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Rise in number of international students brings call for faculty/staff assistance

IN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS, approximately 120 new international students will arrive on campus to become part of the TCU community. The number marks a return to pre-Sept. 11 figures for international students and the first significant increase in that segment of our campus population in three years. That's the good news.

The flip side, according to **John Singleton** (international student services), is a lot of "lost souls" who will need all the help they can get in making the transition to America. "We hope to increase the participation of TCU faculty and staff in the lives of our new students and hope you will consider what a difference you can make. These students step off the plane and are faced with both the wonder and complexity of U.S. and Texas culture. The contributions faculty and staff can make are invaluable to the cultural adjustment of our new students," John adds.

One way to help is to volunteer to pick up a new arrival from DFW Airport. OISS is coordinating the logistics and provides a TCU student to be the official liaison for the foreigner. "We only ask that you be the driver and welcome the newcomer. You will likely be the first TCU and U.S. contact they will have in this country," John explains.

There is a critical need for temporary housing. Several incoming students (mostly older graduate students) need a place to stay for just a few days while they begin looking for their own apartment. "If you have an extra room and live near TCU, please contact us immediately," says John (ext. 7292).

Someone has come up with the idea of a "virtual yard sale" which will help newcomers furnish their new living quarters and help faculty/staff rid themselves of unwanted stuff at the same time. Digital photos of these items (take your own or OISS will do it for you), will be posted on the office Web site, along with contact information, so the students can browse for what they need.

Wednesday, Aug. 11, from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m., there will be a welcome reception for the new students in the Student Center ballroom. John invites all members of the TCU community to drop by and help make the newcomers feel at home here.

The largest group of international students will arrive from Mexico (9). Other countries represented include: Bulgaria (8), India (7), Guatemala (7), Nigeria (6), Japan (5), China (4), Denmark (3), Kenya (3) and Netherlands (3). For more specific information, contact OISS at ext. 7292. ♦

Bob Seal's title is now Dean of the Library

BOB SEAL, UNIVERSITY LIBRARIAN SINCE 1994, was made Dean of the Library effective June 1, 2004. The announcement came from **Provost Nowell Donovan's** office.

A native of Canton, Ohio, Bob was graduated from Northwestern University in 1971 with a B.A. degree in astronomy. He received his master's degree in library science from University of Denver in 1972. He worked at the University of Virginia Library between 1972 and 1981, then at the University of Oklahoma Library (1981-1985) and as University Librarian at University of Texas at El Paso from 1985-1994 when he arrived at TCU.

In recent years, Bob has served a chair of Staff Assembly, associate director of the SACS self-study project, chair of the Curriculum Outcome Committee and headed the inauguration committees for both **Chancellor Michael R. Ferrari** and **Chancellor Victor J. Boschini**.

He's been a member of the executive committee of the Fort Worth Public Library Foundation, past chair of the International Relations Committee of the American Library Association, past chair of Texshare (statewide consortium of academic and public libraries) and past chair of Texas Independent College and University Libraries.

EVENT

Aug. 13

Transfer student orientation. Call ext. 7855.

TCU Bookstore presents Texas artist Jose A. Calvillo for an informal talk, 5 p.m., Froggie's Cafe. His work is on display in the bookstore through August. For more information, call Tricea or Rodney at ext. 5985.

Aug. 15-16

Freshman orientation. Call ext. 7855.

Aug. 19

TCU Bookstore pep rally, 3 - 5 p.m., kicks off Horned Frog football season with SuperFrog and a discount on game day shirts and other merchandise.

Aug. 21

"Meet the Frogs" and **Coach Gary Patterson**, 10:45 a.m., Amon Carter Stadium. Call ext. 7803 for more information.

Bob was recently elected to serve a six-year term on the board of trustees of the Online Computer Library Center, Inc. ♦

"Meet the Frogs" Aug. 21

JOIN **COACH GARY PATTERSON** AND THE 2004 Horned Frogs at Amon Carter Stadium Aug. 21 for the annual "Meet the Frogs" event hosted by the TCU Alumni Association, Sodexo, TCU Frog Club and TCU Sports Marketing.

After a short practice at 10:45 a.m., Coach Gary Patterson and players will conduct a brief on-the-field football clinic for children and sign autographs. The TCU Cheerleaders also will be on hand to teach fans their favorite cheers.

For more information, contact the Alumni Office at ext. 7803. ♦

*Last day of
casual dress policy
for summer is
Friday, Aug. 20.*

NEW FACES

Kimberly Adams has been hired as director of Brite Divinity School's Houston Center.

Patrick Cunniff is the new assistant track coach in athletics. He is a graduate of the University of Georgia.

Jonathan Elder has joined campus life as a program coordinator. He comes to TCU from Stephen F. Austin State University.

Glenda Harrison is a new administrative assistant in University Career Services. She was formerly employed as a branch manager of Staffing Solutions and owned a gift basket business.

Phyllis Isbell has been hired as PBX operator in the telephone office. She is returning to TCU after 10 years.

Cathy L. Moody is a new police officer with TCU Police. She has an associate's degree from Hill College and is retired from the Cleburne Police Dept.

Dorothy Morris has returned to DIS as a data control specialist. She worked at TCU from 1980 to 2002 when she retired.

Drew Myers has been hired as assistant director of football operations (athletics). A journalism graduate of Midwestern State University, he has his M.Ed. degree from Prairie View A&M University. He is former assistant football coach at Blinn College.

Vanden Thong is new assistant director of career advising in University Career Services. She has a B.A. degree in psychology and M.Ed. degree in educational psychology from the University of Texas.

Danny Wheat has joined athletics as assistant athletic trainer. A graduate of the

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University of Texas, he formerly worked at Ben Hogan Sports Therapy Institute.

KUDOS

TCU swimming and diving coach **Richard Sybesma** has been named recipient of the Conference USA Student Advisory Committee's (SAAC) Coaches Choice Award. The annual award goes to the Conference USA coach who best exemplifies a commitment to creating a positive academic and athletic atmosphere while fostering the student athlete's development and welfare.

The National Federation of Music Clubs has given its 2004 First Place award for "The Promotion and Performance of American Music" to the TCU School of Music. The award commends the school for its annual American Music Month observance in November, the 27th annual Jazz Festival and for hosting a variety of regional and national conferences.

Between June 2003 and May 2004, TCU musicians gave a total of 311 performances of works by 192 American composers on 172 programs. Discounting a considerable radio and tour audience, approximately 20,335 people attended these events ... the average-size audience being 118.

BIRTHS

Congratulations to **Elaine Tubre** (Web site management) and her husband, Shawn, on the birth of their daughter, Cadence Michelle, on July 23. She weighed 7 lbs. 5 oz. and was 19" long.

Congratulations to **Melissa Canady** (office of assessment) and her husband, Steve Wargo, on the birth of their daughter, Catherine Shea Wargo, on July 29. She weighed 9 lbs. and 8 oz. and was 20" long.

DEATHS

Sympathy is extended to **Jane Mackay** (Neeley School) in the death of her mother, Mildred Mackay, on July 31 in New York. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made in memory of Mildred Mackay to Trinity Episcopal Church, 708 Bethlehem, Ambler, PA 19002.

MARKETPLACE

Guardianship Services, Inc. has announced the dates for training those interested in becoming court-appointed volunteer guardians for incapacitated adults who need assistance with their personal and/or financial affairs.

The sessions will be 6 - 9:30 p.m. Aug 17, 24 and 31 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 3621 Tulsa Way.

Training is free for all current and potential volunteers. A \$50 donation is requested from community professionals attending to become familiar with guardianship. For this session only, \$50 scholarships are available for caregivers and family members intending to help others not affiliated with Guardianship Services, Inc.

For more information, call Marnie Stites at 817-921-0499.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: Courier spinet piano, walnut finish, \$600. Contact **Nick Scales** at ext. 7098 or e-mail to n.scales@tcu.edu.

HOUSE FOR RENT: Four bedroom home in Wedgwood area, available Aug. 1, \$1,200/mo. Contact Lori Scales at 817-294-2327 or n.scales@tcu.edu.

Smith Irrigation & Landscaping—sprinkler systems, French drains, grass, landscaping. References available. Please call 817-343-4124 or 817-448-8991.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Human Resources office lists the following vacancies as of Aug. 4. For more information on any of these positions, call ext. 7790.

Accompanist/Ballet/Temporary staff - Ballet/Modern Dance
Executive Vice-President & Dean - Brite Information Technology Librarian - Library
Director of TCU Showgirls (Dance Team) - Athletics
Senior Associate - Leadership Gifts
Periodicals Librarian - MCB Library
Assistant Director of Marketing - Athletics
Assistant Director - MBA Graduate Career Service Center
Assistant Director - Office of Communications
Technical Director - Theatre
Academic Advisor - Athletics
Annual Fund Officer - Annual Fund
User Services Consultant - User Services
Instructional Services Technician - Instructional Services
Athletics Video Intern -Temporary - Athletics
Dispatcher - 80% - TCU Police
Postal Assistant - Post Office
Data Control Specialist - DIS
Administrative Program Specialist-75% - Advancement-Constituent Program
Administrative Assistant - Career Services
Maintenance Specialist - Residential Services
Plumber - Physical Plant
Carpenter - Physical Plant
Painter - Physical Plant
Craft Tech Supervisor (Electrical) - Physical Plant
Security Guard - TCU Police
Horticultural Assistant - Physical Plant
Service Assistant - 50% - Facility Services
Service Assistant - Facility Services
Service Assistant-Lead - Facility Services

Gardening tip from Robert Sulak (physical plant): Early August is the time to treat for white grubs. Apply a grub control product, following label directions.