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TWU REGENTS APPROVE FACULTY PROMOTIONS, TENURE

The Texas Woman's University Board of Regents recently approved promotions and tenure recommendations at its quarterly meeting held June 30.

Associate Professors Dr. **Mark Britt** (chemistry/physics), Dr. **Ellina Grigorieva** (mathematics/computer science) and Dr. **Young-Hoo Kwon** (kinesiology) were awarded tenure. **Sharon Benge**, director of the TWU drama department, was promoted to professor and received tenure.

Associate Professors Dr. **JoAnn Barbour** (teacher education), Dr. **Chris Beatty** (dental hygiene), Dr. **Vic Ben-Ezra** (kinesiology), Dr. **Gayle Hersch** (occupational therapy-Houston), Dr. **Judy Johnson-Russell** (nursing-Dallas), Dr. **AnaLouise Keating** (women's studies), Dr. **Mahmoud Sadri** (sociology), Dr. **Stephen Souris** (English, speech and foreign languages), Dr. **Sally Stabb** (psychology/philosophy), Dr. **Mary Thompson** (physical therapy – Dallas), Dr. **James Williams** (sociology), Dr. **Philip Yang** (sociology) and Dr. **Deborah Young** (fashion and textiles) were promoted to professor.

Associate Clinical Professor **Carolyn Ray** (dental hygiene) was named a clinical professor, and assistant clinical professors Dr. **Johnnie Aven** (occupational therapy), **Elizabeth Fuentes** (nursing-Dallas), **Pat Jones** (nursing) and **Leslie Koberna** (dental hygiene) were promoted to associate clinical professors.

Assistant Professors Dr. **Lettie Albright** (reading), Dr. **Mary Bold** (family studies), Dr. **Sheri Dragoo** (fashion and textiles), Dr. **Gerald Goodman** (healthcare administration-Houston), Dr. **Brenda Haile** (nursing-Houston), Dr. **Mark Hamner** (mathematics/computer science), Dr. **Junehee Kwon** (nutrition and food sciences), Dr. **Huanbiao Mo** (nutrition and food sciences), Dr. **David Nichols** (kinesiology), Dr. **Yvonne Rodriguez** (reading), Dr. **Lene Symes** (nursing - Houston), Dr. **Mark Tengesdal** (business/economics) and Dr. **S. Sharon Wang** (physical therapy-Dallas) were all promoted to the rank of associate professor and awarded tenure. Dr. **Diane Gregory**, assistant professor of visual arts, also was promoted to associate professor.

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Clinical Instructors **Robin Abellera**, (communication sciences and disorders), **Laura Moorner-Cook** (communication sciences and disorders), **Faisal Aboul-Enein** (nursing-Houston), **Nancy McMenamy** (nursing-Dallas), **Rochelle Schultz** (nursing-Houston) were named assistant clinical professors. Dr. **Lynda Peebles** was promoted to a lecturer II in the chemistry and physics department.

Several retiring faculty were given Emeritus status by the Regents. Dr. **Charlotte Keefe** (education), Dr. **Jean Pyfer** (kinesiology), Dr. **Martha Randeri** (English, speech and foreign languages) and Dr. **Wayne Zimmerman** (mathematics/computer science) were each appointed as Professor Emeritus, and Dr. **Jeannette Kernicki** (nursing) was named a Clinical Professor Emerita for TWU.

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PARTNERSHIP AIMED AT ENCOURAGING MATH SKILLS

High school seniors can take college algebra and receive high school and college credit through a partnership between Denton Independent School District and North Texas Central College, the University of North Texas and Texas Woman's University.

Called "On the MARC – Math Advancement and Readiness Collaborative," the partnership was formed to encourage students to keep up their math skills during their senior year and help them perform better at the college level.

Beginning in August, seniors enrolled in the program can take the class on their high school campus through NCTC or enroll in courses on the UNT and TWU campuses.

Tuition costs will be \$216 at NCTC; \$219 plus fees for TWU; and \$421.50 plus fees at UNT. The college and universities are covering the instructional expenses, so there is no cost to DISD for this project.

Research shows that not having to take math in the senior year of high school is a primary reason students are not ready for college-level math courses.

"Many college freshmen are required, then, to enroll in one or more developmental math courses to improve their skills before they can take college algebra, a core course for most degree plans," said Dr. Lee Ann Nutt, provost for NCTC-Corinth campus.

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Denton ISD tested 762 high school juniors enrolled in Algebra II by using a placement exam developed by TWU. Students who made a qualifying score were then approved to pursue dual credit courses at the three area higher education institutions.

If a student did not qualify for dual credit, he or she can take Algebra III at the high school in the fall. They may be eligible in the spring 2007 semester for a dual math credit course, school officials said.

All three participating higher education institutions are in the Denton ISD.

“The level of cooperation between the school district and the higher education institutions is remarkable,” Dr. Nutt said. “Denton is fortunate to have an educational system that works together to make transitions between high school and college as smooth and successful as possible.”

“TWU is happy to be part of this wonderful project,” said Dr. Don Edwards, associate dean for the College of Arts and Sciences at TWU. “I believe that we will see a great improvement in student performance in math courses and on math assessments as a result of this partnership.”

For additional information, contact the students’ high school: Denton High ((940) 369-2000, Guyer High (940) 369-1000, or Ryan High (940) 369-3000.

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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.

Faculty, staff and administrators are invited to participate in TWU’s Fall 2006 Pioneer Welcome Day from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. Aug. 23. Volunteers are needed to assist students and their parents with moving into the residence and to provide directions and serve refreshments. Volunteers are asked to sign up for a two-hour period. Special T-shirts will be provided for all who participate. Sign-up forms are available through the residence life program and should be returned by Friday, July 21. For more information, contact Kenny Mauk at kmauk@twu.edu or at 8-1-3676.

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NEWSBRIEFS, continued

TWU's Technical Support Services Team will discuss data backup during Tech Talk, scheduled for 10 a.m. Thursday, July 20, in MCL 502. The session is open to the TWU community.

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 TWU College of Nursing-Houston faculty and graduate students will present posters or papers during the Sigma Theta Tau International Honor Society of Nursing's 17th International Nursing Research Congress July 19-22 in Montreal, Quebec, Canada. Presenters include associate professors Dr. **Sandra Cesario**, Dr. **Rae Langford** and Dr. **Brenda Binder**; professors Dr. **Anne Young**, Dr. **Carolyn Adamson**, Dr. **Judith McFarlane** and Dr. **Peggy Landrum**; and doctoral students **Vi Ho**, **Anecita Fadol**, **Rosie Pine**, **Gloria Beriones** and **Nena Bonuel**. Dr. **Lea Ann Matura**, a December 2005 graduate of TWU who currently is conducting a postdoctoral fellowship with the National Institutes of Health, will conduct two presentations using information from her dissertation. Also attending the conference are CON-Houston faculty members **Betty Henderson** (assistant professor), Dr. **Shirley Hutchinson** (associate professor), Dr. **Chris Hawkins** (associate professor), Dr. **Robin Britt** (professor), and doctoral student **Cheryl Lindy**.

TWU librarians **Connie Maxwell** (assistant director of libraries, reference services), **John Hepner** (reference librarian) and **Suzanne Sweeney** (InterLibrary Loan) presented a poster session titled "The FIRST Family: Librarian Support for Faculty Scholarship" at the American Library Association's Annual Conference in New Orleans in June. The presentation is available on the web at <http://www.twu.edu/library/res/alafirst.htm>. **Hepner** serves on the executive committee of the reference services section of the Reference and User Services Association (RUSA). **Sweeney** serves on the RUSA Planning and Finance Committee. Others attending the conference from the Blagg-Huey Library included **Sherilyn Bird** (director of libraries), **Linda Bixler** (coordinator, access services), **Greg Hardin** (reference librarian), **Annita Owens** (reference librarian) and **Ellen Perlow** (librarian, Children's Collection).

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Dr. **Susan Chaney** and Dr. **Susan Sheriff** (nursing-Dallas) presented “Effects of Exercise on the Success and Maintenance of Smoking Cessation in Women” at the 21st National Conference of the American Academy of Nurse Practitioners, held June 21 at the Gaylord Texan Resort in Grapevine.

Dr. **Gerald Goodman** (health care administration-Houston) presented “A Fragmented Patient Safety Concept: The Structure and Culture of Safety Management in Healthcare” at the Second National Healthcare Ergonomics Conference June 26-29 in Portland, Ore.

Dr. **Gretchen Gemeinhardt** (health care administration-Houston) has been appointed to the 2006 Board of Examiners for the Malcom Baldrige National Quality Award. The award, created by Congress in 1987, is the highest level of national recognition for performance and excellence that an organization in the United States can receive.

Dr. **April Miller** (COPE) has accepted a position as assistant dean of the College of Education at Morehead State University in Kentucky effective Aug. 1. Dr. **Nan Restine** will serve as interim dean of the College of Professional Education and will continue to serve as chair of the Department of Teacher Education.

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: JULY 17-30, 2006

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| Mon., July 17 | - Library open 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m. to midnight. Pioneer Hall indoor pool closed for repairs. |
| Tues., July 18 | - Library open 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m. to midnight. Pioneer Hall indoor pool closed for repairs. |
| Wed., July 19 | - Library open 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m. to midnight. Pioneer Hall indoor pool closed for repairs. |
| Thur., July 20 | -Library open 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m. to midnight. Pioneer Hall indoor pool closed for repairs. |

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- Fri., July 21 -Library open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m. Pioneer Hall indoor pool closed for repairs.
- Sat., July 22 -Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness & Recreation open 8 a.m. to noon.
- Sun., July 23 -Library open 2-10 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness & Recreation open 2-10 p.m.
- Mon., July 24 -Library open 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-midnight
- Tues., July 25 -Library open 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m. to midnight
- Wed., July 26 -Library open 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m. to midnight
- Thur., July 27 -Library open 8 a.m.-10 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m. to midnight
- Fri., July 28 -Library open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.
- Sat., July 29 -Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness & Recreation open 8 a.m.-noon.
- Sun., July 30 -Library open 2-10 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness & Recreation open 2-10 p.m.

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