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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION HONORS EIGHT

Distinguished professional careers, notable civic leadership and service to TCU will be recognized publicly Oct. 28 at the 17th annual alumni awards dinner. Receiving honors will be Frederic Forrest of Los Angeles, Frank J. Medanich of Dallas and Fort Worth residents Elizabeth Proffer, Robert R. and Maria Lowdon, Kent Nix and Laura Shrode Miller. Also honored will be Jeri Sias, a 1993 graduate from Wichita, Kan.

Shady Oaks Country Club will be the setting for the event, with black tie optional. The 7:15 p.m. reception and 8 p.m. dinner will be followed by presentations made by Chancellor Bill Tucker. Master of ceremonies will be Jerry Ray of Austin, alumni association president and ex officio member of the TCU board of trustees.

Due by Sept. 25, the \$40-per-person reservations can be made by check, payable to TCU, sent to the alumni association, Box 32921.

Forrest, a Waxahachie native who earned the B.F.A. degree in 1960, will receive the distinguished alumnus award in recognition of prominence in his career and endeavors in a particular field that brought credit to himself and his alma mater. In 1971 he made his movie debut in "When the Legends Die" and received a Golden Globe nomination as best newcomer for that year. His early career included movies starring Gene Hackman, Tyne Daly, Anthony Quinn, Marlon Brando, Jack Nicholson, Michael Douglas and Martin Sheen. After portraying Lee Harvey Oswald in the television movie, "Ruby and Oswald," he won the National Film Critic's Award for best supporting actor and was nominated for both an Academy Award and another Golden Globe for his starring role opposite Bette Midler in "The Rose." In addition to his role in the Emmy Award-winning "Lonesome Dove," his works have included movies and television in both this country and abroad. Last year Forrest was honored by the Brussels Film Festival with a tribute to his films.

To receive the valuable alumnus award for outstanding and continuing service to TCU or the alumni association, Medanich is a senior director of First Southwest Co., investment bankers in Dallas. The 1944 graduate, who earned the B.S. degree in commerce, currently is senior banker and financial adviser to major political subdivisions in Tarrant, Denton, Parker and other North Texas counties in the initiation, development and implementation of long-term capital improvement programs. A TCU trustee since 1972 and on the Brite Divinity School board since 1975, Medanich is a life member of the Addison and Randolph Clark Society and the Chancellor's Council. He was a representative to the Cotton Bowl Athletic Association in 1974-80, is former chairman of the board of directors of Juliette Fowler Homes in Dallas and is a trustee and treasurer of the Fowler Homes Texas Trust. A member of the TCU Lettermen's Association, the Pecos native is a member of the Municipal Advisory Council of Texas.

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ALUMNI AWARDS (cont.)

For loyalty, service and support of the University, Libby will receive the honorary alumna award. The Kentucky native joined the TCU faculty in 1954 as instructor in journalism and director of student social activities. She served as director of student activities and director of University programs and services before being named dean of students in 1972. She retired from that position last December. Past president of the Fort Worth chapter of Altrusa International, Libby has served on boards of numerous local agencies. In 1988 she was presented the distinguished alumni award by the University of North Texas. Also a graduate of the University of Texas at Austin, she is an elder and trustee of University Christian Church and is active in the Tarrant, Texas-National Alliances for the Mentally Ill. She has been a leader in Southwest student personnel organizations and was president of the Texas Association of College and University Student Personnel Administrators, which presented her its distinguished service award in 1992.

The Lowdons will receive the Royal Purple Award for extraordinary service and support to TCU and the community. A Fort Worth native and member of TCU's Class of 1940, he is a retired director of Tandy Corp. and formerly was chairman of Stafford-Lowdon Co., a Texas printing company. Past president of the Fort Worth Tennis Association and the Fort Worth chapter of the American Diabetes Association, he currently is on the board of the Southwest Diabetes Foundation. The former TCU trustee received the alumni association's most valuable alumnus award in 1983. Past chairman of the Addison and Randolph Clark Society, he was honored in 1984 with the outstanding conservationist award from the Soil Conservation Service. In 1986 he was the Ducks Unlimited "sportsman of the year."

Mrs. Lowdon attended college in her native Minnesota for two years before enrolling in the University of Wisconsin. She earned her undergraduate degree at the University of Texas at Austin, where she completed her law degree and was chosen for the staff of the law review. Active in Camp Fire Girls, PTA and the Fort Worth Tennis Association, she was chaperone for the Texas girls' tennis team for three years. She and her daughter Mary represented Texas in the mother-and-daughter championships at Forest Hills and achieved a fourth-place national ranking.

For athletic accomplishments that have brought recognition to himself and his alma mater, Nix will receive the Frog o' Fame Award. The owner of TCU Florist, he currently is treasurer of the TCU Ex-Lettermen's Association and has been inducted into its Hall of Fame. A football letterman as quarterback in 1963-65, the Corpus Christi native began his professional career with the Green Bay Packers and was a rookie on the first Super Bowl championship team. He played with the Pittsburgh Steelers three seasons before moving to quarterback with the Chicago Bears in 1970-71. He finished his seven-year National Football League career with the Houston Oilers. He is a member of the NFL Alumni Association and the area board of Young Life.

For continuing and outstanding service to the alumni association, Miller will receive the alumni service award. Prior to receiving the B.B.A. degree with honors in 1979, she was president and vice president of the student body, was elected Homecoming Queen in 1977 and was named a TCU Scholar for academic achievement. The Houston native has served on the board of the alumni association and its executive committee. An adviser to Chi Omega social sorority and a member of the Addison and Randolph Clark Society and ADVANCE, she has been vice president and loan officer of the Camp Bowie National Bank since 1986. She serves on the boards of Because We Care Inc., The Junior League of Fort Worth, Trinity Valley School Parents Club and Harris Hospital Development Council. The trustee of University Christian Church has been on the boards for Shakespeare in the Park, Fort Worth Clean City, YWCA, Historic Fort Worth, Harris Health Exchange and Fort Worth Professional Women's Organization.

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ALUMNI AWARDS (cont.)

Sias is recipient of the distinguished student award which was presented in May during the annual student leadership awards ceremony in recognition of her undergraduate activities in both academics and service to the University. While completing her degree in chemistry, she held a Chancellor's Scholarship and was named to the Dean's List three semesters. Co-chairwoman of Mortar Board, she was secretary of the pre-med honor society, resident assistant in Wiggins Hall and a volunteer in the kitchen at The Christ House, a homeless shelter for men. For three years she headed the Black South African Scholarship Committee, which has raised \$4,200 for a South African to attend college. Accepted to the University of Kansas' School of Pharmacy, Sias delayed her postgraduate studies to give a year's volunteer service to the Christian Church (Disciples of Christ) and serves in its Division of Homeland Ministries as volunteer interim director of youth ministries.

SATURDAY SEMINAR WILL HONOR KELTON

Novelist Elmer Kelton of San Angelo has been called "Texas' best-kept literary secret." Yet, perhaps more than any other author working today in the state, Kelton embodies the Texas literary tradition. His work is a fine blend of western history and carefully crafted fiction.

Saturday the TCU Press and the Center for Texas Studies at the University of North Texas will co-host a seminar studying Kelton's work. The 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. event will be held at Fort Worth's Botanic Garden Center off South University Drive at 3220 Botanic Garden Blvd. The \$35 registration fee includes lunch and a reception following the program.

Author of 35 novels, about 50 short stories and several non-fiction books, Kelton has been awarded the prestigious Spur Award for the best novel of the year from Western Writers of America five times. Two novels and one non-fiction book have won Western Heritage (Wrangler) Awards from the National Cowboy Hall of Fame. Kelton has been honored for lifetime achievement by the Western Writers of America, the Western Literature Association and the Texas Institute of Letters.

For more than 40 years, Kelton was a part-time novelist while working full time as an agricultural journalist for the *San Angelo Standard Times*, *Sheep and Goat Raiser Magazine*, and most recently *Livestock Weekly*, from which he retired in 1991 after 25 years as associate editor.

The seminar will explore both his fiction and non-fiction and celebrate the publication of *Elmer Kelton Country: The Short Nonfiction of a Texas Novelist* recently issued by TCU Press. Both the day-long program and the book examine the relationship between his fiction and non-fiction. Speakers will place his career in the context of the literature of the American West, his place in the New York literary market, his importance as a commercial author and the changes in cover art used on his novels. His journalistic career and his reputation among livestock people will be considered along with specific aspects of his fiction.

Speakers will include Dr. James Ward Lee, director of the Center for Texas Studies; UT/Austin English professor Don Graham; Kelton's son Steve, who is also an agricultural journalist; folklorist Joyce Roach; Tom Beer, senior editor from Bantam/Doubleday/Dell; Janet Brantley, member of the history faculty at Texarkana College; and TCU's Fred Erisman and John Merrill. Reference librarian Bill Farrington will present a dramatic reading from selected works by Kelton.

The day will close with a reception where books by and about Kelton will be available for purchase and autographing. Participants also will have a chance to visit informally with him and examine a display of "Kelton memorabilia," including out-of-print books, jackets and articles.

NOTES ON FOLKS

Pilgrim Press has published *Voices of the Silenced: The Responsible Self in a Marginalized Society*, the first book of **Darryl Trimiew** (Brite).

Historian **Spencer Tucker** read a paper on the 1807 court martial of Commodore James Barron in a session sponsored by the American Military Institute during a recent meeting of the Northern Great Plains History Conference in Pierre, S.D.

Janet Lanza (communication sciences and disorders) presented a five-hour workshop titled "Language for Living and Learning," for the Region VII Education Service Center in Kilgore on Oct. 1.

Don Pittman (Brite) has an article titled "Ch'an Iconoclasm and Reformation Protest: A Comparative Perspective" published in the fall issue of *Ching Feng: A Journal on Christianity and Chinese Religion and Culture*. His review of Michael Shermis and Arthur Zonnoni's book, *Introduction to Jewish-Christian Relations*, was recently published in the summer issue of *Dialogue & Alliance*.

Judy Alter (TCU Press) spoke on the publishers panel at the 1993 Literary Festival. The Oct. 9 event was sponsored by the Center for Texas Studies in cooperation with TCU Press.

Bonnie Melhart (computer science) presented a paper "QFD Steps for Software Requirements Analysis" at the 3rd International Conference on Software Quality in Lake Tahoe, Nev. The paper was written with MSE graduate Tom Miller. Bonnie also participated on a panel that reported on a "Comparison of Quality Process in Software Development" at the conference.

At the 28th annual meeting of the Western Literature Association held Oct. 6-9 in Wichita, Kan., **Fred Erisman** (English) chaired a session on "Native American Voices" and presented a paper on "*Farmer Boy: The Forgotten 'Little House' Book*." His paper examines the second volume of Laura Ingalls Wilder's classic series and argues that the book's presentation of a New York State rural boyhood is a necessary complement to the larger series' picture of the fictional Laura's life on the frontier.

TCU and the philosophy department hosted the 21st annual meeting of the Philosophic Society for the Study of Sport in early October. Philosophers and physical educators from Australia, Germany, Norway, England, Canada and the United States attended the sessions ranging from postmodernism and feminism to issues in metaphysics, epistemology and ethics. **Spencer Wertz** (philosophy) served as on-site coordinator. This was the third time that the PSSS has met in Fort Worth.

"Program Variety and the Scheduling of Syndicated Television Programs," an article by **Roger Cooper** (radio-TV-film), was published in the August-September issue of *Broadcast Cable Financial Journal*.

An article by **Mark Thistlethwaite** (art and art history) titled "The Past into the Present: William Ranney's First News of the Battle of Lexington" appears in the recently published North Carolina Museum of Art *Bulletin*.

Maggie Thomas (journalism) was TCU's representative at the 1993 Southwest Symposium hosted by Texas Tech's School of Mass Communications. The Lubbock event was sponsored by the Southwest Education Council for Journalism and Mass Communication. TCU is one of 32 member institutions from six states.

NOTES ON FOLKS

Sympathy is extended to **Charles Peveler** (residential living and housing) on the death of his mother, Mrs. Floy Peveler, who died in a Granbury nursing center Oct. 10. Funeral services were conducted Oct. 12 in Cresson, where she was born.

Fred Oberkircher (design and fashion) spoke on lighting education in the '90s for the Oct. 12 meeting of the West Texas section of Illuminating Engineering Society of North America. He discussed the impact of lighting technology, state and national registration/licensing and federal legislation on the lighting community and, by extension, the educational community.

During his summer visit to the University of Swansea in Wales, **Bill Smith** (chemistry) presented a paper on his current research during the Eleventh International Meeting on NMR Spectroscopy.

By invitation, **Arturo Flores** and **Donald Frischmann** (modern languages and literatures) addressed faculty members and students of the language and literatures department of la Universidad de las Américas-Puebla. Don's presentation, "El Teatro Maya Contemporáneo," was given Sept. 30; Arturo's, "Literatura Testimonial en Chile," on Oct. 1.

CROP WALKERS SOUGHT

Fort Worth's annual CROP Walk will begin Oct. 24 at 1:30 p.m. at Amon Carter Stadium. Funds raised by all walkers representing the University will go to the TCU Hunger Week Committee for allocation to organizations combating hunger locally and nationally.

The annual 10K walk symbolizes the average distance most people in the Third World must walk to obtain food and water for one meal. Originally an acronym for Christian Rural Overseas Program, the name "CROP" has become a trademark identity for Church World Service's community efforts to stop hunger. The first CROP walk in Bismarck, N.D., in 1969, involved 1,000 volunteers who raised \$25,000 to help the hungry. TCU walkers first joined the Fort Worth trek as a delegation 11 years ago.

Registration began last week and will continue today (Tuesday) through Friday from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., at a table in the Student Center. The only requirement for participation is the sponsorship of others willing to donate a certain amount per kilometer. Walkers may collect the money before or after they walk, delivering advance donations to the stadium on Sunday and later donations to the University Ministries office in the Student Center. Those who cannot walk may sponsor a participant.

TCU's CROP Walk committee is chaired by student Kristal Griffith, who also serves on the committee preparing for the Nov. 14-20 Hunger Week events.

FACULTY ASSEMBLY TO MEET OCT. 28

Issues arising from the 1992 University Self-Study that have been identified as important by the Faculty Senate will be discussed by Provost/Vice Chancellor Bill Koehler at next week's Faculty Assembly. The session will begin at 3:30 p.m. in Moudy Building 141N.

Dr. Koehler will respond to questions submitted to the Faculty Senate's standing committees. These include Roll and Function of the Senate, headed by Sally Fortenberry; Academic Excellence chaired by Bill Vanderhoof; Tenure, Promotion and Grievance headed by Ken Raessler; Student Relations chaired by Jan Kucko; and the Committee on Committees led by Spencer Tucker.

TENNIS TOURNEY BEGINS FRIDAY

Sixty-four of the nation's top tennis players will be on campus beginning Friday for the Southwest Regional Rolex Championships to be played at Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center. The Oct. 22-25 competition will feature the best of NCAA Region VI with the winner of the singles and doubles earning bids to the ITA Rolex National Championships in February.

The first round of singles play begins Friday at 8:15 a.m., and doubles play starts at 3 p.m. Friday. A consolation singles bracket also is scheduled

All championship matches will begin at 10 a.m. Oct. 25 on the Lard Center's varsity courts.

Last year's single winner was Marcus Hilpert of Arkansas, who joined with Bounce Williams to win the doubles title. Ernesto Ponce of the University of Texas won the consolation singles title.

All the matches are free and open to the public.

ALUMNA FORMS NEW DANCE COMPANY

Zoë Stein Pierce, who received her Master of Fine Arts degree in modern dance here in 1991, has formed a Fort Worth-based dance company, EKSTATIS. Her new company will feature several TCU alumnae, students and faculty members in its first presentation Wednesday (tomorrow) through Friday at the Carillon Theatre on Tarrant County Junior College's South Campus.

"Dances for the October Moon: An Evening of Contemporary Choreography" will feature works by Zoë and TCU alumnae Mary Hill and Melanie Envani. Performances are at 1 p.m. Wednesday and 7:30 p.m. Thursday and Friday. Admission is free.

Special concert guests include TCU faculty member Susan Douglas Roberts, graduate student Michelle Manley, students Stephanie Milling and Crystal Valteau and alumnae Kerry Kreiman, Sherry Welborn, Marianne Allen and Michelle Adams. More information is available at 338-0884.

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Steve Cummins of the Alcohol and Drug Education Program staff is inviting faculty and staff members and students to gather near Frog Fountain at noon Friday for a photograph. Ideally, participants will represent a broad range of organizations and communities. Estimated time for posing and consuming refreshments is 15 minutes.

The resulting "Together We Can" picture will appear in a series of advertisements Nov. 1-6 during Health Enrichment Week.

Part of a campus campaign supported by a grant from the Fund for the Improvement of Post-Secondary Education (FIPSE), the all-inclusive group picture project is designed to reflect and encourage community-building efforts, according to Steve. A broad-based advocacy for healthy alternatives to substance abuse is part of the campaign.

People planning to join the crowd on Friday may call Ext. 7100.

Calendar of Events

- Oct. 19 --TCU research lecture in mathematics, "Staircase Kernels for Orthogonally Starshaped Polygons," Professor Marilyn Breen, University of Oklahoma, 4 p.m., Winton-Scott Hall 145. Refreshments at 3:30 p.m. in Winton-Scott 171.
- Women's soccer, TCU vs. Oral Roberts, 3 p.m.
- Contemporary Music Festival opera lecture/recital, 3 p.m., recital by faculty soloists, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Free. Call Ext. 7602 for more information.
- Oct. 20 --Contemporary Music Festival chamber music concert, 3 p.m., TCU Choir and TCU Jazz Ensemble performance, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Free.
- EKSTATIS dance production "Dances for the October Moon: An Evening of Contemporary Choreography" features TCU alumnae, students and faculty members, through Oct. 22 at the Carillon Theatre at TCJC South Campus. Show times are 1 p.m. Oct. 20, 7:30 p.m. Oct. 21 and 22. Free.
- Oct. 21 --University staff luncheon, 11:45 a.m. with sociologist Michael Katovich speaking, Student Center Woodson Room.
- Oct. 22 --TCU students, faculty and staff members are invited to pose for a group photo to be used in the Alcohol and Drug Education Program's Health Enrichment Week advertisements. The photo will be shot at noon in front of the Frog Fountain. RSVP to Ext. 7100.
- James Ward Lee, director of the Center for Texas Studies, gives "The True History of Texas in Seventeen Minutes" at 7:30 p.m. in the library's main reading room. Refreshments will be served. The event is sponsored by Friends of the TCU Library.
- Free movie for students, faculty and staff: "Untamed Heart," 9 p.m., Student Center ballroom.
- Oct. 22-25 --TCU hosts 64 of the nation's top tennis players in the Southwest Regional Rolex Championships at the Mary Potishman Lard Tennis Center. Free. Information is available at Ext. 7969.
- Oct. 23 --Seminar on the work of novelist Elmer Kelton, "Texas' best kept literary secret," 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Fort Worth Botanic Garden Center, hosted by TCU Press and the Center for Texas Studies (University of North Texas). Registration is \$35 and includes lunch and a post-program reception. For more information, call Ext. 7822.
- Oct. 24 --Soccer: Men, TCU vs. Southwest Missouri State, 1 p.m., women, TCU vs. Incarnate Word, 3 p.m., corner of Bellaire Drive South and Bellaire Drive North on the southwest corner of the Worth Hills campus.
- CROP Walk, 1:30 p.m., Amon Carter Stadium.
- Oct. 25 --Alumnus Steve Williams will present his master thesis "The Perceptual Threshold of Linear Part Identification: Limitations of the Human Auditory System" as part of the music department research lecture series, 4 p.m., Ed Landreth Hall Room 103.
- Oct. 26 --Ballet and Modern Dance guest artists Steven Breese of theatre and Elizabeth Gillaspay of dance offer insights on musical theatre, 2 p.m., Sid W. Richardson Building Lecture Hall 3. Free. Call Ext. 7615 for information.
- Oct. 27 --Bob Doran, mathematics department chairman, gives an Honors Program Fireside lecture on "From Zero to Infinity: An intriguing tale about the 20th Century genius John von Neumann and some of his friends," 7 p.m., Faculty Center. Refreshments served. RSVP to Sadler 207 or call Ext. 7125 by Oct. 26.
- Men's soccer, TCU vs. Midwestern State, 3 p.m.
- 21st annual Colby Hall Halloween open house for students' and employees' children under age 12, 6-8 p.m., Colby Hall. Free.

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 makeup. If you have any questions, call Ext. 7855.

Members of the women's rifle team who missed classes after 5:00 p.m. October 14 and all classes on October 15 to participate in their sport at Texas A&M:

Bickle, Christa	Deacon, Kelli	Hunter, Heidi	King, Audrey
Lemberger, Laurie	McFarland, Misty	Morgan, Dawn	Morgan, Tina
Parks, Michelle	Tesdahl, Amy		

Men's golf team members who missed classes on October 11 and 12 to participate in Red River Classic at Dallas:

Adams, Slade	Boisvert, Robert	Flynn, Michael	More, Jonathan
Zinnecker, Deron			

Army ROTC students who missed classes on Friday, October 15, to attend the Brigade Ranger Challenge competition at Ft. Hood:

Brown, Raymond J	Clemmer, Robert E.	Van Hook, John B.	Johnson, Brian
Knightsheen, Peter M.H.	Leblond, Scott	McKenzie, Brett	Marrero, Thomas
Raben, William			

Army ROTC students who missed classes on October 6 for meetings at Ft. Hood, TX:

Bickle, Christa	Van Hook, John
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