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Summer Commencement to recognize 159 candidates

UT Tyler Summer Commencement is set for 7:30 p.m. Friday, Aug. 7 in Harvey Hall with President George F. Hamm presiding. A total of 159 degree candidates -- 63 at the master's level and 96 at the bachelor's level -- will be recognized.

Hamm will provide the welcome and introductions, commencement remarks and the conferral of degrees. Presentation of degree candidates will be by Dr. Thomas L. Fernandez, vice president for academic affairs, and by representatives of each of the four schools: Dr. Robert T. Partain, dean, School of Business Administration; Dr. Mac R. Moseley, chairman, Department of Special Services, School of Education and Psychology; Dr. F. Lannom Smith, dean, School of Liberal Arts; and Dr. Robert H. Cranford, chairman, Department of Mathematics and Computer Science, School of Sciences and Mathematics.

Macebearer will be Dr. Frank H. Smyrl, senior faculty member. The processional will be played by Vicki Jacks Conway, organist and instructor of music, and Betty McCain will perform a solo of "I Will Sing New Songs of Gladness." Dr. Kenneth Muckelroy, professor of music, will lead the audience in the alma mater.

Gloria Davis, Alumni Association president, will give the alumni presentation. Invocation and benediction will be given by the Rev. Gary L. Newman, pastor, Tyland Baptist Church.

Kniffen named Coach of Year

Coach Fred Kniffen has been named the 1987 Intercollegiate Tennis Coaches Association (ITCA) Wilson Coach of the Year for National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) men's tennis.

"For the past 15 years Wilson has honored those coaches who have contributed significantly to intercollegiate tennis through the success of their own program. It is a great tribute to Kniffen that he has been selected by his peers for this prestigious award," said John R. Embree, racquet sports promotion director for Wilson Sporting Goods Company.

Kniffen came to UT Tyler in 1985, the same year he was named Tennis Coach of the Year by the Texas Professional Tennis Association. He previously was chosen National Junior College Men's Coach of the Year in 1984 and 1980, and National Junior College Women's Coach of the Year in 1984 and 1983. While serving as vice-president of the Texas Professional Tennis Association in 1971, he was selected Outstanding Tennis Professional of the Year by the association.

Under Kniffen's leadership, the UT Tyler Patriots have advanced to the NAIA national tournament every year the past three years. The men's and women's tennis teams earned berths in NAIA tournament competition in May where they captured the number 3 national ranking in their divisions.

in the spotlight . . .

Dr. Joyce Ballard, associate professor of health and physical education, co-authored a poster presentation with graduate student Beth Guinn at The American College of Sports Medicine in Las Vegas. The poster, titled "The Effect of Aerobic and Weight Training Exercise Upon Pre- and Post-Menopausal Females, Aged 35-75 years," was supported by a UT Tyler Faculty Research Grant.

Toni J. Galvan, assistant professor of nursing, presented a program, "Nursing Priorities for ABGs," to the Greater East Texas Chapter of American Association of Critical Care Nurses July 6 in Athens.

Dr. Brenda Gilliam, assistant professor of special education, and **Dr. Glenda Roberson**, assistant professor of education, participated in the Science Activities for the Visually Impaired/Science Enrichment for Learners with Special Handicaps training workshop June 24-26 at the University of California at Berkley Lawrence Hall of Science.

Olene Harned, university librarian, reviewed Larry McMurtry's Pulitzer Prize winning novel "Lonesome Dove" for the July meeting of Friends of the Library in Grand Saline. A general discussion of McMurtry's works followed the review.

James Pace, assistant professor of art, has been selected to exhibit works in the Arkansas Biennial Exhibition sponsored by the Arkansas Art Center, Pine Bluff, Ark.

Dr. James Schwane, associate professor of health and physical education, and clinical exercise physiology graduate student Kathy Buroker are co-authors of a paper, "Does Post-Exercise Static Stretching Alleviate Exercise induced Delayed Muscle Soreness?" presented at the 34th annual meeting of the American College of Sports Medicine in Las Vegas.

Fall registration dates set

Express registration for fall is scheduled 1 - 6 p.m. Wednesday, Aug. 19 in Longview's Kilgore College Center and 1 - 6 p.m. Thursday, Aug. 20 at UT Tyler.

Regular registration will be 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Friday, Aug. 28 in the Hudnall-Pirtle-Roosth Building. Late registration is scheduled 8 a.m. - 6:30 p.m. Monday - Thursday, Aug. 31 - Sept. 3 and 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. Friday, Sept. 4. Classes begin Aug. 31.

Consultant to discuss customer service

"Service East Texas: How to Provide Extraordinary Service to Your Customers" will be presented by Kenneth R. Johnston 9 a.m. - noon Tuesday, Aug. 11 in BUS 158.

Johnston is chairman and chief executive officer of Kaset, Inc., a leader in helping organizations improve customer relations. A dynamic speaker and consultant in human relations and work attitudes, Johnston has extensive experience in development and implementation of business and industry training programs.

The seminar is part of UT Tyler's Management Speaker Series sponsored by Buford Television, Inc., Mother Frances Hospital, Medical Center Hospital, The Trane Company, and United Telephone Company of Texas, Inc.

Each participant will receive a complimentary copy of "Service America," one of the most talked about books in management today. For more information call ext. 222.

news and interviews . . .

Dr. Rita Bryant, professor of education, was featured in the *Tyler Morning Telegraph* July 22 for her work as director of Camp Mind's Eye.

Dr. Ian Condie, professor of education at Jordanhill College in Glasgow, Scotland and visiting professor in UT Tyler's Windsor-Richardson Summer Scholars program, was the subject of feature stories in the *Tyler Morning Telegraph* and *Tyler Courier Times* July 3 and the *Overton Press* July 8. He discussed the teaching of geography and the education systems of Scotland and the United States.

Dr. Robert Geffner, associate professor of psychology, is a monthly guest on *KTBB* radio's "Good Morning East Texas" program. His topic in June was depression and suicide in adolescents, and in July he discussed working parents' relationships with their children.

Olene Harned, university librarian, was interviewed about Robert R. Muntz Library services in the *Tyler Morning Telegraph* and *Tyler Courier Times* June 25 - 26.

Dr. Wendell Hewitt, professor of business administration, was interviewed by John Moore on *KTBB* radio June 22. His topic was marketing concepts in East Texas.

Dr. Paula Lundberg-Love, assistant professor of psychology, was a guest on *KETK-TV 56* in Jacksonville June 27. She discussed women who have served time in prison and their adjustment after release.

PERSONNEL UPDATE

NEW EMPLOYEES

Dusty Lee Miller	Cynthia Tomlinson
Building attendant foreman	Administrative clerk
PHY 105, ext. 286	ADM 215, ext. 335
Effective 7/9/87	Effective 8/3/87

SERVICE AWARDS

Congratulations to Donald McClaugherty, Allen Martin and Colleen Randel who celebrate 10 years of continuous service at the university Aug. 24.

Employees celebrating five years of continuous service at the university are: Mona Everett, Aug. 18; Lavaughn Ratto, Aug. 23; and Diana Pope, Aug. 24.

Reminder: power outage scheduled

An electrical power outage to replace damaged switchgear in the Business Building has been scheduled for the following times, dates and locations:

Business Building: 7 a.m. Aug. 15 through 5 p.m. Aug. 16.

Library and greenhouse: 7 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Aug. 15.

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