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TWU RECEIVES \$900,000 GRANT FROM HOUSTON ENDOWMENT

Texas Woman's University recently received a \$900,000 grant from Houston Endowment. The grant will be used toward a study on the effectiveness of shelters and civil protection orders and their respective roles in helping abused women and children transition into safety.

Leading the study is Dr. Judith McFarlane, professor of nursing and the Parry Chair in Health Promotion at the TWU Institute of Health Sciences-Houston Center. Dr. McFarlane has a national reputation for her research involving abused women, in particular women who are abused during pregnancy. Her research findings have been cited by the U.S. Supreme Court, presented to U.S. Congressional Committees, included in national health objectives and used by clinicians in the U.S. and abroad.

“Safe families are dependent on evidence to inform practice and policy decisions,” Dr. McFarlane said. “This research will contribute to our understanding of how best to enable the wellbeing of abused women and their children, and ensure a safer future for all persons.”

The Houston Endowment — a private philanthropic foundation established by Jesse H. and Mary Gibbs Jones in 1937 — supports nonprofit organizations and educational institutions that generate progress in the community by producing positive and enduring results for those they serve. In 2009, the foundation donated more than \$68 million in the areas of arts and culture, education, the environment, health and human services. For more information, visit www.houstonendowment.org.

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JENG RECEIVES CALA DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

Dr. , director of the School of Library and Information Studies at Texas Woman's University, recently was honored with the Chinese American Librarians Association's (CALA) 2010 Distinguished Service Award.

The award was presented to Dr. Jeng for her “outstanding accomplishments and extraordinary success at national and international levels in her 33 years of service.” Dr. Jeng has more than 40 publications to her credit and has made more than 80 scholarly presentations at conferences, meetings and workshops. She is the recipient of 16 grants totaling more than \$1 million.

The award committee cited Dr. Jeng’s contributions to CALA, including her service as president from 1999 to 2000. She formerly served as executive director of the Asian/Pacific American Librarians Association (APALA), and played a key role in the success of the National Conference of Asian Pacific American Librarians, the first joint conference between CALA and the APALA. Dr. Jeng has been elected to the American Library Association Council multiple times and currently serves as a councilor-at-large.

“I am honored and humbled to receive the Distinguished Service Award,” Dr. Jeng said. “The Chinese American Librarians Association has an excellent record of service to Chinese American communities and collaboration with other ethnic caucuses on issues related to diversity. I am very pleased to be recognized for my work in library education and my efforts on recruitment and mentoring of minority students in library science.”

CALA established the Distinguished Service Award to recognize the achievements and contributions of Chinese Americans to librarianship — particularly to Chinese American librarianship. CALA is an affiliate of the American Library Association (ALA) and a member of the Council of National Library and Information Associations (CNLIA). For more information, visit www.cala-web.org.

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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 Texas Woman’s University Board of Regents at its August 2010 meeting **approved a pay increase** of \$500 or 1 percent of the annual salary, whichever is greater, for regular full-time and regular part-time staff making \$100,000 or less per year for Professional and Administrative and Classified staff effective Sept. 1, 2010. (Pro-rated for part-time employees.) Professional and Administrative and Classified staff on the payroll as of June 1, 2010 in a regular permanent position will be eligible for this pay increase. Recently approved reclassifications and promotions for all positions, including those approved on or before Sept. 1, 2010, are eligible for this pay increase. **Pay increases will be reflected in the Oct. 1, 2010 paychecks.**

The deadline to sign up for **Fitness and Recreation payroll deduction** is **Friday, Sept. 3**. For more information, contact membership supervisor Sammie Jendrusch at 81-2946.

National health and wellness expert Todd Whitthorne, president and CEO of Cooper Concepts, Inc. in Dallas, will serve as the keynote speaker during Texas Woman's University's annual "**The Power of a Healthy Woman**" event Sept. 25. Adult women are encouraged to attend the half-day event, which shines the spotlight on women's health. It will be held from 8 a.m. until 1 p.m. Saturday, Sept. 25, in Hubbard Hall on the TWU Denton campus. Registration is \$15 before Sept. 10, and \$20 after that date and on site. The registration deadline is Sept. 17. Space is limited, so participants are encouraged to register early. For more information, go to www.twu.edu/healthywoman.

Robert Tuggle, associate vice president for finance and administration, has issued a statement addressing rumors regarding **TWU Printing Services**. While Printing Services **will not close** at the end of August, the departures of three employees leaves the office unable to maintain its current level of service. Eagle and Wheeler Printing in Denton will handle many printing jobs on an interim basis. **Departments will continue to send printing requests to Printing Services**. Additional lead time will be required to meet printing deadlines.

Beginning Monday, Aug. 30, the university will open a **temporary unpaved parking lot** east of Jones Hall on the old Reagan Houston residence hall site. The lot will be open to any student, faculty or staff member with a current parking permit. The lot will provide approximately 120 additional parking spaces. A regular paved parking lot will be constructed at the site later in the academic year.

Applications for **Fall 2010 Staff Scholarships** are being accepted. Eligibility requirements include being a full- or part-time permanent TWU employee (Graduate Assistants are not eligible); have been employed at least three consecutive months by the start of the fall 2010 term; and be a student in good standing if you previously have enrolled at TWU. New students must meet normal admission standards. The scholarship will pay \$500 toward one three-hour course. The course can be at the graduate or undergraduate level. Awards will be made on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, contact the Office of Student Life.

Nominations for the **TWU Distinguished Alumni Award** are due Sept. 15. Forms and instructions for the nomination process are available at www.twu.edu/alumni. Graduates of all locations are eligible. Honorees will be recognized April 15, 2011 at the annual Distinguished Alumni Luncheon.

A **TWU Black Alumni Group** will be launched this fall with a series of gatherings around the Metroplex. The goals of TWUBA are to support the mission of TWU, mentor current students, establish a scholarship endowment and provide community. The group is open to TWU alumni, faculty and staff. More information is available at www.twu.edu/alumni/11123.asp, or become a fan on Facebook at www.facebook.com/TWUBlackAlumni to follow announcements about group activities.

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. **Sandra Cesario** (nursing, Houston) was appointed to the Editorial Advisory Board of the *Health Environments Research and Design Journal* (HERD) for a two-year term. HERD is an interdisciplinary, peer-reviewed journal whose mission is to enhance the knowledge and practice of evidence-based healthcare design by disseminating research findings, discussing issues and trends, and translating research to practice.

Dr. **Sandra Cesario** (nursing, Houston) has been elected to a two-year term as president of the Texas Medical Center-Women's Health Network (WHN), a 501(c)(3) organization comprised of health professionals dedicated to advancing women's health and reducing disparities through collaborations in education, research and advocacy.

Dr. **Lisa K. Zottarelli** (sociology), Dr. Junehee Kwon (Kansas State University) Dr. **Dojin Ryu** (nutrition and food sciences), Ms. **Erin Rider** (sociology), and Ms. **Amber Deane** (sociology) presented “Shelter in the Storm: A Sociopolitical Ecology Analysis of Faith-Based Organizations Providing Food and Shelter during Large Scale Evacuations of the United States Gulf Coast” at the International Sociological Association World Congress in Gothenburg, Sweden.

TWU was well represented at the recent Texas Dietetic Association (TDA) meeting. **Karen Moreland** (nutrition and food sciences, Houston) was named Dietetic Internship Outstanding Dietetic Educator; **Elizabeth Kiertscher**, a student in the TWU master's program in exercise and sports nutrition, was named Outstanding Dietetic Internship Student; **Jennifer Neily**, MS, RD, CSSD, a graduate of the TWU exercises and sports nutrition program, received the TDA Media Award; **Carol Ireton-Jones**, Ph.D., RD, CNSD, a graduate of TWU's doctoral program in nutrition, was named Texas Distinguished Dietitian; and **Jessica Setnick**, MS, RD, CSSD, a graduate of TWU's exercise and sports nutrition program, won the Outstanding Nutrition Education Award.

Kam De Leon (history and government) has received recognition as having met expectations of the Quality Matters™ review process for her online course HIST 1023, United States History: 1865 – Present. With the addition of this course, TWU now has 10 QM recognized online courses. Quality Matters is a faculty-centered, peer course review quality assurance process. For more information about Quality Matters, visit www.qualitymatters.org or contact the Office of Lifelong Learning at 81-3409.

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THE NEXT TWO WEEKS AT TWU: AUGUST 30-SEPTEMBER 12, 2010

Mon., Aug. 30

- Fall classes begin
- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Tues., Aug. 31

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Wed., Sept. 1

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Thur., Sept. 2

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Fri., Sept. 3

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-3 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Sat., Sept. 4

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

Sun., Sept. 5

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

Mon., Sept. 6

- Labor Day holiday; university closed

Tues, Sept. 7

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Wed, Sept. 8

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-5 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Thurs., Sept. 9

- Library open 7:30 a.m.-midnight; bookstore open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.; Fitness and Recreation open 6 a.m.-10 p.m.

Friday, Sept. 10

- 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.

Saturday, Sept. 11

- Library open 9 a.m.-6 p.m.; bookstore closed; Fitness and Recreation open 8 a.m.-6 p.m.

Sunday, Sept. 12

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

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