Staff Appreciation Month Events

• **Ice Cream Social**  2:00-4:00 pm on March 7, Union Corner Store

Staff members are invited to join us for a come-and-go style ice cream social on Tuesday, March 7th in the Corner Store, located on the first floor of the Union, across from Barnes and Noble.

• **Frisco Tour and Reception**  10:00 am-2:00 pm on March 10, New College at Frisco

Enjoy a fun-filled behind-the-scenes tour of the New College at Frisco! A reception with light lunch will immediately follow the tour. If you would like to attend, sign in to my.unt.edu, select the Human Resources tab, and select “Training Development”, “Training Enrollment”. Search by course number UP17FT, click “View Available Sessions”, and then register for this session. Transportation will be provided via buses to the first 36 people who sign up. Additional attendees are welcome, however you will have to provide your own transportation at your own expense (attendance is optional).

• **Pop Over for Popcorn**  2:00-4:00 pm on March 16, Union Corner Store

Staff members are invited to pop over to the Corner Store, located on the first floor of the Union, and pick up a bag of popcorn on Thursday, March 16th! This event is come-and-go style.

• **Health Fair**  10:00 am–3:00 pm on March 23, Union Suite 333

Learn more about your health benefits and wellness as you visit with vendors at this tabling style event. There will be a drawing for door prizes, refreshments will be provided and Premier Corporate Wellness will be conducting cardiovascular screenings for staff members (please bring your UNT ID and insurance card to participate in the screenings).

• **Fun Run**  8:00-9:30 am on March 25, Pohl Recreation Center entrance

Staff members are invited to come and enjoy a walk/run (1, 3 and 5K) on campus. The Fun Run will take place in front of the Pohl Recreation Center and will begin at 8:00 am. The first 50 staff members who complete the Fun Run will receive a free t-shirt and free one day pass to the Pohl Recreation Center! Refreshments will be provided. Sign in, select the Human Resources tab, and select “Training Development”, “Training Enrollment”. Search by course number UP17FR, click “View Available Sessions”, and then register for this session.

• **Staff Appreciation Luncheon**  11:30 am–1:00 pm on March 30, Coliseum

Join us for the cornerstone event of Staff Appreciation Month! Staff receiving the following awards will be honored: Steve Miller Outstanding Employee, Rising Star, UNT Spirit, Customer Service, and Student Success. Door prizes await – bring business cards to enter drawings! The luncheon will also be served at Discovery Park, and live streaming of the event will be available.

Menu:  *Beef and chicken fajitas with grilled vegetables, cilantro rice, seasoned beans, Mexican salad, chips and salsa.*

• **Dining Discount**  All Dining Halls through March

Enjoy $4.25 March Madness! Dining Services is offering $4.25 meals for staff and faculty for the entire month of March. The offer is valid at all dining halls at all meal times. The price does not include tax and UNT faculty or staff identification is required.
**Learning Sessions**  
*Various dates throughout March*

Staff members can learn plenty of new skills and hobbies during Staff Appreciation Month. Register for any of the classes in the my.unt.edu portal:

- **Step 1:** Sign in to my.unt.edu
- **Step 2:** Select Human Resources tab
- **Step 3:** Select “Training and Development”
- **Step 4:** Select “Training Enrollment”
- **Step 5:** Search by course number
- **Step 6:** View the available sessions
- **Step 7:** Register for your desired session

**Thank a Staff Member**

One of the most effective ways to express appreciation is saying “thank you”. Even if most of the duties one performs are a normal part of the job, hearing thanks in a spontaneous and timely way can mean a lot to anyone. Show your gratitude and acknowledge an outstanding colleague through the “Thank a Staff Member” program. Take a minute or two to fill out a simple form by March 17, and submit to Human Resources. Responses will be collected and sent to the staff member before the Staff Appreciation Luncheon. Excerpts from those forms may also be a part of a presentation during the luncheon on March 30.

**Discovery Park Events**

Events will be held at Discovery Park throughout the month. Details will be shared through the departments located at Discovery Park.

**Department Level Celebrations**

Departments are encouraged to hold appreciation events for staff during the month of March.

**Student Health & Wellness Center Discounts**  
*Throughout March*

College Optical Express is offering UNT employees a 40% discount on frames and 25% discount on lenses for staff during the month of March! Lenses must be purchased with the frames and a valid prescription are both required to receive the discount (see COE staff for all terms and conditions). Eye exams are also available at regular rates for anyone in need of an updated prescription. The UNT Dental Office is a full-service practice that provides affordable, high-quality, and convenient dental care. They will be offering a $99 whitening special for faculty and staff in the month of March (offer must be mentioned at time of service to be honored, be sure to have your UNT ID with you). In addition, take advantage of lab specials available to faculty and staff each semester!

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