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SECC PLEDGE DEADLINE IS OCT. 31

Only one week remains in TWU's 2008 State Employment Charitable Campaign (SECC). Forms must be returned by Friday, Oct. 31. Forms should be returned to Kathy Woods in the bursar's office. Those who need a pledge form or who have questions may contact SECC co-chairs Tracy Lindsay at 81-3377 or tlindsay@twu.edu or Dr. Cynthia Gill, 81-2023 or cgill@twu.edu.

As of Oct. 24, the university has reached 96 percent of its money goal and 94 percent of its participation goal. More information about the SECC is available at <http://www.twu.edu/secc>.

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TWU RAISES \$10,000 FOR SUSAN G. KOMEN FOR THE CURE®

More than 300 students, alumni, faculty and staff raised more than \$10,000 for Susan G. Komen for the Cure® with their participation in the Komen Race for the Cure® in Houston and Dallas.

The Houston and Dallas teams, both known as the "Pioneers for the Cure," also were recognized as having the largest team in the higher education category for the races held in their respective cities during October.

This marks the fourth consecutive year that TWU has received the largest higher education team award in Dallas. This was the first year the university expanded its team recruitment efforts to the Houston Center.

"Many TWU students will be the healthcare providers of people with breast cancer, so supporting the race is a natural fit for us," said Veronica Castillo, a master of occupational therapy student and TWU Houston team captain. The fact that so many from the TWU community walked and donated money shows how much this important cause means to them."

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TWU PROVOST CREATES FOUR NEW TASK FORCES

Provost Kay Clayton has created three new task forces to address issues affecting the university and to make recommendations related to processes, programs and/or policies. A fourth task force, the Distance Learning Task Force, will address concerns related to distance education policies and procedures.

The new task forces include the Adjunct Professor Task Force, the Study Abroad Task Force, and the SACS Fifth Year Interim Report Task Force.

The **Adjunct Professor Task Force** will be co-chaired by Dr. **Don Edwards** (mathematics and computer science), representing the Council of Chairs, and Dr. **Linda Ladd** (family sciences), representing the Faculty Senate. The task force will examine and report on adjunct faculty issues such as:

- the hiring process
- professional development and training opportunities
- mentoring, the availability and accessibility of work space and equipment
- evaluation expectations and procedures and
- workloads, salaries and/or benefits.

The **Study Abroad Task Force** will be chaired by Dr. **Judith Bean** (undergraduate studies). Its charge is to develop more complete policies and procedures for the management of the TWU Study Abroad program, including:

- developing and recommending policies related to the TWU Study Abroad program
- identifying reliable, full-service travel providers and
- developing a plan for providing an orientation for faculty and students to familiarize them with the Study Abroad experience and program requirements.

The **SACS Fifth Year Interim Report Task Force** will be chaired by Dr. **Carol Kominski** (institutional effectiveness and research). This group will develop the Fifth-Year Interim Report as required by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). The group will:

- provide guidance in development of the report
- work with TWU constituencies that need to supply information for the report and
- review outlines and drafts as they are prepared.

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TASK FORCES, *continued*

The report must be submitted to SACS by March 27, 2009. This task force will be laying the groundwork for our future work in preparing for TWU's 2012 compliance review, which is integral to the reaffirmation of our accreditation. The next SACS accreditation site visit is scheduled for 2013.

The provost also has created the **Distance Learning Task Force** to address concerns related to distance education policies and procedures. The Distance Learning Task Force is charged with:

- reviewing current distance education policies
- revising policies, and/or if necessary, drafting new policies
- identifying appropriate and valid uses for distance education fees by academic units as well as by the Division of Lifelong Learning
- considering having an open forum/open assembly for the campus community to share information, answer questions, and hear concerns related to distance education
- recommending categories of membership for a new body, the Distance Learning Advisory Committee and
- determining the need for an external strategic review of distance learning at TWU

The Distance Learning Task Force will be co-chaired by Dr. **Larry LeFlore** (family sciences), Dr. **Jeff Robb** (history and government) and **Robert Tuggle** (finance and administration). The task force will work closely with the Faculty Senate, the Council of Chairs, and the Academic Deans Council in drafting distance education policies for recommendation to the provost by March 2, 2009.

For a list of the task force members, go to
<http://www.twu.edu/academicaffairs/task-forces.asp>

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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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NEWSRIEFS, *continued*

ASSET (Association of Service and Support Employees of Texas Woman's University) will host a **bake sale** from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 29 on the second floor of the Student Union. Proceeds from the sale benefit the Wilkes Berry Memorial Scholarship, ASSET Scholarship and the hardship fund.

The TWU Office of International Education will host a **staff and faculty coffee break** from 9 to 10 a.m. Friday, Oct. 31 on the second floor of the Student Union. Door prizes will be awarded for costumes and jack-o-lanterns. For more information, call 81-3338.

The deadline to nominate a staff member for the Fall 2008 **Pioneer Proud Staff Award** is Friday, Oct. 31. For more information, visit <http://www.twu.edu/staffcouncil/pioneerproud.htm>.

Faculty, staff and students who **currently work in or take classes in the Science Building** on the Denton campus to learn more about the construction and renovation project of the building. Chancellor Ann Stuart will host a reception from 4 to 5 p.m. Thursday, Nov. 13, in the first-floor lobby area (in front of the chemistry office, room 105) of the building. Refreshments will be provided.

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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.).

Several College of Nursing - Houston Center faculty presented research at the State of the Science Congress of Nursing Research Oct. 2-4 in Washington, D.C. The event is a biennial research dissemination conference where nurse-researchers from around the country join with recognized scientific experts and funding and policy makers to explore emerging scientific discoveries related to nursing and healthcare practice. Faculty who presented their research as a podium presentation were Dr. **Judith McFarlane** and Dr. **Peggy Landrum**. Faculty whose posters were accepted for presentation included Dr. **Sandra Cesario**, Dr. **Ann Coleman**, and Dr. **Tom Rodriguez**.

Dr. **Cindy Bruns** (Counseling Center – Dallas) recently had her article "May-December Lesbian Relationships: Power Storms or Blue Skies?" published in the *Journal of Lesbian Studies*, 12 (2-3), 265-281.

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Dr. **Ellina Grigorieva** (mathematics and computer science department) has the following manuscript accepted for publication: "Hierarchical differential game between manufacturer and retailer with storage costs" in the international peer-reviewed journal, *International Review of Automatic Control* (IREACO), October 2008.

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: OCTOBER 27-NOVEMBER 9, 2008

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| Mon., Oct. 27 | -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.;
Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight. |
| Tues., Oct. 28 | -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.;
Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
-Monster Flute Choir concert, 7:30 p.m., MJPH. Free. 81-2500.
-Pioneers Soccer vs. Texas A&M-Commerce, 4 p.m., home. |
| Wed., Oct. 29 | -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.;
Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight. |
| Thur., Oct. 30 | -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.;
Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
-"Transforming the Arts, Breaking Boundaries Between East and
West," 4 p.m., beginning in foyer of Visual Arts Building. Dance
lecture demonstration by Cheng-Chieh Yu at 5 p.m., MJPH. Both
events free. Closing event of the TWU School of the Arts "Asia
and the Arts" series. 81-2500.
-Pioneers Volleyball vs. Central Oklahoma, 7 p.m., away. |
| Fri., Oct. 31 | -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.
-Annual Good Samaritan Fall Forum nursing lecture, 9 a.m.,
Houston Endowment Auditorium, TWU Houston Center. 84-
2100.
-Pioneers Soccer vs. East Central Oklahoma, 4 p.m., away. |
| Sat., Nov. 1 | -Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and
Recreation open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
-Pioneers Volleyball vs. Southeastern Oklahoma, noon, away. |

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CALENDAR, *continued*

Sun., Nov. 2	-Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-10 p.m. -Pioneers Soccer vs. Northeastern Oklahoma State, 1 p.m., away.
Mon., Nov. 3	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Tues., Nov. 4	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Wed., Nov. 5	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight. -TWU Opera, 7:30 p.m., MJPH. 81-2500.
Thur., Nov. 6	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight. -Pioneers Volleyball vs. Midwestern State, 7 p.m., home.
Fri., Nov. 7	-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. -Pioneers Basketball vs. UT-Tyler, 7 p.m., home.
Sat., Nov. 8	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-6 p.m. -Pioneers Volleyball vs. Cameron, 2 p.m., home.
Sun., Nov. 9	-Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-10 p.m.

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