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Memorable events on tap for spring semester

SPRING SEMESTER '98 SEEMS DESTINED to have its share of bright spots and bittersweet moments as the calendar plays out the final months before Chancellor Tucker's retirement in July.

The Next Frontier Campaign which officially ended Dec. 31 shows tangible results from the five-year fund-raising effort. The goal of \$100 million was exceeded by an additional \$21-plus million. Achievements include nine new endowed faculty positions, \$19 million in additional scholarship funds and three new buildings added to campus with more in the design stage.

Plans are under way to close out the campaign with an invitation-only dinner March 27 at the Worthington Hotel, an evening which will also serve as a "Thanks for the Memories" celebration honoring Bill and Jean Tucker. The TCU Library is creating a special display of "the Tucker years" which will be premiered at the downtown event.

March 26-31 marks the opening and dedication of the \$12 million Mary D. and F. Howard Walsh Center for Performing Arts. Plans call for a Steinway Night to celebrate a new home for great piano music, a Theater Night to premiere the state-of-the-art theater complex and an open house featuring tours of the facility and ongoing performances by music and theater students.

Another first is slated for April 23-24 with the debut of a TCU Latin American Music Festival. From 8 a.m. lectures to nighttime concerts, there will be total immersion in classical music that is little known in the United States.

Germán Gutiérrez (music) is the driving force behind the festival, bringing to campus composers and talent from Mexico, Peru, Spain, Argentina, Panama, Brazil and Colombia.

Also, from the College of Fine Arts and Communication, comes a series of special events tied to the citywide Tandy RetroFest '98 celebration of the 1940s. From theater productions to musical performances to screenings of film noir classics, TCU is an active participant in this unique event.

In its unique partnership with Columbia University, TCU is sending its first group of students to the Biosphere 2 Center for the spring semester. The experimental campus outside Tucson, Ariz., offers "Earth Semester," a 16-hour interdisciplinary course.

Green Chair professors who will visit over the next few months include: Dr. John Conway (math), March 4; Dr. Maureen Weiss (kinesiology and physical education), April 17; Dr. Mark Wrighton (chemistry), April 30 and Dr. Freda Adler (sociology), May 1. Also on campus this spring will be Judith Graves (nursing) and Mark Kruger (design, merchandising and textiles). ♦

New football coach names staff members

RECENTLY-HIRED COACH DENNIS Franchione (Fran-CHO-nee) has announced that seven members of his staff from the University of New Mexico have also decided to come to TCU. Joining Dennis will be Mike Schultz, assistant head coach/running game coach; Dan Dodd, offensive coordinator/quarterbacks coach; Gary Patterson, defensive coordinator/safeties coach; Kasey Dunn, cornerbacks coach; Stan Eggen, defensive line coach; Mark Parks, linebackers coach, and Mark Tommerdahl, tight ends coach. Also joining from the University of Oklahoma will be Kenneth Pope, wide receivers coach. "I have tremendous confidence in this group. Plus, this nucleus accustomed to working together certainly should prove beneficial during our transition period at TCU," Dennis said. One staff position, offensive line coach, remains open, although he hopes to fill it "in the next few days."

Dennis' appointment as Horned Frog football coach was announced Dec. 15 by Athletics Director-elect Eric Hyman. Dennis, who earned national attention and respect for turning the University of New Mexico's Lobo football squad into a top competitor in the WAC and the nation, was the 1997 Western Athletic Conference coach of the year.

According to Eric, "I said on my first day on campus that I would be looking for three cornerstones in a head football coach: intelligence, work ethic and integrity. I believe that in Dennis Franchione we have found all three and that makes him a perfect match for TCU."

Known as "Coach Fran" by players, friends and colleagues, Dennis was born in Girard, Kansas and earned his bachelor's degree from Pittsburg State in 1973. He and his wife, Kim, have two children, Ashley, 18 and Libby, 12. Dennis also has a son, Brad, 23, who

EVENTS

Jan. 12

Classes begin.

Jan. 13

Cliburn concert featuring pianist Menahem Pressler, 8 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Call 335-9000 for ticket information.

Jan. 15

Women's Basketball — TCU vs. San Diego State, 7 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. *

Jan. 16

Human resources seminar — "Overcoming Negativity," 8 a.m. - 4 p.m. Luncheon included. Call for reservations. **

Programming Council film — *LA Confidential*, 9 p.m., Student Center ballroom. Free.

Jan. 17

Men's Basketball — TCU at San Diego State, 7 p.m. On Fox SW.

Women's Basketball — TCU vs. Hawaii, 7 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. *

Jan. 19

Martin Luther King holiday. University offices closed.

King birthday celebration, 7 - 8 p.m., Student Center basement.

Men's Basketball — TCU at Hawaii, 11 p.m. On ESPN.

Jan. 20 - Feb. 13

Art faculty art exhibition, Moudy exhibition hall. ***

For more information:

*Call the ticket office at ext. 7967

**Call human resources at ext. 7790

***Call art and art history at ext. 7643

serves as a graduate assistant at Arkansas State. ♦

Geider new head of Ranch Management Institute

JEFF GEIDER, A GRADUATE OF THE Ranch Management Program in 1981, is the new William Watt Matthews Director of the University's new Ranch Management Institute, succeeding Dutch Baughman.

Jeff has been involved in many phases of agricultural production, livestock marketing, risk management and market analysis as well as government affairs.

"The new Institute at TCU will extend the educational opportunities currently provided by Ranch Management to a national and international level," says Jeff.

Internationally, the Institute will work with foreign governments and educational institutions to form ranch management educational programs in other countries. ♦

TCU to offer scholarships to winners of global science fair this May

TCU HAS COMMITTED EIGHT FULL scholarships, valued at \$47,000 each, to winners of the 49th International Science & Engineering Fair being held in Fort Worth May 10-16 at the Tarrant County Convention Center

The six-day event is the culmination of school and regional fairs for approximately 1,000 finalists from the United States and 40 foreign countries. Fort Worth is the only city in the world to be selected three times as host to ISEF.

Intel ISEF is the world's only science project competition for students in the ninth through 12th grades. It brings together students, teachers, corporate executives and government officials from around the world. Students compete for over \$2 million in scholarships, tuition grants, scientific equipment and scientific trips.

"This is the premiere science fair in the world," says Provost Bill Koehler. "These students represent the future of the planet and we would very much want to afford them an opportunity to be a part of TCU. We know that these bright, young minds would be challenged and excel at TCU and we are pleased to offer these scholarships to recognize their achievements and potential." ♦

This year's teaching awards go to McDorman, Sacken and Williams

THREE FACULTY MEMBERS RECEIVED Deans' Teaching Awards during winter commencement Dec. 20 in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. This year's honorees are: Kathy McDorman, director of the Honors Program, Mike Sacken, professor of education and chairman of Educational Foundations and Administration, and Chuck Williams, associate professor of management.

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The awards of \$2,500 each are presented annually by the University for significant and meritorious achievement in teaching.

During commencement, the University conferred 635 degrees, including 477 baccalaureate, 116 master's and 16 doctoral degrees. Brite Divinity School conferred 26 degrees. ♦

Horned Frog basketball teams on winning track

BOTH HORNED FROG BASKETBALL teams began the year on fire. The men went out to a perfect 9 and 0 record while the Lady Frogs began the year at 8 and 1.

After an appearance in the Associated Press' top 25 ranking at #24, the Horned Frogs suffered some setbacks against higher-ranked Kansas and Syracuse.

The Lady Frogs proved their season is no fluke with championships in both the University of New Orleans Classic and their own TCU Lady Frogs Invitational. This arguably is one of the best seasons in Lady Frog basketball history.

Make sure and attend the upcoming home games for the Horned Frog and the Lady Frog basketball teams. For tickets call 922-FROG.

TCU Men's basketball 1997-98

Upcoming Games		
Jan. 17	@ San Diego St	FoxSW
Jan. 19	@ Hawaii	ESPN

TCU Lady Frogs 1997-98

Upcoming Games		
Jan. 15	San Diego State	7 p.m.
Jan. 17	Hawaii	7 p.m.

Downtown fine arts events

FACULTY AND STUDENTS FROM THE College of Fine Arts and Communication have planned a third season of lunchtime performances downtown at The Contemporary Art Center of Fort Worth. The free, public events, coordinated by John Burton (associate dean) start at noon on the first, second and fourth Thursdays of each month. The CAC is located in the Gainsco Building, at the corner of 4th and Commerce Streets.

The Spring '98 schedule:

Jan. 22	Student Jazz Combo
Jan. 29	Music students Amy Gilley, soprano, and Kate Stevens, piano
Feb. 5	Faculty Scott Ferrell, tenor, and Amy Hurst, piano student
Feb. 12	Sawgrass Poetry Group
Feb. 26	Cello Choir
March 5	Faculty Nick Scales, bass
March 12	Students Jennifer Stone, voice, and Anna Goldsworthy, piano
March 26	Janet Pummill and Company play "Music of the 40's" for Tandy RetroFest '98
April 2	Faculty Alton Adkins and students, French horns
April 9	Faculty Chip Christ, guitar recital
April 23	Student composers recital

Professor Rhonda Hatcher receives national award at annual math conference

RHONDA L. HATCHER (MATH) WAS ONE of three honored for Distinguished Teaching during last week's joint meeting of the American Mathematical Society and the Mathematical Association of America, held in Baltimore, Md.

The MAA presented \$1,000 Haimo Awards for Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics to Rhonda, as well as to Colin C. Adams of Williams College and Rhonda Jo Hughes of Bryn Mawr College.

These awards, instituted in 1991, are given "to honor college or university teachers who have been widely recognized as extraordinarily successful and whose teaching effectiveness has been shown to have had influence beyond their own institutions.

Last year, Rhonda received the Texas Distinguished College or University Teaching of Mathematics Award from the MAA and was a 1994 winner of the TCU Deans' Teaching Award. ♦

DEATHS

Sympathy is extended to Margaret McWhorter (design, merchandising and textiles) in the death of her mother, Mrs. Floy Crouch, Dec. 9. Services were held the following weekend in Kansas.

Sympathy is also extended to Sybil White (business school) in the death of her mother Dec. 13. Services were held in Irving Dec. 15.

Sympathy is extended to Sandy Record (communications) in the death of her mother, Ruth D. Hawk, Dec. 20. Cryptside services were held Dec. 22 in Fort Worth.

Sympathy is also extended to the family of Calvin Cumbie, retired registrar, who died Jan. 1. No services were held.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: 486SX-25Mhz Packard Bell computer with CD-ROM, sound, 14.4bps modem and monitor, Windows 3.1, MS Works and Quicken software included. \$450. Call James at ext. 6101.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The human resources office lists the following vacancies as of Jan. 8. For more information on any of these positions, call ext. 7790.

Chancellor — Chancellor's Office
 User Services Consultant — User Services
 Project Architect — Physical Plant
 Director of Gift Planning — Advancement
 Scholarship Stewardship Coordinator — University Advancement/Donor Relations
 Theological Librarian — Brite Divinity School
 Administrative Assistant II — Student Development
 Stage Technician — Fine Arts/Communication
 Craft Tech Supervisor I/HVAC — Physical Plant
 Craft Tech Supervisor II/Plumber — Physical Plant
 Craft Tech II/Journeyman Plumber — Physical Plant
 Craft Tech I/HVAC — Physical Plant
 Police Officer — Campus Police
 Service Assistant III — Facility Services
 Service Assistant I — Facility Services