



Celebrate the Americans with Disabilities Act

The UT Southwestern community will honor the 36th anniversary of the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) on **July 8**, as we come together to celebrate the contributions, experiences, and strengths of our community.

The event kicks off at 11:30 a.m. with a light lunch reception featuring desserts catered by Bitty and Beau's Coffee, a business dedicated to employing and empowering individuals with disabilities.

Heakyung Kim, M.D., Chair and Professor in the Department of Physical Medicine & Rehabilitation at UT Southwestern, will deliver the keynote address at noon, followed by a panel discussion on caring for patients with disabilities.

Hosted by the Office for Institutional Opportunity, this event will be held from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on South Campus in D1.502 and livestreamed on [UTSW's YouTube channel](#) for those unable to attend in person.

Registration is required.

[Get the details and register](#)



From anatomy to evolution – history on display

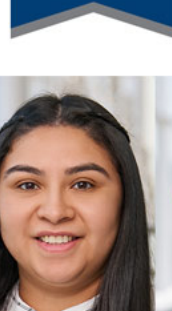
A new exhibit at the UT Southwestern Health Sciences Digital Library offers a rare chance to see history up close.

On display are some of the collection's most influential titles, including Andreas Vesalius' *De Humani Corporis Fabrica Libri Septem* ("On the Fabric of the Human Body in Seven Books"), the work that founded modern anatomy, and texts by Charles Darwin, whose theory of evolution reshaped science.

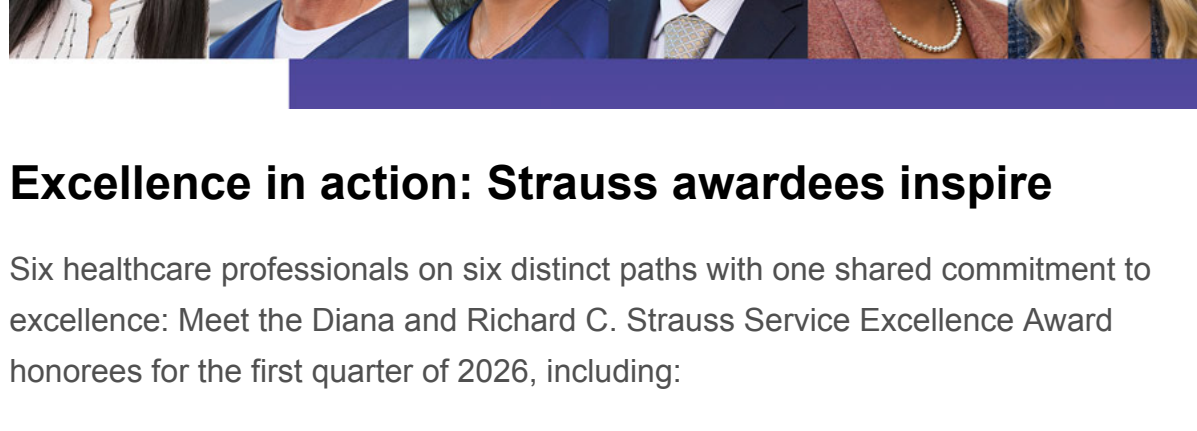
You will also find Bernard de Gordon's widely used medieval medical guide, Girolamo Fracastoro's early exploration of how diseases spread, William Harvey's work on blood circulation, and contributions from Ashbel Smith, a pioneer of Texas medicine. Each of these items represents a turning point in how we understand the human body and disease.

The archives team has installed three custom exhibit cases to showcase these rare works, previously only available through guided tours. Two cases will rotate every six months, offering something new to discover. To explore further or request a closer look, [email the archives team](#).

[Visit Instagram for a preview](#)



DIANA & RICHARD C. STRAUSS SERVICE EXCELLENCE AWARD



Excellence in action: Strauss awardees inspire

Six healthcare professionals on six distinct paths with one shared commitment to excellence: Meet the Diana and Richard C. Strauss Service Excellence Award honorees for the first quarter of 2026, including:

- A genetic counselor who brings clarity and comfort during life-changing moments.
- A clinical staff assistant who transforms every patient interaction into a welcoming and coordinated experience.
- An education program manager who empowers colleagues systemwide.
- Registered nurses who deliver hands-on care in inpatient units, the Emergency Department, and specialized procedural labs.

These honorees reflect the breadth of impact across the Health System.

[Explore their inspiring stories](#)



Final reminder: Apply for ALP by June 30

Ready to take the next step in your professional growth? The Aspiring Leaders Program (ALP) is accepting applications through June 30.

Eligible employees must have at least two years of service by Aug. 31 and meet all program requirements.

Designed for employees who are not currently supervisors but aspire to lead, this 12-month program combines hands-on learning and personalized support to help build the skills and confidence needed to succeed in a leadership role.

Participants will attend monthly in-person sessions, complete an individual capstone project, and receive development assessments and one-on-one mentoring.

[Email](#) the Talent Development team with any questions.

[Apply today](#)

Insider Guide



Experience the rich flavors of the Mediterranean

11 a.m. to 2 p.m., today

T. Boone Pickens Biomedical Building

Head to the ND.14 Skyline Café today for lovely views and a Mediterranean-inspired feast featuring souvlaki chicken, Greek-style shrimp, falafel, lemon potato wedges, yellow rice, hummus, and more. Cost is \$12.79 per plate, not including tax.

[Dig in for the details](#)



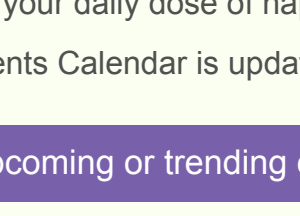
30th Advanced Imaging Research Center (AIRC) Symposium

July 6-7

T. Boone Pickens Biomedical Building (NG3.112)

The two-day event will open with a historical overview from **Craig Malloy, M.D.**, highlighting the Center's growth and impact, followed by a keynote from **Dean Sherry, Ph.D.**, reflecting on his contributions and vision. On day two, **Anke Henning, Ph.D.**, will share updates on recent scientific advances and insights into the future of AIRC.

[Register to attend](#)



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