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# **University Singers** perform March 29

The University Singers, the University of Missouri at St. Louis choir, will perform in concert at 8 p.m. Friday, March 29 in The University of Texas at Tyler University Center.

The concert, part of the choir's 1985 Southwestern Concert Tour, is sponsored by the UT Tyler Department of Music and School of Liberal Arts and is open to the public at no charge.

Directed by Bruce Vantine, UMSL assistant professor of music, the 45-voice choir performs choral literature from the 15th century to the present, including sacred and secular music, spirituals, folk tunes and carols.

Their performance will feature a motet for double choir, *The Spirit Helpeth Us*, by Bach; Three Songs from William Blake; and works for Lent and Easter from the 15th century, Renaissance and Baroque periods. Other selections include Folk Tunes for Unaccompanied Choir by Brahms and a new composition, *How Still the Child*, by Vantine.

The University Singers frequently perform in community and college artist series, and will perform at Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts in Washington, D.C. in 1986.

# Spring break scheduled

Spring break schedules have been announced for students, faculty and staff at The University of Texas at Tyler.

Classes will be dismissed at 10 p.m. Friday, March 15 and resume at 8 a.m. Monday, March 25 for all students and faculty. Offices will be closed Thursday and Friday, March 21 - 22.

Hours for the Robert Muntz Library will be 7:30 a.m. - 9 p.m. Monday-Thursday, March 18 -21, and 7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m. Friday, March 22. The library will be open its normal weekend hours.

## Hotel, auto rental discounts

The Howard Johnson Company has announced the acceptance of The University of Texas at Tyler into their Texas State Agencies Corporate Guaranteed Rate Program. The Corporate Number assigned to UT Tyler is C283820. Pocket book membership cards are available in the Purchasing Office.

Also available in the Purchasing Office are pocket book discount cards for auto rentals from five major auto rental companies that have rental contracts with the State Purchasing and General Services Commission.

For your cards either call or come by the Purchasing Office, ADM 110, extension 304.

#### CALENDAR CORRECTION

The Hudall Lecture Series shown on the UT Tyler calendar for March 27 is scheduled for March 28. Hugh Kenner of LaGloria Refinery in Tyler, will speak on "Product Flow: from Crude to the Consumer," at 7:05 p.m. in BUS 257.

## **Academic Calendar**

#### **FALL SEMESTER 1985**

September 3 ...... General Faculty Meeting Registration September 3 ..... Classes Begin September 11 ..... Last Day for Late Registration and Schedule Changes October 18 ..... Last Day to Drop a Course with an Automatic Grade of "WP" Last Day to File for Fall 1985 October 25 ..... Graduation Last Day to Drop a Course Classes Dismissed at 5 p.m. for Thanksgiving Holidays All Offices Will be Closed Classes Resume at 8 a.m. December 2...... Final Examinations Fall Semester Ends December 23 -All Offices Will Be Closed January 1 .....

#### **SPRING SEMESTER 1986**

January 2	All Offices Will Reopen Registration Classes Begin Last Day for Late Registration and Schedule Changes
February 28	Last Day to Drop a Course with an Automatic Grade of "WP"
March 7	Last Day to File for Spring 1986 Graduation
March 28	Classes Dismissed at 5 p.m. for Spring Vacation
March 31 -	
April 1	Offices Will Be Closed
April 7	Classes Resume at 8:00 a.m.
April 11	Last Day to Drop a Course
May 5-9	Final Examinations
May 9	Commencement
May 9	Spring Semester Ends

#### **FIRST SUMMER TERM 1986**

June 4	Registration
June 5	Classes Begin
June 6	Last Day for Late Registration
	and Schedule Changes
June 17	Last Day to Drop a Course with
	an Automatic Grade of "WP"
July 2	Last Day to Drop a Course
July 4	Holiday, All Offices Will be
	Closed
July 11	Final Examinations
July 11	First Summer Term Ends

#### **SECOND SUMMER TERM 1986**

July 14	Registration
July 15	Classes Begin
July 16	Last Day for Late Registration
	and Schedule Changes
July 23	Last Day to File for Summer 1986
	Graduation
July 25	Last Day to Drop a Course with
	an Automatic Grade of "WP"
August 8	Last Day to Drop a Course
August 15	Commencement
August 19	Final Examinations
August 19	Second Summer Term Ends

#### **Employee film scheduled March 15**

An employee film, "Verbal Communication," will be shown in the ADM Room 127 at 9:30 a.m. and 3 p.m. Friday, March 15.

This film examines the frustrations of ineffective communication and its causes. A more effective communication process is recommended—one which defuses arguments precipitated by inner conflict, encourages listening instead of simply hearing and employs feedback for two-way communication.

All employees are encouraged to attend the film!

# in the spotlight...

**Dr. Olga Fischer**, assistant professor of education, and **Dr. Chip Fischer**, associate professor of education, presented two papers, "Writing Electronically: Practices and Directions in Microcomputer-Mediated Writing Instruction" and "Preludes to Writing: Teaching Young Writers," at the Texas Joint Council of Teachers of English annual conference Jan. 31 in Houston.

**Dr. Patricia A. Gajda**, professor of history and director of international programs, spoke to the Great Decisions Group Feb. 19 at the Tyler Public Library on "The Future of the NATO Alliance." She also spoke to the Evening Lions Club Feb. 18 about UT Tyler's Study Abroad and Travel/Study programs.

**Dr. James Harbaugh**, assistant professor of technology, presented a 90-minute program, "Transportation Technology: An Overview of Historical to Futuristic Applications," at the 27th annual Texas Industrial Arts Conference Feb. 22 at Texas A&M University.

# **Entertainers presented**

Two entertainers will be presented at UT Tyler this month by the Student Association. Both programs will be at 7:30 p.m. in ADM 127 and are open to the public at no charge.

Gene McFall will star in "Will Rogers' USA" Friday, March 8. McFall's striking resemblance to Rogers in both looks and voice add to the realistic portrayal of the legendary performer. McFall is the only actor since James Whitmore to perform the one-man show featuring Roger's philosophical humor and observations on American life.

Vocalist and guitarist Dave Wopat performs Tuesday, March 26. A songwriter as well as performer, Wopat has been the opening act for such artists as Michael Murphey, Dave Mason and Robert Klein. He recently received the 1984 Campus Entertainment Award.

#### FROM THE MASTER CALENDAR

March 8 — Last day to file for spring 1985 graduation
March 8 — Last day to drop a course with an

automatic grade of "WP"

March 11 — Vice President for Business Affairs and the Vice President for Academic Affairs to request suggested changes for the Handbook of Operating Procedures from members of

of Operating Procedures from members of the Academic Council and Faculty Senate

March 15 — Classes dismissed at 10 p.m. for spring vacation

March 18-22 — Spring vacation for faculty and students March 21-22 — Spring vacation for staff and administra-

tion; all offices closed

March 25 — Classes resume at 8 a.m.

#### **TELEPHONE TIPS**

Do you sometimes have difficulty when placing calls on TEX-AN? The reason is simple. The TEX-AN circuits can become overloaded during the course of a day due to heavy traffic on the lines.

When this occurs, one of two things usually happens, either you get a busy signal or no dial tone. These are only temporary, just keep trying periodically.

Generally the busiest times of the day are between 9 - 10:30 a.m., noon hour, and 3 - 4:30 p.m.

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