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## CELEBRATE THE SEASON THIS WEEK...

A reminder: TWU President Carol Surles invites all faculty, staff and students, plus the Denton community, to holiday gatherings that celebrate the season of friendship and giving. She will host two events on different days so that everyone on campus has an opportunity to enjoy one another's company before the campus closes for the break and 1996 begins.

A holiday coffee will be held from 8 to 10 a.m. on Wed., Dec. 6, in the southeast room of Hubbard Hall. The next day, on Thurs., Dec. 7, Surles will host an afternoon reception from 3:30 to 5:30 p.m. in the same location. Both receptions will include holiday music, a sing-a-long and a visit from Santa Claus. "I hope that all of our faculty, staff and students can attend one or the other holiday event," said Surles. "We will celebrate the season in this way among the campus community, sharing the spirit of TWU."

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# STROKE MAGAZINE FEATURES TWU RESEARCH

The December 1995 issue of *Stroke* magazine features research by five Texas researchers, including TWU faculty member Dr. Delaina Walker-Batson (communication sciences and disorders). Titled "Amphetamine Paired with Physical Therapy Accelerates Motor Recovery After Stroke," the article is written by Walker-Batson, plus Patricia Smith, Sandra Curtis, Dr. Hal Unwin and Dr. Ralph Greenlee.

Based on a small study of 10 patients, a familiar drug -- dextroamphetamine (AMPH) -- appears to accelerate the recovery of motor functions after stroke. Six women and four men, ages 48 to 72, who were partially paralyzed by a stroke caused by a blood clot, were assigned randomly to receive either AMPH or a placebo. Drug treatment or placebo, with physical therapy, began between 16 to 30 days after the onset of stroke and continued every fourth day for 10 sessions. Motor skills were tested at the outset, and these tests continued for 12 months. While there were no differences between the groups at the baseline, researchers recorded significantly improved test scores for those patients who were receiving AMPH.

Walker-Batson and the other authors wrote: "AMPH, paired with intensive physical therapy during the subacute recovery period accelerated the rate and increased the final level of motor recovery as assessed by a standardized scale of motor ability." Motor recovery was "significant" after one week, and recovery was maintained at the 12-month follow-up, the researchers said. The results suggest that there may be an important "window" for administration of AMPH when paired with therapy to restore stroke-impaired function. The American Heart Association released information nationally about the research.

The potential new treatment is based on research conducted for more than a decade by a University of New Mexico psychology professor, Dr. Dennis Feeney. Feeney has been researching brain injury treatments using laboratory animals for the past 15 years.

### NOMINATIONS NEEDED FOR SOLS

The TWU student activities center needs recommendations from faculty and staff for Student Orientation Leaders (SOLs) for Orientation '96. "We are asking for nominations and would like faculty and staff to encourage potential SOLs to apply," said Dee Siscoe (student activities). "SOLs should be good role models academically, and they also should possess strong communications, decision making and leadership skills."

Interested students can pick up applications for SOL positions in SC 202; the application deadline is Jan. 30, 1996. An SOL information meeting and group interview will be held that day at 6 p.m. in SC 207 and 208. For more information, call ext. 3611.

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## FORMER DESIGNER-IN-RESIDENCE LES WILK DIES

Les Wilk (fashion and textiles), retired designer-in-residence at TWU, died Tues., Nov. 24, in Houston, following a short illness. The Houston native was buried in his home town.

Wilk, who left a legacy of fashion and teaching leadership at TWU, graduated from Trinity University and went on to open Les Wilk Fashions. He also designed for Ann Murray Inc. before he developed Les Wilk Inc. The retired faculty member created fashions for many Miss America contestants and came to TWU in 1982 as director of the Southwest Institute of Design.

In 1987, before the fall of the Berlin Wall, Wilk and several students traveled to the Soviet Union as participants in the Design for Peace Program. Several years later, in 1991, he and a student design team from TWU created inaugural fashions for Gov. Ann Richards and Jan Bullock, wife of Lt. Gov. Bob Bullock. During his career, Wilk won a number of fashion and design awards as well, and his students often placed in local, regional and national design competitions.

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### PERFORMING ARTS IN DECEMBER

As the holiday season approaches, several musical performances highlight performing arts at TWU in December. They include:

- Christmas by Candlelight -- Pianist Pamela O'Briant (performing arts, music) and Tracy Crone will present a concert of Christmas music on Thurs., Dec. 14, at 7 p.m. in the Little Chapelin-the-Woods. O'Briant and Crone, who are both TWU alums, invite everyone to attend and enjoy the gift of music. For details, call O'Briant at ext. 2493.
- Denton Community Chorus -- The Denton Community Chorus will present its winter concert on Sun., Dec. 10, at 7 p.m. at the First Christian Church, 1203 N. Fulton St. Under the musical direction of Dr. Nicki Cohen (performing arts, music), the chorus will perform a variety of works by Bach, Handel and Brahms, as well as a variety of seasonal holiday favorites. The concert also will feature the premiere of "Glory to God," a piece for handbells, chorus and organ written specifically for the chorus by TWU adjunct faculty member Joseph Pinson (performing arts, music). The First Christian Church Carillon Handbell Ensemble will assist with this piece, directed by Dr. Oran Nabors, pastor. Admission is free; a reception will follow the performance.

# **PERFORMING ARTS**, continued

■ Fall Showcase in Dance -- Ten choreographic performances by TWU dance students will be featured on Thurs., Dec. 7, at 4 p.m., studio 208, DGL. Seating is limited; the program is free and open to the campus community. Works are five to eight minutes each. For more information, call Adrienne Fisk (performing arts, dance) at ext. 2085.

Also...TWU's Simply Jazz and Alexandria's Ragtime Band are selling "The Denton Card" to raise funds for their spring tour. The card, which provides discounts at 16 Denton businesses, can be purchased from ensemble members for \$10. For more information, call Pamela O'Briant at ext. 2493 or Dr. John Flohr at ext. 2511.

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## UPDATE ON TWU ATHLETICS

TWU head softball coach Dianne Baker (kinesiology) will conduct the Mizuno Texas High School Softball Workshop and Coaching Clinic on Fri. and Sat., Jan. 5 and 6, 1996. The event will be held on campus in Denton and will focus on the game of softball -- techniques, drills and coaching philosophies. Speakers will include: Mike Candrea, head coach of the 1993 and 1994 National Collegiate Athletics Association national champions at the University of Arizona; Julie Smith, a member of the 1996 U.S. Olympics softball team; Dr. Gerry Pinkston, University of Central Oklahoma's head coach and National Softball Coaches Association Hall of Fame member; and Chickie Mason, head coach at the University of Texas at San Antonio and an international clinician. Enrollment is limited; late fees and late registration begin Dec. 15, 1995. For details, call ext. 2383.

Also....Two TWU athletics training staff members -- Bill Currie and Dee Cornell -- passed certification examinations given by the National Association of Athletic Trainers. Currie, a graduate assistant and athletic trainer, currently is pursuing a master's degree in exercise physiology. He received his bachelor's degree in kinesiology from TWU in 1993; this is his first year as an athletic trainer. Cornell, an experienced student trainer, graduated in May 1995 magna cum laude from TWU with a degree in biology and is serving as basketball trainer through December. She will pursue a master's degree in physical therapy at Regis University in Denver, Colo., in January.

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### WELLNESS CENTER MEETS HOLIDAY NEEDS

The TWU Wellness Center is offering a gift wrap service "to help relieve the stress of the holidays," said Dr. Linda King (Wellness Center). TWU faculty, staff and students can drop off unwrapped packages at the fitness room desk in Jones Hall between Dec. 4 and 20 on Mondays from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m.; Tuesdays from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; and Wednesdays from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. "Let the Wellness Center wrap your gifts while you work out or while you work on campus," said King. Rates are \$1 for small packages, \$2 for medium, \$3 for large and \$4 for extra large packages. For more information, call ext. 2900.

The center also will offer a "super aerobics" session and a holiday cooking class on Sat., Dec. 9. The super aerobics program will be held from 10 a.m. to noon, and the low-fat holiday desserts class is scheduled from 1 to 2:30 p.m. The cooking class is \$8 per person; the aerobics class is free for Wellness Center members or first-time guests (\$5 for non-first time guests).

#### **NEWSBRIEFS**

**TWU CAN** is a campuswide effort during this holiday season to collect non-perishable food and personal hygiene items to stock the TWU food pantry. The office of student development is challenging every organization, office and department on campus to pool their efforts and collect these items; anyone with donations should drop them off in SC 206 from Dec. 4-15. A special Christmas Can Tree will be displayed, and stars with the names of donating organizations, offices or departments will be hung on the tree. Stars will be color-coded, based on the number of items donated: 10 items -- pink star; 20 items -- blue star; 30 items -- green star; 40 items -- red star; and 50 or more items -- gold star. For more information, call ext. 3626.

**Reminder:** Thirty-two segments of "The Ribbon," a series of painted, embroidered, appliquéed and beaded cloth panels focusing on the destructiveness of nuclear war and world peace, is on display in the Woman's Collection of the TWU Blagg-Huey Library through Thurs., Feb. 29. Exhibit hours are 8 a.m. to midnight, Monday through Thursday; from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday; from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. on Saturday; and 2 p.m. to midnight on Sunday. Call ext. 2665.

*Need some gift ideas?* Members of PAC (Photographic Artists Coalition) will sell fine arts prints and other TWU artisans will sell a variety of handmade cups on Mon. and Tues., Dec. 4 and 5, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. in the visual arts building. Drop by or call ext. 2530 for details.

Attention, Santa's helpers: The TWU Pre-Medical and Pre-Dental Club needs toys for a drive they are sponsoring through Thurs., Dec. 7. All toys collected will be donated to the Salvation Army for distribution to needy children throughout the area. Boxes are located in the Student Center (second floor), the arts and sciences building, the science building and MCL. For more information, call Martha Rodriguez at (214) 323-0735 or Corina McClary at (817) 320-3679.

Reminder: The office of student activities is sponsoring a winter break ski trip to Steamboat Springs, Colo., Jan. 9-14, 1996. The cost is \$499 per person, which includes roundtrip air fare from Dallas, roundtrip transfers from the airport to condominium lodgings (five nights) at Promontory, a four-day lift ticket, all taxes and gratuities, plus an on-location staff to assist skiers. Initial deposits will continue to be accepted throughout December. For more information, call Stan Weatherred or Jimmie Lankford in recreational sports at ext. 3612 or drop by SC 202.

- A production by the College of Arts and Sciences -- "A Holiday Extravaganza!" -- will be held on Thurs., Dec. 14, 1995, from noon to 1:30 p.m., MCL auditorium. The annual holiday event will feature Frank "Elvis" Vitro...yes, the King is back!...Santa and Mrs. Claus, ZZ Top ("four sharply dressed men"), the Daughters of the Pioneers and Patsy Cline. The campus community is invited to attend -- call in special requests for Elvis and others by voice mail: 2080/\*/1050!
- "A Spiritual View of Nature" is the title of an MFA exhibition by TWU student Roy Brown of Fort Worth. The free exhibit will be displayed Dec. 4 through 8 in the visual arts gallery; a reception will be held on Fri., Dec. 8, from 6 to 8 p.m. Call ext. 2530 for more information. Gallery hours are Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.
- A holiday open house presented by the division of student life will be held on Tues., Dec. 5, from 12:30 to 2 p.m., "...an open house for all to see...with goodies galore!" The holiday event is presented by conference services, the Counseling Center, food services, student health services, intercultural services, student activities, the Student Center, student development, university housing and the vice president for student life. For information, call ext. 3601.

### **UPDATE ON TWU PEOPLE**

Dr. **Robin Rager** (health studies) was incorrectly identified in the last issue of *TWU Update*; <u>he</u> was elected vice president for education of the Association for Worksite Health Promotion.

Sympathy is extended to **Robert Tuggle** (fiscal affairs) and his family upon the death of his mother, Yvonne Tuggle, on Nov. 21. Services were held in Lipan, Texas, on Nov. 22.

Dr. **Linda Sluder** (early childhood and special education) has been selected to chair the Research Forum for the Joint Sino/American Conference on Exceptionality in San Francisco Dec. 7-8.

Sluder and Dr. **Jane Irons** (early childhood and special education) have received funding for an inter-agency grant, "The Denton Delinquency Prevention/Invention (DDDP/I) Project." The two-year model program targets intervention and rehabilitation for children and youth at risk of delinquent and violent behaviors. The grant will provide \$206,989 in funding provided through a state Title V incentive grant. Sluder and Irons also recently have accepted contracts for a textbook tentatively titled *Research and Design for Special Populations* from West Publication.

Dr. **Michelle Richards** (family sciences) received a plaque from the American Association for Marriage and Family Therapy at their annual national conference Nov. 2 for her outstanding contributions to and leadership of the association while serving on its board of directors.

Doctoral student **Ruth Dishnow** (Library and Information Studies) has been appointed to the 1997 Newbery Award committee. She is one of 15 individuals from the American Library Association designated to select "the most distinguished contribution to children's literature" for that year.

An article by Dr. **Ketty Rodriguez** (Library and Information Studies) titled "CDS/ISIS: A Statistical Analysis of Usage in Latin America and the Caribbean" has been published in *International Information and Library Review*.

Faculty and students from programs in music in the department of performing arts attended the annual conference of the National Association of Music Therapy, Inc. in Houston recently. Dr. **Donald Michel** presented a workshop on "CDS Desensitization of Nociceptive Impulses: Application of Music and Music Vibrations in the Surgical Arena." Michel and Dr. Kris Chesky from the University of North Texas presented a workshop on "Current Assessment Strategies and Instruments for Persons in Pain." Michel, Chesky and graduate student **Byron Kelley** presented a research poster on "Resident Responses and Staff Perceptions of Music Vibration Combined with a Dynamic Relaxation Imagery Protocol for Pain and Anxiety Relief."

Dr. **Nicki Cohen** discussed "The Collaborative Strength of Speech and Song on the Communication Potential of the Adult Neurgenic Population." Cohen, Dr. **Nancy Hadsell** and graduate student **Stephen Williams** presented a poster session titled "The Perceived Applicability of Applied Music Requirements in the Vocational Practices of Professional Music Therapists." Cohen participated in a round table discussion on "The Process of Implementing the NAMT Professional Competencies into the Academic Curriculum."

Cohen and Hadsell served on the Assembly of Delegates for NAMT; Hadsell's presidential appointment to another four-year term on the Judicial Review Board was reaffirmed. Cohen was appointed chairperson of the graduate music therapy education subcommittee.

# TWU PEOPLE, continued

Dr. **Janice LaPointe-Crump** (performing arts, dance) presented a research paper titled "August Brumerville: The Gentle Theologian" at the annual CORD conference in Miami, Fla., Nov. 2-5. And sympathy is expressed to Janice and her family on the death of her stepfather, Burt Petersen, on Nov. 15. He resided in Chicago, Ill., with Janice's mother.

**Hugh Clark** (sociology and social work) presented information on low-income housing in Dallas and its effects on children to the Dallas Childwatch Forum at the Vogel Alcove Daycare Center on Oct. 19. (Childwatch is an advocacy program of the Children's Defense Fund.) Clark was also a member of a panel presentation on a needs assessment of elderly housing in Dallas County at the Southwest Society on Aging in Albuquerque, N.M., Nov. 5. He recently completed this assessment for the Senior Housing Access Coalition of Dallas County.

**Susan Sponsler** (publications, public information) has work included in a national exhibit of women artists curated by Dina Light and Sarah Webb titled "Stories from Her." The show is on display at the Hartnett Gallery at the University of Rochester (N.Y.) through Dec. 13.

TWU alumna **Kitty Magee** (kinesiology) received the David K. Brace award on Fri., Dec. 1, from the Texas Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation. Criteria for the award include: service in the profession for a minimum of 20 years in Texas; membership in TAHPER and the American Association of Health, Physical Recreation and Dance for a minimum of 10 successive years prior to nomination; receipt of a state, district or national award for professional contributions; and clearly outstanding performance in the profession, exemplifying the best in service, teaching and/or administration.

The David K. Brace Award is TAHPER's highest honor. It is named in honor of David K. Brace, a pioneer leader in the profession for 48 years. He established the department of physical and health education at the University of Texas at Austin in 1926 and served as its chairman until 1958; he retired in 1962. Brace served three terms as president of TAHPER and was president of AAHPER's southern district. He was a Fellow and former president of the American Academy of Physical Education and was a charter Fellow of the American College of Sports Medicine.

Dr. **Carol Surles** (president's office) has been appointed to serve as a member of the Association of Texas Colleges and Universities 1995-1996 public awareness committee.

Dr. **Ingrid Scobie** (history and government) presented two lectures in October at Cameron University in Lawton, Okla. A public lecture raised the question: "Why Aren't There More Women in Politics: An Historical Look at the Postwar Period." She also spoke with honors and women's history students on writing biography about women. While she was in Ireland as a Fulbright Fellow last year, Scobie also gave various talks about her research and presented a paper titled "A Moderate American Feminist Academic in Ireland" to an American studies department at the University of Tartu (Estonia).

Drs. **Barney Sanborn, Sydney Bonnick** (both Center for Research on Women's Health) and **Nancy DiMarco** (nutrition and food sciences) were featured presenters at the 1996 Osteoporosis Update held Nov. 18 in Fort Worth. The symposium was supported by the American Medical Women's Association and the University of North Texas Health Science Center Fort Worth. Medical personnel attended who represented a number of specialties and whose health care interests focused on prevention, treatment and diagnosis of osteoporosis.

# TWU PEOPLE, continued

A warm welcome to the following people employed by the university during the months of August, September and October. Academic computing-- John Berra, programmer analyst I; Linda Oehlschlager, technical support specialist I... admissions-- Veronica Venezula and Natalie Winston, both admissions counselors; Abraham Ramos, clerical specialist I... associate vice president's office, Dallas-Parkland-- Vanna Parr, admissions and financial aid representative.

Also, career, planning and placement-- Charity Anthony, clerical specialist II; Penny Darbey, secretary II... Child Development Center-- Gloria Alexander, Molly Davis, Carla Hudges, Cassie Miller, and Hope Naber, assistant teachers; Michelle Renfro, resource room manager... Continuing education-- Rochelle Gehrke, project coordinator... Counseling Center-- Adrienne Gardner, senior staff counselor... family sciences- Michelle Wiley, clerical specialist II... Financial Aid-- Edna "Nichole" Davis, financial aid assistant I; Mike Elias, financial aid assistant II.

Also, food service administration-- Rebecca Molina, accounting assistant I ... golf course-- Edward Poe, golf course assistant... Health Professions Outreach-- Kathryn Turnipseed, secretary II... housing-- Shannon Croll and Heather Pearl, both assistant residence directors; Lisa Russell, residence director; housing, Dallas-- Geneva Williams, residence hall desk clerk... Law Enforcement Management Institute-- Lisa Hill, project coordinator... library-- Karen Morgan, clerical specialist II... library, Dallas-- Chiniqua Manning, clerical assistant... mathematics and computer science-- Lisa Anderson, secretary I.

Also, performing arts, dance-- Christina Moss, secretary II... physical plant-- Dave Bolderas, power plant operator I; Joshua Christian and Timothy Wentrcek, groundskeeper I; Maria DeJesus, Melissa Govan, and Elizabeth Mosier, custodian I; Carl Stricker, construction observer... Physical Therapy, Houston, Donald Toon, research technical III... public information, news and information-- Jacquelyn Milham, writer... research, Houston--Linda Osadchey, research administrator... research and grants-- Marsha Bradley, secretary I... student health services-- Melinda Sampley, clerical specialist II.

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# THIS WEEK AT TWU: DEC. 4-10, 1995

Nov. 1-Feb. 28 -Blagg-Huey Library Exhibit: "The Ribbon," panels of exhibits to remember the first use of the atomic bomb; all day. (Ext. 3752)

Nov. 27-Dec. 8 -MFA exhibits, both galleries, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m. (Ext. 2530)

Mon. and Tues., -PAC fine arts prints sale, arts building, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Ext. 2531)

Dec. 4-5 -Cup sale, arts building, 10 a.m.-5 p.m. (Ext. 2531)

Mon.-Thurs., -Blagg-Huey Library open 8 a.m.-midnight.

Dec. 4-7 -Bookstore open 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.

Mon.-Fri., -Visual Arts MFA Exhibition: "A Spiritual View of Nature" by Roy Brown, Dec. 4-8 Fine Arts Gallery, Monday-Friday, 9 a.m.-4 p.m.; opening reception,

Dec. 8, 6-8 p.m. (Ext. 2531)

### **CALENDAR**, continued

Mon., Dec. 4 -SOAP: stamp art class, SC 207-208, 5-8 p.m. (Ext. 3611)

Tues., Dec. 5 -Exit interviews for loan recipients, ACT 501, 3 p.m. (Ext. 3067)

-Student Life open house, SC 2nd floor, 12:30-2 p.m. (Ext. 3601)

Wed., Dec. 6 -SOAP: stress management workshop, SC 110, 3-4 p.m. (Ext. 3611)

-Celebration of the Season coffee for all students, faculty and staff,

hosted by Dr. Carol Surles, president; Southeast Room of Hubbard Hall,

8-10 a.m. (Ext. 3201)

-Golden Key reception, Hubbard Hall, 5:30 p.m. (Ext. 3627)

Thurs.-Mon., -Continuing education: "40-Hour Divorce Mediation," Dallas, 8 a.m.-

Dec. 7-11 5 p.m. (Ext. 3411)

Thurs., Dec. 7 -Last day of classes for fall 1995.

-Regents' committee meetings, ACT 12 and 14, 9 a.m.-noon. and 1:30-

4 p.m. (Ext. 3201)

-Celebration of the Season reception for all students, faculty and staff, hosted by Dr. Carol Surles, president; Southeast Room of Hubbard Hall, 3:30-5:30 p.m. (Ext. 3201)

Fri., Dec. 8 -Blagg-Huey Library open 8 a.m.-9 p.m.

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

-Regents' meeting, ACT 16, 9 a.m. (Ext. 3201)

-Faculty Senate meeting, SC 207-207, 10 a.m. (Ext. 3393)

-Biology seminar, CFO 205, 3 p.m. (Ext. 2351)

-University Club social hour/Christmas party, Hubbard Hall, 5-7 p.m. -Gymnastics: intrasquad meet, DGL 3rd floor, 7 p.m. (Ext. 2378)

Sat., Dec. 9
-Blagg-Huey Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 10 a.m.-2 p.m.
-Finals begin for the fall 1995 semester.

Sun., Dec. 10 -Blagg-Huey Library 2 p.m. to midnight; bookstore closed.

### **OTHER EVENTS**

Sun., Dec. 10 -Denton Community Chorus Winter Concert, First Christian Church, 7 p.m.; performance is free and a reception will follow the performance.

### **COMING EVENTS**

Thurs., Dec. 14 -Holiday Extravaganza, featuring Elvis, ZZ Top, Santa and Mrs. Claus, the Daughters of the Pioneer, and many other surprises, admission is free; MCL Auditorium, noon-1:30 p.m. (Ext. 3326)

Sat., Dec. 16 -Fall commencement, MJPH.

Sun., Dec. 17 -Fall commencement, Houston, 2 p.m.

Dec. 25-Jan. 1 -University closed for holidays.