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Dr. Alexander F. Schilt

### UHDC Chancellor Named

The appointment of Dr. Alexander F. Schilt as chancellor of the University of Houston Downtown College was announced by Dr. Charles E. Bishop, president of the UH System.

Currently chancellor of Indiana University East in Richmond, Indiana, Dr. Schilt will take his new post in Houston on July 15. He will also have the rank of professor of psychology.

Dr. Schilt replaces Dr. Allen Commander, who has been serving as acting chancellor since September 19, 1979. Dr. Commander has been granted a year leave of absence to prepare for a return to the UH Downtown College as Regent Professor of Business and Public Administration.

Thirty-nine years of age, Dr. Schilt has headed one of the Indiana System campuses since 1976. Previously, he was dean of student services, Indiana University Southeast at New Albany.

Commenting on the appointment of the new chancellor, President Bishop stated:

"Dr. Schilt will bring to the University of Houston Downtown College exceptional qualities. He is regarded by the students at Indiana University as an outstanding teacher. Administrators in the University praise him for having sound fiscal judgment.

"Civic leaders have complimented his spirit of cooperation and his dedication to the improvement of community life. He is a most enthusiastic and rare kind of individual. I am confident that the University of Houston Downtown College will fare well under Dr. Schilt's leadership."

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During his academic career, Dr. Schilt has also taught and has progressed through the ranks from assistant professor to full professor. At the graduate level, he taught in counselor education and at the undergraduate level in teacher education and sociology.

A native of Cheyenne, Wyoming, Dr. Schilt holds the B.A. degree from the University of Wyoming, and the M.A. and the Ph.D. degrees from Arizona State University.

He has been active in a number of educational and professional organizations, including the American Association of University Professors, the American Council on Education, the American Association for Higher Education, and the American College Personnel Association.

His public service activities include memberships on the boards of directors of the Chamber of Commerce, the Rotary Club, and the Whitewater Opera Company.

Married, Dr. Schilt and his wife, Charlotte, are the parents of two daughters, Paige Eileen and Kristen Rose. Mrs. Schilt holds her M.A. degree in English from Arizona State University. She is the executive director of Junior Achievement of East Central Indiana.

### Farfel Awarded Degree

Aaron J. Farfel, retired Houston investor and chairman of the University of Houston board of regents from 1971-1979, received an honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from the University of Houston Central Campus during commencement ceremonies on May 10.

This is only the fourth honorary degree ever presented by the University of Houston.

Farfel was on the board of governors when the university was a private institution, and in 1963, Governor John Connally appointed him as one of the university's first regents. He served as vice chairman of the board until his election as chairman in the fall of 1971.

Farfel was active for many years at top levels of management in national and international business circles. He is a graduate of New York University School of Commerce and holds the J. D. degree from the Houston Law School. He is also a retired certified public accountant.

Active in many civic associations, Farfel has served as a trustee of Baylor College of Medicine and formerly as director and member of the executive committee of the Houston Chamber of Commerce, the Houston Symphony Society, Houston Grand Opera Association, and the Rice Center for Community Design and Research. He is also a charter member of the Harris County Hospital District.

Farfel has also been involved in philanthropic endeavors, serving as president and director of the Chartor Foundation and as trustee of the Pauline Sterne Wolff Memorial Foundation and the St. Joseph Hospital Foundation

His distinguished awards include the Madden Memorial Award as outstanding alumnus of the New York University College of Business and Public Administration, the Distinguished Service Award from the UH Central Campus College of Business Administration (1973), the Distinguished Service Award from the University of Houston Alumni Organization (1974), and an honorary membership in the Texas Society of Architects.

### **UH Receives \$6.8 Million**

The board of regents of the University of Houston System announced today that it has settled for \$6,820,472 its claims against the First City National Bank of Houston in connection with certain short term investment activities.

The claim and the settlement arose out of alleged unauthorized transfers of funds from certain University of Houston accounts at the local bank during the period of 1974 to 1977.

First City National Bank agreed with UH officials to settle the dispute that has been pending since April 1978.

This bank settlement, along with other settlements that the University of Houston has negotiated in the past two years, reduces an initial "downward adjustment" of \$15.3 million in University funds to about \$7.2 million.

Negotiations are continuing with several brokerage firms across the nation to recover additional UH funds. These efforts are being carried out by the State's Attorney General's Office in cooperation with UH attorneys.

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## Outstanding Citizens Receive Alumni Awards

Four people who have made significant contributions to the University of Houston and to their own fields of endeavor were honored by the University of Houston Alumni Organization at the annual Distinguished Alumni Awards Banquet on May 3.

The alumni being honored were Leonard Rauch, chairman of the UH board of regents, and Elvin Hayes, basketball star for the Washington Bullets. Two Alumni President's Service Awards were presented to Eric Hilton, vice president of the Hilton Hotel Corporation, and Dean A. A. White, the first dean of the Bates College of Law.

Rauch has served on the University of Houston board of regents since his appointment by Governor Preston Smith in 1969. During his term on the board, he has served as assistant secretary and as chairman of the Building Committee. He also served as chairman to the UH Presidential Search Committee.

Rauch began his duties as chairman of the board of regents in fall of 1979. An active businessman and civic leader, Rauch is vice president of Standard Southern Corporation and is also chairman of the board of directors of Greenspoint Bank.

He has served for the last six years on the Houston City Planning Commission, is a founding member and past president of the Houston Kidney Foundation, and has served on the board of directors of the National Kidney Foundation. Rauch is a graduate of the New Mexico Military Institute and attended the UH Central Campus College of Business Administration.

Alumni honoree Elvin Hayes catapulted the University of Houston basketball program into national acclaim during his four-year undergraduate career. The "Big E," as he was known to all basketball fans, came to the University of Houston in 1964. He holds every UH scoring and rebounding record and was the highest scorer in the history of Texas major college basketball. He was the first Texasbased collegian to make the AP or UPI first team All-American team. Since leaving Houston, Hayes has played professionally for the San Diego Rockets and the Washington Bullets. He was named CBS most valuable player last year and has scored over 20,000 points during his professional career.

Eric Hilton received the Alumni President's Service Award for his longtime concern for and commitment to quality at the University of Houston.

The most visible sign of this commitment can be seen in the UH Conrad Hilton College of Hotel and Restaurant Management, which is considered one of the finest college resources by the hospitality industry. The college, which recently celebrated its tenth anniversary, was founded with the direct assistance of Eric Hilton.

Hilton's career in the hotel industry began 30 years ago. In 1967, he became the Hilton Hotels Corporation director of sales for the sourthern and southwestern region. He has also served as resident manager of Houston's Shamrock Hilton and is currently a vice president of the corporation.

The founding dean of the University of Houston College of Law, Dean A. A. White, also received the Alumni President's Service Award for his longtime devotion to the university. He helped open the College of Law in 1947. What started in a World War II barracks with two classrooms and one small library has since grown into a major law college, having graduated over 3600 students.

White served as dean and taught at the college from 1947 to 1956. He left the university to become vice president and general counsel for Texas Gas Corporation, but returned in 1962 as the Law Alumni professor. He was named chairman of the executive committee in 1974, and was again named dean of the college, serving until 1976. Dean White retired from the university last year and has been named Dean Emeritus by the UH board of regents.



### UH College of Pharmacy Building Opens at TMC

On June 24, some 200 students and faculty of the University of Houston College of Pharmacy moved into their new five-story building in the Texas Medical Center.

The new location will allow closer interaction between the College of Pharmacy and other health-care practitioners, and will provide easier access to the Medical Center facilities for the clinical pharmacy faculty and for the students on their clinical rotations.

The 49,400 square foot building will house the departments of pharmaceutics, clinical pharmacy, and administration, as well as part of the pharmacology department. The other departments of the college will remain on the University of Houston Central Campus.

The new building's facilities will include a Drug Information Center, an Intravenous Sterile Products Laboratory for research into sterile products and intravenous fluids, and a Clinical Pharmacokinetics Laboratory to analyze drug levels in the blood and other body fluids.

A Biopharmaceutics and Pharmacology Teaching Laboratory, a Dispensing Pharmacy Laboratory, and Animal Care Unit, and other research facilities will also be housed in the new complex.

Construction on the \$5.2 million project began in February, 1979. The general contractor was Manhattan Construction Company; MacKie and Kamrath Architecture was the designer. The building will be officially dedicated on October 26.

## UH Radio Station Increases Its Power

The University of Houston Radio Station, KUHF-FM has installed a new transmitter which enables it to reach more homes in southeast Texas than any other FM station located in Houston.

The new 25 Kilowatt transmitter with an existing 12 bay antenna at an elevation of 1,000 feet permits KUHF to broadcast an effective radiated power of 100,000 watts.

The transmitter is manufactured by Harris Corporation of Quincy, Illinois.

Funds totaling \$50,000 were required to buy and install the new transmitter. A gift from an anonymous friend combined with donations obtained by Charles A. Rosenthal, director of industry affairs, Schlumberger Well Services of Houston, made the purchase possible.

Rosenthal has been a longtime friend of the station and his company has been underwriting KUHF-FM's broadcasts of the U.S. Department of Interior's Offshore Lease Sale Bid openings for the past several years.

KUHF-FM, licensed to the University of Houston, went on the air in 1950. Manager of the station since 1969 is Arvil Cochran. Cochran was instrumental in the growth and development of the station from its identity as a student radio station to its current status as a full service public radio station, recognized by the Corporation for Public Broadcasting. Once a station totally staffed by student volunteers, it is now a facility with a professional staff of 10 persons.

### **Advisory Councils Formed**

Dr. Charles E. Bishop, president of the University of Houston System, has announced the formation of two advisory groups, the President's Student Advisory Council and the President's Faculty Advisory Council.

The groups were established to increase communication between the University of Houston System administration and the faculty and students on each UH campus.

Both councils met for the first time in April and will meet monthly on different UH campuses.

The Student Advisory Council will advise the president on all matters pertaining to the welfare and education of the students enrolled at the University of Houston.

The Faculty Advisory Council will advise the president on "all policies and procedures and matters concerning the general welfare and general interest of the faculty and the university." Some of the most important matters to be considered will include the role and scope of each campus, inter-campus relationships, the relationship of the university to the community and to state and local governments.

Members of the Student Advisory Council include David Hessel, secretary, and Bonnie White from Central Campus; Sylvia Canty and Age Ericksen, chairman, from the Downtown College; Bill Baker and Joetta English from Clear Lake City; and Jerome Dickinson and Christine Matyear from Victoria Center.

The President's Faculty Advisory Council members are Dr. Martha Piper, chairman, and Professor Hyland Packard from UH Central Campus; Dr. Peter Bishop and Dr. Linda Calvert from UH at Clear Lake City; Professor Elizabeth Bollinger and Dr. Don Elgin from the UH Downtown College; and Dr. Diane Prince and Dr. Furman Smith from UH Victoria Center.

#### UHDC Summer School Enrollment Increases

The University of Houston Downtown College has recorded a large increase in the number of students attending courses this summer. The total enrollment for the first summer session has jumped 11.8 per cent over last year's figure.

The number of students has expanded from an enrollment of 1,510 for summer of 1979 to an enrollment of 1,688 for the current summer school session.

Preliminary figures from the other three University of Houston campuses also indicate an enrollment increase in the range of two percent.

# UHVC Signs International Agreement

The first international agreement between the University of Houston Victoria Center and a foreign university was concluded on May 8 at a formal signing attended by Dr. Christian Buys, vice president of academic affairs, and Luis Garibay Gutierrez, president of the Universidad Autonoma de Guadalajara, Mexico.

The agreement represents a commitment to expand international educational opportunities and services to students, faculty, and the general population served by both institutions.

Recognizing the need for strong, positive relationships between international neighbors, both universities consider that the agreement "in a small way" promotes this type of relationship.

According to the agreement, the universities will initiate a program of student exchange and a program of faculty exchange. Victoria Center faculty will be considered for teaching short courses and seminars at Guadalajara, and the University of Houston Victoria Center will consider use of Guadalajara faculty, primarily for teaching during the summer.

In addition, there will be a joint program of non-credit continuing education. Guadalajara would host these programs at Guadalajara or Lake Chapala facilities.

The agreement involves no expense to UH Victoria Center, and transfer credits will be accepted as part of the UH Victoria Center student's degree program.

#### **Evans Receives Farfel Award**

Dr. Richard I. Evans, professor of psychology at the University of Houston Central Campus and renowned social psychologist, has received the university's highest academic honor, the Esther Farfel Award.

The \$5,000 award, endowed by Aaron Farfel, past chairman of the University of Houston board of regents, honors a faculty member who is consistently outstanding in teaching, research, and service.

The Farfel Award is based on faculty and student recommendations, formal teaching evaluations, the faculty member's commitment to instruction, a review of his research and its practical application, public service activities, and regional, national, and professional recognition.

Dr. Evans is approaching his 30th year at the University of Houston. He came to the university in 1950 after receiving his Ph.D. degree from Michigan State University.

He is nationally and internationally recognized as a distinguished researcher, having received various American Psychological Association research awards. His main area of study has evolved from an interest in applying social-psychological perspectives to the problem of preventing self-destructive behaviors such as cigarette smoking and overeating. His current work is supported by grants totalling \$1.5 million from the National Heart, Lung and Blood Institute and the National Cancer Institute.

Dr. Evans is also serving in a consulting capacity for many national organizations including the American Heart Association, the Center for Disease Control, the Federal Trade Commission, the National Institute for Drug Abuse, and the National Science Foundation.

An innovative instructor, Dr. Evans has developed a filmed dialogue series with the world's notable contributors to the understanding of human personality and behavior. The series is currently being used in over 300 universities as well as on numerous public broadcasting stations.

Dr. Evans is also quite active in professional organizations. He is a fellow of the American Psychological Association, the American Association for the Advancement of Science, and the Academy of Behavioral Medicine Research. He is an editorial consultant for four psychology journals and is on the editorial board of the Phi Kappa Phi journal *Forum*. Dr. Evans serves as a member of the Behavioral Medicine Study Section and is chairman of the ad hoc Smoking Study Section for the National Institutes of Health, Division of Research Grants.

Locally, Dr. Evans has served as president of the Houston chapter of Phi Kappa Phi, receiving the national Phi Kappa Phi Distinguished Scholar Award for the Triennium 1974-1977. He has also served as chairman of the Graduate Program Coordinating Committee for the department of psychology and as assistant chairman of the department.

### **UHDC Students Create Lounge**

When the State turned down the University of Houston Downtown College's request for funds to construct a student lounge, this act should have ended any hope that the students had of getting a place to study and relax on their campus.

Instead, it was a beginning. The student body decided that, if the administration could locate some space, they would create their own center. The only space available was a 6,000 square foot storage area that had not been used in fifty years. It had no plumbing, heat, or air conditioning. The junk and trash were piled to the peeling ceilings. The students agreed that it was the pits, so that is what they chose to name the center.

There is no new material in The Pits. Plumbing fixtures, air conditioning units, lighting, and other equipment were salvaged from renovation currently underway at the school. The UH Downtown College maintenance staff provided technical expertise; the students and various student organizations provided labor and decorations; the faculty and administration provided support and advice.

The result is an interesting, comfortable student center. The theme of the decor is the 1930's, the era during which the old M and M building that houses the college was built.

The formal dedication of The Pits was held on May 2.

# Around the Campus

Former University of Houston Central Campus women's athletic director, **Dr. Susanna Garrison**, was the first woman athletic administrator elected to the National Association of Collegiate Directors of Athletics Hall of Fame. The formal ceremony took place on June 16 in Cleveland, Ohio. Dr. Garrison headed the UH women's physical education department and directed all women's intercollegiate athletics until her retirement last summer after 34 years.

**Dr. Alfred J. Weinheimer,** professor of medicinal chemistry and pharmacognosy at UH Central Campus, has been appointed associate provost for research at the Central Campus. Dr. Weinheimer will serve on a half-time basis for 1980-1981. He replaces Dr. J. H. Brown who will return to his faculty post and engage in special projects with the Energy Laboratory.

**Beverly Lowry,** UHCC associate professor of English, has received a \$10,000 grant from the National Endowment of the Arts to assist her with a current literary endeavor, "Daddy's Girl," to be published by the Viking Press in 1981. The awards are based on previous works completed and are presented to assist writers financially, so they can continue their work.

The Houston unit of The Texas chapter of the National Association of Social Workers has named UHCC professor of social work, **Dr. Florence Clemenger**, Social Worker of the Year. Dr. Clemenger will compete with units from throughout the state for the Texas Social Worker of the Year award which will be presented in October. A professor in the Graduate School of Social Work since 1968, she helped develop the school's curriculum and also developed its field program.

Claude Caux, UHCC professor of mime and stage movement, has been awarded the Ordre National des Palmes Academiques by the French government for his contribution to the arts. UH students trained and recommended by Caux are automatically accepted into the mime school in Paris of his old friend and former student, Marcel Marceau.

Four UHCC faculty members and three graduate teaching fellows received the UHCC Teaching Excellence Award. Faculty members selected include **Dr. Florence Clemen**ger, a Graduate School of Social Work professor; Robert L. Grinaker, an accounting professor in the College of Business Administration; Dr. Henry Shanfield, an associate chemistry professor in the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics; and Dr. Lorraine Stock, an English professor in the College of Humanities and Fine Arts. Graduate teaching fellows include Jurgen Kleist, a German instructor in the College of Humanities and Fine Arts; Kenneth Noll, a biology instructor in the College of Natural Sciences and Mathematics; and Guler Paran Phillips, an English instructor in the College of Humanities and Fine Arts. The faculty award, which consists of an inscribed scroll and a \$2,500 honorarium, is based on special educational projects, significant contributions to departmental teaching programs, new courses developed, new or improved teaching methods, and student and colleague recommendations. The graduate teaching fellows also receive an inscribed scroll and a \$1,000 honorarium.

**Dr. William Lee Pryor,** a professor of English for 25 years and editor of the University of Houston Central Campus scholarly publication, "The Forum," is the 1980 recipient of the College of Humanities and Fine Arts' top honor, the Master Teacher Award. As a winner of this award, Dr. Pryor will receive a \$500 increment to his salary base and a certificate, and his name will be inscribed on a plaque that hangs in the dean's office.

The University of Houston Student Bar Association's A. A. White Outstanding Professor Award was recently be-

#### Bishop Named President of Southern University Conference

Dr. Charles E. Bishop, president of the University of Houston System, has been named president of the Southern University Conference for 1980-1981.

The announcement was made at the annual spring meeting of the Conference in Palm Beach, Florida.

As president, Dr. Bishop will preside over the 55-member Conference whose purpose is the consideration of "matters pertaining to the upper division of college work, to graduate work, and to all common interests of its members."

Organized in 1935 with 33 institutions, the Southern University Conference is essentially a liberal arts group. Members are free to engage in discussions pertaining to the progress of education and to various educational experiments that are being made by one of the members "to the end that all may benefit by the efforts of one."

The Conference holds annual meetings which the chief executive officers of the member institutions are expected to attend.

Other new officers for the Southern University Conference are: vice president, Robert R. Huntley of Washington and Lee University; and secretary-treasurer, Roy Schilling of Hendrix College.

stowed on **Jaqueline Weaver**, associate professor in the UH College of Law. She is the fourth person and the first woman to receive the White award, presented in honor of the college's first dean. Professor Weaver joined the faculty in 1977.

**Dr. Allen Commander,** acting chancellor for the UH Downtown College and UH System vice president for public affairs, has been named Regent Professor of Business and Public Administration at the Downtown College by the UH board of regents. Dr. Commander has also been granted a year leave of absence to prepare for his teaching position.

**Dr. Richard W. Scamell,** associate professor of management in the UHCC College of Business Administration, has received the Outstanding Faculty Award presented annually by the College of Business Administration Alumni Association. Dr. Scamell joined the UH faculty in 1972 as an assistant professor in the College of Business Administration departments of management and quantitative management science. He has been associate professor in the department of management since 1977.

A \$500,000 two-year grant from the U.S. Department of Education has been approved for the University of Houston Downtown College. The grant is for strengthening developing institutions. It includes four basic components: administrative improvements, program development in new academic course areas, student support services, and faculty development. The grant is the largest in the history of UH Downtown College.

"Photojournalism, The Professionals' Approach," a new book by **Ken Kobre**, assistant professor in the UHCC School of Communication has been selected by a number of universities around the country as a text for photojournalism courses. The book includes numerous interviews with well-known working photojournalists, a unique collection of photos including shots from "Life" and "Look" magazines, the history of photojournalism, and tips on how to get the most from basic equipment.

#### **Perspectives**

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