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OIS TO HOST CULTURAL CONNECTIONS CONFERENCE SERIES

Dallas County Sheriff Lupe Valdez, who scored an historic victory in the November elections, and Afro centric educator, writer and activist Dr. Safisha Nzingha Adeleke (Pamela Hill) will be the guest speakers for TWU's Cultural Connections Conference Series scheduled April 8 and 15 in Hubbard Hall.

Valdez will deliver the keynote address during the second annual Latina Student Leadership Conference, titled "Abriendo Caminos: Expanding the Roads of Success through Guidance, Inspiration and Empowerment," Friday, April 8. Hill will be the guest speaker for the fourth annual African American Student Leadership Conference, titled "It's Our Turn: Let's Refocus, Re-energize and Rejuvenate Our Community," Friday, April 15.

Registration for each conference is \$30 for the general public; \$25 for TWU students, staff and faculty members; and \$15 for high school students. Registration for both conferences is \$50 for the public; \$40 for TWU students, faculty and staff; and \$30 for high school students. For more information, call 8-1-3679 or visit www.twu.edu/o-sl/intercultural/AAWSLC.html.

Valdez is the first female and first Hispanic to be elected sheriff of Dallas County. Dr. Hill currently serves as the director of education for Scholars Academy (Mwalimu Shule), an African-centered school that is a component of The Act of Change, Inc., Institute of Cultural Arts in Dallas. She also is an adjunct professor in the Department of Counseling Development and Higher Education at the University of North Texas.

The Cultural Connections Conference Series was developed to celebrate TWU's culturally diverse student population and to set an example for others to follow in regard to recruitment, retention and leadership development. The Office of Intercultural Services is dedicated to providing the university community with educational programs and services that promote an understanding of and appreciation for cultural diversity and human dignity in order to support and respond to the needs of underrepresented populations.

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SERVICE AND RETIREMENT RECOGNITION PROGRAMS SET

TWU will honor years of service and recognize retiring administrators, faculty and staff in programs scheduled on each campus.

The Houston Center reception will begin at 1 p.m. Tuesday, March 22 in the South Hall Lounge. Those being honored for **five years** of service are Margaret Bate, Institute for Women's Health; Gretchen Gemeinhardt, health care administration; Marilyn Goff, library; Brenda Haile, nursing; Marlene Heckel, Houston Center; Cheryl Holcombe, research office; Lene Symes, nursing.

Recognition for **10 years** of service will go to Peggy Landrum, nursing; and Marvin Miller, facilities management. Those being honored for **15 years** of service are Eugene Lopez, public safety; Kelley Moseley, health care administration; and Mary Watson, health sciences. Recognition for **20 years** of service will go to O. Jayne Bowman, occupational therapy; and Mohamed Sabbahi, physical therapy. Ruth Washington, nursing, will be recognized for **25 years** of service.

Virginia White, occupational therapy, will be recognized as a retiree.

The Dallas Center and Denton campus will have their programs April 18 and 19, respectively. The list of service awards and retirees from those campuses will be printed in the next edition of the Update.

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ALEXANDRIA'S, STRICTLY DIXIE TEAM UP FOR CONCERT

An evening of traditional jazz will feature a special treat as Alexandria's Ragtime Band performs with Charlie Chaplin's silent movie, "The Tramp."

The concert, which teams the Texas Woman's University performing group Alexandria's Ragtime Band with the Denton community's Strictly Dixie jazz band, is set for 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, April 5, in the Margo Jones Performance Hall. The concert is free and open to the public. For more information, call the 8-1-2500.

Alexandria's Ragtime Band is a TWU School of the Arts performing group. The ensemble specializes in late 19th and early 20th century ragtime and Dixieland jazz. The group, which has performed throughout the United States and Europe, is under the direction of TWU professor of music Dr. John W. Flohr. Strictly Dixie is a Denton community senior citizen group whose members share an interest in performing Dixieland music. The group, led by David Hume, rehearses and performs regularly in the community.

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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.

Faculty, staff and students in the department of health studies will participate in a 60-mile walk in Dallas-Fort Worth June 10-12 to raise money for breast cancer research. The team's goal is to raise \$30,000 to help the 200,000 women who are diagnosed with breast cancer every year in the United States. Net proceeds benefit the Susan G. Komen Foundation to fund breast cancer research, education, screenings, and treatments. Anyone interested in participating may contact Susan Ward at 8-1-2843.

Adjunct faculty member Carlo Pezzimenti (music) and the TWU International Folk Dance Company will be featured in "A Celebration! Weaving Art, Music and Dance" Friday, April 1 at the Center for the Visual Arts, 207 S. Bell in Denton. The Visual Arts Society of Texas program begins at 5 p.m. Reservations are required by Friday, March 25. For ticket information, call 940/566-5507. The program will honor granite sculptor Jesus Moroles, a 37th annual visual arts exhibition juror.

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.).

Faisal Aboul-Enein (nursing-Houston) has been selected as a nominee for the Jonathan Mann Award for Global Health and Human Rights. The award is presented annually to a leading practitioner in health and human rights. Aboul-Enein was nominated for his work in educating Arab Bedouins on the benefits of completing immunizations. Saudi Arabia has had persistent difficulty in increasing the number of vaccinations among Arab nomads and Bedouins.

Dr. **Trisha Van Duser** (Center for Student Development) has announced that Orientation Team Leaders Marcheale Ayinde, Mamawah Kandeh and Carey Stanley received the People's Choice Award for their presentation at the National Orientation Director's Association Region IV Conference in Dallas Feb. 25-27. The students' presentation, "Traditionally Speaking..." focused on TWU's current orientation traditions and how other institutions can initiate successful traditions programs within their orientation programs.

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Dr. **Ellina Grigorieva** (mathematics and computer science) published a paper titled, "Attainable Set of a Nonlinear Controlled Microeconomic Model" in the Journal of Dynamical and Control Systems, Vol. 11, No. 2, 157-176 (2005). Another paper, "Optimal Control of a Commercial Loan Repayment Plan," will be published in June in the Journal of Discrete and Continuous Dynamical Systems. She also will serve as chair of the optimal control section at the SIAM (Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics) international conference on Control and its Applications July 11-14 in New Orleans.

Teresa Mauk (enrollment management) was elected treasurer of the North Texas Council of College Registrars and Admissions Officers at the spring meeting March 4 at Northwood University.

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: MARCH 21-APRIL 3, 2005

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| Mon., March 21 | -Classes resume after Spring Break. -Library open 8 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. -"Women Playing With Fire" ceramics exhibition, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. M-F in West Gallery. Continues through April 5. Free. 8-1-2530. |
| Tues., March 22 | -Library open 8 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. -Lanelle Blanton Faculty Voice Recital, 7:30 p.m., MJPH. Free. 8-1-2500. |
| Wed., March 23 | -Library open 8a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. |
| Thur., March 24 | -Library open 8 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. |
| Fri., March 25 | -Library open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. -Pioneers Gymnastics in Midwest Independent Conference Championships, 6 p.m., home. |
| Sat., March 26 | -Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m; bookstore closed.; Wellness Center open 8 a.m.-6 p.m. |

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| Sun., March 27 | -Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; bookstore closed; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m. |
| Mon., March 28 | -Library open 8 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. |
| Tues., March 29 | -Library open 8 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. -Pioneers Softball vs. Oklahoma Panhandle State, 5/7 p.m., home. |
| Wed., March 30 | -Library open 8 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. |
| Thur., March 31 | -Library open 8 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. -TWU Chamber Singers with the TWU String Ensemble, 7:30 p.m., MJPH. Free. 8-1-2500. |
| Fri., April 1 | -Library open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. -Wide Awake Project, art installations and performances. Continues through April 30 throughout the Denton campus. 8-1-2451. -Pioneers Softball vs. Angelo State, 5/7 p.m., home. |
| Sat., April 2 | -Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Wellness Center open 8 a.m.-6 p.m. -Pioneers Softball vs. Angelo State, 1/3 p.m., home. |
| Sun., April 3 | -Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; bookstore closed; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m. |

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