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TWU RECEIVES \$200,000 FROM THE GREATER TEXAS FOUNDATION

More scholarships will be available to Texas Woman's University students — in particular those planning to teach math or science, community college transfer students and first-generation students — thanks to three grants totaling \$200,000 from the Greater Texas Foundation (GTF.)

"The foundation board of directors was pleased with the proposals from Texas Woman's University and the university's commitment to serve our state's underrepresented populations and to bolster math and science education," said Dr. Wynn Rosser, GTF executive director. "TWU is well suited for both."

The GTF's Math and Science Scholarship Program has awarded TWU \$150,000 for students seeking teacher certification in math or science. Fifty thousand dollars of these grant funds will be used for student scholarships, while \$100,000 will establish an endowment for future student scholarships.

"We are extremely grateful for these scholarship and endowment funds," said Dr. Don Edwards, chair of the TWU math and computer science department. "These funds will allow TWU to significantly enhance the initiatives we have under way to meet the state's critical need for more math and science teachers well into the future."

The GTF's Rising to the Challenge Scholarship Program has given TWU \$25,000 for scholarships for students who transfer from a community college and participate in leadership activities at TWU.

"This is a great opportunity to offer more scholarship monies to transfer students so that they can achieve their academic goals," said Dr. Richard Nicholas, TWU vice president for student life. "Many of TWU's campus leaders are transfer students, including our new student regent. This new scholarship program rewards campus leadership among transfer students and will become a wonderful partner to our existing freshman leadership scholarship program."

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The GTF's Generation Proud Program awarded \$25,000 to TWU for scholarships for first-generation students who are Go Center participants attending TWU or TWU G-Force mentors.

A Go Center is a physical space in a high school that offers students admission and financial aid application assistance and other information to encourage greater participation in higher education by potential first-generation college students. TWU Go Centers are staffed by the TWU G-Force — TWU first-generation students who serve as peer-to-peer mentors.

“The TWU G-Force program has been a great success in assisting more potential first-generation students with the college application and financial aid process,” Dr. Nicholas said. “I am pleased that the GTF has recognized the achievements of our Go Centers and G-Force program and is rewarding the students with these scholarship funds.”

The Greater Texas Foundation serves the citizens and educational institutions of Texas by supporting initiatives that increase access to higher education, support teachers, and encourage parental and community involvement in education. For more information, visit www.greatertexasfoundation.org.

For more information about TWU scholarships, call 940-898-3064 or visit www.twu.edu/finaid/scholarships.asp.

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BRITT, CESARIO NAMED AMERICAN ACADEMY OF NURSING FELLOWS

The American Academy of Nursing (AAN) has named Texas Woman's University nursing faculty Dr. Robin Burke Britt and Dr. Sandra K. Cesario as AAN Fellows. They will be among 92 nurse leaders from the U.S. inducted as Fellows of the AAN (FAAN) during AAN's 35th Annual Meeting and Conference on Nov. 8 in Scottsdale, Ariz.

“The American Academy of Nursing is essentially the nation's think tank for health care and the nursing profession,” said Dr. Britt, Ed.D., RNC, WHCNP, nursing professor and institutional development officer for the TWU Institute of Health Sciences-Houston Center in the Texas Medical Center. “I am proud to be included in this prestigious group of nurses and hope that my contribution can be all about elevating professional nurses as part of the healthcare team.”

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Dr. Cesario, RNC, Ph.D., TWU associate nursing professor and nursing doctoral program coordinator for Houston, said, “Members of the AAN have dedicated their lives to elevating the profession of nursing and ultimately improving the health of all people worldwide. The AAN provides a venue for nurses with diverse talents, roles, titles, and clinical specialties to come together to address major health issues facing the U.S. and the world, and I am honored to be a part of it.”

According to the AAN, selection criteria for fellows includes evidence of significant contributions to nursing and health care, as well as the extent to which nominees’ nursing careers influence health policies for the benefit of all Americans.

“The Academy is comprised of many of the nation’s top nursing executives, policymakers, scholars, researchers, and practitioners,” said Pam Mitchell, Ph.D., RN, FAAN, president of AAN. “Being selected as an Academy Fellow is an important recognition of one’s contributions to nursing and health care.”

The AAN’s approximately 1,500 Fellows are nursing leaders in education, management, practice and research. They include university presidents, chancellors and deans; state and federal political appointees; hospital chief executives and vice presidents for nursing; and researchers and entrepreneurs. For more information visit www.aannet.org.

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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. 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.

Beginning Monday, July 21, **TWU parking decals** may be purchased online through the Pioneer Portal, by mailing forms downloaded from the DPS website or by going to the TWU DPS office in Hubbard Hall. Renewal letters will no longer be sent through the mail. To purchase a single decal, go to <http://portal.twu.edu/dps>. (Portal login is required.) To purchase more than one decal, download forms available at <http://www.twu.edu/dps/master.asp?page=parkingForms>, then return the completed forms to the DPS office. In order to receive your parking permit by mail, the forms must be in the parking office prior to Aug. 16. Forms also are available in the DPS office for those without Internet access. For more information, call 81-2911.

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The Facilities Management and Construction Department employs a tree service that provides **removal of unhealthy and/or unsafe trees** twice each year. This process currently is under way on the Denton campus. All trees removed will be replaced this fall with healthy trees. Additionally, 100 redbud trees will be added to the campus this fall as part of the Redbud Tree Revitalization Campaign.

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. **Kay Clayton** (provost's office) has appointed the following to the Associate Provost Search Committee: Dr. **Jennifer Martin** (Graduate School), chair; Dr. **Judith Bean** (provost's office); Dr. **Kenneth Foster** (psychology and philosophy); Dr. **Gerald Goodman** (health care administration program, Houston); Dr. **Patricia Holden-Huchton** (nursing); **Governor Jackson** (financial aid); Dr. **Linda Ladd** (family sciences), Speaker of the Faculty Senate; Dr. **Eric Malmberg**, (manager, Houston Campus); Dr. **Sarah McIntire** (biology); Dr. **Monica Mendez-Grant** (student life); and Dr. **Larry Petterborg** (physical therapy, Dallas), Speaker *Pro Tem* of the Faculty Senate. The position description is available on the TWU website, www.twu.edu/humanresources/employment/faculty-opsNEW.htm and has been advertised in a number of higher education online publications. The committee anticipates that campus visits will take place during the month of October. Many opportunities for campus interaction with the candidates will be planned. The goal is to have a new associate provost in place by January 2009.

Dr. **Ellina Grigorieva** (math and computer science) presented a 45-minute invited talk, "Hierarchical Differential Game Between Manufacturer and Retailer," at the international conference Differential Equations and Topology, dedicated to the 100th anniversary of the birthday of L.S. Pontryagin, June 22 in Moscow. Dr. Grigorieva was awarded a gold medal at the conference.

Teresa Mauk (Enrollment Services), **Ron Arender** (accounting), **Patrice Armor** (technical programming), **Glen Ray** (bursar's office) and **Veronica "Ronnie" Valenzuela** (student records) presented at the ApplyTexas Conference in Austin on June 23. The title of the presentation was "Implementing Online Application Payments at TWU: A Collaborative Success."

THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: JULY 21-AUGUST 3, 2008

Mon., July 21	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Tues., July 22	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Wed., July 23	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Thur., July 24	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Fri., July 25	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
Sat., July 26	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. -Online Degrees Information Session, 9 a.m.-noon, Admissions Building, Denton campus. Free. 81-3188.
Sun., July 27	-Library open 2-10 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-10 p.m.
Mon., July 28	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Tues., July 29	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Wed., July 30	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Thur., July 31	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Fri., Aug. 1	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

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Sat., Aug. 2	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sun., Aug. 3	-Library open 2-10 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-10 p.m.

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