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## **TWU TO HOST OPEN HOUSE FEB. 21**

Texas Woman's University will host an open house for prospective students from 8 a.m. until noon Saturday, Feb. 21 on the TWU Denton campus.

Prospective students and their guests will have the opportunity to meet faculty and students, participate in a campus tour and attend sessions on admissions, financial aid, housing, student life, commuter information and more. Sessions will be offered in English and Spanish.

Prospective students also could win \$1,000 to be applied to fall 2009 tuition and fees at TWU. Three awards of \$1,000 each will be presented to one freshman, one transfer and one graduate student at the Denton Open House. Students must be eligible for admission to TWU to claim the awards.

Registration begins at 8 a.m. in Hubbard Hall. Information sessions are scheduled until noon, followed by campus tours that include residence halls. Free parking is available throughout the Denton campus during the open house.

For more information or to register, visit [www.twu.edu](http://www.twu.edu) and click on "Denton Campus Open House," email TWU at [campusvisit@twu.edu](mailto:campusvisit@twu.edu) or call 8-1-3014 or 1-866-809-6130.

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## **TWU'S BOWYER NAMED AOTA FELLOW**

Texas Woman's University faculty Patricia Bowyer is among only 21 occupational therapy leaders in the nation named to the 2009 American Occupational Therapy Association's (AOTA) Roster of Fellows. She will receive her award during the 2009 AOTA Annual Conference April 23-26 in Houston.

The AOTA Roster of Fellows recognizes those who have made significant contributions to the continuing education and professional development of association members. According to the AOTA, less than 1 percent of all occupational therapists in the U.S. are included on the AOTA Roster of Fellows, which allows recipients to use the initials FAOTA as part of their credentials.

“I am humbled by this selection because of the fellows that I will join, and I hope that I can continue their tradition of elevating the profession of occupational therapy,” said Dr. Bowyer, Ed.D., OTR, FAOTA.

Dr. Bowyer joined TWU’s Institute of Health Sciences-Houston Center as the associate director of the School of Occupational Therapy in July 2007. Prior to her career in academia, she worked as an occupational therapist for 13 years, specializing in adult neurorehabilitation and in pediatric therapy.

Dr. Bowyer is a member of Phi Kappa Phi, Kappa Delta Pi, Theta Pi and Gamma Beta Phi. In 2007 she was one of only 16 in the nation selected to participate in the Leadership Mentoring Program, sponsored by the American Occupational Therapy Foundation and the AOTA. She received her bachelor’s degree from Milligan College in Tennessee, her master’s degree in occupational therapy from Eastern Kentucky University and her doctorate in educational leadership is from East Tennessee State University.

She joins TWU occupational therapy faculty Regina Campbell (Dallas) and Kathyln Reed (Houston) as AOTA Fellows.

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## **SHARON VENABLE JOINS TWU STAFF**

The Chancellor’s Office has announced that Sharon Venable has joined the TWU team as assistant to the chancellor for community relations. In her new position, she will be part of a group led by Dr. Richard Nicholas, TWU vice president for student life, who will have the responsibility of developing, leading and implementing a strategic university Communities Relations Plan for TWU.

“The new task force on community relations and the addition of Sharon Venable’s skills and experience will provide a truly strategic opportunity for TWU,” Dr. Nicholas said. “We expect to be able to organize and prioritize existing outreach efforts and to expand the University’s visibility, reputation and outreach to our communities.”

Ms. Venable brings to TWU more than 25 years of corporate and senior level experience with diversified responsibilities covering management, administration, community organization and nonprofit leadership – most recently as chief administrative officer/VP-special initiatives for the Dallas Regional Chamber for the past 17 years. She also is familiar with TWU and its mission through her term as a TWU Regent (2005-2008).

“I look forward to working with Sharon in her new role as we move forward in positioning TWU for the future,” TWU Chancellor Ann Stuart said.

Ms. Venable may be reached in the Office of Institutional Development at 81-3851.

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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](mailto: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.*

President Barack Obama's election will be explored in the context of African-American history in "**A Time for Change: Barack Obama in African-American History**" at 2:30 p.m. Tuesday, Feb. 17 in CFO 203. Paul Dunbar, an instructor of African-American history in TWU's department of history and government, will present the talk. Afterward, a panel of students will discuss their impression of the election's historical and personal significance. The event is free.

TWU takes on a classic this spring with Tennessee Williams' "**The Glass Menagerie.**" The award-winning play is told through the memories of Tom Wingfield, a son longing to escape from his stifling home and overbearing mother. Performances will be at 4 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 19; at 8 p.m. Friday, Feb. 20 and Saturday, Feb. 21; and at 2 p.m. Sunday, Feb. 22. All performances will take place in the Redbud Theater Complex, located on the northwest side of historic Hubbard Hall. Tickets are \$10 for adults and \$5 for students and seniors. For reservations or more information, call the TWU Box Office at 81-2020 or visit [www.twu.edu/soa/drama](http://www.twu.edu/soa/drama).

The **College of Arts and Sciences** will host Ron Chandler, an environmental scientist at the Florida Center for Community Design and Research at the University of South Florida (USF), Wednesday, Feb. 25 at 2:30 p.m. in ACT 301. Mr. Chandler will present "Sustainable Communities and Civic Engagement: From Local to Global."

## 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. **AnaLouise Keating** (women's studies) was one of 12 scholars selected from a pool of more than 220 applicants to participate in the Ms. Writers Workshop for Feminist Scholars, a unique initiative designed to engage feminist scholars from diverse academic

fields in writing for Ms. magazine. The project's purpose is to advance public knowledge by making women's studies and feminist scholarship more accessible to a mass audience.

**Dr. AnaLouise Keating** (women's studies) published an article, "I'm a citizen of the universe": Gloria Anzaldúa's Spiritual Activism as Catalyst for Social Change," in the most recent issue of the journal *Feminist Studies*; she also published "'Working towards wholeness': Gloria Anzaldúa's Struggles to Live with Diabetes and Chronic Illness," in *The Cultural Mediations of Latina Health* (University of Arizona Press). In December 2008, she attended the Modern Languages Association Annual Conference, where she presented a paper titled "From 'Disciplinolatry' to Transdisciplinarity: Transforming Ethnic Studies?"

**Jeff Bowerman** (athletics) has been named assistant athletic director for marketing/operations following the recent resignation of **Margie Williamson**. **Charolette Hunt**, the Pioneers' coordinator of athletics compliance and academic services, will take on the additional responsibility of senior woman administrator.

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#### **THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: FEBRUARY 9-22, 2009**

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| Mon., Feb. 9   | -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.;<br>Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.  |
| Tues., Feb. 10 | -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.;<br>Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.<br>-Pioneers Softball vs. Southeastern Oklahoma State, 5 & 7 p.m.,<br>home.  |
| Wed., Feb. 11  | -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.;<br>Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.- midnight.<br>-Pioneers Basketball vs. Texas A&M-Commerce, 7 p.m., home.   |
| Thur., Feb. 12 | -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.;<br>Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.- midnight.<br>-"The Glow" movie premiere, presented by the TWU School of<br>Management, 3:30 p.m., CFO 203.  |
| Fri., Feb. 13  | -Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.;<br>Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.<br>-TWU Softball Tournament, Pioneers vs. Southern Arkansas, 11<br>a.m., home.<br>- TWU Softball Tournament, Pioneers vs. Pittsburg State, 1 p.m.,<br>home. |

Sat., Feb. 14	<p>-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.</p> <p>-Pioneers Basketball vs. Southwestern Oklahoma State, 2 p.m., away.</p> <p>-TWU Softball Tournament, Pioneers vs. University of Central Missouri, 11 a.m., home.</p> <p>TWU Softball Tournament, Pioneers vs. St. Edward's, 3:30 p.m., home.</p>
Sun., Feb. 15	<p>-Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-10 p.m.</p> <p>-Pioneers Gymnastics vs. University of Arizona, 2 p.m., home.</p> <p>"Think Pink!" Meet.</p>
Mon., Feb. 16	<p>-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness &amp; Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.</p>
Tues., Feb. 17	<p>-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.</p> <p>-“A Time for Change: Barack Obama in African-American History,” 2:30 p.m., CFO 203. Free.</p> <p>-Pioneers Softball vs. Southeastern Oklahoma State, 1 &amp; 3 p.m., away.</p>
Wed., Feb. 18	<p>-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.- midnight.</p> <p>-Pioneers Basketball vs. Central Oklahoma, 7 p.m., away.</p>
Thur., Feb. 19	<p>-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.- midnight.</p> <p>-TWU Drama presents “The Glass Menagerie,” 4 p.m., Redbud Theater Complex, \$5 students/seniors, \$10 adults. 81-2020.</p> <p>-Pioneers Gymnastics vs. Air Force Academy, 6 p.m. (MST), away.</p> <p>-Pioneers Softball at 2009 Midwestern State University Invitational through Saturday, Feb. 21.</p>
Fri., Feb. 20	<p>-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.</p> <p>-TWU Drama presents “The Glass Menagerie,” 8 p.m., Redbud Theater Complex, \$5 students/seniors, \$10 adults. 81-2020.</p>
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-TWU Open House, 8 a.m.-1 p.m., Hubbard Hall. Key sessions in English and Spanish.

-Pioneers Basketball vs. Northeastern State, 2 p.m., home.

-Pioneers Gymnastics vs. University of Denver, 6 p.m. (MST), away.

Sun., Feb. 22

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