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#### Message from Dr. With



We have certainly started off the new spring semester in such a momentous way, it's hard to believe we're in full swing and nearing midterms! As most of you are aware, on February 13th, UNT recently unveiled its Four Bold Goals for the Future of UNT. This is an exciting new endeavor for our university. I look forward to what the future holds and I hope that you do, too. Thank you to those of you who attended this event as well as facilitated the student after-party. After all, our students are what matters, and to see their pride elevated that day was quite rewarding. Even more rewarding was having

our very own Blake Windham, Jayleen Watson and Keith Guerrero serve as student speakers during the event, as representation of the student promise. Not surprising, our four new goals are:

- Goal 1: Provide the best undergraduate educational experience in Texas
- Goal 2: Provide superior graduate education, scholarship and artistic endeavors and achieve status among the nation's tier-one research institutions
- Goal 3: Become a national leader among universities in student support, employee relations, operational effectiveness and service to constituencies
- Goal 4: Establish UNT as a nationally recognized, engaged university and regional leader by building and expanding mutually beneficial partnerships and resources

To read more on the Four Bold Goals: <u>http://www.unt.edu/features/four-bold-goals/</u>

Naturally, our own strategic plan will need to realign only slightly so that our goals mirror the goals of the university. We will begin taking a closer look at our existing five goals and we look forward to your input in the process as we gather at this year's Summer Summit. Plans on that are yet to be determined, but details will be made available toward the end of the semester.

It is truly an exciting time to be at UNT. Big plans and goals have been laid before us, and I challenge you to think big and dream big as well. UNT is a great university in large part because of your great contributions!

Glory to the Green,

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Vice President of Student Affairs



## Four Bold Goals, No Limits

On February 13, the Division sponsored Four Bold Goals, No Limits, the student after-party celebrating the new strategic plan and theme line. Almost 1,500 students and visitors enjoyed free pizza, Vegas-style casino games, bingo,

and more. Students had the chance to win UNT windbreakers and sunglasses, and three lucky students won the grand prizes: an iPad2 and one of two Kindle Fires. Below are a few pictures.



## **OTP's First Year Photo Project**

The First Year Photo Project (FYPP) is an initiative through the office of Orientation and Transition Programs to document the first year college transition. This year 7 students have been participating in the project be attending monthly meetings, touring a photography studio in Denton, and were able to go backstage to take pictures with John Legend at the recent DLS event. FYPP is currently looking for additional first year student members. This group is led by Precious Femi-Ogunyemi, a Sophomore with a strong passion for photography. Learn more about the project or refer students to our Facebook page by searching <u>UNT</u> FYPP.



## **Student Portraits Symposium Receives National Awards**

UNT's Divisions of Student Affairs and Academic Affairs have received two top honors from NASPA for the inaugural Student Portraits: A Symposium for UNT Educators. These Excellence Awards are given for contributions to transforming higher education through outstanding programs, innovative services, and effective administration.

Student Portraits received the

## **Tax Tips**

#### 2012 Tax Filing Extension!

This year's tax filing deadline is April 17, because the traditional tax return filing deadline of April 15 this year is a Sunday and April 16, 2012 falls on a recognized holiday (Emancipation Day) in the District of Columbia.

#### 10 Tips for Getting the Biggest Tax Refund

In а HowStuffWorks personal finance column. Denise Harrison offers ten tips for getting the biggest tax refund. If you will be receiving a tax refund this year remember the two golden rules pertaining to refunds: 1) Don't spend the money before you get the money. And 2) Bank the money if you have already identified a use for the funds. Needing to pay down any debt, pay off student loans, or pay the rent or mortgage doesn't mean you should treat yourself to a new plasma screen television or a fun weekend with friends. To read the full article: http:// money.howstuffworks.com/personalfinance/personal-income-taxes/10-tipsfor-biggest-tax-refund.htm

Gold Award for the Administrative, Assessment, Information Technology, Fundraising, and Professional Development category. The Gold Awardees from each category were further judged for the designation of a Grand Medal, and Student Portraits was awarded the Grand Silver Medal.

UNT will be recognized at the 2012 National NASPA conference in Phoenix, AZ, in March. Dr. Jason Simon, Dr. Elizabeth With, and Hope Garcia will be presented with the award, and will participate in a special poster session featuring all Gold Award honorees.

Be sure to save the date for the second annual Student Portraits symposium, being held on Thursday, May 3, 2012 at the Gateway Center. More information is online <u>here</u>.

#### FREE Local Tax Preparation Assistance

There will be several free tax preparation assistance programs offered in the greater Denton community this tax season. H&R Block is offering free assistance with 1040EZ filing through February 29 at their Rayzor Ranch Marketplace office. The City of Denton in partnership with the United Way and IRS will be hosting free tax filing assistance through the Volunteer Income Tax Assistance Program at the North Branch Library for filers earning \$50,000 or less.

#### VITA Program

Free tax filing assistance for filers earning \$50,000 or less North Branch Library • 3202 North Locust

*H&R Block Razor Ranch Marketplace* Free 1040EZ Tax Return Filing - Offer expires 2/29/2012 2710 W. University #1010 940-397-5128



## Sustainability Efforts in Housing and Residence Life

The Go Green Initiative is coming back this semester with a strong group of 13 Eco-Reps. Each Residence Hall is provided an Eco-Rep, who will inform residents of the sustainability efforts that the University of North Texas is making. The will also educate residents on recycling and create programs to show others a sustainable way of living. Our focus for this semester is to take the BYOB program to its fullest potential. We will also be promoting a friendly competition in the Residence Halls, collaborating with the Office of Sustainability's project of Recycle Mania, with an eligibility for the

### **Auxiliary Services Day**

Auxiliary Services Day was held January 10. The day was full of professional development classes on safety related issues. Professional speakers from around the state, as well as UNT employees, came to enlighten our employees on valuable safety information.

Jerral Wyer of TxDOT, shown to the right, started the day as Keynote Speaker with his presentation, "Drive to Stay Alive."

A variety of other classes were offered throughout the day, including Worker's Comp Class, How to Avoid Residence Halls to win a secret grand prize.

Group efforts are this semester is towards:

- Bringing back the BYOB program
- Promoting Recycle Mania in all Residence Halls
- Proposing projects for the We Mean Green Fund
- Community Garden and a Renta-Bike program
- A documentary viewing of the water bottle industry in a few Residence Halls
- A Swap-Shop program with the possibility of small fashion show.
  - Set for April



Germs at Work, Safety: Mission Zero, Workstation Ergonomics, Vehicle and Pedestrian Safety, Severe Weather in

North Texas, Effectively Managing Personal Issues Work. Automated at External Defibrillators Training, Nutrition and Food Safety, Strains and Sprains, Baking a Cake, Stress Management, Internet Theft Protection. Chemical Safety. and Personal Safety. We had a great turn out and would

like to thank everyone that participated or were in attendance for the wonderful event.



### **Orientation and Transition Programs**

The office of Orientation and Transition Programs encourages departments to consider attending the Orientation resources fairs and featuring programs and services in the *Connections* magazine, distributed to all incoming students and parents.

The deadline for *Connections* advertisements is 5:00 p.m., March 12. Registration forms and detailed

information including advertising specifications can be found <u>here</u>, then by clicking on Sponsor as a Department.

## **Career Center's Take Flight - Job Shadow Program**

The Flight/Job Shadow Take program offered by the UNT Career Center is a 1-5 day job shadowing experience for UNT students during spring break, March 19-23, 2012. The program is open to all majors and class levels. Job shadowing allows students the opportunities to observe and network with professionals in the DFW area, investigate career fields and get a "head start" in marketing themselves for internships and jobs.

The program was piloted in the summer of 2010 with just two companies and 12 students participating. In 2011, 20 companies signed up to host over 65 students. Currently the program boasts over 40 companies with 180 possible job shadow opportunities.

Students sign up in the Eagle Network. They must upload a resume and cover letter explaining why they should be selected for the job shadow experience.

- Gargi Bhakta, Senior Mktg. Major
- This shadowing opportunity helped me decide my career! Was torn

between marketing and PR and after shadowing at MarketWave, I knew my path :) It is also a great resume/ network builder. The employers were pleased to meet students that broke the norm by choosing an alternative spring break option. Don't miss out!

For more information, click here or contact the Career Center at 940-565-2105

in advance via the Eagle Network to

have their resume included. Finally,

on Friday, the CEO hosted 100 high

school students for an outreach project

at Discovery Park. Friday afternoon

the bus pulled out for a field trip to

NTEC. NTEC is a corporation that

assists entrepreneurs with starting and growing new technology ventures. The

Center specializes in medical and clean

technology. To stay up to date with all

### **National Engineers Week at Discovery Park**

The Center for Student Affairs and Council of Engineering Organizations hosted the annual celebration for National Engineers Week on February 20-24 to promote and educate others about the field of engineering as a profession. On Monday, there was a Job Search Panel Discussion & luncheon in hosted by the UNT Career Center. The panel was be made up of industryspeakers discussing topics related including job search practices and how to brand yourself. Tuesday included E-Games hosted by the engineering professional societies and Segway obstacle course races sponsored by the CSA. Wednesday, started with the annual CANstruction competition from 1-5 p.m. in the DP hallway. The CEO hosted a departmental food drive competition to get cans of food to be used during CANstruction and then donated to the Denton Community

Food Center. That evening was the Gaming Tournament and Big Bang Theory marathon from 7-9 p.m. in the DP hallway and Library Lab. Several video gaming systems were available, as well as board games and pizza! Big Bang Theory will be playing in the Student Lounge as well. Thursday was the Engineering and Computer Science Internship and Career Fair hosted by the UNT Career Center and Office of Internships & Cooperative Education. This event went from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. and students registered

#### **UnionFest**

of our events, click here or find us on Facebook at UNTDPLIFE. This year we celebrate 64 years of Unions on the UNT campus at our annual UnionFest event on March 14. The theme, Your Union. Your Voice. will celebrate the Union concept while promoting an opportunity for students to learn more

about the Union master plan. All of the great freebies and fun entertainment will take place but this year it will be bigger and better than ever before! Mark your calendars now!

# **Chef Pierre Monticolombi**

UNT Dining Services welcomes Chef Pierre Monticolombi! Chef Pierre takes over the executive chef duties at Bruce cafeteria. Chef Pierre comes to us from the Crowne Plaza Hotel in Dallas. Before moving to Dallas, he owned Pierre's Riverwalk Café in Breckenridge, Colorado. He has also worked in four and five star restaurants in Europe. He brings extensive culinary expertise to his new position and has transformed the menu

## Sustainability

In supporting the university's sustainability initiatives, UNT Dining Services has proudly partnered with

local vendor, Ben E. Keith. By securing Ben E. Keith as our prime vendor, we have decreased our truck deliveries from 17 to only 3 per week. Because Ben E. Keith has provided a UNT

branded eco-friendly delivery truck, we have reduced our fuel consumption, our cost, and our carbon footprint. This state-of-the-art delivery truck is

## Off-Campus Meal Plan Campaign

UNT Dining Services recently kicked off a new meal plan campaign

aimed at offcampus students. We wanted to communicate the benefits of having a meal plan to those students who may not have thought it fit into their off-campus lifestyle. Shohreh Sparks, Associate

into something special. Chef Pierre is not only responsible for feeding delicious food to hungry students, but planning menus and overseeing the daily operations at Bruce cafeteria. No small task as Bruce cafeteria serves 6000-7000 students a day with the help of a staff of 230. A quick survey of the comment board at Bruce shows that his culinary talents are appreciated by the dining hall constituents. Preparing flavorful food on a university system

equipped with the latest fuel-efficiency and emissions-reducing technology. These technologies reduce the effects

of the truck's exhaust on the environment, lowering the possibility of smog and acid rain. The delivery truck's advanced diesel fuel system, tire inflation method, and refrigeration unit promote

maximum fuel efficiency.

The prime vendor agreement with Ben E. Keith has also benefitted our

Director of Dining Services, explains "Not only are our meal plans a great value, but they allow students to have more free time to study and are a healthy way to getting good grades, which help our students succeed". The new campaign will feature comical examples of why students should get a meal plan and "EAT at UNT". According to Ken Botts, Special Projects Manager for Dining Services, "We were given the task of creating a marketing campaign that was based on the Direct TV ads-'Don't end up in a budget takes some creativity and Chef Pierre is up for the challenge. He may have served former presidents and foreign dignitaries, but Chef P is focused on giving our students fresh, delicious food with five star service and flavor

sustainability initiatives by streamlining our procurement process. We have computerized our purchasing process and eliminated paper invoicing and payment, we received better pricing by using a prime vendor, and we have more control to ensure local purchasing. All of these benefits have allowed us to put better quality food on the plates of our guests, aligned us with campus sustainability initiatives, and helped keep our meal plan prices lower than most of our peer universities.

roadside ditch". Botts continued, "The campaign our marketing team came up with utilizes that same 'cause and effect' messaging of the Direct TV ads. We want to show what happens if you don't have a meal plan in a lighthearted way that our students will relate to and also find humorous." These ads can already be seen around campus and will be distributed in some nonconventional ways. Stay tuned! You can also see them on UNT Dining's facebook page and the soon-to-be released commercial on their youtube channel.

## 2012 Emerging Leader Summit

The Center for Leadership and Service and Orientation and Transition Programs hosted the 3<sup>rd</sup> Emerging Leader Summit on Friday, February 10 - Saturday, February 11 at Bridgeport Camp and Conference Center in Bridgeport, Tx. Freshman and sophomore students were nominated by Student Affairs staff to attend the summit, and completed the StrengthsQuest<sup>TM</sup> assessment prior to attending the summit. At the summit, students participated in activities that demonstrated and engaged their strengths and challenged their concepts of leadership. Some of the activities include Strengths exploration through creating a personal Time magazine cover story, a creative building project where the students used household items to create a sculpture and presentation, an ethical leadership decision making activity, and service projects for Dance Marathon and Class Cause. The students worked collaboratively within small groups led by upper classmen and graduates of the Emerging Leader Summit. These small groups allowed the students to make deep connections with their peers on campus. The summit serves as a catalyst for engagement for many of the students who attend. The Center for Leadership and Service and Orientation and Transition Program thanks our peer group leaders: Katie Bergin, Chinazo Onwukaike, Edwin Oghakpor, Lehia Hill, Jayleen Watson, Meagin Contreras, Mariam Khan, Celeste Graham, and Chance Herrington.

For more information about the Emerging Leader Summit, please contact either the Center for Leadership and Service or Orientation and Transition Programs.

## RAP Staff Selected for National, State, and Local Leadership Positions

Dr. Jason Simon, director of RAP, was recently selected to serve on the NASPA Assessment and Persistence Conference planning committee. Additionally, the NASPA Assessment Knowledge Committee has invited him to submit an article for the February 2012 NetResults Assessment Newsletter focusing on how UNT is using ID card swiping to inform our efforts on program usage, retention and student success. Dr. Simon is also working with a national committee of assessment directors to produce an IRB approved study on how divisions of student affairs measure student learning outcomes via direct and indirect evidence.

Dr. Stella Antic, assistant director of RAP, was recently elected to the Directorate Board for the ACPA Commission for Assessment and

Evaluation (CAE). The CAE promotes assessment skills and knowledge to facilitate and support student learning, development, and effective student affairs practice. She will assume her three-year term of office at the 2012 ACPA National Convention in Louisville, KY. this March. Additionally, Dr. Antic has co-authored an article for ACPA Developments, a quarterly publication that connects ACPA members to current issues, trends, and scholarship in higher education and student affairs. The article, titled Promising Practices in Assessing Learning in Student Activities, is slated for publication this spring.

Dr. Qaisar Abbas has become a member of the Advisory Council for Texas Campus Compact (TXCC). Founded in 2000, TXCC is part of a national coalition that promotes service-learning and is committed to the civic purposes of higher education. In this capacity, Dr. Abbas will serve as an advocate for UNT students and assist the Division of Student Affairs in finding possible funding opportunities. Dr. Abbas has also recently become a member of The Dallas Peace Center Board, which is part of the larger worldwide movement for peace and human rights. For the last 30 years, the Center has been working with peace and justice organizations in Dallas, across the U.S. and internationally. Through research, education and dialogue, the Dallas Peace Center generates action in the great tradition of peaceful support for justice and human rights.

## **Is Your Student Org Registered?**

Advise an org? Make sure it is registered with Student Activities! Registration occurs every fall, but we still have a number of unregistered groups. To confirm your org is registered, see if it is listed in the <u>online</u> <u>database</u>. If not, have the president contact Student Activities ASAP. If you

are interested in serving as an advisor to an org, contact Brooke Carter.

### **OrgSync Trainings and Contests**

OrgSync is a dynamic online software that helps officers manage their student organizations. It has a lot of potential, but is currently underutilized. In an effort to boost the number of leaders utilizing OrgSync, Student Activities has created two programs: OrgSync Training and Six Weeks of OrgSync. Trainings are held twice per month; each month focuses on different uses of the software. Six Weeks of OrgSync provides an opportunity for orgs to win great prizes for utilizing the different features of OrgSync. The competitions

run through March 16 and require online registration for participation. Login to <u>OrgSync</u> to learn more about these two programs and help us spread the word to the orgs you advise!

#### **Homecoming Recap and Task Force**

Homecoming 2011, The Incredible Scrappy, was a huge success! This year,

six students joined the inaugural Homecoming Crew and helped plan the activities. The week started off with a bang when the green sunglasses purchased as promotional items

became so sought after that many of the Crew and Student Activities staff were stalked for a chance to get them! From the Picnic, to Spirit Day, to the first-ever NPHC Homecoming Step Show, to Spirit March and Yell Like Hell, over 15,000 students participated in the festivities that concluded with the parade and football game. While it was



disappointing that we were not able to have a Bonfire this year, due to the burn

> ban, students still seemed to catch the Mean Green fever! Shortly after H o m e c o m i n g was over, Student Activities formed a Task Force,

charged with analyzing the week and discussing how to improve it in the future. This included benchmarking other institutions' Homecomings. Many great ideas emerged from the task force discussion and will be incorporated into future Homecomings. Stay tuned for next year, because Homecoming Week will be even bigger and better! For more info, contact Tracy Frier.

## **Non-Traditional Student Task Force**

Last fall semester, Student Activities conducted focus groups with non-trad students to gain a better understanding of their needs. Out of data gathered from the focus groups came the establishment of the Non-Trad Student Task Force, which has been charged with creating a definition of what it means to be "nontraditional" and brainstorming ideas for programs and services to enhance the overall experience of non-trad students, which comprise over 5,000 members of the student body. For more info, contact Dantrayl Smith.

## Meet Yvette Andablo, Special Assistant for Sustainability

As the Special Assistant for Sustainability, I have paired up with the Residence Hall Association to provide recycling bins at all major outdoor events, such as Res-Fest, and have been asked to host a few programs for Hall Associations. I have also been doing research for new programing ideas to bring to North Texas and will be sending out an online survey in late March to gather data on the current knowledge that residents have about sustainability.

The Go Green Initiative is aimed to • Preparing residents to receive educate all residents about the benefits of living a sustainable lifestyle while attending North Texas.

Projects in progress are:

- · Creating a legacy for "Go Green" to share with the University of North Texas Community.
- Standard collecting bins for recycling • CFLs and rechargeable batteries for each Residence Hall's front-desk for residents to use.
- information on making a sustainable move out of the Residence Halls for summer.



## **CLA's and Involvement Advising**

In the fall, Student Activities began offering a new service, Involvement for Advising, students looking for ways to get involved on campus. Our Campus Life Ambassadors

(CLA's), students trained understanding different in involvement opportunities all over campus, meet one-on-one with students to help them find the opportunities in which they may have an interest.

Do you know students who are involved and leaders on campus? Student Activities is looking to fill CLA positions for next year. Apps will be available March 9 and due April 6. For more info about CLA's and Involvement Advising, visit the <u>SAC website</u>.

### Collect, Build, Compete and Help FIGHT Local Hunger

CANstruction is a competition sponsored by the CLS to raise food for the Denton Community Food Center.

To get more departments involved, we're inviting you to build in your office!

Registered departments can sign up to collect food, and build creative structures out of non-perishable food items throughout the week to raise awareness about hunger.

Last year we collected more than 6,500 lbs. of food for the Denton community. This sounds like a large amount of food, but each year, the Denton Community Food Center distributes 400,000 lbs. of food to the local community!

Whether you collect 10 cans or 100, every little bit makes a difference. Signup online today, to register and the judges will visit you on March 9 at 1 p.m.

For more information contact the Center for Leadership and Service.



## Back to School Bash/2<sup>nd</sup> Division Day Big Success @DP!

The Center for Student Affairs and the student organizations at Discovery Park teamed up for the third annual Back to School Bash on Monday, January 30. This event was bigger and better than ever this year with over 30 tables representing both Discovery Park student organizations and several offices on the main campus, predominantly from Student Affairs. In addition students could play pool, table tennis, Playstation 3, X-Box Kinect or take in the UPC sponsored movie Back to the Future. Free pizza and drinks were also available. This event is done annually to encourage new and continuing students

to get involved in the professional organizations at DP while helping to promote upcoming programs and services on the main campus.



## **Qualtrics Training for Spring**

RAP is pleased to offer training sessions for Qualtrics. Qualtrics is UNT's official online survey platform, and the training will help you create useful, well-constructed surveys. To date, over 130 employees across the

### **Union Master Plan**

The Union Master Plan committee and architects from Perkins+Will are working hard to develop the final conceptual designs and necessary information for students to view before the referendum process begins. Students will have several more opportunities to check out the designs, learn about fees, and ask questions at the upcoming student forums and focus group sessions happening on March 7, 14, and

### **Multimedia Productions**

The Union now offers videography and video editing services for campus departments and organizations. These university have been trained by RAP.

All sessions will be held in the Career Center computer lab, Chestnut 103. Please watch the Student Affairs listserv for links to register for each session. The session schedule is:

- Friday, March 2, 10:00 a.m. noon
- Friday, April 20, 10:00 a.m. noon
- Friday, May 11, 10:00 a.m. noon
- Friday, May 18, 10:00 a.m. noon

the 28-29. Right now the student vote is scheduled to take place during the week of April 2-5.

The current designs that the architects have shared include all of the major requests that UNT students have voiced, including lots of open natural light, flexible study and meeting spaces, 24-access areas, expanded student organization space, more food options, and much more.

Members of the master plan committee have been working hard to spread the word about the Union master plan. If you are an advisor for a student organization on campus and would be willing to help the committee reach your organization during a weekly meeting please let either <u>Stefanie Ritz</u> or <u>Zane Reif</u> know.

professional grade services can help your department develop and produce quality video content that can be used for advertising, training, marketing, and much more. Email <u>steven.meehin@unt.</u> <u>edu</u> for more information.

# **Denton Area Cinderella Project**

Description: Each year Housing and Residence Life collects donations of formal and semi-formal dresses, shoes, and accessories and then hosts an event where girls from all over the DFW area can come pick out their prom dresses and take them home for free.

How you can help:

- Donate formal wear and accessories (shoes, purses, jewelry) at the front desk of any residence hall through Monday, March 5.
- Help spread the word to high school girls! We have a Facebook page: Denton Area Cinderella Project
- Are you a seamstress? We need volunteers to hem skirts, take up straps, and basically help girls get the perfect fit.

For more info or to get a pdf or jpg flyer, contact Sharon Miller at 940.565.2895 or <u>sharon@unt.edu</u>.

## Housing custodial partners with Dining Services

Housing and Dining have long been close partners. Three of Dining's facilities are located within the residence halls and the other two are just a few steps away from their buildings so it makes sense for us to share resources and seek to find stronger efficiencies when possible. Beginning in late January this year, Housing and Dining deepened our connection by having Housing Custodial take over all Dining facility floor care on a daily basis, thus freeing the cafeteria staff to serve

our students with greater impact and insuring that the flooring, restrooms and hard surfaces will be up to our sterling Housing standards of cleanliness.

### **Thank you**

Housing would like to thank everyone for helping get the word out about the application opening in January. Current numbers are looking good and we could not have done it with out you.

## 720 is back with all new episodes

Eighteen RTVF REAL Community students produce a weekly web series for Housing called 720 under the guidance of Philip Elliott and Joel Morales. Members of 720 scored on average 0.4 GPA points higher than students on their wing who did not participate in 720 during the Fall semester. In addition 16 out of the 18 regular participants are projected to return next fall to Housing and remain on the RTVF REAL Community wing.

If you have not already, click play every Thursday at <u>www.youtube</u>. <u>com/unthousing</u> to catch the latest episodes of 720. You may even get featured in one of our upcoming the chance of having your department episodes.



## **Upcoming Dates To Remember**

#### MARCH

- 1 Homecoming Crew Applications Due
- 2 Qualtrics Training from 10 a.m. to noon Chestnut 103
- 6 Lunch Bunch Walking Group
- 7 Officer Summit (RSVP by March 2)
- 8 Lunch Bunch Walking Group
- 12 Eagle Award Applications Due
- 13 Lunch Bunch Walking Group
- 14 UnionFest
- 15 Lunch Bunch Walking Group
- 20 Lunch Bunch Walking Group
- 22 Lunch Bunch Walking Group Chill, Chat & Chew (Mentoring Event) from 3:30-5:30 p.m. in Golden Eagle Suite
- 26 Commuter Student Appreciation Week begins
- 27 Lunch Bunch Walking Group
- 29 Lunch Bunch Walking Group
- 31 Big Event Stop Hunger Now from 8:00 a.m. to noon - Silver Eagle Suite

#### STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Master's degrees were awarded to Adam Betz, Tanya StClair and Travis Miller. Also, Jason Bunch received a bachelor's degree. Please congratulate all of them next time you see them.

Dr. John Hipple was the featured speaker for the annual TUCCC (Texas University and College Counseling Center Counselors) conference in Waco. Dr. Hipple presented a follow-up workshop at TUCCCC as well. Dr. Arlene Rivero was one of the program organizers this year for TUCCCC.

Dr. Enedelia Sauceda was the opening speaker for the McNair Annual Conference here at UNT on Friday, February 17.

#### PROGRAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Division raised \$550 in donations to Our Daily Bread from the holiday party.

Enjoy the beautiful weather with a fellow co-worker, and come join our lunch bunch walking group on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the lunch hour to take part in 1-2 mile walks! Participants will get a free t-shirt!

#### APRIL

- 5 DLS hosts Dr. Huizenga at 7 p.m. on April 5
- 6 Campus Life Ambassador Applications Due
- 8 Lunch Bunch Walking Group
- 13 Lunch Bunch Walking Group
- 14 UnionFest
- 15 Lunch Bunch Walking Group
- 20 University Day
  - Qualtrics Training from 10 a.m. to noon Chestnut 103
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- 29 Lunch Bunch Walking Group
- 31 Big Event from 8:00 a.m. to noon Silver Eagle Suite

#### OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Baby Alexander Manual Carr was welcomed by Dr. Arlene Rivero and Zeke Carr on February 2, everyone is doing well.

#### NEW DSA EMPLOYEES

Tiffany Sanders - Kerr Night Desk Tonya Grimaldo - Victory Night Desk Morgan Hamilton - Bruce Assistant Hall Director Yolanda Armstrong - Santa Fe/Traditions Asst. Hall Director Sarah Williamson - Victory Asst. Hall Director

Pictured above are the new employees that attended DSA's New Employee Orientation. Front Row (l to r): Steve Meehin, Darlene Hargrove, Hannah Clark, Rachael Peters, Robbie McMillen Back Row (l to r): Arthur Lumzy, Nathan Finley, Ben Sturz, Kyle Tilton, Leigh Grissom, and Dr. Rhonda Dalrymple