

# TCU THIS WEEK

EVENTS AND INFORMATION FOR THE TCU COMMUNITY

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## Fall 1999 Trustees Report

AT THE ANNUAL FALL MEETING OF THE TCU Board of Trustees, **Chancellor Michael R. Ferrari** reported Friday on several key indicators of the health and continuing development of the University, including:

- An increase in enrollment and student retention (freshman to sophomore). Undergraduate enrollment for this fall is 7,603 compared with 7,395 last fall, a gain of 2.8%. Freshman-to-sophomore retention rose to 83%, up from 80% last year. Student retention is considered a critical index in most institutional ratings.

- A partnership with four other universities in North Texas to secure high-speed access to the next generation of the Internet, called Internet 2. This capability, said Ferrari, will provide greatly enhanced capabilities to faculty and staff for teaching and research, as well as a stronger platform to deliver and access web-based instruction.

- The discussion of preliminary planning for renovations to the Brown-Lupton Student Center and Cyrus K. and Ann C. Rickel Recreational Building. The administration plans to study concepts submitted by two architectural/planning firms.

- The addition of a third board meeting during the academic year, to be held each January in addition to the November and March meetings.

"This has been an exceptionally positive fall at TCU. Last week, in particular, was indicative of the flavor of the fall: wonderful alumni events, announcement of our new Leadership of the Americas program thanks to a grant from American Airlines, the dedication of the School of Music and a concert that demonstrated the unusual strength of the arts at TCU. It is an exciting time to be part of TCU, and I hope you sense the spirit and optimism felt by faculty, staff and students," Ferrari told the board.

In other business, the board:

- Approved a Joint Resolution on Continuing Affiliation and Services between TCU and Brite Divinity School that strengthens their institutional association and clarifies governance arrangements. The Board also endorsed by-laws approved by the Board of Trustees of Brite Divinity School that rename the positions of dean and associate dean to president, and vice president and academic dean, respectively, as is customary among seminary schools.

- Authorized the renovation of Foster

Hall, part of the ongoing residence hall renovation program, at the cost of \$8.1 million.

- Approved the design for the William E. and Jean Jones Tucker Technology Center and authorized the production of construction and engineering documents.

- Approved resolutions honoring former trustees and honorary members of the board James R. Curtis Sr., who passed away July 2, 1999, and Marion L. Hicks, who passed away July 31, 1999.

- Conveyed profound gratitude and esteem to Carl T. Anderson, a trustee since 1977, for service to the Board and University. ♦

### Our "Frog Hills Golf Club" nearing USGA recognition with 42 members signed

GEOLOGY PROFESSOR MIKE SLATTERY has almost finished the detailed process of turning TCU into a "golf club without real estate," thus enabling its members to establish United States Golf Association handicaps without joining an actual country club.

There are no membership fees or dues for the TCU entity being registered with the USGA as "Frog Hills Golf Club."

Since Mike first announced his intentions in early October, more than 40 TCU faculty, staff and MBA students have expressed interest in joining the organization. They are: **William Watson, Ray Drenner, Ken Raessler, Barbara Herman, Charles Lord, Kelly Ham, Ronald Burns, Cathy Neece, Dan Dehart, Mike Mattson and Nowell Donovan.**

Also **Tim Kuchta, Michael Center, Charles Bamford, J. Doty, Roby Key, Greg Trevino, Don Mills, Scott Self, Steve Savage, Chris Drake, Phil Hartman and Leigh Ann Smith.**

Continuing the list are **Adam Baggs, Ken Morgan, Bob Bittle, Russell Hungton, A.J. Rogier, Scott Brian, Jason Ringstad, Matt Locke, Bob Baker, Chris Senn, Rosemary Solomons, Lance Brown, Peter Disterlic, John Folmar, Larry Kitchens, Dottie Cruz, Kooyul Jung and Darryn Willoughby.**

Mike, who has designed a logo for the club, estimates it will be operational within two weeks. "Once we are recognized by the USGA, we'll have a meeting," he said. Anyone interested in joining can reach Mike at ext. 7506 or at [m.slattery@tcu.edu](mailto:m.slattery@tcu.edu). ♦

## EVENTS

### Today and Tomorrow

Faculty Art Exhibition, Moudy Bldg., exhibition hall.\*\*\*

### Today

TCU Toastmasters, noon, Student Center, rm. 205. Call ext. 7865.

Faculty voice recital featuring **Richard Estes** and pianist **John Owings**, 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall.\*

### Nov. 23

Tues/Thurs Jazz Ensemble, noon, Student Center lounge.\*

TCU Wind Symphony and Community Concert Band, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium.\*

### Nov. 25-26

Thanksgiving Holiday. University offices will be closed.

### Nov. 26

Horned Frog football, TCU vs. SMU, 2 p.m., Amon Carter Stadium. Televised on Fox Sports Network.\*\*

VolleyFrogs vs. Rice, 7 p.m., Rickel Building. \*\*

### Nov. 27

VolleyFrogs vs. Tulsa, 7 p.m., Rickel Building. \*\*

### Nov. 29-Dec. 3

Bachelor of Fine Arts Studio Art exhibition, 7 p.m., Moudy Bldg.\*\*\*

### Nov. 29

Faculty piano recital featuring **Janet Pummill** and family, 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall.\*

\*Call the School of Music at ext. 7602.

\*\*Call the ticket office at ext. 7967.

\*\*\*Call the department of art and art history at ext. 7643.

## Faculty, staff organizing in support of those who teach

WHY WERE WE CALLED TO TEACH AND how can we support each other? Those questions and the ongoing dialogue they inspire are at the heart of a program soon to be established by and for TCU faculty and staff.

It was just a week ago that professor **Mike Sacken** (education) sent an all-campus e-mail to gauge interest in forming an early morning series for colleagues to explore the vocation of teaching. Within hours, he had received more than 30 favorable responses. Mike included staff because there are so many who work with students on a daily basis.

**Roger Pfaffenberger** (finance and decision science) and **Larry Kitchens** (instructional services) who direct TCU's Center for Teaching Excellence, along with **Bob Frye** (English) and Mike who make up its advisory board, hope to organize the group by the end

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of fall semester and begin the regular sessions in January. Mike says TCU is fortunate to have faculty who take the teaching profession seriously. "It is emotionally tiring, incredibly challenging work," he adds, noting that an interactive group like this can be a tremendous resource for growth and renewal.

"Breakfast Conversations on Teaching" will begin its dialogue with the book, *The Courage to Teach*, by Parker Palmer who recently appeared at TCU.

"We'll be trying to align our hopes and aspirations with the experiences we have," says Mike. For more information, contact him at ext. 6116 or d.sacken@tcu.edu. ♦

## Adam Baggs and wife honored by Big Brothers

ADAM BAGGS (ADVANCEMENT) AND his wife, Jennifer, were recently honored as "Big Couple of the Year" by Big Brothers Big Sisters of Tarrant County. More than 250 volunteers attended the recent event at Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary Robert E. Naylor Ballroom.

For the past three years, the Baggses have been matched with 12-year-old Cory Leach, a seventh-grader at Wedgwood Middle School.

Cathy Neece (advancement) received similar recognition last year when she was named "Big Sister of the Year." ♦

## Thanksgiving holiday alters TCU This Week deadline

DUE TO THE TWO-DAY HOLIDAY FOR Thanksgiving, copy for the Nov. 29 issue of *TCU This Week* is due by 10 a.m. tomorrow (Nov. 23).

If your office or department has an event scheduled for next week, please be mindful of this deadline when preparing your publicity. ♦

## Share "The Spirit of Christmas" by filling a child's wish list

TCU'S ORDER OF OMEGA AGAIN THIS year is participating in Bank One's "Spirit of Christmas" campaign which provides holiday gifts to thousands of abused and neglected children. An estimated 27,000 youngsters will benefit from this year's effort.

From 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. weekdays now through Dec. 1, you may select a child's name at tables set up in the Student Center, Worth Hills Cafeteria or in Dan Rogers Hall. You then purchase the child's requested gift and bring it to TCU's tree lighting ceremony at 10 p.m. Dec. 1, or return it to any Bank One location.

In the past 19 years, "The Spirit of Christmas" has collected 750,000 gifts for children throughout Texas. ♦

## Wind Symphony, Community Band share Tuesday concert

THE TCU WIND SYMPHONY, UNDER the direction of **Fred Velez**, will play a free, public concert at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday (Nov. 23) in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

The program includes music for large ensemble - *American Salute* by Morton Gould, *An Original Suite* by Gordon Jacob and *Elsa's Procession to the Cathedral* by Richard Wagner - as well as pieces written for smaller instrumentation, *The Good Soldier Schweik Suite* by Robert Kurka and *Circus Polka* by Igor Stravinsky.

Also on the program will be The TCU Community Concert Band, a group formed last spring that is comprised of TCU faculty, staff, students and community members. The ensemble class, offered through extended education, is for anyone, of any age, who once played a band instrument in high school or college.

This semester, there are four TCU staff members playing with the group: **Toni Parker** (band office), **Jeannie Chaffee** (chancellor's office) and **Jenny Jones** (human resources), all of whom play the clarinet, and **Howard Payne** (residential services) who plays trumpet. ♦

## Memorial for Alice Gaul today

A MEMORIAL SERVICE FOR THE LATE **Alice Le Veille Gaul** will be held at 4 p.m. today in Robert Carr Chapel. Alice was a member of the Harris College of Nursing faculty from 1978 until 1996. She was honored with a full military ceremony at Washington National Cemetery for her service in the Navy Nurse Corps during the Vietnam War.

For more information, call **Anne Lind** at ext. 7520. ♦

## Nick Petrella, percussion students onstage Nov. 30

A PERCUSSION ENSEMBLE CONCERT IS set for 7:30 p.m. next Tuesday, Nov. 23 in Ed Landreth Auditorium. The event is free and open to the public.

The program will include works by Rouse, Reich and John Cage, as well **Nick Petrella** featured solo performing *Mudra* by Bob Becker. ♦

## NEW FACES

**Joseph Aguilar** has joined University services as a service assistant. He attended California State University at Fullerton and has been employed at Winn-Dixie.

**Susie Davis** has been hired as a systems analyst in information services. She has an M.B.A. degree from the University of Dallas and comes to TCU from SCA Technologies.

**JoEllen Haney** is the new financial services assistant in financial services. She was formerly employed at Jones-Blair.

**Rebecka Tucker** has been hired to coordinate the new TCU/American Airlines Leadership for the Americas program in academic affairs. She received a B.A.

degree in Spanish/English from University of Mary Hardin-Baylor. She was formerly employed at McLane Financial Services Plus.

## Janet Pummill and family to perform together Monday

JANET PUMMILL'S FACULTY PIANO recital next Monday will be an evening shared with the musical talents of her entire family. The event is slated for 7:30 p.m. Nov. 29 at PepsiCo Recital Hall.

Janet will be joined by her husband, Douglas; son-in-law and daughter, Peter and Sallie Pollack; daughters, Amy and Julie, and son, Patrick, for a combination of duo piano works, vocal selections with various combinations of accompaniments and instrumental ensembles. ♦

## CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: 1989 Saab 900, 5-speed, white exterior, camel interior, Clarion am/fm cassette stereo, heated front seats, fold-down rear seats. Only 75K miles, very good condition, \$3200 OBO. Call Philip at 263-3426.

CHILDCARE NEEDED: In my home near campus in Berkeley neighborhood, 2-3 days per week from 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. for a 1-year old; and/or one evening per week for three children ages 1, 7 and 8. Pay is \$6/hr. for baby and \$7/hr. for all three. Please call Laura at 921-5894.

FOUND: 1999 Homecoming photos on west side of stadium at homecoming game on Nov. 13. A girl named Abby is in the pictures. If you know whom they belong to, contact Yvonne Mann at ext. 6054.

FOR SALE: 1988 Toyota Tercel, 5-speed, A/C, power steering, AM/FM stereo, 140K, Runs great! Call Mark at 377-6934.

FOR SALE: Pokémon cards - single cards to Boosters packs of 11. Call Tim, 5-7 p.m. Mon. to Fri., 923-1851.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Human Resources office lists the following vacancies as of Nov. 17, 1999. For more information on any of these positions, call ext. 7790.

Vice Chancellor/Finance & Business/Treasurer  
Human Resources Manager - Human Resources  
Director of Fraternity/Sorority Affairs - Campus Life  
Advisor - Minority Affairs  
Assistant Director of Student Info. Systems - Assoc.  
Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs  
Dean of Education - School of Education  
Dean of Fine Arts - Fine Arts  
Dean of School of Business - Business  
Dean of AddRan - College of Humanities and Social Sciences  
Database Administrator - Information Services  
Programmer Analyst - Information Services  
Director of Entrepreneurship Center - M.J. Neeley School of Business  
Reference Librarian - Library  
Residence Hall Director II - Residential Services  
Office Assistant - Registrar's Office  
Accounting Supervisor - Financial Services  
Financial Services Assistant - Financial Services  
Administrative Assistant I - Spanish & Latin American Studies  
Data Entry Operator - Admissions  
Craft Technician Supervisor I - Physical Plant  
Craft Technician I/HVAC - Physical Plant  
Craft Technician I/HVAC Control Center - Physical Plant  
Craft Technician I/General Maintenance - Physical Plant  
Groundskeeper I - Physical Plant  
Groundskeeper II - Physical Plant  
Service Assistant Supervisor - Facility Services  
Service Assistant - Residential Services  
Service Assistant - Facility Services