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Bettina Gregory speaks in series

ABC news correspondent Bettina Gregory will speak at 8 p.m. Thursday, Feb. 23, in the University Center. Gregory is the second speaker in the 1983-84 Distinguished Lecture Series presented by The University of Texas at Tyler in cooperation with the Smith County Medical Society Auxiliary.

In just nine years of professional broadcast journalism, Gregory has covered major stories throughout the world. She has risen from local newscaster and drama critic to national prominence as ABC's Senior General Assignment Correspondent. As Senior General Assignment Correspondent, a position she has held since April 1980, she is responsible for covering major national news stories.

Her assignments have included the Three Mile Island nuclear disaster, the Patty Hearst trial, the Iran hostage crisis, Queen Elizabeth's Silver Jubilee, the attempted assassination of President Reagan and the General Services Administration corruption scandal.

She has appeared numerous times on ABC's "Issues and Answers," interviewing such people as F. Lee Bailey and Joseph Califano. She has also appeared on "World News Tonight," "Good Morning America" and "Nightline."

Gregory is the recipient of numerous national and regional journalism awards, including the Women in Communications 1979 Clarion Award and the Women at Work Broadcast Award for excellence in reporting.

Development Board elects new chairman

Ralph Spence, Tyler independent oil operator, was elected chairman of The University of Texas at Tyler Development Board during a regular quarterly meeting at the University Feb. 2. James C. Wynne was elected vice chairman.

Gifts totaling \$248,205.42 were reported for the past five months. Committee reports were given by B.G. Hartley, annual campaign; Isadore Roosth, trusts and bequests; and A.W. Riter Jr., scholarship.

Special guests from The University of Texas System attending the meeting were Dr. James P. Duncan, executive vice chancellor for academic affairs, and Paul J. Youngdale Jr., director for development.

Outgoing chairman, Charles L. Childers, mentioned some of the board's achievements during his term of office and thanked the group for their diligent efforts. Speaking on behalf of the university, Dr. George F. Hamm, UT Tyler president, expressed appreciation to Childers and presented him with a plaque noting his service on the board.

In accepting his new position, Spence called upon each board member to make a serious commitment to support board objectives for the 1984-85 year.

Others serving on the board include C. Quentin Abernathy of Gladewater; James W. Arnold, Henry M. Bell Jr., Robert P. Buford, Allen M. Burt, Mrs. Joe Denson, Mrs. J. Evans Estabrook, James W. Fair, J.S. Hudnall, Miss Nancy Lake, Robert J. Phillips, George W. Pirtle, Wade C. Ridley, Earl L. Story Jr., Dr. Jim M. Vaughn, John A. Warner and Royce E. Wisenbaker, all of Tyler.

Opera tickets available

Puccini's "Madame Butterfly" will be performed by the Texas Opera Theater in Wise Auditorium on the Tyler Junior College campus at 8 p.m. Wednesday, Feb. 22.

Two complimentary tickets for each faculty and staff member are available in the Public Information Office, ADM 215. Additional tickets may be purchased in the book store.

UT Tyler and TJC are jointly presenting the opera as a part of the 1983-84 Cultural Arts Series.

Performed in English, the story of the three-act performance centers around the young and innocent child-bride Cio-Cio San (Butterfly) who is abandoned by her carefree American Naval officer, husband, Pinkerton.

Of all his heroines, Puccini was most devoted to Butterfly. Vocally the part is one of the most difficult and exacting in the repertoire, since she is on stage almost from the beginning of the opera to the end.

Regents hear education reports

A summary of UT System component institution reports on teacher education will be presented to The University of Texas System Board of Regents when they meet Thursday and Friday in Houston. The meeting is being held in the UT System Cancer Center.

In other agenda items relating to UT Tyler, the board will consider a proposed approval of amendments to the constitution of the Student Association.

Docket items submitted by UT Tyler for consideration include business contracts for services, contracts and grants for research, development and educational services and amendments to the 1983-84 operating budget.

'Classical Day' set Feb.17

A "Classical Day," sponsored by the School of Liberal Arts, Department of Humanities and Communications, is scheduled from 9 a.m. to 2:15 p.m. Friday, Feb.17.

Students enrolled in Latin classes from four Tyler schools have been invited to attend. The schools to be represented are All Saints Episcopal School, Thomas K. Gorman High School, Robert E. Lee High School and John Tyler High School.

Activities for the day will begin in the Business Administration Building, room 158, at 9 a.m. Following introductions, members of the Texas Greco-Roman Festival will provide a Greco-Roman workshop. The presentation will include historical information on the Greco-Roman period and tips on how to develop and costume a mythological or historical character.

At 10:20 a.m., the group will move to the Administration Building, room 127, for a Marionette Theater performance. Dr. Peter Arnott, chairman, Department of Drama, Tufts University, Medford, Mass., will perform "Cyclops" by Euripides. The play is in Arnott's own translation.

Arnott will present a lecture on "Performing Greek Plays for Modern Audiences," at 11:30 a.m. Educated at the University of Wales and at Oxford University, he specialized in the history of the Greek and Roman Theater, with emphasis on the problems of presenting ancient plays to modern audiences.

After a brown bag lunch in room 101 of the University Center, the students will return to ADM 127 to view a film, "The Romans." They will return to their schools at 2:15 p.m.

Brown Bag Colloquium set for Friday

Dr. Andrew Szarka, associate professor of history, will be presenter at the third Brown Bag Colloquium from 12-1 p.m. Friday, Feb. 10 in University Center 101.

Szarka will discuss "History and Art: The Case of Albrecht Durer and Martin Luther," an area of his research interest.

BBC's are open to all faculty. Lunches may be brought.

M.S. degree receives approval

The University of Texas at Tyler received approval on Jan. 27 from the Coordinating Board, Texas College and University System, to offer a Master of Science degree in computer science. The new degree program will be implemented in the summer sessions. This brings to 21 the number of master's degrees being offered at UT Tyler.

UT Tyler received approval from the UT System Board of Regents in August to request the new degree.

The Master of Science may be achieved with 30 semester hours of credit including a thesis or with 36 hours of graduate level work without a thesis.

The program of study will have an emphasis on software development and methodology, computing theory, computing applications and formal research and techniques.

Since the computer science field is changing so rapidly, the program is designed to adjust with the discipline. It is oriented toward the software aspects of computing, which addresses the needs of professionals and educators in the area of computer science.

Approval was received in 1983 for the M.S. in public planning and administration, the M.Ed. in educational administration and the M.A. in professional counseling. New graduate programs in English and history will be presented at the July meeting of the Coordinating Board.

Enrollment continues upward

The University of Texas at Tyler's spring enrollment continues on an upward trend as an unofficial head count of 3,089 sets the record over any previous spring semester. The count for the spring semester of one year ago was 2,747.

An overall record enrollment of 3,143 was set in the fall semester 1983.

"The figure of 3,089 is not final," Dr. Robert Marsh, registrar, said. "Class lists have gone out and after the instructors adjust them, we will come up with the final number."

FROM THE MASTER CALENDAR

- Feb. 10 - Summer term schedules due to the Assistant to the President for Academic Affairs from Deans
- Feb. 13 - Last day to convert "I" grades from summer session, 1983
- Feb. 15- Summer term schedules due to Public Information Office
- Feb. 15- President makes final institutional decision on promotion and/or tenure
- Feb. 20- Deadline for submission of textbook requisitions to University Bookstore for summer terms
- Feb. 24- Last day to drop a course with an automatic grade of "WP"

PERSONNEL UPDATE

New Hires

Jan Kelley
Secretary II
Development Office
ADM 221, Ext. 224
Effective 2-13-84

Marty Smith
Audio Visual Equipment
Technician II
Media Center
LIB 128, Ext. 260
Effective 2-3-84

Bobby Chapman, University Police Officer, observed his fifth year of continuous service at the University on February 5. Congratulations Bobby!

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