A year ago, Dr. Tune came home. He completed his bachelor's degree in Biology at UNT in 1994 and earned his PhD at the UNT Health Science Center in 1997. From there, he's put together one impressive career: Post-doctoral fellowship at the University of Washington School of Medicine in Seattle, assistant professor back at the HSC (2000-03), faculty member at LSU Health Sciences Center in New Orleans followed by the Indiana University School of Medicine in Indianapolis. In March 2020, he came full circle as the Professor and Chair of the HSC’s Department of Physiology and Anatomy. Had he opted for a non-medical career, it's clear Dr. Tune might still have been a professor at UNT -- no, not at the College of Music -- as a professor of a particular era of American history. How do we know? Click the button and you'll see what we mean.

If you'd like to nominate a faculty or staff member to spotlight, please email communications@untsystem.edu.
From Denton to Dallas to Fort Worth to Frisco, our UNT System campuses and office locations were impacted by February's winter storm and subsequent power outages. But we weathered it due to extraordinary efforts of teams across UNT World. The employee names you will see scrolling through the video above were submitted by leaders from UNT, UNT Dallas, UNT Health Science Center and UNT System administration in recognition of extra effort -- above and beyond the normal call of duty that allowed us to care for our students while working through the many challenges. We Are North Texas!

❤️ HR UPDATE: Women’s History Month

"Real change, enduring change, happens one step at a time" -- Ruth Bader Ginsburg

"It is better to light a candle than curse the darkness" -- Eleanor Roosevelt

"Where there is no struggle, there is no strength" -- Oprah Winfrey

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March is dedicated to honoring the significant contributions of American women and a time to share inspiring stories to salute the countless women making an impact in their communities, nation and world. We have assembled an excellent list of resources to do just that, and to share with your family and friends:

- Online exhibits from the National Women's History Museum
- Women's suffrage
- Reading challenge list for kids
- PBS’ What to Watch
Our Women's History Month movie 🎥.list: *Hidden Figures* | *A League of Their Own* | *The Joy Luck Club* | *Norma Rae Wild* | *The Color Purple* | *North Country* | *RBG* | *Iron Jawed Angels*

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"How important it is for us to recognize and celebrate our heroes and she-roses" -- Maya Angelou

"I will not follow where the path my lead, but I will go where there is no path, and I will leave a trail" -- Muriel Strode

Please share your inspiring Women's History Month quotes on social media and use the hashtag #IamEDI. And be sure to visit our Equality, Diversity & Inclusion Calendar of Observances & Holidays to learn more about March celebrations.

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**New date scheduled for virtual UNT World Town Hall with Chancellor Roe**

The UNT World Town Hall will take place at 1 p.m. on Monday, March 29. Chancellor Lesa Roe will be joined by UNT System Vice Chancellors Sheraine Gilliam-Holmes (Chief Human Capital Officer), Chris McCoy (Chief Information Officer) and Jack Morton (Government Relations). Chief Communications Officer Paul Corliss will moderate the Q&A. Join Town Hall via Zoom at untsystem.edu/marchtownhall. If you have specific work-related questions for the panel, please email communications@untsystem.edu.

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**HIGH FIVE: Mean Green coach's vision comes to fruition with tourney ticket**

The season before Grant McCasland took charge, the Mean Green basketball team finished 8-22. Four years later, his team is headed to the NCAA Tournament for the first time since 2010. McCasland has engineered a quick and exciting turnaround. This Dallas Morning News article looks back at where the program was when McCasland took over and why he believed there was so much potential for the program. The Mean Green's run to the Conference USA championship last week and first-round matchup against Purdue on Friday (6:25 p.m. on TNT) has given UNT World the chance to come together and collectively cheer just when we can all use some good news to get behind. Good luck in Indy! #GMG

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**HIGH FIVE: UNT Dallas College of Law named most diverse in America**

UNT Dallas College of Law was founded to expand access to law school. Located downtown in the beautifully renovated Old City Hall building across the street from the UNT System building, UNTD College of Law school is living up to its mission. preLaw magazine's Winter 2021 edition has ranked it the most diverse law school in America, stating: "UNT Dallas College of Law closely matches the U.S. average for the number of Hispanics, Asians, Blacks and Native Americans. Our evaluations are based on how well each school matches those U.S averages." Congratulations to Dean Felecia Epps and the entire faculty and staff who tirelessly work to build a new brand of law school -- a law school for all. Read the full article by clicking here (page 28).
📢-update: Tuition benefits for employees and dependents across UNT World
As part of UNT System's effort to operate efficiently and effectively to best serve its students and support its important missions, Chancellor Lesa Roe and the presidents of UNT System's three institutions have discussed tuition benefits that are provided to employees at all UNT System and campus locations, as well as their dependents, and retirees. At this time, current tuition benefits will not be changed or impacted. Please read more about this discussion by clicking here.

💉-COVID-19 VACCINE INFORMATION: County-by-county registration
The Employee’s Retirement System of Texas encourages everyone to get vaccinated as soon as a vaccine is made available to you. People 50 and older are now eligible to be vaccinated. For information on when and where you can get a COVID-19 vaccination, contact your health plan, primary care provider other health care provider, or click on the county links below. You may register to receive the vaccine in any county.

- Collin County
- Dallas County
- Denton County
- Tarrant County
- Texas COVID-19 Vaccine Provider Locations
- OptumRx Prescription Drug Program Vaccine & General COVID-19 Information
- Avoid COVID-19 Vaccination Scams

🎙-ON THE AIR: Listen to every episode of the We Are North Texas Podcast
Click the headline above to access our UNT System podcast catalog of episodes featuring interviews with innovative leaders. Latest episode: Jennifer Bartkowski, CEO for Girl Scouts of Northeast Texas, discusses the impact of COVID-19, the organization's STEM program and the greatest challenges ahead. #WeAreNorthTexas

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Homebuying 101
March 18, 2 - 3 p.m.

On Demand Video: Healthy Hints about Nutrition
March 22, available from 8 a.m. -- 5 p.m.

On Demand Video: Healthy Plate
March 23, available from 8 a.m. -- 5 p.m.

Social Security Strategies for Couples
March 23, 11 a.m. -- noon

Estate Planning Basics
March 24, 11 a.m. -- noon

Intermittent Fasting with Lindsey Menge MS, RD, LD
March 25, 10 -- 11 a.m.

Weight Mgmt: What is Naturally Slim?
March 25, 1 -- 1:30 p.m.

Journey to Wellness: HealthSelect Overview
March 30, 10 -- 11 a.m.
Building a Healthy Microbiome (aka gut health) and Immune System
March 24, 10 – 11 a.m.

On Demand Video: 37 Healthy Food Ideas
March 31, available from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m.

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If you have an HR question or topic you’d like covered in the newsletter, please email HR@untsystem.edu.

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