Focus on the Staff New Employees
JULY 2004
Kyle Benson
Kimberly Bishop
Ray Bui
Srikantini Chetlur
Angela Compton
Kevin Dillu
Joseph Eakin
Kristofer English
Louis Floyd
Heather Huntley
Phillip Jolly
Dean Morel
Polypena Perez
Carla Raymond
Gabriel Ramos
Jacquelyn Rogers
Ryan White
AUGUST 2004
Christine Adkins
Krist Barrus
Ryan Campbell
Marguerite Kay
Dantonya Lambert
Eric Lavin
Brian Moore
Renée Rasmussen
Kimberly Sotomayer
Bridget Busse
Lori Student
AUGUST 2004
Kearin Gibson
Debra Giles
Atias Gray
Shawn Hammes
Bob Hinton
Samina Kamal
Scott Meeks
Puttiria Nava
Ellie Prosser
Michael Reamond
Kellen Rixford
Mark Rounton
Troz M. Santos
Richard Sullins
See Too
Heather Weiner
Maude Wilson
Thomas Wilson III
Christina York
Xiaogang Zhang

Flu Shot Update
As many of you know, the Staff Council was notified that our request for the flu vaccine that had been ordered back in March, 2004, and was scheduled to arrive in mid-October to Richardson Regional has been cancelled. Richardson Regional was not anticipating any problems which would have permitted the Staff Council to offer the flu shots to faculty and staff again this year. However, Richardson Regional will be unable to provide on-site flu shots this year due to the smaller supply available.

British regulators unexpectedly shut down a major flu-shot supplier on 10/5/04, citing manufacturing problems at the Chiron Corp. factory in England where roughly 46 million doses destined for the United States had been made. That means only about 54 million flu shots will be available this year from a competing firm. Therefore the U.S. government decided quickly that most healthy adults should delay or decline to leave enough vaccine for the elderly and other high-risk patients.

We apologize for this inconvenience and appreciate your continued support of the Staff Council.

Retirees
Jesus Arceo
Vasili Brown
Carla Carpenter
Gloria Carrozza
Karen Decker
Charles Evans
Ruby Jones
Janet Mack
Ralph McNerney
Dorothy Stull

Deceased
Dale Draeger
Maxine Maberry
Vicente Targa
Edward Trippett

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November 2004
UT System News Release - Finalists Named For President of U.T. Dallas

The University of Texas System Board of Regents named three finalists on October 12 for the presidency of The University of Texas at Dallas.

The board announced the finalists after considering recommendations of an advisory committee that reviewed nominations and applications for the position.

The finalists are:

John C. Baldwin, M.D., associate provost for student affairs, Darmouth College, and professor of surgery at Dartmouth Medical School. Dr. Baldwin earned his M.D. at Stanford University and completed residencies at Massachusetts General Hospital in Boston. He has held academic positions at Stanford and Yale University and was chairman of the Department of Surgery at the Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, where he held the DeBakey-Bard Chair of Surgery. Dr. Baldwin has served for 10 years as a corporate director and a member of the audit committee of the Houston Trust Company in Houston and has served on several corporate boards. A former Rhodes Scholar, Dr. Baldwin served as vice chair of the Board of Overseers of Harvard University. Dr. Baldwin is a native of Collins County.

Gary R. Schuster, Ph.D., professor of chemistry and dean of the College of Sciences, Georgia Institute of Technology. Dr. Schuster joined the faculty of Georgia Tech in 1994. Prior to moving to Georgia Tech, he was chair of the Department of Chemistry at the University of Illinois. He was named Arthur C. Cope Scholar by the American Chemical Society. At Georgia Tech he holds the Vasser Woodley Chair of Chemistry and Biochemistry. Dr. Schuster earned his Ph.D. degree at the University of Rochester and did postdoctoral study at Columbia University.

The three finalists visited UTD for two days each between October 18 and 29. Each met with students, faculty, staff, department chairs, deans, alumni, and community members.

Staff Council Member Comments:
"Dr. Schuster helps to dispel the myth that men of the hard sciences are dry and humorless with his smooth and witty intellect and quick sense of humor."

"In academia, the term scholar gets tossed around far too easily, but Dr. Baldwin embodies all the qualities of a truly well rounded and exceptional scholar as well as a gentleman and philanthropist."

"Dr. Barton appears to have almost boundless energy and intellectual curiosity that he brings to all his new challenges. At an age where many people would be slowing down, it seems that he continues to ramp up for attaining and surpassing his new goals as well as sustaining past ones."

"Dr. Baldwin seemed to have the most fund raising experience and was well rounded. I liked his management style on consensus and his attitude towards a lifelong education process being a priority."

"Dr. Schuster was quite affable. I liked his sense of humor. He seems like a strong leader. I believe people would willingly fol low his lead. He has some great ideas for UTD’s future."

"Dr. Barton has strong research lab management skills, which would be beneficial to growing and developing an excellent research school, but I do not believe he has the staff development nor benefits on his radar screen. I feel he is lacking in his vision and understanding that UTD is not made up of students, faculty and janitors."

"My first choice is Dr. Baldwin due to many factors, mostly his well rounded education, career and life experiences, and his willingness to learn and take consideration from other points of view."

"Each of the candidates would guide UTD toward its future goals using entirely different but effective methods and leadership styles."
Corporate Raffle Success

During 2004, Corporate Challenge, UTD held a raffle to raise funds benefiting the Texas Special Olympics. The drawing for the UTD prizes took place at 4:00 PM on Thursday, October 7. Here is the list of prizes and the lucky winners:

- $50 Gift Certificates to Romano’s Macaroni Grill from Aramark (Food Services)
- Mary Ruth Huber
- Emmett Sahale
- 2 Pairs of UTD All-Sport Season Passes
- Bridget Busse
- Michael Doty
- $50 Gift Certificates from the Practice Tee
- Darlene Coppage
- Gaby Perkowski
- Activities Center One Year Membership
- Barbara Thompson
- $50 Gift Certificate from the UTD Bookstore (Barnes & Noble)
- Sherry Clarkson
- Orange Parking Pass
- Patricie Morman
- $30 Gift Certificate to Abbey Restaurant
- Debra Harrison
- $30 Gift Certificate to Cappuccino Italian Restaurant
- Joe Jennings
- $25 Gift Certificate to Rockfish Seafood Grill
- Kim Winkler
- $25 Gift Certificate Hasson’s Jewelers
- Jody Nelsen
- $20 Gift Certificate to the Madeleine Restaurant
- Patricie Morman
- Special thanks to raffle chairperson and Spirit Committee Chairperson, Carol Lamham for her leadership as UTD raised $1,400 in donations this year.

In 2004, the Staff Council’s Annual Forum was held on Wednesday, November 17, at 9:30 A.M. in the School of Management Auditorium. The agenda for the forum will include announcements from the Staff Council’s Annual Report, more information about the UTD Spirit Committee, announcements of upcoming events, and information on how to contact the IR staff when problems arise.

In addition to the announcement forums, there is a forum where users can submit questions to the IR staff. If you have always wondered why something is named a certain name, this forum provides you with the opportunity to ask away. The IR staff will check the forum routinely and try to respond to questions in a timely fashion.

To post a question to this forum, you must register on the site with a valid e-mail address. The e-mail address will be hidden to forum users, but the user is necessary to validate your account before you will be allowed to post a question.

We hope the IR Forum at https://webapps.utdallas.edu/irforum/ helps IR improve the avenues of communications with the UTD campus.

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