Alumna to Establish Multi-Million Dollar Endowments

The first $100,000 from Ms. Hauser’s estate will provide nursing scholarships to students attending the TWU Institute of Health Sciences-Houston Center. “I graduated from TWU tougher and stronger and ready to take on the world,” said Ms. Hauser, a 1964 nursing graduate from TWU’s Houston Center. “I have always wanted to leave money behind for scholarships for nurses if I could, because I know the value of a TWU nursing education.” The remainder of her estimated nearly $3 million gift will establish an endowment to help meet the greatest needs of the TWU College of Nursing and the TWU College of Health Sciences.

Since the endowments will be established through Ms. Hauser’s will, they are not immediately active and the exact amount is unknown.

“I am so grateful for Ms. Hauser’s generous estate planning, which will result in one of our largest gifts ever and which will help TWU continue as a leader in educating outstanding nurses and healthcare professionals,” said TWU Chancellor Ann Stuart.

Ms. Hauser’s 25 years in the U.S. Air Force Reserve includes service in Desert Storm and as chief nurse of the 452nd Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron.
**TWU – MAKING CONNECTIONS THAT MATTER**

**wellness CONNECTIONS**

Enrich your mind and body

**BRINGING the world to TWU is the focus of the global connections initiative.**

The initiative is led by Dr. Paula Ann Staton, dean of the TWU College of Arts and Sciences, and Dr. Richard Nicholas, vice president for student life.

“We want to create a campus climate of global awareness and understanding so our students, faculty and staff will be informed global citizens,” Dr. Staton said.

Several elements will prepare TWU students with the skills necessary to excel in today’s diverse and complex world.

TWU international students and faculty, as well as those who have studied, traveled, volunteered or worked abroad, will share their insights with the TWU community. Students may enroll in global perspectives courses or choose to minor in global studies. Guest speakers on global topics also will be invited to the university.

**Drama students rehearse with Patrick Sutton, right, artistic director of the Gaiety School of Acting in Ireland.** TWU students performed the world premiere of Irish playwright Martin Maguire’s The Half Moon Couple in Dublin in December.

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**The University Art Collection**

features more than 200 pieces by students, faculty and alumni. Chancellor Ann Stuart began the collection in 2001.

**Zimmerman Receives Phi Kappa Phi Fellowship**

Rachel Zimmerman is one of only 48 students in the U.S. and two in Texas to receive a 2009 national Phi Kappa Phi Fellowship. Ms. Zimmerman, a senior human biology major, will use her $5,000 scholarship to pursue a clinical doctorate of physical therapy at TWU’s Dallas Center. The Honor Society of Phi Kappa Phi is the nation’s oldest, largest, and most selective all-discipline honor society.
Texas Woman’s University has honored one of its own in choosing to rename the Woman’s Collection for the late Dr. Lou Halsell Rodenberger. Dr. Rodenberger, the author of numerous books on Texas women writers, passed away in April 2009. Known for her distinguished research and publications, Dr. Rodenberger was a fellow of the Texas State Historical Association, the Texas Folklore Society and the West Texas Historical Society. The renaming also honors her years of service to TWU, where she was named a Distinguished Alumna, served as a regent and also was active in the Friends of the TWU Library.

Clockwise from left: Dr. Lou Rodenberger; the new sign for the TWU Woman’s Collection honoring Dr. Rodenberger; Chancellor Ann Stuart, far right, welcomed Dr. Rodenberger’s family to the renaming ceremony. From left: Dr. Rodenberger’s son Mark, daughter Kathy Wilcox, husband Charles, granddaughters Ashley Penganikopf and Valerie Wilcox, sister Sue Neal and her husband Ike, and Mark’s wife Mary Kathryn Rodenberger.

TWU celebrates Little Chapel Anniversary

“IT is a retreat for all of us who seek a silent place for thought,” TWU Chancellor Ann Stuart said.

The chapel was designed by renowned Dallas architect O’Neil Ford and his partner A.B. Swank. TWU students created the building’s artwork, including stained glass windows, lighting, woodwork and flooring.

Dr. Stuart led a successful restoration campaign for the chapel in 2001. Funded entirely by private donations, the restoration was a collaborative effort between TWU art students, faculty, facilities staff and alumni, along with professional restoration of the stained-glass windows. TWU dean of students, Heathar Speed and Dr. Richard Nicholas, vice president for student life, each told of the special meaning the chapel holds for them. Ms. Speed chose the chapel for her own wedding, while Dr. Nicholas’ daughter was married there.

The chancellor noted her own personal and emotional connection to the chapel: During the restoration campaign, she rededicated the Music Window in memory of her mother, a pianist, and father.

She also announced that a new campaign is under way to fund replacement of the roof and electrical wiring. “I encourage all who care about the chapel to donate,” she said.

Following the ceremony, guests attended a reception in the historic TWU Greenhouse.

Honoring a Texas Treasure

The Texas Society of Architects in 1983 designated the chapel as one of the state’s most outstanding architectural achievements. Texas Monthly magazine named it one of “The Ten Best Buildings in Texas” in its March 2009 issue.

New Regent Mary Pincoffs Wilson

An experienced educator and community volunteer is the newest member of the Texas Woman’s University Board of Regents.

Gov. Rick Perry recently appointed Mary Pincoffs Wilson of Austin to fill the remaining term of regent Lou Halsell Rodenberger, who passed away earlier this year. Ms. Wilson’s term expires Feb. 1, 2011.

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Ms. Wilson’s involvement in Texas education spans more than 20 years as a teacher in Dallas and Austin. Her extensive community service also reflects an interest in health and children’s issues, including serving as president of Les Amis de Hospice Austin from 2006-2007, on the development board of the Seton Family of Hospitals and as a mentor at the Helping Hand Home for Children.

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TWU is Military Friendly

Veterans who have taken on the role of student at Texas Woman’s University give high marks to TWU’s support for military servicemen and women. Those qualities were recognized by G.I. Jobs magazine, which ranks TWU among its top Military Friendly Schools for 2010.

Nathan Brown, a doctoral student in physical therapy, found that support while searching for financial aid information.

“I’ve always had to do all the legwork to find out what I qualify for,” the Coast Guard veteran said.

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Dallas Building Update
Construction is under way on the new TWU T. Boone Pickens Institute of Health Sciences-Dallas Center, scheduled to open in 2011. The 190,000-square-foot, eight-story facility combines TWU's Parkland and Presbyterian sites into a campus-in-one building at the Parkland location. The building will include the renowned TWU Stroke Center, a mock ICU and simulation labs for nursing students, and physical and occupational therapy labs. The facility is being built for possible LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certification. The TWU Board of Regents also recently approved plans to build a 600-space parking garage in 2011. The new garage will be built on the site of the current Parkland education building and will include two stories for future parking or classroom expansion.

Nutrition Receives $800,000 for Research

FACULTY in TWU's Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences will use almost $800,000 in state and federal research grants to study how nutrition affects our health.

"Receiving this funding reflects our commitment to research that impacts the health and wellness of our community," said Dr. Chandan Prasad, chair of the TWU department of nutrition and food sciences. The United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) recently awarded $300,000 to TWU. A $150,000 grant will be used to study the impact of vitamin A on bone cells. Another $150,000 will be used to examine how eating blueberries can protect bone health.

Furthermore, the nutrition department also received $460,000 in grants from the Texas Department of Agriculture (TDA) Nutrition and Human Health Program. TWU received seven of the eight grants funded by the program.

Research projects funded by the TDA grants include developing half-frying procedures for processed and fried foods. The funds also will be used to study how consuming cottonseed oil impacts diabetes, osteoarthritis and melanoma.

In addition, TWU also received $30,000 from the California Table Grape Commission to study how grapes improve joint mobility and reduce pain associated with knee osteoarthritis.

Wrapped for Success
Images of TWU students and university life now wrap the TWU Mobile Go Center, increasing TWU's visibility in the community. TWU's Mobile Go Center visits middle and high schools in DFW providing admissions and financial aid information to prospective first-generation college students. TWU students, known as the G-Force, staff the Mobile Go Center. TWU's G-Force is the largest in the state with 70 members. The program recently received a $300,000 grant from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board that allows G-Force members who qualify for the state's work-study program to be paid for their work.

Since its inception in 2004, TWU's G-Force program has reached more than 10,000 high school students with the message that college is possible for them.

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Generations

TWU Alumni Share on Facebook

Joel and Veronica Castillo

TWU Alumni Connect

THE Texas Woman’s University Alumni page on Facebook provides a perfect venue for former students of TWU to connect with each other and share common university experiences.

“Although the site is relatively new, there already are some great photos, stories and announcements being shared on Facebook,” said Anne Scott, director of the TWU Office of Alumni Relations.

Alumni have used the site to share career accomplishments, awards and family milestones. There also is a discussion tab for longer postings and a place to post links that might be of interest to fellow alumni.

Holding a Facebook account or creating one will allow alumni to sign on as a “fan” and comment on the postings and pictures of others. They also may post their own experiences.

Alumni can become a “fan” by searching “TWU Alumni” on Facebook, or by visiting www.twu.edu/alumni and clicking on the TWU Alumni Facebook icon.

For those without a Facebook account, postings can still be viewed from the TWU Alumni website.

TWU Students Tell Harlaxton Experiences

ALUMNI are invited to follow the experiences of current TWU students at Harlaxton College in Grantham, England, by going to www.twu.edu/alumni and clicking on the TWU Harlaxton icon.

Those who have a Facebook account may search Facebook groups for TWU Harlaxton and sign on as a “fan,” allowing them to comment and post. Alumni who do not have a Facebook account may still view the photos and comments by going to the TWU Alumni Relations website.

TWU sent its largest group of students to Harlaxton this fall. As they study and travel in England and beyond, the students will post their experiences online to share with the TWU community.

By the end of 2009, a total of 36 TWU students will have studied at the college. The partnership began in 2003 with one student, who is now a fan of the TWU Harlaxton site.

Andrea Campbell-Colquhoun learned about the then-new program as a sophomore in 2002, and soon was bound for England as the first TWU student to attend Harlaxton.

She is one of many fans who post on TWU’s Harlaxton site.

“I love talking about Harlaxton and the amazing experience I had there,” she said.

Homecoming Reunion 2010

Barbara Brown, right, accepts the “Stunts cup” on behalf of her Class of 1960.

The TWU Class of 1960 will gather during Homecoming Reunion Weekend 2010 to celebrate and reminisce about winning the Stunts competition three consecutive times and “retiring” the prize cup. All alumni are invited to the Denton campus April 22-25 for 2010 Homecoming activities, which include TWU’s Honors Convocation April 22, the Distinguished Alumni Luncheon April 23 and class reunion activities honoring classes ending in “0” and “5.” See the complete schedule at www.twu.edu/alumni or call (940) 898-2586 for more information.

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Senior Receives Deiker Scholarship

As a recipient of a Helen Haddix and Robert Deiker Scholarship, Monica Alanis is one step closer to her dream of becoming a school counselor. “I am so grateful to receive this scholarship,” said Ms. Alanis, a senior inter-disciplinary studies major from Plano. “Being the first person in my family to attend college has been a real challenge, but now I can see the light at the end of the tunnel.”

Ms. Alanis is a member of the Association of Texas Professional Educators and TWU’s Bilingual Education Students Organization. She also has been named to the TWU’s Dean’s List twice. She currently works as a teacher’s aide at Northbrook Elementary School in Saginaw.

Ms. Alanis will graduate from TWU in December 2009 and plans to attend graduate school. In 2008, Helen Haddix Deiker’s estate gave $2.2 million to the TWU Foundation to establish a scholarship endowment.

Mrs. Deiker, who passed away in 2007, attended TWU in the early 1940s and was a past president of the TWU Former Students Association.

For a complete list of scholarships funded through the TWU Foundation, visit www.twu.edu/foundation.

Since its inception in 2008, the Deiker Scholarship has been awarded to 33 students.

Alumni Establish New Endowments

TWO new endowments created through the TWU Foundation will greatly enhance the educational experience of students at TWU.

The John Weinkein Distinction in the Visual Arts Award Endowment was created in honor of the late professor and chair of TWU’s Department of Visual Arts. Established by a former student, the endowment provides awards for top artists competing in TWU art exhibitions.

The Michelle S. Lee Endowed Scholarship Fund provides scholarships for students pursuing master’s degrees in library science. Ms. Lee is a successful business executive and entrepreneur in Washington, D.C., who obtained her master of library science degree from TWU. She established the fund with a preference for students of Chinese heritage, international background or minority status.

“I will always be grateful for the scholarship I received while at TWU,” Ms. Lee said. “I am so happy to help future graduates in the same way.”

Scholarship Recipient Meets Donors

Shannon Mann, the recipient of TWU’s Reba M. Wadel Scholarship, met with the scholarship’s donors at a reception held recently on the Denton campus. Since 1990, the National Council of Jewish Women (NCJW), Greater Dallas Section has supported the Wadel Scholarship for graduate students in child development or family sciences. Ms. Mann is a master’s student in family therapy. Shown at the reception are, from left: Saralynn Busch, board member of the NCJW, Greater Dallas Section; Ms. Mann; and Cheryl Pollman, president of the NCJW, Greater Dallas Section.

Preserve a Texas Treasure

A new fundraising campaign will help preserve a Texas treasure — TWU’s historic Little Chapel-in-the-Woods. The campaign will fund a new copper roof and electrical wiring replacement to protect against water damage and fire. The 70-year-old chapel was designed by renowned Dallas architect O’Neil Ford and his partner A.B. Swank. More than 300 TWU students helped produce the building’s stained glass windows, lighting and woodwork. To learn what you can do to help, visit www.twu.edu/development or call Patrice Benfield Frisby at (940) 898-3867.

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I wish to increase opportunity and excellence at TWU. Here is my gift:

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Leadership Institute 2009-2010

The TWU Leadership Institute continues to grow with a 2009-2010 class of 31 students chosen from 250 applicants. Financial freedom, leadership development and health and wellness are the three primary components of the Leadership Institute. Activities this fall included attending a workshop presented by New England Financial, a MetLife company and corporate sponsor of the TWU Leadership Institute. The spring calendar features a partnership with the American Association of College Women in presenting “Expanding Your Horizons,” a math and science career conference for middle school girls. The institute also will host a College Leadership Series with the Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas. More information about the TWU Leadership Institute is available at www.twu.edu/li.

Three Named National Role Models

TWU chemistry professor Dr. James Johnson, director of financial aid Governor Jackson and alumna Dr. Astra Sparks are among only 27 people in the U.S. named national role models by Minority Access, Inc., a non-profit educational organization. Dr. Johnson was chosen for his contributions to increasing the pool of minority biomedical researchers through teaching and mentoring. Mr. Jackson was honored as a staff role model for his success helping minority students attend college. Dr. Sparks was recognized for excellence in her profession. She currently serves as a scientific affairs liaison for the national pharmaceutical company Santarus, Inc., in Houston. Dr. Sparks received her MBA in May 2009, her master’s in biology in 1995 and her doctorate in molecular biology in 1996, all from TWU.

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Going GREEN

REDUCE, reuse, recycle.

TWU Facilities Management and Construction takes the “3 Rs” to heart in trying to create a greener university. Taking a page out of the federal government’s playbook, FMC has created its own “Cars for Clunkers” program. Older, high-mileage vehicles have been rotated out of service and replaced with more fuel-efficient vehicles.

The fleet’s seven “clunkers” were replaced with nine electric-powered vehicles and three Chevrolet Traverse minivans that average 24 mpg. The move will eliminate 9 tons of carbon dioxide per year from the environment.

Wind-generated energy also is helping reduce TWU’s carbon footprint. Some 40 percent of the electricity for the Denton campus is generated by wind, while the Houston and Dallas centers have benefited from 15 percent wind-generated energy since July 2008.

TWU’s paper-only recycling program also will be expanded on the Denton campus to a single-stream program that will include the collection of cardboard, aluminum, tin, plastic and glass.

Top photo: TWU students participate in a “Dumpster Diving” event, collecting recyclable materials from residence hall dumpsters. Bottom photo: Wind turbines in North Texas generate 40 percent of the electricity supplied to the Denton campus.

Testimonials

Friends and supporters of TWU congratulate the university on its Decade of Achievement.

“Other institutions of higher education would do well to emulate the template provided by TWU, which has created an environment that provides a rich educational experience.”

– 26th District U.S. Rep. Michael Burgess
R-Lewisville

“As the representative for District 64, I take great pride in the accomplishments of TWU during the past 10 years. TWU continues to contribute to education and to the workforce of Texas in ways that serve the citizens of Texas well.”

– State Rep. Myra Crownover
R-Lake Dallas

“The TWU Institute of Health Sciences-Houston Center is a tangible example of the confidence and commitment of this outstanding institution.”

– Dr. Richard Wainerdi
President, CEO and COO
Texas Medical Center, Houston

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...attended a reception honoring Kathleen Mason as the 2010 recipient of the Virginia Chandler Dykes Leadership Award. Shown with Chancellor Stuart are, from left: Tincy Miller, who hosted the reception at her home, Roland Dykes, Virginia Chandler Dykes, Kathleen Mason and Doug Dixon, Dallas Market Executive for Bank of Texas Private Bank, sponsor of the event.

...hosted the Denton Mayor’s Breakfast at Hubbard Hall. Shown with Chancellor Stuart are, from left: Lee Ann Nutt, vice president of instruction for North Central Texas College; Denton Mayor Mark Burroughs; Charlye Heggins, Denton City Council member, District 1; and Gretchen Bataille, president of the University of North Texas.

...welcomed United Way of Denton County Champion Donors to a reception at the TWU University House. Shown with Chancellor Stuart and her dog Georgette are, from left: State Employee Charitable Campaign Local Employee Committee Co-Chairs Lisa Hall, assistant director and volunteer coordinator for the State Supported Living Center in Denton, and Dr. Sheri Draggo, TWU associate professor of fashion and textiles.

...visited with nursing students during a tour of the patient simulator lab at the TWU Institute of Health Sciences-Houston Center. Shown with Chancellor Stuart are, from left: students Charles James, Sally Lawson and Meredith Getting, and Dr. Robin Britt, emerita professor of nursing and member of the TWU Houston Ambassadors.

...celebrated the TWU Decade of Achievement with alumni and friends of TWU at the River Crest Country Club in Fort Worth. Top row, from left: Bill Huhn, Juan Rangel and Ted Paup, event co-chair. Middle row, from left: TWU alumna Sara Huhn and Nancy Paup, event co-chair. Bottom row, from left: TWU alumna Dr. Patricia Rangel, Chancellor Stuart and alumna Louise Appleman.

...signed an agreement for TWU to become a partner in Collin College’s new Collin Higher Education Center (CHEC). Starting in 2010, TWU will join four other North Texas universities in offering select undergraduate and graduate degrees at the CHEC. Shown with Chancellor Stuart are Collin College trustees David Hammel and Cynthia Bauge.

...attended a Texas State Historical Association dinner in Denton as the guest of alumna Debra Winegarten, who won the meal at a fundraising auction. Top row, from left: Nancy Baker Jones, president of the Ruthie Winegarten Memorial Foundation for Texas Women’s History; Anne McCrady, writer; and Holly Van Scoy, CEO of Academic Research Associates. Second row, from left: Elizabeth Snapp, former director of the TWU libraries; Aida Cawan, TWU associate professor emerita; and Cindy Huyser, poet. Bottom row, from left: Chancellor Stuart; Ms. Winegarten; and UNT President Gretchen Bataille, host of the dinner.

...welcomed high school students from the Irma Rangel Young Women’s Leadership School to the “Fit to Lead Camp” at TWU. The camp helps prepare participants for a successful college experience with sessions on leadership development, nutrition and fitness.