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HEALTH FAIR

A SUCCESS

The Wellness Committee of the UTD Staff Council presented a free Staff Health Fair on April 18th and 19th in the Student Union Galaxy rooms. This was a fun and informational health fair as well as a chance for the staff to have complimentary health screenings. Door prizes were awarded as part of the health fair event. The fair was a great success due to the help of community organizations and as always the support and participation of UTD staff. (cont. on p.2)

STAFF SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

- Ramona Metcalf** M.S. in Library Science - Library
- Peggy Attari** B.A. in Interdisciplinary Studies - Security Adm.
- Susan Vail** Ph.D. in Arts and Humanities - School of Electrical Engineering & Computer Science
- Julie Evans** B.S. in Literary Studies - Undergraduate Education
- Pat Schoch** Ph.D. in Arts and Humanities - School of Management
- Sherry Slovak** MBA - McDermott Scholars Program

Recipients photo by Margaret Kilbourn



The Retired Faculty/Staff Association has a small group of energetic members who are willing to volunteer for special events and in departmental offices during busy times. If you have a need for an experienced volunteer, please contact Jo Ellen Roach, at watkins7@aol.com. They would appreciate as much time as possible to find the appropriate volunteer for your event. The Retirees have a web page located under Benefits on the Human Resources main web page. The current retiree newsletter with pictures and information are available on the web.



The Wellness Committee, on behalf of the Staff Council, would like to thank the following vendors and organizations for providing services: BCBS of Texas, Cover-Tek, Inc., Prevent Blindness, Richardson Regional Hospital, UTD Police Department (CERT) and Curves Fitness Centers.

DR. DANIEL SEEKS STRATEGIC PLANS FOR FUTURE OF UTD

At the April Staff Council meeting, the representatives discussed the meetings on Strategic Planning that are currently taking place on campus. These meetings are at the request of Dr. David Daniel who will assume the roll of UTD President on June 1st. Dr. Nelsen, Speaker of the Faculty presented the following list of discussion items on the Campus Life agenda in order to encourage our thinking about staff involvement in this process. District representatives were asked to submit their thoughts and ideas for the strategic plan.

CAMPUS LIFE DISCUSSION ITEMS

- Mixed use development of the land around UTD (defining the campus perimeter)
- Grounds (beautification, recreation, etc.)
- Infrastructure (classrooms, sidewalks, building maintenance, etc.)
- VP or Vice Provost for Diversity
- Ombudsman (for students only? for faculty and staff too? two people?)
- Housing (dorms? apts.? family housing?)
- The creation of living learning centers
- Service learning and experiential learning
- Need based financial aid (graduate and undergraduate)
- Undergraduate recruitment of top 10 percent (e.g., Sci-Tech Development Center and other science outreach programs)
- Improved persistence rate for students, especially minority students
- Student placement (role of Career Center, schools, etc.)
- Role of sports (division II? additional sports? scholarship vs. non-scholarship)
- Greek life (residential vs. non-residential)
- Graduate and undergraduate student satisfaction
- Graduate admissions
- Graduate recruitment (stipends, packages, etc.)
- Graduate research engine to promote opportunities
- Web enhancement
- Community outreach (e.g., global epidemic exhibit, Science Place, Dallas Museum of Art projects, science and math in the local schools, industry involvement in modeling labs)
- Continuing education (on the professional level, especially towards certification, or in-fill programs)

NEW EMPLOYEES

January

Judith Aubrey - Management
Vicki Goux - Arts & Humanities
Roderick Hunter - Natural Science & Mathematics
Ferenc Kalman - Natural Science & Mathematics
Simon Kane - University Management Systems
David Kemerling - Engineering and Computer Science
April Martinez - Library
Schedrick Mumphrey - Student Life
Thomas Murphy - UNIX Systems
Nika Nestor - Provost Office
Kimberly O'Brien - Library
Jodi Roberts - Financial Services
Mary Ann Stewart - Engineering and Computer Science
Wilhelmina Vanderpool - Enrollment Services
Thomas Wadley - Physical Plant
Drew Wallace - Technical Customer Service
Leroy White - Physical Plant

February

Teresa Armstrong - Natural Science & Mathematics
Athena Baumann - Admissions
Adriene Blaskey - Counseling
Mitch Born - Records & Registration
Susan Corona - Natural Science & Mathematics
Daniel DeLaCruz - Admissions
Mohamed Ibrahim - Natural Science & Mathematics
Winston Layne - Natural Science & Mathematics
Pchernavia Muhammad - Admissions
Rebecca Pazdral - Undergraduate Dean
Lara Zuehlke - Student Life

March

Chun Hui Bu - Natural Science & Mathematics
Beverly DeYoung - Records & Registration
Darby Grande - Arts & Humanities
Anna Moses - Strategic Planning & Analysis
Ryan Richard - Technical Customer Service
Kenneth Richardson - Assoc. VP of Comp. & Payroll Office
Stanley Rosenfield - Library

Retirees

Myra Allen - Arts & Humanities
Sandra Biddle - Natural Science & Mathematics
Valeria Cocke - Arts & Humanities
Dale Chisamore - Management

Deaths

Lillian Harvey - Exec. Dean for Graduate Studies & Research
Joe Moore, Jr - Social Sciences

Thanks For The Memories



**Dr. Franklyn
Jenifer**

UTD spent part of last year conducting ceremonies, receptions, and activities to say farewell to President Franklyn Jenifer. June 1st will mark the end of an era that the Staff Council will view with pride and deep affection. The council was established during Dr. Jenifer's administration. His relationship with staff is at the core of the council's mission to be "an advisory body through which eligible staff members can convey information and make recommendations to the President..." According to Staff Council Chairperson, Sandee Goertzen, "If he had not approved the Staff Council being established, we wouldn't be where we are today."

Dr. Jenifer emphasized to UTD supervisors that staff members should be allowed to participate in the council, including time for committee work and attending meetings. He supports the council having a budget and made himself accessible to the Chairpersons and Executive Committee members. He enjoyed the small group settings of his District Coffees as well as participates in our Fall Forums and CARE Award ceremonies. He initially approved the CARE Awards and played an integral part

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in the approval of the tuition fee waivers that Staff Council proposed.

Dr. Jenifer demonstrated a true appreciation for the role of staff members in the success of UTD. He elevated the status of Staff Council to one of the effective governing bodies on this campus. We honored him last fall with a presentation of a crystal gift. While saying "good bye," we celebrate his accomplishments and wish him well.



The annual Staff Council Valentine's Day balloon sale was an overwhelming success! A net profit from balloon sales of \$954.50 was raised to add to the Staff Scholarship Fund. Thanks again, to the members of the Fundraising Committee as well as all of those who helped with this fun and successful event.

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STAFF COUNCIL ELECTIONS:

RESULTS BY MAY 31st

The nominating petition for the 2005 - 2006 District Representatives for Staff Council were distributed in March. The nomination process has given us over 40 candidates for the 7 districts for the election in May. Your ballot will arrive in Mid May and the results will be announced by May 31st. Districts are defined geographically by building/mail station. Richardson Callier has been added to District 7. The Representatives will come from the following:

District 1: (4 representatives)

(EC) Eng. & Comp Science Building
(HH) Hoblitzelle Hall

District 2: (5 representatives)

(BE) Lloyd V. Berkner Hall
(FA) Founders West Annex
(FN) Founders North
(FO) Founders Building
(JO) Erik Jonsson Acad. Center

District 3: (6 representatives)

(MC) McDermott Library

District 4: (5 representatives)

(AB) Activities Building
(CN) Conference Center
(SM) School of Management
(SU) Student Union

District 5: (5 representatives)

(PG) Police/Grounds Building
(PP) Physical Plant
(SB) Service Building

District 6: (6 representatives)

(AD) Administrative Wing
(HR) Human Resources Annex
(MP) Multipurpose Facility
(NB) North Office Building
(NL) North Lab

District 7: (5 representatives)

(CA) Callier Center
(GC) Cecil & Ida Green Center
(GR) Cecil H. Green Hall
(CA) North Callier Center
(CR) Richardson Callier