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TWU HOSTS NATIONAL GYMNASTICS CHAMPIONSHIPS

The best USA Gymnastics collegiate athletes converge on Denton April 8-10 to determine who will be a national champion. TWU, in conjunction with the Greater Denton Sports Commission, is hosting the national USAG championships for the second consecutive year.

Nearly 5,000 people attended the national championships last year. TWU officials are planning for stellar attendance this spring when male and female gymnasts representing 16 teams from across the country compete in Kitty Magee Arena.

"This three-day event will be a lot of fun and we invite everyone to come be a part of the excitement," said TWU Athletics Director Chalese Connors. "The TWU Pioneers have won this event seven times and are looking forward to not only defending their team title, but claiming their eighth one at home in Denton."

Tickets are \$28 for an adult event pass and \$20 for a student (age 7-17) event pass. Day passes are \$10 for adults and \$8 for students. Children age 6 and younger are admitted free. A \$3 service charge will be added to all credit card purchases.

"The USAG collegiate championships brought national attention to the Denton community in 2003 and the Greater Denton Sports Commission and TWU hope to build on that this year," said George Young, chairman of the GDSC. "The championships are a first-class event. It's a great opportunity to see top athletes from across the country competing against each other."

To purchase tickets by credit card, call (940) 382-7895 or (888) 381-1818. Tickets can be purchased in person at the Denton Chamber of Commerce, 414 Parkway, and in the TWU Athletics Office, located on the second floor of Pioneer Hall (northeast corner of Bell Avenue and Administration Drive). Ticket information also is available at www.dentonsports.com/Gymnastics_Info.htm.

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2004 USA Gymnastics Collegiate National Championships

Thursday, April 8

- Women's Team Preliminary — 4 p.m.

Friday, April 9

- Men's Team Finals — 1 p.m.
- Women's Team Finals — 7 p.m.

Saturday, April 10

- Individual Event Finals (men and women) — 5 p.m.

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HONORS CONVOCATION APRIL 15

TWU faculty, staff and students will be honored during Honors Convocation ceremonies, 10 a.m., April 15 in Margo Jones Performance Hall. Dr. **Geraldine Parrott Bednash**, executive director of the American Association of Colleges of Nursing, vice president for nursing for the Health Professions Education Council of the Association of Academic Health Centers and a TWU Distinguished Alumna, will be the speaker.

Dr. **James Johnson**, professor of chemistry, will receive the Cornaro Award, the highest award presented by the university to a faculty member. Ms. **Sherrie Taylor**, lecturer II in the School of Management and director of the Small Business Institute of TWU, will receive the Humphries Award for dedication to the university.

Colleen Ferguson, associate director for Lifelong Learning, will receive the Award of Excellence. **Margaret Peguero**, senior admissions counselor, and **Robbie Reid**, secretary for the Department of Kinesiology, will receive the Outstanding Achievement Award.

Elizabeth Solis (nutrition and food sciences) will receive the Outstanding Doctoral Student award. **Bella Belleza-Bascon** (health care administration) will receive the Outstanding Master's Student award. Outstanding Senior awards will go to **Kate Amorella** (mathematics and computer science), **Erin Lansmon** (social work) and **Andrea Wensowitch** (marketing and management). The Leman Award, for outstanding artistic contribution to TWU, will go to **Diane reader Dorn** (studio art-painting).

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TWU ALUMNA KATHY WILLIAMS TO VISIT PIONEER SCHOOL

A TWU alumna will return to the Denton campus on April 13 for storytime with students of the Pioneer School.

Kathy Williams, vice president and news director for KRIV-FOX 26 in Houston, will read "Everybody has a Daddy," the first in a series of books designed to build self-esteem in children growing up in households headed by single mothers. Williams, who co-wrote the book with her sister, Vicki, will give copies of the book to the 48 children living in Mary Hufford Halls. The sisters also are working with the Red Cross to donate the books to children whose fathers were killed in Iraq.

The series will be released through Self-Esteem Adventures.

Williams will read to the children at 10 a.m. in the Pioneer School's Rainbow Room. She will sign copies of the book from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the TWU Bookstore.

Williams earned her bachelor of science degree from TWU in 1981. She got her first full-time television news job as a junior at TWU when she served as the weekend anchor and reporter throughout her summer internship at KTBC in Austin. Working her way from news anchor to management-level positions at various news stations, Williams earned two Emmy Awards while leading two different newsrooms in Cleveland before returning to Texas.

Williams serves on the TWU Foundation Board and the Association for the Advancement of Mexican Americans board of directors.

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TWU THEATRE PRESENTS SHAKESPEARE'S *AS YOU LIKE IT*

Disguise and deception turn a tranquil forest glen topsy-turvy as the TWU Department of Drama presents William Shakespeare's *As You Like It*.

Performances are scheduled at 8 p.m. April 14-17, with matinees at 4 p.m. April 13 and 2 p.m. April 18. All performances will take place in the Redbud Theatre. Ticket prices range from \$5 to \$12. For reservations and other information, call the TWU Theatre Box Office at (940) 898-2020.

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DRAMA, continued

Directed in true Elizabethan style by TWU drama faculty member Michael Scudday, *As You Like It* presents the tale of Rosalind, a young woman who secures her own destiny through clever disguise.

Banished from the court with her father, Duke Senior, Rosalind ventures boldly into the unknown Forest of Arden. Disguised as a man to avoid the dangers of uncivilized society, Rosalind mixes masculine privilege with feminine wit to befriend and counsel the lovelorn Orlando, helping him ultimately to win her own heart.

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SEVEN TWU STUDENTS RECEIVE GOOD NEIGHBOR SCHOLARSHIPS

Dr. Remigus Ihekwa (international education) announced that seven international students at TWU have received Good Neighbor Scholarships for the 2004-2005 academic year. They are:

- Scott Benjamin from Trinidad and Tobago, an undergraduate biology major;
- Nola Smith from Trinidad and Tobago, an undergraduate nursing major;
- Angie Galvis from Colombia, a graduate student majoring in occupation therapy;
- Nadia Mills from Canada, a graduate student majoring in physical therapy;
- Sonia Gibbs from Barbados, an executive master's in business administration major;
- Ainsley Bulgin from Jamaica, an undergraduate nursing major, and
- Gregoria Bustillos from Peru, an undergraduate student majoring in interdisciplinary studies.

The Good Neighbor Scholarship Program, administered by the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, pays the tuition costs of scholarship recipients for an entire academic year. The program is open to international students who are citizens of countries in the Western Hemisphere, except Cuba. The student must intend to return to his or her native country upon completion of his or her degree.

Undergraduate students must have a 2.0 or better grade-point-average, and graduate students must have a 3.0 or higher GPA.

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TWU SCIENCE SEMINAR APRIL 16

Dr. Sharon Hrynkow, acting director of the Fogarty International Center (FIC), National Institutes of Health, will be the featured speaker at the TWU Science Seminar, April 16 at 3 p.m. in room 202 of CFO. The title of her presentation is "Global Health: A View Through The Woman's Lens." The public is welcome to attend the free program.

FIC's more than 20 programs and initiatives are aimed at reducing disparities in the health status between rich and poor countries. Its initiatives address infectious disease threats, including HIV/AIDS; adverse health impacts of environmental pollution; maternal and child health concerns; the burden of brain disorders in the developing world; and other global health challenges.

Dr. Hrynkow joined Fogarty in 1995 and has served as deputy director since 2000. Among her specific areas of focus at FIC are efforts to combat brain drain for junior scientists from developing nations who are trained in the U.S.; efforts to enhance recruitment and retention of women in science in the developing world; initiatives to build capacity in the neurosciences in low- and middle-income nations; and efforts to build partnerships with private groups, other U.S. agencies and foreign counterparts to support novel initiatives in global health.

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GRANTS ANNOUNCED

Dr. **Joann Englebrecht** (research and sponsored grants) announces the following faculty have received research and training grants:

Dr. **Andie Hsueh** and Dr. **Huanbiao Mo** (both nutrition and food sciences) have received a \$20,000 grant for a project titled "Evaluation of Nutritional Properties of Cottonseed Oil After Different Processing Stages" from the Texas Food and Fibers Commission. The project is a collaborative study between TWU and Texas A&M University.

Dr. **Bruce Grossie** (nutrition and food sciences) received a \$7,782 grant for a project titled "Response of an Inflammatory Site to Arginine Modified Parenteral Nutrition" from the American Society for Parenteral and Enteral Nutrition Rhoads Research Foundation. The plasma concentration of the amino acid arginine is often decreased after injury. The study is designed to examine the effect of modifications of a parenteral nutrition solution that will significantly change the plasma arginine concentration.

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GRANTS, *continued*

Sharon Benge (drama) has received a \$7,500 grant for the Motivational Performance Team Project as a subcontract from Texas A&M Cooperative Extension on an award from the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board. The project supports drama department-sponsored teams that use theater performance to encourages middle school and high school students to pursue higher education.

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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, by fax at 8-1-3463 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 publication. 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.

Social workers can earn continuing education credits by participating in the **Sexual Orientation: Ethical Responsibilities for Social Workers** workshop. Edward Lane, Licensed Master Social Worker (LMSW), will be the featured speaker May 7 at TWU. Lane is self-employed as a consultant specializing in diversity issues — primarily gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender and HIV/AIDS issues — within the workplace. He will help workshop participants gain a better understanding of stereotyping, homophobia and the differences between biological sex, gender identity, gender roles and sexual orientation, among other issues. The National Association of Social Workers/Texas has approved the workshop for three continuing education units in ethics and the Texas State Board of Social Worker Examiners for social work. Registration before April 23 is \$45; late registration is \$55. Registration for TWU students is \$10. For more information or to register, contact the Lifelong Learning at 8-1-3408 or visit www.twu.edu/lifelong.

The **TWU Annual Spring Folk Dance Festival** will be April 7 at the Bernice Abreo Fischer Amphitheater from 5-6 p.m. The festival has been held for 26 years to celebrate the awakening of spring. The event will include performances by the TWU International Folk Dance Company and invited guests. Several folk dances will also be taught, providing the audience an opportunity to learn and participate. Dances performed will be representative of Mexico (Chiapas, Michoacan, Nuevo Leon, Veracruz, and Yucatan), Ireland, Israel, Russia, Spain, Taiwan and the United States. Audience members are invited to bring a blanket or chair for comfort. The rain site is room 208 in the DGL. For more information contact Gladys Keeton (dance) at 8-1-2088 or Gkeeton@twu.edu.

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NEWSBRIEFS, continued

The TWU Friends of the Libraries, Department of History and Government and the School of Library and Information Studies is hosting a lecture by Wendy Beecham titled "**Leading with Imagination**" on April 15 at 2:30 p.m. in room 101 of the Blagg-Huey Library. Her presentation will focus on strategies that individuals and leaders can implement to inspire the positive possibilities of change, both professionally and personally. Ms. Beecham is an alumna of TWU and earned a master's degree in library science from North Texas State University. Before starting a career as an executive coach and business consultant, she was a senior vice president of the enterprise and library group of LexisNexis, Reed Elsevier.

The **Women's Studies Faculty Lecture Series** continues April 16 at noon in room 202 of CFO. Dr. Lynn Westbrook (library sciences) will discuss "Breaking Boundaries: Interdisciplinary Information Seeking in Women's Studies." For information, contact Dr. AnaLouise Keating at 8-1-2119 or akeating@twu.edu.

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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.)

Denton County has selected Dr. **Pamela C. Schute**, M.D., (student health services) as one of the county's Public Health Advocates of the Year. The award will be presented during a luncheon April 5.

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Dr. **Phyllis Bridges** (English, speech and foreign languages) was the speaker for the Forum Department of the Women's Shakespeare Club of Denton on Feb. 2. She gave a presentation on American folk art. Dr. Bridges was the speaker for the Austin/Capital Chapter of the TWU Former Students Association on Feb. 27. She attended the Texas Library Association meeting during spring break. From March 21-24, she served on the SACS team for the reaffirmation of accreditation for Delta State University in Cleveland, Miss. April 8-10, Dr. Bridges will preside at the Texas Folklore Society annual conference in Allen. She will serve on the TFS board of directors through 2007.

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Dr. **Susan Chaney** (nursing-Dallas) wrote the “Gastrointestinal & Liver” chapter in *Family Nurse Practitioner Certification Review* (2nd Edition), Zerwekh, J. & Claborn, J. (2004), St. Louis: Saunders.

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: April 5-18, 2004

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| April 5-8 | -Library open 8 a.m. to midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. |
| Fri., April 9 | -Library open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. |
| Sat., April 10 | -Library open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; bookstore open closed; Wellness Center open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. |
| Sun., April 11 | -Library open 2 p.m. to midnight; bookstore closed; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m. |
| April 12-15 | -Library open 8 a.m. to midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. |
| Fri., April 16 | -Library open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m. to 5 p.m.; Wellness Center open 6 a.m. to 10 p.m. |
| Sat., April 17 | -Library open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m.; bookstore open closed; Wellness Center open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m. |
| Sun., April 18 | -Library open 2 p.m. to midnight; bookstore closed; Wellness Center open 1-6 p.m. |

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