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### **WHITE RECEIVES UHLIR FELLOWSHIP**

Dr. Nora White, associate professor of reading at TWU, is the 2004 recipient of the G. Ann Uhlir Endowed Fellowship in Higher Education Administration and will receive a \$2,000 award.

When Dr. Uhlir, founding dean of the TWU College of Health Sciences, reached retirement, she wanted to continue to make a meaningful contribution to the university community and in 1996 provided initial funding for the fellowship with the intent of inspiring people to be administrators in higher education. “Outstanding faculty are important to a university, as are outstanding administrators who make things happen,” said Dr. Uhlir.

Dr. White, who is speaker pro tem of the TWU Faculty Senate, will use the award to locate and acquire materials on leadership, work with a leadership life coach and conduct in-depth interviews with successful higher education administrators.

“I aspire to become a person whom others view as a leader — a person who understands how to work within models of power and influence to inspire, mentor, prioritize, delegate and lead with authenticity and dignity,” said Dr. White. “Ultimately, I hope that this journey will lead to promotion to challenging leadership roles in higher education administration at TWU.”

The fellowship is designed to take beginning administrators, faculty or even students interested in administration and help them develop the leadership, management and interpersonal skills needed to be a highly qualified and successful academic administrator.

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### **TWU TO HOST READING RECOVERY INSTITUTE**

More than 3,000 reading and literacy specialists, educators and concerned parents are converging on Dallas for TWU’s Reading Recovery Institute.

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The institute will be held Nov. 17-18 at the Adam's Mark Hotel in Dallas. Additional information is available at [www.twu.edu/lifelong](http://www.twu.edu/lifelong) or by contacting the TWU Office of Lifelong Learning at 8-1-3408.

Carol Lyons, professor emerita of the School of Teaching and Learning at The Ohio State University, will be the institute's opening keynote speaker. Her presentation, titled "Teaching Struggling Readers from the Inside Out," will use brain-based research to demonstrate that every child is capable of learning to read and write.

Linda Dorn, professor of reading education and director of the Reading Recovery and Training Center at the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, will present the closing keynote address. Her session, titled "Understanding Comprehension," will focus on ways teachers can prompt for deep comprehension in contrast to surface level thinking.

Dorn also will speak on this topic when she presents the keynote address for both the early literacy and administrators sessions.

Additional experts in reading and early literacy also will present lectures and workshops during the institute. Reading Recovery is designed to help children who have difficulty reading and writing improve their skills. Most students who complete a full Reading Recovery program can learn in a regular classroom and don't need additional remedial services.

TWU is one of 23 Reading Recovery university training centers in the United States and one of only two universities in the U.S. providing training for Descubriendo La Lectura, the Spanish language version of Reading Recovery.

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**TWU DENTAL HYGIENE CLINIC SEEKING PATIENTS**

The TWU Dental Hygiene Clinic needs patients. TWU students, as part of their education, provide low-cost dental hygiene services to adults and children through the clinic.

Services include: teeth cleaning with bite wing X-rays, \$15; full-mouth X-rays, \$15; panoramic X-rays, \$15; and tooth sealants, \$10 per quadrant. X-rays can be sent to the patient's dentist.

Patients must complete a 20-minute screening before an appointment can be made. Children must be accompanied by a parent or guardian. To schedule a screening or an appointment, call 8-1-2888

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## **ACCLAIMED COMPOSER TO BE GUEST ARTIST AT TWU**

The man the *Boston Globe* calls “the Renaissance man of American music” will combine education and entertainment — as well as the world premiere of a work for children — during a weeklong residence at TWU.

David Amram, one of the most acclaimed composers of his generation, will be TWU’s composer in residence Oct. 24-28.

While in Denton, Amram will address Denton’s Vintage Jazz Society meeting and visit Denton High School and Woodrow Wilson Elementary School, where he will work with the Woodrow Wilson All-Star Choir in preparation for the choir’s world premiere of Amram’s “Three Songs for Young People.” The free concert, scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 27 in TWU’s Margo Jones Performance Hall, also will feature performances by the TWU Concert Choir, Mixed Ensemble and Spring Ensemble. Amram will be featured at the piano with the TWU Wind Ensemble for *En Memoria de Chano Pazo*.

His visit will conclude Saturday, Oct. 30 at Memorial Auditorium in Wichita Falls. Amram will conduct the Wichita Falls Symphony Orchestra and TWU flute professor Dr. Paula Youngblood, the orchestra’s principal flutist, in a concert featuring “Giants of the Night.” For ticket information, call (940) 723-6202.

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## **ALEXANDRIA’S RAGTIME BAND, MR. JOE TEAM UP FOR CONCERT**

The refined atmosphere of the Margo Jones Performance Hall would hardly seem to lend itself to audience members doing the Chicken Dance. But that’s what Dr. John Flohr hopes will happen when Alexandria’s Ragtime Band takes the stage for a free concert at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 28. For more information, call 8-1-2500.

Flohr, director of Alexandria’s Ragtime Band and professor of music education at TWU, said the concert will be a potpourri, featuring jazz standards, Oktoberfest music and guest performers Mr. Joe and Friends.

Mister Joe, also known as Joseph Pinson, is a member of TWU’s music therapy faculty who performs regularly in and around Denton.

Alexandria’s Ragtime Band specializes in the ragtime and Dixieland idioms of the late 19<sup>th</sup> and early 20<sup>th</sup> century American jazz music. The group has performed throughout the United States and in Europe.

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## NEWSBRIEFS

**Information and news about activities, programs or TWU people may be sent to the office of marketing and communication through campus mail, by fax at 8-1-3463 or by e-mail to [info@twu.edu](mailto:info@twu.edu). The deadline to receive information is the first and third Tuesday of each month at 5 p.m. for the following publication. 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.**

**Career Services** will host an employer information session by Bright Horizons Family Solutions on Oct. 27 from 2:30-3:30 p.m. in Library 101. Information about full-time employment and internship opportunities will be presented. Bright Horizons employs individuals for corporate daycare, early education and work/life solutions. Students and alumni interested in attending should contact Career Services at 8-1-2950.

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## UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE

*Please submit "People" items (faculty and staff only) to the office of marketing and communication by campus mail or by e-mail to [info@twu.edu](mailto:info@twu.edu). Include first and last names (no initials, please) and appropriate titles (ie. Dr.)*

Dr. **Kathryn Tart** (nursing-Houston) will present an abstract titled "Outcomes of the Riskiest At-Risk Student: Retention and GPA" at the American Association of Colleges of Nursing 2004 Baccalaureate Education Conference, Nov. 11-13 in Sunny Isles, Fla.

Dr. **JoAnn Danelo Barbour** (educational administration and leadership) presented a paper titled "A Conversation Among Colleagues: How We Link Theory to Practice for Leaders: Pedagogical Methods in a Postmodern World" to the Texas Professors of Educational Administration on Sept. 17 in Dallas.

Dr. **Camelia Maier** (biology) is presenting a seminar titled "Flora of the Galapagos Islands" for the Trinity Forks Chapter of the Native Plant Society of Texas on Oct. 28 at 7 p.m. at the University of North Texas, EESAT building, room 125. The presentation was inspired by the biology department's field trip to the Galapagos Islands in spring 2004.

Dr. **Bill Cissell** (health studies) chaired the fall meeting of the Texas-Oklahoma AIDS Education and Training Center Local Performance Sites in Houston on Sept. 16. Also, he participated in the 13<sup>th</sup> Annual Conference, Understanding HIV Dynamics, hosted by the Harris County Hospital District in Houston on Sept. 17; the Practical Management of HIV Workshop, hosted by the American Academy of HIV Medicine in Houston on Sept. 18; and the 3TC Meeting and National Association of AIDS Education and Training Center Directors Meeting in New Orleans Sept. 21-23.

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**THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: Oct. 25-Nov. 7, 2004**

- Oct. 25-28            -Library open 8 a.m. to midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.;  
Wellness Center open 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- Tue., Oct. 26        -Pioneer Volleyball vs. Dallas Baptist, 7 p.m., home
- Thur., Oct. 28       -Pioneer Volleyball vs. Cameron, 7 p.m., away
- Fri., Oct. 29        -Library open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.;  
Wellness Center open 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.  
-Pioneer Soccer vs. Texas A&M-Commerce, 3 p.m., home
- Sat., Oct. 30        -Library open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; bookstore open 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.;  
Wellness Center open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
-Open house, 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., Hubbard Hall  
-Pioneer Volleyball vs. Central Oklahoma, 1 p.m., away
- Sun., Oct. 31        -Library open 2 p.m. to midnight; bookstore closed; Wellness Center  
open 1-6 p.m.  
-Pioneer Soccer vs. St. Edward's, noon, away
- Nov. 1-4            -Library open 8 a.m. to midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.;  
Wellness Center open 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- Tue., Nov. 4        -Pioneer Volleyball vs. Texas A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m., home
- Fri., Nov. 5        -Library open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.;  
Wellness Center open 6 a.m. to 10 p.m.
- Sat., Nov. 6        -Library open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Wellness Center  
open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.  
-Pioneer Volleyball vs. Southeastern Oklahoma, 1 p.m., home
- Sun., Nov. 7        -Library open 2 p.m. to midnight; bookstore closed; Wellness Center  
open 1-6 p.m.

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