

## **SECC MEANS HELPING OTHERS HELP THEMSELVES**

The fifth annual State Employee Charitable Campaign (SECC) began on Thurs., Oct. 1. SECC is a combined workplace campaign that provides state employees with a convenient and efficient way to make voluntary, tax-deductible contributions to agencies that best address the employees' concerns. In 1997, TWU employees exceeded the university's goal in Denton, Dallas and Houston. "Every gift is important," said Dr. Carol Surles (president's office), "and I appreciate the many ways in which you reach out to serve the community and the state of Texas." (TWU employees should have received their SECC brochures and pledge forms in campus mail.)

SECC provides state employees with an opportunity to contribute to a variety of local, state and national charities -- including the United Way -- through payroll deduction, cash or check. "All agencies participating in the SECC have met strict eligibility standards," said Elizabeth Snapp (library), campaign co-chair with Dr. Betty Adams (Nursing). "You should know that your gift will be used wisely," added Adams.

"The TWU family enjoys a long and proud history of charitable giving and community service," added Surles. "Your contribution to your favorite agencies will enable the university to continue this tradition. TWU has two state agencies that are eligible for SECC contributions: the Aphasia Center (code number 280092) and TWU CARES Health Center (code number 292022)." The TWU Aphasia Center in Dallas delivers a variety of services to individuals who have aphasia, which is an impairment of the ability to use or to comprehend words, usually the result of a stroke or other brain injury. TWU CARES Health Center provides primary health care services to medically underserved families living in Denton County -- especially women and children.

"Administrators, faculty and staff are asked to step forward, sign their forms and help TWU meet the remainder of our goal," said Snapp. "We help each other through SECC, neighbor to neighbor and friend to friend. It's our turn to give back so that others may receive the help they must have in times of need."

Last year, TWU's campus communities demonstrated their commitment to friends, neighbors and

strangers by giving from the heart. Donations were: \$33,622 in Denton (40 percent above the \$24,000 goal, with a 26.6 percent participation rate); \$5,886 in Dallas (a 37-percent participation rate) and \$2,683 (a 26-percent participation rate). Additionally, Dr. Michael Laman (Dallas Center) accepted an award for SECC participation on behalf of faculty and staff at Parkland and Presbyterian, and those efforts were reported to the TWU board of regents in August. This year's goals and targeted participation rates are: \$27,000 -- Denton (40 percent); \$6,000 -- Dallas (40 percent); and \$2,800 -- Houston (40 percent).

Anyone who has questions or needs assistance with the forms can contact Snapp at 8-1-3748 or Adams 8-1-2401. Send in your form today!

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## **FALL READING FORUM LOOKS INSIDE BOOKS -- AND OUT**

The power of language and how educators can use creative techniques to share their love of reading will be the focus of TWU's annual fall forum in reading -- renamed last year to honor retired faculty member Dr. Rose Spicola -- on Sat., Oct. 24, in Denton. The one-day program will challenge teachers, administrators, parents and other interested persons to explore reading, balanced literacy programs, charts, books, autobiographies and projects.

Sponsored by the department of reading and bilingual education and by the TWU College of Education and Human Ecology, the Rose F. Spicola Forum in Reading will be held from 7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., MCL (various locations). The cost to attend is \$35 per person; students may pay \$15. A box lunch is an additional \$7, and a late fee of \$10 will be added to registration after Oct. 14 (lunch reservations also must be received by that date). For information, call the TWU department of reading and bilingual education at (940) 898-2227.

The featured speaker for the event will be Dr. Taffy Raphael, faculty member in the department of reading and language arts at Oakland University in Rochester, Mich. During the morning's general session, she will discuss "Book Club, Classroom Talk and a Balanced Literacy Program"; that afternoon, she will present "Professional Development: The Autobiography Book Club Project." Other speakers are conducting breakout sessions throughout the day. Raphael, formerly a classroom teacher and professor in the College of Education at Michigan State University, has worked extensively in teacher education and was recognized in 1997 as recipient of the Outstanding Teacher Educator in Reading Award from the International Reading Association. Her research has focused on question-answer relationships and strategy instruction in writing. Most recently, as co-founder of the Book Club Project, she has led a

collaborative team of researchers and teachers as they develop a literature-based reading curriculum, centered on student-led literature discussion groups.

Raphael has published her work in research journals and has authored and/or edited books -- most recently *Literature-Based Instruction* and *Book Club: A Literature-Based Curriculum*. She was chosen vice president-elect of the National Reading Conference and will take office as president in 1999. She also has been active in the American Educational Research Association and helped create its Sylvia Scribner Award for research.

Other programs and speakers include: "The Incredible Universe of Informational Books" by M. Jean Greenlaw, University of North Texas; "Learning to Look at Print by Using Children's Names" by Zelene Lovitt and Gayle Vrana, Carrollton/Farmers Branch Independent School District; "Selection, Connection, Inspection: The Power of Language Charts" by Joyce McCauley of Sam Houston State University and by Jane Quebedeaux, Dana Carpenter and Deborah Wirag of Aldine ISD; "The Power of Language During Literacy Events" by Yvonne Rodriguez, TWU; and "Summarization in the Intermediate Grades" by Beth Barber, Northwest ISD.

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## **STUDENT LIFE ANNOUNCEMENTS MADE**

The office of student life at TWU is sharing several announcements with faculty and staff -- asking them to provide that information to students they encounter in offices or classrooms and on campus. They wish to share the following items:

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## **STUDENT LIFE, *continued***

- Nominations are sought for undergraduate students only (by student life) for *Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities*. Forms are available in student life, SC 206; the deadline to submit a nomination is next Mon., Oct. 12. Nominees must be either a junior or a senior to be eligible -- they must have at least 60 credit hours on their transcripts.
- A new branch of the United Students Association (formerly SGA) has been formed: USA Campus Activities Board. The new group will plan social, educational and recreational programming, and student life needs students who would learn from their experiences as they

- chair committees and coordinate activities. Call the Center for Student Development at 8-1-3626.
- Student life and USA have a new loan program -- the Student Life Emergency Loan -- for students who find themselves in personal emergency situations (car breakdowns, a death in the family, child care, job loss...for example). Applications are available in SC 206; call 8-1-3615.
  - Lockers now are available through the Student Center office, SC 209, for rent in ASB, MCL, CFO and the Science Building at a cost of \$10 per semester or \$15 per year. Students, faculty and staff may reserve a locker, and a \$10 refundable deposit is required on all rentals. For details, call 8-1-3641.

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## **TECHNOLOGY SEMINAR SPONSORED BY ALLIANCE FOR HIGHER ED**

The Alliance for Higher Education (based in Dallas) and the TLT Group are co-sponsoring a two-day program -- The Catalyst Institute -- to explore the development of specific strategies for using information technology to improve teaching and learning. The conference will be held on Oct. 15 and 16 at the Cityplace Conference Center in Dallas; all higher education institutions in Texas are invited to attend. For information, call Debra Ward at AHE, (972) 713-8170.

The Catalyst Institute is designed for teams of 10 who will be involved in making technology decisions for their college or university. Each team should represent that college or school's administrative, faculty, staff and student needs. Each team will identify a team leader and a guest facilitator. The two-day seminar's structure comprises workshops and team time; participants also will hear from national experts on technology.

Workshops will include: "Teaching, Learning and Technology Roundtables," led by Steven Gilbert, president of the TLT Group; "The Flashlight Project: Evaluating the Educational Impact of Technology," led by Stephen Ehrmann, vice president of the TLT Group (the Flashlight Project develops and distributes tools for educators who need to study educational use of computers, video or telecommunications); "The Support Service Crisis: Students as Technology Assistants," led by Phil Long, director of university computing/user services support, Seton Hall University; and "Degrees of Distance: Thinking Strategically about Access to Education," led by Susan Saltrick, former vice president and director of new media at Addison Wesley Longman.

"During workshops, team members pursue topics of individual interest," said Ward. "Team time allows participants to interact, share new ideas, evaluate workshop concepts and raise questions for further discussion. Combining workshops, team time and national experts gives everyone a chance to learn more about technology and higher education." Seating is limited.

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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](mailto: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.**

*A reception honoring Dr. Richard Nicholas* (student life) will be held on Tues., Oct. 20, from 4 to 5 p. m., ACT 2. All faculty, staff and students are invited to attend and congratulate him on his appointment as vice president for student life.

**Reminder: Fire alarm testings** are scheduled in a number of buildings on campus this week. They are not fire drills; the testing is necessary to prepare for upgrades on the alarm system. The schedule is: Oct. 6, JH, and Oct. 9, ACT/ADM. Call the TWU safety office at 8-1-2924 for more information.

**Reminder: This week kicks off** TWU's intense fall programming which celebrates the sesquicentennial of Seneca Falls -- the 150th anniversary of the women's rights movement in the United States. On Mon. and Tues., Oct. 5 and 6, Dr. Judith Wellman will discuss several aspects of Seneca Falls and the women's rights movement. All presentations are free and open to the campus community and general public. Wellman, professor of history and women's studies at the State University of New York at Oswego, will present: "The Road to Seneca Falls -- Elizabeth Cady Stanton and the First Women's Rights Movement" on Mon., Oct. 5, at 11 a.m., CFO 202, and on Tues., Oct. 6, at 9:30 a.m., CFO 202; "Women and Historical Preservation" on Mon., Oct. 5, at 4 p.m., SH 402; and "Research and Writing about the Women of Seneca Falls -- Challenges, Breakthroughs and the Unexpected" on Tues., Oct. 6, at 11 a.m., SH 412. Also...On Thurs., Oct. 8, Dr. Carol Surles (president's office) will present a special program titled "Maximizing Your Potential: Following Your Dreams" at 11 a.m., CFO 205.

**Scholarship money is available** for TWU students majoring in bilingual education if they apply by the deadline on Fri., Oct. 16, at 4 p.m.. The scholarship program provides money for tuition, fees and books for TWU students during the fall 1998 semester who are either juniors or seniors enrolled in the bilingual education program. Application forms and copies of the eligibility criteria can be picked up in MCL 305 in the Title VII grant office. For more information, call Gustavo Cedillo (reading and bilingual education) at 8-1-2213; the fax number is 8-1-2048.

**Reminder: The Rich-Tones**, two-time world champion barbershop chorus, will present a free concert at TWU on Sat., Oct. 10, at 7:30 p.m. in Margo Jones Performance Hall. Their show is sponsored by three TWU student organizations in the mass communications program and the *Denton Record-Chronicle*. Donations are welcomed and will benefit the three student groups.

**A free faculty recital** featuring flutist Dr. Pamela Youngblood (performing arts, music) will be held on Tues., Oct. 13, in MJPH, 8 p.m.

**Our state fair is a great state fair**...especially when TWU is involved. Alexandria's Ragtime Band, the TWU International Folk Dance Company and the Rainbow Connection will perform this month in the Creative Arts Building during the State Fair of Texas on Fri., Oct. 9, from 11 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. For details, call Dr. John Flohr (performing arts, music) at 8-1-2500.

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### **NEWSBRIEFS, continued**

**Reminder: Federal Judge Hilda Tagle** -- the first Hispanic woman federal judge in Texas -- will be the featured speaker on Oct. 15 for Hispanic Heritage Month; time and place TBA. Call Patrick Vasquez (intercultural services) at 8-1-3679 for more information. Other programs in October for Hispanic Heritage Month are: Oct. 5 --Chicano video series, part 3: *Taking Back the Schools*, 2:30 p.m., SC 106; Oct. 12 -- Chicano video series, part 4: *Fighting for Political Power*, 2:30 p.m., SC 106; Oct. 15 -- Hispanic Heritage Month scholarship dance, 9 p.m. to 1 a.m., HH.

**A Bosses' Day luncheon** presented by ASSET will be held on Thurs., Oct. 15, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., HH. The \$6-per-person meal includes barbecue sandwiches, chopped brisket, baked beans, potato salad, pickled onion tray, cookies and iced tea or water. Reservations are needed by noon on Mon., Oct. 12. Call Raquie Gasperson (public safety) at 8-1-2919, Debra McMinn (controller's office) at 8-1-3536 or Vernie Wilson (mass communications) at 8-1-2181.

**Reminder: Waiting for the Parade**, a play by John Murrell, continues as TWU kicks off Theatre 98's fall season at 8 p.m. on Fri. and Sat., Oct. 9 and 10, and on Sun., Oct. 11, at 2 p.m. in Redbud Theatre. Tickets are \$10 for general admission; \$7 for senior citizens, students and TWU faculty and staff; and \$5 for TWU students. For tickets, call TWU's box office at 8-1-2020.

**The Institute for Clinical Services** and Applied Research will present an interdisciplinary clinical staffing workshop on Mon., Oct. 12, from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., ACT 3, which will be repeated that evening from 5 to 6:30 p.m., same location. No taping -- either audio or video -- is permitted; all interested faculty, staff and students are invited to attend. For details, call 8-1-2285.

**Reminder: The Graduate Club** in nutrition and food sciences is conducting a food drive Oct. 5-16 in honor of World Food Day. Their goal is to collect 2,000 cans and food items, including: easy-to-prepare

foods, canned vegetables, peanut butter, canned fruit, tomato sauce, rice, beans, pasta and canned meats. All items will be donated to the Denton Community Food Center and TWU's food pantry. Boxes will be located across the campus so that everyone donate. For details, call 8-1-2636. And...On Oct.15, Carol Kernek from the Denton Community Food Center will discuss local hunger needs at noon, OMB 300. The TWU department of nutrition and food sciences also will host a teleconference from George Washington University in Washington, D.C., on Oct. 16, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., Blagg-Huey Library 101. The topic will be "Food for All: Right or Goal"; both programs are free and open to the public.

***An official guest from the Mexican Consulate*** -- Luis Ortiz-Monasterio, Consul General of Mexico (in Dallas) -- will share lunch and ideas with Dr. Carol Surlles (president's office) and Dr. Rudy Rodriguez (reading and bilingual education) on Wed., Oct. 7, on campus. They will discuss: the prospect of a TWU/Mexican Consulate/Dallas Independent School District teacher education collaborative for Mexican residents in Dallas who want to earn a teaching certificate; the prospect of a TWU and Mexico student exchange program; and the prospect of a summer program for TWU faculty and administrators interested in studying Spanish language and culture in Mexico.

***Reminder: Participants in TWU's Houston Alumni Day*** will have an opportunity to find out what managed health care is as they hear a variety of perspectives and experiences presented by experts from the university and from others in the field. The daylong program will be held Oct. 17 from 8 a.m. to 4 p. m. and will provide CEUs in nursing, physical therapy and dietetics for interested persons. The cost to attend is \$10 for registration or \$45 for registration and CEUs; reservations must be received by Oct. 10; lunch is "on your own." For details, call 8-1-2586.

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### **NEWSBRIEFS, *continued***

***TWU's 5th annual flu shot clinic*** for faculty, staff and students is offered every Wednesday in October from 4 to 6 p.m. at Student Health Services. The cost is \$10 per person, and each client must have a valid TWU ID. Plan to stay 20 minutes after the shot is administered. For more information, call 8-1-3826.

***Reminder: Study participants needed....***Dr. Kathy Jankowski (kinesiology) needs participants for a study she is conducting -- women ages 18 to 40 who take oral contraceptives Participants will be paid. Interested persons currently should not exercise, should be non-smokers and should not be diabetic. The study involves a commitment of two to three months and includes walking on four days. Participants also will receive fitness, dietary and body composition assessments in exchange for their time. Persons interested in participating should contact Suzi Scheaffer (kinesiology) at 8-1-2574 or staff at the department's main number at 8-1-2575.

**Payroll deadlines for October 1998:** personnel changes for the Nov. 2, 1998, payroll are due in the department of human resources by 5 p.m. on Mon., Oct. 12; hourly and temporary timesheets online must be finalized by 5 p.m. on Fri., Oct. 16; and hourly timesheets should be approved online on Mon., Oct. 19, by 5 p.m.

**Reminder: Get well, get healthy, get happy...** That's the message for Wellfest '98 at TWU, scheduled Oct. 6 in Denton. The event is an interactive, hands-on health fair designed to educate faculty, staff, students and community members about services both on and off campus that are available in Denton. Some services are free, and others will be inexpensive so that everyone can participate. Wellfest '98 will be held in the TWU Wellness Center from 7:30 to 9 a.m., 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 to 7 p.m. For appointments or details, call 8-1-2900.

**Reminder: The bookstore will hold a grand opening celebration** for faculty and staff on Tues., Oct. 6, from 1 to 5 p.m. in the Student Center. Stop by to browse, listen to music, munch on a snack, pick up a TWU calendar ("back by popular demand") and register for a door prize. Full-time faculty and staff also can pick up their superstore discount sticker, which provides special discounts at the Barnes and Noble Superstore in Lewisville at 2325 S. Stemmons. For more information, call the bookstore's manager, Pat Allen, at 8-1-3103.

**A softball clinic** for high school head coaches has been scheduled for Fri. and Sat., June 8 and 9, 1999, by TWU head coach Dianne Baker (kinesiology/intercollegiate athletics) -- the Mizuno High School Coaches Clinic. Enrollment is limited; call Baker at 8-1-2383 to sign up.

**Students in Free Enterprise (SIFE)** is holding a clothing drive for Make A Difference Day from Sept. 21 through Oct. 19. They need professional clothes for students who need help getting ready for job interviews. Donated clothes will be given to TWU's office of career services to help students in need. Clothing can be dropped off in CFO 410. For details, call Paula Warren or Chandra Schong at 8-1-2108 or Sherrie Taylor at 8-1-2903 (business and economics).

**Reminder: TWU's faculty handbook** is posted online at [www.twu.edu/facultyhandbook/](http://www.twu.edu/facultyhandbook/) so that interested persons may access that information using the Internet. Hard copies of the handbook are located in offices of the president, vice presidents, associate and assistant vice presidents, general counsel, deans, associate deans, department chairs, human resources, public information, internal audits, the Faculty Senate and the Blagg-Huey Library. Questions? Call Debbie Burgess (president's office) at 8-1-3223.

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## UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE

Dr. **Beth Ferri** (special education) recently published two manuscripts: "Women with Disabilities -- Missing Voices" in the *Women's Studies International Forum* and an article titled "Hearing Voices -- Witnesses in Pain" in the most recent issue of the *Journal of Learning Disabilities*, in response to "Why Does My Stomach Hurt?" Another article that Ferri has written is scheduled for publication in *Disability Services Quarterly*.

Dr. **Mary Walker Shaw** and Dr. **Bill Cissell** (both health studies) presented a paper titled "Implementing Health Education Programs" at the 1998 annual meeting and conference of the Texas Society for Public Health Education, held in Austin on Sept. 24. During that same conference, TWU alumna and doctoral student **Claudia Coggin** presented a paper, "Communicating Health and Health Education Needs."

**Paula Shivers** (financial aid) has been elected secretary/historian for the Texas Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators during their recent conference. She also will serve as the 1998-99 chair for the organization's constitution and by-laws committee.

*Please submit "People" items (faculty and staff only) to Ann Hatch in public information by campus mail or by e-mail to [s\\_hatch@twu.edu](mailto:s_hatch@twu.edu)! Include first and last names (no initials, please) and appropriate titles (i.e. Dr.).*

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### THIS WEEK AT TWU: OCT. 5 - 11, 1998

#### Oct. 5-8

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

#### Sept. 10-Oct. 16

- Visual arts exhibits: *About Women* and *Ripples in the Water*, east and west galleries, Fine Arts Building, free, weekdays, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.

#### Oct. 5-6

- Brown bag seminar: "Using the Library -- Its Resources and Its People," CFO 106, 12:10 p.m.

## **Mon., Oct. 5**

- Seneca Falls lecture: "The Road to Seneca Falls -- Elizabeth Cady Stanton and the First Women's Rights Movement" by Dr. Judith Wellman, SUNY- Oswego, free, CFO 202, 11 a.m..
- Seneca Falls lecture: "Women and Historical Preservation" by Dr. Judith Wellman, SUNY- Oswego, free, SH 402, 4 p.m.
- Hispanic Heritage month: Chicano video series, part three: *Taking Back the Schools*, SC 106, 2:30 p.m.

## **Tues., Oct. 6**

- Fire alarm testing: JH.
- Seneca Falls lectures: "The Road to Seneca Falls -- Elizabeth Cady Stanton and the First Women's Rights Movement" by Dr. Judith Wellman, SUNY- Oswego, free, CFO 202, 9:30 a.m.; and "Research and Writing about the Women of Seneca Falls -- Challenges, Breakthroughs and the Unexpected" also by Dr. Judith Wellman, free, SH 412, 11 a.m.

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## **CALENDAR, continued**

### **Tues., Oct. 6**

- Wellfest 98, TWU Wellness Center, from 7:30 to 9 a.m., 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. and 4 to 7 p.m.
- Bookstore grand opening celebration, SC, 1-5 p.m.
- Oktoberfest, Houston, noon.

### **Oct. 7-8**

- Brown bag seminar: "Toward a More Powerful Vocabulary," CFO 106, 12:10 p.m.

### **Wed., Oct. 7**

- Flu shot clinic (faculty/staff/students), \$10, SHS, 4-6 p.m.

## **Thurs., Oct. 8**

- Seneca Falls lecture: "Maximizing Your Potential: Following Your Dreams" by Dr. Carol Surles (president's office), free, CFO 205, 11 a.m.

## **Oct. 9-11**

- Tennis: Rolex Tournament, Topeka, Kan.

## **Fri., Oct. 9**

- 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.
- Fire alarm testing: ACT/ADM.
- State Fair of Texas performances featuring Alexandria's Ragtime Band, TWU International Folk Dance Company and the Rainbow Connection, free, Creative Arts Building, 11 a.m.-2:30 p.m.
- Performing arts, drama: *Waiting for the Parade*, Redbud Theatre, 8 p.m.
- Faculty Senate meeting, SC 207, 10 a.m.
- Biology seminar: Dr. Lynne Opperman, Texas A&M/Baylor College of Dentistry, free, CFO 205, 4 p.m.
- Volleyball (TWU Invitational): TWU vs. Texas Lutheran, PH, 3 p.m.; TWU vs. Eastern New Mexico State, PH, 7 p.m.

## **Sat., Oct. 10**

- Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Rich-Tones concert (barbershop chorus music), free -- donations will benefit three TWU mass communications student organizations), MJPH, 7:30 p.m.
- Performing arts, drama: *Waiting for the Parade*, Redbud Theatre, 8 p.m.
- SAT testing, MCL 101, 8 a.m.
- Volleyball (TWU Invitational): TWU vs. St. Edwards University, PH, 11 a.m.; TWU vs. Tarleton State University, PH, 5 p.m.

## **Sun., Oct. 11**

- Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m.
- Performing arts, drama: *Waiting for the Parade*, Redbud Theatre, 2 p.m.