

TCU THIS WEEK

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TCU will reorganize academic structure, expand to eight colleges and schools

CHANCELLOR MICHAEL R. FERRARI announced Wednesday the reorganization of TCU's academic structure to better position us for ongoing academic development and reinforce our determination to move to the next level of distinction in American private higher education.

The modification, which has been endorsed by senior administrative officers, deans, and the executive committees of the Faculty Senate and TCU Board of Trustees, will become effective summer 2000. The 1999-2000 academic year will be a transition period for full implementation of the reorganization from six to eight colleges and schools:

■ AddRan College of Arts and Sciences will be divided into two colleges — AddRan College of Liberal Arts and College of Science and Engineering.

■ College of Fine Arts and Communication also will be divided into two colleges — College of Fine Arts and College of Communication.

■ A new College of Health Sciences and Human Services will be comprised of the Harris School of Nursing and other health-related and human service fields.

■ The School of Education and the M. J. Neeley School of Business will retain their current structure. Brite Divinity School will not be affected by these organizational changes.

Chancellor Ferrari will discuss the reorganization and answer questions at an open meeting at 4 p.m. Wednesday (Aug. 25) in the Faculty Center of Dave Reed Hall. All interested faculty and staff are urged to attend this informative session.

Regarding the rationale for restructuring, Chancellor Ferrari said, "In listening to faculty and staff since joining TCU, I became increasingly aware of continuing concerns regarding the ability of our current academic structure to meet the needs of the future. The prevailing perception is that the current structure does not convey the strength and diversity of our academic offerings or provide the optimum context to develop new and emerging undergraduate and graduate programs."

"With these observations in mind and the need to establish in the coming weeks the college and school task forces for The Commission on the Future of TCU, I believe

it is timely for us to have in place a structure that will fulfill our mission and vision," he added.

A national search for dean of AddRan College of Liberal Arts will be initiated this fall with the expectation that a new dean will be in place no later than next summer. Dean **Michael McCracken**, current dean of AddRan, will become dean of the College of Science and Engineering effective June 1, 2000.

David Whillock, interim dean of the College of Fine Arts and Communication, will oversee the creation of a College of Fine Arts and a College of Communication. A national search for dean of the College of Fine Arts will start this fall with the expectation that a new dean would be in place no later than next summer. A national search for dean of the College of Communication will commence in fall 2000.

Dr. **Rhonda Keen-Payne**, current dean of the Harris College of Nursing, will become dean of the College of Health Sciences and Human Services next summer, and provide leadership this year for the incorporation of the Harris School of Nursing and other departments selected for the new college.

National deanship searches for the M. J. Neeley School of Business and the School of Education will proceed as planned with the expectation that permanent deans will be in place no later than next summer.

This announcement enables the task forces of The Commission on the Future of TCU to be formed based on the new college/school structure. Chairs and other members of the task forces will be selected from constituent and stakeholder groups consistent with the new academic design. The Commission on the Future of TCU is intended to engage and mobilize more than 400 TCU constituents, alumni and other stakeholders in a collaborative planning effort to position TCU for increased stature in American private higher education. ♦

Jeff Mittie takes over women's cage program

JEFF MITTIE, WOMEN'S BASKETBALL coach at Arkansas State University the past four seasons, was named head coach at TCU, replacing **Mike Petersen**, during a press conference Thursday at the Dee J.

EVENTS

Today

TCU Opening Luncheon - Chancellor Ferrari hosts opening luncheon for faculty and staff at Daniel-Meyer Coliseum from 11:15 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Aug. 24

Faculty Center reopens for academic year.

Aug. 25

Classes begin.

Chancellor Ferrari invites faculty and staff to hear more about TCU's academic reorganization, 4 p.m., Faculty Center.

Aug. 27

TCU Women's Soccer - TCU vs. Houston, 6 p.m., TCU Soccer Field.**

Aug. 29

TCU Men's Soccer - TCU vs. Incarnate Word, noon, TCU Soccer Field.**

** Call athletics ticket office at ext. 7967.

Kelly Alumni & Visitors Center.

"Jeff Mittie exemplifies TCU. He cares about the student-athlete, he's a family man with strong values, and will serve as a positive influence for our young women," said **Eric Hyman**, athletics director. "Everyone we talked with holds him in the highest regard. Jeff is an energetic, enthusiastic person. The committee was in complete agreement. Jeff is the person to lead the TCU women's basketball program. He is a wonderful fit for this institution."

A veteran of seven seasons as a college head coach, Mittie owns a 151-59 overall record in his stints at Arkansas State and Missouri Western State College.

"TCU is a first-class university with a strong commitment to athletics," Mittie said. "I am very excited about this opportunity and look forward to building a nationally recognized program here at TCU."

"We are fortunate to attract a coach with Jeff's proven track record and high personal standards to continue to develop a successful women's basketball program," said **Chancellor Ferrari**. "Jeff's interest in TCU underscores our reputation as a University committed to being competitive in all sports in Division I athletics."

A native of Blue Springs, Mo., Mittie earned his undergraduate degree in sports management from Missouri Western in 1989, and his master's in sports administration from the United States Sports Academy in Mobile, Ala., in 1992. From 1989 through 1991, he

(Turn to **Mittie** on back)

(Mittie from front)

served as athletics promotions manager at his alma mater. Immediately after his graduation, he served as an intern with the Kansas City Royals public relations department.

Mittie and his wife, Shanna, are the parents of three children: daughters, Logan and Madison Shaye, and son, Jordan. ♦

Faculty complete session on teaching portfolios

A NUMBER OF TCU FACULTY MEMBERS last week attended an on-campus teaching portfolio workshop conducted by Peter Seldin, professor of management at Pace University in New York City.

Roger Pfaffenberger, director of TCU's Center for Teaching Excellence, coordinated the event which was designed to improve teaching effectiveness through self-reflection and tracking a record of student successes.

Participants included: **C. David Grant**, **Yushau Sodiq** and **Darren Middleton** (religion); **Sherrie Reynolds** and **Mary Patton** (education); **Linda Curry**, **Mary Beth Walker** and **Susan Weeks** (nursing); **Dianna Newbern** (psychology); **Joe Lipscomb**, **Steve Mann**, **Ranga Ramasesh** and **Mo Rodriguez** (finance and decision science); **Curtis Bratley** (physics); **Sheila Allen** and **Richard Estes** (music); **Carol Thompson** (criminal justice); **Blake Hestir** (philosophy); **Angela Thompson** (sociology) and **John Thompson** (management). ♦

Join underwater world of scuba diving Frogs

ATTENTION ALL TCU FACULTY, STAFF, students and spouses interested in forming a campus Scuba Club. **George Brown** (theatre) hopes to organize a group to promote the sport of scuba diving in a safe and responsible manner. The club would create opportunities for members to advance their knowledge of safe diving techniques, share current concerns about the sport, provide enjoyable social activities, travel and dive.

Contact George at ext. 6083 or g.brown@tcu.edu. ♦

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Faculty Center will open with new decorative touches, revamped menus

FULL SERVICE OF FACULTY LUNCHES IN the Faculty Center, Reed Hall, resumes tomorrow (Aug. 24). Hours are 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. weekdays.

Some changes have been made to the room's ambiance, as well as to the food selections, according to **Margaret Kelly**, director. The steam table and institutional look have been replaced by upscale buffet service...chafing dishes and food displays on a skirted table.

The daily menu will feature a \$5 lunch special, consisting of one entree, one vegetable, one starch, rolls, beverage and dessert. Soup, an expanded selection of salads and a deli bar are also available daily. Margaret notes the menus are being specially created for the Faculty Center and will not be the same entrees featured in the Main.

With next Monday's edition, *TCU This Week* will begin posting the Faculty Center's menu selections for the current week. ♦

Holiday schedule for remainder of 1999 posted

HUMAN RESOURCES REMINDS THE campus community of the holiday schedule for fall semester, in case people need to make travel arrangements.

TCU will observe Labor Day Monday, Sept. 6. During Thanksgiving week, the University will be closed Nov. 25 and 26.

The Christmas holidays will extend from Dec. 24-31, with offices opening Monday, Jan. 3. ♦

NEW FACES

Gavina Crum, who recently relocated from North Carolina, has been hired as a service assistant in facility services

Bevin H. Kurtz has joined residential services as the hall director for Waits. She is a fine arts graduate of Bethel College where she formerly worked as a hall director.

Valerie Liberta is the new costume shop supervisor in the theater department. A graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, she was last employed at Dallas Theatre Center.

Monica Ray has been hired as administration program specialist in advancement. She was formerly with EQ Financial Consultants, Inc.

Artist Thornton has joined residential services as the hall director for Milton

Daniel. He has bachelor's and master's degrees in communication studies from the University of North Texas and is working on his Ph.D. degree in English at TCU.

Donna Utley, CPA, has been hired as assistant director of financial accounting in financial services. She has an M.S. degree in accounting.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: Epson 1050 dot matrix printer (extra ribbon included free) excellent condition, \$40. Please call Karen at 335.8500.

FOR SALE: '92 Chrysler LeBaron convertible, 58,000 miles, black, auto, CD, excellent condition, \$6,000. Call Don at ext. 7552 or 346-1102.

HOUSE FOR SALE: 1,045sq.ft., 3-bedrooms, 1 bath, remodeled kitchen, \$39,900, located near Baptist Seminary. Call Michael at 480-5800.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

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

Training Assistant - IBR
Assistant/Program Director/Tennis Pro - Athletics/Tennis Center
Systems Analyst - Information Services/Financial Systems
Vice Chancellor for Finance & Business/Treasurer
Reference/Electronic Services Librarian - Library
Curator - Art & Art History
Stewardship Events Coordinator (P-T) - Donor Relations
Postdoctoral Fellow - Physics and Astronomy
Manager of Administrative Systems - Information Services
Manager of Mechanical Systems - Physical Plant
Assistant Athletic Trainer - Athletics
Director of Teacher Certification - School of Education
Athletic Academic Advisor - Athletics
Assistant Men's Tennis Coach - Athletics
Mail Distribution Supervisor - Post Office
Production Specialist - Student Publications
Human Resources Specialist I - Human Resources
Administrative Assistant II - School of Business, Dean's Office
Office Assistant - Scholarships & Student Financial Aid
Administrative Assistant I - Financial Services
Library Assistant II (75%) - Library
Library Assistant II - Library
Security Guard (75%) - Campus Police
Craft Tech Supervisor I - Physical Plant
Craft Tech II/Electrical - Physical Plant
Craft Tech II/HVAC - Physical Plant
Groundskeeper I - Physical Plant
Groundskeeper II - Physical Plant
Service Assistant Supervisor - Facility Services
Service Assistant - Residential Services
Service Assistant - Facility Services

Temporary summer vacancies exist in the physical plant for workers in the following areas: groundskeepers, painters, plasterer helper, carpenters/general maintenance, and mechanical.