

# TCU THIS WEEK



EVENTS AND INFORMATION FOR THE TCU COMMUNITY

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## Trustees approve budget, first phase of academic facilities renovations

THE TCU BOARD OF TRUSTEES APPROVED Friday at their spring meeting the 2001-2002 budget of approximately \$189 million and reviewed plans for the renovation of classroom and academic facilities across campus. The need to upgrade facilities campuswide was identified as a priority in the Chancellor's final report to the members of *The Commission on the Future of TCU*.

Seventy-nine classrooms and labs will receive facelifts this summer as the first phase of a \$30 million, three-year renovation of academic and instructional facilities.

Designated classrooms and labs in the Bailey, Bass, Beasley, Landreth, Moudy North, Moudy South, Reed and Winton-Scott buildings will receive new lighting and lighting controls, ceilings, furniture, paint/plaster, wall surfaces for writing, audio/visual capabilities, computer enhancements and improved handicapped access. Construction is expected to begin in May and be complete before the start of fall classes in August.

Trustees authorized the administration to contract with Ellerbe Becket/Hahnfeld Associates and Linbeck Corporation to complete the construction documents for and construct the Sarah and Steve Smith Entrepreneurs Hall, which will house the James A. Ryffel Center for Entrepreneurial Studies and classrooms for the MBA program. They also authorized the administration to contract with Cannon Design/Hahnfeld Associates and Austin Commercial to complete the construction documents for and construct a greatly enhanced recreation center.

Chancellor Michael R. Ferrari told the board, "We know that this is a time for increased focus and careful execution of the strategies and plans now in place. We also are mindful that we need to continue to move forward confidently and aggressively while being sensitive to the changing environment for higher education as well as to the changing forces in our economy and society. And we know, as do you, that this is not a time for complacency. I hope that the committee meetings yesterday and today's business meeting make clear that we are not sitting on past laurels, but together we are laying the groundwork for even brighter days ahead for TCU."

Chancellor Ferrari also reported that, in

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## EVENTS

### Today - April 12

Art Slam: First Annual Exhibition of the TCU Honors Society of Artists & Designers, Moudy Bldg.\*\*

### Today

Student Nurses Association is sponsoring an organ and bone marrow donation drive, 11 a.m. - 1 p.m., Student Center lobby.

School of Music faculty quartet concert featuring John Owings (piano), Curt Thompson (violin), Misha Galaganov (viola) and Brinton Smith (cello), 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall.\*

### April 3

Staff Assembly meeting with special guest Jim Wright, 3 p.m., Kelly Center.

TCU String Orchestra, Germán Gutiérrez conducting, 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall.\*

Clibum Lecture Series, John Giordano speaking, 7 p.m., Moudy Bldg., room 141N.\*

### April 4

KinoMonda Film Series presents *I, The Worst of All*, 7 p.m., Sid Richardson LH 1. Call ext. 7292 for more information.

Phi Beta Kappa reception honoring Vice Chancellor Emeritus James Newcomer, 6:30 p.m., Kelly Center. Call ext. 6058 for more information.

Honors Week Recital in Music, sponsored by Pi Kappa Lambda, 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall.\*

### April 5-6

2nd Annual Conference on Inclusiveness. All faculty, staff and students may attend at no charge. Call Cornell Thomas for more information at ext. 7796.

### April 5

National Alcohol Screening Day, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m., Student Center lobby. Call ext. 7100 for information.

Honors Convocation with Dr. Neil Tyson of the Hayden Planetarium in New York City speaking, 11 a.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium.

RTVF Film Series, *Union Pacific* (1939) starring Joel McCrea and Barbara Stanwyck, 7 p.m., Moudy Bldg., room 164S. Call ext. 7630 for more information.

TCU Women's Basketball banquet, 7 p.m., John Justin Athletic Center, \$15 per person. Call ext. 7962 for more information.

### April 6-8

Ballet & Modern Dance presents its Spring Dance Concert, April 6 & 7 at 8 p.m., April 8 at 2 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Call ext. 7615 for more information.

### April 6

Biology Seminar, Dr. Steven N. Austad of the University of Idaho, "The 150-year Life Span: How Close Is It?" noon, Sid Richardson, LH 4. Call ext. 6181 for more information.

Lighting show at Moudy Bldg. atrium, 9 p.m. Call ext. 6323 for more information.

### April 9-13

MFA art exhibition, Moudy Hall.\*\*

### April 9

Faculty Piano Recital, featuring Harold Martina, 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall.\*

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

\*\*Call the dept of art/art history at ext. 7643.

## Hayden Planetarium's Neil Tyson will speak at Honors Week Convocation

NEIL DE GRASSE TYSON, DIRECTOR OF the new Hayden Planetarium at the American Museum of Natural History in New York City, will speak at 11 a.m. Thursday in Ed Landreth Auditorium. Pam Marcum (physics and astronomy) will introduce his Honors Week Convocation address, titled "Adventures of an Urban Astrophysicist." Kathy McDorman (director, honors program) will open the event, which is free and open to the public.

Part of the Convocation program includes naming the recipient of the 2001 Honors Faculty Recognition Award. Honors student Rebecca Still will make that presentation. Also participating are Dr. Bill Koehler (provost), Sheila Allen (music) and Joe Butler (music).

Dr. Tyson will meet with students during

an Honors Forum from 2 to 3:30 p.m. in the Woodson Room of the Student Center. His on-campus appearances also are included in the roster for the Second Annual Conference on Inclusiveness, organized by Cornell Thomas (office of the chancellor). That event will be April 5-6 on campus and includes events which are free for TCU faculty and staff to attend.

Dr. Tyson is a popular resource for network television shows needing an expert in all things extraterrestrial. He has exchanged sound bytes with Tom Brokaw and Peter Jennings as well as Martha Stewart. In the past year, he was named "Sexiest Astrophysicist in the World" by *People* magazine and delivered a commencement address titled "Revenge of the Nerds" at his old high school.

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Born and reared in New York City, Dr. Tyson was educated in public schools through his graduation from the Bronx High School of Science. He went on to earn his B.A. degree in physics from Harvard and his Ph.D. degree in astrophysics from Columbia University. His professional interests are varied, but primarily focus on star formation models of dwarf galaxies, exploding stars and the chemical evolution history of the Milky Way's galactic bulge. He obtains his data from telescopes in California, New Mexico, Arizona and in the Andes Mountains of Chile.

Dr. Tyson is a monthly essayist for *Natural History* magazine. His recent books include a memoir, *The Sky is Not the Limit: Adventures of an Urban Astrophysicist*; the companion book to the opening of the Rose Center for Earth and Space, *One Universe: At Home in the Cosmos* (co-authored with Charles Liu and Robert Irion) and a playful Q&A book for all ages, titled *Just Visiting This Planet*.

Tyson is the first occupant of the Frederick P. Rose Directorship of the Hayden Planetarium and is a Visiting Research Scientist in astrophysics at Princeton University where he also teaches.

Other Honors Week events include the presentation of Senior Honors Projects from 2 to 4 p.m. today and from 3 to 5:30 p.m. tomorrow in Sid Richardson, LH2. From 6:30 to 8 p.m. Wednesday, there will be a Phi Beta Kappa reception honoring **Vice Chancellor Emeritus James Newcomer** in the Kelly Center.

An Honors Banquet at 6:30 p.m. Thursday in the Student Center ballroom will recognize **Bonnie Blackwell** (English) and **Richard Galvin** (philosophy) who were co-winners of the Honors Faculty Recognition Award last year.

For more information about Honors Week, call ext. 7125. ♦

## Cliburn lectures begin tomorrow night in Moudy

SIX FREE, PUBLIC LECTURES LEADING UP to the 11th Van Cliburn International Piano Competition will begin at TCU tomorrow with the opening session from 7 to 9 p.m. in the Moudy Bldg., rm. 141N.

**John Giordano**, TCU Distinguished Fellow in Music since his retirement as music director of the Fort Worth Symphony, will open the first program with brief background on how the Competition has developed. **José Feghali** (music), Gold Medal winner of the 1985 Competition, will perform.

Future lectures are scheduled at the same time and location for April 10, April 24, May 2, May 7 (to be held in PepsiCo Recital Hall) and May 15.

Speakers and performers include organizers of the Cliburn Competition, as

well as School of Music faculty members **John Owings**, **Curt Thompson**, **Misha Galaganov**, and **Tamás Ungár**, and TCU piano students.

Seating is limited so reservations are required. Phone ext. 5995 or, for more information, ext. 7602. ♦

## Choreography by Bujones, other TCU Dance faculty showcased next weekend

BALLET & MODERN DANCE STUDENTS will perform three concerts during the April 6-8 weekend. Shows are at 8 p.m. Friday and Saturday, 2 p.m. Sunday in Ed Landreth Auditorium. Admission is free.

A highlight will be the presentation of *Act III of Don Quixote*, staged by world-acclaimed ballet great **Fernando Bujones** who is Choreographer-In-Residence at TCU. The piece is considered one of the most exciting and colorful in the classical ballet repertory, filled with virtuosity and Spanish flair.

The program also will include: *Holding Time*, choreographed by Christian von Howard; *Split Road*, set by Lisa Naugle of the University of California at Irvine; *Far From My Homeland*, in which TCU dance professor **Li-Chou Cheng** reflects on cherished memories from China, and *Yet Another Occasion for Laughter*, a lighthearted and physically challenging work of modern dance.

For more information, call ballet & modern dance at ext. 7615. ♦

## Screen for alcohol Thursday

THE ALCOHOL & DRUG EDUCATION Center is participating in the third annual National Alcohol Screening Day on Thursday. It is a program designed to help students, faculty, staff and community members assess their own drinking behavior and attitudes.

If you or someone you know is interested in finding out if alcohol is limiting his or her success, have them stop by the Student Center lobby between 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. For more information, contact **Sparkle Greenhaw** at ext. 7100. ♦

## Evolutionary biologist speaking here Friday

THE DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY WILL host a seminar by world-renowned evolutionary biologist Dr. Steven N. Austad April 6 at noon in Sid Richardson Lecture Hall 2.

Austad, a professor of zoology at the University of Idaho, will discuss "The 150-year Life Span: How Close Is It?"

Sponsored by the TCU Research and Creative Activities Fund (RCAF), the event is free and open to the public. For more information, contact the department of biology at ext. 7165. ♦

## CLARIFICATION

The current issue of *Inside TCU* contains an "In Touch" item on the presentation of a paper by **Melissa Young** (speech communication), **Ralph Behnke** (speech communication) and graduate student **Y.M. Mann**. The latter is actually **Yvonne M. Mann**, technical service manager for DIS.

## BIRTHS

Congratulations to **Dr. Ben Tillman** (history) and his wife, Rosa, on the birth of their son, James Nicholas Tillman on March 19. He weighed 7 lbs. 10 oz. and was 19 inches long.

Congratulations also to **Capt. Douglas Owens** (military science) and his wife, Katie, on the birth of their son, Matthew Douglas Owens on March 8. He weighed 7 lbs. and 3 oz.

## CLASSIFIEDS

HOUSE FOR RENT: (Fall 2001 semester only) Fully furnished 3-2 with spacious, fenced yard in quiet Westcliff neighborhood (3 mi. from campus). Ideally suited for new/visiting faculty or professional (+family) needing short-term, affordable, furnished accommodations. Call 817-926-5846.

FOR RENT: Huge 4-2-2 plus gameroom, near Hulen Mall. Call 817-923-5375.

HELP WANTED: Child care in TCU area for a 7th grade student, Monday - Friday from 3:30 - 5:30 p.m., includes some tutoring. Please email at peter.kondor@yahoo.com or fax resume to 817-615-3444.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Human Resources office lists the following vacancies as of March 28. For more information on any of these positions, call ext. 7790.

Dean - College of Communication  
Financial Systems Administrator - Financial Services  
Director - Charles Tandy American Enterprise Center  
Reference Librarian - Mary Coats Burnett Library  
Director of Assessment - Assistant Provost  
Intensive English Program Director - Intensive English Program  
Assistant Director Institutional Research - Institutional Research  
Director of the Phonathon - Annual Fund  
Coordinator/Operations & Marketing - Extended Education  
Systems Analyst - Administrative Systems  
Dir. of Freshman Admissions - Admissions  
Assistant Director - Athletic Marketing  
Director - Center for Supply Chain Mgmt.  
Instructional Technology Consultant - Instructional Services  
Administrative Assistant - College of Communication  
Administrative Assistant/50% - Music  
Library Assistant/Computer Lab - MCB Library  
Security Guard - Campus Police  
Craft Technician / Locksmith - Physical Plant  
Craft Technician / HVAC - Physical Plant  
Craft Technician / HVAC Control Center - Physical Plant  
Craft Technician / Electrician - Physical Plant  
Craft Technician / General Maintenance - Physical Plant  
Irrigation System Specialist - Physical Plant  
Groundskeeper - Physical Plant  
Service Assistant / 50% - Brite Housing  
Service Assistant - Residential Services  
Service Assistant - Facility Services  
Service Assistant / 75% - Facility Services  
Service Assistant - University Services



**Gardening tip from physical plant:** With the threat of freezing weather behind us, you can safely begin to plant seasonal spring color, like petunias, dianthus, snapdragons and geraniums.



(Trustees from front)

In addition to a record number of student applications overall, applications from students of color increased 25% and applications from out-of-state students increased 30%. Ferrari also introduced the board to students who have brought recognition to TCU through extraordinary achievements. Brian Casebolt, Kenny Oubre and Daniel Mogolov represented Pi Kappa Phi, a fraternity committed to helping others with disabilities at a local and national level, particularly through their affiliation with PUSH America and a "big brother" relationship with TCU's Rise School. Kate and Meg McArthur brought greetings from "out of this world." Their father, Bill McArthur, carried a silver-horned frog and TCU flag aboard the space shuttle Discovery, STS-92, last October. The items were presented to Chancellor Ferrari earlier in the week.

In other business, the board:

Approved the re-election of eight trustees of the Class of 2001 to four-year terms — R. Denny Alexander, John V. Roach, A.R. "Buddy" Dike, Clarence Scharbauer III, Kade L. Matthews, Lissa N. Wagner, Robert J. Wright and Billy Rosenthal.

Named four new trustees — Peter L. Bermont '67, senior vice president and portfolio manager for Salomon Smith Barney in Miami; John F. Davis III '74, chairman and CEO of Pegasus Solutions; Ronald C. Parker



'74, vice president of field human resources at Frito-Lay Company; and Sarah Hales Smith, partner in SRS Management with her husband, Steve, in Austin.

Approved the re-election of the chair, John V. Roach, and secretary, **Jean Walbridge**, of the board, as well as the officers of the university — **Michael R. Ferrari**, chancellor; **William H. Koehler**, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs; **Edd E. Bivin**, vice chancellor for administrative services; **Carol N. Campbell**, vice chancellor for finance and business and treasurer; **Bronson C. Davis**, vice chancellor for university advancement; **Larry D. Lauer**, vice chancellor for marketing and communication; and **Donald B. Mills**, vice chancellor for student affairs.

Elected two trustees, Vernon S. Smith and Wayne Moore, to Trustees Emeriti.

Passed resolutions honoring the long-time board service of trustees Vernon S. Smith, Wayne Moore and the late John S. Justin, Jr.

Approved for promotion, tenure and

election to emeritus status faculty recommendations as submitted by the Chancellor.

Faculty promoted to the rank of professor include **Kenneth R. Stevens** (history), **Paul E. King** (speech communication), **Cornell Thomas** (education; special assistant to the Chancellor for diversity and community), **Babette Bohn** (art history), **Jeffrey L. Coffey** (chemistry), and **Robert Stephen Weis** (engineering).

Faculty granted tenure and receiving promotion to the rank of associate professor include **Bruce A. Elleman** (history), **Dawn C. Elliot** (economics), **Stephen F. Quinn** (economics), **Garry D. Bruton** (management), **Melissa J. Young** (speech communication), **Janet A. Kelly** (education), **Ranae H. Stetson** (education), **Helen A. McCaffrey** (communication sciences and disorders), and **Gloria B. Solomon** (kinesiology).

Other faculty granted tenure include **Sharon M. Harris** (English), **Ralph Lee Woodward** (history), and **Belinda C. Boyd** (theatre).

Nine faculty members received emeritus status effective upon their retirement. They are **H. Kirk Downey** (management), **Agatha Gail Gear** (art history), **Gerald L. Grotta** (journalism), **Ted E. Klein, Jr.** (philosophy), **Kenneth T. Lawrence** (religion), **Anne L. Lind** (nursing), **Kenneth R. Raessler** (music), **Carol A. Stephenson** (nursing), and **William H. Watson, Jr.** (chemistry). ♦

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## Faculty/staff Annual Fund Drive opens

THE FACULTY/STAFF ANNUAL FUND Drive begins today and will run through the end of April. **Susan Batchelor Adams** (student affairs) and **John Breyer** (geology) are co-chairing this year's effort across campus.

According to Susan, "This year we will make every effort to involve the entire campus community by mail and by hosting informational meetings during the month of April. We hope each of you will consider making a pledge to underwrite student scholarships or designate it to the area of your choice within the University."

John adds, "The deans have agreed to host meetings to explain the importance

of giving to TCU. We ask our alumni, friends, corporations, foundations and parents to support the Annual Fund ... it is important that faculty and staff show their support by giving as well."

This year's Annual Fund goal is \$140,000, with a participation goal of 40% (last year's campus participation was 34%). "These are ambitious goals, but attainable given all the wonderful things that are happening on campus," says **Roby Key**, associate vice chancellor for constituent programs. "We hope TCU faculty and staff will help make the 2001 Annual Fund Drive a big success." ♦

