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Schieffer Symposium March 27 will have Bob Schieffer, Tim Russert, other national media

NBC NEWS' TIM RUSSERT, *NEW YORK TIMES* editor Bill Keller, ABC News legal correspondent and best-selling author Jan Crawford Greenburg, and Earl G. Graves Sr., founder and publisher of *Black Enterprise Magazine* will headline this year's Schieffer Symposium, Tuesday March 27 at 6:30 p.m. in Ed Landreth Auditorium. The event is co-sponsored by the *Fort Worth Star-Telegram*.

This year's symposium, "Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of the News: The Media's Role in a Democracy," will be hosted by 1959 alum Bob Schieffer, CBS News' chief Washington correspondent.

"We have been fortunate to have some of the top figures in journalism participate in these sessions," Schieffer said, "but this may be our best line-up yet and with an election coming, the war in Iraq, and a Supreme Court with two new justices, there will be no shortage of topics for our panel to discuss."

Russert is Washington Bureau chief for NBC News and moderator of *Meet the Press*. Keller was

an award-winning writer before becoming the top editor at *The New York Times*. Greenburg was a longtime legal correspondent at the *Chicago Tribune* before joining ABC News last year. Her new book on the Supreme Court, *Supreme Conflict*, became a *New York Times* best seller this month. Graves is one of the nation's most successful African-American businessmen and founded *Black Enterprise Magazine*.

Schieffer will moderate the discussion and then open it to questions from the audience.

The Schieffer Symposium began three years ago when TCU named its journalism department in Schieffer's honor. The symposia have become one of the most popular campus events. Both of the previous sessions were sellouts.

Tickets for the event are \$15. TCU students with a valid student ID are admitted free. To order tickets, call ext. 5976; for information, call ext. 7808. ♦

Brite Divinity School and TCU to host "State of the Black Church Summit" March 23

BLACK CHURCH SCHOLARS, ADVOCATES, preachers, churchgoers and students are expected to convene on campus Friday, March 23 for the third "State of the Black Church Summit" and Awards Banquet. Brite Divinity School and TCU are co-hosts of the annual event.

Theme of the summit meeting, set for 11:30 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the Kelly Center, is "Liberating the Oppressed: The Black Church Facing American Crises." The registration fee for this dialogue and luncheon will be \$15 per person. Keynote speaker is Rev. Dr. Renita J. Weems, nationally-renowned theologian and an ordained elder in the A.M.E. Church whose scholarly insights into biblical text and the role of spirituality in everyday lives have made her a popular author and speaker. Dr. Weems has been celebrated by *Ebony Magazine* as one of America's top 15 preachers.

Weems is the author of six books and numerous articles in which she addresses women's spirituality and issues of faith in theology, education, culture and society. Joining her as panelists for the summit will be the honorees for this year's "Black Church Leader" award, Rev. Dr. William A. Lawson of Houston and Rev. Dr. Katie G. Cannon, as well as Rev. Dr. Freddie Haynes pastor of Friendship West in Dallas, Rev. Valda Combs, attorney and founder of FullProof HIV/AIDS Ministry and **Juan Floyd-Thomas**, TCU associate professor of history. Moderator for the panel discussion and

community feedback session will be **Stacey Floyd-Thomas**, associate professor of ethics and director of Black Church Studies at Brite.

The Awards Banquet will be from 6:30 - 9 p.m. at the Kelly Center, and will be a formal dinner (priced at \$125 per person). About the award winners:

* Rev. Dr. William A. Lawson is a renowned leader and founding pastor of Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church in Houston. Rev. Lawson and his church have been deeply involved in advocacy activities for African Americans, Hispanics, women, and the poor.

* Rev. Dr. Katie G. Cannon is the first African American woman to be ordained to the ministry in the United Presbyterian Church in the USA denomination as well as the first African American woman to earn the Doctor of Philosophy degree from Union Theological Seminary in New York. She is considered the progenitor of the womanist movement in the religion academy and the scholar to whom the field Womanist ethics is most often attributed. She is currently the Annie Scales Professor of Ethics at Union PSCE and President of the Society for the Study of Black Religion.

* Returning this year as special guests will be previous keynote speaker Rev. Dr. James Cone and honorees Rev. Dr. Albert Chew and Rev. Dr. Zan Holmes. ♦

EVENTS

Now- March 22

Artslam: annual exhibition of the TCU Honor Society of Artists & Designers. Gallery closed during Spring Break.*

Today

TCU School of Music Faculty Recital Series presents Trio Con Brio with **John Owings** (piano), **Misha Galaganov** (cello) and **Gary Whitman** (clarinet), 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall.**

March 6

Women's History Month event, THIS IS MY SPACE: Ending Violence Against Women Through Community. Documentary film screening of *Until the Violence Stops*, with panel discussion to follow, 6:30 p.m., RH 117.

Math Dept. Green Chair Dr. Robert Devaney will discuss the "Chaos Game," 7 p.m., Sid Richardson, LH 4. For more information, call ext. 7335 or visit www.math.tcu.edu.

March 7

HR presents Easter Crafts with Michael's, noon-1 p.m., HR Conference Room. Call ext. 5577 for more information.

School of Music recital hour with Sneshinka Avramova, 3 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall.**

Men's Tennis vs. SMU, 6 p.m., Bayard Friedman Tennis Center.***

KinoMonda International Film Series presents *Water* (1996/India), 6:30 p.m., Sid Richardson Bldg., LH 4. Call ext. 7292 for more information.

TCU CelloFest event, TCU String Orchestra conducted by **Germán Gutierrez**, and TCU Cello Ensemble, conducted by **Jesús Castro-Balbi**, 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall. Admission \$20-\$5, free with TCU ID.**

March 8

TCU Institute on Women and Gender International Women's Day Luncheon, "Female Images of God: A Double-Image in Exodus?" with speaker Teresa Ellis and the presentation of the 2007 Nokia Research Awards on Women and Gender, 11:30 a.m.-1 p.m., Student Center Ballroom. Cost \$12. Call ext. 6048 for more information.

TCU CelloFest event, recital with Carlos Prieto and **John Owings**, 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall. Admission \$20-\$5, free with TCU ID.**

March 9

Emergency Planning: FEMA Training Class with Monica Tipton from the Tarrant County Department of Health, 9-11 a.m., Kelly Center, Cox C. Call ext. 5577 for more information.

Men's Tennis vs. TU, 1 p.m., Bayard Friedman Tennis Center.***

TCU CelloFest event, concert with The Yale Cellos and the TCU Cellofest String Quartet, 7:30 p.m., PepsiCo Recital Hall. Admission \$20-\$5, free with TCU ID.**

March 12-16

Spring Break

*Call art and art history at ext. 7643.

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

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

The Holocaust as a Christian issue is topic of March 26 event in Robert Carr Chapel

THE PROGRAM IN JEWISH STUDIES AT BRITE Divinity School and TCU have organized a seminar and panel discussion for 7 p.m. Monday, March 26 in Robert Carr Chapel. Topic is "Why the Holocaust is a Christian Issue."

Keynote speaker will be Dr. Clark M. Williamson, Indiana Professor of Christian Thought, emeritus, at Christian Theological Seminary in Indianapolis, IN. A "systemic theologian," he is focused on rethinking Christian theology after the Holocaust and has written several books and papers on the subject. He is a member of the committee on the Church and the Holocaust of the United States Holocaust Museum in Washington, DC.

Other members of the panel include:

- Dr. Randall C. Bailey, the Andrew W. Mellon Professor of Hebrew Bible at Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, whose research is on the relationship of ancient Africa and the Hebrew Bible.
- Victoria Barnett, staff director of church relations at the U.S. Holocaust Museum, who has written and lectured extensively on the history of churches during the Holocaust.
- Namsoon Kang, associate professor of world Christianity and religions at Brite
- Dr. W. David Nelson, assistant professor and director of Jewish Studies at Brite

A reception will follow at 8:15 p.m. in The Cloisters adjoining the chapel. For more information, or to reserve a space, visit www.brite.tcu.edu or call ext. 7597. ♦

Gas lease under discussion

TCU'S EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE Board of Trustees last week approved signing a letter of intent appointing Four Sevens

Resources Co., Ltd., the University's natural gas operator. Discussions will continue over the next several weeks as the University and Four Sevens negotiate the details of the lease, including safety, security and other requirements outlined by TCU. The University will not sign a lease until all details are finalized. ♦

TCU hosting first Cellofest, with star musicians and students onstage at PepsiCo Recital Hall

DAYTIME MASTERCLASSES AND NIGHTTIME concerts are the focus of TCU's first Cellofest, set for Wednesday through Friday in PepsiCo Recital Hall. The School of Music's Jesús Castro-Balbi is artistic director of the event and has organized a stellar lineup of artists, including legendary master cellist Aldo Parisot of Yale, Robert Blocker (dean of the Yale School of Music and former SMY provost) and the principal cellists of both the Dallas and Fort Worth Symphonies.

Concerts are at 7:30 p.m. each evening and are free with a TCU ID. The schedule:

■ Wednesday - TCU String Orchestra with **Germán Gutierrez, Curt Thompson, Jesús Castro-Balbi** and the TCU Cello Ensemble.

■ Thursday - Presentation *The adventures of a Cello*, by internationally acclaimed Carlos Prieto and recital by Prieto with pianist **John Owings**.

■ Friday - Concert featuring Aldo Parisot and The Yale Cellos, Robert Blocker with the TCU Cellofest String Quartet (Arkady Fomin, Lorea Aranzasti, **Misha Galaganov** and **Jesús Castro-Balbi**).

Bion Tsang of UT-Austin and **Harold Martínez** will also present an afternoon recital at 2 p.m. Thursday.

For a complete schedule of events, visit the Web site at www.cello.tcu.edu/cellofest. All daytime activities are free to observers. Regular admission to the evening concerts is \$20, \$15 for seniors, \$10 for students, \$5 for members of Texas Cello Society, free with TCU ID.

For more information, call ext. 6617 or e-mail j.castro-balbi@tcu.edu. ♦

NEW FACES

Cari Chatman has joined academic services as administrative assistant. The granddaughter of former TCU team physician Dr. Louis Levy, she comes to TCU from Texas School Uniforms. She is a 1980 TCU graduate.

Justin Fuente has joined athletics as assistant football coach. He received a B.S. degree in finance from Murray State University and formerly was offensive coordinator for Illinois State University. Here at TCU, he replaces **Dick Winder** who was his coach at University of Oklahoma.

Judy Hobart has been hired to work with student accounts in financial services. She received a B.B.A. degree and teaching certification from TCU in 1979.

Melanie Ann Mertz is new administrative assistant at Brite Divinity School. She is a TCU graduate and previously worked here in

advancement. She has most recently been employed at Aledo Christian School.

Debra Proctor has returned to her job as administrative assistant in the accounting department at the Neeley School of Business which she left two years ago when her second child was born.

Ronnie Quinn has been hired as a painter in physical plant.

Maria Rodriguez has moved to a full-time position as housekeeper in residential services after working here part-time since 2003.

TCU This Week will not be published next Monday, March 12, due to Spring Break. Please check the TCU homepage and the "News/Events" bar for scheduled activities.

BIRTH

Congratulations to **Emily Housley** (Moncrief Hall director) and her husband, John, on the birth of their daughter, Grace, on Feb. 22 at 7:43 a.m. She weighed 7 lbs. 14 oz. and was 19 in. long.

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FOR RENT: Timeshare condo in Beaver Creek, CO. Sleeps 4 adults. Available March 10-17. \$500. If interested, e-mail Linda at l.k.smith@tcu.edu or call 817-257-7991.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Human Resources office lists the following vacancies as of Feb. 28. For more information on any of these positions go to www.hr.tcu.edu.

- Accompanist - Ballet and Modern Dance
- Administrative Program Specialist - Advancement (available mid-April)
- Applications Developer II - Technology Resources
- Assistant Coach/Weight Training - Athletics
- Assistant Director of Fraternity/Sorority Life - Campus Life
- Associate Director of Residential Life - Residential Services
- Computer Support Specialist - Neeley School
- Data Control Specialist - TRIO/McNair Program
- Director of Student/Young Alumni Programs - Annual Giving/Advancement
- Hall Director - Residential Services
- Hall Director III - Residential Services
- Librarian III, Head of Reference - Library
- Program Coordinator of Fraternity/Sorority Life - Campus Life
- Psychologist - Mental Health Services
- Reference Librarian (Science) - Library
- Service Assistants - Facility Services
- Systems Administrator - Financial Aid
- University Architect - Physical Plant
- Upward Bound Summer Positions - Upward Bound

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