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## Wolfe scheduled in lecture series

Tom Wolfe, author of the best-selling book *Bonfire of the Vanities*, is scheduled to speak April 16 in the Distinguished Lecture Series. Complimentary tickets are available to faculty in each dean's office and to staff in the Public Information Office.



*Bonfire of the Vanities*, Wolfe's first novel, was a runaway national best-seller and currently is being made into a motion picture. He also is author of *The Right Stuff*, a national best-seller which won the American Book Award for general non-fiction, and is working on his second novel.

His other books include *The Kandy-Kolored Tangerine-Flake Streamline Baby* published in 1965; *The New York Spy* in 1967; *The Electric Kool-Aid Acid Test* in 1968; *The Pump House Gang* in 1968; *The Painted Word* in 1975; and *From Bauhaus to Our House* in 1981. In 1980, he was honored by the American Academy and Institute of Arts and Letters with its Harold D. Vursell Memorial Award. He also received the Columbia Journalism Award for distinguished service to the field of journalism. Wolfe is a graduate of Washington and Lee University and received his doctorate in American studies from Yale University.



# IN THE SPOTLIGHT

**Dr. Roger Conaway**, lecturer in business administration, presented "Communication and Management in the 1990s" to the Management Club at Anderson-Hickey Manufacturing in Henderson.

**Dr. Elizabeth Dunn**, assistant professor of English, presented "The Wilderness in American Literature: From Puritanism to Neo-Transcendentalism" at the Interdisciplinary Wilderness Conference at Weber State College in Ogden, Utah in February. The essay also will be published in the conference proceedings.

**Dr. Neil Ford**, associate professor of biology, recently published an article, "Courtship of the Garter Snake, *Thamnophis marci*," in the Journal of Herpetology. Co-authors are Janice J. Perry-Richardson, Audubon Zoo in New Orleans, and Carolyn Wilson Schofield, Tyler, both recent graduates of UT Tyler's M.S. in interdisciplinary studies program.

**Dr. Patricia A. Gajda**, professor of history, conducted a half-day seminar on oral history for parish historians and others from the 32-county area of the Catholic Diocese of Tyler Feb. 24. The seminar covered the historiography and methodology of oral history.

**Dr. Barry Green**, coordinator of student records, presented "The Palestinian Question: Is There a Solution?" to the Tyler Foreign Policy study group March 27.

**Dr. Don Killebrew**, Department of Biology chairman, presented "Confessions of a Widow, Tales of a Recluse: the Natural History of Black and Brown Spiders" to the East Texas Pest Control Association Feb. 27 in Tyler.



**Dr. Christina E. Mitchell**, director of counseling/testing and associate professor of education and psychology, gave three sessions on interviewing skills and resume writing to student nurses at the Texas State Nursing Association job fair at Harvey Convention Center Feb 15.

**Dr. Janet Smerke** and **Dr. Barbara Cushing**, assistant professors of nursing, and **Dr. Linda Campbell**, associate professor of nursing, participated in the "Perspectives on Caring" workshop March 7 at Mother Frances Hospital. They gave presentations on the philosophy of human caring, coping with a cancer diagnosis, special needs of the cancer patient and family, and therapeutic touch.

**Dr. Lynn Sherrod**, School of Sciences and Mathematics dean, and **Darrel McDonald**, lecturer in geography, presented "The Cultural Economic Botany of Azaleas and Roses in Smith County, Texas" at the Texas Academy of Science 93rd Annual Meeting March 2 in San Marcos.

**Dr. James Smallwood**, visiting professor of history, presented "The Texas Freedmen's Bureau Reconsidered: the Tyler 'Career' of Agent Thomas Barrett" to the Smith County Historical Society and "A Brutalized Species of Property: Slave Children, the Texas Experience" at the Texas Conference on African American History.

## **History student earns doctoral fellowship**

**Jeffrey Owens** of Longview, a candidate for an M.A. in history from UT Tyler this spring, has received a four-year fellowship to attend Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge to complete a Ph.D. in history. His thesis topic, begun at UT Tyler as a student of the late Dr. Frank Smyrl, is "A People at War: The Economic, Political and Military History of Tensas Parish, Louisiana, 1860-1865."

## **Pace works exhibited at Dallas Museum of Art**

**James Robert Pace**, assistant professor of art, has had three works selected for an exhibition of drawings May 19 - July 15 at the Dallas Museum of Art.

The exhibit, "Concentrations 23: Texas Figurative Drawings" features works by 12 Texas artists who draw the human figure. Pace's works selected for the show are "Angst," "Releasing Potential" and "Obstacles," all drawings of charcoal and oil pastel on paper.

Curated by **Joan Davidow**, the exhibit marks the first drawing survey and first group presentation of the DMA's "Concentration" series which focuses on recent developments in contemporary art.

## **5K Run planned April 28**

The Eisenhower 5K Run and a hamburger buffet lunch are planned by the Alumni Association Saturday, April 28 on campus. Registration for the run begins at 8 a.m. with the race starting at 9 a.m. A hamburger lunch will be served following awards presentations. For more information call ext. 7114.



### **Supercollider official to speak**

Dave Martin, manager of cryogenic systems for the Superconducting Supercollider, will speak at 5 p.m. Wednesday, April 4 in ADM 127.

The presentation, "Current Developments and Directions of the Superconducting Supercollider," is open to the public at no charge.

Martin joined the Supercollider project in October 1989 after 30 years with LTV Aerospace in Grand Prairie, where he most recently held the position of chief thermodynamics engineer. During his career he has been responsible for development of the helmet section of the spacesuit for the first lunar launch and has worked on the Scout satellite launch system. He received a bachelor's degree in aeronautical engineering from UT Austin.

### **Who's Who ceremony moved**

A ceremony honoring students named to "Who's Who Among Students in American Colleges and Universities" has been moved to BUS 158 at 3:30 p.m., April 11.

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## **Liberal Arts Colloquium scheduled**

A Liberal Arts Colloquium, exploring the relationship between the liberal arts and the non-academic world, will be presented Tuesday and Wednesday, April 3 - 4, in BUS 158.

Scheduled speakers are Jackie Kimbrough, behavioral sciences consultant; Cheryl Irwin, freelance storyteller; and Don Leverty, special assistant for federal relations in the Office of the Chancellor of the UT System in Austin. The public is invited to attend the presentations and to meet the speakers. Refreshments will be served.

Kimbrough will open the colloquium at 11 a.m. Tuesday with "Liberal Arts Training in a Scientific World." Irwin will present "Applications of Storytelling in Our Lives" at 2 p.m. that same day. Leverty will conclude the colloquium with "Liberal Arts and Communication: The View from Washington" at 11 a.m. Wednesday.

The Liberal Arts Colloquium Committee is chaired by Dr. Patricia A. Gajda, professor of history. Members include Dr. Benjamin Ferrell, lecturer in criminal justice; Stephen R. Krebs, lecturer in philosophy; Dr. Joy-Ellis McLemore, lecturer in English; and Dr. Andrew Szarka, associate professor of history.

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