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**FLASH REPORT**

**Wednesday, Feb. 24**

Please send items to [flashnews@udallas.edu](mailto:flashnews@udallas.edu) by Monday at 3 p.m. for consideration in the Wednesday Flash Report.



**COVID UPDATES**

*The [COVID-19 Preparedness Committee](#) meets twice weekly and will continue to do so throughout the Spring semester to continuously evaluate all things regarding COVID and UD. If you have any questions which you would like the COVID committee to answer, please submit them [here](#) for discussion at our CVIT meetings.*

**CDC Vaccination Update:** The CDC's latest update states that fully vaccinated people do not need to quarantine if exposed to COVID. Please see the update for more information [here](#).



**TRIBETA PRESENTS:  
COVID PANEL  
PART 2: VACCINES**

Have questions about the vaccine? Will it alter your DNA? Is it ethical to receive it?

Join us virtually with Dr. Cody, Dr. Toby, Dr. Pezzia, and Dr. Stigall for a panel on COVID-19 Vaccines to find out!

**SCAN TO RSVP**  
or use  
[Tinyurl.com/TriBetaPanel](https://tinyurl.com/TriBetaPanel)  
**When: Thursday,  
February 25th  
@6PM**  
**Where: Zoom**

If you need ADA accommodations to be able to attend this event, please contact Luciana Milano at [lmilano@udallas.edu](mailto:lmilano@udallas.edu).

**Irving Campus Update:** Even as the number of COVID cases on campus goes down, it is imperative that we all remain vigilant in following the COVID protocols for both social distancing and masking to ensure the safety and health of all.

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## Civil Rights Update

### Civil Rights Information Session

As a reminder, the Civil Rights Information Sessions, communicated in President Hibbs' [Jan. 25 email](#), are mandatory. Both faculty and staff are required to attend one session over the course of the spring semester. If you would like to attend in person, there are information sessions **every Thursday at 12 pm, Friday at 8 am, and select Wednesdays at 12 pm** in the Catholic Foundation Board Room. **You can sign up for one of the slots [here](#).** For those who want to attend virtually, we will have zoom sessions **every Tuesday in March at 12 pm. To sign up for one of the virtual sessions, please go [here](#).** There is limited space in both the in-person and virtual sessions, so please sign up as soon as you get the chance.

If you have any questions, please contact Maggie Chavey at [machavey@udallas.edu](mailto:machavey@udallas.edu).

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## UD Press Release

After nearly a year of planning, the University of Dallas announced a comprehensive plan that includes reducing business operations costs and restructuring some of the university's academic programs over the next three years.

Read the full release, [here](#).

## HR Wellness Update

### Mobile Health - First Raffle Winner

Congratulations **Rebecca Prince** for winning a pair of Apple AirPods in the first Mobile Health Challenge! Rebecca was entered into a raffle for the Apple AirPods by registering for Mobile Health and completing her Health Risk Assessment by Feb. 12, 2021. The next raffle will be our quarterly raffle at the end of March.

### Naturally Slim Update

The first Naturally Slim class is off to a great start. Fifty-seven participants have been actively participating and have lost between 1-4 pounds per week. They're halfway through the Foundations part of the program, which gives participants the skills for long term success. Keep up the good work!

Naturally Slim is an online behavioral weight loss and metabolic syndrome reversal program. Participants watch weekly videos, develop new skills and learn new habits. The Naturally Slim program is covered 100% by UD's medical plans as a preventative care benefit so there is no out of pocket cost for you. Employees and spouses enrolled on the BCBS medical plan are eligible to apply for the program. To sign up for the waitlist for the next class or for more information about Naturally Slim, go to: [www.naturallyslim.com/udallas](http://www.naturallyslim.com/udallas)

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## Alumni Business Directory

Support small businesses owned by UD alumni with the Office of Alumni Relations' new [Alumni Business Directory](#). The directory includes restaurants, Etsy shops, landscaping businesses, advertising services and more! Encourage alumni in your networks to [submit](#) their own businesses so we can support them as well!

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## Aramark Update

**Hurry! Promotion starting Mar. 22**

## Dining Dollars: Special Offer



Offer ends March 7th



Get \$15 free when you add \$100  
or more!

Dining Dollars can be used at any of our locations, 7 days a week, when you want for your schedule. Make sure you have what you need to buy what you want! Purchase the amount that is right for you.

Interested? Please contact LaShonda Wyatt at [wyatt-lashonda@aramark.com](mailto:wyatt-lashonda@aramark.com) or (972) 721-5025

## Maher Center Closure

Men's and women's volleyball teams will be playing in the Maher Center on Feb. 26 and 27. Spectators will not be permitted at these games and due to Southern Collegiate Athletic Conference COVID restrictions. The Maher Center east entrance will be locked on **Feb. 26 at 2 PM** and will not be unlocked for general foot traffic until the completion of both games on the **Feb. 27**. In addition, the doors

leading from the Fitness Center into the lobby and access to the locker rooms and rest rooms will also be locked during this time period. This procedure will be implemented on all days when the basketball and volleyball teams have home games.



## Events to Anticipate

**Feb. 6 - Mar. 27**

MFA Thesis Exhibition, Painting, Natalie Lambert | 12 PM-5PM | Irving Arts Center, Focus Gallery

**Feb. 24**

EnCore Lecture History, Tradition and Hope with Provost and incoming President Jonathan J. Sanford | 12 PM Virtual

Frederick Douglass and the Philosophy of Religion | 5 PM Virtual

Leaders & Legends Speaker Series feat. Dr. Mary Gentile on "Giving Voice To Values: The "How" Of Values-Driven Leadership" | 6:15 PM Virtual

**Feb. 25**

Education for a New Age: The Transition of Society from a Myth of Fact to a Myth of Imagination | 6 - 8 PM Virtual

**March 3**

UD Reads Book Club | 12 PM Virtual

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## Employee Updates

**Congratulations: Employee Promotions**

2/16 - Kris Muñoz-Vetter - Chief Advancement Officer

2/16 - Clare Venegas - Chief Marketing & Communications Officer

2/16 - Ryan Haller - Director, Information Systems

**Welcome: New Employees**

2/22 - A'Darreon McDow - Electrician

**Thank you: Employee Departures**

2/19 - Jose Molina - Custodian

2/9 - Jeffrey Allen - Police Officer

2/23 - Mary Chang - Specialist, Accreditation

2/23 - Kathleen Whitgrove - Administrative Assistant

2/23 - Gail Schroeder - Administrative Assistant

2/23 - Nicholas McAfee - Administrative Assistant

2/23 - Eleanor McCarter - Administrative Assistant

2/23 - Nicholas Otranto - Administrative Assistant

2/23 - Barbara Robinson - Administrative Assistant

2/23 - Kendra Delarge - Administrative Assistant

2/23 - Michael Leshner - Advisor, Domestic

2/23 - Kathy McGraw - Director, Lifelong Business Ed

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