

TCU THIS WEEK

EVENTS AND INFORMATION FOR THE TCU COMMUNITY

VOL. 1, NO. 16

SEPTEMBER 25, 1995

Chemistry professor receives Research and Creative Activity Award

CHANCELLOR BILL TUCKER awarded chemistry professor Bob Neilson the Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Research and Creative Activity during the University's fall convocation ceremony last Thursday.

The chancellor honored Bob with a ceremonial plaque and a \$16,000 check. The award money may be used as the recipient chooses. The honor is endowed by an anonymous TCU alumni couple.

Since he joined the TCU faculty in 1978, Bob's area of research has been inorganic chemistry. His laboratory research in the field of polymers has led to two patents. Utilizing material such as phosphorus, boron and silicon, this new generation of polymers has more potential than its organic cousins for high-tech applications.

Bob's research has been described as "highly innovative and trail-blazing" by a colleague. It has led to more than 80 publications, and he has been awarded research grants by the National Science Foundation, the U.S. Army Research Office, and the Robert A. Welch Foundation.

A 1969 graduate of Carnegie-Mellon University, Bob received his Ph.D. from Duke University and conducted postdoctoral studies at the University of Texas at Austin.

Other nominees for the 1995 Distinguished Research and Creative Activity Award were: David Balch (Brite), Christopher Barry (business), Lee Daniel (modern languages), Gail Davis (nursing), Charles Lockhart (political science), Michael Meckna (music), Doug Newsom (journalism), and Dan Southard (education). ♦

United Way: 'Your Help is Their Hope'

"YOUR HELP IS THEIR HOPE" is the theme of this year's United Way campaign. Although United Way has provided support nationwide for years, many individuals are not aware of the breadth of hope this organization gives.

Nationwide, United Way supports about 47,000 human care organizations. Tarrant County United Way supports services such as counseling for families and individuals, day care, emergency shelter for families, meals and transportation for older adults, character-building programs for youths and therapy for people with disabilities.

In last week's edition of *TCU This Week*, Provost Bill Koehler addressed some of the issues concerning potential United Way givers. Below are his answers to some additional concerns/misconceptions.

Q: "I thought giving to United Way meant that its member agencies would not solicit me individually, but they're still calling me."

A: "In response to community needs, the number of United Way agencies has increased over the years as has the number

EVENTS

Sept. 25

Questions about the Pension Fund, taxes, social security and retirement will be addressed by Art Hanna, a representative of the Pension Fund of the Christian Church. Personal conferences will be held in the Student Center from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

Faculty flute recital featuring Karen Adrian, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Free.*

Sept. 26

Honors Program Fireside Chat. David Grant, 1994-1995 Honors Professor of the Year, will discuss "Thinking About God In Our Time," 7 p.m., Bass Building, Room 107. Faculty and staff members welcome.

Sept. 27

Deadline to turn in registration forms for the University Leadership Retreat.

WordPerfect 5.1 training, 8 a.m.-noon, Human Resources.**

Master class for TCU dance students taught by international ballet artist Fernando Bujones, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Studio B, Ballet and Modern Dance Building. Open for public viewing. Call Ext. 7615 for more information.

Women's soccer - TCU vs. SMU, TCU soccer fields, 4 p.m. Free.***

Sept. 27-Oct. 1

TCU Theatre production of William Shakespeare's *The Taming of the Shrew*, tells the classic tale of Petruchio and Kate the shrew. Performances are at 8 p.m. on Sept. 27-30 and 2 p.m. on Sept. 30 and Oct. 1. Call Ext. 7626 for reservations. Admission is \$5 for adults and \$3 for students.

Sept. 28

Deadline for returning United Way pledge cards to vice chancellors.

WordPerfect 5.1 training, 8 a.m.-noon, Human Resources.**

Welcoming Diversity workshop, 9 a.m.-4:30 p.m., Student Center, Room 205-206. Registration forms must be turned into the University Ministries Office. For more information, call Ext. 7830.

Fine Arts Film: "A Bout De Souffle," 7 p.m., Moudy Building, south wing, Room 164. Introduction by David Whillock, chairman of the RTVF department, with a public discussion following the film. Free.

of services provided by those agencies. The budgets of those agencies have also increased, but United Way's contributions to their programmatic budgets have not increased proportionately. In fact, many agencies are getting a smaller percentage of funding from United Way than they were 10 years ago. These agencies cannot exist on United Way funds alone. They solicit your contributions in order to balance their budgets."

Q: "Why should I give to United Way when I've already given to my favorite charity?"

A: "My hope would be that you could find a way to support both. Many agencies supported by United Way are valuable to

Sept. 28

English As a Second Language, General Education Degree preparation and Adult Basic Education classes, 3-5 p.m., Human Resources. **

Sept. 29

Women's soccer - TCU vs. Old Dominion University, 4 p.m., TCU soccer fields. Free.***

Art in the Metroplex Exhibit final day.

Reception and open rehearsal conducted by international ballet artist Fernando Bujones, 6:30 p.m., Ballet and Modern Dance Building. Open to the public. Call Ext. 7615 for more information.

Programming Council comedy concert: Carrot Top, 8 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Tickets available at the Student Center information desk. Call Ext. 7928 for ticket information.

Sept. 30-Oct. 1

University Leadership Retreat, DFW-Hilton.

Sept. 30

Suzuki Metroplex Festival, 9 a.m.-5 p.m., Ed Landreth Hall and Moudy Building. Students of Suzuki violin, viola, cello and harp will participate in a variety of classes to enhance their skills. All-student performance, 3:45 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Free to observers. Registration fee for students is \$30; \$25 for the second and third child.*

TCU Symphony concert featuring violin soloist Brian Lewis, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Directed by John Burton, interim director of orchestras, a 55-member orchestra will accompany Lewis. Concert held in conjunction with the TCU Metroplex Suzuki Festival. Free.*

Programming Council Film, "Bound By Honor," 9 p.m., Student Center ballroom. Free.

Oct. 2

Winesanker Lecture by Michael Collins, professor of musicology at the University of North Texas, 3 p.m., Ed Landreth Hall, Room 103. Discussion of Italian composer Gioachino Rossini, followed by a reception. Free.*

John Owings piano recital, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Free.*

*Call Ext. 7602 for more information.

**Call Ext. 7792 for more information.

***Call Ext. 7969 for more information.

the community, but are not as "high profile" as others and subsequently don't receive the support they need. If we dedicate our philanthropies to one or two high profile organizations, there will be a breakdown in the community support system. The quality of life in our community will be diminished when that happens."

Sept. 28 is the deadline for returning your United Way pledge cards to the appropriate vice chancellor's office. If you have questions about your gift or United Way, call Ext. 7808 and talk to Larry Lauer, associate vice chancellor for communications and public affairs and campus campaign chair, or Linda Gilley, campus campaign coordinator. ♦

Faculty members to tame *Shrew*, tackle Beethoven

TWO UPCOMING FINE ARTS events will highlight the diverse talents of TCU faculty members.

The first will be a piano recital by TCU music faculty member John Owings. John awed local audiences when he played all 32 of Beethoven's piano sonatas in a cycle in 1993. On Oct. 2, he'll again turn his attention to the composer, this time focusing on Beethoven's last works for piano. Featured pieces will include *Six Bagatelles*, Op. 126, and *33 Variations on a Waltz by A. Diabelli*, Op. 120. The recital is free and open to the public and will begin at 7:30 p.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

TCU Theatre has added Saturday matinees to its fall productions to keep up with increased ticket requests. Shakespeare's madcap *The Taming of the Shrew* will launch the season Sept. 27-Oct. 1. TCU theatre faculty member Steven Breese will direct the classic battle of the sexes, which tells the tale of Petruchio's "taming" of his beloved shrew, Kate. "*Shrew* never ceases to fascinate me," Steven said. "Even though it was written in the 15th century, what it says about love, lust, power and pride remains captivating and thrilling. It's also very funny." TCU theatre faculty member George Brown will add his stage combat expertise to the production in the small but important role of Vincentio.

Shrew is free to TCU students, and staff and faculty members. Call the University Theatre Box Office at Ext. 7626 for reservations.

Consult the *TCU This Week* Events listing for more information on upcoming fine arts events. ♦

Intensive English Program boasts highest-ever enrollment

THE INTENSIVE ENGLISH PROGRAM at TCU begins its fourth year with its largest fall enrollment ever. Program director Kurk Gayle said that the IEP's 30 students from 10 different countries—Japan, Hungary, Thailand, Indonesia, Jordan, Panama, Saudi Arabia, Taiwan, Mexico and South Korea—add to TCU's diversity.

"Not all TCU students have the opportunity to study abroad," he said. "The Intensive English Program brings the world to TCU."

This past academic year, 75 students from 17 nations studied English in the IEP. Of the new international enrollees at TCU this fall, more than 20 percent are IEP graduates. ♦

TCU THIS WEEK is published every Monday (every other week in the summer) by TCU's Office of Communications. Submit story information, classifieds and calendar items in writing one week before publication.

Malisa Laidlaw, editor, *TCU This Week*, internal communications editor

Victor Neil, assistant editor, *TCU This Week*, communications specialist

Rick L'Amie, director of communications

Andy Kesling, assistant director of communications

How to reach us:

921-7810

Campus mail: Box 30776

e-mail: NEWS@TCU.EDU

For delivery changes, call **Judy Cartmill** at 921-7899.

Workshop designed to reduce prejudice

FACULTY AND STAFF members are encouraged to participate in a one-day workshop, "Welcoming Diversity," sponsored by University Ministries. The program is designed to recognize the range of identities and issues in a diverse campus environment and to reduce the impact of prejudice in daily routines. It will be offered six times during the academic year beginning Thursday, Sept. 28.

The workshop uses experiences developed by the National Coalition Building Institute (NCBI) and has been successfully held on more than 100 campuses. The program will be led by a team of NCBI-trained TCU staff and faculty.

The Sept. 28 workshop will meet in the Student Center, Room 205-206, from 9 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Other workshops will be conducted on Oct. 20, Nov. 13, Feb. 13, March 27 and April 25. For more information, contact University Ministries at Ext. 7830. ♦

Faculty and staff invited to student-led retreat

FACULTY AND STAFF MEMBERS are invited to attend the University Leadership Retreat, Sept. 30-Oct. 1, at the Dallas/Fort Worth Hilton. Academics, admissions, athletics, TCU's budget and campus life are among the topics that the participants will discuss.

Faculty members are encouraged to attend this year's retreat to spend time with their students outside the classroom, said Sharon Selby, student body vice president. "What makes TCU unique is the close relationships between many of the students and faculty members," she said.

Registration for the retreat is \$25 to stay overnight and free to those who stay until dinner on Saturday. Applications are available in the House of Student Representatives' Office (Student Center Annex) or at the Student Center information desk. The deadline is Sept. 27. For more information, call Ext. 7924. ♦

Neeley MBA named to Business Hall of Fame

ERIC J. TIJERINA, a Neeley School MBA degree candidate, will be honored Oct. 5 by the Texas Business Hall of Fame Foundation with a \$5,000 academic scholarship.

The foundation inducts top scholars from Texas colleges and universities as well as business leaders who live or work in the state. Past business community honorees have included John Roach, Mary Kay Ash, Ross Perot, the late Amon Carter Sr., Stanley Marcus and Trammell Crow. Schools nominate their top scholars for consideration by the Hall of Fame, which interviews leading candidates and presents cash scholarships to winning students.

Among the latest in a long line of Hall of Fame honorees from TCU, Eric is one of 22 students selected this year. Awards will be presented during a ceremony at Houston's George R. Brown Convention Center. ♦

Give blood this week

STOP BY the Student Center Lounge Sept. 26-28 and give blood at the Alpha Phi Omega and Carter Blood Center Blood Drive. The event will benefit 48 hospitals in the surrounding area. Mr. Gatti's Pizza will donate one free small pizza to each blood donor. ♦

APPOINTMENTS

Julia Alarcón is the newest service assistant I in facility services. She was previously employed by Tandycrafts.

Gail Arlington is a new office assistant in financial aid. Gail is a former employee of Arlington Independent School District.

Juan Chavolla has joined the staff of the physical plant as a groundskeeper I. Juan has been on temporary staff since April.

Jan Darwin started working on the National Science Foundation grant as project coordinator through the School of Education in August. Jan received a B.A. from the University of Missouri and was a reporter for KNWS-TV in Houston before coming to TCU. She is pursuing a master's degree in mass media.

Richard Enos joins the English department as the Lillian Radford Chair of Rhetoric and Composition. Richard was most recently a professor at Carnegie-Mellon University and also taught at the University of Michigan.

John Finke has joined the athletics department as assistant marketing director. Before coming to TCU, John worked in East Carolina University's athletics department.

The English department has hired **Sherri Geller** as an assistant professor. Sherri was a visiting assistant professor at Loyola University in Chicago and an instructor at the Illinois Institute of Technology.

Isabel Gomez and **Rosetta Jones** from residential services have recently received promotions. Isabel, a TCU employee since November 1979, is now a service assistant supervisor. Rosetta, first employed by TCU in November 1985, has been promoted to a service assistant II.

David Hobbs, who was a ranch hand with Holt Ranch, is now a security guard in campus police. David is also a junior at TCU and a former student worker in campus life.

CLASSIFIEDS

Piano lessons: Learn beginning piano technique and theory skills with a young, experienced teacher; \$8 per half-hour lesson. Call Darcy at 763-5564.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The human resources office lists the following vacancies as of Sept. 18. For more information on any of these positions, call Ext. 7790.

Director, Center for Productive Communication—School of Business

Assistant Program Director/Tennis Pro—Athletics

Reference/Bibliographic Librarian—Library

Director of Financial Aid—Financial Aid

Administrative Assistant I—Admissions

Administrative Assistant II—Communications

Accompanist/Technique Classes—Ballet/Modern Dance

Pre-press Specialist—Printing Services

Police Officer—Campus Police

Security Guard—Campus Police

Plasterer—Physical Plant

Craft Tech II/Cabinet Maker—Physical Plant

Scenic Studio Supervisor (50%)—Theatre

Service Assistant I (p/t)—Facility Services

Service Assistant I (f/t)—Facility Services

Groundskeeper I—Physical Plant