

# TCU THIS WEEK



EVENTS AND INFORMATION FOR THE TCU COMMUNITY

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## Roster of recent recipients of Service-Learning Grants

NINE TCU FACULTY MEMBERS HAVE BEEN awarded Service-Learning Grants for their work within the community. The funds come from the Center for Community Involvement and Service-Learning, to support individual faculty and academic units seeking to initiate or build upon existing service-learning and community-based research efforts. Recipients' names and their projects are:

■ **Ranjan Muttiah** (geology and environmental science) for "Release of Endangered Golden Toad Species in Puerto Rico: Service Learning with the Fort Worth Zoo"

■ **Beata Jones** (Information System and Supply Chain Management) for "Revitalizing Near Southside in partnership with Fort Worth South Samaritan House"

■ **Lyn Dart** (nutritional sciences) for "Tarrant County Resource Connection Demonstration Community Garden and Outreach"

■ **Mary McKinney** (Spanish) for "Spanish for Healthcare" and "Culture and Civilization of Spain in partnership with TCU Human Resources, Alice Carlson Elementary School and Starpoint School"

■ **Sharon Canclini** (nursing) for "Emergency Preparedness in the Muslim Community"

■ **Pamela Jean Frable** (nursing) for "Tarrant County Resource Connection Demonstration Community Garden: Family Outreach" and "Emergency Preparedness in the Muslim Community"

■ **Theresa Prosser** (education) for "Partnering with Early Head Start: Graduate Students Building Community Relationships"

■ **Joddy Murray** (English) for "Language, Technology, and Society Oral History Project"

■ **Dawn Richards Elliott** (economics) for "The Union Gospel Mission and Homelessness in Fort Worth: Assessing Effectiveness" ♦

## Meteorite Gallery acquires rare Australian specimen

TCU'S OSCAR MONNIG METEORITE GALLERY recently acquired a 45-pound iron meteorite from western Australia. At approximately three feet by two feet, it is the largest slice of iron meteorite in the United States.

The sample is a slice of an Australian meteorite called Mundrabilla. Meteorites are generally named after a geographic location close to the place where it was found. Mundrabilla is a small town in Western Australia. Several of the masses of the meteorite, which fell in pre-history, weigh a ton or more.

Very few meteor scientists are capable of

cutting slices of such large masses. This Mundrabilla slice came to TCU as a trade with a meteorite dealer in Frankfurt, Germany - one of the few people able to slice large masses. Seven slices were cut from one of the large masses retrieved from the location. Two slices will remain at a museum in Australia. The other five slices will be offered to major museums. The only major collection in the United States with one of the slices is our Monnig meteorite collection. The others will remain in Europe.

For more information, visit <http://monnigmuseum.tcu.edu/> or call ext. 6277. ♦

## Faculty art exhibition opens today in University Gallery

INSIGHTS, THE ANNUAL SHOW OF NEW works by TCU art faculty, starts today in the University Art Gallery, located in the Moudy Bldg. North. The exhibition runs through Feb. 3. The opening reception will be held from 6 - 8 p.m. Friday, Jan. 18 in the foyer of the building. All participants will be available to talk about their works at that time.

Art on display includes ceramics, drawing, graphic design, illustration, mixed media, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture. In addition, a selected body of student work will be exhibited throughout the Moudy Bldg. ♦

## Toastmasters hosting open house

TCU TOASTMASTERS WILL HOST AN OPEN house on Wednesday, Jan. 16 from 12:15 to 1 p.m. in the Smith Entrepreneurs Hall, rm. 118. Refreshments will be served. For anyone who has ever thought about joining Toastmasters and then immediately felt "butterflies," here's your chance. Come and learn how this world-famous program helps even the shyest speakers feel confident in front of an audience.

The club offers "learn-by-doing" training to help individuals improve their communication and leadership skills in a comfortable, friendly atmosphere.

The group meets weekly to learn and practice presentation techniques. Upon joining, members progress through a basic speech manual, which includes a series of 10 speaking projects designed to instill a basic foundation in public speaking. When finished with the first manual, members can select from among 15 advanced manuals to develop speaking skills that are geared to specific interests.

Toastmasters International is the world's largest educational organization devoted to communication and leadership development.

## EVENTS

### Today - Feb. 3

*Insights*, artists of the TCU art faculty present their newest works in ceramics, drawing, graphic design, illustration, mixed media, painting, photography, printmaking and sculpture, University Art Gallery. Free admission. Opening reception will be 6 - 8 p.m. Friday.\*

### Today and Jan. 28

Crucial Confrontations with **Susan Oakley** and **Rhonda Keen-Payne**, noon-5 p.m., Tandy Boardroom, Tandy Hall 120. Lunch provided prior to the class. To register, call ext. 5103 or e-mail [l.a.hughes2@tcu.edu](mailto:l.a.hughes2@tcu.edu).

### Today

First day of classes for spring semester.

### Jan. 15

Fast Break Club Visiting Coaches Luncheon Series with Steve Alford, University of New Mexico, \$20/individual ticket, noon, Kelly Center. Call ext. 7968 for more information.

Men's Basketball vs. New Mexico, 8 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.\*\*

### Jan. 16

Koehler Center Open Faculty Lab, 10 a.m.-2 p.m., CIS Studio. No reservations needed for eCollege help. Call ext. 7434 for more information.

TCU Toastmasters Open House, noon-1 p.m., Smith Hall, rm. 116. Call ext. 5061 for more information.

### Jan. 17

TCU Caregiver Resource Group sponsored by the Harris College Center for Healthy Aging, 5:30-7 p.m., Bass Bldg. living room. For more information, contact **Laurie Burton** at [l.burton@tcu.edu](mailto:l.burton@tcu.edu).

### Jan. 18

Fridays Fabulous Foods - Healthy Eating 101 with Allison Reyna, noon-1 p.m., Library conference room. To register, call ext. 5103 or e-mail [l.a.hughes2@tcu.edu](mailto:l.a.hughes2@tcu.edu).

### Jan. 19-20

Senior Conference beginning at 10:30 on Jan. 19-1 p.m. on Jan. 20, Hilton Arlington. Call ext. 7860 for registration information.

### Jan. 19

Rifle vs. Mississippi, all day event, TCU campus.\*\*

Koehler Center Crash Course: eCollege for New Faculty, 9 a.m.-4 p.m., Sid Richardson, rm. 138. Call ext. 7434 for reservations.

Women's Basketball vs. Colorado State, 2 p.m., Daniel-Meyer Coliseum.\*\*

### Jan. 21

University closed for Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.

\*Call art and art history at ext. 7643.

For more information, visit [www.toastmasters.tcu.edu](http://www.toastmasters.tcu.edu). ♦

## Student billing moves online in February

FINANCIAL SERVICES WILL MOVE STUDENT bills online in February to provide billing information more efficiently to students and others who pay student bills. Printed versions of student bills will be mailed until May.

"There are many benefits to moving student billing online including faster receipt of bills, access to bills at all times, and the ability to review all bills in one location," said **Cheryl Wilson** (associate vice chancellor for financial services and controller). "Placing bills online also will significantly reduce the amount of paper financial services uses and help TCU become more environmentally-friendly."

In order for parents or others paying student bills to access bills online, students must go to the student center located on [my.tcu.edu](http://my.tcu.edu), provide an e-mail address for a parent or other responsible party, and grant those individuals access to view student account info. Up to three people can have access to view student bills and account charges, which will be posted on a secure, password-protected site.

Financial services will send both the student and the parent or responsible party an e-mail around the 8th of each month indicating that the student bill is available to view online. The student notification will be sent to the [tcu.edu](http://tcu.edu) e-mail account; parents or responsible parties will receive the bill notification at the e-mail address provided by the student.

The online bills also can be formatted in a printer-friendly version so those who wish to have a printed version of the bill can easily print the information. Payments can still be made online with credit cards or electronic checks or via the mail.

"We will launch a highly visible communication campaign to encourage students to provide the information needed so their parent or the person responsible for

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paying student bills is aware of e-Z Bill and has access to bills online," said Wilson. "Our hope is to have everyone signed up for e-Z Bill in the next couple of months." ♦

## Extended Education spring catalog is now available

EXTENDED EDUCATION HAS EXPANDED ITS offerings of unique courses through strategic partnerships with community organizations, local museums and churches, and TCU faculty and alumni. A description of these courses can be found in Extended Education's new spring catalog, now available online at [www.lifelong.tcu.edu](http://www.lifelong.tcu.edu). And don't forget to take advantage of the faculty/staff/student discount of up to 50% on most classes. Early registration is encouraged.

Among the creative courses are "GenderSpeak" where participants learn about understanding masculinity and femininity in the workplace; numerous educational programs through the Botanical Research Institute of Texas (BRIT); an educational course "From Turnpikes to Tollways" by the Center for Texas Studies; and "Champagne and Roses" at the Fort Worth Botanic Garden. Other notable courses include "A Conversation with Marcus Borg" and "The Barnett Shale: Facts, Myths and Opportunities." ♦

## RTVF Film Series announced

THE RADIO/TV/FILM DEPT. HAS ANNOUNCED the lineup for its series of free, classic movies this spring. The films are screened on Thursday nights at 7 p.m. in rm. 1645 of the Moudy Building, south entrance.

**Joan McGettigan** (RTVF) introduces each movie with brief background notes. For more information, call ext. 7630 or ext. 6690. The schedule:

**Jan. 31**

*A Yank in the R.A.F.* (1941)

**Feb. 7**

*Singin' in the Rain* (1952)

**Feb. 14**

*Some Like It Hot* (1959)

**Feb. 21**

*Strangers on a Train* (1951)

**Feb. 28**

*Captains Courageous* (1937)

**March 6**

*Charge of the Light Brigade* (1936)

**March 20**

*Flying Down to Rio* (1933)

**March 27**

*Gallipoli* (1981)

**April 3**

*Shane* (1953)

**April 10**

*The More the Merrier* (1943)

**April 17**

*Seven Brides for Seven Brothers* (1954)

**April 24**

*High Sierra* (1941)

## NEW FACES

**Lindy Bledsue** has been hired as the animal

care technician in psychology. She was formerly employed at City View Animal Hospital.

**Jared Cobb** has joined student development services as assistant director of TCU Transitions. A graduate of Hampton University, he has his M.Ed. degree from UNT and comes to TCU from a high school counseling position with Fort Worth ISD.

**Jason "JD" Dunavant** is new assistant athletic trainer in athletics. Formerly director of athletic training at Abilene Christian University, he is a graduate of University of Louisiana/Monroe and has a master's degree from University of Arkansas.

**Beth Philp** is the new administrative assistant in the philosophy department. She is a graduate of Stephen F. Austin State University.

**Janice Shaw** has joined nursing as continuing education coordinator. A nursing graduate of TCU, she previously was agency director at Accolade Home Care.

**Dennis Slaw-Lathey** has been hired as a hall director in residential services. He is a 2007 graduate in psychology from TCU and has been a resident assistant here.

**Guadalupe Villagomez** is a new service assistant in facility services. She previously worked at Fiesta Market.

**Brandi Zamora** is the new copy center operator in printing services. She was formerly employed at Honeywell.

## DEATHS

Sympathy is extended to **Leo Perdue** (Brite) and his wife, Sharon, on the death of her father, Olen Robert Williams, of Talco on Jan. 7. Services and burial were held there Jan. 11.

Condolences go to **Sue McClellan** (chancellor's external relations office) on the death of her mother, Juanita Cooper, on Jan. 10. A memorial service was held Jan. 12 at Laurel Land Funeral Home.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

The Human Resources office lists the following vacancies as of Jan 9. For more information on any of these positions go to [www.hr.tcu.edu](http://www.hr.tcu.edu).

Accompanist - Ballet and Modern Dance  
Administrative Asst. (PT) - Nursing  
Administrative Program Specialist - Neeley Certification

Asst. Coach Strength/Conditioning - Athletics

Asst. Coach Women's Track - Athletics  
Assistant to the Dean - College of Education

Database Analyst (temp) - Neeley School  
Dean - College of Communication

Dean - Neeley School  
Director - Neeley MBA Graduate Career Services

Director of Sponsored Research - Academic Affairs/Research

EMCS Operator - Facility Services  
Equipment Operator - Physical Plant

Horticultural Assistant - Physical Plant  
Lab Assistants - HCN Learning Lab

Librarian I - Library  
Mover Technician - Facility Services

Service Assts. - Facility Services  
Structural Maintenance Technician (2) - Physical Plant

Teacher - KinderFrogs School  
Technical Services Analyst - Advancement DIS

Web Services Coordinator - Advancement DIS

To view the latest details on campus construction and parking, go to the TCU homepage and click on Campus Construction, listed under Featured Links on the left-hand side.