

UH System

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UH Pledges Equal Opportunity

The University of Houston will make a deliberate effort to recruit qualified minority students, and to employ minority faculty and staff, and to provide an atmosphere that will allow them to achieve their full potential, President Charles E. Bishop stated on January 15.

Responding to the announcement that the federal government has found the State of Texas in "provisional compliance" with the 1964 Civil Rights Act, Dr. Bishop said, "The University of Houston can take some satisfaction in its record of equal educational and employment opportunities, but recognizes that it can achieve more in these important areas."

The UH board of regents at its January meeting adopted a resolution regarding Equal Educational Opportunity, which intensifies the university's commitment to equal educational and employment opportunities.

In the statement, the University of Houston System pledged:

1) to strive to achieve an annual increase in the proportion of black and hispanic students enrolled in undergraduate, graduate, and professional programs at the UH campuses until such time as any vestiges of discrimina-

tion are eliminated; and

2) to strive, within five years, to reduce by 50 percent the disparity between the proportions of black and hispanic high school graduates entering undergraduate study at the component campuses; and

3) to strive to achieve full and equal employment opportunity throughout all components of the UH System for faculty, administrative staff, and non-academic personnel.

President Bishop will prepare within 60-90 days detailed plans for the implementation of this policy for each campus. The plan will set forth interim goals and time tables, the steps to be taken to reduce disparities, and the specific recruitment measures that will be instituted.

"Substantially increased emphasis," Dr. Bishop advised, "will be given to recruiting and counseling minority students, and to providing scholarships and remedial work for those who need it, in the plan that we adopt."

"In all of its efforts, the university will work very closely and coordinate its plans with those of Texas Southern University and Prairie View A&M University," Dr. Bishop added.



John Leslie

Fundraising Exec to Head Development

The appointment of John Leslie as vice president for development for the UH System has been announced by UH President Charles E. Bishop and was approved by the UH board of regents at a meeting in January.

Leslie's first association with the University of Houston System came in 1977, when the university hired the professional fundraising firm of Brakeley, John Price Jones, Inc. to plan the UH 50 Fund Campaign. Leslie, who has served as senior vice president for the firm since 1974, supervised the planning effort and made numerous visits to the university.

Commenting on Leslie's selection, UH System President Charles E. Bishop said, "We are fortunate indeed to have John Leslie fill the important new position of vice president for development. With his extensive experience in university development, he is exceptionally well-qualified for the job. And because of his past work with the UH 50 campaign, we know that we are welcoming a friend of the university."

As senior vice president at Brakeley, John Price Jones, Inc., Leslie's responsibilities have included providing

fundraising counsel to client institutions, supervising capital campaigns, directing the operations of the Washington office, and acquiring new business.

He has also served as president of Institutional Advancement Consultants, Inc., a subsidiary of Brakeley, John Price Jones which provides consultative services in the management of alumni, development, and public relations programs.

As UH System vice president for development, Leslie will be responsible for planning and coordinating all fundraising activities conducted on behalf of all components of the UH System.

He will work directly with the UH System president and the chancellor of each UH campus in planning and conducting fundraising programs involving solicitation of individuals, corporations, and foundations. He will also maintain liaison with the University of Houston Foundation.

Before joining Brakeley, John Price Jones, Inc., Leslie served for 11 years as chief executive officer of the American College Public Relations Association, which included 1,350 colleges and universities and members.

Leslie also served as associate campaign director for the Pittsburgh firm of Ketchum, Inc. from 1958-1960, where he directed part of the fundraising organization and all of the publicity and communication material preparation for campaigns. Clients included YMCAs, churches, a seminary, and the Boy Scout Council.

Leslie began his association with higher education as assistant news editor at Michigan State University in 1956, following four years in the U.S. Air Force where he achieved the rank of first lieutenant as a radar observer-navigator in the Air Defense Command.

The author of numerous articles in professional journals, Leslie has also published two books on college management and writes a continuing series on costs and management of institutional advancement programs sponsored by the Exxon Education Foundation.

He is listed in *Who's Who in America*. Leslie completed his A.B. degree at the College of William and Mary and holds an M.A. degree from American University.

Callaghan Appointed Acting Vice Chancellor

Dr. Donald Callaghan, an associate professor in the department of administration of health services at the University of Houston at Clear Lake City, has been appointed as acting vice chancellor and provost of the UH at Clear Lake City campus.

Recommended by Clear Lake Chancellor Alfred R. Neumann, the appointment was approved by the UH System board of regents on January 5.

Dr. Callaghan replaces Dr. Louis J. Rodriguez, a member of the institution's charter faculty who had served as vice chancellor and provost since 1975. Dr. Rodriguez accepted an appointment as president of Midwestern State University in Wichita Falls, effective on January 1, 1981.

Dr. Callaghan came to UH at Clear Lake City in 1975 from Brooke Army Medical Center, San Antonio, where he was director of the U.S. Army-Baylor University program in health care administration and had served as executive officer and chief of administrative services.

He holds a master's degree in hospital administration from Baylor University and a doctorate in health care administration from the University of Iowa.

At the University of Houston at Clear Lake City, Dr. Callaghan had served as program director in public affairs before being named an associate professor of administration of health services.

UH Accepts Exxon's Gifts

The senior vice president of Exxon Company, U.S.A., William T. Slick, recently presented checks totalling \$72,000 to UH System President Charles E. Bishop.

One check, in the amount of \$37,000 from the Exxon Education Foundation, covers departmental grants for the academic year 1980-1981 and contributes \$10,000 to the Excellence Campaign. The other check, from Exxon Company, U.S.A., represents the third and final installment on the university's 50 Fund Campaign.

The Exxon Education Foundation specified that the grant monies were unrestricted and could be used for educational purposes within specific departments. Departments receiving funds included chemical engineering, mechanical engineering, petroleum engineering, electrical engineering, civil engineering, general engineering, geology, accounting and computer science, business administration, and law.

In a letter accompanying the checks, Slick also noted that during the first three quarters of 1980, employees and annuitants of Exxon, U.S.A. and its affiliates contributed \$16,985 to the University of Houston System. When matched by the Exxon Education Foundation on a three-for-one basis, the total amount reached \$67,940.

Bishop Awarded Faculty Tenure

University of Houston System President Charles E. Bishop has accepted the invitation of the department of economics at the UH Central Campus to join the department as a regular professor with tenure.

In a letter extending the invitation, Dr. Peter Mieszkowski, economics department chairman, stated that Dr. Bishop will have "all of the privileges and none of the responsibilities of this appointment."

In accepting the invitation, Dr. Bishop said, "The faculty of the department of economics is outstanding, and it will be a distinct honor for me to be a part of it."

Dr. Bishop also expressed an interest in participating in joint faculty/student seminars and other departmental activities when his schedule allows him the opportunity.

The UH board of regents approved the appointment at its regular January meeting.

The appointment was effective January 19 and involves no salary change.

Houston Endowment Funds Scholarship

An endowed scholarship program for the University of Houston Downtown College has been established by a grant of \$50,000 from the trustees of the Houston Endowment Inc., a philanthropy endowed by Mr. and Mrs. Jesse H. Jones.

The announcement was made November 17 by the UH Downtown College chancellor, Alexander Schilt, and was approved by the UH board of regents at its January 5 meeting.

In his letter notifying Dr. Schilt of the grant, J. H. Creekmore, president of the Houston Endowment, wrote:

"Our trustees propose that these funds become a part of your permanent endowment for (scholarship) purposes, and that income derived from this grant be used for scholarship or fellowship purposes. We would further request that these awards bear the name 'Jesse H. Jones' for men and 'Mary Gibbs Jones' for women. The criteria for selection of recipients, and the amount of the stipends shall be at the discretion of your administration."

Creekmore said that the award was "in recognition of the many contributions by your fine institution, as an educational facility. . . ."

In announcing the grant, Dr. Schilt emphasized the importance of such scholarship funding to a developing institution's ability to effectively reward academic achievement.

Dr. Schilt also expressed his gratitude to the trustees of the Houston Endowment and for the assistance of longtime friend Elliott Johnson, who recommended UH Downtown College for the trustees' consideration.

Johnson has worked for the development of the Downtown College campus for many years. He served as chairman of the board of South Texas Junior College before it became a UH campus, and he co-chaired the first major development fund drive for the institution.

Producer Wins Film Award

Robert Cozens, senior producer-director at KUHT-TV, has won a first place award in the Festival of the Americas and the Houston International Film Festival for the film "Elissa" which he produced.

The film documents the restoration of a nineteenth century square-rig sailing ship by the Galveston Historical Foundation.

Cozens' film chronicles the restoration from its early stages in Greece to the work currently being done on the ship, now docked in Galveston.

The film also reviews the Elissa's history from her launching in Aberdeen, Scotland, in 1877, through her long, working lifetime. She sailed under five different flags, traded all the oceans, and carried a wide variety of cargoes.

She called on the port of Galveston in 1883 and again in 1886 and is a true representative of the kind of ships that built Galveston and other American ports.

Cozens' film was aired on December 8 and December 30 on KUHT-TV.

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Dr. Allen R. Warner, chairman of the UHCC department of curriculum and instruction, has been appointed to the National Board of State Representatives of the American National Business Hall of Fame. ANBHF is dedicated to creating an awareness and appreciation of the country's heritage of business leadership.

UHCC associate professor of management, **William B. Lee**, has been elected to the board of directors of the American Production and Inventory Control Society Educational and Research Foundation. He was also recently appointed to the editorial policy board for the *Journal of Operations Management*.

The University of Houston board of regents passed the following resolution at a meeting on January 5, 1981.

IN MEMORIAM
JUNE HYER

WHEREAS, the University of Houston and the State of Texas lost a major figure in higher education with the death of Dr. June Hyer on November 29, 1980; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hyer was born in Clarksburg, West Virginia, on June 12, 1920, the daughter of W. K. and Hellen K. Hyer; and graduated from Eastland High School in Eastland, Texas; earned B.A. and M.A. degrees from Texas State College for Women (now Texas Woman's University), and a Ph.D. degree in history from The University of Texas; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hyer was a member of the University of Houston faculty since 1947, serving with distinction and with dedication as chairman of the Departments of Social Sciences, Geography, and Foundations of Education; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hyer served as the initial vice president and dean of faculties of the newly-founded University of Texas at San Antonio for two years, giving that institution its initial direction; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hyer served as executive for three major studies under different governors of Texas to improve higher education, welfare, and human services in general for the benefit of all; and

WHEREAS, Dr. Hyer joined the original faculty of the newly-established University of Houston at Clear Lake City in 1973 as the founding vice chancellor and provost, shaping the basic educational program thus of a second institution in Texas, and laying the groundwork for that flourishing campus; and

WHEREAS, the Board of Regents wishes to express to her family and friends and associates the sense of loss which the entire university community feels at her passing,

BE IT THEREFORE RESOLVED that this resolution in memory of Dr. June Hyer be included in the minutes of the January 5, 1981, meeting of the Board of Regents, and that copies be sent to her family, friends and colleagues.

Midwestern State University Taps Rodriguez for President

Dr. Louis Rodriguez, vice chancellor and provost of the University of Houston at Clear Lake City for the past five years, began his new duties as president of Midwestern State University on January 1.

The board of regents of the University of Houston System passed a resolution at its January meeting in "tribute to an outstanding university administrator" and as an expression of "best wishes for a continued successful career in the service of higher education."

One of the charter faculty members of UH at Clear Lake City, Dr. Rodriguez joined the institution on July 1, 1973, as dean of the School of Professional Studies and professor of economics. Following his appointment as vice chancellor and provost in 1975, he helped shape the academic program and the make-up of the faculty of the institution in its formative years.

Dr. Rodriguez held several administrative positions before going to the University of Houston at Clear Lake City. He served for two years at the University of Texas at San Antonio, first as dean of the School of Business Administration, and later as vice president for academic affairs. He also held the position of dean of the College of Business Administration at Nicholls State University in Thibodaux, Louisiana, from 1968 to 1971.

An economist, Dr. Rodriguez earned his B.A. degree at Rutgers University and completed both his M.A. and Ph.D. degrees at Louisiana State University.



Dr. Joseph Champagne

Champagne Accepts University Presidency

Dr. Joseph Champagne, UH System vice president for academic affairs, has accepted the presidency of Oakland University in Oakland County, Michigan.

The announcement was made by the Oakland University board of trustees at a meeting on December 9, 1980.

A senior figure in the development of the UH System, Dr. Champagne will leave March 1 to head an institution of 12,000 students. Founded in 1957, Oakland is one of the 15 state colleges and universities in Michigan. It is made up of a College of Arts and Sciences and several professional schools.

Commenting on Dr. Champagne's plans, UH System President Charles E. Bishop stated, "Dr. Champagne is a talented, capable administrator and a first-rate person. I am sorry that he is leaving the University of Houston, but I congratulate him on this next step in what has already been an outstanding career. On behalf of the entire UH System, I wish him well in his new position. The trustees of Oakland University have made a wise decision in selecting Joe Champagne."

Dr. Champagne first joined the University of Houston faculty in 1966 as assistant professor of behavioral management science, a department within the UH College of Business Administration. Promoted to associate professor, he moved to the UH Center for Human Resources in 1968.

He resigned from the University of Houston in July, 1971, to join the newly formed Houston Community College System which he later served as president.

A licensed and certified psychologist, Dr. Champagne holds a Ph.D. degree in industrial psychology from Purdue University, an M.A. degree in experimental psychology from Fordham University, and an A.B. degree in philosophy from St. Mary's University.

Support the Texas Sesquicentennial

UH President Charles E. Bishop recently received a letter from the governor of Texas, William P. Clements, asking for his support in encouraging regional, national, and international organizations to consider Texas as the site of their conventions in 1986, Texas' 150th birthday.

The convention trade in 1986 will be treated to a year-long, state-wide birthday celebration which will highlight the historical, cultural, literary, and social aspects of the state.

UH faculty, staff, or students who participate in an organization which could possibly be attracted to Texas in 1986 should write: The Texas 1986 Sesquicentennial Commission, P.O. Box 19860, Southeast Station, Austin, Texas 78760. The telephone number is: (512) 475-1986.

Perspectives

Perspectives is published monthly by the UH System University Relations Office. Executive Director: Farris Block, 749-4149. Editor: Haise Johnson.

The University of Houston seeks to provide equal educational opportunities without regard to race, color, religion, sex, age, national origin, handicap, or veteran status.

This policy extends to all programs and activities supported by the University.

Around the Campuses

In early December, **Dr. Charles E. Bishop**, UHS president, participated in a week-long seminar at the University of Lagos in Lagos, Nigeria. The seminar was sponsored by the Nigerian National Universities Commission and was called to plan for the establishment of seven new universities of science and technology in Nigeria during the next four years. The seminar was also attended by representatives from Nigerian professional organizations, professional and academic staff from existing universities in Nigeria, the vice chancellors of the new universities, and other representatives of foreign institutions which have technical programs.

Dr. Patrick J. Nicholson, special assistant to the UH System president, has been reelected president of the Louis J. Girard Ophthalmological Foundation. The worldwide foundation emphasizes research and innovative surgical techniques. Dr. Nicholson has also been named vice president and secretary-treasurer of the Astronaut Foundation for Scientific Scholarships, an organization founded by Admiral Alan Shepherd which provides awards for gifted students in the physical sciences and mathematics.

Dr. Robert Maxson, UHVC chancellor, was part of a nine-person team sent in December by the American Association of State Colleges and Universities to study university administration in India. The Indian government requested the study and sponsored the trip financially. The team visited several of the country's major universities to study their administration. Members then met in New Delhi with officials of India's major universities for a series of seminars in which the team members' findings and suggestions were discussed.

James Montgomery, technical services librarian at the Victoria College-UHVC library, has recently published the third index to the Library of Congress Cataloging Service Bulletin. Montgomery wrote the original index several years ago to facilitate the use of the Bulletin. The index is now in wide use in libraries in the United States and in foreign countries.

In memory of **Dr. June Hyer**, UHCLC's first vice chancellor and provost, who died on November 29, 1980, the University of Houston at Clear Lake City Women's Association has established the June Hyer Memorial Scholarship Fund. The fund will be administered by a committee of UHCLC faculty members and the president of the association. Contributions to the scholarship fund should be sent to: The June Hyer Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o UHCLC Women's Association, University of Houston at Clear Lake City, 2700 Bay Area Boulevard, Houston, Texas 77058.

G. Warren Smith, UHCLC dean of the School of Sciences and Technologies, has been elected chairman of the southeastern Texas section of the American Chemical Society for 1982. He will serve as chairman-elect for the 1981 year. The American Chemical Society, founded over 100 years ago, serves the advancement of chemistry in all its branches and promotes research in chemical science and industry.

Dr. William Lawrence, UHCLC associate professor of electro-optics and mathematics, was honored by the Eastman Kodak Corporation with a check for \$5,000 for his work at the university. Dr. Lawrence was selected for the award in recognition of the outstanding curriculum and preparation offered to his students in the field of electro-optics.

Dr. David L. Fagan, UHDC assistant professor of humanities, has been elected chairman of the 1980-1981 Film as Literature section of the South Central Modern Language Association. Dr. Fagan is also currently serving as executive secretary for the Association for the Study of Affect in Cinema.

Dr. Thomas F. O'Brien, UHCC assistant professor of history, has been awarded the William S. Robertson Prize by the Conference on Latin American History for the best article published in Latin American history during 1980. The article, "The Antofagasta Company: A Case Study of Peripheral Capitalism," appeared in the *Hispanic American Historical Review* in February, 1980.

Dr. John G. Baust, UHCC associate professor of biology, has been appointed Station Science Leader for the Antarctic Peninsula Region by the National Science Foundation. From January 21 to February 23, he will be responsible for coordinating the scientific efforts of some 40 investigators and support staff at the U.S. research station and its supporting research vessel. He will also serve as international liaison with five other countries maintaining stations on the Antarctic Peninsula.

Dr. Ralph Becker, UHCC professor of chemistry, has received an award for meritorious service from the southeastern Texas section of the American Chemical Society and has been nominated for the 1980 regional award. The award cites his research in photochemistry, photophysics, and spectroscopy as a source of major insight in many research areas.

Dr. Harb S. Hayre, professor and director of the Wave Propagation Labs in the UHCC electrical engineering department, has received a national award from the United States Activities Board of the Institute of Electrical and Electronic Engineers for 1980.

John Jay Douglass, UHCC professor of law and dean of the National College of District Attorneys headquartered at UHCC, was named in December by President Ronald Reagan to the newly formed Administration of Justice Task Force. The task force will examine the federal government's role in legal processes and make recommendations for improvements.

Dr. Claus Reschke, UHCC associate professor of German, has been elected to a three-year, post-secondary education position on the executive council of the American Association of Teachers of German, a national professional organization of German language and literature teachers. Dr. Reschke is also a founding member of the American Association of University Supervisors and Coordinators of Foreign Language Programs. He was elected to serve on the board of the new organization.

Almer C. Engle, Jr., a UHCC College of Pharmacy preceptor, has received the 1980 Albert E. Rosica, Jr. Memorial Award for his outstanding efforts in pharmacy education. The award was presented by the American College of Apothecaries during their 40th annual conference in White Sulphur Springs, West Virginia.

Dr. John Lienhard, UHCC professor of mechanical engineering, received the 1980 Heat Transfer Memorial Award at the winter annual meeting of the American Society of Mechanical Engineers in Chicago. The award is presented annually to individuals making outstanding contributions to the science, art, or general development of heat transfer through teaching, research, design, or publications.

Dr. Rosalie F. Maddocks, UHCC professor of geology, was elected a Fellow of the American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) during the association's annual meeting in Toronto. An AAAS Fellow is a "member whose efforts on behalf of the advancement of science or its applications are scientifically or socially distinguished." The honor was also presented posthumously to **Dr. Leslie Kovaszny**, UHCC professor of mechanical engineering, who died in April of 1980.

Two UHCC associate professors in the field of education, **Dr. Elizabeth Ghatala** and **Dr. Martha Piper**, were selected by the Houston YWCA as Outstanding Women of the Year for 1980.

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