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Communications network to be upgraded; "257" replaces "921" and "920"

IF YOUR CAMPUS EXTENSION BEGINS with a "7," your telephone number will soon have a new prefix: "257."

And if you've never been able to receive external calls on your personal extension, that too will soon change. Starting Sept. 20, TCU's longtime "921" phone prefixes will begin to be phased out over a two-year period.

"257" will eventually be the exclusive prefix for all TCU phones, including student phones.

"We are making the change out of necessity," says Jill Laster, associate vice chancellor for administrative services. "When the University decided to tear down Pete Wright hall to make room for a new residence hall, we knew we had an opportunity to enhance our system."

Pete Wright and the grounds surrounding it house the hub for the current campus phone system. When demolition begins, key telephone and data equipment and cabling will be cut off. Installing a totally new system will prevent what would have been weeks of downtime, Jill says. An upgraded phone system was part of a long-term plan for the campus, but the construction project made it a priority.

"Now, the campus will have a fully-integrated communication system," according to Jill. "The new telephone switches will offer more options for users such as dialing lists, cover patterns and conference calls. It will be a big help in offices where there is heavy phone activity."

It means, basically, that all of TCU's data (essential for computer hookups), voice, and even e-mail lines will eventually have the potential to work together.

The new system will also be more flexible. For instance, authorized users

will be able to send "mass voice mails" to key extensions across the campus in the event of an emergency, such as an early closing due to severe weather. The switchboard after-hours voice mail message will also be able to handle more callers simultaneously.

But the most important change — the new prefix — will come first. Here's what will happen:

Beginning Saturday, the new switch will become active, but it will still support the old prefix for the next two years. If you have a 7000 extension, callers may reach you by dialing either the "921" or the new "257" prefix. All 5000 and 6000 extensions, which can only be dialed internally now, also will be able to receive

external calls through the new "257" prefix. Individuals or departments may decide if they want to print their external lines on business cards or letterhead, or continue to use the departmental

7000 extension.

"We have two years to migrate totally from '921' to '257,' which will save printing costs" Jill says. "If someone dials an old number found in a brochure or on a business card, they'll still be able to reach their party." In the meantime, departments can use up their existing paper supplies and get the new prefix on future re-orders, she adds.

Students in residence halls also will be assigned new "257" numbers when they sign up for rooms next year. Until May, the "920" extensions will be active. "257" will be an exclusive TCU phone prefix. No residential customers will share it, as some do now with "920" and "921."

Jill says each phone will have to be "activated" to utilize the new prefix. A training session for departmental resource people across the campus has been scheduled from 1 to 4:30 p.m. Friday in the Sid Richardson building basement. Anyone is welcome to attend. Call ext. 7798 for more information. ♦

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT



If you have a nighttime campus activity scheduled between Sept. 19 - 21 and will require phone service, please contact TCU's Office of Business Services at ext. 7798 and let them know.

Betsy Colquitt to be honored at reception Wednesday

TCU PRESS WILL HOST A RECEPTION from 3 to 4:30 p.m. Wednesday in the Faculty Center, celebrating the publication of Betsy Colquitt's new book of poems, *Eve—from the Autobiography*.

Betsy, a native of Fort Worth, retired from the English faculty in 1995. She was

the first recipient of the Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Teaching when it was established in 1982. Her poems, essays and reviews have been widely published in major American literary journals for the past 40 years. ♦

EVENTS

Sept. 6-26

15th annual *Art in the Metroplex* exhibition featuring original works by local artists, Moudy Building exhibition hall. Free. ****

Sept. 14 - 20

International Housekeeping Week — TCU Facility Services has five supervisors and 69 service assistants responsible for maintaining all campus buildings. This is a good time to recognize your office's housekeeper for a job well done!

Sept. 15

Lectureship recital featuring baritone Bruce Abel, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Free. *

Sept. 16

Harris HMO representative Jill Parker on campus. Call for an appointment. ***

Hispanic Heritage Month — Festival, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m., Frog Fountain. Festivities include Spanish music, arts, crafts, a jalepeño-eating contest and piñata breakings. Free. Call ext. 5233 for more information.

Cliburn concert featuring Jon Nakamatsu, gold medalist of the 1997 Van Cliburn International Piano Competition, 8 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Call 335-9000 for ticket information.

Sept. 17

OSP brown bag lunch — "Using the Internet in the Workplace" featuring Beata Jones, assistant professor of management information systems, noon, Sid Richardson, lecture hall 1. Free.

Art History program featuring Babette Bohn speaking on "Painting, Pigeons, and Old Testament Heroines: An Art Historian in Italy," noon, Moudy Building 132N. Free. ****

The Global Rhythm Tour, a community drum circle experience, 7 p.m., Student Center ballroom. Free and open to all. Call ext. 7927 for more information.

Sept. 18

Frog Club luncheon, noon, Kelly Center. Call ext. 7700 for reservations.

Fort Worth Chamber Orchestra concert featuring pianist Marc-André Hamelin with harpist David Williams, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Call 926-8831 for ticket information.

Sept. 19-20

TCU Invitational Volleyball Tournament. **

Sept. 20

Women's soccer — TCU vs. Stephen F. Austin, 1 p.m., TCU soccer field. **

Programming Council Film: *Selena*, 9 p.m., Student Center ballroom. Free.

Sept. 21

Women's soccer — TCU vs. Oklahoma, 3 p.m., TCU soccer field. **

Sept. 22

Monday at TCU

Faculty recital featuring clarinetist Gary Whitman and accompanist Janet Pummill, 7:30 p.m., Ed Landreth Auditorium. Free. *

*Call the music department at ext. 7602 for more information.

**Call the ticket office at ext. 7967 for more information.

***Call human resources at 7790 for more information.

****Call art and art history at ext. 7643 for more information.

Chuck Lamb receives \$20,000 with 1997 Chancellor's Award

CHANCELLOR TUCKER AWARDED marketing professor Chuck Lamb the Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Research and Creative Activity during Fall Convocation last Thursday.

The chancellor honored Chuck with a ceremonial plaque and a \$20,000 check in recognition of outstanding ability and accomplishments.

Since 1983, the honor has been awarded every other year, alternating with the Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Teaching. Past winners include Bob Neilson (chemistry), John Owings (music), David Cravens (marketing), William Smith (chemistry), Donald Dansereau (psychology) David Edmunds (history) and William Watson (chemistry).

Chuck, a member of the Neeley School faculty since 1981, has written more than 90 books and articles on marketing (including highly-regarded marketing textbooks). Between 1973-1975, he had the unique distinction of being the most prolific contributor to the *Journal of the Academy of Marketing Science*, a leading journal within the discipline.

His key research has been in services marketing, marketing for nonprofit organizations, healthcare marketing and international marketing. As a volunteer, Chuck has participated in applied research projects for All Saints Hospital, Family Service, Inc., the Van Cliburn Foundation, Fort Worth Symphony Orchestra and United Way of Metropolitan Tarrant County, among other not-for-profits.

Each of the other nominees for the 1997 Chancellor's Award for Distinguished Research and Creative Activity was presented with a check for \$1,000 during convocation. The honorees are Fred R. Erisman (English), Dale A. Huckaby (chemistry), William H. Beezley (history), Howard W. Stone (Brite Divinity School), Michael Meckna (music), Ralph Behnke (communications) and Patricia Bradley (Harris College of Nursing). ♦

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University Ministries brown-bag series begins

EACH SEMESTER TCU FACULTY AND staff gather for brown-bag lunches and an opportunity to explore issues of faith within the context of concerns on campus and beyond. The subjects are wide-ranging. The sessions have been planned by a group of faculty and staff, and will be led by faculty and staff from across the University community. Sessions occur at noon on alternating Mondays and Tuesdays for one hour. Time is provided for getting acquainted, as well as for the discussion of the day.

Dates and discussion leaders for the sessions include:

Monday, Sept. 15 — Bronson Davis (advancement)

Tuesday, Sept. 23 — Bob Seal (library)

Monday, Sept. 29 — Delia Pitts (international education)

Tuesday, Oct. 7 — David Grebel (extended education)

Monday, Oct. 13 — Richard Allen (RTVF)

Tuesday, Oct. 21 — Ron Flowers (religion)

Monday, Oct. 27 — Bob Bolen (senior advisor to the chancellor)

Tuesday, Nov. 4 — Open at this time

Monday, Nov. 10 — John Butler (university ministries)

Tuesday, Nov. 18 — Mark Thistlethwaite (art)

Everyone in the University community is invited to participate. These sessions will occur in the Student Center, room 218. For further information, please call ext. 7830. ♦

Participants needed for Intl. Friendship Program

AL MLADENKA, DIRECTOR OF THE Department of International Student Services, and Mrs. Pat McClard, chair of the TCU/Community International Friendship Program (IFP), are seeking additional families or individuals for the IFP.

Participants are asked to visit with their student twice monthly in order for them to experience American culture. Suggested activities include dinner at home or a family outing to a movie or sports event. Overnight visits are discouraged.

There are approximately 10 new international students who could not be assigned to an IFP family or individual due to a shortage of participants in the program. (An unusually large percentage of the 115 new international students signed up for the program this fall.)

Any interested faculty and staff (or friends they can recommend) should call ext. 7292 or Pat at 927-7286. ♦

OSP announces McGregor, Millen as General Staff Award recipients

THE OSP GENERAL STAFF AWARD committee has announced the winners of the award for the 1997-1998 school year — Betty J. McGregor and Lee Millen. The award covers \$45 per semester hour for books and fees, up to \$250 per semester.

Betty works in periodicals in the library and has been at TCU since Sept. 1994. She is pursuing a degree in Early Childhood education and would like to obtain an ESL certification. She hopes to be able to work in an elementary school upon completion of her degree.

Lee joined the TCU staff in Jan. 1997 as a data control specialist in development information services for university advancement. He is working on his BA in political science, but plans to get a Master of Education and eventually teach in a public school system. ♦

CLASSIFIEDS

FOR RENT: Furnished garage apartment located near campus, one bedroom, one bath, kitchen/dining area, new carpet and paint, large walk-in closet. \$375 per month with \$150 security deposit. All utilities paid. Call 295-3157.

FOR RENT: Guest bedroom, furnished or not furnished, west Fort Worth, all utilities paid, hall bath and separate living room, kitchen and laundry available. \$350 per month. Call 737-2174.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The human resources office lists the following vacancies as of Sept. 13. For more information on any of these positions, call ext. 7790.

Chancellor — Chancellor's Office
Coordinator, Neeley Student Resource Center — Neeley School of Business
Acquisitions Librarian — MCB Library
Admissions Information Services Manager — Admissions
Assistant Director of Facility Services — Facility Services
Systems Analyst — Information Services
Programmer Analyst — Information Services
Annual Fund Officer — University Advancement
Director of Basketball Operations — Men's Basketball
Director, Facilities Planning — Physical Plant
Director of Teacher Certification — School of Education
Administrative Assistant I — Men's Basketball
Administrative Assistant I (88%) — Starpoint School
Library Assistant II (80%) — MCB Library
Library Assistant II — MCB Library
Computer Support Specialist II — Technical Services
Administrative Program Specialist — Annual Giving
Administrative Research Assistant (75%) — Tandy Tech Scholars
Craft Tech Supervisor I/HVAC — Physical Plant
Craft Tech Supervisor II/Plumber — Physical Plant
Craft Tech I/HVAC — Physical Plant
Craft Tech II/HVAC — Physical Plant
Craft Tech II/General Maintenance — Physical Plant
Service Assistant III — Facility Services
Service Assistant I — Facility Services