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EVENTS AND INFORMATION FOR THE TCU COMMUNITY

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Join Reading Frogs as a school volunteer/mentor

THE TCU STAFF ASSEMBLY READING Frogs program is currently recruiting volunteers to join in this community service initiative. The goal of the project is to improve a child's reading skills by committing 30-40 minutes each week to spend time in an area classroom.

Last semester, Reading Frogs volunteered in seven local elementary schools. Some staff members arranged to volunteer in their own child's school. This year's group will be placed in mid-September. Individuals have the choice of working one-on-one with a student who is struggling, or reading to an entire classroom.

TCU employees now may be provided a limited amount of paid time off to participate in Reading Frogs, under a new program recommended by Staff Assembly and approved by the Chancellor and Chancellor's Cabinet on a trial basis. Up to 12 hours of paid time off will be allowed during the period Sept. 1-April 30, 2003. These hours must coincide with volunteer time needed by the public schools, typically from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday through Friday. Staff working nights and weekends will not be eligible. The supervisor's discretion is a factor in the decision to grant time away from the campus.

If you are interested in participating, you can get a Community Service Approval Form (CSAF) from University Ministries at ext. 7830 or from the Staff Assembly Web site. After a supervisor has indicated approval, the completed form should be sent to **Mary Lane** (School of Education) by Friday.

You also may contact Mary directly at ext. 7663 or e-mail m.lane@tcu.edu. ♦

Bonnie Melhart succeeds Alan Shepard as director of SACS Self-Study project

BONNIE MELHART (COMPUTER SCIENCE) HAS been appointed director of the upcoming institutional self-study required every 10 years for reaccreditation by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS). She succeeds **Alan Shepard**, who recently left TCU to become director of the School of Literatures and Performance Studies in English at the University of Guelph in Canada.

The self-study steering committee, made up of approximately 150 faculty, staff and

students, began the process of examining various areas of TCU's educational programs, services and operations more than a year ago. Their written report is now in the hands of Chancellor Ferrari and the TCU Board of Trustees.

A SACS reaccreditation team will visit TCU next February.

Bonnie joined the University in 1990, as assistant professor of computer science. A graduate of Wright State University, she has a master's degree in math from Southern Illinois University and M.S. and Ph.D. degrees from the University of California at Irvine. ♦

Professors of Black Studies, Asian Studies join Brite faculty

STACEY M. FLOYD-THOMAS AND **TIMOTHY S. LEE** are new additions to the faculty of Brite Divinity School this semester.

Dr. Thomas will be assistant professor of Ethics and Black Church Studies. She comes to TCU from Virginia Tech University, where she was assistant professor of the Religious Studies program and assistant chair for the Center for Interdisciplinary Studies. She has a Ph.D. degree in Christian, Social and Womanist Ethics from Temple University. A graduate of Vassar College, Stacey holds a master's of theological studies from Emory University. She is married to **Dr. Juan M. Floyd-Thomas**, who has joined the faculty of the TCU history department.

Dr. Lee will head Brite's new Korean Studies Program and teach classes in History of Christianity and History of Christianity in Asia. He has Ph.D. and M.A. degrees from the University of Chicago, The Divinity School, and a B.A. degree from the University of Illinois.

Brite has organized its Korean Studies Program in cooperation with the North American Pacific Asian Disciples, the Division of Higher Education, the Disciples Seminary Foundation and with support from the Mission Imperative Fund. Students will complete the first two-thirds of course work at San Francisco Theological Seminary and Disciples Seminary Foundation, and the last third here. ♦

EVENTS

Today - Saturday

Howdy Week events, various activities and venues. Call ext. 5233 for information.

Aug. 27

Opening Luncheon with **Chancellor Michael R. Ferrari** for all faculty and staff, 11:15 a.m.-1 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.

Football Kickoff, open to all, 6 p.m., Fort Worth Club. Call ext. 7700 for details.

Aug. 28

Classes begin.

Sept. 2

Labor Day holiday. University closed.

Green Honors Chair lecturers announced for the academic year

A NUMBER OF PROMINENT SCHOLARS will be on campus this year as visiting Green Honors Professors ... a program established by Drs. Cecil H. and Ida Green of Dallas.

Dr. Pat Richard will be the guest of the physics and astronomy department Sept. 25-27. He is the Cortelyou-Rust Distinguished Professor of Physics at Kansas State University and director of its James R. McDonald laboratory.

The speech communication department will host Dr. John G. Greene, professor of speech communication at Purdue University, during the week of Oct. 6. He is the current editor of *Human Communication Research*.

Dates have not yet been confirmed for the following Green Chairs:

Jerome McGann, English professor at the University of Virginia, has accepted the invitation of the TCU English department. Dr. Linda Hogan, professor of English at the University of Colorado, also has been invited.

The journalism department will welcome John Calhoun Merrill Jr., who has taught at universities for more than 50 years, most recently at the University of Missouri-Columbia. His speciality is international journalism, mass communication and society and journalism ethics.

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Dr. R. Edward Freeman has agreed to visit TCU as the guest of the marketing department. He is the Olsson Professor of Business Administration at the Darden School, University of Virginia, and a recognized authority on business ethics.

The geology department will host a visit by Dr. Andrew Goudie, professor of geography at Hertford College, Oxford, UK. His research has been in desert geomorphology, dust storms, weathering climatic change in the tropics and the impact of humans on the environment.

Evelyn K. Orman, assistant professor of music education at Louisiana State University, will be this year's Green Honors Chair for the School of Music. She is an expert in the enhancement of music teaching and learning through the use of technology.

Other nominations for visiting professors will be announced as their appearances are confirmed. ♦

Hours for temporary weight/cardio room

THE TEMPORARY WEIGHT/CARDIO space at 2720 W. Berry Street will continue summer hours through tomorrow. They are: 6:30 a.m.-9 p.m. today and 11 a.m.-9 p.m. tomorrow.

Beginning Wednesday, fall hours go into effect. They are: 6:30 a.m.-midnight Mondays through Thursdays, 6:30 a.m.-8 p.m. Fridays, 10 a.m.-6 p.m. Saturdays and 1-10 p.m. Sundays.

Special holiday hours for Labor Day, fall break and Thanksgiving will be posted in the weight room, or you may call ext. 7529. ♦

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Chuck Becker retiring

THE DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS faculty will host a retirement reception for **Chuck Becker**, professor of economics and finance. The event is set for 3:30-5 p.m. Tuesday, Sept. 10 at the Faculty Center in Reed Hall.

Chuck has taught at TCU since 1967. ♦

Charles Tandy Executive Speaker Series announced

ETHICAL MANAGEMENT TECHNIQUES, water rights, and the link between business and biogenetics are some of the topics to be discussed by well-known professionals and academics during the Neeley School's yearlong Charles Tandy Executive Speaker Series. The series, co-sponsored by Frost Bank and Stuart Bacon Advertising and Public Relations, begins Friday, Sept. 20. Dates and speakers are:

Sept. 20: Dr. Robert Quinn

Dr. Quinn is a professor of organizational behavior and human resource management at the University of Michigan and founder of Wholonics, a broad-based approach which studies the "softer" aspects of a company such as knowledge, community and innovation to measure and predict company value. He also is the author of numerous books including *Letters to Garrett*, a book he wrote to his son about organizational management, and *Deep Change*.

Oct. 30: T. Boone Pickens

Founder of Mesa Petroleum Company and BP Capital Commodities Fund, T. Boone Pickens is an entrepreneur known for his innovation and visionary insight. He embodies the larger-than-life Texas businessman.

Jan. 27: Dr. Tom Caskey

Chief executive officer and president of Cogene Biotech Ventures, Ltd., Dr. Caskey previously served as senior vice president, human genetics and vaccines discovery, at Merck Research Laboratories in West Point, Pa. He also serves as an adjunct professor at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston.

All speaking events will begin at 7 a.m. at the Kelly Center. Breakfast will be served at each event; cost to attend is \$15 per person. Seating is limited to the first 300 people. For more information on the speaker series, call **Linda Smith**, external relations coordinator for the Neeley School, at ext. 7122 or visit www.neeley.tcu.edu and click on the news and events bar. ♦

ESL class for employees begins on campus Sept. 10

TCU WILL OFFER FREE "ENGLISH AS A Second Language" classes to employees, beginning Sept. 10 in the Intensive English

Classroom, Student Center B16. They are scheduled for 3:30 to 5 p.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays.

Contact **Cathy Hutcheson** (intensive English) at ext. 7485. ♦

BIRTH

Congratulations to **Michael Slattery** (geology) and his wife, Jan, on the birth of their first-born, Liam Christopher, on Aug. 11. He weighed 5 lbs. 4 oz. and is 19.5" long.

WEDDING

Congratulations to **Jack Hill** (religion) on his August 11 marriage to Katherine Ann Logue at the Prince of Wales Hotel in Waterton, Canada.

DEATHS

Sympathy is extended to **Mary Lane** (School of Education) on the death of her mother, Helen Been of Baraboo, Wisc., on Aug. 17. Services were held both in Sauk City, Wisc., and Manhattan, Ill.

Sympathy is extended to the family of **J. Lee Johnson III** (professor emeritus, management) who passed away Aug. 19. Services were held Aug. 21 at Holy Family Catholic Church.

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR SALE: 1990 Volvo 740 GLE wagon, 4-speed w/overdrive, a/c, power windows and mirrors, sunroof, leather interior, 111K mi., excellent condition, \$5,495. Call 817-923-8742 to see.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Human Resources office lists the following vacancies as of August 21. For more information on any of these positions, call ext. 7790.

Accompanist/Ballet/Temporary staff - Ballet/Modern Dance
Assistant Coach/Video - Athletics
Postdoctoral Fellow - Chemistry
Assistant Director - Institutional Research
VP for Advancement - Brite Divinity
Assistant Director - TCU Leadership Center
User Services Consultant - User Services
Athletic Academic Advisor - Athletics
Costume Studio Manager - Theatre
Assistant Director Website Management - Marketing & Communication
Client/Server Administrator - Technical Services
Assistant Men's Tennis Coach - Athletics
Network Specialist - User Services
Administrative Assistant - College of Communication
Administrative Assistant - Hamis School of Nursing
Office Assistant - 75% - Residential Services
Dispatcher - Police Department
Equipment Operator - Physical Plant
EMCS Technician - Physical Plant
Service Assistant - Facility Services
Service Assistant / 50% - Facility Services

Gardening tip from Robert Sulak in physical plant: Annuals that can withstand our summer heat are purslane, fire bush, celosia, lantanas and zinnias. Plant wildflowers in late August in well-prepared soil and keep soil moist until seeds sprout.