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## Alumni Association has 386 charter members

The University of Texas at Tyler Alumni Association closed out its charter year membership drive in August with 386 enrolled during the first year of operation. Directors of the organization have already established a goal of 1,000 for 1983-84

The 368 charter members include six life memberships at \$500 each, nine Century Club memberships at \$100 each, 26 sustaining memberships at \$25 each, 31 associate memberships and 314 regular memberships

Renewals are now being accepted in the Public Information Office for 1983-84. New members are also being accepted for the new fiscal year. Membership dues are \$10 for an individual and \$15 for a joint husband and wife membership. Sustaining and Century Club memberships are unchanged while the Life Membership has increased to \$1,000. This can be payable over as much as a five year period at \$200 each year.

Officers for 1983-84 are Robert Turner (B.S., 1979 and M.S. 1982) as president; Gerald Hayden (B.S., 1977 and M.A., 1980) as vice president; Inez C. Denson (B.B.A., 1976 and 1978) as secretary and Toby G. Reed, B.B.A., 1978) as treasurer.

Other directors include Kay Arms (B.S.Ed., 1975 and M.A., 1978), Keith Bridges (B.S., 1977 and M.Ed., 1979), Dr. Joanna Martin, Mitch Shamburger (B.S., 1981), Carole Cummings, B.S.Ed., 1983, Joe B. Brodnax, B.S., 1982), Ruben L. Ray Jr. (B.S., 1979 and M.S., 1981) and Vicki Hammontree, (B.B.A., 1982).

## **Scheduling done in two offices**

Scheduling of facilities at UT Tyler is coordinated through two offices with one having primary responsibility for all academic assigned space and the other being responsible for assigned rooms in the University Center and Administration Building.

The scheduling of UC 134, UC 101, UC Open Area and ADM 127 is coordinated by the director of public information for both on-campus and off-campus groups.

Requests for scheduling all other rooms for classes and on-campus groups should be directed to the office of the assistant to the president for academic affairs.

Normally, university facilities are used only for activities and functions related to the educational program of the institution.

Individuals who are responsible for special room arrangements (usually the requesting party) are to contact the Physical Plant in writing at least 72 hours in advance of the event.

## **Fort Worth Chamber Orchestra booked for October 3 concert**

The Fort Worth Chamber Orchestra will be in concert at 8 p.m. Monday, Oct. 3 in the opening of the 1983-84 Fine Arts Concert jointly sponsored by The University of Texas at Tyler and Tyler Junior College. The concert will be in Wise Auditorium.

Free tickets for UT Tyler employees and their immediate family will be available from Thursday, Sept. 22 through noon on the day of the performance. Tickets may be picked up in the Public Information Office, ADM 215. Students of UT Tyler may pick up complimentary tickets in the Student Activities Office, UC 111.

General admission tickets will be available in the University Bookstore at \$5 for adults and \$2 for students.

UT Tyler and TJC will present the Texas Opera Theater performance of *Madame Butterfly* on Feb. 22, 1984.

## Personnel Update

Dr. Joanna Martin, professor of education, and Dr. Evelyn Sowell, professor of education, observed their tenth year of continuous service at the university on Sept. 1.

Mr. John Williams, storekeeper, observed his tenth year of continuous service at the University on Sept. 14.

### New Hires

Andrea Hartman  
Secretary I  
PHE 228, Ext. 322  
Effective 8-24-83

Cindy Ruesga  
Secretary III  
ADM 314, Ext. 320  
Effective 9-12-83

Sammy Ruesga  
Groundskeeper I  
PHY 105, Ext. 286  
Effective 8-29-83

Diana Wilson  
Secretary I  
SCI 236, Ext. 283  
Effective 9-1-83

Kyle Stewart  
Audio-Visual Equipment  
Technician III  
LIB 127, Ext. 260  
Effective 8-29-83

Clydell McPeak  
Technician Staff  
Assistant III  
PHY 105, Ext. 286  
Effective 9-12-83

For purposes relating to sick leave, "immediate family" has been redefined by the 68th Legislature to include only those individuals related by kinship, adoption or marriage who are living in the same household or if not in the same household are totally dependent upon an employee for personal care or services on a continuing basis. Sick leave may not be used for anyone except an employee and his/her immediate family.

This is a change in our previous definition of "immediate family" and is effective September 1, 1983.

REMINDER: Please keep the Personnel Office, Ext. 281, advised of employee address and telephone number changes.



# in the spotlight...

**Dr. Patricia A. Gajda**, professor of history, spoke to the high school social studies teachers of the Tyler Independent School District at their inservice meeting held at John Tyler High School on August 22. She was a part of a panel on academic travel composed of a travel agency representative, a TISD administrator of professional development activities, and an historian.

**Dr. W.A. Mayfield**, professor of technology, spoke at the State inservice workshops for industrial arts teachers on August 2-3 in Midland and August 4-5 in Richardson. He spoke on curriculum revision and safety and teacher liability at each site. He also participated in a workshop at the Texas Education Agency in Austin on August 26-27.

**Dr. Davor Jedlicka**, associate professor of sociology, gave a presentation on "The Psychoanalytic Theory in Family Research" to the faculty in sociology and the School of Home Economics at the Wageningen Agricultural University in Netherlands on August 22.

**Dr. George F. Hamm**, president, represented UT Tyler at special ceremonies Thursday in Austin to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the opening ceremonies and the first day of classes at UT Austin. He joined presidents and representatives of over 250 institutions of higher education and learned societies in the United States who participated in the academic procession of the UT Austin Centennial Convocation.

**Dr. Barbara Sears**, associate professor of health and physical education, spoke at the Department of Allied Health Sciences at Tyler Junior College on August 26. She spoke on current community health in the East Texas area and AIDS as it pertains to health professions personnel.

## FROM THE MASTER CALENDAR

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| Sept. 15... | Registrar to submit proposed 1984-85 Academic Calendar to the assistant to the president for academic affairs                     |
| Sept. 26... | Assistant to the president for academic affairs to submit proposed 1984-85 University Calendar to Academic Council for discussion |
| Sept. 30... | President notifies deans to initiate evaluation process for promotion and/or tenure   |

# A report on research

BY WILLIAM B. STEPHENS

A grant of \$565 was awarded to investigate the possibility of switching from an acrylic base paint to a gum base paint as a teaching medium at the university. It has been noted in history that many artists in the later years of their life had turned from working on stretched canvas with traditional oil colors to making smaller studies on paper with gouache. This fact suggested that there are existant other—and cheaper—media than those presently used in our classes.

The investigator used numerous other media in conjunction with the gouache: ink, pencil, watercolor, and so forth. He used markers but found that they were noxious and toxic and certainly not safe classroom activities.

The investigator worked independently on studies in his studio and determined that:

1. Imagery does not change significantly when employing a new medium, although first efforts were uneven as the artist employed the unfamiliar materials.
2. One can produce a greater volume of work if folios are at hand and energy saved from canvas preparations which is fairly arduous and certainly time-consuming.
3. Frustrations are predictable for beginning students, because gouache colors vary their appearance due to absorption of lower layers of paint, wetness, and the like; although it is a medium readily employed by confident and sure-handed artists.
4. The work is not finished until it is properly framed—and admired by the artist.

# Art building planned

Groundbreaking for a studio for the UT Tyler Department of Art was held in August with work scheduled to begin soon. The studio, a pre-fabricated metal structure which is expected to be ready for occupancy for the spring semester, will primarily be used for sculpture and ceramics classes.

The building is to be constructed close to the physical plant facility with the long-term projected use being for physical plant storage.

Included in the structure will be a small metal casting foundry, a general sculpture shop area for working with metal and wood, a small classroom and two faculty offices.

"This will be a real boost to the art program," Donald Van Horn said. "We've been told the studio will be ready for occupancy by the beginning of the spring semester on Jan. 16. My specialty is metal casting, so naturally I am excited."

Dr. William Stephens, chairman of the Department of Art, said, "It's a sign of good things to come."

## ID cards made at police office

Any faculty/staff member of UT Tyler who has not obtained a 1983-84 ID card may do so by stopping by the University Police office from 8 a.m. to 10 p.m. Photographs are being made for the new cards.

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