

# BULLETIN

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## FOREIGN SERVICE OFFICER HELPS GLOBAL TIES

Career foreign service officer Reese Moyers has been assigned to TCU for 1992-93 to assist the University in strengthening its international ties.

A senior-level private enterprise development expert with the U.S. Agency for International Development, a foreign affairs agency of the U.S. Department of State, Moyers has more than 17 years' experience in Latin America, Asia and Africa. He specializes in investment policies and business sector programs for developing countries.

In his advisory role as an executive-in-residence for international development in the Neeley School, Moyers will help the University and the local business community develop a long-term strategy regarding international interests. His work here is made possible by the Joint Career Corps Program, an executive loan service that coordinates university assignments for foreign service officers.

The United States' interest in the North American Free Trade Agreement makes this the perfect time to help TCU coordinate international efforts with Mexico and Latin America, Moyers explained. Noting the varied Global Theme Semester events, he said that TCU already has done "a superb job in initiating international activities."

One of Moyers' current projects is helping establish a link with Mexico's University of Monterrey, a private university similar to TCU in size and student base. TCU currently has a relationship with the La Universidad de las Américas-Puebla, México.

No stranger to TCU, Moyers was a student here in 1961-63. He received a Bachelor of Business Administration degree from the University of Texas at Austin in 1965 and completed a Bachelor of Foreign Trade degree at American Graduate School of International Management in 1966.

Prior to this assignment, Moyers was based in Honduras and served as director of the agency's private sector development offices in Honduras, Bolivia and Haiti, where he managed investment projects valued at more than \$265 million. He has managed programs which created new manufacturing investments, launched national stock exchanges, privatized state-owned companies and led private business organizations to financial self-sufficiency.

Moyers' other international banking and investment experience includes employment with the World Bank, where he developed a new organizational structure, business lending strategy and information system for the Industrial Development Fund in Haiti. As a loan officer with the Export-Import Bank of the United States during the mid-1970s, he managed the Brazil project loan portfolio, the largest at the time.



## TCU TODAY' SERIES BEGINS OCT. 24

Eleven cities in eight states are on the schedule for this fall's TCU Today schedule of events planned by the admissions office. Coordinated by Assistant Director Mike Cappo, the program was begun in 1965 in an effort to "take the campus setting" to prospective students and their parents to aid in their selection of the best college or university for their needs and expectations.

The first 1992-93 program will be Oct. 24 in Tucson, Ariz. Others this month will be Oct. 25 in both Phoenix and Vienna, Va., the latter for Washington, D.C.,-area persons.

Following will be events in Roswell, N.M., Nov. 4; Nashville, Tenn., Nov. 8; Shreveport, La., Nov. 9. Albuquerque, Nov. 15; Tampa, Fla., Nov. 15; Beaumont, Nov. 15; Omaha, Neb., Nov. 15; and San Antonio, Dec. 6.

## YUCATÁN SHORES HOST FRAGILE LIFE

As the fourth Festival of Mayan Culture continues, emphasizing artistic results of the 15th-Century encounter between European and indigenous peoples, a shore ecologist views flora and fauna along Mexico's Mayan east coast with fascination and concern.

Biologist Joe Britton is an observer of the continuing encounter between human beings and the natural coastal environment of Mexico's Yucatán and Quintana Roo states.

With colleague Brian Morton of the University of Hong Kong, Joe co-authored *Shore Ecology of the Gulf of Mexico* (University of Texas Press, 1989). They followed the intertidal sands to the southernmost tip of the gulf parameters and found Caribbean clams, sand-anchored plants, shrimp fishing crews and tourists uneasily co-existing and coping with hurricanes and oil spills in the region. Offshore and coastal drilling and traditional tourism (including resort developments) hasten ecological destruction.

"The coastal strand of Yucatán, like that of most of the Gulf beaches, is largely a disturbed shoreline, altered significantly from its original condition by human activity," they observed. "There is one area, only recently made accessible by highway, that still offers a glimpse of the Yucatán shores as the Mayans before Columbus might have seen them. At Las Coloradas, near San Felipe and Rio Lagartos in northeast Yucatán, Mexico has established a national park and seashore . . . This unique community . . . offers exciting opportunities for ecological investigation but unfortunately it has received virtually no study."

In the states of Yucatán, Quintana Roo, Campeche, Tabasco, Tamaulipas and Veracruz, the zoologists documented the occurrence of both abundant and endangered coastal life forms.

## JUST A FEW REMINDERS . . .

. . .as the Festival of Mayan Culture continues through tomorrow (Wednesday), Dr. Robert Laughlin, the Smithsonian Institution's curator for Middle American ethnology, will join Don Frischmann of modern languages and literatures in introducing the film "Herencia Fatal," ("Fatal Inheritance") at 7:30 p.m. tonight (Tuesday) in University Theatre.

. . . that performances of a traditional Chiapan folk tale and an original work by Mexico's first Indian woman playwright will begin at 7:30 p.m. Wednesday in University Theatre.

. . .that arts and crafts from Mexico's Chiapan highlands are being displayed each evening outside the theatre; sale of the items will benefit The Writers' House, a cooperative and Mayan-language literacy program.



## LIBRARY TO SHOW NERUDA EXHIBIT

Chilean poet/diplomat Pablo Neruda will be the focus of an Oct. 20-Nov. 5 exhibit in the library. Neruda, who died in 1973, received the Nobel Prize in Literature in 1971.

Growing up in the south of Chile, Neruda read voraciously but did not distinguish himself in his studies. Even during his childhood he hunted subjects for poems and submitted his first poems to magazines when he was 15. The next year he went to Santiago to attend the Instituto Pedagógico, Chile's leading teachers' college.

He won first prize in poetry at the 1921 Spring Festival in Santiago. The publishing of that poem, "Cancion de la fiesta," opened his way into literary circles and avant-garde movements. Neruda's first volume of verse, *Crepusculario*, was published in 1923. The next volume, *Veinte poemas de amor y una canción desesperada* (1924), became a best seller and established Neruda as one of Latin America's promising young poets.

The Chilean government recognized his achievement as a poet by appointing him to the consular service in 1927, and Neruda served as Chile's consul in Burma, Ceylon and the Dutch East Indies and spent time in other parts of Asia. During that time he wrote some of the poems contained in the first of his three-volume *Residencia en la tierra*. Those poems, depicting the chaos inflicted on the natural world by civilization, established him as a leading literary figure in the Spanish-speaking world.

In Spain, where he served as consul beginning in 1934, Neruda and leading Spanish poets published and edited the poetry magazine *El caballo verde para la poesia* (The green horse for poetry) until the outbreak of the Spanish Civil War in July 1936. Without waiting for orders from Santiago, Neruda declared Chile on the side of the Spanish republic and was recalled to Chile for overstepping his authority. He wrote an impassioned tribute to the Spanish Loyalists. As a Communist party member, he won a seat in the Chilean Senate.

In late 1947 Neruda published letters in Mexican and Venezuelan newspapers charging that Chile's president had sold out the national interest to the United States. He was charged with treason, went into hiding and fled to Mexico, where he wrote his monumental *Canto general*, a volume of poems, considered by some critics as his masterpiece.

He went home to Chile in 1953, became a member of the central committee of the Chilean Communist bloc and was for a short time in 1970 the party's nominee for president. In 1971-72, just before his death in the fall of 1973, Neruda was ambassador to France for Salvador Allende's Marxist government.

The Neruda exhibit includes 26 black and white pictures showing different aspects of his life, 20 books of poems in English and Spanish and plaques with reproductions of texts.

## GUITAR RECITAL IS OCT. 19

In keeping with the global semester emphasis on Mexico and Latin America, guitarist Chip Christ will present a TCU Music Series recital of Spanish and Latin American music at 7:30 p.m. Oct. 19 in Ed Landreth Auditorium.

Opening with *Two Pavanas* by Luis Milan, Christ also will play Fernando Sor's *Variation on a Theme of Mozart*; three Spanish folk songs, *The Robber's Song*, *Lady Amelia's Testament* and *The Son of Mary*; and *Theme Varie et Finale* by Manuel M. Ponce.

The recital will conclude with *Cadiz* and *Leyenda* by Isaac Albeniz, founder of the modern Spanish "national" school.



## WRITING CENTER HAS 30,000TH CONTACT

No whistles blew and no confetti fell, but when Kara Sponsler, freshman from Chicago, recently became the Writing Center's 30,000th contact, she did win a complimentary restaurant dinner for two. So did Jane Daniel of Fort Worth, the first person to use the Writing Center when it opened in August 1988. Daniel is a senior general studies major.

The Writing Center is geared to assist students, faculty and staff members at any stage of a writing project, from planning a first draft to completing a paper.

During its four years, the center has enjoyed unusual success. Director Christina Murphy pointed out that last year staff members reached between 22 and 25 percent of the student population, while the national average for writing centers is 10 to 15 percent.

Staffed by professional writing instructors who also teach in the English department, the center also makes use of peer tutors, most of them chosen from the Honors Program. Computer-assisted instruction also is available.

## NEW BOOK FOCUSES ON LBJ CAMPAIGN

Lyndon Johnson's controversial campaign for the U.S. Senate in 1948 has been thoroughly studied in Robert Caro's *The Years of Lyndon Johnson: Means of Ascent* and in Robert Dallek's more recent *Lone Star Rising: Lyndon Johnson and His Times*. Both scholars, however, relied on published sources for their information.

By contrast, Joe Phipps was LBJ's media coordinator during that campaign -- with the candidate on the stump in helicopters, hotel rooms, radio studios, and at the Johnson home. *Summer Stock: Behind the Scenes with LBJ in '48*, just released by TCU Press, is Phipps' personal recollection of that summer campaign.

Over the years, much has been made of alleged vote-buying in South Texas on Johnson's part during the infamous '48 primary. While it is unlikely that Johnson took a personal role in such activities, that is not Phipps' story. Instead, his is a reflection on a political drama that foreshadowed Johnson's future political career and that eventually put him in the White House. As aide, confidante, pitchman, "go-fer" and sometime nursemaid, Phipps understood the complexity that has made Johnson an enigma to this day. That Phipps refused to accompany Johnson to Washington speaks eloquently of lessons learned in the summer of 1948 -- and yet Phipps maintained his friendship with Johnson even into the presidency, occasionally sending one-page memos of advice to the Oval Office.

The 338-page *Summer Stock* is illustrated with 30 black-and-white photos of LBJ at various stages of his career, including some never before published. It is available for \$27.95 in the University Store.

At the time of the '48 campaign, Phipps was a young college graduate and World War II veteran. He went on to become a journalist, radio commentator and documentary filmmaker, working primarily in Philadelphia and Washington, D.C. His documentaries have included films on inner city tension, consumer affairs, public health, teacher training, problems of the elderly, urban redevelopment and the food crisis. Most recently executive producer with a television station in Longview, Phipps continues to write about LBJ and other interests.



## **OSP HOSTS BROWN BAG LUNCH**

"The National Debt" is the topic of a brown bag lunch seminar on Thursday from noon to 1 p.m. in Rooms 207-209 of the Student Center. Sponsored by Office Staff Personnel, this second of a series on the November elections will feature John Harvey of the economics department.

No reservations are required, and all interested general and office staff personnel are invited. "Bring your own lunch and be prepared to go to the polls in November as better-informed voters," said Linda Tarvin, chairman of OSP's professional development committee.

## **MEXICO'S ECONOMY IS LECTURE TOPIC**

"The Current Economic Situation in Mexico and Prospects for the Near Future" will be the topic when Dr. Enrique Cárdenas, economist and president of the Universidad de Las Américas-Puebla, presents a public lecture on campus tomorrow (Wednesday).

To speak at 4:30 p.m. in Moudy Building 141 N, he is a guest of the economics department this week as Visiting Green Honors Professor as part of the activities planned during the Global Theme Semester.

Cárdenas, president of the Mexican university since 1985, headed that institution's economics department and coordinated its Center for Economic Research in 1983-85. Formerly a research assistant at the Institute for Advanced Study in Princeton, N.J., he also has been deputy director of economic research for Banco de México.

Holder of a Fulbright Fellowship to study Ph.D. programs at Yale University, Cárdenas is co-author of seven books and author of a number of publications in both Mexico and the United States. He has been an invited lecturer at Harvard University, American University in Cairo, St. Antony's College of Oxford and the University of California-Berkeley.

Cárdenas, holder of the Ph.D. degree in economics from Yale and an honor graduate of Instituto Tecnológico Autónomo de México, has participated in academic conferences at England's University of Manchester and Oxford University and at Brown, Texas A&M and Yale universities as well as the Congress of the Economic History Association in Washington, D.C., and a conference hosted by the Institute of Latin American Studies at the University of London.

## **MATH DEPARTMENT HOSTING LECTURES**

"The Search for Mathematical Truth" is the title of the TCU Research Fund Lectureship to be hosted Oct. 20 by the mathematics department. Professor Steve Jackson from the University of North Texas will be featured as speaker for the event, which will begin at 4 p.m. in Winton-Scott Hall, Room 145.

This is the third lecture in a series of nine sponsored by the mathematics department this year. Additional information on this and future lectures is available from the department at Ext. 7335.



## WATER ECOLOGISTS WILL CONVENE

The North Texas Limnological Association will hold its second annual meeting in Fort Worth Friday and Saturday, hosted by the University and Tarrant County Water Control and Improvement District Number One. Biologist Ray Drenner, who is coordinating the conference, anticipates 70 water ecologists in attendance.

Activities will begin at noon Friday at the campus experimental mesocosm facility. Other site visits will include the balancing reservoirs where Drenner, his colleagues and students are working with water control district staff members to conduct studies of biomanipulation as a tool to improve water quality. During an overnight campout near Eagle Mountain Lake, the scientists will hear an overview of the water district's program for basin monitoring, planning for point and non-point source pollution control and a water reuse project. Sunday's agenda includes a tour of the University's research program at the Eagle Mountain Fish Hatchery.

The association is open to all individuals including university professors, students, employees of governmental agencies and private consultants. Founded in 1991 to facilitate interaction between professionals in the fields of limnology and water resource management, NTLA assesses no dues and has no officers. Further information is available from Ray at Ext. 7165.

## FACILITIES ADJUST HOURS

Mary Coats Burnett Library, Rickel Center and Brown-Lupton Student Center will alter schedules to be open for the mid-semester break. These include:

### Library:

- Oct. 16 7:45 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Oct. 17 10 a.m.-6 p.m.
- Oct. 18 1-11:45 p.m..

### Rickel Center:

- Oct. 15 closes at 8 p.m. (pool 5:30-7:45 p.m.)
- Oct. 16 noon-5 p.m. (pool and weight room noon-2 p.m.)
- Oct. 17 1-5 p.m.
- Oct. 18 closed

### Student Center:

- Oct. 16 7 a.m.-8 p.m.
- Oct. 17 8 a.m.-8 p.m.



## NOTES ON FOLKS

Journalism seniors **Lisa Yonco** and **Jamie McIlvain** were selected by the Fort Worth chapter of the Society of Professional Journalists for 1992-93 academic scholarships. Junior **Akum Norder** and sophomore **Dani Kunkle** won academic scholarships for the year from the Dallas Press Club.

**Rudy Brun** (biology) received word that his paper entitled "Bilateral Eye Formation in the Eyeless Mutant Mexican Salamander Following Unilateral, Partial Excision of Neural Fold Tissues: A Quantitative Study" has been accepted for publication in *The Journal of Experimental Zoology*.

**Chris Barry** (business) presented his research at Georgetown University Sept. 25. He was the invited speaker in the Finance Workshop Seminar on the topics "The Opening Price Performance of Initial Public Offerings" and "Research Needs in Venture Capital."

Several members of the geology department contributed a total of 12 papers to Special Publication 91-3 of the Oklahoma Geological Survey entitled "Arbuckle Coal Workshop and Fieldtrip." The Geoscience Information Society voted this publication the best geological guidebook published during the last two years.

**Ken Morgan**, **Art Busbey**, **Nowell Donovan** and **Leo Newland** recently published a paper on "Image Processing and Geographical Information Systems at TCU's Center for Remote Sensing and Energy Research." It appeared in the journal of the American Society for Photogrammetric Engineering and Remote Sensing.

Nowell and Art collaborated with Doug Elmore and Mike Engels of the University of Oklahoma on a paper entitled "Oil in Permian Karst in the Slick Hills of Southwestern Oklahoma," published in Oklahoma Geological Survey Circular 93.

**Chuck Lamb** (marketing) co-authored "Who Leaves the Service Area? Profiling the Hospital Outshoppe," the lead article in the September issue of the *Journal of Health Care Marketing*.

**Maria Graham** (facilities services) and her husband, Jim, welcomed their second child, **Garrett Lyle Graham**. Born Sept. 19 at Harris Methodist-Fort Worth, Garrett weighed seven pounds and 14 ounces.

**Wayne Ludvigson** (psychology) attended the 10th Congress of the European Chemoreception Research Organization in Munich, Germany, Aug. 24-28. His presentation was "Rat emissions of odors anticipating illness."

**Bob Doran** (mathematics) attended the annual University of Texas and Texas A&M Regional Functional Analysis seminar in College Station Sept. 19-21. Nine mathematicians from the United States and several foreign countries gave invited one-hour talks on Banach space theory, harmonic analysis and C\*-algebras during the three-day meeting.

**Ralph Behnke** (speech communication) has had an article published in the current issue of *Communication Quarterly*. Entitled "The Communication of Public Speaking Anxiety in Asian-American Interaction," the study was co-authored with **Paul King** (speech communication) and **Marianne Martini** of American River College.

Two staff members are among education division volunteers in this year's United Way campaign. Active as loaned executives, they are **Sally Armstrong** of University relations and **Buck Beneze** of student life.



## NOTES ON FOLKS

For 15 years **Stephanie Rand** (ballet) has taught ballet at Michigan's prestigious Interlochen Arts Center. In nine of those two-month summer sessions, she co-chaired the programs in ballet and modern dance with her colleague **Gay Delanghe** of the University of Michigan. Joining Stephanie's faculty this summer were **Shari Garber**, who earned the M.F.A. in ballet here last spring; **Stephanie Bratz**, TCU graduate and current M.F.A. student; and Shari's husband, **David Curwen**. "Courtly Dances," a work choreographed by Stephanie Rand and costumed by **LaLonnie Lehman** (theatre) was performed four times to the accompaniment of IAC's Early Music Ensemble. Students in the program also got a healthy dose of TCU recruitment along with audition screenings.

**Bob Frye** (English) has published a review in the journal *Western American Literature*, of Judith Freeman's *The Chinchilla Farm*. Freeman's beautifully provocative first novel traces the literal and figurative journey of Verna Fields from Utah to Los Angeles to Mexico, artfully illustrating what James Houston in *A Literary History of The American West* calls the recurring theme of the "interplay between the Far West and the realms left behind."

**Alan Lacy** (physical education) presented an all-day in-service session to physical educators in the Del Valle ISD on Oct. 5. The topic of the day's activities was "Analyzing and Improving Instruction in Physical Education."

When Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) ministers and lay people gather in Port Arthur this weekend for the biennial Regional Assembly, they will have opportunity to hear preaching Friday and Saturday nights by **Joey Jeter** (Brite). "Pressing Forward to What Lies Ahead" is this year's theme for the event expected to draw some 1,000 Disciples. Other speakers will include C. William Nichols of Indianapolis, general minister and president of the denomination.

Alumnus **Ron Moss**, who served five years on TCU's admission and development staffs before being named admissions director at Rice University in 1982, will become director of admissions and enrollment management at SMU during the 1993 spring semester. He earned the B.S. degree in journalism and the M.Ed in educational administration here.

An article by **Ken Lawrence** (religion-studies), "Tradition and Innovation in Late Twentieth Century American Church Architecture: Two Examples," has been published in the journal *ARTS: The Arts in Religious and Theological Studies*, Vol. IV, 3, summer 1992.

The September issue of the *Journal of Basic and Applied Social Psychology* has published an article titled "Previous Conceptions of the Typical Group Member and the Contact Hypothesis" by **Charles Lord** (psychology).

The *Journal of Experimental Brain Research* has informed **Timothy Barth** (psychology) of the acceptance of his article, "Effects of gaze on apparent visual responses of frontal cortex neurons" for publication.

## THISTLETHWAITE TALKS FRIDAY

Art Professor **Mark Thistlethwaite** will lecture at the Amon Carter Museum at 12:15 p.m. Friday as part of the Connoisseur Series, informal gallery talks focusing on still-life painting, *trompe l'oeil* and illusionism. The Friday lecture series is open at no charge. Mark's topic will be "[Still] Life with a New Vision: Arthur Dove's 'The Lobster.'"



## Calendar of Events

- Oct. 13 --Festival of Mayan Culture: U.S. premiere of "Herencia Fatal" (Fatal Inheritance), a one-hour film for television based on a true-life drama from the Chiapas highlands of Mexico, written and produced by The Writers' House, University Theatre, 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 14 --University chapel, Robert Carr Chapel, noon.  
--Public lecture by Dr. Enrique Cárdenas, president of Universidad de las Américas-Puebla and professor of economics, on "The Current Economic Situation in Mexico and Prospects for the Near Future," Moudy Building 141N, 4:30 p.m.  
--Festival of Mayan Culture: Performances by The Writers' House theatre company, University Theatre, 7:30 p.m., including "El Haragan y El Zopilote" (The Loafer and the Buzzard), a theatrical performance of a traditional folktale from the Chiapas Highlands, and readings from the works of Mexico's first Indian woman playwright, Petrona de la Cruz Cruz, member of The Writers' House. 921-7355.  
--Men's soccer, TCU-North Texas, TCU soccer field, 4 p.m.
- Oct. 15 --Office Staff Personnel brown bag lunch seminar, John Harvey, economics department speaking on "The National Debt," Student Center 207-209, noon - 1 p.m.
- Oct. 16 --Mid-semester break.  
--Women's Quadrangle Tennis Tournament (TCU, SMU, Oklahoma, Minnesota), Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center.
- Oct. 19 --TCU Music Series guitar recital by Chip Christ, Ed Landreth Auditorium, 7:30 p.m.
- Oct. 20 --Exhibition on Nobel Laureate Pablo Neruda in Mary Coutts Burnett Library through Nov. 5, including photographs, books and other works.  
--Women's soccer, TCU-Notre Dame, TCU soccer field, 3 p.m.  
--TCU Research Fund Lecture in mathematics, "The Search for Mathematical Truth," Prof. Steve Jackson, University of North Texas, Winton-Scott 145, 4 p.m. Refreshments in Winton-Scott 171, 3:30 p.m.



**OFFICIAL ABSENCES**

Students listed below must make up any class assignments that were missed. It is the responsibility of the student to arrange with his/her professor for the make-up. If you have any questions, call 921-7855.

Women's golf team members who missed classes on September 28, 29 and 30 to participate in Dick McGuire Invitational at Albuquerque:

Copping, Charlotte    Germain, Sharon    Kragh, Jane    Perry, Julie  
Phearson, Kristi

Men's tennis team members who missed classes after 11 a.m., October 7, to participate in Lee Michaels Rolex Invitational at Lafayette, La:

Becouarn, Larent    Bowen, Devon    Robinson, Paul    Rubio, Ricardo

Students who attended the National Association for Campus Activities South Central Regional Conference in Houston after 12 noon on October 8 and on October 9:

Hightower, Christopher    McElvoy, Andrea

Women's golf team members who missed classes on September 28, 29 and 30 to participate in Dick McGuire invitational at Albuquerque:

Copping, Charlotte    Germain, Sharon    Kragh, Jane    Perry, Julie  
Phearson, Kristi

These ten TCU students who are involved in an exchange with students of the Universidad de las Americas need to be absent from their classes on October 8-9 and October 29-30:

Cloyd, Kathy	Elwood, Sally	Hernandez, Andy	Hesse, Rachel
Juon, Vanessa	LaHood, Michael	McClour, Edward	Moreno, Larry
Nelson, Cathy	Trujillo, Ben		

Men's tennis team members who missed classes after 1 p.m., October 9, to participate in the Volvo Prequalifying Tournament at Austin:

Juinio, Ryan    Milliron, Chris    Peterson, Dax    Roditi, David  
Vozech, Otakar

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# University Self-Study Report

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## SACS Committee Visit Scheduled for January 31 - February 3

The visiting committee from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools that will review TCU's reaffirmation of its accreditation will arrive in Fort Worth on Sunday, January 31. The seventeen members of the visiting committee, chaired by Dr. Melvyn Schiavelli, provost of the College of William and Mary, will begin interviews with administrators, faculty, students, and staff on Monday, February 1. A second day of interviews is scheduled for Tuesday, February 2. On Wednesday morning, February 3, a final meeting of the team with Chancellor Tucker will take place.

Each member of this committee is assigned a particular area of the SACS *Criteria* to investigate. This will be accomplished by access to self-study and other university documents, as well as through personal interviews.

It is expected that more than 200 administrators, faculty, and students will be contacted during the visit.

It is requested that university staff and faculty, particularly those with administrative or supervisory responsibilities, keep their calendars open and flexible for possible interviews with members of the visiting committee on Feb. 1 or 2. More information about the visit will be provided in a future *Self-Study Report*.

## Self-Study Progress Report

Four of the five principal committee reports are now in the pre-publication stage. The reports of the Institutional Purpose and Accreditation, Educational Programs, Educational Support Services, and Administrative Processes Committees are being finalized.

The Institutional Effectiveness Committee Report, which is based upon many of the findings of the other four reports, is in the draft stage. The Steering Committee is currently reviewing the reports and guiding the writing of the Steering Committee Report to the Southern Association.

## Looking Ahead

Beginning in November, information will be provided to appropriate unit heads regarding the type of information that the SACS accreditation committee may need during its visit next semester.

Some university-wide documentation will be available in the Self-Study Office for the visiting committee, but items such as handbooks, policy and procedure manuals, course syllabi, faculty vitae, budget reports, minutes of meetings, purchasing records, and the results of surveys or other measures of institutional effectiveness should be made available to the committee members in the offices of the units.



The visiting committee has very limited time to conduct its work. Knowing where to find this information quickly will help to ensure that their information requests are handled expeditiously.

## **Steering Committee Subcommittee Appointed to Plan SACS Committee Visit**

Self-Study Director Gene Alpert has appointed a subcommittee of the Steering Committee to help plan the details of the SACS accreditation committee visit. The members are Nowell Donovan (Geology), Dave Edmondson (Information Services), Jill Laster (Administrative Services), Larry Lauer (University Relations), Manny Reinecke (Chemistry), and Ann Sewell (Fiscal Affairs).

Administrators and faculty on campus who have advice, ideas, or suggestions regarding the visit are requested to contact one of the subcommittee members.

## **What is the University Self-Study?**

As a member of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), a federally recognized regional accrediting body, TCU's accreditation is reviewed every ten years. As part of this reaffirmation of accreditation, the university must undertake a year-long self-study, prepare a report, and host an accreditation team visit. The process is completed when the Commission on Colleges of SACS votes on TCU's reaffirmation of accreditation at its annual meeting in 1993.

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