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### **DAVIS HONORED BY SOUTHERN NURSING RESEARCH SOCIETY**

The Southern Nursing Research Society has named Dr. Gail Davis (nursing, Denton) the 2008 recipient of the John A. Hartford Geriatric Nursing Research Award.

Dr. Davis will receive this award in recognition for her research on older adults during the society's annual conference scheduled Feb. 21-23 in Birmingham, Ala.

"My research with older adults, which focuses on testing interventions for the improvement of pain self-management and for the maintenance of bone health, has been extremely gratifying," said Dr. Davis, B.S.N., M.Ed., Ed.D. "My hope is that my research will add to the knowledge that nurses and other healthcare professionals can use in their practice. Receiving this award from the Southern Nursing Research Society is, for me, a distinct honor."

The John A. Hartford Geriatric Nursing Research Award is given annually to recognize the contributions of an individual whose established program of research has enhanced the science and practice of geriatric nursing in the Southern region. It is one of only five awards the Southern Nursing Research Society gives during its annual conference.

For more information on the Southern Nursing Research Society, visit [www.snrs.org](http://www.snrs.org).

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### **NEELEY TO SPEAK AT ADMINISTRATORS' BACK-TO-SCHOOL DAY**

Former Texas Commissioner of Education Dr. Shirley J. Neeley will be the keynote speaker as Texas Woman's University hosts its second annual Administrators' Back-to-School Day on Friday, Feb. 15.

The workshop will take place in the Administration Conference Tower (ACT) Building, located on Administration Drive on TWU's Denton campus. Check-in will begin at 8 a.m. in the second-floor lobby area. Registration costs through Friday, Jan. 25 are \$89 for school administrators and \$19 for university students. Regular registration is \$109 for

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school administrators and \$29 for university students, and on-site registration is \$129 for school administrators. Costs include a CEU (continuing education credit) certificate, continental breakfast, lunch and networking opportunities.

Registration is available at [www.twu.edu/lifelong](http://www.twu.edu/lifelong). For more information, contact the TWU Office of Lifelong Learning at (940) 898-3408.

Dr. Neeley served as the Texas commissioner of education from 2004 to 2007. As commissioner, Dr. Neeley was head of the Texas Education Agency, which oversees 1,037 school districts and approximately 200 charter schools.

A former elementary school teacher, assistant principal and principal, Dr. Neeley served as superintendent of Galena Park Independent School District, Texas' largest exemplary district, until her appointment as commissioner of education.

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**OPEN FORUMS SCHEDULED FOR PROVOST CANDIDATE**

The Search Committee for the Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs at Texas Woman's University has scheduled a series of open forums at each of the TWU campuses for Dr. Kay Clayton, candidate for the provost and vice president of academic affairs position. Faculty, staff and students at each of the respective campuses are invited to attend.

Dr. Clayton currently is provost and vice president for academic affairs at Texas A&M University-Kingsville. Her experience includes more than 12 years of senior administrative duties at A&M-Kingsville. At the national level, she has extensive SACS accreditation experience and she has provided leadership training to new provosts for AASCU. Additionally, Dr. Clayton is a TWU alumna, having received her Ph.D. in education from the university.

Open forums at each of TWU's four campuses are as follows:

- **Denton Campus** — Wednesday, Jan. 16, 2 p.m., CFO 202
- **Dallas-Presbyterian** — Thursday, Jan. 17, 8:30 a.m., Room 105
- **Dallas-Parkland** — Thursday, Jan. 17, 10:30 a.m., Room 218
- **Houston** — Thursday, Jan. 17, 4: p.m., Room 2120

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## **COMMUNITY DANCE CENTER SCHEDULES REGISTRATION**

Children, teens and adults are invited to explore their creative potential through dance at the Community Dance Center at Texas Woman's University.

Registration ends Friday, Jan. 18, with classes beginning Tuesday, Jan. 22. Classes range from six to 10 weeks in length, with prices ranging from \$50 to \$70. A \$5 fee will be added for registration after Jan. 18. For more information, or to register, go to [www.twu.edu/lifelong](http://www.twu.edu/lifelong) or call the TWU Office of Lifelong Learning at (940) 898-3408.

Classes this spring include "Salsacize," a conditioning program; ballet; tap; creative movement; hip hop jazz; Pilates conditioning; ballroom and more. All classes meet in the studios of the Dance Building, located on the northeast corner of Bell Avenue and Administration Drive on TWU's Denton campus.

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## **TWU OFFERS COMMUNITY MUSIC CLASSES**

Area residents interested in music lessons for themselves or their children are offered a variety of opportunities through Texas Woman's University Community Music Instruction.

Private and group lessons are offered on piano and guitar, and adaptive lessons are offered in piano and voice. Private lessons also are available for organ, horn, strings, clarinet and flute. Lessons are available for beginning, intermediate and advanced levels. Most lessons are offered on a 12-week basis. Tuition ranges from \$125 to \$875.

The registration deadline is Wednesday, Jan. 23. For more information, visit [www.twu.edu/lifelong](http://www.twu.edu/lifelong) or call the TWU Office of Lifelong Learning at (940) 898-3408.

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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.*

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**TWU Fitness & Recreation** offers a way to keep that New Year's resolution to get fit. Faculty and staff are eligible to participate in intramural sports leagues with students. Activities this spring include basketball, golf, grass volleyball, outdoor 7 vs. 7 soccer, and softball. Recreational, competitive and co-ed leagues are available. Fitness & Recreation also offers Intro Nights — basic introductions to new sports or activities so that any beginner can decide whether she or he would like to participate in a particular area. For more information, visit [www.twufitnessandrec.com](http://www.twufitnessandrec.com) or contact Erin Smith, recreation supervisor, at 81-2918 or [esmith6@twu.edu](mailto:esmith6@twu.edu).

The Spring 2008 edition of the **Opening of School FAQ Handbook** is now available online. To access the handbook, visit [www.twu.edu](http://www.twu.edu).

“Cormac McCarthy’s Novels: An Introduction” is the topic of **Professor’s Corner**, scheduled Jan. 9 at 7 p.m. in the Denton South Branch Library, 3228 Teasley. McCarthy has published almost a dozen major novels and had two Hollywood films based on his work: “All the Pretty Horses” and, most recently, “No Country for Old Men.” TWU’s Dr. Russell Greer (English, Speech and Foreign Languages) will present the discussion. For more information, contact Dr. Stephen Souris at 81-2343 or [ssouris@twu.edu](mailto:ssouris@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](mailto:info@twu.edu). Include first and last names (no initials, please) and appropriate titles (ie. Dr.).*

Dr. **Vicki McGillin** (associate provost) has accepted the position of vice president for academic affairs/dean of the faculty at Linfield College in McMinnville and Portland, Ore. Dr. McGillin will complete the spring 2008 semester at TWU and begin her new position on July 1.

Dr. **JoAnn Danelo Barbour** (educational leadership) received a Reviewer of the Year award from the *Journal of Research in Leadership Education* (JRLE) during a recent conference in Washington, D.C. She was honored for continuing to provide “timely and comprehensive feedback to our authors,” according to the editor of the journal.

**Jennifer Lewis** has joined TWU’s financial aid office as the Houston Center financial aid advisor, effective Dec. 3, 2007. She previously served as support specialist at Riverside General Hospital in Houston and as administrator for Shuman Consulting Services of New Orleans, La.

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**Nino Berticelli** has joined the TWU Athletics staff as compliance coordinator, effective Jan. 7. He previously served as an academic advisor for student athletes at the University of Texas-San Antonio. He earned his bachelor of arts in sociology from the University of Notre Dame and his master's of science in sports administration from St. Thomas University in Miami, Fla.

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**THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: JANUARY 7-20, 2008**

Mon., Jan. 7	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-8 p.m.
Tues., Jan. 8	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-8 p.m.
Wed., Jan. 9	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-8 p.m.
Thur., Jan. 10	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-8 p.m.
Fri., Jan. 11	-Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-8 p.m.
Sat., Jan. 12	-Library open 10 a.m.-2 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m. to noon.
Sun., Jan. 13	-Library closed; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-8 p.m.
Mon., Jan. 14	-Spring classes begin. -Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Tues., Jan. 15	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Wed., Jan. 16	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.
Thur., Jan. 17	-Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight.

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- Fri., Jan. 18            -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.
- Sat., Jan. 19            -Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness  
and Recreation open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.  
-TWU Open House-Denton campus, 8:30 a.m.-2 p.m., Hubbard  
Hall. 81-3014.
- Sun., Jan. 20            -Library closed; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-  
10 p.m.

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