



DES News

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The Quick List

Important Dates for the term

October

- 13-14 Fall Break
- 24-25 Family Weekend
- 26 Midterm grades due for first-year and sophomore students.
- 27 Last day for continuing undergraduate students to change their majors before November enrollment.

November

- 3-21 Enrollment for
 spring 2015
 continuing
 students for all
 undergraduates
 and for
 graduates in
 Dedman College,
 Lyle and
 Meadows.
- 7 Last day to drop a course.
- 13 Last day for December graduation candidates to change grades of Incomplete
- 14-15
 Homecoming
 Weekend.

First let me apologize to all of you who had birthdays and work anniversaries in November. Just as many of you, ER has been operating with limited staff so we are currently playing "catch up". Good news is that ER should be fully staffed in December so the newsletters will come in a more timely fashion.

Todd is still looking for some volunteers for the Dec. 20th commencement ceremony. All of us should be looking for those stretch pants as we prepare for out Dec. 10th Division Holiday luncheon. I know we all have much to be grateful for this season. Admission folks have many files to read and yes that is a good thing. Many holds and accounts have been cleared and that is a good thing. Students are getting registered every day, a good thing. Members of our staff have been promoted and that is a reason to celebrate. We have some holidays to look forward to and that is a good thing. Take time to refresh over the holidays and remember the good things we share as a Division.

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It's Good to Know...

<u>Volunteers Needed</u>

December Commencement is just around the corner and there is still a need for a few good volunteers.

If you are interested in helping out,

please email Todd Chiscano at <u>chiscano@smu.edu</u> The date is set for Saturday, December 20th at 10 a.m.

New Print Cartridge Recycling Location...

We have a new print cartridge recycling location. It is a labeled trash dumpster outside the back door in the executive suite.

- 21 Students should file for May graduation.
- 25 Last day to withdraw from the University.
- 27-28 -Thanksgiving Holiday.

December

- 4 Last day for oral/written examinations for December graduate degree candidates.
- 8 last day of classes
- 9-10 Reading days
- 10 DES Holiday Luncheon
- 11-17 Examinations
- 18 Residence halls close at 10:00a.m. for winter break
- 20 Official close of term and date for conferral of degrees. Graduation ceremony for December graduates.
- 24 Jan 1 -University closed
- 25 Christmas Day

<u>New Staff</u> - Welcome!

Stephanie Womack -ER

Staff Leaving We will miss you!

Claudia Gomez - BO Olivia Trevino - AD

DES Spotlight

Wes Waggoner is pleased to announce the following promotions in his area. Renae Spotser to Assistant

Director of Enrollment Resources. **Renae** came to the ER team with over 10 years of management experience and recently earned her MBA from the University of Dallas. **Renae** has quickly become a very valuable member of that team. In admission, **Kelly Wyper**, **Elizabeth Stevenson** and **Abby Chu** have been promoted to **Assistant Director of Admission**. Each of them will assume leadership responsibilities for major initiatives in the admission office.

If you have a family member or relative participating in Commencement on December 20, 2014, Academic Ceremonies would love to celebrate with you and your family! Please complete the online RSVP form here:

https://sites.smu.edu/des/rsvp/DecemberCommencement/?audience=des

Our own Blanton Blazers, **Darrah Rippy**, **Abbi Pfister**, **Joe Papari**, **Nancy Skochdopole**, and **Yaw Bonsu** won some free dining passes for their group submission for a Wellpower Kick-off. Congrats!!!

A hearty note of congratulations to **Joe Papari** who just completed 2 year term as TACRAO Treasurer.

At the annual business meeting Joe not only received accolades for maintaining the financial affairs of TACRAO in superb shape, but also accolades for initiating and implementing several procedural and technology changes that significantly improved the financial management of the organization and positioned it for the future.

Thanks Joe, and congratulations for a job done well.





A Great Reason to Celebrate!

November Birthdays

- 2 Gordon Brannon
- 3 Angie Flores
- 23 Adrienne Montgomery
- 24 Jill Witt
- 26 Jackie Wilborn
- 26 Amber Howell
- 28 Monica Gomez

December Birthdays

- 10 Charmissa Ajakaiye
- 15 Joseph Knight
- 16 Mitzie Goff
- 22 Pam Fincher
- 23 Don Moorman
- 25 Stan Stubblefield
- 26 Shannon Grandberry
- 30 Sue Brunz
- 31 Rod Jackson

November Work Anniversaries

- 1 Beth McConville (2 years)
- 10 Kimberly Scott (6 years)
- 15 Stan Stubblefield (9 years)
- 17 Lydia Babbitt (9 years)
- 22 Julio Lopez (4 years)
- 22 Jean Porter (14 years)
- 26 Nancy Skochdopole (7 years)
- 28 Colleen Franklin (9 years)

December Work Anniversaries

- 1 Anna Gomez (16 years)
- 1 Tom Gibbs (3 years)
- 4 Walker Self (7 years)
- 15 Braunshay Pertile (6 years)

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

Graduation Fair...





Todd Chiscano, **Kim Scott**, and **Mary Compian** help to man the Grad Fair held on October 16th and 17th.

Enrollment Services Division Meeting...

The Division of Enrollment Services held their annual division meeting on October 8th. The meeting saw a great turnout and fun was had by all while learning about FERPA and the importance of protecting information. **Mary Compian**, **Jerrod Harrell**, and **John Emmett** were a few of the many recipients of service awards.









Festive Halloween...

This Halloween saw award winning costumes and cute princesses...



Madison and Sofia as Princess Jasmine and Princess Sofia the First

> Daniel Herrera in his award winning costume as "Electro Man."

