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TWU'S UPHOUSE NAMED 2008 PIPER PROFESSOR

In recognition of her dedication to her students and to the teaching profession, Dr. Lynda Uphouse, Texas Woman's University Cornaro Professor of Biology, has been named a 2008 Piper Professor by the Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation. Awards were announced Thursday, May 1.

The award, which includes a \$5,000 stipend, was created in 1958 to honor outstanding teaching in Texas colleges and universities. The foundation makes only 15 awards each year. Selection is made on the basis of nominations submitted by each college or university in Texas.

"I truly enjoy teaching, and experience great joy knowing that I may have been a positive influence in a student's life," said Dr. Uphouse, who also is program director of the Multi-Ethnic Biomedical Research Support (MBRS) program at TWU.

This marks the second consecutive year that a TWU faculty member has received the prestigious Piper award. Dr. Ron French, Cornaro Professor of Kinesiology, was named a Piper Professor in 2007. The Cornaro award is the highest honor given to a senior faculty member at TWU.

Dr. Uphouse is the ninth TWU faculty member to be named a Piper Professor since the award was established.

"Dr. Uphouse has an outstanding record as a researcher and teacher who conveys her love of research to her students," TWU Chancellor Dr. Ann Stuart said. "She is the embodiment of the Minnie Stevens Piper Award."

As a research scientist, Dr. Uphouse has been the research adviser for more than 50 undergraduate, graduate and postdoctoral students since 1973. The MBRS program, which she developed at TWU in 1989, supports up to 20 research students and up to 20 freshman/sophomore students in an introduction to scientific research. She has been an active member of the scientific community, serving on NIH (National Institutes of Health) and NSF (National Science Foundation) study panels and conducting reviews for multiple research journals.

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“I have been blessed to join a profession in which I can pursue interesting research questions and hopefully add knowledge to the community,” Dr. Uphouse said. “However, my greatest achievements have been the students whose lives I have touched and who have touched mine in return. I cannot imagine a greater sense of achievement than that which I feel when a student succeeds.”

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HOLDEN-HUCHTON IS NEW COLLEGE OF NURSING DEAN

Dr. Patricia Holden-Huchton has been named dean of the College of Nursing at Texas Woman’s University. Dr. Holden-Huchton previously served as the interim dean of nursing and as the associate dean of nursing for the TWU’s Denton Campus. She began her duties on April 1.

“I am both honored and thrilled to have the opportunity to serve in this leadership position,” Dr. Holden-Huchton, RN, DSN, CNE, said. “The College of Nursing has a national reputation for excellence in its bachelor’s, master’s, Ph.D. and the new doctorate of nurse practice program. The exceptional faculty are dedicated to teaching, service and research of the highest quality, and our students are outstanding.”

Dr. Holden-Huchton grew up in Odessa and received her bachelor of science in nursing from the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, her master’s in nursing from TWU and her doctorate from the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Prior to joining TWU in 2005, Dr. Holden-Huchton held academic leadership positions in Kentucky and Nevada and has been a registered nurse for more than 30 years. She has held several leadership positions within a variety of community agencies throughout her career. She was president of the board of directors of Hospice of the Kentucky River, a commissioner of the National League for Nursing and a member of the board of directors of an HIV Certification Board. She also has held positions in chapters of Sigma Theta Tau International, the Kentucky Nurses’ Association and the Texas Nurses’ Association.

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ACT 2, BRIDGE UNDERGOING RENOVATIONS

The second floor lobby and bridge in ACT will undergo interior renovations this summer. The project is scheduled to begin May 12 and end July 31.

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The renovation work will include abatement, new carpet, and a new ceiling for the bridge, new flooring in the main lobby, new paint and new lighting.

On May 12, the bridge will be closed and will remain closed throughout the duration of the project. Beginning May 27, the lobby area will also be closed to everyone except the departments presently located on the second floor.

Visitors to and occupants from the upper floors can gain access by using the first-floor elevators and are advised to notify guests of an accessible route prior to their visit utilizing the elevators or the exterior stairway whenever possible. Visitors to the departments located on the second floor should contact the respective department prior to visiting for information on the best alternative route.

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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 eighth annual **TWU Staff Development Day** will be held Thursday, May 29 in the MCL Lobby. The program, titled "Change Happens," will feature Retired Maj. Gen. Mary Saunders, executive director of the TWU Leadership Institute, and lunch with former Dallas Cowboys player Everson Walls. Cost of the lunch is \$5.50. Event registration and breakfast begin at 7:30 a.m. in the MCL Lobby. For more information, contact Jason Brison, vice president of Staff Council, at 8-1-3258 or jbrison@twu.edu.

TWU's residence life program is seeking volunteers for the annual "**Pioneer Welcome Day**" event. Participating, faculty, staff and administrators will be available in the residence halls on opening day (Wednesday, Aug. 20), to help students and their parents move in belongings, provide directions and serve refreshments. Special T-shirts are available for all who participate. Volunteers are asked to sign up for a two-hour slot between 10 a.m. and 5 p.m. Aug. 20. To sign up, contact Kathalyn Nute at kathpath@twu.edu or in 336 Jones Hall by June 1.

Disability Support Services will be located in HDB 002 and 007 from May 12 through mid-August due to renovations in CFO this summer.

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. **Ling Hwey Jeng** (library and information studies) was re-elected to her third term as a Councilor-At-Large for the Council of the American Library Association. Her term will end in 2011.

Dr. **Betsy Kaye** (Reading Recovery) was elected to the board of directors for the Reading Recovery Council of North America. She will be serving a three-year term in the position of Trainer Representative.

Gov. Rick Perry reappointed **Carlos L. Gallardo** (human resources) to the Texas Medical Board District Review Committee. His new term will expire Jan. 15, 2014.

Ward Sheeder (facilities management and construction) has accepted the position of assistant director of plant utilities on the Denton campus. He has been employed with TWU for more than six years, and previously served as supervisor of facilities for the Dallas campus.

Duane Baade has joined TWU as the scientific instrument repair technician. He has more than 40 years of experience in electronic repair and calibration. His email is dbaade@twu.edu.

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: MAY 12-25, 2008

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| Mon., May 12 | -Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-8 p.m. |
| Tues., May 13 | - 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., May 14 | - Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-8 p.m.
-Professor's Corner, "Raking the Mucks: Satire in African American Literature," 7 p.m., Denton South Branch Library, 3228 |

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Teasley Lane. Presenter: Dr. Darryl Dickson-Carr, Southern Methodist University. Free. 8-1-2343.

- Thur., May 15 - Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-8 p.m.
- Fri., May 16 - 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., May 17 -Library closed; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m. to 6 noon.
- Sun., May 18 -Library closed; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-8 p.m.
- Mon., May 19 - Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness & Recreation open 6 a.m.-8 p.m.
- Tues., May 20 - Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-8 p.m.
- Wed., May 21 - Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-8 p.m.
- Thur., May 22 - Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore open 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-8 p.m.
- Fri., May 23 - 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., May 24 -Library closed; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-noon.
- Sun., May 25 -Library closed; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 2-8 p.m.

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