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UT Tyler Holiday Schedule Is Approved By Regents

A holiday schedule for classified and non-teaching employees and a contract for computer service were items approved for The University of Texas at Tyler at a Sept. 5 meeting of the UT System Board of Regents. The meeting was held on the UT Dallas campus in Richardson.

Of the 17 holidays and special leave days available, UT Tyler has elected to convert two of the available holidays to vacation allowance.

The 15 specified holidays include Nov. 26-28 for Thanksgiving, Dec. 24-30 for Christmas, Dec. 31-Jan. 2 for New Year's, March 25-27 for Spring Vacation and April 17 for Good Friday.

The two converted holidays will be allocated as vacation time on a monthly basis with one and one-third hours applied each month throughout the year.

The interagency contract approved is between UT Tyler and the Texas Engineering Station of Texas A&M for computer service for 1980-81.

Student Chapter Recognized

UT Tyler's Student Affiliate Chapter of the American Chemical Society has received a special commendation for excellence as an outstanding chapter for the 1979-80 academic year. The special recognition was announced by I. Dwaine Eubanks, chairman of the Council Committee on Chemical Education of the American Chemical Society.

This marks the third consecutive year for the chapter to receive special recognition on the national level. The chapter was recognized as commendable in 1977-78 and as outstanding last year and repeated with the outstanding ranking this year.

Twenty-eight chapters out of 743 were commended for excellence in the 1979-80 academic year.

Donald L. McClaugherty is chapter advisor. Student officers for 1979-80 were Linda F. Sheldon as president, Jim Newman as vice president and Shelley Burgess as secretary and treasurer.

UT Tyler Plans Booth At ET Fair

The University of Texas at Tyler will have a booth at the East Texas Fair, scheduled in Tyler Sept. 22-27. The booth will be in the Commercial Exhibits Building.

Students, faculty and staff have volunteered to work at the booth during the peak traffic hours Monday through Friday.

Focal point of the booth will be the UT Tyler display. The display, which features color photographs of the campus and publications of the university, was used in the Broadway Square Mall August 4 through Sept. 9 and is scheduled for the Tyler Library from October 17 through November 14.

Coordinating Board Enrollment Projections Made For Decade

Enrollment in Texas colleges and universities is expected to increase by less than one percent each year during the next decade, according to a report in the August -September issue of CB Report. The story is based on fall head-count projections adopted by the Coordinating Board in July.

An average growth rate of 0.7 percent is forecast annually from 1980 through 1990, with nine public senior colleges expected to experience some overall enrollment decline. At least 17 public senior colleges experienced declining enrollments from 1978 to 1979.

Coordinating Board figures for UT Tyler project an enrollment of 1980 for the current semester, 2002 next year, 2024 in 1982, 2047 in 1983, 2068 in 1984, 2091 in 1985, 2071 in 1986, 2050 in 1987, 2030 in 1988, 2010 in 1989 and 1990 in 1990.

Additional adjustments in enrollment and SCH production are anticipated.

Six Employees Mark Anniversary

Six employees of The University of Texas at Tyler are observing their fifth anniversary with the university in September.

Four of the six--W. Peyton Jones, Anne Williams, Martha D. Wheat and Barbara N. McClellan--received their five-year certificates on Sept. 1.

Jerry L. McMullen and Mary L. Whiteman are to receive five-year certificates on Sept. 22.

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. . .in the Spotlight

BETTY N. ANDERSON was recently installed as presidentelect of the Texas Council for Exceptional Children at an annual meeting in Dallas.

W. CLAYTON ALLEN and H. DONALD GARRISON participated in a seminar for the Texas Industrial Vocational Educators in San Antonio August 4-8. They were group leaders for the Air Conditioning and Industrial Electronics Divisions.

ROSEMARIE CROSS is the recipient of the first scholarship awarded by the UT Tyler Women's Forum. She was presented a \$50 scholarship by Melva Grissom, president of the Forum, on Aug. 23.

JANICE GLASCOCK is serving in the Planning Committee for Hispanic-American Month, sponsored by the Tyler Public Library and the City of Tyler.

C. RAY GULLETT and WAYNE H. GOFF's article, "The Arbitral Decision Making Process: A Computerized Simulation," appeared in the August issue of Personnel Journal.

PAXTON HART addressed the combined English faculties of Robert E. Lee and John Tyler High Schools at an inservice training session on August 20. The title of his address was "What Are We Trying to Do for Our Students, and What Are We Doing to Ourselves?"

JOHN H. SPURGIN has presented several lectures on the 1980 presidential campaign including being a guest on KLTV's "Issues 80" on August 2 and KROZ's "Involvement 80" on August 3. He also addressed the Tyler Kiwanis Club on August 8 and the Hide-A-Way Lake Monday Forum on August 11.

JAMES H. STEWART, JR. was the guest on the August 31 Perspective Six program on KTBB.

DONALD W. WHISENHUNT'S book, New Mexico Courthouses, received a review in the New Mexico Historical Review of 1980. The review was by Dale F. Giese of Western New Mexico University.

Board Plans Study of Nursing

A statewide Nursing Education Advisory Committee is being established by the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System to examine the role of higher education in responding to nursing shortages across the state. Implications of declining enrollments in bachelor's degree nursing programs will be studied, and a long-range plan for nursing education in the 1980's will be reviewed.

The committee also will investigate problems related to transfer of credit from associate degree and diploma programs to baccalaureate programs and the types of options available for RNs to upgrade their educational qualifications.

Dramatic declines have occurred throughout the nation in recent years in the numbers of applicants to registered nurse programs, the National League for Nursing has said. This trend of declining enrollments was reflected in the first absolute decrease (1 percent) in graduations last year since the mid-1960's.

The Wall Street Journal reported July 18 that a nation-wide shortage of 100,000 nurses exists.

A staff report on nursing education presented to the Coordinating Board found that progress is being made in increasing access to bachelor of science programs in nursing for graduates of diploma and associate degree programs, helping to offset the overall decline in nursing enrollments.

United Way Coordinators Named

Melva Grissom, Michael I. Victor and Archie Whitfield are to serve as coordinators of the 1980-81 United Way Campaign for The University of Texas at Tyler. The appointments were announced by James H. Stewart, Jr.

The goal for the Tyler United Way campaign is \$700,000.

UT Tyler's campaign coordinators will be selecting others representing each department within the university community to assist in making the 1980-81 campaign the best in the history of the university.

Two Scholarships Announced

Two new scholarships were recently presented to The University of Texas at Tyler. They include the Free Enterprise Scholarship presented by Heritage National Bank and the Tyler Roserunners Scholarship.

The \$150 Free Enterprise Scholarship is to be presented annually to a graduate student enrolled in Economics 5660 Fundamentals of the Free Enterprise System. This six-hour graduate level course is offered each summer by the School of Business Administration.

The Tyler Roserunners presented a \$200 scholarship in memory of Roy Dunckel, a member of the Tyler Roserunners who was fatally injured May 17, 1980 while jogging. Graduate or undergraduate majors in physical education are eligible to receive the scholarship.

Enrollment Down For Fall Term

Enrollment is down and semester credit hour production is up for the fall semester at The University of Texas at Tyler, according to unofficial figures available through the registrar's office. All figures are subject to change.

Enrollment is 1,923 compared to 1,972 one year ago. Semester credit hour production is 16,635 compared to 16,524 last year.

Adjustments in enrollment and SCH production are anticipated as students are dropped for bad checks.

FALL SEMESTER REGISTRATION SUMMARY

	Credit Hours	Headcount Enrollment	Average Hours Per Student
1973	4,562	507	9.00
1974	7,614	874	8.71
1975	10,638	1215	8.76
1976	13,167	1504	8.75
1977	15,753	1795	8.78
1978	16,464	1938	8.50
1979	16,524	1972	8.38