

*Volume 24, Number 8, December 3-16, 2001*

### ***WINTER COMMENCEMENT SCHEDULED***

The fall 2001 semester will draw to a close as commencement ceremonies take place Saturday, Dec. 15 in Denton and Sunday, Dec. 16, in Houston.

Students and family members who have tickets are invited to attend. The Denton ceremonies are scheduled at 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m. in the Kitty Magee Arena in Pioneer Hall. Commencement speakers for ceremonies I, II and III, respectively, are Dr. Alice Hines, a TWU graduate and professor of English at Hendrix College in Conway, Ark.; Dr. Phyllis Bridges, a TWU professor of English; and Louise Kuehn Appleman, a TWU Distinguished Alumna and owner/principal of Appleman and Associates, a relocation consultants firm.

Times for commencement reflect candidate assignments, based on specific schools and colleges participating in the ceremonies listed below:

- 9 a.m. - Ceremony I for candidates from the College of Arts and Sciences. A reception will follow from 9:30-11:30 a.m. on the second floor of the Student Center.
- Noon - Ceremony II for candidates from the School of Occupational Therapy and the College of Professional Education. A reception will take place from 1:30-2:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Student Center.
- 3 p.m. - Ceremony III for candidates from the College of Health Sciences, College of Nursing and the School of Physical Therapy. A reception will take place from 4:30-5:30 p.m. on the second floor of the Student Center.

The Houston commencement ceremony will take place at 2 p.m. Sunday, Dec. 16, in the Edwin Hornberger Conference Center in the Texas Medical Center. Bob Lanier, former mayor of Houston, will be the guest speaker. A reception will follow the ceremony.

TWU Chancellor and President Ann Stuart will preside at each ceremony, which includes an academic procession, certification of degrees and a commencement address.

For more information, call 8-1-3036.

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## EVENT TO MARK CLOSE OF CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Texas Woman's University will celebrate the close of the Centennial year with festivities and a holiday party Thursday, Dec. 6. The event will be a celebration of TWU's traditions and a time to reflect on the university's rich history.

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***EVENT, continued***

Festivities will begin with a dance performance in Redbud Theatre. Following the performance, students, faculty, staff and friends of TWU will gather at Old Main to continue a holiday tradition of caroling and a candlelit walk down Redbud Lane to Hubbard Hall. The walk continues on to the Little Chapel-in-the-Woods, where the Centennial Closing ceremony concludes.

A reception for alumni, students, friends, faculty, staff and the community will follow the closing ceremony. For more information, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 8-1-2586 or [alumni@twu.edu](mailto:alumni@twu.edu).

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**WEATHER INFORMATION PROCEDURES PROVIDED**

When bad weather hits the Denton and Dallas areas, TWU faculty, staff and students can learn as early as 6 a.m. whether the university will be closed. (The Houston Center follows a separate procedure for that location.) Area radio and television stations carry information about closures after they are notified by the university.

After receiving weather and road condition information from John Erwin (public safety), Dr. Ann Stuart (chancellor's office) and Dr. Brenda Floyd (finance and administration) determine whether a closure is necessary because of inclement weather. Dr. Floyd then notifies the news and information staff in the office of marketing and communication about the closure; they then call area news media to announce that the university will not be open due to bad weather. Faculty, staff and students should follow the procedures listed below when inclement weather is a threat.

Listen to or watch the following mass media outlets for information about closings or delayed openings: Charter Communications in Denton (channel 25) or Dallas-area stations WFAA-TV (channel 8), KXAS-TV (channel 5), KTVT-TV (channel 11), KDFW-TV (channel 4) or KXII-TV

(channel 12, Sherman/Denison). They also may tune to the following radio stations: WBAP (820 AM), KERA (90.1 AM), KRLD (1080 AM), KVIL (1150 AM) or KNTU (88.1 FM).

Please note: Radio stations can put information on the air more quickly and repeat it more frequently. Television stations take longer, based on the number of calls they receive.

Call the university's information line for weather closings. In Denton, call (940) 898-3430 after 5:30 a.m. In Dallas, call (214) 689-6631. In Houston, call (713) 794-2310.

The office of information technology services will post the announcement on voice mail, which each faculty and staff member can access from his or her home telephone. Each school, college, department or office is encouraged to designate one person who can call in and change the departmental/college/school/office message to indicate a closing or delayed opening for that day *after he or she has verified the closing or delayed opening announced on TWU's weather line.*

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### ***DENTON CAMPUS MEETS SECC GOALS***

The Denton campus community reached both its Centennial goals for the State Employee Charitable Campaign: \$50,000 and 50 percent participation.

The total contributions as of last week amounted to \$50,000. Final figures will be tallied this week. A total of 439 (of 868) employees participated in the drive.

SECC 2001 co-chairs Dr. Lynda Murphy (distance education) and Dr. Evelyn Curry (library science) send their congratulations to the Denton campus community and their thanks to Dr. Ann Stuart (chancellor's office) for her support of the campaign and Colleen Sallee (payroll office) for her hard work.

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### **PROFESSOR'S CORNER SCHEDULED**

Dr. David Anderson, an English professor at the University of North Texas, will present a discussion of Texas writer John Graves during Professor's Corner, scheduled from 7-8:30 p.m. at the Denton Public Library South Branch. The branch is located at 3228 Teasley Lane, just south of the Teasley/Lillian Miller intersection.

John Graves is one of Texas's best-loved writers. The presentation will focus on his background as a Texas writer as well as a Southern writer; his emphasis on the land and nature; and his continual interest in how humans interact with the natural world. The selection is from his book, *Hard Scrabble*.

The purpose of this monthly series is to provide area English professors and doctoral students an opportunity to share their special interests with the general public through informal presentations that allow for discussion. Monthly announcements are available

by e-mail; to get on the mailing list, send a request by e-mail to SSouris@ATT.net. Current information is also available at the Denton Public Library.

Copies of this month's material are available in a folder on reserve (at the central library ask at the Adult Services information desk; at the south branch library ask at the circulation desk). Anyone interested in the session may take home one photocopy of the reading, provided the copy is returned to the folder.

Teachers, please note: Students are welcome to attend, but please do not require it or offer extra credit. No proof-of-attendance signatures will be provided. Students who come should come entirely from their own motivation.

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## **STAFF SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR SPRING**

Dr. Richard Nicholas (student life) has announced that staff scholarships will be available for the 2002 spring term. To be eligible, one must:

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***SCHOLARSHIPS, continued***

- Be a full-time or part-time permanent TWU employee. (Graduate assistants are not eligible);
- Have been employed at least three consecutive months by the start of the spring 2002 term;
- Be a student in good standing if you previously have enrolled at TWU. New students must meet normal admission standards and should submit an application in addition to the scholarship request form, if one has not already been submitted.

The scholarship will pay \$250 toward one three-hour course. The course may be at the graduate or undergraduate level. Only one scholarship per person per semester will be awarded.

Scholarships will be awarded on a first-come basis. If a scholarship recipient withdraws from the course before the 12th class day, the scholarship must be repaid.

Scholarship request forms should be returned to Dr. Nicholas as soon as possible.

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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, by fax to 8-1-3463 or by e-mail to**

**info@twu.edu. The deadline to receive**

**information is every other Tuesday 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.**

The Office of Marketing and Communication is moving on Tuesday, Dec. 4 from ACT 2 to the former Public Safety building, located next to Human Resources on Oakland. Phone numbers and e-mail addresses will remain the same.

The community is invited to an open house Thursday, Dec. 6, for the recently renovated Human Development Building. The event is scheduled from 1-3 p.m. and will include tours of the sensory laboratory, the food product development laboratory, the Institute for Women's Health and more.

The Office of Lifelong Learning will have an open house from 10-11:30 a.m. Wednesday, Dec. 12 on ACT 2. Those attending will be able to meet the staff and learn of new opportunities provided through the office.

Gift certificates are available through Monday, Dec. 17, for the 2002 edition of College For Kids, scheduled July 8-19. Students must be in grades 3-7 during the spring 2002 semester. Tuition, not including supply fees, is \$139. For more information, call the Office of Lifelong Learning at 8-1-3408, or visit [www.twu.edu/0-ll](http://www.twu.edu/0-ll).

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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.).**

**Dr. Ann Stuart** (chancellor's office) invites the university community to join her for a holiday celebration Thursday, Dec. 6, from 11 a.m. until 12:30 p.m. in Pioneer Hall.

**Dr. Mary Evelyn Blagg Huey** will present "TWU Memories" from 12:15-1 p.m. Friday, Dec. 7, during the Courthouse Lecture Series on the second floor of the Denton County Courthouse-on-the-Square Museum. The presentation by Dr. Huey, TWU's seventh president, will conclude a yearlong series of lectures and exhibits celebrating TWU's Centennial year.

**Dr. Carolyn Bednar** and **Dr. Junehee Kwon** (nutrition and food sciences) recently were awarded a \$131,054 grant for a project titled, "Development of a Consumer Food Safety Education Program for WIC Participants." The grant from the U.S. Department of Agriculture is from a period beginning Sept. 15, 2001 and ending Sept. 30, 2003. The project proposes to assess food safety education needs of low-income women who are participants in WIC, a popular government-operated community nutrition program. Educational materials to be developed will include a videotape, interactive CD, training booklet and handouts. These educational tools will be field-tested with WIC participants to determine learning effectiveness.

**Vince Thompson** (intercollegiate athletics) has announced that the Student-Athlete Advisory Council is selling T-shirts to raise money for a college scholarship fund for the children of the September 11 tragedy. The shirts are white, cotton, long-sleeved shirts with four-color artwork on the front and back. The front includes a picture of the Statue of Liberty and an American flag with the phrase "Stand Beside Her." The back of the shirt reads, "TWU backs the red, white and blue." The shirts are available in the TWU Athletics office and at all Pioneer sporting events. The cost is \$20 for each shirt, with all proceeds going to the college scholarship fund for the children who lost a parent or guardian in the tragedy.

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## THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: DECEMBER 3-16, 2001

Dec. 3-6

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Tues., Dec. 4

- Colleague training: "Selecting and Tracking Requisitions," 9 a.m. Call 8-1-3293 to register.

Wed., Dec. 5

- Colleague training: "Intro and Overview of Colleague," 9 a.m. Call 8-1-3293 to register.

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**CALENDAR, continued**

- Colleague training: "Inquiry into the Student System," 10:30 a.m. Call 8-1-3293 to register.
- Safety training: "Workplace Violence," Denton campus, 9 a.m., SC 109. Call 8-1-3130 to register.
- Safety training: "Back Injury Prevention," Denton campus, 1 p.m., SC 109. Call 8-1-3130 to register.

Thurs., Dec. 6

- Centennial Closing. For a schedule of events, contact the Office of Alumni Relations at 8-1-2586 or visit the website, [alumni@twu.edu](mailto:alumni@twu.edu).
- Holiday Celebration, 11 a.m.-12:30 p.m., Pioneer Hall.
- Human Development Building open house, 1-3 p.m.
- Board of Regents meeting, 3 p.m., ACT 16.
- Basketball: Pioneers vs. Southwestern Oklahoma State. "Greek Night." 7 p.m., Pioneer Hall
- Colleague training: "Online Time Sheet Entry - Non-Exempt Employees," 9 a.m. Call 8-1-3293 to register.
- Colleague training: "Online Time Sheet Entry - Exempt Employees," 10 a.m. Call 8-1-3293 to register.

Fri., Dec. 7

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-9 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Board of Regents meeting, 8 a.m., ACT 16.
- Gymnastics: TWU Pioneers Intra-Squad Meet, 7 p.m., Pioneer Hall.
- Dr. Mary Evelyn Blagg Huey presents "TWU Memories," Denton County Courthouse-on-the-Square Museum's Courthouse Lectures series, 12:15-1 p.m., second floor of courthouse.

Sat., Dec. 8

- Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Basketball: Pioneers vs. Cameron, 3 p.m., Pioneer Hall.

Sun., Dec. 9

- Library open 2-10 p.m.; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m.

Dec. 10-12

Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Wed., Dec. 12

- Office of Lifelong Learning open house, 10-11:30 a.m., ACT 2.
- Professor's Corner, 7-8 p.m., Denton Public Library South Branch.

Thurs., Dec. 13

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Pioneer Hall pool and locker rooms closed through Sun., Dec. 16.

Fri., Dec. 14

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.; for bookstore hours, call 8-1-3103.

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**CALENDAR**, *continued*

Sat., Dec. 15

- Commencement, Denton campus, 9 a.m., noon and 3 p.m., Pioneer Hall.
- Library open 9 a.m.-5 p.m.; Pioneer Hall Wellness Center closed; Jones Hall Wellness Center open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.; for bookstore hours, call 8-1-3103.

Sun., Dec. 16

- Houston commencement, 2 p.m., Edwin Hornberger Conference Center, Texas Medical Center.
- Library closed; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m.; for bookstore hours, call 8-1-3103.

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