

ON YOUR MARK...

As TWU faculty, staff and student look ahead to a new year, a number of metroplex-area couples will be looking back at their married lives. The final day of a promotion titled "A Second Chance for Romance," co-sponsored by Good Morning Texas (WFAA-TV channel 8) and B-97 Radio, will be broadcast live from TWU's Little Chapel-in-the-Woods, 9 to 10 a.m. One lucky couple will renew their wedding vows in the chapel, and GMT co-hosts Janette Smith and Todd Whitthorne will serve as bridesmaid and best man, respectively. B-97's evening personality, Delila, also will participate as a bridesmaid, and the winning couple also will receive a honeymoon in Paris, France.

Any member of TWU's campus community and the Denton area are invited to participate as a member of the audience that morning in front of the Little Chapel. (Please note that Chapel Drive will be closed off that morning to accommodate television trucks and equipment.) The general public is invited to park in the TWU lot along University Drive, between Locust Street and Bell Avenue. The event is part of GMT's RoadFest.

Other show segments (some broadcast from the studios in Dallas) planned that morning include: William Koval, executive chef from the Adolphus Hotel, will cook; Chuck Negron, former singer for the group Three Dog Night, will perform and talk about his book, *Three Dog Nightmare*; GMT fitness expert Larry North and his wife, Melanie North, will give viewers low-fat grilling tips; and Guidelive.com's Alyson Outen will share her picks for weekend fun.

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GET SET...GO!!!

We're off and running again! Welcome back for the fall 1999 semester -- particularly to new faculty and staff who join TWU during this busy time...meeting new students and welcoming new opportunities during the 1999-2000 academic year. A "quick list" of facts, deadlines and other information is provided below to make the beginning of this year run as smoothly as possible:

- The presidential search continues under the direction of Kay Williams Goodman, chair of the presidential search advisory committee. The group most recently met on Aug. 9 and 10. They began the interview process that eventually will result in the release of the names of five to six finalists who will come to TWU's locations in Denton, Dallas and Houston to meet faculty, students and staff. The committee will continue to accept applications and nominations from interested persons throughout the process; persons who meet the requirements for the search will move through the process in the same manner as applicants who submitted dossiers earlier.
- Fall assembly is scheduled today at 10:30 a.m. in the auditorium of the Multipurpose Classroom Laboratory Building. Dr. Beverley Byers-Pevitts will deliver the address to faculty, looking ahead to administrative challenges, a busy academic year and issues that members of the campus community will face during the coming months, including strategic planning.

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- Faculty Development Day will be held Tues., Aug. 24, from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. the Administration Conference Tower (ACT) on floors 2, 3, 5 and 6. An information fair again will be held in the lobby of ACT 2. (See separate article in this issue of *TWU Update*.)
- Labor Day (Mon., Sept. 6) *is* on the holiday list for this academic year.

- Annual parking decals for the 1998-99 academic year expire on Aug. 30; the department of public safety will begin writing tickets Aug. 31 for vehicles with expired stickers or no stickers. Parking stickers are available through the department of public safety at 1215 Oakland Ave.

Payment for employees can be made in cash for the entire amount due before Sept. 1 or through payroll deduction. Forms for payroll deduction must be completed and delivered to the TWU department of public safety's office no later than Sept. 15; however, please note that new decals must be on windshields no later than Aug. 31 to avoid receiving a parking ticket. Additional parking decals are \$5 each and must be paid for in full when purchased. For details, call the TWU department of public safety at 8-1-2925.

- Faculty and staff scannable ID cards should be made in the housing office.
- Departmental telephone directories will be available from the office of public information in September. Campus telephone books (which include individual faculty, staff and student listings) are issued through the office of student life and the Student Center; they will arrive later in the fall.
- And -- last but not least -- the first day of class is Mon., Aug. 30. Welcome back!

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REGENTS HEAR REPORTS, VOTE APPROVALS

The TWU board of regents gathered in Dallas on Aug. 19 and 20 for its quarterly meeting. Among the major decisions made were passage of the 1999-2000 budget and approval of salary increases for staff (\$100 per month, as passed by the Texas Legislature, or three percent, whichever is greater) and a merit increase for faculty (three percent for those who met the minimum review requirements). A summary of the meeting is provided below.

Finance and audit committee

The committee heard reports and recommendations from Dr. Brenda Floyd and Robert Tuggle (finance and administration), Dr. Dana Gibson (controller's office) and Dennis Haisten (internal auditor). They recommended approval of the FY 2000 budget. TWU's estimated educational and general operating budget for the period beginning Sept. 1, 1999, and ending Aug. 31, 2000, is \$59,602,296 -p; an increase of \$3,553,051, or 6.39 percent above the FY 1999 operating budget. New funds available to the university, according to Floyd, comprise a general revenue increase of \$4,401,393 and an estimated decrease in local education and general income of \$848,342. Of the general revenue appropriation increase, an additional \$344,860 is for tuition revenue bond debt retirement; \$230,000 is for Reading Recovery; and \$500,000 is for the Center for Research on Women's Health.

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The legislature appropriated approximately \$523,200 for the \$100-per-month staff salary increase. As recommended at the regent's last meeting in June, a proposed \$100-per-month or three percent salary increase is reflected in the FY 2000 budget. Excluded from the increase are adjunct faculty, temporary employees, student workers, plus faculty who do not meet the minimum standards. The total anticipated revenues for FY 2000 funds is more than \$85 million. The committee and the full board also approved personnel additions and changes, gifts and grants, contracts and agreements, allocations of federal funds, renewal and extension of insurance, discontinuation of auxiliary laundry services, charge for nonresident tuition rates for excessive undergraduate hours taken, account authorizations and the internal audit plan.

Institutional advancement

Kathleen Gigl (institutional advancement) provided regents with her division's major goals for the next year -p; a collaborative effort among staff members. She will present a detailed plan, including objectives and a budget, at the next board meeting in December. She also discussed with regents fundraising goals, as well as budgets for the university's centennial celebration and for communications and promotion efforts. The regents voiced their support for a comprehensive campaign and have requested more detailed plans and a budget for that effort as well. She also reported on activities in alumni relations (including the resignation of director Lisa Kealer-Carver), development (and the fact that the Pioneer Scholarship Campaign exceeded its goal of \$80,000 for the first time in its history) and public information (particularly a visit by Good Morning Texas to TWU on Aug. 27 and the work that staff members in both news and information and in publications are doing on enrollment management materials for this fall and beyond).

Academic affairs

At the request of Dr. Wilkes Berry (academic affairs), the committee and the full board approved a proposal for a new distance learning fee (not to exceed \$300 in a given semester), to begin in spring 2000. They approved the appointment of the provost, associate vice president for academic affairs or the associate vice president for research as members of the administration who will be presented grievances under House Bill 1952, passed this spring. Regents authorized the director of continuing education to sign contracts, and they viewed presentations by Dr. Barney Sanborn on the TWU Center for Research on Women's Health and by Dr. Billie Askew (reading and bilingual education) on the Reading Recovery program. Berry also announced that enrollment management will report to the vice president for student life, effective Sept. 1, 1999.

Student life

Dr. Richard Nicholas (student life) updated the regents on a number of items, including implementation of a new drug screening policy in intercollegiate athletics (effective this fall); construction in Guinn and Stark halls, Hubbard Hall and the Student Center; the NET program; and the Center for Student Development. The new Student Center renovation, which will begin in September and conclude by the beginning of the spring 2000 semester, includes a new student art gallery, an outdoor dining area, a computer lounge and more space for students -p; "a facelift." Staff members from the Center for Student Development were introduced, and Monica Mendez-Grant updated regents on all of their activities. The board received copies of new student life publications, and members viewed diagrams of the Student Center renovations. Nicholas also discussed orientation, the one-card system, and on-line applications.

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President and regents

Dr. Beverley Byers-Pevitts (president's office) reported on campuswide activities and honors, and the board of regents adopted four initiatives of their own for the coming year. They are: 1) We will enhance the image and status of TWU; 2) We will strengthen TWU's impact on decision making bodies (the Texas Legislature, the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, the Legislative Budget Board and the Coalition on Higher Education, specifically); 3) We will stimulate the financial viability of TWU by supporting funding initiatives; and 4) We will support a planned program of recruitment, enrollment and retention." Kay Williams Goodman, who chairs the board, stressed that their initiatives are intertwined with TWU's initiatives university-wide.

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PRESIDENTIAL SEARCH UPDATE

The TWU presidential search advisory committee met Aug. 9 and 10, under the direction of Kay Williams Goodman, chair of the both the committee and the TWU board of regents. Committee members began the interview process that eventually will result in the release of the names of five to six

finalists who will come to TWU's locations in Denton, Dallas and Houston to meet faculty, students and staff. Goodman has announced that those campus interviews most likely will occur in October and November; she will meet with representatives of the search firm within the next week to begin scheduling those visits. The committee will continue to accept applications and nominations from interested persons throughout the process; those persons who meet the requirements for the search will move through the process in the same manner as applicants who submitted dossiers earlier in the search.

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FACULTY DEVELOPMENT DAY ACTIVITIES SET

Faculty Development Day will be held on Tues., Aug. 24, for new and current faculty members. The event is free and open to all interested faculty members. Refreshments and registration will be located on ACT 2, beginning at 8:30 a.m.; a number of activities and events are scheduled, and everyone is urged to check with the information desk (open 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m.) about sessions and locations.

The first three sessions -p; on distance education at TWU, post-tenure review and faculty/student issues -p; will be held at 9:15 a.m. The general session, which will focus on Texas legislators, begins at 11 a.m. An information and staff fair will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1:45 p.m. on ACT 2, featuring table top exhibits and persons who can answer questions about their areas and how they function. The 12:30 p.m. luncheon will feature speaker Dr. Tom Hoffman from the Texas Association of College Teachers.

Three sessions are scheduled at 1:45 p.m. -p; research on the Web, TACT and stimulating student learning with research -p; followed by three sessions at 3 p.m. (library support for pedagogy and research, an analysis of the budget process at TWU and merging diversity

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with teaching, learning and curriculum) and by three programs at 4:15 p.m. on pedagogical issues in distance education, shared governance and faculty evaluation using IDEA. The sessions will be held on ACT 3, 5 and 6 (except research on the Web). For details, call Dr. Clay King (nutrition and food sciences) at 8-1-2652.

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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 AHatch@twu.edu or s_hatch@twu.edu. The biweekly summer 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 will begin weekly publication (and posting online) once again with the start of the new academic year on Mon., Aug. 23. The deadline to submit information is every Tuesday at 5 p.m. for the following week.

Pioneer Camp this week will include a community clean-up involving TWU students who are using plastic bags and gloves donated by the city of Denton and Safety Kleen. The Saturday morning event is a great opportunity for students to share and the community to recognize the strong relationship that TWU has with Denton and its corporate neighbors. Thanks!

Reminder: TWU's annual orientation for graduate assistants will be held on Fri., Aug. 27, in CFO 205 from 8:30 to 11:45 a.m. The program is presented primarily for all new graduate teaching and research assistants, but returning assistants may attend if they would like to. Departments that are hiring new assistants are asked to forward those students' names and addresses to Adele Petty in the Graduate School. The program will include presentations from a number of components on campus, including academic advising and support programs, student life, the library, information technology services, safety, insurance and other areas. For details, call Petty at 8-1-3415.

An immunization shot clinic will be held on Wed., Sept. 1, from 10 a.m. to noon at Student Health Services. Tetanus/diphtheria (DT) shots and measles/mumps/rubella (MMR) shots will be \$5 each; please bring shot records if they are available. If you belong to one of these groups -p; health science majors, international students, children, or adults who have not had a tetanus shot in the last 10 years -p; stop by. For details, call Student Health Services (which is sponsoring the clinic) at 8-1-3826.

Reminder: The TWU community dance program is ready to tap its toes, dance a jig, spin a reel and try a little hip hop this fall with classes that are open to community members of all ages. Enrollment for classes begins Aug. 30, and sessions are \$35 per person. Lessons for children, teens and adults are offered in creative dance, tap, physical conditioning (based on the work of Joseph Pilates), special population, hip hop jazz, swing dance, ballet, country-and-western and Irish step dance. Fall classes will be held from Sept. 7 to Nov. 15, 1999. For a detailed class schedule, visit TWU's website at www.twu.edu/as/pa/dance or call the center at 8-1-2086.

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Reminder: The general faculty meeting for the fall semester and TWU's 1999-2000 academic year will be held on Mon., Aug. 23, at 10:30 a.m., MCL auditorium., followed by a faculty luncheon.

Try a "Healthy Nooner" to improve your life! TWU's health education coordinator, Kay Creighton, is a certified lifestyle counselor, and she is beginning a series of lunchtime programs to help you get healthy. The first program -p; "Surviving the Freshman 20, Sophomore 30 and Junior 40Pounds, That Is!" -p; will be held on Thurs., Sept. 2, from 12:20 to 12:55 p.m., JH third floor. The campus community is invited to attend, and the program is free.

Reminder: Applications for the 1999-2000 Research Enhancement Program for new faculty now are available from the office of research and grants administration in Denton and at the TWU Institute of Health Sciences Houston Center. The program awards up to \$6,000 in support for the research or creative activity of full-time faculty during the first three years of their appointment at TWU. Grant awards will be announced in early December for projects that begin Jan. 1, 2000, and end on Aug. 31, 2000. The application deadlines are: Oct. 18, 1999, for second- and third-year faculty; and Nov. 1, 1999, for first-year faculty. A briefing about the program has been scheduled on Fri., Sept. 10, at 1:30 p.m. in the TWU videoconference facilities in Denton and Houston. For details, call Dr. Sondra Ferstl (research and grants administration) at 8-1-3376.

Volunteers among faculty and staff are needed by the department of university housing to help new and returning students move in on Tues. and Wed., Aug. 24 and 25. Call 8-1-3676.

Reminder: For TWU faculty and staff in Dallas: the State Employee Charitable Campaign kickoff rally will be held on Sat., Aug. 28, at Dallas Fair Park. A \$10 ticket buys admission to a 6:30 p.m. pre-game rally at Old Mill Restaurant and a soccer game (the Dallas Burn vs. LA Galaxy) at 8 p.m.

Change that message! TWU faculty and staff in Denton, Dallas and Houston are reminded to forward their phones and change departmental and personal voice mail greetings for the Labor Day holiday on Mon., Sept. 6. Greetings should reflect each department's hours of operation or personal schedules for that day. Greetings on Tues., Sept. 7, should provide information about regular hours of operation. Anyone who has questions should call Corin Ecker (ITS) at 8-1-3278.

Reminder: The procedure for departmental charges at the TWU bookstore will change, effective Sept. 1, 1999. The bookstore will track sales by purchase order numbers instead of account numbers. "Please alert staff about this change," said Peggy Gann (bookstore). "When a purchase is made to a charge account, the customer will be required to tell us which purchase order to charge." Anyone who has questions should call Gann at 8-1-3104.

Please note, for your convenience, the TWU bookstore will be open for business on Sat., Aug. 28, from

10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and on Sun., Aug. 29, from 1 to 5 p.m.

Reminder: For TWU faculty and staff in Houston: The new class schedule at the TMC library is available. Almost 40 classes have been posted for September through December 1999. Standard classes in PubMed (MEDLINE), CINAHL, PowerPoint 97, Reference Manager 9.0, EndNote 3.0, Internet and HTML all are returning. New classes will include "Navigating Full Text Journals"; "Introduction to Microsoft Access"; and "Creating Tables and Graphs," to name a few. For a complete listing, check out <http://www.library.tmc.edu/classchd.html>.

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UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE

Please submit "People" items (faculty and staff only) to Ann Hatch in public information by campus mail or by e-mail to AHatch@twu.edu! Include first and last names (no initials, please) and appropriate titles (ie. Dr.).

Dr. **Nicki Cohen** (performing arts, music) was an invited guest speaker at the Korean International Music Therapy Seminar held at Shenandoah University this summer. Her presentation was titled "Speech and Singing: Applications for Persons with Neurologic Disorders."

Dr. **Charles Riggs** (fashion and textiles) has announced that doctoral student **Janace Bubonia-Clarke** has received the WFK award for the best doctor's thesis in basic and applied research in cleaning technology (textile and hard surface) "leading to an improved knowledge, to novel/better processes, technologies" and other areas. The WKF Cleaning Technology Research Institute is based in Krefeld, Germany. Bubonia-Clarke will travel to Luxembourg to present her paper; WFK is paying for her flight and accommodations as part of her award. Her study involved the bond strengths of fusible fabrics after comparison in two different cleaning systems.

Judy Elias (Student Center) has shared that her daughter, **Ashlee**, a student at the University of Texas at Austin (and a former younger TWU student who attended classes with her mom in kindergarten), has been in Washington, D.C., on an internship for the Office of Personnel Management in the actuarial department. On Aug. 13, she received an award for the "Most Outstanding Analyst," and she will return to UT to graduate summa cum laude in mathematics with an emphasis in actuarial studies.

Dr. **Beverley Byers-Pevitts** (president's office) has confirmed that she has accepted the invitation of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to serve on both the formula advisory committee (through Aug. 31, 2002) and the infrastructure study committee (through Aug. 31, 2004). She also will attend and

participate in the National Institutes of Health Extramural Associates Program biennial update conference in Bethesda, Md., on Sept. 13 and 14. She will provide an overview of women's colleges as a group "focusing specifically on their mission, past and present contributions in the field of science education, technology and health-related activities, their uniqueness and the future outlook of their role in health-related and education activities.

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THIS WEEK AT TWU: AUGUST 23-29, 1999

Aug. 23-27

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

Mon., Aug. 23

- Fall faculty assembly, MCL auditorium, 10:30 a.m.; luncheon following program, Hubbard Hall.

Tues., Aug. 24

- Faculty Development Day, ACT 2, 8:30 a.m.
- Residence halls open in Denton and Houston.

Wed., Aug. 25

- Safety training: "Adult CPR and First Aid" -p; adult CPR, library 101, 8 a.m.-noon; first aid, library 101, 1-3 p.m.; \$15.

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Aug. 26-28

- Pioneer Camp.

Thurs., Aug. 26

- Pioneer Camp barbecue, Botanical Gardens, 5:45 p.m.

Fri., Aug. 27

- *Good Morning Texas* program, Little Chapel, 9-10 a.m.
- Graduate assistant orientation, CFO 205, 8:30-11:45 a.m.
- Volleyball: Pioneers vs. Western State College (Colo.) tourney; away.

Sat., Aug. 28

- Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 10 a.m.-4 p.m.; Wellness Center open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Volleyball: Pioneers vs. Western State College (Colo.) tourney; away.

Sun., Aug. 29

- Library closed; bookstore open 1-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m.

WELCOME BACK!!!

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