

# TCU THIS WEEK



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## Chancellor reports University gains to Trustees at their winter meeting last week

**CHANCELLOR VICTOR J. BOSCHINI, JR.** LAST week reported to TCU Board of Trustee members that the University continues to advance in distinction and reputation as a national university and is further strengthening its identity as an international university.

"Construction on the Campus Commons is moving at a remarkable pace and our freshmen applicant students' SAT scores and class ranks are higher overall," he told them at their winter meeting Friday on campus.

TCU placed a priority on investing in expansion and upgrades to its physical campus and academic programs as a result of its strategic plan, Vision in Action. The plan aims to strengthen TCU as a national and even international university by building an institution that can offer a total, world-class university experience.

One aspect of the plan is the new facilities being constructed on campus. Throughout the next two years, TCU will dedicate eight new facilities. Five of those facilities are in the Campus Commons, an area of campus consisting of four new residence halls as well as the new Brown-Lupton University Union. Once complete, this area will help TCU reclaim its residential heritage. Two residence halls will open in the fall of 2007, while the other two will be ready next spring. The University Union will open in the summer of 2008. Other new facilities include a new School of Education building and renovation of that college's current facility, an indoor practice facility, and a new 34,000-square-foot Barnes & Noble bookstore.

The University also is making strides academically. Over the past three years, TCU has appointed 40 new faculty in various disciplines. Additionally, TCU continues to invest in cutting-edge technology to enrich academic programs. Recently, the University used Internet2 to arrange an intercontinental music lesson between TCU School of Music students and faculty with music students and faculty in London. It was the first time such technology was applied in this manner by a North Texas university.

The Chancellor also noted an increase in applications. "As of Feb. 8, the University had received 39 percent more applications at this time over last year," he noted. "In measures of quality, there is an increase of a full point in class rank, and SAT scores are running about 10 points ahead of last year."

In other business, the board granted emeritus trustee status to **Deedie Potter Rose** and **Dee J. Kelly**. The Trustees also approved a resolution

## EVENTS

### Now - Feb. 22

**CROSS/TALK 2007:** 15th annual TCU All Student Art Competition, University Art Gallery, Moudy Bldg. - north entrance, free admission.\*

### Today

"Writing @ the Rickel" open house, noon-2 p.m., Rickel rms. 38 and 244. Hosted by the New Media Writing Center and the Center for Writing.

Faculty & Friends Chamber Music Series presents *Viola Xtravaganza!*, 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall. \$10 admission, \$5 students and seniors.\*\*

### Feb. 20

Women's Tennis vs. Texas State, 11 a.m., Bayard Friedman Tennis Center.\*\*\*

Women's Tennis vs. Texas-Arlington, 4 p.m., Bayard Friedman Tennis Center.\*\*\*

Guest Recital - World Music for Spring with Gideon Alorwoye & the UNT African Percussion Ensemble, 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall.\*\*

### Feb. 21

Chancellor's Council on Diversity and Inclusiveness Task Force monthly luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Student Center 207-9. Call ext. 5557 for more information.

KinoMonda International Film Series presents *The Wages of Fear* (1953/Mexico/France), 6:30 p.m., Sid Richardson Bldg., LH 4. Call ext. 7292 for more information.

### Feb. 22

Secure the Future NOW, VALIC representatives on campus, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Kelly Center, Cox A. Lunch provided. Call ext. 5577 for more information.

TCU Weight Watchers @ Work Open Meeting, 4:45-5:45 p.m., University Christian Church, room 204. Call ext. 6054 for more information.

Women's Basketball vs. Wyoming, 7 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.\*\*\*

RTVF Film Series presents *Sullivan's Travels*, 7 p.m., 164 Moudy South. Call ext. 7630 for more information.

honoring **Roger Reeves Meier** for his service to the University. Meier, who passed away in January, was a TCU Trustee from 1978 - 1988, and served on the Student Relations, Development and Intercollegiate Athletics committees. He graduated from TCU in 1946 and was given the TCU Valuable Alumnus Award in 1974.

Additionally, the Trustees passed a resolution honoring **William L. Adams**. Adams, who was a Trustee from 1983 - 2006, passed away this month. A chair in the School of Education, named the William L. and Betty F. Adams Chair of Education, has been established in remembrance of Adams. This is the first chair in the School of Education. ♦

### Feb. 23

RTVF Green Honors Chair Dr. Michael Renov will present a lecture titled "First-Person Films: Some Theses on Self-Inscription," 3:30 p.m., Moudy 164S. Call ext. 7630 for more information.

Guest Artist Series with Matisse Trio, 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall.\*\*

### Feb. 24

Men's Basketball vs. Air Force, 1 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.\*\*\*

American College Dance Festival Gala Concert will showcase dances selected as highlights from the 25 regional universities participating. Call ext. 7615 for more information.

Black History Month event, 5th Annual Soul Steppers Step Show, 8:04 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium.

### Feb. 25

Women's Tennis vs. Mississippi, noon, Bayard Friedman Tennis Center.\*\*\*

RTVF Green Honors Chair Dr. Michael Renov will present a discuss the film "Nobody's Business," 1:30 p.m., Moudy 164S. Free and open to the public. Call ext. 7630 for more information.

Guest Artist Series with Borok and Ponochevny, 5 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall.\*\*

### Feb. 26 - March 22

**ARTSLAM:** 7th annual exhibition of the TCU Honor Society of Artists & Designers, University Art Gallery, Moudy Bldg.-north entrance, free admission.\* (please note: University Art Gallery will be closed March 12-16 for Spring Break)

### Feb. 26

TCU Symphonic Band/TCU Concert Band conducted by **Brian Youngblood** and **James McNair**, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium.\*\*

\*Call art and art history at ext. 7643.

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

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

## Athletics Dept. names Andrea Nordmann as its associate director for compliance

THE ATHLETICS DEPARTMENT HAS HIRED **Andrea Nordmann** as associate athletics director for compliance, effective last week. She comes to the Horned Frogs after serving as assistant director of compliance for financial aid at the University of Miami, FL.

In her six years with the Hurricanes, she coordinated all aspects of compliance and monitoring for recruiting, financial aid, benefits and athlete agents. She also managed the overall compliance program directed towards administering athletic aid to prospective and current student-athletes, while overseeing the

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awarding of all National Letters of Intent.

She is a 1993 graduate of Bowling Green State University where she was a member of the women's basketball team. She later played professionally in Belgium. She has coached women's basketball at both Central Michigan and Eastern Michigan Universities and was the liaison to the compliance office.

"We are very excited to have Andrea Nordmann join the TCU family in a very important role," says **Danny Morrison** (athletics director). "This is a critical hire and we feel extremely fortunate to have attracted someone of Andrea's character and caliber." ♦

## 600 ballet students to converge on campus for College Dance Festival

THE DEPARTMENT OF BALLET & MODERN Dance will host this year's regional American College Dance Festival Association Conference Feb. 21 - 24 on campus. About 600 students and faculty from 29 schools in the South Central Region are expected to participate in a full schedule of master classes, panel discussions, workshops and dance concerts which are open to the public. A final public concert, showcasing choreography selected from the previous concerts, will conclude the activities Saturday night, followed by a party at the Kelly Center.

Daily events for the hundreds of dancers will be going on in most every building on campus that has a room large enough and empty enough for dancing. Besides the dance building, they'll be in the University Recreation Center, Rickel Academic Bldg., Student Center, PepsiCo Recital Hall, Buschman Theatre and Ed Landreth Auditorium. The students are staying

in area hotels.

The following dance concerts in Ed Landreth Auditorium are free and open to the campus community:

- Wednesday, Feb. 21 at 7 p.m. FREE
- Thursday, Feb. 22 at 1 and 8 p.m. FREE
- Friday, Feb. 23 at 1 and 8 p.m. FREE

The Saturday night gala concert on Feb. 24 begins at 8 p.m. Admission is free for TCU faculty, staff and students with ID, \$10 for the general public, \$5 for non-TCU students with ID.

For more information, call ext. 7615. ♦

## Brite receives grant from Indiana's Wabash Center

BRITE DIVINITY SCHOOL HAS RECEIVED A \$70,000 Signature Pedagogy Grant from the Wabash Center for Teaching and Learning in Theology and Religion, Crawfordsville, IN.

The grant will fund preliminary research and conversations toward establishing a Master of Divinity curriculum that will better serve the church's mission.

Brite Dean **Nancy Ramsay** authored the proposal that was approved by the faculty. ♦

## "Writing @ the Rickel" open house today from noon to 2

THE NEW MEDIA WRITING STUDIO AND THE Center for Writing are co-hosting an event today to familiarize students and faculty with the features of each. "Writing @ the Rickel" will be from noon to 2 p.m. in both the NMWS (Rickel 38) and Writing Center (Rickel 244).

The NMWS will demonstrate new media work created by TCU students (Web sites, iPod poetry, visual compositions, interactive essays, wikis and blogs). Staff will be available to help you generate ideas for new assignments or new media enhancements to existing courses. You'll also be able to "play" with cutting edge software like InDesign, Photoshop, Illustrator, Dreamweaver, Fireworks, Flash, Audacity and Inspiration.

The Writing Center can help faculty discover new ways to help undergraduate students with their essays, research papers, presentations, proposals and other classroom-related writing tasks, including graduate students' theses and dissertations. ♦

## College of Fine Arts profiting from sale of TBT tickets

SINCE LAST FALL WHEN THE TCU COLLEGE of Fine Arts was offered a challenge grant by The Friends of Texas Ballet Theater, our College has benefited about \$25,000 from the arrangement.

TBT has been matching three-to-one the price of tickets to their productions when purchased by friends, employees, students or alumni of TCU. This goes for single shows as well as season tickets.

The totals so far this season have been 38

season subscriptions sold (\$21,000 for us) and 33 single tickets sold (\$4,200 for us).-

There are still two TBT shows left in the season: *Mozart at the Majestic*, March 30-April 1 at the Majestic Theatre in Dallas; and *Alice in Wonderland*, April 27-29 at Bass Performance Hall.

For more information and an order form, call **Martha Thomas** at ext. 2787. ♦

## NEW FACES

**Roger Barton** has joined physical plant as an HVAC technician. He was formerly employed at Fort Worth Museum of Science & History and Fort Worth Country Day School.

**Patty Wessel** is the new director of benefits analysis and compliance for human resources. She is a graduate of Wartburg College and previously worked at Willis.

## DEATH

Sympathy is extended to the family of **Bill Adams** (emeritus trustee) who passed away Feb. 12 in Fort Worth. Funeral services were held Feb. 17 at Ridglea Presbyterian Church with entombment in Greenwood Mausoleum. Memorials may be sent to TCU Energy Institute, Box 297044, or to the Longhorn Council of Boy Scouts.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Human Resources office lists the following vacancies as of Feb. 14. For more information on any of these positions go to [www.hr.tcu.edu](http://www.hr.tcu.edu).

- Accompanist - Ballet and Modern Dance
- Administrative Assistant - Brite
- Administrative Assistant - Center for Academic Services
- Advisor - Center for Academic Services
- Applications Developer II - Technology Resources
- Assistant Director of Fraternity/Sorority Life - Campus Life
- Assistant Football Coach - Athletics
- Associate Dean - Library
- Associate Director of Residential Life - Residential Services
- Computer Support Specialist - Neeley School
- Director of Student/Young Alumni Programs - Annual Giving/Advancement
- Hall Director - Residential Services
- Hall Director III - Residential Services
- Librarian III, Head of Reference - Library
- Mover Technician - Physical Plant
- Postdoctoral Fellowship - Chemistry
- Program Coordinator of Fraternity/Sorority Life - Campus Life
- Psychologist - Mental Health Services
- Reference Librarian (Science) - Library
- Service Assistant - Facility Services
- University Architect - Physical Plant
- Wedding/Chapel Coordinator (60%) - University Ministries
- Upward Bound Summer Positions - Upward Bound

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