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ALUMNA DONATES \$75,000 FOR NURSING FACULTY AWARDS

Three TWU College of Nursing instructors have received 2004 Faculty Excellence Awards, funded by a \$75,000 gift from a nursing alumna.

Dr. Peggy Mancuso, assistant professor at the Dallas Center, received the Teaching Award. Dr. Sally Northam, associate professor on the Denton campus, received the Service Award. And Dr. Lene Symes, assistant professor at the Houston Center, received the Research/Scholarly Activities Award. Each received \$2,500.

Susan Cass Doroghazi, MS, RN, FNP, donated \$75,000 to the College of Nursing to be dispersed over the next 10 years to Faculty Excellence Award recipients. She earned both her bachelor's and master's degrees in nursing at TWU and currently is a cardiology-cardiovascular nurse at Boone Hospital Center in Columbia, Mo., and an adjunct faculty member at the University of Missouri-Columbia.

Award recipients, who had to meet a variety of criteria, were selected by the Nursing Faculty Affairs Committee.

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REBECCA PENNEYS SCHEDULES PERFORMANCE AT TWU

Internationally acclaimed pianist Rebecca Penneys will perform at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 7 in Margo Jones Performance Hall. Admission is free.

An innovative educator, Penneys also will teach a master class from 4 to 6 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 6 in Margo Jones Performance Hall. For more information, call 8-1-2500.

Her concert visit will be a reunion of sorts for Dr. Richard Shuster, assistant professor of piano at TWU, who was Penneys' student at the Eastman School of Music.

“She’s a unique teacher because of her physical approach to playing piano, using her body to express emotion at the piano and producing beautiful sound,” he said. “She opened a new world for me and inspired me to become a professional pianist.”

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Penneys has received widespread recognition in academic and medical circles for her ability to teach a "Motion and Emotion" keyboard technique that allows pianists to achieve individual performance goals without physical strain or injury.

Penneys is a founding member of the acclaimed New Arts Trio, which twice has won the prestigious Naumburg Award for Chamber Music. She has been professor of piano at Eastman since 1980, and chairs the piano department at the Chautauqua Institution.

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ZEPHYR WINDS TO PERFORM AT TWU

The TWU faculty woodwind quintet will join Zephyr Winds in concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Oct. 5 in the Margo Jones Performance Hall. Admission is free.

Zephyr Winds, a musical ensemble with a core membership from TWU, is featured regularly throughout the state in concerts that focus upon rarely heard music for a variety of instrumental combinations. The concert will feature 20th century works for woodwind quintet, including Jean-Michel Damase's *27 Variations* and Gustav Holst's *Wind Quintet in A-flat*.

The TWU faculty woodwind quintet is comprised of Dr. Pamela Youngblood on flute; Dr. James Hobbs, oboe; Garry Evans, clarinet; Noel Garcia, bassoon; and Mike Harcrow, horn.

For more information, call 8-1-2500.

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TWU DRAMA TO STAGE 'NUTS' AT COURTHOUSE

The audience will become part of the courtroom drama as the TWU theatre department opens its 2004-05 season with "Nuts," Oct. 7-10 in the Denton County Courthouse on the Square, 111 W. Hickory St.

Performances are at 8 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 7 through Saturday, Oct. 9, and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Oct. 10. Admission is free, and no tickets are necessary. For information, call 8-1-2020.

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“It’s a very intimate environment,” said Jeff Winkler, a TWU graduate student directing the play. “It will feel as though you’re watching an actual trial.” The audience at times will participate in the production, standing when the bailiff calls “All rise” as the judge enters the room. It’s part of the dinner theatre aspect Winkler wants to bring to the production.

“Nuts” is Tom Topor’s story of a competency hearing for Claudia, a high-priced call girl who claims she killed a client in self-defense. Her conventional upper-middle-class parents want to have her declared incompetent to stand trial and be committed to an asylum “for her own good.”

Barbra Streisand brought the play to the movie screen in 1987, and Winkler said the movie was quite different from the play. He’s making his own changes to TWU’s production, updating the time to present day and moving the setting from New York to Texas.

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TWU NURSING RESEARCH FORUM OCT. 22

How health care institutions, in collaboration with universities, can create a research environment to improve clinical practice will be the topic of discussion at the TWU College of Nursing-Houston Center Fall Research Day. Dr. Nancy Donaldson, clinical professor and director of the Center for Research and Innovation in Patient Care at the University of California-San Francisco, will be the featured speaker.

The program will take place Oct. 22 from 9 a.m. to noon at the TWU campus, 1130 John Freeman Blvd. Admission is free, but registration is required. Three contact hours for nurses completing the program have been applied for through the Texas Nurses Association. To register, call 8-4-2100 or fax 8-4-2103.

In addition to Dr. Donaldson's lecture, research posters will be on display and there will be an opportunity for professional networking. Persons who wish to present a poster should contact Dr. Ann Malecha at 8-4-2725 or amalecha@twu.edu by Oct. 15.

This year's event is hosted by the TWU College of Nursing-Houston Center and Sigma Theta Tau International-Beta Beta Houston Chapter, and funded in part by Novartis Pharmaceuticals.

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BROWN TO PERFORM ORGAN RECITAL AT TWU

Music from current American composers as well as international artists will be featured in an organ recital presented by TWU professor Dr. Thomas K. Brown. The concert is scheduled for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 28, in the Margo Jones Performance Hall. Admission is free. For more information, call 8-1-2500.

“What I like, especially, about this concert is the contrast of styles, blends and textures provided by both the organ and the organ with the individual instruments,” Brown said. He will be accompanied by TWU music faculty members Dr. Pamela Youngblood on flute, Garry Evans on clarinet and Michael Harcrow on horn.

Works by American composers include “Pastorale for Clarinet and Organ” by Peter Mathews, who has composed more than 160 works including a large number of choral pieces. The “Albarda,” from *Flores del Desierto* (Tangos for Organ) by Pamela Decker, was inspired by a wild desert flower. Moonyeen Albrecht’s *Four Psalms for Flute and Organ* was premiered in 1986 and is considered one of the more outstanding compositions in the genre.

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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. Include first and last names (no initials, please) and appropriate titles (ie. Dr.)

Dr. **Phyllis Bridges** (English) presented a research paper on Electra Waggoner Biggs, Texas ranch heir and noted sculptor, at the National Ranching Heritage Symposium in Lubbock on Sept. 11. Electra Waggoner Biggs was commissioned to execute bronze portrait sculptures of presidents Harry S. Truman and Dwight D. Eisenhower and the memorial equestrian statue of Will Rogers, among many other works of art.

Dr. **Susan Adams** (family sciences) was the keynote speaker for the Association of Perioperative Registered Nurses 2004 Ambulatory and Office-based Multispecialty Leadership Conference in Washington, D.C., on Sept. 18. Her speech was titled “What Do You Do With 12 Broken Eggs?” and focused on effective communication.

Kathy Woods (bursar) has accepted an invitation from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board to serve on the Texas Higher Education Efficiency Committee Bursar’s Task Force. The task force consists of nine representatives from Texas colleges

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and universities and one representative from the Texas Guarantee Student Loan Corp. The task force is charged with evaluating rules, regulations and statutes related to business processes at Texas colleges and universities and recommends improvements that would better serve students and their families.

Dr. **Patti Hamilton** (nursing-Denton) announced that doctoral student **Valerie Eschiti** was an oral presenter at the National Alaska Native/ American Indian Nurses Association Annual Conference, Sept. 17-19 in Polson, Mont. Her presentation was titled "Holistic Approach To Resolving American Indian/Alaska Native Health Care Disparities."

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: Sept. 27-Oct. 10, 2004

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| Sept. 27-30 | -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. |
| Thur., Sept. 20 | -Pioneer Volleyball vs. Midwestern State, 7 p.m., away |
| Fri., Oct. 1 | -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. Incarnate Word, 6 p.m., away |
| Sat., Oct. 2 | -Library open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Wellness Center open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. |
| Sun., Oct. 3 | -Library open 2 p.m. to midnight; bookstore closed; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m.
-Pioneer Soccer vs. St. Mary's, noon, away |
| Oct. 4-7 | -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. |
| Mon. Oct. 4 | -Pioneer Volleyball vs. St. Edwards, 7 p.m., home |
| Wed., Oct. 6 | -Pioneer Soccer vs. Midwestern State, 7 p.m., home |
| Thur., Oct. 7 | -Pioneer Volleyball vs. Central Oklahoma, 7 p.m., home |

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- Fri. Oct. 8 -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., Oct. 9 -Library open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Wellness Center
open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
-Pioneer Volleyball vs. Cameron, 1 p.m., home
- Sun., Oct. 10 -Library open 2 p.m. to midnight; bookstore closed; Wellness Center
open 1-6 p.m.
-Pioneer Soccer vs. Angelo State, 1 p.m., home

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