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## **RENOWNED IRANIAN SCHOLAR TO SPEAK AT TWU FORUM**

Dr. Abdulkarim Soroush – one of the world’s most prominent Islamic scholars – will be the guest speaker at a Texas Woman’s University public affairs forum Tuesday, Nov. 16.

Led by Dr. Soroush, “Reforming Islamic Societies: Problems and Prospects” will take place from 1 to 3 p.m. in room 204 of the Classroom Faculty Office Building (CF0). The event is free and open to the public. For more information, email [JWilliams2@twu.edu](mailto:JWilliams2@twu.edu) or call 81-2052.

Named by *Time* magazine as one of the world’s 100 most influential people in 2005, Dr. Soroush is the director of the Institute for Epistemological Research in Tehran and a former senior fellow of Iran’s Academy of Sciences. In 2008, he was a visiting scholar at Georgetown University’s Berkley Center for Religion, Peace and World Affairs. He also has held regular visiting professorships at Princeton, Yale and Harvard universities and at the University of Amsterdam.

Dr. Soroush pursued his graduate studies in England before returning to his native Iran in 1979 at the onset of the Islamic revolution. He became an advocate of Islamic ideology and was part of Iran’s cultural revolution of the 1980s, a project that imposed Islamic curricula on Iranian universities. Eventually Dr. Soroush became highly critical of the political role played by the Iranian clergy, which led to his exile to Europe and the U.S., where he is a frequent national speaker on Islamic reform. He also has published more than a dozen books on his views of Islamic society, religion and politics.

The TWU College of Arts and Sciences is hosting Dr. Soroush as part of its Public Affairs Forums and as part of TWU’s Global Connections Initiative, whose theme is “Explore the World at TWU.” For more information, visit [www.twu.edu/as/college/](http://www.twu.edu/as/college/).

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**TWU TO HOST 20<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL JOYCE THOMPSON MEMORIAL LECTURE**

Dr. Phyllis Elmore, professor of English at North Lake College, will present “Can I Get a Witness? Fannie Lou Hamer’s Transformative Democracy” during the 20<sup>th</sup> annual Joyce Thompson Memorial Lecture, scheduled Tuesday, Nov. 9 at Texas Woman’s University.

The lecture will begin at 2:30 p.m. in room 301 of the Administration Clock Tower (ACT) building on TWU’s Denton campus. Admission is free. A reception will follow the lecture. For more information, call 81-3748.

Dr. Elmore is the first TWU alumna to serve as lecturer for this annual event. She holds both a master of arts degree in English and a Ph.D. in rhetoric from TWU. She has been named a President’s Scholar at North Lake College and is listed in “Who’s Who Among America’s Teachers.” She is noted for her research on iconic Texas legislator Barbara Jordan, which she has published and presented in the United States and abroad.

Dr. Elmore’s lecture on Fannie Lou Hamer will draw upon her extensive research on the life and contributions of the civil rights heroine. Ms. Hamer was a Mississippi sharecropper who, though subjected to cruelty, worked for voting rights for all citizens.

The Joyce Thompson Lecture is an annual event honoring the memory of Dr. Joyce Thompson, professor of English, who served as a member of the TWU faculty from 1977 until her death in 1992. The author of more than 30 published works, Dr. Thompson’s major writings include “Marking a Trail: A History of the Texas Woman’s University,” “Texas Women: The Myth/The Reality” and “Ladies’ Firsts: A Miscellany.”

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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](mailto: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.*

Faculty and staff are invited to participate in the annual **TWU Holiday Gift Program** and help one or more TWU student families by providing a gift for their children during the holiday season. Gifts will be collected beginning Nov. 20 and distributed to families Dec. 6-10. Questions? Contact Amy O’Keefe at 81-2789.

TWU will host a “**Salute to Veterans**” at 11 a.m. Thursday, Nov. 11 in front of Hubbard Hall on the Denton campus. Activities include the dedication of a flagpole in honor of U.S. veterans, an interactive panel on “Transitioning from Soldier to Student: The Road

Back Home” with TWU family sciences professor Dr. Karen Petty and TWU students who served in the military, and more.

ASSET (Association of Service and Support Employees of Texas Woman’s University) will accept applications for the **J. Wilkes Berry, Ph.D. Memorial Endowment Fund Scholarship** through 5 p.m. Monday, Nov. 15. One \$500 scholarship will be awarded to a permanent full-time or permanent part-time TWU staff member enrolled in undergraduate or graduate courses at TWU during the fall semester. Applicants do not have to be a member of ASSET to apply. For more information, visit [www.twu.edu/asset](http://www.twu.edu/asset).

Join the conversation at the **TWU Alumni Director’s Blog**, [www.4twualumni.wordpress.com](http://www.4twualumni.wordpress.com). The first 20 alumni to subscribe and send their mailing address to [alumnirelations@twu.edu](mailto:alumnirelations@twu.edu) could win a TWU watch.

## 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](mailto:info@twu.edu). Include first and last names (no initials, please) and appropriate titles (ie. Dr.)*

Dr. **Phyllis Bridges** (English) gave a research presentation at the national Western Literature of America conference in Prescott, Ariz., on Oct. 21. The theme of the conference was Western Performance. Dr. **Bridges** spoke on Herbert Jeffries.

Dr. **AnaLouise Keating** (women’s studies) recently had an article, “Archival Alchemy and Allure: The Gloria Evangelina Anzaldúa Papers as Case Study,” published in *Aztlán: A Journal of Chicano Studies*.

Dr. **Susan Chaney** (nursing, Dallas) presented “Evidence-Based Interventions for Domestic Violence” at the 2010 National Clinical Conference of the American College of Nurse Practitioners on Oct. 22 in Tampa, Fla.

**Jana Bates** (human resources) recently won a \$2,000 academic scholarship from the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM) Foundation. She was one of 20 scholarship recipients.

Dr. **Faisal Aboul-Enein** (nursing, Houston) has been formally invited to be a reviewer for *Saudi Aramco World*. The journal’s mission is to increase cross-cultural understanding. The bimonthly magazine’s goal is to broaden knowledge of the cultures, history and geography of the Arab and Muslim worlds and their connections with the West. Dr. **Aboul-Enein’s** focus will be all aspects of health care. The journal is available at <http://www.saudiaramcoworld.com/>

**Sharon Venable** (corporate and community development) will assume the duties of director of institutional development upon the departure of current interim director

Gilland Chenault at the end of December. Mr. **Chenault** is leaving to pursue a full-time private practice of law.

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## **THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: NOVEMBER 8-21, 2010**

### **Mon., Nov. 8**

- 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. Southern Arkansas, 6:30 p.m., home.

### **Tues., Nov. 9**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
- Joyce Thompson Memorial Lecture, “Can I Get a Witness? Fannie Lou Hamer’s Transformative Democracy” presented by Dr. Phyllis Elmore, professor of English at North Lake College. 2:30 p.m., ACT 301. Reception follows. Admission is free.
- Annual Delta Phi Delta Italian Night, 5:30 p.m., Fine Arts Building. All-you-can-eat Italian food. \$10 general tickets, \$8 students and seniors. Proceeds benefit Delta Phi Delta Scholarship Fund. For more information, [tsalazar1@twu.edu](mailto:tsalazar1@twu.edu).

### **Wed., Nov. 10**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
- Quality Enhancement Plan workshop, 2:30-4 p.m., ACT 301, DED 229, DPH 109, IHS 3310. Register at <https://www.psychdata.com/s.asp?SID=138228>

### **Thur., Nov. 11**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
- TWU Salute to Veterans, 11 a.m., Hubbard Hall.
- Pioneers Volleyball vs. Abilene Christian, 2:30 p.m., away.

### **Fri., Nov. 12**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore closed for inventory; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
- Ally training, 10 a.m., SU 207.
- Seminar Series: Nutrition and Food Sciences. Nutrition MS student Shelly Carlson speaks about “Determination of Food Intolerances in Children with Functional Gastrointestinal Disorders by Patient-Reported Outcomes,” and nutrition MS student Adrienne Feinberg speaks on “Perceived and Actual

Nutrition Knowledge of Café Beverages.” Noon, ACT 301, IHS 3322, DPH and DED upon request.

- Quality Enhancement Plan workshop, 9:30-11:30 a.m., ACT 301, DED 155, DPH 129, IHS 3310. Register at <https://www.psychdata.com/s.asp?SID=138228>
- Pioneers Basketball vs. Grand Canyon, 2010 Disney West Coast Tip off Classic, Anaheim, Calif., 5 p.m. (PST)

**Sat., Nov. 13**

- Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Pioneers Basketball vs. UC San Diego, 2010 Disney West Coast Tip off Classic, Anaheim, Calif., 2:30 p.m. (PST)

**Sun., Nov. 14**

- Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-10 p.m.
- Pioneers Basketball vs. Alaska Anchorage, 2010 Disney West Coast Tip off Classic, Anaheim, Calif., 4 p.m. (PST)

**Mon., Nov. 15**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.

**Tues, Nov. 16**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
- “Reforming Islamic Societies: Prospects and Pitfalls,” 1 p.m., CFO 204, with guest speaker Dr. Abdulkarim Soroush. Free.
- Chrysanthemum Tea, 9:30 a.m., Hubbard Hall Banquet Room. Free.

**Wed, Nov. 17**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
- Native American Month Celebration, noon, SU Purple Lounge.

**Thurs., Nov. 18**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.

**Friday, Nov. 19**

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
- Seminar Series: Nutrition and Food Sciences. Food Sciences MS student Megha Sharma speaks on “Factors that Affect Hydrolytic Rancidity in Rice Bran,” and food sciences MS student Kasturi Chitre talks about “The Impact of the Degree of

Milling on the Contents of Rice Bran Lipids and Tocotrienol.” Noon, ACT 301, IHS 3322, DPH and DED upon request.

- Pioneers Basketball vs. UC-Colorado Springs, 2010 DFW Marriott Champions Circle Pioneer Premiere, 7 p.m., home.

**Saturday, Nov. 20**

- Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Denton Campus Open House, with sessions in English and Spanish. 8 a.m., Hubbard Hall.
- Pioneers Basketball vs. Arkansas-Fort Smith, 2010 DFW Marriott Champions Circle Pioneer Premiere, 4 p.m., home.

**Sunday, Nov. 21**

- Library open 2 p.m.-midnight; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-10 p.m.

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