This is a hectic time of the year for all of DES, current students are still enrolling, and trying to find ways to pay their accounts. The Financial Aid office is awarding our new spring students and looking ahead at awarding new and continuing students for the fall. Admission folks have been recruiting, conducting programs for prospective students and now are heavily involved in making admission decisions. File drawers are empty this year because as can be seen below files are now being read online.

Our Division luncheon will be THIS Wednesday the 5th so pull out those slacks with the expandable waists!

Irma

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**DES Spotlight**

Undergraduate Admission Folks are reading files online!

Kellen  Andrew  Kelly

Rod  Olivia  Randy

Katie Beth  Elizabeth (“Stevie”)  Anna
February
• 24th - Early Intervention grades due for first-year undergraduate students

March
• 11th-17th - Spring Break
• 16th - Midterm grades due
• 29th – Good Friday offices closed

New Staff Welcome!
Todd McKnight - Academic Records Counselor
Beth McConville - Student Account Specialist

Staff Leaving
Allison Witucki - Bursar’s Office
Jesse Rojano - Bursar’s Office
Jeremy Parrish - Bursar’s Office

Transfer Open Advising Day
Transfer students admitted for the spring were invited to attend TOAD to get a preview of how their transfer credit will apply to an SMU degree.

It’s Good to know…
Stay Safe this holiday season
Please read the attached safety tips to insure a safe and secure holiday season.
Be a part of graduation!

December Graduation will be held at 10:00 a.m. on Saturday, December 15 in Moody Coliseum and Academic Ceremonies is always in need of great volunteers! If you would like to help with December Graduation, please email Cate Hamilton at chamilto@smu.edu, who will provide you with an assignment and ceremony attire!

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A Great Reason to Celebrate

**January Birthdays**
- 5 - Darrah Rippy
- 15 - Jeannie McGuire
- 28 - Jaynell Dalby

If we missed your birthday or work anniversary please email iherrera@smu.edu.

**January Work Anniversaries**
- 2 - Myriah Garcia - 5 years
- 5 - Meredith Turner - 4 years
- 5 - Pam Fincher - 15 years
- 7 - Melissa Standford - 5 years
- 10 - Andy Frye - 33 years
- 12 - Monica Cordero - 18 years
- 15 - Marc Peterson - 14 years
- 17 - Lorinda Lamb - 21 years
- 17 - Deena Nadig - 2 years
- 26 - Sue Brunz - 9 years
- 29 - Shannon Grandberry - 12 years

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TACARO 2012

During the 2012 TACRAO conference Gretchen Voight was posthumously awarded TACRAO Honorary Membership by the association. Her mother, Donna, accepted the award on behalf of Gretchen’s family. TACRAO members also signed a memory book that was presented to Donna Voight at the end of the meeting.

(left to right) Gretchen’s aunt, mother and close friends, Holly and Heath

Cate Hamilton & Mitzie Goff

Joe Papari & Georgina Antillon from UTEP

John Hall & Dave Stones, Registrar at Southwestern University