College Park Center grooming continues for opening day

A colorful swirl of glass will grace the hospitality suite in College Park Center, one of the finishing touches at UT Arlington's showcase events venue.

The glass design was created by David Keens, professor of art and art history, and is similar to his work in the University Club and other areas on campus.

Opening night for the 7,000-seat arena is Wednesday, Feb. 1, when the women's and men's basketball teams play UT San Antonio. A ceremonial ribbon cutting and grand opening celebration is planned at 8 p.m. after the women's game and before the men's team takes the court.

The women have four other games at College Park Center in February while the men have three. Single-game tickets are available at utatickets.com. Admission is free, but tickets are required.

Premium seating also is available. To purchase a premium package, contact Gregg Elkin at 2-5706 or gelkin@uta.edu.

Parking issues minimal for center's opening

The UT Arlington campus will be a busy place Wednesday, Feb. 1, as the University prepares for grand opening festivities and the debut of men's and women's basketball at College Park Center that evening.

Most faculty and staff lots will be open throughout the day. Faculty and staff are encouraged to arrive on campus early and consider taking University shuttle buses if parking is not available near their destination. Shuttle service will be extended through the evening to assist those returning to their vehicles after dark.

UT Arlington police will close Lot F13 east of the Business Building at 10 a.m. Feb. 1. Faculty may park in F13 before 10 a.m. Those who leave the lot after 10 a.m. will be routed to Lot F10 south of the Life Science Building when they return. Faculty and staff may use their UT Arlington ID card to access F10.

For visitors, campus police will direct traffic first to the College Park garages, then to lots on South Cooper Street, south of Mitchell Street.
A drop-off and pick-up zone will be designated off Pecan Street at the southwest corner of College Park Center. Unauthorized vehicles parked at private apartment complexes adjacent to campus may be towed.

For more details about parking at UT Arlington, visit uta.edu/maps/transportation.

**Golf tournament, reunions part of Homecoming festivities**

The 2012 Homecoming Golf Tournament swings into action at 8 a.m. Saturday, Feb. 11, at the Mansfield National Golf Club. Faculty, staff, students, and alumni are invited to participate. Registration deadline is Monday, Jan. 30.

Reunions for the classes of 1962 and 1987 are planned along with a Mr. and Ms. UTA reunion. Find more information on the Alumni Association website.

See a schedule of all Homecoming events.

**Watch history professor on C-SPAN**

David Narrett, associate professor of history, will appear on C-SPAN’s American History TV series this month. A production crew filmed Dr. Narrett’s class and lecture on the Seven Years’ War last fall.

Narrett’s lecture on precolonial America is slated to air at 7 p.m. and 11 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28, and at noon Sunday, Jan. 29. The American History TV series airs every weekend on C-SPAN3 and features professors and writers lecturing about the people and events that make up the American story.

**Tickets to Drake concert sold out**

Tickets to see Drake in the first concert at College Park Center on Friday, March 2, are sold out.

Drake is a Grammy-nominated recording artist. Also performing are rap artists Kendrick Lamar and A$AP Rocky.

**Student receives NSF research fellowship to study space debris**

An aerospace engineering graduate student has received a National Science Foundation Graduate Research Fellowship to help determine where space debris is and how best to maneuver around it.

Laura Suarez Henderson will receive a $30,000 annual stipend and up to $10,500 for college expenses for the next three years.

Henderson is designing software that will determine a piece of debris’ size, what it’s made of, and how to get around it. The information she is gathering also will help scientists calculate how much fuel or propulsion is needed to maneuver around the space trash.

Read more about Henderson’s research.

**Outstanding Academic Adviser nominations due today**

Nominations are being accepted for Outstanding Academic Adviser for professional staff adviser, undergraduate faculty adviser, and graduate faculty adviser. Submit nominations online by 5 p.m. today, Monday, Jan. 23.

For information, contact Delene Remmers in the Office of the Provost at 2-2737.

**Urge students to become Maverick Orientation Leaders**

New Maverick Orientation is accepting applications for the 2012 Maverick Orientation Leader positions. Orientation leaders are the first to welcome new students and parents during summer orientation in June, July, and August.

Applicants must be a full-time undergraduate student, have at least a 2.5 GPA, and be in good standing with the University. Applications are due
ACES symposium now accepting abstract submissions

Abstracts are being accepted for the Annual Celebration of Excellence by Students, or ACES.

Faculty are urged to encourage students to attend an abstract writing workshop at noon Wednesday, Jan. 25, and go online for the abstract guidelines and requirements. Submission deadline is 5 p.m. Monday, Feb. 6.

The ACES symposium is a university-wide, daylong event that showcases the best of student research and creativity with cash prizes for winning oral presentations and posters. ACES 2012 is Thursday, March 22, in the E.H. Hereford University Center.

For details, email aces@uta.edu or call 2-2315.

UT Metroplex Day gets extension

The deadline for abstract submission and registration for UT Metroplex Day has been extended to Monday, Jan. 30.

UT Arlington hosts this year’s event, which annually highlights research opportunities at UT Arlington, UT Dallas, and UT Southwestern Medical Center at Dallas.

The goal of this one-day event Friday, Feb. 3, is to present science research conducted at the three UT System institutions in North Texas and to encourage collaborations. The event is open to all faculty, post doctoral fellows, students, and research staff and trainees at the sponsoring schools.

W-2 forms available online

The 2011 W-2 forms are now available at UT Direct. Email should not be used to transmit sensitive data. Do not email your W-2 or other sensitive information because email can be read by anyone between you and the destination.

If you do not claim your 2011 W-2 form on UT Direct by Friday, Jan. 27, Payroll Services will print and mail a copy to your home address.

Alternative Spring Break hot dog sale raises funds for trips

UTA Volunteers is hosting a hot dog sale to raise funds for Alternative Spring Break trips to Atlanta, Arkansas, and New Orleans.

Find them 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Tuesday, Jan. 24, and Thursday-Friday, Jan. 26-Feb. 3, on the library mall and the University Center mall. Hot dogs are $2, and chips and drinks are 75 cents each.

Performance Management Forms and Procedures

Review the new forms and procedures for Performance Management. Register. Free. 9-10 a.m., Tuesday, Jan. 31, Room 200, Wetsel Service Center. See a complete list of HR training classes.

Belly Dancing Level I: Basic Movements

For all ages and ability, each six-week session introduces different aspects of classic, folkloric, and modern belly dance styles. No previous dance experience required. Call 2-2581 for faculty/staff discount rate of $50. 9:45-10:45 a.m., Saturdays, Jan. 28-March 3, Swift Center. Continuing Education.
Introduction to Keyboarding/Typing

Little or no training in typing or keyboarding? Learn the basics of word processing. Call 2-2581 for faculty/staff discount rate of $75. 6-8:30 p.m., Fridays, Jan. 27-March 2, Room E200D, Continuing Education Workforce Building. Continuing Education.

Mindful Moments

There will be no session this week. Next meeting is Wednesday, Feb. 1. Free. 12:15-12:45 p.m., Room 236, Business Building. Health Services, Marie Bannister, 2-2771.

Employment Information

Check out employment opportunities at uta.edu/jobs. Have questions? Call Human Resources/Employment Services at 2-3461 or TDD 2-8139, or email employment@uta.edu. The University of Texas at Arlington is an equal opportunity and affirmative action employer.

Monday, Jan. 23

Focus on Arlington Michael Buckley, right, director of the Center for Metropolitan Density in the School of Architecture, moderates a panel discussion on apartment development in north Arlington. Free. 6-7:30 p.m., Salon A, Arlington Convention Center, 1200 Ballpark Way. Focus on Arlington.

Wednesday, Jan. 25

College of Engineering Distinguished Speaker Series Rodrigo Arboleda, chair and CEO for One Laptop per Child, discusses "It's not a laptop project; it's an education project." For more than 40 years, he has been involved in marketing, logistics, business development, international operations, and government and private sector initiatives in the Ibero American region. Free. Reception 5 p.m., Room 601, Nedderman Hall. Lecture 6 p.m., Room 100, Nedderman Hall. College of Engineering.

Friday, Jan. 27

Cervical Cancer Awareness Learn about this important health topic with personnel from Baylor All Saints Medical Center. Free. 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Palo Duro Lounge, E.H. Hereford University Center. Health Services, 2-2771.

(For an expanded list of events, see the UT Arlington Calendar.)

Extra Credit

Expand your knowledge through campus lectures, seminars, classes and programs

Going Out

Enrich your life with concerts, art shows, theater productions and other campus events

UTA Presents

A spotlight on arts and culture

'The Medium Is the Message' on exhibit
Tuesday, Jan. 24

Women's Basketball Mavericks vs. Nebraska-Omaha. Tickets $8. 7 p.m., Texas Hall. Athletics, 2-2261.

Wednesday, Jan. 25

Spring 2012 Activities Fair Departments, student organizations, and community vendors display their spring 2012 offerings. Free. 10 a.m.-2 p.m., Palo Duro Lounge, E.H. Hereford University Center. Student Governance and Organizations.

$2 Movie: Fast Five Dominic's crew find themselves on the wrong side of the law once again. Rated PG-13. 5:30 p.m.; also 5:30 p.m. Friday, Jan. 27, and 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 28. Planetarium, 2-1183.

Friday, Jan. 27

Friends of the Library T. Lindsay Baker discusses his book, Gangster Tour of Texas. He used the resources of Special Collections at the UT Arlington Library in researching the book. Free. 7:30 p.m., sixth floor parlor, Central Library. Tommie Wingfield, 2-2658.

Saturday, Jan. 28

Women's Basketball Mavericks vs. Texas State in the final game at Texas Hall. Tickets $8. 2 p.m. Athletics, 2-2261.

Ongoing

Impressions of the West: Works of Art from Special Collections The American West comes alive in more than 30 paintings, sculptures, and prints. Free. 9 a.m.-7 p.m. Mondays, 9 a.m.-5 p.m. Tuesdays-Saturdays. Extended through Saturday, April 28. Special Collections, sixth floor, Central Library, 2-3393.

Planetarium Take an adventure along the spectrum and discover the world of color in Cosmic Colors. 1:30 p.m. Sundays, 6 p.m. Tuesdays. Planetarium, 2-1183.

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