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CARTER GRANT SPEEDS COMPUTERIZATION

The Amon G. Carter Foundation has given \$750,000 toward computerization of Mary Couts Burnett Library. "This wonderful grant fits perfectly the priority given to graduate education and research in TCU's agenda for the next several years," Chancellor Bill Tucker said. "Again, as so often in the past, the Carter Foundation has responded directly and forcefully to a critical need of the University."

The gift amounts to half the estimated total cost of the project, which, when completed, will allow library users to sit down at a computer terminal and quickly learn what resources are needed for any particular project and whether each volume is in the library or checked out at that time.

The new hardware and software systems are being analyzed and selected this summer, Librarian Fred Heath pointed out, and the entire automation system is expected to be in use no later than the spring semester of 1990. About half the cost of the new system will be for equipment, he said, and the other half to convert card catalog information to machine-readable form, a complex process that already is under way.

Fred characterized library computerization as a powerful tool. "Suppose you want to find information on the effects on pollution of heavy metals in ground runoff in urban areas. That's a tedious task today; you might not know which subject area to look under in the card catalog. In a computerized system you can search for combined terms, scanning the entire collection for pollution, for heavy metals, for ground runoff, for urban areas."

Searches will be possible through a bank of terminals in the library lobby plus other terminals throughout its reading and study areas. There also will be access to the material through more than 800 terminals on campus already connected to the Computer Center. All library users who have a personal computer and a modem will be able to get the information through a telephone hookup. In effect, this opens the library for bibliographical searches 24 hours daily seven days a week.

The computer system is a boon to the library staff as well as to its users, Fred pointed out. "We can more effectively assess use of materials, which can help in developing our collection. Inventory control will be as simple as zipping down a grocery store aisle with an instrument that reads the bar codes; that also tells us which book is on the wrong shelf."

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COMPUTERIZATION (continued)

The library is actively considering computer systems compatible with those at other area institutions, such as the one recently installed at the University of Texas at Arlington and others to be set up at Southern Methodist University and the University of Texas at Dallas. Compatible systems provide the potential for mutual access.

This can be a move toward sharing the resources of the area university libraries. While there is much duplication in their collections, linkage and cooperative collection development would allow each of the libraries to grow in depth in different specialized areas, with the expensive resources shared by participants, Fred explained.

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COMMUNITY HELPS STUDENT RETURN HOME

Business student Azman Kamijo of Malaysia was a long way from home as his family suffered a terrible tragedy: his mother died from injuries suffered in a car accident in March, his father died in late June at least in part from his grief and Azman's 11-year-old sister, who fell ill after her mother's death, died a few days later.

A hard-working student who entered TCU last fall on a Malaysian government scholarship, Azman could not afford to return home after his mother's death. He diligently completed his spring classes and was enrolled in summer classes when his father and sister died. Believing that no one could help him, Azman did not seek help, said Ken Bus, assistant director of International Student Affairs. He withdrew from those offering to help and became uncommunicative.

To Student Affairs staff members, it seemed certain that what Azman needed was to return home. "He was terribly distraught," said University Minister John Butler. "He had no meaningful way to respond to what had happened because it happened half a world away." With no University funds available for such emergencies, John decided he would see what he could raise from churches and individuals who had University connections. Within two days enough money was raised to buy a round-trip ticket, Wedgwood Travel found a seat despite the seasonal demand, and Azman boarded a flight home July 1, touched and overwhelmed by the generous outpouring.

Donors included Azman's business professor, two classmates, employees of the Student Center, where Azman worked part time, and 14 area churches representing eight Christian denominations. Azman is Moslem, Butler said, but the churches all said they were responding to a human being in need.

Because the need for such emergency funds does recur from time to time, John said, he and Ken are discussing the possibility of establishing a permanent fund to help students in emergencies.

For Azman, the value of such emergency help is beyond words. "Getting him back home will help him complete the grief cycle," said Ken. "We're proud of him as a student and of what he's done here, and we look forward to his return."

ANNUAL CYF ASSEMBLY BEGINS JULY 26

More than 650 high school students are expected on campus next week for the annual assembly of the Christian Youth Fellowship Southwest. Hosted by TCU and University Christian Church, the July 26-29 gathering will focus on the theme of "Caution: Christians at Work Building Foundations of Faith."

Registration will begin at 1:30 p.m. July 26, and participants and their sponsors will be housed in Colby and Sherley halls.

Keynote speaker will be James H. Benton, minister of the First Christian Church of Stuttgart, AK. Holder of the Master of Divinity degree from Brite Divinity School, he formerly served churches in Texas and is widely known for his youth work. Worship leader will be Dr. Roger Wedell, dean of the School of Theology for the Laity in Dallas. Holder of the B.A. and M.Div. degrees from TCU, he is an adjunct professor in Brite.

Closing night activities will include attending Casa Manana's production of "Carousel."

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CHRISTIE ASSUMES ALUMNI LEADERSHIP

Stephen Christie, partner in Hawn-Christie Properties of Fort Worth, has assumed the presidency of TCU's alumni association. During his tenure as head of the organization of more than 40,000 members, he will serve as ex-officio member of the University's board of trustees.

The Dallas native earned the B.A. degree in 1971 and the M.B.A. in 1973. A member of ADVANCE, he is active in the Addison and Randolph Clark Society. He and his wife, the former Janie Michero '71, have two daughters, Katherine Anne and Angela Kay. Christie formerly served as secretary, treasurer and vice president for activities of the alumni organization.

Other Fort Worth residents in leadership positions are Jean Roach, vice president for recognition/services; Pam Roach, secretary; Bridget Guthrie Thomas, treasurer; Lindy Berry, past president; and Ronald Clinkscale, director-trustee.

Also assuming officers' duties on June 1 were L. Brent Watson of Midland, president-elect; Jerry Ray of Austin, vice president for athletics; and Robert Johnson of Houston, vice president for annual giving. Continuing in office are George Bradford of Hurst, vice president for activities, and Merri Siddons, Granbury, vice president for student relations. Past president Martha Salmon of Austin is a director-trustee.

New directors are Michael Bradford of Midland; John Burnam and Ronnie Wallace of Fort Worth; Mac Hendricks of McKinney; Rutledge Haggard of Plano; and William Swanson of Houston. Other directors are Mike Adams, Henderson; Allie Beth McMurtry Allman, Nancy Savage Doherty and Robert Taylor of Dallas; Byron Gossett, Dumas; Michael Harrison, Pecos; Jim Lindsey, Houston; Liz Minyard, Coppell; Ted Sisco, Lubbock; James Wallace, Longview; and Fort Worth residents Vaughn Bailey, Mary Mac Shelton Elliott, David Farmer, Tod Miller and Scott Mooring III.

PARENTS SAY 'THANK YOU'

Expressions of appreciation and many "thank yous" came from numerous persons who participated in orientation for incoming freshmen and their parents in June. A total of 832 students and 796 parents attended the five sessions.

A late June letter from a mother in Alexandria, LA, summed up the oft-heard sentiments. She wrote: "Everyone we met, talked with and listened to seemed sincerely interested and caring about our son and our family...even though the weekend was totally exhausting, we felt the time and energy spent was well worth the knowledge and confidence gained."

"The entire staff and the students involved were so enthused about TCU; it made us and our son feel wonderful. I realize the time and work it took for the staff to be so well organized. Even when one person didn't know the answer to a question, that person knew where to refer us for the answers.

"In short, we wanted you and the staff, from admissions to housekeepers, to know what a good job had been done. Thank you all."

Late-summer sessions for incoming freshmen will be held Aug. 11-14 and Aug. 14-16. Transfer orientation is set for Aug. 17-18.

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EFFORTS AIMED AT STUDENTS, PARENTS

Including students and their parents in the excitement of the upcoming Frog football season is a major emphasis of the athletic department's "Reaching New Heights" campaign.

Stadium cups with the campaign logo and the fall schedule were distributed to parent and student rooms during summer orientation, and a video centered on the theme was shown during each of the five sessions in June. In addition to highlights of the 1987 season, the presentation includes comments on the Frogs' future by Chancellor Bill Tucker, Athletic Director Frank Windegger and a number of key players.

New this year is a 50 percent discount on '88 season tickets offered to parents of freshmen attending orientations. Discount coupons were distributed in residence halls used for the summer sessions.

A follow-up to orientation promotions will be a Frog Football Kickoff Party Aug. 27. Open to all students, the Howdy Week event will be held at the stadium following an intrasquad scrimmage.

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RAINY WEATHER BRINGS RISKS

Rainy days make hallways "bloom" with umbrellas...but the practice of leaving umbrellas in the halls creates the hazard of slick spots causing falls. Umbrellas should be taken inside the offices to lessen the possibility.

THOUVENEL QUARTET PLAYS TONIGHT

The Thouvenel String Quartet, one of the nation's top chamber music ensembles, will perform a free concert at 7 p.m. today (Tuesday) in Ed Landreth Auditorium as a part of the Fort Worth Suzuki Institute and Teachers' Workshop held annually on campus.

Top prize-winner of the Leo Weiner International String Quartet Competition and veteran of the Today Show, the quartet was in 1985 one of the first American classical performing arts ensembles to be sponsored directly by the Chinese government. Last year the group returned to China as the first Western musical ensemble ever to perform in Tibet.

Quartet members are artists-in-residence with the Midland-Odessa Symphony and artist-coaches of the San Diego Chamber Music Workshop.

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DALES GIVE BIRD PRINTS TO LIBRARY

The library now houses Stuart and Scott Gentling's acclaimed Texas bird prints, thanks to 1968 graduate Richard Dale and his wife. The gift was arranged by another TCU graduate, art dealer Ralph Carr.

TCU's "Of Birds and Texas" is No. 29 of a limited edition of 500 copies of the prints, which bear a foreword by Harry Tennison and text by John Graves.

The bird prints will be housed in the library's Special Collections area, which depends to a large extent on donations of such materials, Librarian Fred Heath said. He termed the Gentling prints "a most significant gift."

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ALPERT WRITES CONVENTION GUIDE

"Conventional Wisdom," the television viewer's guide to 1988 national political conventions being distributed nationwide by C-SPAN, is the work of political science chair Gene Alpert.

Besides providing a capsule history of the political sessions, Gene's book also answers such "conventional" questions as who organizes conventions, how locations are chosen, who pays the bills, who attends and what the delegates do. He explains the delegate selection process and sets out a timetable for each day of each convention.

Also provided are lists of officers for both Democratic and Republican conventions, delegate allocation by states and numbers needed to nominate--2,081 for the Democrats and 1,139 for the Republicans.

NOTES ON FOLKS

Busy playing dates with his own quartet and with the Harvey Anderson Orchestra this summer, CURT WILSON (music) performed with the Marvin Hamlisch Show presented for the National Association of Music Merchants convention in Atlanta June 23-24 and was in the orchestra for the Miss Texas Pageant, which started July 6.

BILL GRAHAM (physics) has been notified that a paper entitled "FTIR Study of the Deuterium and Carbon-13 Substituted Vinyl Radical in Solid Argon" has been accepted for publication in the Journal of Chemical Physics. The paper, which reports the first infrared spectrum observed for the vinyl free radical, was co-authored by Ph.D. student TIM DOYLE and former postdoctoral fellow RICHARD SHEPHERD. On June 13-17 Bill attended the 43rd Molecular Spectroscopy Symposium at Ohio State University. During the annual international conference, he presented a paper co-authored with Ph.D. candidate JIUNWOEI HUANG on an "FTIR Study of the Propenylidyne Radical in an Argon Matrix at 9 K."

University Minister JOHN BUTLER recently moderated a national planning conference in Warwick, NY, of a number of Protestant denominations and Roman Catholics working toward the establishment of a national ecumenical student conference. The session was coordinated by the Council for Ecumenical Student Christian Ministry. There has been no such national ecumenical student group in existence in almost 20 years, John said.

KEITH ODOM (English) had an article published in The Round Table for Winter 1988. The article, "On Overcoming Anachronisms: Henry Green's Look Backward at a Look Forward," was the result of research done in Great Britain a few years ago.

BOB DORAN (mathematics) is co-author with Wayne Tiller of Structural Dynamics Research Corporation, Milford, OH, of an article entitled "Pure states and P-commutative Banach *-algebras," which appeared in Manuscripta Mathematica.

TOMMY THOMASON (journalism) was a guest faculty member June 13-17 at the Bill Martin Jr. Literacy Conference in Houston, where he spoke on strategies for developing young writers in elementary school. The conference featured top children's authors and educators who spoke and gave workshops on a whole language approach to developing literacy. Tommy also spoke to the Dallas chapter of Women in Communications June 22 on the ethical dilemmas of covering crime victims.

Forging the French Alliance, an essay by DAVE EDMUNDs (history), has been published as a chapter in "An Anthology of Western Great Lakes Indian History." The volume, edited by Donald Fixico and published by the University of Wisconsin Press, will serve as a textbook in American Indian history classes. Dave's essay focuses on the close ties between the French and the tribes of the Great Lakes region.

HANK HAMMACK (theatre) will be onstage in the Casa Manana production of "Carousel" in the role of Mr. Bascombe, owner of the cotton mill where the heroine Julie works. Performances begin Monday and run through Aug. 6.

TCU IN THE NEWS

"This may be the battle of the '80s in the continuing war between nursing and medicine," according to Harris College Dean PAT SCEARSE, who was interviewed by The Business Press for its June 27 story on the American Medical Society's proposed category of health care worker. Noting that "what we need least of all is another classification of worker," she and other nursing administrators suggest other approaches to the need.

JOHN FREEMAN (radio-TV-film) and ANDY MIRACLE (sociology) were featured on a WFAA-TV story about the recent Junior University for middle school children held on campus. The story aired June 28.

"Theologians discuss the doctoring of preachers' titles" was the Dallas Morning News headline for the July 2 story about when preachers are qualified to be addressed as "doctor." Brite Dean JACK SUGGS' response was "I don't think church people care much what they are called." He added that he sees no need for distinction between an honorary and an earned doctorate if the former was conferred by a fully accredited school.

Pianist TAMAS UNGAR was among those quoted in the Star-Telegram's June 28 story regarding the amount Mike Tyson made in his recent 91-second title fight. According to Tamas, "a nimble pianist could trip through Chopin's Waltz in D Flat Opus 64 No. 1 in 90 seconds."

TCU PRESS and Director JUDY ALTER were complimented highly by Larry Swindell in his July 3 Star-Telegram column following the presentation of the award for best western historical novel published in the United States in 1987 to Robert Flynn's "Wanderer Springs."

In the Star-Telegram's two-part series on minority students in colleges and universities, writer Julie Gilberto described experiences of HORTENCIA KAYSER (speech pathology), who is one of only four Hispanics with doctorates in her teaching field. Also quoted in the story was Vice Chancellor BILL KOEHLER, who pointed out that two Hispanics, one Asian Indian and two blacks will join the faculty this fall.

The initial story in the series quoted ELENA HICKS, senior from Corsicana, and TODD MITCHELL, senior from Pittsburg, TX, on their experiences as minority students at TCU. A graph on percentage of minority enrollments in the entire student body showed 3.7 percent black, 2.9 Hispanic, 0.8 Asian and 0.2 native American here.

RALPH CARTER (political science) was interviewed by KDFW-TV for the 10 p.m. broadcast July 3 regarding the accidental downing of the Iranian jet airliner by the USS Vincennes in the Persian Gulf. Specifically covered were both the likely Iranian and U.S. reactions to the tragedy.

"July Fourth isn't the most important holiday, but they all add up," according to DAVE CRAVENS (marketing), who was quoted in the Star-Telegram's July 7 story entitled "Early retail results indicate July 4 a dud." Dave noted that the summer holiday is a barometer of how the third quarter will look to many retailers.

JONES NAMED TO ACADEMIC TEAM

First baseman/designated hitter Rob Jones of Houston is among those named to the first team Academic All-American in Baseball by GTE and the 1,400-member College Sports Information Directors of America. The senior finance major, graduate of Houston's Westchester high, earned a 4.0 grade-point average on 15 hours last fall and a 3.8 on 15 hours this spring. His cumulative GPA is 3.835 for 94 total hours.

Rob had a .324 batting average during the 1988 season with 17 doubles, two triples and five home runs. He also set a TCU single season record for most bases on balls with a total of 50.

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NEW FACULTY, STAFF APPOINTMENTS

Currently completing the Ph.D. at the University of Kansas, TERESA TEEUWEN will join the accounting faculty in August. The former lecturer at the University of Pennsylvania has focused her doctoral studies on the relationship between compensation and trading profits of chief executive officers. She earned the M.S. degree at Kansas in 1980.

BABETTE BOHN has joined the art history faculty as an assistant professor. She earned the B.A. degree with honors at Northwestern University, the M.A. at Boston University and Master of Philosophy and Ph.D. degrees from Columbia University. She has been a faculty member at the University of California at Santa Cruz and most recently at California State University at Sonoma.

RICHARD BOETTIGER, who completed the Ph.D. at the University of California-Berkeley in April, will join the management faculty this fall. Formerly Northern California area coordinator for the National Center for Testing, he held MacArthur fellowships while working on the doctorate. His study of "Cognitive Style and Political Ideology in the Soviet Union" has been accepted for publication by Political Psychology.

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FOR SALE: Eight-piece girl's white bedroom set: double bed with canopy frame, night stand, desk with bookshelf, desk chair, three-drawer chest with bookshelf, dresser; \$350. Call Marita at Ext. 7230 mornings or 284-2902 afternoons and evenings.

FOR SALE: 1977 Monte Carlo Landau, red/white, A/C; power windows, brakes and steering; tilt, cruise, AM/FM radio/stereo, adult driven and garage kept; listed in CPI (Cars of Particular Interest) manual; excellent condition throughout; \$3,150. Call 294-9418.

FOR SALE: Four-bedroom, two-and-a-half bath brick home at 3829 Walton Ave. Newly redecorated and painted. \$118,500. Call 294-0836.