This informal PDF will be produced monthly to summarize college and department awards, events, headlines, news, press releases, and news advisories. Please feel free to submit any omissions directly to Melissa Frazier-Roten, melissa.j.frazier@ttu.edu.

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**Community, Family & Addiction Sciences**

**Headlines:**
- Texas Tech To Host Food Your Body and Soul Week (Texas Tech Today)
- Tech organization provides services to Lubbock community (Daily Toreador)

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**Department of Design**

**Awards:**
- Environmental Research Design Association (EDRA) awarded the 2017 Certificate of Research Excellence (CORE) to the Neural Correlates of Nature Stimuli study and their team, featuring Dr. Michael O'Boyle and Dr. Debajyoti Pati. This certificate is devoted to recognizing and celebrating exceptional environmental design research.
- The Interior Design Educator's Council Book Award for Designing for Autism Spectrum Disorders was awarded to Kristi Gaines, Angela Bourne, Michelle Pearson, and Mesha Kleibrink. The award will be presented at the IDEC Conference in Chicago on March 9.
- Dr. Don Collier has been awarded one of the 11 Integrated Scholarship Awards from the Office of the Provost.

**News:**
- Over spring break Dr. Don Collier will be taking 58 Interior Design students to Chicago from March 11-17.

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**Family Consumer Sciences Education**

**Awards:**
- Associate Professor Karen L. Alexander was selected to receive the Distinguished Teaching Award.

**Headlines:**
- Texas Tech Chancellor's Council recognizes 15 faculty members (Lubbock Avalanche-Journal) (everythinglubbock.com)

**News:**
- Press Releases and News Advisories:
  - Chancellor, President to Announce Distinguished Faculty Award Winners

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Awards:

- RHIM students were a big part of Cheyenne Ridge Signature Lodge in Pierre, South Dakota winning 2017 Hunting Lodge of the Year awarded by Sporting Classics magazine. Dr. Charlie Adams went to Las Vegas to be part of the group, which received the award at the Safari Club International (SCI) 2017 Convention.

News:

- RHIM is setting up an internship program at the St. George Hotel in Marfa, Texas. Dean Hoover and Casey Carson joined 9 RHIM students and Dr. Charlie Adams for preview of the program. RHIM students will be doing summer internships at the St. George Hotel location.
- Dr. Garvin O'Neil was a featured instructor for the Texas Hotel and Lodging Association’s Short Course and Advanced Short Course that was held in Houston last January. The Short Course is a nationally recognized, one-week conference for entry and mid level lodging professionals. Dr. O'Neil taught a session in Reputation Management in the Advanced Course and partnered in a Food And Beverage presentation with Moody Gardens Chef Rene Codina.

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- Assistant Professor Yoojin Chae was selected as a recipient of the Distinguished Research Award.
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Headlines:

- Alumnus Has Compiled 30-Year Collection of Buddy Holly’s Life (Texas Tech Today)
- Center Conducts Child Research (Daily Toreador)
- Texas Tech Chancellor’s Council recognizes 15 faculty members (Lubbock Avalanche-Journal) (everythinglubbock.com)
- Toxic Stress Need Not Undo Our Children (HealthZette)

News:

- Mayor Dan Pope recently appointed Instructor Mitzi J. Ziegner to serve as a member of the City of Lubbock Appointments Advisory Board. The board provides support and leadership in the city board and commission process through encouraging greater citizen participation in local government that is reflective of the community demographics. Mitzi will serve a two-year term effective January 2017.

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Awards:

- Doctoral candidate Kembra Albracht-Schulte Dr. Naima Moustaid-Moussa’s Nutrigenomics, Inflammation and Obesity Research Laboratory has been selected as a USDA NIFA Fellow. Kembra was awarded a two-year pre-doctoral fellowship award from the United States Department of Agriculture's National Institute of Food and Agriculture for a total of $95,000. Her project title is “MicroRNAs as mediators of Omega 3 Fatty Acids Effects on Inflammation and Lipid Metabolism.”

Headlines:

- Inside Texas Tech Explores the So-Called Fat Virus (KTTZ)

News:

- Behavioral Medicine & Translational Research Lab (Dr. Binks)
  - Accepted Abstracts
    - Kahathuduwa CN, Davis T, Binks M. Limited Potential of the Food Craving Inventory and Three-Factor Eating Questionnaire to Predict Brain Food-cue
Reactivity in Subjects with Obesity. 5th Canadian Obesity Summit; 2017 Apr; Banff Springs, Canada.

- **Kahathuduwa CN**, Davis T, O'Boyle M, **Binks M**. Primary Motor Cortex Mediates the Association between Body Mass Index and Reaction Times to Visual Food-cues in Subjects with Obesity: An fMRI Food-cue Reactivity Study. Annual Scientific Meeting of Experimental Biology; 2017 Apr; Chicago, IL.

- **Quarles WR, Kahathuduwa CN**, Davis T, O'Boyle M, **Binks M**. Self-reported Stress is Not Associated with Functional Magnetic Resonance Imaging Food-cue Reactivity in Adults with Obesity. Annual Scientific Meeting of Experimental Biology; 2017 Apr; Chicago, IL.

- **Quarles WR, Kahathuduwa CN**, Davis T, O'Boyle M, **Binks M**. BMI and Body Fat Mass Are Differentially Associated with fMRI Food-cue Reactivity in Individuals with Obesity. Annual Scientific Meeting of Experimental Biology; 2017 Apr; Chicago, IL.

- **Stearns M, Kahathuduwa CN, Chin S, Boyd LA, Johns B, Binks M**. Exposure to Rewarding Visual Food Cues: Relationship to Self-reported Hunger in Adults with Obesity. The 9th Ann TTU Undergraduate Research Conference; 2017 Mar; Lubbock, TX.

- **Fleming C, Kahathuduwa CN, Binks M**. Self-reported Stress, Social Support and Sleep as Predictors of Body Weight and Body Fat Mass in Adults with Obesity. The 9th Ann TTU Undergraduate Research Conference; 2017 Mar; Lubbock, TX.

- **Kahathuduwa CN**, Davis T, O'Boyle M, **Binks M**. Effects of a 3-week moderate calorie restriction intervention on cerebral white matter connectivity in subjects with obesity. Annual Scientific Meeting of Experimental Biology; 2017 Apr; Chicago, IL.

- **Kahathuduwa CN, Chin S, Boyd LA, Johns B, Stearns M, Davis T, Binks M**. Higher Body Mass Index and Longer Duration of Fasting are Associated with Shorter Response Times to Visual Food Cues in Adults with Obesity. 16th Annual TTU Graduate Research Poster Competition; 2017 Mar; Lubbock, TX.

- **Chin S, Kahathuduwa CN, Boyd LA, Johns B, Stearns M, Davis T, Binks M**. How Should Hunger be Modelled When Analyzing Outcomes of Food-cue Reactivity Paradigms. 16th Annual TTU Graduate Research Poster Competition; 2017 Mar; Lubbock, TX.

- **Quarles WR, Kahathuduwa CN, Davis T, Binks M**. Change in Food Craving Inventory Scores are Not Associated with Change in Weight Loss during a Three Week Calorie Restriction Intervention. 16th Annual TTU Graduate Research Poster Competition; 2017 Mar; Lubbock, TX.

- **Akter S, Quarles WR, Kahathuduwa CN, Davis T, Binks M**. Does the Three Factor Eating Questionnaire Predict Change in Body Weight or Fat Mass during a Three-Week Calorie Restriction Intervention? 16th Annual TTU Graduate Research Poster Competition; 2017 Mar; Lubbock, TX.

- **Chanaka Kahathuduwa, Ph.D. student**
  - Selected as a finalist in the American Society for Nutrition's Emerging Leader Poster Competition to be held during Experimental Biology 2017.

- **Shao-Hua Chin, Ph.D. student**
  - Received TTU Graduate Student Research Support Award ($1,000).

- **Dr. Martin Binks**
  - ConscienHealth on February 18, 2017 entitled ‘Different Foods Spark Different Parts of Your Brain’.

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**Texas Tech University**

**College of Human Sciences**

**Personal Financial Planning**

**Awards:**

- Sarah Asebedo, Ph. D., is one of the two Robert O. Herrmann Ph.D. Dissertation Awards that will be presented this spring at the 2017 ACCI conference. Her 3rd paper from her dissertation, "From Personality to Saving Behavior: Bridging the Gap," has been selected to receive the AARP's Public Policy Institute Financial Services and the Older Consumer Award for the 2017
This award is granted to a paper that represents rigorous research that advances the knowledge base regarding financial products and services to the older consumer.

**Headlines:**
- Will You Really Need to Replace 80% of Your Preretirement Paycheck? (Arcamax)
- Best Interest Researcher, Fiduciary Rule Author Can Discuss Its Future (newswise.com)
- Proposed fiduciary rule would put consumer interests first (Star Telegram)
- How to Get Conflict-Free Retirement Advice (MSN.com)
- The Coral Gables Community Foundation Welcomes New Board Members (broadwayworld.com)
- CFP Board Center for Financial Planning Announces Best Paper Award (Yahoo Finance)
- College planning programs in need of financial aid (Investment News)

**News:**
- Dr. Charlene Kalenkoski was invited and has accepted the position of Associate Editor of the Journal of Financial Counseling and Planning. This is one of the best journals in the Personal Financial Planning field.
- In February 2017 the Personal Financial Planning Department’s Center for Financial Responsibility started a new outreach program, the Women’s Advisory Circle. Currently, only 23% of CFP® in the United States are women. The Women’s Advisory Circle was created in order to work with women in the financial services industry to provide skills required to meet the demands in the profession. The goal is for the women to attend sessions to increase knowledge in the professions culture and unspoken rules that can be critical to success. The women are then given tools to develop a high performing advisory circle and are placed in groups or circles to communicate their personal and career goals, challenges, and successes on a regular basis.

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**Headlines:**
- Texas Tech officials break ground on Experimental Sciences Building II (KCBD) (everythinglubbock.com)

**News:**
- Nicholas Mendez has been promoted from promoted from IT Technician II to IT Technician III. Nic is committed to the support of our faculty staff and students in the college and continues to grow his base of knowledge to better serve our needs. His strong work ethic and great customer service are a great asset to our department and the College of Human Sciences as a whole.