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## **TWU KICKS OFF STATE EMPLOYEE CHARITABLE CAMPAIGN**

Texas Woman's University kicked off its annual State Employee Charitable Campaign (SECC) on Thursday, Oct. 1. TWU's goal is to raise \$60,000 and to have 45 percent faculty and staff participation from its Denton, Dallas and Houston campuses. For more information on the campaign, visit [www.twu.edu/secc](http://www.twu.edu/secc).

Giving to the SECC allows the university to join thousands of other generous Denton County donors in supporting vitally needed services that touch the lives of thousands of people. These non-profit organizations address such issues as literacy, AIDS, teen pregnancy, child care, substance abuse, elderly care, health care and more.

TWU was recognized by the state for having both the Highest Participation Rate (more than 48 percent) for colleges and universities with 751 to 2,000 employees, and the Highest Per Capita Gift during the 2007 and 2008 campaigns. Through the generosity of the university's faculty and staff, TWU raised \$76,952 for the campaign in 2008, which surpassed the prior year's total.

TWU's 2009 SECC campaign, "Champions in Challenging Times," is co-chaired by Dr. Cynthia Gill, associate professor of communication sciences and disorders, and Dr. Ruth Johnson, associate dean of the TWU Graduate School.

TWU activities in support of the SECC include the Charity Ball Volleyball Tournament, scheduled Wednesday, Oct. 14 in the Pioneer Hall Gym; and the Chili Cook-off and Auction, scheduled Thursday, Oct. 22 in Hubbard Hall.

The Texas Legislature created the SECC in 1993 for employees of state agencies, junior and community colleges and universities throughout Texas to donate to their favorite charities through an annual workplace giving campaign. SECC is the only statutorily authorized workplace campaign for state agency and higher education employees throughout Texas. Beneficiaries include local United Way agencies and other charities to which the employee donor can choose to direct his or her donated funds.

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## **GOV. PERRY APPOINTS WILSON TO TWU BOARD OF REGENTS**

Gov. Rick Perry has announced the appointment of Mary Pincoffs Wilson of Austin to the Texas Woman's University Board of Regents.

"I join my fellow regents in welcoming Ms. Wilson to the board," said Harry L. Crumpacker II, chair and presiding officer of the TWU Board of Regents. "I look forward to working together as TWU continues to grow and thrive as an education leader in Texas."

Ms. Wilson will take over the remaining term of regent Lou Halsell Rodenberger, who passed away earlier this year. Ms. Wilson's term expires Feb. 1, 2011.

"Our regents are so important to the success of this university," TWU Chancellor Ann Stuart said. "Ms. Wilson's experience as a teacher, administrator and community volunteer will be a tremendous asset to TWU as we continue to meet the state's critical workforce needs."

Ms. Wilson was a teacher in the Highland Park Independent School District and in the Austin Independent School District, where she also directed the College and Career Center at Austin High School. Her involvement in Texas education spans more than 20 years. Her extensive community service 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.

Ms. Wilson received her bachelor's degree from the University of Texas at Austin and her master of arts in teaching from Emory University.

"TWU has distinguished itself by providing a nationally recognized educational system, which is leading the way in producing graduates who are exceptionally prepared to enhance the quality of life in Texas," Ms. Wilson said. "It is a privilege to be able to serve the state of Texas as a regent to this excellent university, and I look forward to working with Chancellor Stuart and my fellow board members."

Ms. Wilson's appointment is subject to confirmation by the Texas Senate.

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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 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 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 **public hearing** to discuss a tuition increase beginning in summer 2010 will be held from noon to 1 p.m. Thursday, Oct. 15 in SU 207.

Women age 45 or older are needed to conduct a **research study** to address rate of bone mineral density loss. Whole body vibration will be used as a treatment to address rate of bone mineral density loss. Participants will be asked to stand on a vibration platform three days per week for a period of nine months. Total time involvement will be approximately 10-15 minutes per session. The vibration platform produces a stimulus that is similar to riding in a car over a gravel road. All participants will receive a free bone density measurement and a \$30 gift card. The project will be conducted on the TWU Denton campus. Interested individuals should contact the Institute for Women's Health at 81-2787 or [vibrationstudy@yahoo.com](mailto:vibrationstudy@yahoo.com).

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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.)*

Contributions for a memorial bench for **Melissa McClung** (OT-Denton), who passed away Aug. 26, 2009, may be made by contacting Tammy Hood at [thood@twu.edu](mailto:thood@twu.edu). Scholarship donations may be directed to the Janette Schkade Memorial via Ray Dent in Institutional Development, [adent@twu.edu](mailto:adent@twu.edu).

Dr. **Lybeth Hodges** (history) has been appointed by the Texas State Board of Education as one of three academic experts charged with reviewing the social studies curriculum for state public education.

Dr. **Sara Fanning** (history) recently published "The Roots of Early Black Nationalism: Northern African Americans' Invocations of Haiti in the Early Nineteenth Century," a chapter in Maurice Jackson and Jacqueline Bacon's "African Americans and the Haitian Revolution." This volume is published by Routledge.

Dr. **Mark Kessler** (history and government) has been selected by the Law and Society Association to serve on the Harry J. Kalven, Jr. Prize Committee for the 2009-2010 year. The prize is awarded annually for "empirical scholarship that has contributed most effectively to the advancement of research in law and society." The prize honors lifetime achievement and is given in recognition of an influential body of scholarly work.

Dr. **Tim Hoye** (government) chaired a panel at the annual meeting of the American Political Science Association, held Sept. 3-6 in Toronto Canada. Dr. Hoye presented a paper on this panel, focusing on Chinese Nobel laureate Gao Xingjian's Soul Mountain. Among the panelists was **Samah Elhajbrahim**, who received her B.A. and M.A.

degrees in government at TWU. Ms. Elhajibrahim is now a doctoral student in political science at the University of Pennsylvania.

Dr. **Jake Blosser** (history) had his article, "Pursuing Happiness in Colonial Virginia: Sacred Words, Cheap Print, and Popular Religion in the Eighteenth Century" accepted for publication in the *Virginia Magazine of History and Biography*. His article came out of his work during the past year at the Folger Institute at the Folger Shakespeare Library in Washington, D.C., where he was awarded a fellowship.

Dr. **Michael Raisinghani** (School of Management) has a manuscript titled "Perceptions of Information Privacy in Outsourcing among Healthcare Executives: An Empirical Analysis" accepted for publication in the *MIS Review* (forthcoming 2009).

**Regina Michael Campbell** (OT-Dallas) has been awarded the Eastern Michigan University 2009 Distinguished Alumna of the Year Award by the Occupational Therapy Program in the School of Health Sciences. The award was presented Sept. 26 at Eastern Michigan University's Fall Recognition Ceremony.

**Teresa Phipps** has been hired as a gymnastics coaches assistant. She earned national honors in gymnastics while completing her education at Ball State University. She received her bachelor's degree in general studies from the university in spring 2009 and will pursue her master's degree in sports management at TWU.

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### THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: OCTOBER 5-18, 2009

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| Mon., Oct. 5  | -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.;<br>Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.<br>-TWU Graduate and Professional School Fair, 4-6 p.m., SU. Free.   |
| Tues., Oct. 6 | -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.;<br>Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.<br>-Garry Evans Faculty Clarinet Recital, 7:30 p.m., MJPH. Free.<br>81-2500.   |
| Wed., Oct. 7  | -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.;<br>Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.<br>-Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with food, fun and<br>entertainment. Noon-1 p.m., Hubbard Hall. RSVP to 81-3634. |
| Thur., Oct. 8 | -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.;<br>Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.<br>-TWU Drama presents "Dead Man's Cell Phone," 4 p.m., Redbud<br>Theater. \$5 students, \$10 adults. 81-2020.         |

- Fri., Oct. 9                    -Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.  
 -TWU Drama presents “Dead Man’s Cell Phone,” 8 p.m., Redbud Theater. \$5 students, \$10 adults. 81-2020.  
 -Pioneers Soccer vs. Eastern New Mexico, 4 p.m., home.
- Sat., Oct. 10                    -Library 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.  
 -TWU Drama presents “Dead Man’s Cell Phone,” 8 p.m., Redbud Theater. \$5 students, \$10 adults. 81-2020.  
 -Texas Dance Improvisational Festival Performance with guest artist KJ Holmes, 7 p.m., Dance Studio Theater. Free.  
[www.twu.edu/dance/texas-dance-improvisation-festival.asp](http://www.twu.edu/dance/texas-dance-improvisation-festival.asp)  
 -Pioneers Softball Alumni Game, 10 a.m., home.  
 -Pioneers Volleyball vs. Angelo State, 2 p.m., away.
- Sun., Oct. 11                    -Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-10 p.m.  
 -TWU Drama presents “Dead Man’s Cell Phone,” 8 p.m., Redbud Theater. \$5 students, \$10 adults. 81-2020.  
 -Pioneers Soccer vs. West Texas A&M, 1 p.m., home.
- Mon., Oct. 12                    -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
- Tues., Oct. 13                    -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
- Wed., Oct. 14                    -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.  
 -SECC Charity Ball, [www.twu.edu/secc](http://www.twu.edu/secc).  
 -Pioneers Volleyball vs. Texas A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m., home.
- Thur., Oct. 15                    -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.  
 -Music Ensemble Fall Showcase, 7:30 p.m., MJPH, \$5/person, children ages 12 and younger free. 81-2500.  
 -Pioneers Volleyball vs. Arkansas-Fort Smith, 7 p.m., home.
- Fri., Oct. 16                    -Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.  
 -Pioneers Soccer vs. Abilene Christian, 4 p.m., away.
- Sat., Oct. 17                    -Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.  
 -Denton Campus Open House, 8:45 a.m., Hubbard Hall.

Sun., Oct. 18

-Library 2 p.m.-midnight; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-10 p.m.

-Pioneers Soccer vs. Angelo State, 1 p.m., away.

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