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## FEATURED ALUMNI

**Dr. Roger A. Shewmake**, a Licensed Nutritionist, received the 2007 Award for Grassroots Excellence at the annual American Dietetic Association (ADA) Public Policy Workshop. Dr. Shewmake was nominated by his peers for exhibiting leadership and excelling in grassroots work on behalf of the association. Dr. Shewmake also received the Dale Rasman Award for Nutrition Education presented by the Society of Teachers of Family Medicine and the ADA. He has co-authored several publications and is currently serving as Director of the Section of Nutrition at the University of South Dakota, School of Medicine from which he received the 2007 Educator and Scholar Award. Dr. Shewmake received his PhD in Human Nutrition from The College of Human Sciences in 1980.

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# Message from the Dean

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Alumni and Friends,

Welcome to Volume Two of the College of Human Sciences E-Newsletter! I hope you enjoyed reading the first installment and find the information therein helpful and exciting. We are so proud of everything that we have going on and all that we are accomplishing.

I want to take this opportunity to announce that as of this year, Human Sciences Week will take place in the fall. In conjunction with the Homecoming activities taking place around the university, we will use this week to also feature the College. As some of you may know, in past years Human Sciences Week has been held in March. However we see this change as an opportunity for more exposure for our programs and more fun for our alumni. Now, when you come back to the campus for the Homecoming football game, there will also be lots of activities with the College. We are excited to see you and have you participate.

The Distinguished Alumni and Scholarship Luncheon will be held on Thursday, October 9th. We are also planning other alumni related activities on Friday and Saturday. The Texas Tech Homecoming Football Game is scheduled for Saturday, October 11th against Nebraska. We hope that you will join us for these activities as we honor our Distinguished Alumni, feature our current students, celebrate our accomplishments, and reconnect with old friends.

I encourage you to get involved in these and other events that we are having in the College and around the country. These events are great opportunities to network, to see old friends, and to just have a good time. I look forward to seeing you and catching up!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Linda Hoover".

Linda Hoover, Ph.D.

Dean, College of Human Sciences



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The camp, hosted by the Retailing Division, gives young adults the opportunity to learn more about and experience the fashion industry. Throughout the week campers will learn how to produce and organize a fashion show, which they will present to family and friends on the last evening of camp. Other activities will teach them about fashion design, the color spectrum, fashion history, photo shoot preparation; toga making, jewelry design, visual merchandising and forecasting of fashion trends.

For more information or to sign up for camp, visit the official 2008 Fashion Camp website: [www.depts.ttu.edu/hs/nhr/ret/fashion\\_camp/](http://www.depts.ttu.edu/hs/nhr/ret/fashion_camp/)

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For three-bedroom houses, 1st place was awarded to Phillip Caekaert, 2nd place was awarded to Jessica Grabham, 3rd place was awarded to Jordan Riley, and 4th place to Cherese Wheeler. Four-bedroom house awards were given to Madison Krueger for 1st place, Kristin Hoffmann for 2nd place, Julie Broyles for 3rd place, and Michael Rodriguez for 4th place.

Interior design students worked with Habitat for Humanity during the spring 2007 semester to identify residential design and construction needs. Students spent the semester designing residential plans that met the Habitat for Humanity housing standards.

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The CDRC provides educational/developmental programs for families with children from 6 weeks through five years of age. These programs include an Infant/Toddler program for children six weeks to two-years-old and a Preschool Program for children two- to five-years-old each Fall, Spring, and First Summer Semesters.

These classrooms also serve as college level laboratory classes and are part of the instructional experiences for University students in understanding and facilitating the development of young children. In addition, the CDRC provides interdisciplinary research opportunities for faculty and graduate students, including the study of child behavior and the generation of effective strategies for promoting optimal human development and family interactions. The CDRC also strives to provide a model for developmentally appropriate programs for children.

County FCS agents offer researched-based information to county residents, focusing information on raising children, housing and environmental issues, nutrition, money management and preventative health. The College of Human Sciences is the leading research arm in Texas to offer these agents the most recent and

innovative programs.

Experts in the College presented specific information on marriage and family therapy, career pathways, early head start, addiction and recovery and more. Other presenters include specialists with Texas Cooperative Extension as well as representatives from the Texas Department of Public Safety, Health Sciences Center, the West Texas Parenting Education Network and the Texas Beef Council.

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### **Personal Financial Planning Hosts Distinguished Lecture Series**

The Personal Financial Planning (PFP) division has begun its 2008 PFP Distinguished Lecture Series. Students, faculty, and staff throughout the college will have an opportunity to hear insight, advice, and technical knowledge this spring from some of the financial planning industry's brightest minds.

The first guests in the series were Moshe Milevsky from York University on Wednesday, January 23 and Bill Riechenstein from Baylor University on Friday, January 25. More speakers will participate throughout the spring.

Milevsky is an associate professor of finance at the Schulich School of Business at York University. He also is the executive director of the Individual Finance and Insurance Decision (IFID) Center in Toronto, Canada. Milevsky has written five books and published more than 45 articles on the topic of insurance, annuities and pensions and is the co-editor of the Journal of Pension Economics and Finance, from Cambridge University Press, and a columnist for Research Magazine.

Riechenstein holds the Pat and Thomas R. Powers Chair in Investment Management at Baylor University. Riechenstein is an associate editor of Journal of Investing, contributing editor for Portfolio Strategies for the American Association of Individual Investors Journal and has served two three-year terms as associate editor of Financial Services Review. Riechenstein has written more than 100 articles for professional and academic journals.

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# Alumni News



**Martha Virginia Fry Richards** (BSHE Clothing, Textiles, and Merchandising, '70 MS Home Economics Education) of Statesboro, Ga., was named director-at large of the American Association of Family and Consumer Sciences. Her husband is Donnie D. Richards ('64 BA Spanish, '72 MA Spanish).

**Shelley K. Green** (BS Human Development and Family Studies, '85 MS Home Economics Education, '89 Ph.D. Home Economics Education) of Fort Lauderdale, Fla., co-edited "Quickies: The Brief Handbook of Sex Therapy." The book was released in August.

**Gregory B. George** (BS Restaurant, Hotel, and Institutional Management) of Lubbock has been the vice president of human resources at U.S. Food Service for eight years. He is also the 2007 president of the Society of Human Resources Management, Lubbock chapter.

Kevin C. Landers (BA Journalism & Public Relations) of North Richland Hills, Texas, and his wife **Roby Hurt Landers** (BS Human Development and Family Studies) announce the birth of their third child, a daughter, Reagan Brooke, on Jan. 25th.

**Amy LaRose Krakowski** (BS Human Development and Family Studies, '96 BBA Management, '97 MBA General Studies) of Plano, Texas, and her husband James announce the birth of their first child, a daughter, Allison LaRose, on March 5.

**Justin D. Cassida** (BBA Finance, '03 MS Family Financial Planning, MBA General Business) of Denver, Colorado, and his wife, Sarah Sims Cassida ('02 BA Public Relations) announce the birth of their daughter, Grace Anne, on July 14.

Travis L. Thorne (BBA General Business, BS Agriculture and Applied Economics) of Bowie, Texas, and his wife **Lori Clayton Thorne** ('03 BS Early Childhood Education) announce the birth of their third daughter, Braydee Clare, on Nov. 16, 2006.

**Julie A. Gilliam Scheers** (BA Family Financial Planning) of Houston, Texas, is associated with Interactive Capital Management, a financial planning and investment management firm located in Sugar Land, Texas./

**John B. Severe** (BS Restaurant, Hotel, and Institutional Management) of Addison, Texas, is employed by the Hilton Garden Inn in Addison as a sales director.

Timothy R. Trevino (BS Exercise and Sports Sciences) of Midland, Texas, married **Allison McLane** ('04 BS Human Development and Family Studies, '05 M. Ed. Elementary Education). Timothy works in outside sales for Fastenal, and Allison is a third grade teacher.

**Cynthia R. Bischof** (BS Human Development and Family Studies) of Amarillo, Texas, was recognized by the Texas Panhandle MHMR in May for her 25 years of service to the agency. She is the director of the Early Childhood Intervention department which provides services to children from birth to three years of age.

**Sara J. Dement** (BA Interior Design) of Dallas, Texas, is the interior design coordinator for the Stoneleigh Tower Residences, a luxury high-rise condominium development adjacent to the Stoneleigh Hotel in Dallas. She also owns and operates her own interior design business and is president of Old Lake Highlands Neighborhood Association near White Rock Lake.

Kyle W. Clark (M.Ed. Educational Administration) of Lubbock, and his wife, **D'Ann Nichols Clark** (BS Human Development and Family Studies, '95 M.Ed. Language & Literacy Education), announce the birth of their second child, a son, Kalen Landry James, born on April 12. They also have a daughter. Kyle is an assistant principle at Smylie Wilson Middle School and D'Ann is a stay-at-home mom.

**Cayce L. Kaufman** (BS Human Development and Family Studies) of Lubbock, was nominated for Lubbock's first "Twenty Under Forty" awards program. The initiative aims to recognize 20 outstanding individuals under the age of 40 who exemplify leadership in their career while actively participating in the community. She is employed at Covenant Health Systems. Her husband is Stephen.

James J. "Joe" Arnold (BBA Finance, '99 MBA General Business) of Plano, Texas, and his wife, **Stephanie Wright Arnold** (BS Human Development and Family Studies) announce the birth of their second child, a son, Luke Henry on August 28.

**Marc Henn** (BS Family Financial Planning) of Temple, Texas, and his wife, Alisha Bartek Henn ('01 BSN

Nursing) announce the birth of their first child, Kate Elizabeth, on Sept. 4.

**Megan Mayer Belew** (BS Early Childhood) of Winters, Texas, and her husband, Bill, announce the birth of their second son, Corley Scott, on August 9.

**Kelly Leanne Fenter** (BS Human Development and Family Studies) of Fort Worth, Texas, received a master's of education degree in counseling in August from the University of North Texas.

Russell D. Wiggins (BS Petroleum Engineering) of Slidell, La., and his wife, **Amber Rover Wiggins** (BS Early Childhood), announce the birth of their first child, a son, Andrew Russell, on February 25.

**Kelly K. Guthrie** (BS Early Childhood) of McKinney, Texas, has been a third grade teacher for four years at Andrews Elementary in Plano, Texas. She is also earning her masters in curriculum and instruction at the University of North Texas.

**Lesley E. Jarrett** (BS Retailing '04 MBA General Business) of The Colony, Texas, was promoted to senior assistant buyer of young men's denim at the JCPenney corporate office.

**Kathryn E. Kelly** (BS Restaurant, Hotel, and Institutional Management) and Tanner B. Flood ('04 BBA & MSA Accounting) were married August. 4.

**Cristina I. Parra** (BS Human Development and Family Studies) of Dallas, Texas, began teaching second grade in the Garland Independent School District in August.



# Faculty News

## **BEAT Institute**

**Dr. Du Feng**, Associate Professor in Human Development and Family Studies, has been awarded scholarship money to attend the 2008 Built Environment Assessment Training (BEAT) Institute at Emory University in June. BEAT Institute works to prepare investigators and practitioners to use both observational and self-report measures of nutrition and activity environments and related behavioral assessments through lectures, fieldwork, hands-on skills, group work and individual consultation.

## **Do Better Stories Make Better Memories?**

**Dr. Sarah Kulkofsky's** work, "Do Better Stories Make Better Memories? Narrative Quality and Memory Accuracy in Preschool Children?" was published in the January 2008 edition of Applied Cognitive Psychology. Qi Wang and Stephen Ceci worked with Kulkofsky to examine how accurate children's narratives are compared to the actual versions of the narrative. Sixty-one 3- to 5-year-old children participated in the study by playing a game with the researchers in their schools. The narratives provided by the children were coded for volume, complexity, cohesion, and accuracy. Results in this article showed that the children's narrative skills enabled them to report more information however it showed a decrease in the proportion of information that was accurate. Dr. Kulkofsky is an assistant professor in Human Development and Family Studies

## **What Every Growing Person Needs**

**Dr. Lane Powell's** work on "What every growing person needs: Basic care, stimulation, guidance, love and affirmation" was accepted recently as a reference citation in Robert E. Keim & Arminta L. Jacobson, (Eds.), *Wisdoms for parents: Key ideas from parent educators*. Dr. Powell is the assistant chair and a faculty associate in Human Development and Family Studies.

## **College of Human Sciences Professor Speaks at Local Westerners International Meeting**

Interior design professor **Don Collier** recently addressed the Llano Estacado Corral of Westerners International about his current Heritage House project in Post, Texas. Collier is leading the renovation and restoration of the historical landmark.

The goal of the Heritage House effort is to preserve the property by developing an adaptive reuse plan, increasing historical value and helping meet the needs of the local community. Participants broke ground on the project in November and the dedication will be held in May 2008.

Members of Westerners International meet on a monthly basis to promote the study and understanding of Western history. Members are devoted to the historical interest and promotion of local history throughout their communities.

## **Interior Design Faculty Member Appointed to Accreditation Board**

Interior design professor **Dr. Cherif Amor** was recently appointed as a site visitor for the Council for Interior Design Accreditation. Amor, associate professor and director of graduate studies for the Department of Design, will be part of a three-member team that will conduct site visits during the accreditation process for academic programs across the country.

The purpose of site visits during the accreditation process is to allow for peer review of on-site evidence and allow for informed judgments about different interior design programs' compliance of accreditation standards. This opportunity also allows Amor to give back to the interior design community in a volunteer service-oriented fashion.

## **Personal Financial Planning Faculty Member Named to Association Board**

Personal financial planning professor **Deena Katz** was elected to the 2008 Board of Directors for the Financial Planning Association (FPA). Katz, associate professor in the Department of Personal Financial Planning, was one of six new members elected to the board and one of only two collegiate faculty members. The board serves as the governing body to the FPA. Board members are responsible for determining the policies of the FPA and ensuring that the objectives of the association are achieved. Members of the board also help to set the vision for FPA and the profession.

## **Human Development and Family Studies Faculty Member Recognized**

**Dr. Lane Powell**, of the Department of Human Development and Family Studies, received the Meritorious Service to Families Award from the National Council on Family Relations. Powell was honored at the

National Council on Family Relations Annual Conference that was held in Pittsburgh.

Powell was honored for her work as department chair at Samford University in Birmingham, Ala., where she developed the Human Development and Family Studies academic program and oversaw the construction of the Children's Research and Development Center from 1985-1999. Powell was also cited for her authorship of the first undergraduate textbook in Family Life Education and for her work as a group facilitator couple with her husband in the Association for Couples in Marriage Enrichment for more than 25 years.

# Student Perspective



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Each year, as several similar organizations throughout the college were created, the Dean's Leadership Council was left with fewer responsibilities, and as a result, after over 30 years of dedication and service to the College of Human Sciences, it ceased to exist in 2003. However, with the plans for growth announced by Texas Tech University in 2007, and the continued need for professional representation of the College of Human Sciences to Texas Tech allowed the Dean's Leadership Council to be reinstated.

Dr. Kitty Harris, Associate Dean of Academics, appointed officers with which to work on the Dean's Leadership Council. Gabriel Garza (RHIM) was appointed, president; Kelly Garbowski (Retailing) as vice-president and Rashard Barnes (PFP) as secretary. Membership enrollment in the council totals 20, reflecting a representation from all majors within our college. Throughout fall of 2007, Dr. Harris along with her officers, worked hard to make this once major asset to the College of Human Sciences an active organization again, and with plans that it will continue to prosper and grow in the future. "It's all about the students," states Dr. Harris, "and how we can all best serve our college. The DLC brings together a diverse group of students who are working together as a team. That's what it's all about, being a team, not individuals." Dr. Harris is looking forward to this organization being actively involved in college activities with the Development/Alumni Office as well as campus-wide representation.

# Upcoming Events



Kansas City Alumni Events	March 11-14
Dean Hoover and Interior Design Trip to Chicago	March 15-20
Houston Alumni Events	March 19-20
Dallas and Ft. Worth Alumni Events	March 24-28
Little Rock Alumni Events	April 5-9
Dallas Alumni Events	April 9-12
ADM Alumni Reception in Dallas	April 11
Senior Farewell Lunch	April 18
Faculty and Staff Awards	April 21
Dallas Alumni Events	April 22-23
TechStyle Fashion Show and ID Display	April 24
Midland Alumni Events	April 30
50 Year Reunion Lunch and Reception	May 1
Post, Texas Reception for Heritage House Dedication	May 8
Honors Ceremony	May 9
Undergraduate Commencement	May 10
Dallas Alumni Events	May 14
Houston Alumni Events	May 20-21
FCS Teacher Association of Texas Conference in Dallas	August 4-8
3rd Annual PFP Alumni Reception at FPA in Boston	October 3
Distinguished Alumni Luncheon	October 9
Distinguished Alumni Activities	October 10
TTU Homecoming	October 11
RHIM 25 Year Reunion in Dallas	October 25

**More information on each event to come in the mail!**