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ARTS AND SCIENCES CANDIDATES WILL VISIT CAMPUS

Five candidates for the position of dean of the College of Arts and Sciences will visit the TWU Denton campus during the next three weeks to meet with members of the search committee, administrators and other university representatives. Search committee chair Dr. Sondra Ferstl (research and grants) announced the candidates late Friday.

Ferstl said, "These are the first candidates we have invited to our campus. The search is ongoing until the position is filled." The vacancy occurred following the retirement of Dr. Robert Collier last fall. Candidates and their schedule of public presentations are listed below:

- *Dr. James Thorp*, chair and professor of the department of biology at the University of Louisville (Ky.) -- Wed., Jan. 29, public presentation, ACT 3, 1:30 p.m.
- *Dr. Jeffrey Smitten*, professor and head of the department of English at Utah State University (Logan, Utah) -- Tues., Feb. 4, public presentation, ACT 3, 1:30 p.m.
- *Dr. Wayne Powell*, associate dean of the Graduate College and professor of mathematics at Oklahoma State University (Stillwater, Okla.) -- Thurs., Feb. 6, public presentation, ACT 3, 1:30 p.m.
- *Dr. Rosemary Keefe Curb*, head of the department of English at Southwest Missouri State University (Springfield, Mo.) -- Tues., Feb. 11, public presentation, ACT 3, 1:30 p.m.
- *Dr. Shirley Clay Scott*, chair of the department of English at Western Michigan University (Kalamazoo, Mich.) -- Thurs., Feb. 13, public presentation, ACT 3, 1:30 p.m.

For more information about these candidates, contact Ferstl at ext. 3378.

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DORFMAN PERFORMANCE SET IN DANCE

Avant-garde dancer and choreographer David Dorfman will perform at TWU on Sat., Jan. 25, at 8 p.m. in Margo Jones Performance Hall. The performance is part of the 1996-97 Dance Residency, which is held each year at either TWU or the University of North Texas and provides students with the opportunity to participate in a lecture performance by well-known dance troupes.

Tickets are \$10 for general admission; \$8 for senior citizens, TWU/UNT faculty and staff; \$5 for students; \$4 for children; and free for TWU or UNT students with valid

identification. Tickets are available from the office of student activities, SC 1st floor, or from the fine arts box office in the UNT Student Union. Call ext. 3611 for tickets.

Dorfman is unlike most dancers, says Dr. Janice LaPointe-Crump (performing arts, dance), who is serving as Dance Residency coordinator. The New Yorker has a strong background in athletics rather than in the arts. She says, "He not only uses his athleticism in his choreography, but also he incorporates other aspects of the arts, such as musical instruments and text. His choreography addresses sensitive issues in a comical and non-confrontational way."

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Dorfman's performance is made possible with funding from the TWU Repertory Theatre, the Mid-America Arts Alliance and the UNT Fine Arts Series. For more information, call LaPointe-Crump at ext. 2085.

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FINALISTS FOR EOD POSITION BEGIN VISITS THIS WEEK

A reminder to all faculty, staff and students....Five finalists for the position of executive assistant to the president for equal opportunity and diversity begin their visits in Denton this week. They each will combine an open presentation with a videoconference so that interested persons on all campuses may participate. The schedule is listed below:

- *Dr. Zaida Giraldo*, director of affirmative action, California State University-Chico -- Wed., Jan. 22, open presentation and videoconference, SH 308, 11:15 a.m.
- *Janet Saunders*, affirmative action officer, State University of New York at Plattsburg Mon., Jan. 27, open presentation and videoconference, SH 308, 10:15 a.m.
- *Michele Redwine*, affirmative action officer, town of Greenwich, Conn. -- Tues., Jan. 28, open presentation and videoconference, SH 308, 11:15 a.m.
- Renay Ford Scales, former assistant vice president, University of North Texas (currently completing a doctorate in higher education at the University of Houston) -- Wed., Jan. 29, open presentation and videoconference, SH 308, 11:15 a.m.
- Carolyn Speed-Green, executive assistant to the president for equal opportunity and diversity, Hillsborough Community College (Tampa, Fla.) -- Tues., Feb. 11, open presentation and videoconference, SH 308, 1:15 p.m.

For more information, call search committee chair Dr. Rudy Rodriguez (reading and bilingual education) at ext. 2227.

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COUNSELING CENTER FIELDS MANY NEEDS (second in a series)

The TWU Counseling Center serves a diverse student population that faces many problems, crises and needs. Dr. Don Rosen, who directs the center, says the answers to several of the most frequently asked questions can help faculty and staff assist their students.

- "Why won't you give me the name of a particular staff member who I can refer my students to? This would make it easier for all of us." -- The Counseling Center is relatively small and depends on a team approach to provide the most services to the community. When students are given a particular name, they tend only to want to talk with that person, which usually creates delays in providing service. If a student is in crisis, we will arrange for her or him to be seen immediately by an available staff member. If they are requesting an intake appointment, it usually is faster for them to be seen as soon as an intake appointment time matches their schedule, regardless of which staff member is conducting the intake.
- "Why is there so little information available about the Counseling Center?" -- General information about the Counseling Center and its services are available in both university bulletins

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(the graduate and undergraduate catalogs), the Student Handbook, the student services brochure, a Counseling Center brochure (placed in all orientation packets) and on the TWU Web pages. In addition, flyers are distributed each semester that describe groups for the semester. A memorandum about outreach programs and workshops also is distributed each semester to all departments and student organizations.

"Students tell me they can't get an appointment for weeks. Is this true?" -- Students generally are seen for an intake appointment as soon as it is possible. Early and late in a semester, students normally can arrange an intake appointment within 24 hours, if their schedule permits. During the middle of the semester, students may wait up to one week for an intake appointment...again, depending mostly on the number of available hours they have in their schedule. Our intake is a triage system -- we get students in as quickly as possible to determine their needs, assign them to appropriate Counseling Center services and refer for appropriate services to other agencies....We work with students to create as many hours as possible but, in most cases, the amount of time that a student spends on the waiting list is determined by her or his availability, rather than ours.

Next time: more commonly asked questions. For details about the Counseling Center, call Rosen at ext. 3801.

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A free exhibition featuring the works of African-American artists from Texas can be viewed in the East Gallery of the Arts Building weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. The exhibit is free and open to the public; call the department of visual arts at ext. 2530 for more information.

Reminder: When bad weather prompts a closing or delayed opening at TWU, the university posts that information on voice mail and on three local telephone numbers in Denton, Dallas and Houston. The numbers are (817) 898-3430 in Denton, (214) 689-6631 in Dallas and (713) 794-2310 in Houston. Closings also are announced by area television and radio stations; see the Jan. 13, 1997, issue of *TWU Update* for specific listings.

The office of undergraduate admissions will host a Saturday visit program on Feb. 8 from 9 a.m. to noon, CFO 2nd floor. The program is designed for students who will begin their junior or senior year in high school. Topics of discussion will include the college admissions and financial aid processes; TWU students will conduct tours. For details, call ext. 3047.

Reminder: The office of continuing education will offer a speed reading course for faculty, staff and students on Fri., Jan. 31, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., ACT 601. The cost is \$20 per student or \$40 per faculty or staff member. Additional speed reading courses will be taught on campus March 7 and April 25. Registration for each workshop is limited to 30 persons; to reserve a spot, call ext. 3408. Payment may be made by check, purchase order, MasterCard or Visa.

SOAP is sponsoring "A Night of Comedy with Katsy Chappell" on Tues., Jan. 22, at 7 p.m. in MCL auditorium; the campus is invited to attend this free event. Chappell has received the Bob Hope Entertainer of the Year Award from the USO. For details, call ext. 3611.

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Reminder: An alternative spring break trip is planned for TWU students who are interested in a cross-cultural experience in Nuevo Laredo, Mexico. Students will do construction work during their trip, and they also will learn about the social and economic difficulties faced by the Mexican people. The office of student activities will sponsor the trip; the cost to participate is \$75 per person, which includes transportation, accommodations and most meals. Scholarships are available on a "need" basis; call Dee Siscoe at ext. 3611 for more information.

The Dallas alumnae chapter of Alpha Omicron Pi Fraternity recently gave a \$500 gift to the TWU Women's Collection in the Blagg-Huey Library in honor of the organization's 100th anniversary. The donation will help support the book collection for the TWU women's studies program, said Nancy Durr (library). The gift was presented by President Carol Stevenson of Plano and philanthropic chairman Audrey Lueth of DeSoto to Dawn Letson (library) at a brunch held in December at the Prestonwood Country Club in Dallas. Alpha Omicron Pi is an international woman's fraternity founded in 1897 at Barnard College of Columbia University.

Reminder: A leadership consortium conference for students presented by the office of student development will be held on Feb. 8; the cost to attend is \$20 per person, and transportation is free. Topics will include ethics, male/female relationships and service leadership. For details, call ext. 3626 or ext. 3673.

Wellness Center members are reminded to pay their monthly or triannual dues (\$35). A month's membership is \$10, and an annual membership is \$100. For information, call ext. 2900.

Reminder: The offices of undergraduate admissions and registration will remain open until 6 p.m. on Tuesday and Wednesday each week during the spring semester. Call ext. 3047 for details.

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UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE

Sympathy is extended to **Leon Tribble** (finance and administration) followed the death of his mother-in-law, Ora Mae Woods, on Jan. 16. Services were held on Jan. 19 in Fort Worth, where Mrs. Woods lived.

The Marquis Who's Who Publications have announced that **Sherrie Taylor** (business and economics) will be listed in the 20th edition of Who's Who of American Women 1997-1998. Taylor, who teaches and is director of the TWU Small Business Institute, is active in both professional and community organizations. She recently served as one of four judges for the Small Business Administration to name its Small Business Award winners for 1997. Taylor also accompanied TWU human resources major **Shelley Dobmeier** to the December meeting of the Denton Human Resource Association; during the meeting, Dobmeier received a \$500 Roger Lette Scholarship. SHRM student chapter president **Kristi Crutchfield** also attended.

Dr. **Linda Sluder** (early childhood and special education) is co-author of an article titled "Prenatal Drug Exposure: Meeting the Challenge" which was published in the winter 1996-97 issue of Childhood Education; the other authors were TWU colleague Dr. Lloyd Kinnison and Dr. Dennis Cates of Cameron University.

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Dr. **Ketty Rodriguez** (Library and Information Studies) presented a research paper titled "Hispanic Women in Higher Education: The Case of Librarianship" at the 10th annual conference on Women in Higher Education, sponsored by the University of Texas at El Paso, on Jan. 5. She also attended the first installation banquet for REFORMA-Rio Trinidad chapter on Jan. 9, where she was invited to give the invocation. Dr. Carol Surles (president's office) was the keynote speaker that evening, and the master of ceremonies was Frank Cortez, president of the Greater Dallas Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

Golden Key Honor Society held its annual chapter membership induction in December. Honorary membership was granted to Dr. **Richard Nicolas** (student life), Dr. **Paula Scott** (communication sciences and disorders), **Patrick Vasquez** (intercultural services), Dr. **Euline Brock** (history and government) and **Dave Kraddick**. Two students also received scholarships during the ceremony: outstanding junior initiate **Pio Fortuno** of Arlington (occupational therapy major, 4.0 grade point average) and outstanding senior initiate **Sharon Spano** of Plano (reading, 3.87 GPA).

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THIS WEEK AT TWU: JANUARY 21-26, 1997

| Jan. 13-Feb. 14 | -Visual Arts exhibit: "Breaking into the Main Stream: Texas African American Artists, \ Art Building, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m4 p.m. |
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| TuesThurs., Jan. 21-23 | -Blagg-Huey Library open 7:30 a.mmidnight. -Bookstore open 7:30 a.m6 p.m. |
| Jan. 21-24 | -Wellness Center open 6 a.m10 p.m. |
| Tues., Jan. 21 | -Research, Houston: brown-bag research seminar, Dr. Judith McFarlane, MGJ 928, noon-1 p.m. (8-4-2480) -Performing arts, music: Faculty Trio, MJPH, 8 p.m. (Ext. 2500) |
| Wed., Jan. 22 Garden | -Student development: organization fair and zip-code luncheon, SC Room, 11:30 a.m1 p.m. (Ext. 3626) -Health Studies Association for Worksite Heath Promotion Chapter meeting, CFO 1106, noon-1 p.m. (Ext. 2863) |

Thurs., Jan. 23-Basketball: TWU vs. East Texas State University, Denton, 7 p.m.
-Housing: Houston honorary reception, MGJ 818, noon. (8-4-2157)

Fri., Jan. 24 -Blagg-Huey Library open 7:30 a.m.-9 p.m.

-Bookstore open 8 a.m.-4 p.m.

-Postmark deadline for February TASP test.

-Deadline to sign up for aerobic instructor workshop, Wellness Center,

room 119, 5 p.m. (Ext. 2900)

-Faculty Senate meeting, SC 207-208, 10 a.m.

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-TOSS general meeting, speaker, Dr. Brenda Floyd (finance and administration), HH, noon-1 p.m. (Ext. 2354) -Biology seminar: "Endocrine Stimulation of Spermatogenetic Recovery after Treatment with Radiation and Chemotherapy," Marvin Meistrich, M.D. Anderson, Houston; CFO 205, 3 p.m. (Ext. 2354) UT -University Club social hour, Carolyn and Lad Bednar's home, 5:30 p.m. Sat., Jan. 25 -Blagg-Huey Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m. -Bookstore open 9 a.m.-1 p.m. -Wellness Center open 8 a.m.-6 p.m. -Basketball: TWU vs. Tarleton State University, Denton, 3 p.m. -Performing arts, dance: David Darfman in Concert, MJPH, 8 p.m. -Blagg-Huey Library open 2 p.m.-midnight. Sun., Jan. 26 -Bookstore closed. -Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m.