

Chancellor Ferrari's answers to faculty/staff questions continue

IN THE LAST ISSUE OF *TCU THIS WEEK*, Chancellor **Michael R. Ferrari** answered a number of questions from faculty and staff. The following is the last part of that series, designed to help the campus community become acquainted with our new Chancellor.

Q. How will you live out the relationship between TCU/Brite and the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) in the Southwest, and in the United States and Canada?

Stephen V. Sprinkle
Brite

A. The Brite Divinity School has a special relationship to and with TCU. The stature, traditions, and aspirations of Brite to be among the premier divinity schools in America contribute greatly to the reputation and vitality of the University. I look forward to a close interaction with the faculty, staff, students and Brite Board of Trustees, to fostering mutual respect and support between the University and the School and to seeing TCU and Brite work together in maximizing the considerable strengths we bring to each other.

Q. In terms of such things as funding and salaries, where would you place the library and its professional staff priority-wise, among all the other divisions, staff and faculty on campus?

Laura J. Ruede
Special Collection, Library

A. To be sure, a library is central to the intellectual life of a University, and the resources needed for books, periodicals, technology and staff services that support teaching, research and learning are extremely important. At the same time, the mission of a University is fulfilled by dedicated people at all levels in all divisions. While some functions are more central to TCU's mission than others, I hope everyone recognizes that TCU will achieve true greatness if all parties feel ownership and demonstrate genuine pride in what the University is and will become in the years ahead.

Q. What is an M.L.A. (Master's in Liberal Arts) or any upper level degree from TCU worth to the University?

Gracie Partido
Administrative Assistant, Kinesiology
and P.E.

A. High quality graduate programs enhance the status of TCU, provide additional value to society, enrich undergraduate education, and indeed make us a real University.

Q. There does not seem to be a program in place to support staff employees who have many years of school loyalty, education, administrative/professional experience, as well as multi-language skills. Does TCU have an interest in providing upper level employment opportunities for those of us who have worked, studied and played hard?

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A. This is a very intriguing question, and I would like to learn more about what is needed. I have interest in training and professional development programs. I believe there should be greater rewards and recognition tied to performance. I believe staff members should be involved in institutional planning and decision-making, and welcome suggestions on how the University can strengthen the work environment for staff.

Q. What do you think technologically up-to-date facilities will play in the future of each student? Why is TCU so behind in multi-media and technology in each classroom?

Larry G. Garrison
Physical Plant

A. Computing and information technology play a vital role in preparing our students for the future. They contribute to active learning by faculty and students alike. TCU has excellent multi-media capabilities in the M.J. Neeley School of Business, Graphic Design and many other areas. However, I have learned already of needs in other colleges and schools. I expect technology enhancements to be important priorities in the coming years.

Q. Do you consider employees of TCU as assets to be invested in and nurtured or expenses to be minimized?

Marilyn Eudaly
Psychology

A. Faculty and staff represent the human capital of TCU and determine in large measure the kind of University we will become in the 21st century. (You will find that I do not like to use the word

"employees" when referring to faculty and staff.) As such, we must continue to identify ways to nurture performance, recognize the contributions of faculty and staff, and invest in the continuing growth and development of all faculty and staff.

Q. To enhance a sense of community between students, faculty and staff, Residence Hall directors have adopted a goal of involving faculty in hall programming each semester. We believe that your involvement would send a positive message to faculty and students about the importance of integrating the academic and the community aspects of the college experience. Would you consider being involved in hall programming as the halls open in August or in the subsequent months as your schedule permits?

Dottie Long
Residential Services

A. Research studies confirm that faculty involvement in residence halls and other student activities strengthens campus life, increases student retention, and builds a stronger sense of community. I commend faculty and staff who give time and energy to this effort, and I would be delighted to participate in such activities this year.

All-new Opening Luncheon set for Aug. 20 in coliseum

MARK YOUR CALENDARS NOW TO attend TCU's new Opening Luncheon event. All faculty and staff are invited to attend the Aug. 20 luncheon in Daniel-Meyer Coliseum. Buffet lines will open at 11:15 a.m.

This is the first time the opening luncheon will be held in the coliseum, the only campus facility large enough to accommodate all TCU faculty and staff.

"I am extremely pleased that, for the first time, all faculty and staff can come together in this way as we celebrate the beginning of a new academic year at TCU," says Chancellor Ferrari. "This event provides a special opportunity to gather informally as a University family—greeting colleagues old and new before the fall semester begins. I hope as many as possible will be able to attend!"

Watch for more details about the program in future editions of *TCU This Week*. Your department or unit head will be contacting you about making reservations for the event. As long as essential offices and services are covered, all faculty and staff are encouraged to attend. ♦

Housing crunch means faculty/staff asked to rent rooms to students

AT A TIME WHEN MANY UNIVERSITIES are facing dwindling requests for on-campus housing, TCU finds itself in an enviable position. Current requests exceed the number of rooms available. (Residence halls can sleep 2,439 students, while the Greek houses accommodate 602 fraternity and sorority members.)

Many students have been placed but there are approximately 150 more applicants on a waiting list. To that end, Residential Services is compiling a list of alternative accommodations near the campus to pass on to students who have not yet been assigned on-campus housing. Any faculty or staff member who has a room or apartment for rent can have their name added to this list by calling ext. 7865.

"We will simply pass along the names to a student. It will be up to the student and TCU employee to negotiate rental arrangements and occupancy guidelines," says **Roger Fisher**, director. "We just want to help the students in any way we can to secure living arrangements as the start of classes quickly approaches."

Residence halls open Aug. 15 and fall classes start Aug. 24, with final exams schedule to end Dec. 19. ♦

New jazz CD pays tribute to Bill and Jean Tucker

A RECENTLY-RELEASED CD BY THE TCU Jazz Ensemble, titled *Thanks for the Memories*, features Chancellor Emeritus **Bill Tucker** and his wife, Jean, both on the album cover and on the face of the disc as well.

Curt Wilson (jazz studies) says the Chancellor is a longtime supporter of his

jazz bands and nearly always attended their concerts. "When the Chancellor announced his retirement, we wanted to honor him in some way."

The CD was recorded over three sessions at Eagle Audio downtown during April and May. It includes jazz favorites like *September in the Rain*, *Chinatown My Chinatown*, *Caravan*, *Stealin' Apples*, *Tribute to Frank Sinatra*, as well as *Thanks for the Memory* with special, poignant "TCU lyrics" created by Curt's wife, Kay Wilson.

The CD is available for \$10 in the band office in Ed Landreth Hall. It will also be sold at the TCU Bookstore and at Borders Books and Music on Hulen Street. Phone ext. 7640 for more information. The CD can be heard on the World Wide Web at <http://tcujazzensemble.iuma.com> ♦

Chancellor Ferrari to make first public appearance in FW

CHANCELLOR MICHAEL R. FERRARI WILL discuss his new role as TCU's top administrator during a luncheon at noon Aug. 5 at Colonial Country Club. The event is sponsored by the South Area Council of the Fort Worth Chamber of Commerce.

This will be the Chancellor's first public appearances since assuming the office on July 1.

Tickets are \$15 for members and \$25 for non-members. For more information, call Michelle West at 336-2491, ext. 242. ♦

Where do you live?

If you have moved in the last year, be sure to update your home address and phone number that is on file with Human Resources. Call HR at ext. 5021.

Parking permits go on sale

CAMPUS POLICE WILL BEGIN distributing faculty, University staff and general staff parking permits Aug. 4.

Permits may be obtained from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Aug. 4, 5, and 6 outside the controller's office, Sadler Hall, room 104, or at the Campus Police office, 3025 Lubbock.

The controller's office will not be issuing receipts this year. Instead, take them your completed application to be stamped. Then take the application to Sadler Hall or to the Campus Police office to receive your permit.

After Aug. 6 you may send your PAID application with the controller's stamp to the Campus Police via interoffice mail (Box 298230). A permit will then be sent back through interoffice mail. All information must be complete before mailing the application.

Faculty and University staff permits will cost \$25 and general staff permits will be \$20. Reserved space permits will cost \$100.

Call Campus Police at ext. 7930 for more information. ♦

BIRTHS

Congratulations are extended to **Mark Parry** (annual fund) and his wife on the birth of their daughter, Laurel Dunham Parry, on July 12.

Congratulations are also extended to **Linda Gilley** (communications) on the birth of her granddaughter, Lillian Gray Yeargins on July 21.

DEATH

Sympathy is extended to **Eva Rumpf** (journalism) on the death of her father, Richard Augustin, June 10 in New Orleans.

Sympathy is also extended to **Fred Oberkircher** (design, merchandising and textiles) on the death of his mother, Helene Oberkircher, July 15. Services were held July 18 in Erie, PA.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: Bedroom furniture, 50-years-old, honey maple. Includes dresser 60Wx34Hx21D, 46" mirror, nightstand, bookcase headboard and bed frame for double bed. Mattress not included. \$165. Call Louann at 292-5176.

FOR RENT: Unfurnished garage apartment near campus, cute, quiet, private, approximately 400 square feet, all bills paid, security. \$415. Available Sept. 1. Call Don at 294-7578.

FOR RENT: 3/2/1 home near campus, nice area, hardwood floors. \$1,200 per month. Call 926-6998.

FOR SALE: Avon products for buying, selling or for group fund raisers. Call Phyllis at 441-9299 between 6 & 9 p.m. for information.

FOR SALE: 1991 Ford XLT/Lariat, club cab. 5 speed, 67k PS,PW,PL, cruise, bedliner, burgundy color, gray int. \$7,500. Call 924-9826.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The human resources office lists the following vacancies as of July 22. For more information on any of these positions, call ext. 7790.

Senior Associate Leadership Gifts - Leadership Gifts
Associate Director of Residence Life - Residential Services
Program Coordinator - Student Development Services
Postdoctoral Fellow - Chemistry
Director, Development Information Services - Advancement Services
Director Donor Relations - Advancement Services
Assistant Athletic Media Relations Director - Sports Information
MBA Career Services Director - School of Business
Director of Annual Fund - Brite
Systems Programmer - Technical Services
Athletics Equipment Intern - Athletics
Logistics Coordinator - Institute of Behavioral Research
Administrative Assistant II - Campus Life-International Students
Administrative Assistant II - Communications & Public Affairs
Administrative Assistant I - Miller Speech & Hearing
Administrative Assistant I - Athletic Academics
PeopleSoft Support Office Asst. (1 yr. appt.) - Registrar
PeopleSoft Support Office Asst. (1 yr. appt.) - Financial Aid
Data Control Specialist II - Development Information Services
Computer Support Specialist I - User Services
Library Assistant II - MCB Library
Craft Tech Supervisor I/HVAC - Physical Plant
Craft Tech II/Journeyman Plumber - Physical Plant
Groundskeeper I - Physical Plant
Service Assistant Supervisor - Student Center
Service Assistant III - Facility Services
Service Assistant II - Facility Services

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