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TWU TO HOST WINTER COMMENCEMENT CEREMONIES

The fall 2005 semester draws to a close Saturday and Sunday, Dec. 17-18, as Texas Woman's University hosts commencement ceremonies in Denton and Houston.

The Denton ceremonies, which include graduates from the Denton and Dallas campuses, are scheduled at 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m. in the Kitty Magee Arena in Pioneer Hall. Receptions on the second floor of the Student Union will follow each ceremony.

The commencement ceremony for TWU's Institute of Health Sciences-Houston Center will take place at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 18, in the Edwin Hornberger Conference Center.

TWU Chancellor Dr. Ann Stuart will preside at each ceremony.

Approximately 515 undergraduate and 623 graduate degrees will be awarded during the Denton and Houston commencement ceremonies.

Times for the Denton commencement ceremonies reflect candidate assignments based on specific schools and colleges participating in the ceremonies. Ceremony I, at 9 a.m., is for candidates from the College of Arts and Sciences. TWU Regent Ken Ingram, senior manager for all public fund activity in the Dallas-Fort Worth market for Wells Fargo, will address graduates during the morning ceremony. Ceremony II, at noon, is for candidates from the College of Health Sciences and the College of Nursing. Congressman Pete Sessions, who represents the people of the 32nd Congressional District in the U.S. House of Representatives, will speak during the noon commencement. Ceremony III, at 3 p.m., is for candidates from the College of Professional Education. Dr. Lottye Brodsky, a TWU alumnus and president of Lottye Brodsky and Associates in Dallas, is the speaker for the afternoon ceremony.

State Rep. Martha Wong will address graduates during the Houston commencement ceremony. Rep. Wong has served State District 134 since 2003.

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FIRST YEAR SUCCESS PROGRAM SEEKS MENTORS FOR SPRING

The First Year SUCCESS Mentoring and Advising Program is recruiting faculty and staff mentors to work with students during the spring semester.

SUCCESS is designed to provide new TWU students (protégés) the opportunity to share ideas with and learn from TWU faculty/staff mentors and upperclassmen outside a classroom setting. The support provided by mentors is aimed at addressing issues that freshmen face while making the transition into collegiate life.

Faculty/staff mentors from various disciplines and experiences are needed. Each faculty and staff mentor will be responsible for mentoring one student for the complete spring semester. Mentors are required to meet with their protégé at least twice a month. All faculty/staff applicants will meet with the program advisor before meeting their protégé.

Applications are available in the Office of Intercultural Services or may be accessed through the website at <http://www.twu.edu/o-sl/Intercultural/SUCCESS.html>

For more information, contact Becky Rodriguez at extension 3673 or email brodriguez@twu.edu.

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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.

TWU Chancellor Dr. Ann Stuart congratulated the Denton, Dallas and Houston campuses on "the overwhelming success" of the 2005 State Employees Charitable Campaign. In a letter to the university community, Dr. Stuart wrote, "The phenomenal result of the campaign is a reflection of the steering committee's superb leadership abilities and the generosity of the TWU family — proof positive that 'together we care.' Thank you on behalf of those who benefit from your efforts." TWU raised a total of \$65,629 in 2005, exceeding its goal of \$55,000. The Houston Center raised \$3,160, with 23 percent participation. The Dallas Center raised \$6,468, with 50 percent participation, and the Denton campus raised \$56,001, with 78 percent participation.

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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. **Gail Davis** (nursing) recently was presented with the Clinical Masters Award at the Annual Scientific Meeting of the Association of Rheumatology Health Professionals/American College of Rheumatology in San Diego. Her clinical and research work has focused on arthritis pain management with older adults and on developing an intervention for bone health for older adults living independently in residential settings. Dr. Davis also was recognized as a Star Award recipient at the 40th anniversary celebration of the association for her contributions to rheumatology. At the San Diego meeting, Dr. Davis and two doctoral students in nursing (Terri White and Asphodel Yang) also presented a symposium titled "A Bone Health Intervention for Older Adults in Residential Settings."

Sharon Axton (nursing-Houston) recently was honored as an outstanding nursing achievement award recipient by the Texas Nursing Association District Nine at its 15th Annual Nursing Celebration in Houston. Axton, an adjunct nursing professor at TWU, is a nationally recognized advocate for quality nursing care of children and their families.

Dr. **Roberta Nutt** (psychology) recently returned from Taiwan where she gave a keynote address and preconvention workshop at the Chinese Guidance and Counseling Association annual convention in Taipei and delivered addresses at three universities: National Taiwan Normal University in Taipei, National Changhua University of Education in Changhua, and National Hualien University of Education in Hualien.

Regina Michael Campbell (OT-Dallas) is the recipient of the 2006 Lillian Hoyle Parent Lectureship, which was founded at the 1990 Centennial Celebration for the University of Texas Medical Branch. She will be the 15th person to hold that honor. The lecture will be delivered in Fall 2006 in Galveston.

Occupational Therapy faculty and graduate occupational therapy students from the TWU Dallas campus served as presenters during the Texas Occupational Therapy Mountain Central conference Nov 11-13 in San Antonio. **Regina Michael Campbell** (OT-Dallas) co-presented with graduate master of occupational therapy students Karla Heigle, Sara Padgett, and Heather Todd Casey: "Role of the Occupation of Play in Promoting Health and Preventing Injuries." Campbell also co-presented with graduate MOT students Stephanie Eaker, Staci Nash, Candice Osborne, Sarah Pond and Lauren Taylor: "Universal Design: Constructs and Strategies for Health." Dr. Catherine Candler co-presented with graduate MOT students Lillie Thomas, Lana Jokisch, and Emily Wileman: "Intervention for Parents Using the Adolescent/Adult Sensory Profile."

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Dr. **Rhonda McClellan** (Educational Administration and Leadership) and Dr. **JoAnn Danelo Barbour** (Educational Administration and Leadership) have been asked to be reviewers for the new “Journal of Research in Leadership Education,” published by the University Council for Educational Administration.

Dr. **JoAnn Danelo Barbour** (Educational Administration and Leadership) recently presented two papers at the International Leadership Association (ILA) conference in Amsterdam, and one paper at the University Council for Educational Administration conference in Nashville. Additionally, as chair, she conducted the annual business meeting for the Leadership Education Global Learning Community of ILA and is on ILA’s planning committee for the 2006 conference in Chicago: “Leadership at the Crossroads.”

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: DECEMBER 12-25, 2005

Mon., Dec. 12	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Tues., Dec. 13	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Wed., Dec. 14	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Thur., Dec. 15	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Fri., Dec. 16	-Library open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 17	-Library open 10 a.m.-2 p.m; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 8 a.m.-noon. -Denton and Dallas commencement ceremonies, 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m., Pioneer Hall.
Sun., Dec. 18	-Library closed; bookstore closed; Fitness & Recreation open 2-6 p.m. -Houston commencement ceremony, 2 p.m., Edwin Hornberger Conference Center.

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Mon., Dec. 19	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
Tues., Dec. 20	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
Wed., Dec. 21	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
Thur., Dec. 22	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
Fri., Dec. 23	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sat., Dec. 24	-Library closed; bookstore closed; Fitness & Recreation closed.
Sun., Dec. 25	-Library closed; bookstore closed; Fitness & Recreation closed.

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