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Former Clinton Advisor to Speak

Tickets are available for UT Tyler's Distinguished Lecture Series featuring George Stephanopoulos, political analyst and former presidential advisor, President Rodney H. Mabry has announced.

Stephanopoulos will speak at 8 p.m. Thursday, April 1 at the Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center. He is the final speaker of the 1998 - 99 UT Tyler Distinguished Lecture Series.

General admission tickets are \$10. Patron tickets are \$50 and include a special prelecture reception with Stephanopoulos and reserved seating and parking for the lecture.

Complimentary tickets are available to students of UT Tyler and area high schools, junior/community colleges and universities by presenting a current student ID.

For ticket information, contact the UT Tyler Office of Development at 903-566-7110.

Stephanopoulos served in the Clinton Administration as the Senior Advisor to the President for Policy and Strategy. He was a key strategist in both Clinton presidential campaigns and was involved in the development of virtually all major policy initiatives during President Clinton's first term in office.

Stephanopoulos is now a visiting professor at the School of International and Public Affairs at Columbia University and a contributor to ABC News and Newsweek magazine. His book *All Too Human* was published by Little, Brown & Company March 11.

Cowan Center Concludes Season

The UT Tyler Cowan Fine and Performing Arts Center will complete its second season with performances by mezzo-soprano Denyce Graves and The Boys Choir of Harlem, Mary Untersee, Cowan Center interim managing director, has announced.

Denyce Graves will complete the 1998 - 99 Performing Arts series with her performance at 8 p.m. Saturday, April 10. The Boys Choir of Harlem will complete the 1998 - 99 Braithwaite Series with its performance at 8 p.m. Tuesday, April 20.

Both performances will be the Cowan Center's Vaughn Auditorium.

Tickets for Denyce Graves are \$40 and \$30. Tickets for the Boys Choir of Harlem are \$28.

Tickets may be purchased by cash or check at the Cowan Center Box Office 11 a.m. - 5:30 p.m. Monday through Friday. Credit card purchases can be made by calling 1-888-597-7827. A service charge will apply to all credit card orders.

For more information, call the Cowan Center Box Office at 903-566-7424.



Retired Professor Receives Honor

Dr. Robert L. Jones, retired professor of education at UT Tyler, has been honored by Mississippi State University, Dr. Roy H. Ruby, vice president for student affairs at Mississippi State University, announced.

Ceremonies officially dedicating the streets in sorority park, MSU's newest complex of sorority and fraternity houses, were held March 19. MSU honored its former vice president for student affairs with the naming of the Robert Louis Jones Circle and the Robert Louis Jones Drive. Almost a mile in length, Jones Circle is located on the campus' west side.

Jones is credited with organizing the Division of Student Affairs into a highly effective and creative organization, designed to serve the major needs of those enrolled at Mississippi's largest university. His professional leadership and organizational acumen are known throughout the country.

A native of Arkansas, Jones served as assistant vice president of the University of Arkansas Medical Center and dean of men at the University of Arkansas, Fayetteville. He served at MSU from 1967 to 1984 at which time he left to become vice president for administration at UT Tyler, a position he held from 1984 to 1994. Jones returned to teaching in 1994 and retired in August 1998.

"Dr. Jones was most influential in making possible the growth of sorority and fraternity housing on campus and, specifically, for opening up the new sorority and fraternity row area," said Ruby, who succeeded Jones as head of the division.

Jones' career in education spans more than 40 years.

Jones has been honored by UT Tyler as the namesake of the Robert L. Jones Student Leadership Award and by the state of Mississippi as the namesake of the Mississippi Association of Higher Education's Robert L. Jones Professional Leadership Award.

Liberal Arts Dean Co-Authors Textbook

Dr. Donna L. Dickerson, dean of the School of Liberal Arts, is co-author of a recently released textbook titled *Freedom of Expression in the 21st Century*, President Rodney H. Mabry has announced.

The book, published by Pine Forge Press, is co-authored with Dr. Robert Trager, professor of journalism and mass communications at the University of Colorado.

Freedom of Expression in the 21st Century is a textbook written for courses in the liberal arts and communications where the goal is to make free speech issues relevant to today's students. The textbook includes information on current free speech issues including Internet privacy, filtering software, Internet site ratings and on-line pornography.

in the spotlight . . .

Dr. Barbara L. Hart, associate professor of criminal justice, spoke to the Criminal Justice Section of the Texas Community College Teachers Association 52nd Annual Convention in Houston February 18-20. Her speech was titled "Working Together for Criminal Justice Education." Dr. Hart has served on a coordinating board statewide committee which evaluated the community college criminal justice curriculum.

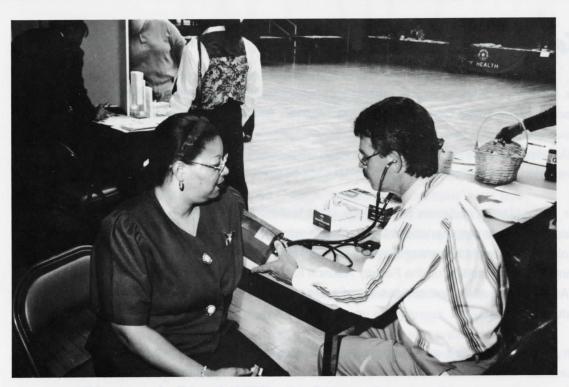
Dr. **Allen Martin**, professor of sociology, gave testimony before the Texas House of Representatives Appropriations Committee in support of a plan by the Texas Association of College Teachers to increase benefits in both TRS and ORP. Martin also has attended three meetings setting up the Faculty Alliance for Texas Higher Education. This alliance of TACT and two other associations coordinates meetings with legislators on behalf of higher education.

Dr. Wallin McCardell, associate professor of journalism, presented two papers, "African-American Commercial Broadcast Ownership: Past, Present, and Future" and "Trends in Hispanic Commercial Broadcast Ownership" at the 1999 National Conferences of the National Association of African American Studies and the National Association of Hispanic & Latino Studies in Houston, February 9-13.

Dr. **Allen Barger**, assistant professor of electrical engineering, has had two papers accepted for presentation at the 1999 Gulf Southwest Annual Conference of the American Society for Engineering Education in Dallas March 7-9. One paper is titled "On Teaching Engineering Design: Lessons Learned from Industry." The other paper, written in association with Dr. David Beams, assistant professor of electrical engineering, is titled "Inexpensive Semiconductor Curve Tracers using LABVIEW."

Dr. **David Beams**, assistant professor of electrical engineering, has had two papers accepted for presentation at the 1999 Gulf Southwest Annual Conference of the American Society for Engineering Education in Dallas March 7-9. One paper is titled "GRAPHCON4 and BODEPLOTTER: Graphical MATLAB Tools for System Dynamics." The other paper, written in association with Dr. Allen Barger, assistant professor of electrical engineering, is titled "Inexpensive Semiconductor Curve Tracers using LABVIEW."

Dr. **Herb Epstein**, adjunct associate professor of management and technology, gave a speech titled "Successful Exporting by East Texas Companies" to the 1999 Export Opportunities Conference March 11 at the Marshall Civic Center.



Belinda Dean, UT Tyler cashier, has her blood pressure checked at the health fair March 10 in University Center. Nineteen area health agencies and businesses presented information at the fair, which was sponsored by student activities.

PERSONNEL UPDATE

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