriott management team at 8-1-3663.

Reminder: A self-defense seminar -- RAD (Rape Aggression Defense) -- will be taught by the TWU department of public safety during six classes in June. The seminar, scheduled from 5:30 to 8 p.m. in room 325 of Pioneer Hall, will be held June 16, 17, 18, 23, 24 and 25. The cost to attend is \$15 per person for the entire seminar; reservations are requested, but walk-ins will be welcomed. The program is open to members of the campus and local communities; it will be taught by Officer Elizabeth Pauley. For details or reservations, call Pauley at 8-1-2915.

The physical plant will send a Ryder truck to TWU's Houston campus on May 18 to pick up surplus

property for return to Denton. Any department that has items which need to be sent to Houston should contact Ron Justiss (inventory) at 8-1-3140 or Jerry Stansel at 8-1-3144. Items going to Houston on the truck must be sent to the physical plant for transport by 5 p.m., May 15.

Reminder: The TWU Wellness Center will offer faculty and staff memberships for \$25 per year, effective June 1, 1998 -- a reduction of \$75 annually. The weight room in Pioneer Hall also will be available to Wellness Center faculty and staff members, along with other activities presented by the center that already have moved to the new building. For details, call 8-1-2900.

Reminder: The Denton Community Chorus, directed by Dr. Nicki Cohen (performing arts, music), will present its annual spring concert on Tues., May 5, at 8 p.m. in Margo Jones Performance Hall. Tickets are \$5 for adults and \$3 for children, students or senior citizens.

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NEWSBRIEFS, continued

Beat the stress...try a 10-minute chair massage at the TWU Wellness Center (faculty, staff and students) -- just \$5! Take advantage of this offer these dates and times: May 4, 4-6 p.m.; May 5, 2-4 p.m.; May 6, 6-9 p.m.; May 7, 2-4 p.m.; May 8, 9-11 a.m. and 4-6 p.m.; May 9, 10 a.m.-noon; May 11, 1-4 p.m.; May 12, 1-4 p.m.; May 13, 1-3 p.m.; and May 14, 1-4 p.m.

The office of disability support services returns to regular office hours on May 4: Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 2 to 5 p.m. Beginning June 8, the office staff will expand to include two part-time interns, Beth Roach and Frances Knight. Meetings also can be scheduled during "off hours" by appointment. For more details, call JoAnn Nunnely at 8-1-3835.

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UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE

Several faculty members in the department of performing arts music program -- **Joseph Pinson**, Dr. **Nicki Cohen** and **Aimi Kono** -- participated in the TWU faculty showcase this spring. Pinson received premier performances of three pieces during the program; he is the author of an article titled "Choosing Music for Special Needs Choirs," printed in *Overtones*, a publication of the American Guild of English Handbell Ringers. Cohen performed a setting of "Trees," and Kono presented "Chorale and Fugue" for organ. A brass quintet performed "Occasional Variations."

Dr. **John Flohr** (performing arts, music) and Dr. **Dan Miller** (psychology and philosophy) have co-authored an article, "Music Research with Young Children During the Decade of the Brain," published in the April 1998 issue of *Southwestern Musician*.

Dr. **Carolyn Gunning** (Nursing) recently completed service on a task force of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing which developed a document titled *The Essentials of Baccalaureate Education for Professional Nursing Practice*. The document, approved by AACN's membership in April, will have a significant impact on nursing curricula across the U.S. The task force met with groups throughout the country; one of those regional meetings, held in Dallas, was facilitated by many TWU nursing faculty.

Dr. **Lloyd Kinnison** (early childhood and special education) and three doctoral students -- **Lindy Henry**, **Barbara Hill** and **Judy Kingman** -- presented "Strategies for Developing Language and Literacy Skills for Students with Mild Disabilities" during the 27th annual conference of the Texas Council for Exceptional Children in Houston in March. At that same event, Dr. **Ron Fritsch** and doctoral student **Ivor Weiner** presented "Alternative Methods to Teach Social Skills: The Indirect Approach." Kinnison and Dr. Dennis Cates of Cameron University presented "Prenatal Drug Exposure in the Heartland: Rural Daycare to the Defense" at the annual conference of the American Council on Rural Special Education in Charleston, S.C.

Dr. **Bill Cissell** (health studies) was a member of a joint committee that recently developed new graduate standards for health education. The new competency-based standards were released by the American Association for Health Education and the Society for Public Health Education. The new competencies outline knowledge and skills that all students should be expected to demonstrate when they receive their advanced degrees in health education. The new standards will help improve consistency among the 134 academic training programs in the U.S. offering graduate training in health education -- including TWU.

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A warm welcome is extended to new employees who joined TWU in March: **Monte Small** (physical plant); **Tina Parr** (Education and Human Ecology); **John Blair** (physical plant); **Brenda McDaniel** (institutional advancement); Ivan Lee (library); and **Barbara Janes** (dental hygiene).

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THIS WEEK AT TWU: MAY 4 - 10, 1998

April 30-May 14

- "On My Own Time" employee art show, ACT 2, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.

May 11-15

- Visual Arts: MFA exhibits, *Amalgamation* and *Three Cantos: An Inner Journey*, East/West Galleries, Fine Arts Bldg., weekdays, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

May 4-7

- 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.

Mon., May 4

- SOTA general meeting, MCL 406, noon.

Tues., May 5

- Performing arts: Denton Community Chorus concert, directed by Dr. Nicki Cohen (performing arts, music); \$5 and \$3; MJPH, 8 p.m.
- SOTA bake sale, MCL, 8 a.m.-1 p.m.
- Cinco de Mayo celebration, Hubbard Oval, 6 p.m.
- RHA general assembly meeting, Reagan-Houston lobby, 8 p.m.

Wed., May 6

- USA Senate meeting, SC 006-007, 5-7 p.m.
- TWU Family Picnic, Alumni House green area, 11:30 a.m.-1:30 p.m.

Thurs., May 7

- Business and economics: Denton Human Resources Association annual conference, SC 207-208, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m.
- Athletics award banquet, HH northeast dining room; \$12; 6:30 p.m.

- First State Bank representative visit for information on special discounts on banking services for TWU employees with direct deposit of payroll, SC 2nd floor, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
- Last day of classes: final exams party, SC 207, 7 p.m.

Fri., May 8

- Blagg-Huey Library open 7:30 a.m.-9 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- University Club at the home of Doris Laing.
- CPR for the Professional Rescuer, \$40, SC 110, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
- "Fashions with a Future" senior show, free, HDB theater, 6 p.m.

Sat., May 9

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

Sun., May 10

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

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