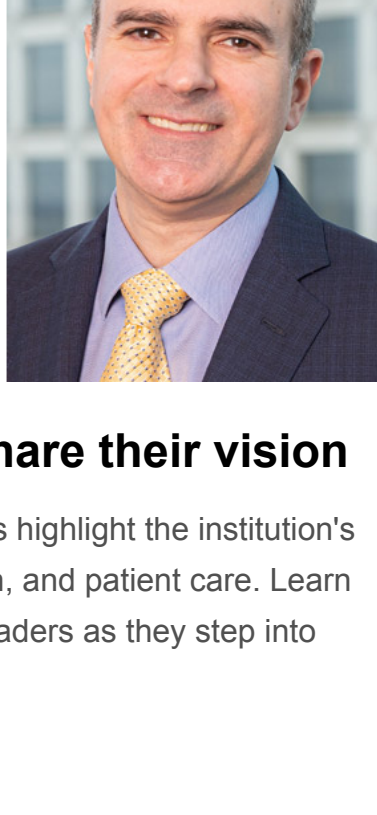
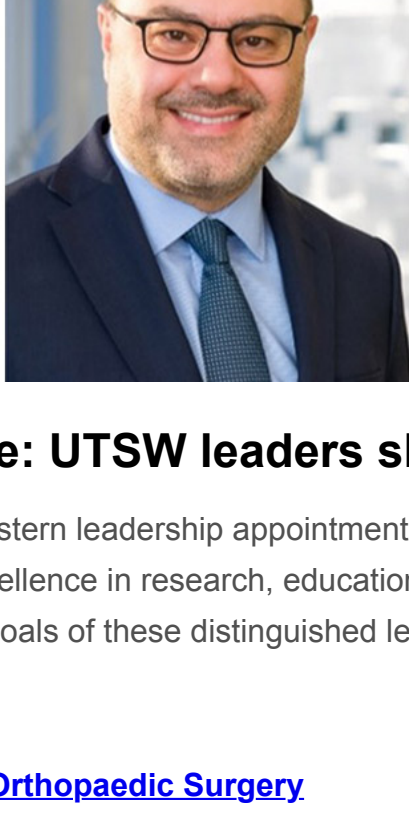
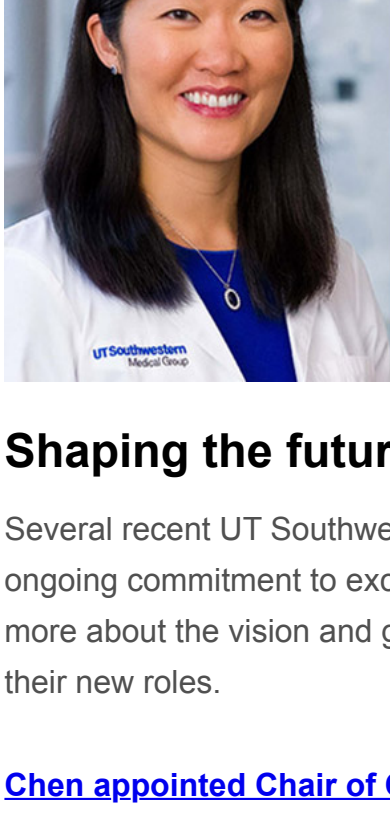




Shaping the future: UTSW leaders share their vision

Several recent UT Southwestern leadership appointments highlight the institution's ongoing commitment to excellence in research, education, and patient care. Learn more about the vision and goals of these distinguished leaders as they step into their new roles.

[Chen appointed Chair of Orthopaedic Surgery](#)

Antonia F. Chen, M.D., M.B.A., an orthopedic surgeon known for her studies on clinical outcomes after hip and knee replacements, is committed to education, discovery, and healing. Her priorities include accelerating clinical work, focusing on education for the next generation, and conducting research that will improve patients' lives.

[Rajji appointed Chair of Psychiatry](#)

Tarek Rajji, M.D., recognized for his research into restoring brain function in older patients with severe mental illness and Alzheimer's disease, hopes to expand clinical research efforts at UT Southwestern to generate new treatments for patients with various mental health conditions. He also aims to position the Texas Behavioral Health Center at UT Southwestern as both a leader in community clinical services and a hub for developing innovative, high-quality models of care.

[DeBerardinis appointed Director of Eugene McDermott Center for Human Growth and Development](#)

Ralph DeBerardinis, M.D., Ph.D., a physician-scientist and international leader in research on cancer metabolism, said that his goals for the McDermott Center include identifying genomic variations related to tractable human phenotypes and developing ways to normalize pathological phenotypes. He plans to recruit faculty in computational genomics, population genetics, and mechanistic- and disease-focused basic science.

Lynne Kirk, M.D., to speak about physician well-being and professionalism at Snyder Lecture

At this year's William H. Snyder III, M.D., Lecture, Professor Emeritus **Lynne Kirk, M.D.**, will explore how well-being relates to fulfilling professional responsibilities and ways in which physicians can improve their well-being.

Dr. Kirk's research focused on clinical prevention, geriatrics, and medical education. She has published on professionalism and competency-based medical education, particularly on the best ways to train physicians at all levels of medical education – medical school, residency/fellowship, and the continuum of medical education.

The campus community is invited to attend the lecture on Wednesday, Oct. 30, at 1:30 p.m. on South Campus in Tom and Lula Gooch Auditorium (C). The event honors Dr. Snyder, who joined the UT Southwestern faculty in 1971 and earned a reputation as a highly skilled clinician, gifted surgeon, and inspiring teacher.

[More information](#)

Trunk or Treat: A spook-tacular evening with UTSW police

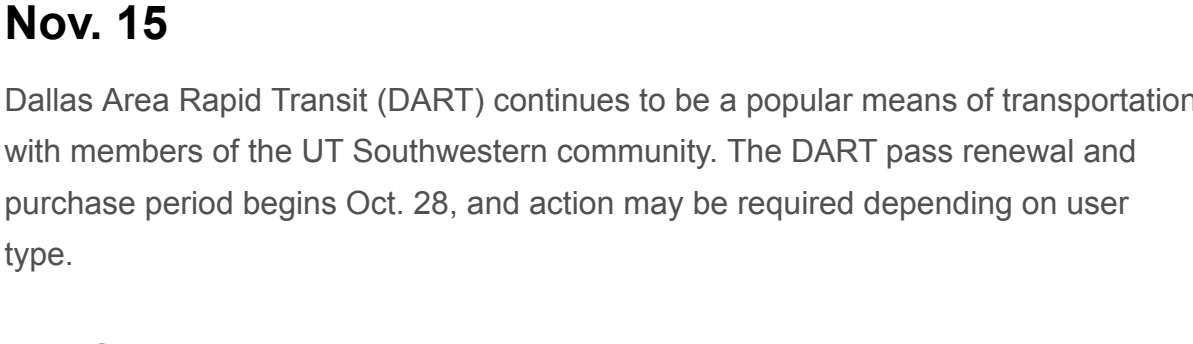
Bring your little ghosts and goblins for a safe and spooky night of Halloween fun at UTSW Police Department's Trunk or Treat on Oct. 24 from 5:30-8 p.m.

What's happening:

- **Trick-or-treating:** Collect candy from creatively decorated car trunks.
- **Games and prizes:** Play Halloween-themed games and win some boo-tiful prizes.
- **Face painting:** Become a monster, superhero, or favorite character with face painting.
- **Photo booth:** Snap a pic to remember the night.
- **Snacks:** Enjoy some tasty treats to keep the energy up!
- **Where:** UTSW Police station parking lot (6010 Forest Park Road, Dallas)

Put on your best costume, bring the family, and prepare for an evening of thrills and chills!

This event is open to the public and UTSW community.

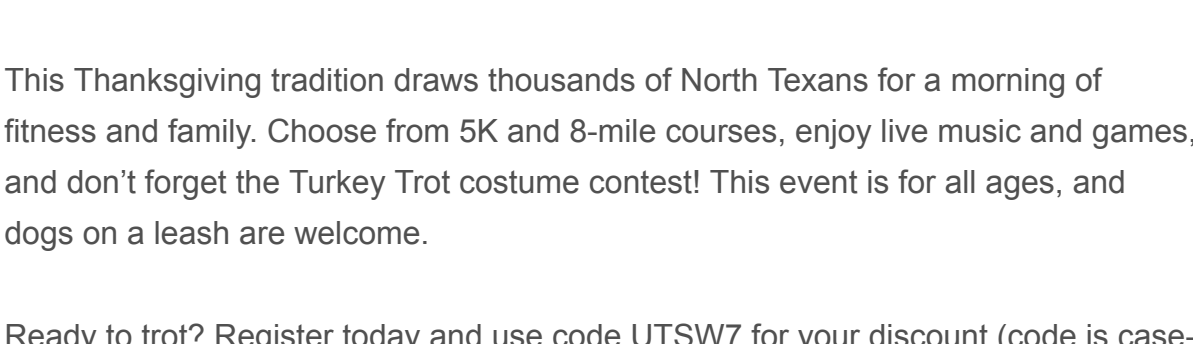
[Details](#)


DART pass auto-renewal/purchase period Oct. 28-Nov. 15

Dallas Area Rapid Transit (DART) continues to be a popular means of transportation with members of the UT Southwestern community. The DART pass renewal and purchase period begins Oct. 28, and action may be required depending on user type.

- Current users who want to renew: No action is required.
- Current users who **do not** want to renew: [Email Parking Services](#) and include your employee number by Nov. 15 to cancel a DART Tap card and by Dec. 2 to cancel a DART GoPass. (Failure to cancel by these dates will result in auto-renewal.)
- New users: Starting Oct. 28, purchase 2025 DART passes via the Parking Portal ("Order Permits" button) by Nov. 15 to ensure access to passes by Jan. 1, 2025.

UT Southwestern will continue to provide subsidies to full-time employees based on salary and the type of DART pass used. By buying a DART pass through UTSW, employees and students can save an average of more than 50% off the standard price. Part-time employees can get a DART pass for the Level C price.

[Details and pricing](#)


Get ready for the 2024 YMCA Turkey Trot

Start your Thanksgiving off with some healthy community spirit and make memories that'll last long after the pumpkin pie is gone.

The 57th annual Dallas YMCA Turkey Trot is happening Thursday, Nov. 28, and UT Southwestern is proud to be a sponsor for the fourth year running. We've got a special treat for you: \$7 off each registration for you, your family, and friends!

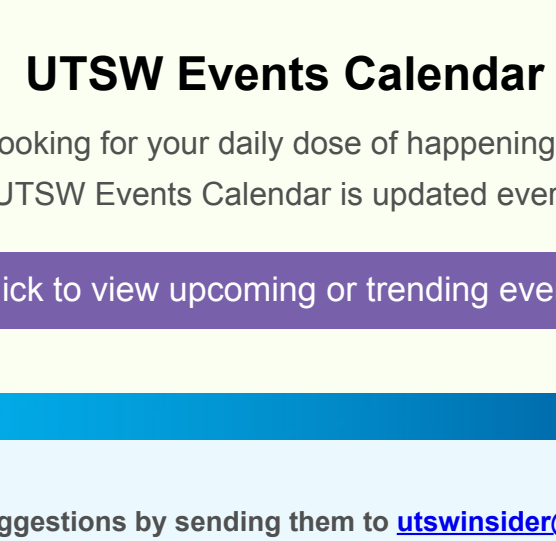
This Thanksgiving tradition draws thousands of North Texans for a morning of fitness and family. Choose from 5K and 8-mile courses, enjoy live music and games, and don't forget the Turkey Trot costume contest! This event is for all ages, and dogs on a leash are welcome.

Ready to trot? Register today and use code UTSW7 for your discount (code is case-sensitive).

See you there!

[Turkey Trot info and registration](#)

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Academic poster design education session

Noon-1 p.m., Oct. 24 | Virtual

The UTSW Health Sciences Digital Library and Learning Center is hosting an education session to help you create standout traditional and virtual conference posters. You'll learn tips for using PowerPoint effectively, get guidance on poster design and templates, and discover best practices for visualizing tables and charts. The workshop also covers digital imaging techniques and offers print vendor recommendations to make sure your poster looks its best. Register [here](#).

[Details](#)


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