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Merit Scholarship Fund Campaign Set

The Office of Development at The University of Texas at Tyler is beginning a campaign to endow a merit scholarship through a merit scholarship fund. The fund will allow anyone who wishes to make a gift or donation of any amount to aid in creating scholarships for students at UT Tyler.

To be endowed the scholarship fund must reach \$10,000. The interest on the endowment will be used to provide scholarships for students of unusual merit.

A scholarship committee of faculty and staff will be charged with screening applicants and making final selections of the recipients.

Vivian A. Hicks, director of development, encourages alumni, students, parents, faculty, staff and friends of the university to make contributions to the fund. On the occasion of a death, an anniversary, a birthday or any other special occasion, the fund is an especially appropriate remembrance.

To make a contribution, send a check payable to the UT Tyler Merit Scholarship Fund to the Office of Development. Include the name(s) and addresses of those who are to be informed of the gift.

Purchasing Deadlines Set

OPEN MARKET REQUISITIONS

The deadline for submitting open market requisitions for fiscal year 1981 to the Purchasing Office is June 26. Any requisitions for open market orders received after June 16 will be charged to FY-82 funds. Effective immediately until the end of the current fiscal year, any requisition which is intended to be charged to FY-82 funds should be clearly marked in red on the face of the requisition.

CONTRACT AND SPOT PURCHASE REQUISITIONS

The deadline for submitting fiscal year '81 contract and spot purchase requisitions to the Purchasing Office is August 10. Any requisitions received after August 10 will be charged to FY-82 funds.

RENTAL ORDERS

Rental orders are not automatically renewed at the end of each fiscal year. Requisitions for renewal of rental orders should be submitted to the Purchasing Office by June 26 or as soon thereafter as possible so they can be processed through the State Purchasing and General Services Commission prior to the beginning of the next fiscal period.

MAINTENANCE AGREEMENTS

Maintenance agreements must also be renewed on an annual basis. Submit each maintenance agreement request separately on a departmental purchase requisition to the Purchasing Office by June 26.

If there are questions in regard to the above information, contact Peyton Jones or Gwen Green, extension 304.

\$350,550 Teaching Budget

Approved For Summer Terms

A summer session teaching budget of \$350,550 was approved for The University of Texas at Tyler at a meeting of the UT System Board of Regents in El Paso on June 13.

Included in the budget are funds for both summer terms. Funds include \$130,783 for the School of Education and Psychology, \$110,963 for the School of Liberal Arts, \$58,615 for the School of Business Administration and \$50,189 for the School of Sciences and Mathematics.

Regents also approved two contracts between UT Tyler and non-governmental organizations. Finance Systems, Inc. of Dallas is to provide collection of delinquent student financial aid accounts and American Society of Composers, Authors and Publishers is to grant a license for the university to perform musical compositions for which ASCAP controls the performing rights.

Also approved for UT Tyler were amendments to the 1980-81 operating budget.

Training Film Set June 25

The final film of the current series of employee training films will be shown at 9:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Thursday, June 25, in ADM 127. "Bill Cosby on Prejudice" features Cosby as a super-bigot who doesn't like any group and gives viewers all the cliches and stereotypes about particular groups of people.

Films have been presented by the Personnel Services office and are for all employees of the university.

A Report On Research

In response to a request from the Faculty Research Committee, those faculty members who have completed their research projects which were funded through the committee have prepared abstracts and informal summaries for inclusion in Intercom.

Janice Glascock was awarded \$450 to complete her project entitled "*Mudejarismo* in Mexico."

By JANICE GLASCOCK

To furnish complete information on this continuing study I feel that I should first mention that material developed from the August, 1979 grant was used in a 1980 Fine Arts Festival presentation. It was also incorporated into a slide-illustrated paper delivered at the First Louisiana Conference on Hispanic Studies in Literature and Languages, sponsored by Tulane and LSU in February, 1980.

I continued research in Mexico City for approximately 10 days in May, 1980, again following the authority of Manuel Toussaint, my principal source, on authenticated sites to be photographed. Buildings under institutional care, whether municipal, federal or private, have been well preserved. Frequently they still serve their original purpose, as in the case of the Hospital de Jesus. This hospital is the first one in the Americas, ordered built by Cortez. Today a modern concrete and glass hospital is constructed around the double *mudejar* patios and their arched two-story galleries. The intricate wooden *artesonado* ceiling of the former church sacristy is now part of the hospital administrative offices. In other cases the *mudejar* constructions now serve a different purpose. For example, the Convento de la Merced (ca. 1634) is now the home of the National Tapestry Studio, which gives courses in weaving.

I was fortunate to find an article in a 1975 issue of the *Boletín* of the Instituto Nacional de Arqueología e Historia which supplemented a summarily treated area of Toussaint's work. This area was *mudejar* construction done by the private sector for residential purposes. I investigated all of the buildings mentioned in both studies. Some are no longer standing and some are badly in need of repair. But others have been maintained and are still being used as residences or offices.

This research was incorporated into a slide presentation given to a workshop for bilingual teachers, sponsored by the National Endowment for the Humanities and conducted by the Institute of Latin-American Culture at U.T. Austin in June, 1980. It was also used for a talk to the U.T. Tyler Women's Association in November, 1980.

I am very happy to report a delightful spin-off from this research. A former Spanish major, Kay Fears, had seen one of the presentations and offered to take photographs of extant *mudejar* construction on her trip to South America in late November, 1980. I supplied her with film bought with grant funds and she took shots of constructions mentioned by Toussaint in Quito, Ecuador and Arequipa, Cuzco and Lima, Peru. The slides contributed by Kay are beautiful. They enlarge the research area and I am very grateful to her for her thoughtfulness and her effort.

Discount Cards Are Available

The Student Association of The University of Texas at Tyler has contracted with area merchants to provide a discount program for faculty, staff and students. Those merchants participating are the Sandwich Hut, Hickory Fare Barbeque, The Shingle, Murphy the Jeweler, Stereo and Record Center and the Red Bard Steak House.

Each of the participating businesses has agreed to deduct 10 percent from the purchased amount (sales merchandise excluded).

To receive this discount any faculty or staff member must present a UT Tyler ID card, driver's license, and a UT Tyler discount card. Those cards are available in UC 111. They also will be passed out with the paychecks.

The Student Association is working to include more Tyler merchants in the program. These new participants will be posted around campus and published in Intercom.

in the Spotlight. . .

ROBERT L. COX is president-elect of the Texas Association of Colleges for Teacher Education.

DONALD L. MCCLAUGHERTY has been chosen as a participant in the NSF Industrial Research Participation Program 1981. He will be involved during the summer in research activities at the Dwight P. Joyce Research Center of Glidden Coatings & Resins in Strongsville, Ohio. The goals of the NSF program are to improve undergraduate science teaching in colleges and universities by providing academic faculty with research experience in an industrial setting and to develop and maintain communication and collaboration among scientists in industry and academia.

DONALD W. WHISENHUNT wrote a book review on "American Environmentalism: Values, Tactics, Priorities" which appeared in the April issue of The American Historical Review.

Scholarship Recipient Named

Patrick L. McGuffey, a senior history major from Marshall, is the recipient of the Edwin Morgan Smyrl History Scholarship for 1981-82. The announcement was made by the Scholarship Committee.

McGuffey is the first person to receive the award more than once. He is a graduate of Kilgore High School and attended Wright State University and Kilgore College.

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