MULTIDISCIPLINARY RESEARCH PROPOSAL AWARDS PRESENTED

Special funding from the Texas Excellence initiative of the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board and the Provost's Office is being allocated to support multidisciplinary research projects. These awards provide up to \$25,000 for proposals that involve faculty from three or more disciplines.

Nine proposals were reviewed by the Academic Council, with three selected for funding. The title and researchers of funded projects are:

- "Measuring the Effect of a Multi-Disciplinary Intervention to Improve Communication, Conflict Resolution and Cooperation among Nurses and Physicians in High-Risk Hospital Settings," Dr. Patti Hamilton (nursing), Dr. Claire Sahlin (women's studies), Dr. Gretchen Gemeinhardt (health care administration) and Dr. Peggy Mancuso (nursing).
- "The Growing with EASE Project: An Interdisciplinary Approach to Prevention of Childhood Obesity," Dr. Barney Sanborn (kinesiology), Dr. Nancy DiMarco (nutrition and food sciences), Dr. Shannon Rich (psychology and philosophy), Dr. Carol Huettig (kinesiology), Dr. David Nichols (kinesiology), Dr. JoAnn Engelbrecht (family sciences), Dr. Junehee Kwon (nutrition and food sciences).
- "Mechanisms Responsible for Antidepressant-Induced Female Sexual Dysfunction," Dr. Lynda Uphouse (biology), Dr. Bruce Grossie (nutrition and food sciences), Dr. Mark Hammer (mathematics and computer sciences), Dr. James Johnson (chemistry and physics).

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TWU TO CELEBRATE FOUNDERS' DAY

The late Troy and Sarah LaGrone and the Benjamin Lyon Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution are recipients of the 2005 Founders' Award presented by Texas Woman's University, the TWU Foundation and the Former Students Association of TWU.

The awards will be presented at a luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Friday, Feb. 18 in Hubbard Hall. Tickets for the event are \$25 per person. Patron seats are available for \$60.

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FOUNDERS' DAY, continued

Benefactor tables for eight are available for \$500. Reservations are required by Wednesday, Feb. 9, and may be made by calling the TWU Office of Institutional Development at 8-1-3863.

Troy LaGrone, retired president of Ben E. Keith Beers, and his wife, Sarah, supported TWU athletic and educational programs for many years. Troy LaGrone also served on the Chancellor's Circle at TWU.

The Benjamin Lyon Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution supplies docents and support for the Texas First Ladies Historic Costume Collection, a collection of inaugural gowns worn by Texas 'first ladies, which is permanently housed at TWU. The university's longstanding relationship with the Daughters of the American Revolution continues through chapter regent Judy Weir, the statewide DAR liaison for the collection and TWU.

Founders' Day was known as Pancake Night when the Ex-Students Association started it in 1924. When the school was renamed Texas State College for Women in 1936, the event was given its present name.

Observance of Founders' Day was discontinued from 1955 until 1978, when former TWU President Mary Evelyn Blagg-Huey asked the National Alumni Association, now the Former Students Association, to assume responsibility for planning the event.

The first Founders' Awards were presented in 1998 to honor organizations and individuals who have supported TWU.

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FINANCIAL AID AWARENESS WEEK APPROACHES

Applications for 2005-06 academic scholarships and financial aid are now available at all TWU Financial Aid Offices and online at www.twu.edu/finaid/. The Financial Aid staff will be at several locations on all campuses during the week of Feb. 14-18 (Feb. 21-24 at Presbyterian). They will distribute 2005-2006 academic scholarship and financial aid applications and answer general questions concerning the financial aid application process. To view times and locations, go to http://www.twu.edu/finaid/finaidawarenessweek-flier.htm.

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TWU BRINGS 'THE LONG MARCH' HOME

"The Long March," the latest production by the Texas Woman's University Theatre Department, returns to its Denton roots after successful performances in Ireland.

The play, a powerful story of a tribe of outcasts searching for a sense of belonging, will be performed in the Margo Jones Performance Hall. Show times are 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 10, 8 p.m. Saturday, Feb. 12, and 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 13. Tickets are \$5 for students and senior citizens and \$10 for adults. For reservations or more information, contact the TWU Theatre Box Office at 8-1-2020.

An original play written by Irish playwright Martin Maguire, "The Long March" is the product of an international collaboration between TWU and the Gaiety School of Acting in Dublin, Ireland. Patrick Sutton, artistic director of the Gaiety School, served as an artist in residence at TWU in October, working with students on improvisation and documenting their work. Sutton returned to Dublin and gave the pieces to Maguire, who scripted the play using the students' work as his inspiration.

The cast visited Ireland for three weeks during TWU's winter break to rehearse and perform the play at the SS Michael and John Theatre in Temple Bar, Dublin. The play was hailed as "fresh and energetic" by The Irish Times, the Irish equivalent of the New York Times.

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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.

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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.).

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PEOPLE, continued

Governor Jackson (financial aid) participated in KTVT's televised financial aid telethon Jan. 27 in Dallas. The telethon was part of the College for Texans campaign with the goal of increasing Hispanic enrollment in higher education in Texas by 29,000 students by fall 2005. This effort was in support of the broader Closing the Gaps initiative of increasing college enrollments in Texas by 500,000 students by the year 2015.

Dr. Caryl Mobley (nursing, Dallas) will travel to Washington, D.C., March 10-12 for the American Association of Colleges of Nursing Leadership for Academic Nursing Program. The yearlong program is designed to develop and enhance leadership skills in new and emerging administrators in baccalaureate and graduate nursing programs.

Dr. **Dene Grigar** (English, Speech and Foreign Language) recently was named associate editor of *Leonardo Reviews*, the scholarly review service published by MIT Press and the International Society for Arts, Sciences and Technology. In this capacity, she will be in charge of editing the 15 to 25 reviews published each month by the journal. She also was elected representative at large for the South Central Modern Language Association and will be handling membership for the organization.

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: FEBRUARY 7-20, 2005

| Mon., Feb. 7 | -Library open 8 a.mmidnight; bookstore open 8 a.m6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m10 p.mJoyce Elaine Grant Juried Photo Exhibition, TWU West Gallery, 9a.m4 p.m. MonFri. through Feb. 25. Free. 8-1-2530Health Professionals Career Day, 11 a.m2 p.m., Houston campus. 8-1-2950. |
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| Tues., Feb. 8 | -Library open 8a.mmidnight; bookstore open 8 a.m5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m10 p.mBart Deaton Memorial Blood Drive, SC 207, 9 a.m3p.m. Free. 8-1-3833Valentine Fair, 9 a.m3 p.m., SC Lobby. Free admission. 8-1-3343. |
| Wed., Feb. 9 | -Library open 8a.mmidnight; bookstore open 8 a.m5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m10 p.mProfessor's Corner: "Love Sonnets, Then and Now," 7-8:30 p.m., Denton Public Library, South Branch. 8-1-2343. |

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| Thur., Feb. 10 | -Library open 8 a.mmidnight; bookstore open 8 a.m6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m10 p.mTWU Drama presents "The Long March," 4 p.m., MJPH, \$5-\$10, 8-1-2518Pioneer Basketball vs. Texas A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m., home. |
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| Fri., Feb. 11 | -Library open 8 a.m6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m3 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m10 p.m"The Ethics and Enactment of Diversity," 8:15 a.m4:30 p.m., CFO 203. 8-1-3408Pioneer Gymnastics vs. Alaska, 7:05 p.m., awayPioneer Softball vs. Adams State, 10 a.m., awayPioneer Softball vs. Dominguez Hills, 2 p.m., away. |
| Sat., Feb. 12 | -Library open 9 a.m6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Wellness Center open 8 a.m6 p.mChild Care Providers Conference, 8:30 a.m2:30 p.m., Denton campus, \$30. 8-1-3408TWU Drama presents "The Long March," 8 p.m., MJPH, \$5-\$10, 8-1-2518Pioneer Gymnastics vs. Alaska, 7:05 p.m., awayPioneer Basketball vs. Midwestern State, 3 p.m., homePioneer Softball vs. UC-San Diego, 10 a.m., awayPioneer Softball vs. San Bernardino, noon, away. |
| Sun., Feb. 13 | -Library open 2 p.m. to midnight; bookstore closed; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.mTWU Drama presents "The Long March," 2 p.m., MJPH, \$5-\$10, 8-1-2518Pioneer Softball vs. Grand Canyon University, 10 a.m., awayPioneer Softball vs. Hawaii-Hilo, noon, away. |
| Mon., Feb. 14 | -Library open 8 a.mmidnight; bookstore open 8 a.m5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m10 p.m. |
| Tues., Feb. 15 | -Library open 7:30 a.mmidnight; bookstore open 8 a.m5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m10 p.mTWU/Brookhaven Community College Combined Flute Choir, 7:30 p.m., MJPH, Free. 8-1-2500. |

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Wed., Feb. 16 -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. -How to Have a Successful Career Day, 2:30-3:30 p.m., MCL 405, 8-1-2950. Thur., Feb. 17 -Library open 8 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. -Pioneer Basketball vs. Abilene Christian, 7 p.m., home. Fri., Feb. 18 -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. -Pioneer Softball vs. Colorado St.-Pueblo, 8 a.m., away. -Pioneer Softball vs. UC-Colorado Springs, 3:30 p.m., away. Sat., Feb. 19 -Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Wellness Center open 8 a.m.-6 p.m -Pioneer Basketball vs. Angelo State, 3 p.m., home. -Pioneer Softball vs. Mesa State College, 8 a.m., away. -Pioneer Softball vs. Colorado School of Mines, 10:30 a.m., away. -Pioneer Softball vs. Regis University, 3:30 p.m., away. Sun., Feb. 20 -Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; bookstore closed; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m. -Pioneer Gymnastics vs. Oklahoma, Missouri and Centenary, 2 p.m., away.

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