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Chess team 2nd nationally
UTD’s Chess Team finished second in the 1997 Pan American Intercollegiate Chess Championships, the “Super Bowl” of collegiate chess, in Bowling Green, Ky. The U.T. Dallas Chess Team finished the four-day tournament on Dec. 29 with a 5-1 record, losing only to eventual champion Borough of Manhattan Community College.

“We’re very proud,” said Tim Redman, Professor of Literary Studies and the team advisor. “They worked well as a team. I was pleased with the undefeated record of our two alternates. We were able to give the regular players a rest.”

Enroute to its second-place finish, UTD defeated the Rochester Institute of Technology, the University of Toronto B Team, the University of Pennsylvania, Universidad Nacional de Trujillo and Universidad Catolica de Peru. The last two teams were from Peru.

Team members include: Noureddine Ziane, first board and team captain; Jason Doss, second board; James Dean, third board; Shivkumar Shivaji, fourth board; Taras Odushkin, first alternate, and Marvin Huckaby, second alternate. Please see Chess Team p. 4

Message from President Jenifer
SACS COMMITTEE VISIT

After more than two years of anticipation and preparation, we will host the Reaffirmation Committee from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) on Feb. 16-19. The purpose of the committee’s visit, as you recall, is to evaluate how well we meet the criteria for reaffirmation of our accreditation.

The committee, comprised of 15 faculty and administrators from other institutions in the SACS region, will examine documents and files, interview UTD administrators and representative faculty and students, and prepare a report of its findings for SACS.

The interviews will take place on Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 17-18. I urge you to extend full assistance to the members of the SACS team to enable them to complete their assignment.

Thank you for your cooperation.

CALLIER EXPANDS

A new 12,000-square-foot facility at Callier Center for Communication Disorders at U.T. Dallas will allow Callier to expand its clinical research efforts in the causatives of, and remediation of, hearing impairment.

The Advanced Hearing Research Center will provide new laboratory and clinic facilities, which will house state-of-the-art equipment for the assessment of hearing loss, brain function and speech production. The move opens the door for additional services for adults and children with hearing, speech and language disorders plus additional resources for student training and research.

The new center was made possible by support from local foundations: Dallas Foundation, Hoblitzelle Foundation, Meadows Foundation, Lipshy Family Philanthropic Trust, Raue Foundation and the Foundation for the Callier Center. Bert Moore, Dean of the School of Human Development, said, “The development of this new Center is an important addition to Callier and the community since it will enable us to offer new research and treatment for hearing impairment.”

Special funding provided by the Texas Legislature last year will help support the development of the center.

7-YEAR MED PROGRAM

Earning a degree in medicine usually means four years of college and four years of medical school. For those dedicated to becoming physicians or surgeons, a program to decrease the time in school while still receiving a medical education is now available.

Education forces in Fort Worth and Dallas are offering a seven-year degree program. Developed by the University of North Texas Health Science Center’s Texas College of Osteopathic Medicine (TCOM) in Fort Worth and U.T. Dallas, the program will make it possible to earn a bachelor’s degree after three years at U.T. Dallas plus one year of medical school at TCOM, then the medical degree is awarded after three additional years at TCOM.

For students to transition into the medical school environment while fulfilling their undergraduate education, the fourth and final year of undergraduate studies will be combined with the first year of medical school.

TCOM and U.T. Dallas will start promoting the program, which is expected to begin this year.
Mar. 9-13—Spring Break 1998


Mar. 11—Java Metropole User’s Group, free, everyone welcome, MP2.220, 7:30 p.m.

Mar. 13—University closed; Spring Break

Mar. 14—Dallas Symphony Choral Terrace Series, Meyerson Symphony Center, 8 p.m.; two free tickets valid at UTD ID at SU Info Depot beginning 2/25, 10 a.m., 883-6173.


Mar. 19—Counseling Center Program: Conflict Resolution, lunch provided, SU12.602, 883-2575, 12:30 p.m.


Mar. 20—Chemistry Seminar: Synthesis of Cage-Functionalized Amino Acids & Their Incorporation into Non-Natural Peptides, Prof. H. G. Kruger, Univ. Natal, South Africa, BE2.204, 3:30 p.m., 883-6262.

Mar. 20—Planet Pluto, free, SU Mall, 12 p.m.

Mar. 20—Rec. Sports: Golf Tournament

Mar. 21-27—National Collegiate Health & Wellness Week, 883-2575.

Mar. 21—National Collegiate Health & Wellness Week: Movie & Video, SU Mall, Galaxy Rm., 883-2575, 7:30 p.m.

Mar. 21—Art & Performance: Latin American Music Festival, PH, free w/UTD ID/general adm., $5, UTD-ARTS, 8 p.m.

Mar. 22—Art & Performance: Latin American Music Festival,