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THE MEADOWS FOUNDATION AWARDS \$1 MILLION TO TWU

The Meadows Foundation has awarded \$1 million to Texas Woman's University for its new T. Boone Pickens Institute of Health Sciences-Dallas Center.

"The Meadows Foundation is among the most recognized private foundations in the country," TWU Chancellor Dr. Ann Stuart said. "TWU is grateful for the Meadows Foundation's support of our Dallas project. This is a significant donation, and one we are very proud of receiving."

The new Institute of Health Sciences-Dallas Center combines TWU's Parkland and Presbyterian sites into a dynamic campus-in-one building at the Parkland location. Groundbreaking for the 190,000-square-foot facility is scheduled for 2009, with a planned opening in 2011.

The new institute will allow TWU — already the state's leading provider of new nurses and other healthcare professionals — to incorporate industry-standard technology into classrooms and laboratories that will enhance career preparation for students. Bringing together TWU's College of Nursing, the nationally recognized TWU Stroke Center and the university's nationally ranked programs in occupational and physical therapy will facilitate the new model of educating together the disciplines needed for a team approach to patient care.

"The Meadows Foundation is pleased to support TWU in its efforts to build a new state-of-the-art campus in Dallas," said Meadows Foundation President and CEO Linda Perryman Evans. "This new teaching facility will enable the university to increase its number of graduates and meet the state's demand for highly skilled nurses and other healthcare professionals."

Chancellor Stuart is leading the \$55.5 million campaign for the project, of which more than \$44.5 million has been raised to date.

Major donors to the Dallas building campaign include: the T. Boone Pickens Foundation; the Meadows Foundation; the Jane and John Justin Foundation; the Simmons Family Foundation; the Hoblitzelle Foundation; the Sid W. Richardson Foundation; the Hillcrest

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Foundation; the Texas Woman's University Foundation; the George and Fay Young Foundation; the Amon G. Carter Foundation; the Tom A. Harris Fund, the Roberta Coke Camp Fund and the Basil Georges Fund of Communities Foundation of Texas; the Pollock Foundation; the Robert Tucker Hays Foundation; Mr. and Mrs. Jere W. Thompson; Mrs. Orien Woolf; Ann Stuart, Chancellor and President of TWU; the Abe Zale Foundation; and the James M. Collins Foundation.

For more information on TWU's new T. Boone Pickens Institute of Health Sciences-Dallas Center, visit www.twu.edu/dallascampus.

Established by Algur H. and Virginia Meadows in 1948, the Meadows Foundation's mission is to assist the people and institutions of Texas to improve the quality and circumstances of life for themselves and future generations.

Since its inception, the Meadows Foundation has disbursed more than \$600 million in grants and direct charitable expenditures to more than 2,900 Texas institutions and agencies. Foundation grants support work in the fields of arts and culture, civic and public affairs, health, education and human services.

For more information on the Meadows Foundation, visit www.mfi.org.

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TWU FIRST IN STATE TO OFFER CULINARY BACHELOR'S DEGREE

More community college students will be able to combine their culinary talents with food service management skills thanks to the new bachelor of applied sciences (BAS) in culinary science and food service management degree offered by Texas Woman's University.

Applications are currently being accepted for the TWU BAS in culinary science and food service management degree program, which begins at the TWU Denton campus this fall. For more information or to apply, visit www.twu.edu/hs/nfs/UNDER1.htm, call 81-2636 or email nutrfdsci@mail.twu.edu.

TWU became the first in the state to offer a culinary bachelor's degree when the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board approved this new degree program in April 2008.

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“Today’s chefs are doing more than cooking in the kitchen,” said Dr. Chandan Prasad, professor and chair for the TWU Department of Nutrition and Food Sciences. “They are becoming more responsible for the business side of the food service industry, including marketing, bookkeeping and human resources. An extensive knowledge of nutrition principles also is becoming a requirement in today’s health conscious environment.”

Community college students who complete an associate of applied sciences in culinary arts degree from TWU’s community college partners are eligible for the program. Currently, TWU is partnering with the Dallas County Community College District, the Collin County Community College District, Tarrant County College and the Houston Community College System to offer this degree.

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MENTORS NEEDED FOR SOPHOMORE YEAR COMMUNITY

University Housing and Intercultural Services are collaborating to provide a Living Learning Community with an integration of campus resources focusing on elements that will enhance second-year students’ ongoing transition and success in college life.

The Sophomore Year Community is currently recruiting faculty and staff mentors to work with second-year students during the fall and spring semester. The community is designed to provide second-year TWU students the opportunity to share ideas with and learn from TWU faculty/staff mentors outside a classroom setting. The support provided by mentors is aimed at addressing issues that sophomores face by focusing on career exploration, personal growth, community service, diversity and leadership involvement.

Faculty/staff mentors from various disciplines and experiences are needed. Mentors and Sophomore Year Community students will be paired together by matching faculty discipline and student major. Each mentor will be responsible for mentoring one student for the complete academic year. Mentors are required to meet with their Sophomore Year Community student a minimum of once every four weeks. All faculty/staff applicants will meet with the program coordinators from University Housing and Intercultural Services at a brief training session in August and a social in September for program participants to meet.

For more information, contact program coordinators Meredith Denton (University Housing), 81-3676 or mdenton@twu.edu; or Michelle Buggs (Intercultural Services), 81-3688 or mbuggs@twu.edu.

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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.

The **Office of Alumni Relations** is seeking names of TWU graduates now working on campus. Names and information should be sent to alumnirelations@twu.edu. Also, any faculty or staff person receiving **alumni contact information** is asked to send the information to alumnirelations@twu.edu so that alumni records may be kept as current as possible.

The **Alumni House**, home to the Office of Alumni Relations and the Former Students Association, showcases historical displays and a complete set of *Daedalian* yearbooks. Small campus groups (30 or fewer people) are encouraged to use the Alumni House for special meetings. For reservations or more information, call 81-2586 or email alumnirelations@twu.edu.

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.).

Dr. **Weihang Chai** (biology) presented a talk titled “Targeting the Ends: a Promising Approach to End Tumor Growth” in the Molecular Oncology session at the World Cancer Congress 2008. Dr. Chai also chaired this session, held during the conference in Shanghai, China in June.

Dr. **Sarah McIntire** (biology) served as chair of a session at the 108th General Meeting of the American Society for Microbiology (ASM) in Boston, Mass. The session was titled “Undergraduate and Graduate Research Fellows Presentations – III.” Dr. McIntire has served for 14 years as a reviewer of applications for the ASM summer research program for undergraduate students.

Richie Bruister has been hired as head softball coach for the Pioneers. He previously served as head softball coach at Henderson State University in Arkadelphia, Ark.

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: JUNE 23-JULY 6, 2008

Mon., June 23	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Tues., June 24	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Wed., June 25	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Thur., June 26	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Fri., June 27	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-7 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
Sat., June 28	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Sun., June 29	-Library open 2-10 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-10 p.m.
Mon., June 30	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Tues., July 1	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Wed., July 2	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Thur., July 3	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Fri., July 4	-Independence Day holiday; university closed.
Sat., July 5	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
Sun., July 6	-Library open 2-10 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-10 p.m.

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