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Economic series continues

Respected economic analysts will be featured speakers in the Economic Forecast Conference sponsored by UT Tyler and the Texas Department of Commerce Friday, Jan. 27. The public conference, second in the university's new Economic Outlook Series, is designed to provide the business community and general public a detailed forecast about the economy at the regional, state, and national and international levels. Speakers and their topics include:

- David R. Ellis of Austin, director of research for the Texas Department of Commerce, "Economic Forecast for Texas and the United States."

- Dr. Beverly Springer of Glendale, Ariz., professor of international studies, American Graduate School of International Management (known worldwide as "Thunderbird"), "European Community: 1992."

- Dr. Tim Kane, professor of economics and director of the Office of Business and Economic Research at UT Tyler, "Economic Forecast for East Texas."

The Economic Forecast Conference is second in the three-part Economic Outlook Series which began with the Economic Issues Conference in November and will continue with the Economic Opportunities in the 90's Conference scheduled for March 1989. For registration information call John Childs, coordinator of continuing education and professional development ext 7364

Tennis Center receives USTA award

The Summers Tennis Center at UT Tyler is one of only nine facilities in the nation to earn the 1988 Tennis Facility Award given by the United States Tennis Association (USTA).

Robert Moehler, president of Texas Tennis Association (TTA), presented the award in recent ceremonies at the Summer Tennis Center. Announcement of the award and presentation of a one-year organization membership in the USTA will be given at the Texas Tennis Association annual meeting Jan. 20 - 22 in Dallas.

USTA awards are given to facilities which set high standards for design, construction or renovation of tennis facilities. Winning criteria is based upon the overall master plan, court layout, adaptation to site, general maintenance and aesthetic appeal.

UT Tyler's Summers Tennis Center, designed by Simons-Burch-Clark Architects of Tyler, opened in 1986 and is named in honor of Betty and Dick Summers of Tyler who made possible its construction.

"Summers Tennis Center at UT Tyler is an outstanding eight-court facility. Summers' highmast lighting, court divider fences and informal spectator seating contribute to the popularity of the facility. Terrain and trees surrounding the center make for a very inviting and relaxing atmosphere," the USTA stated.

"USTA's architectural design award recognizes outstanding public tennis facilities under the jurisdiction of a parks and recreation department, an educational institution or an industrial complex. These award winners set the standard for construction and/or renovation of tennis facilities throughout the country."

Greater Tyler directories available

Southwestern Bell Greater Tyler telephone directories are available in the Purchasing Office, ADM 110. Contact Alice Fast, ext. 7231.

Schwane chosen Piper nominee

Dr. James Schwane, associate professor of health and physical education, has been selected as the university's nominee for the 1989 Minnie Stevens Piper Foundation Award.

The foundation honors teachers from colleges and universities throughout the state by recognizing outstanding academic achievement and dedication to the teaching profession.

"Dr. Schwane has been recognized both inside and outside the university community for his teaching, scholarship and service. He is a most worthy candidate for this award," said Dr. Thomas L. Fernandez, vice president for academic affairs.

A member of the Department of Health and Physical Education faculty since 1982, Schwane is a fellow and certified preventive/rehabilitative exercise specialist in the American College of Sports Medicine (ACSM) and a member of the Texas chapter of ACSM. He serves as coordinator of the university's Master of Science degree in clinical exercise physiology program, administrator of the Exercise Physiology Laboratory, master thesis director, laboratory practicum supervisor, academic advisor, and chairperson of the Human Subjects Investigation Committee and the Subcommittee of Institutional Research for University Self-Study.

Chemistry majors participate in research programs

Four chemistry majors at UT Tyler participated in undergraduate research programs during summer 1988. The undergraduate research fellows and the university research programs in which they participated were:

Adrian Goss, genetic engineering techniques, the University of Tennessee at Knoxville; Howard Neil Gray, genetic syntheses, the University of Oklahoma; Melanie Power, solid-state nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy, Texas A&M University; Touradj Solouki, detoxification of carcinogenic halogenated organic compounds using oxidation and electrolysis, Baylor University.

National Sculpture Biennial opens

Sculpture Biennial 1989 -- a national juried competition of contemporary artists with works ranging from fluorescent tubes to bronze -- will be open 8 a.m.- 5 p.m. weekdays through Feb. 28. in UC 101.

Organized by the UT Tyler Department of Art and juried by Viola Frey, internationally recognized sculptor from Oakland, Calif., the biennial spotlights works by 14 artists from across the country.

Artists whose works are included in the competition are: Ronald Gonzalez, Binghamton, New York; David S. Greenwood, Grand Rapids, Mich.; Alan Fierro, Madison, Wisc.; Carol Adams, Peninsula, Ohio; Karen Acker, Macon, Ga.; Sheila Ferri, Glenwood Landing, New York; Donna Pickens, Atlanta, Ga.; Robert J. Horan, New Orleans, La.; Karen Werth, Rock Hill, S.C.; Don Osborn, Plattsburgh, New York; James M. Rourke, Pleasant Plains, Ill.; Adrienne Heinrich, Murrysville, Penn.; Caren Heft, Racine, Wisc.; and Ralph D. Caparula, Montclair, New Jersey.

Dunn awarded Fulbright grant

Dr. Elizabeth Dunn, assistant professor of English, has been awarded a Fulbright grant for her teaching in Tyler's sister city of Metz, France, the Board of Foreign Scholarships and the United States Information Agency (USIA) announced.

In a faculty exchange for the 1988-89 academic year, Dunn is a lecturer at the University of Metz, while Dr. Jean-Jacques Blanchot, Department of English chairman at the University of Metz, is serving as a visiting professor at UT Tyler.

Established under Congressional legislation in 1946, the Fulbright program is designed to increase mutual understanding between people of the United States and other countries. Individuals are selected on the basis of academic and professional qualifications plus their ability and willingness to share ideas and experiences with people of diverse cultures.

in the spotlight . . .

Dr. Neil B. Ford, associate professor of biology, and **Dr. Richard Seigel** of Southeastern Louisiana University have a paper, "Relationships Among Body Size, Clutch Size, and Egg Size in Three Species of Oviparous Snakes," in the March issue of *Herpetologica*.

Dr. Robert Geffner, associate professor of psychology, made two invited presentations, "Recent Issues in Domestic Violence Victimization" and "Community Interventions and Counseling Techniques for Reducing Family Violence," to the Community Counseling Services Conference on Domestic Violence in Alexandria, La.

Dr. Davor Jedlicka, associate professor of sociology, participated in the "Meet the Authors" program during the National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference Nov. 15 in Philadelphia. The program featured his book, "Family, Society and the Individual," (Harper & Row Publishers, 1988).

Dr. Doris Rlemen, director of the Division of Nursing, spoke at a meeting of middle and high school counselors in a program on health careers Nov. 15. She also serves on the Tyler Chamber of Commerce Health Services Committee which sponsored the program.

GRE, LSAT review courses planned

Review courses for the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) and the Law School Admissions Test (LSAT) will be offered by the Office of Continuing Education beginning this month. Each course will be held 9:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Jan. 21, 28 and Feb. 4.

Designed for students who want to maximize their exam performance, the intensive three-part courses focus on improving the participant's reading skills, verbal and vocabulary skills, as well as test taking skills. For more information on either course call John Childs, ext.7364.

PERSONNEL UPDATE

NEW EMPLOYEES

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Effective 01-03-88

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Effective 12-05-88

FIVE-YEAR SERVICE AWARDS

Congratulations to the following employees for five years of continuous service at the university: Kay Somerford, child care specialist, Children's Place, and Tommy West, offset press operator II, Print Shop, Jan. 2; and Leonard Stenstadvoid, university police guard, Jan. 28.

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