

# TI Alumni eNews

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## Andy Smith Honored for Volunteer Work

United Way of Metropolitan Dallas has honored Andy Smith, TI's director of corporate philanthropy, with its Live United Volunteer Award, which is given to a volunteer who embodies the Live United call to action, "Give, Advocate and Volunteer." Andy Smith is TI's lead United Way support coordinator and dedicates hundreds of hours annually to continuing the company's leadership among corporate supporters. He is also TI's Liaison to TIAA and is a strong supporter of our organization. Andy will soon be installed as UWMD's first openly gay board member and is a member of the UWMD Volunteer Engagement Cabinet. He chairs the agency's Volunteer Experience Subcommittee and the Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual and Transgender (LGBT) Partnership Committee. UWMD presented the award at its annual Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon June 8 at the Westin Galleria Dallas. For more information, [click here](#).

## It's Peach-Picking Time

**Peach Picking, Monday, July 11** – One of our members, Jimmie Roberts, made last-minute arrangements for us to visit Bonham to pick ripe, juicy peaches by the bushel or the peck. We may also be able to purchase tomatoes, potatoes, onions or squash depending on the crop. After we have picked our fill, we will have lunch at Fannin County's premier steakhouse, Shumardii's, (their lunch menu is \$7.99 including beverage). We will depart Texins at 9 a.m. and return about 2:30 p.m. Cost is \$10 for members and \$11 for nonmembers. Call 214-567-8444 or email [admin@tialumni.org](mailto:admin@tialumni.org) by July 5 to sign up for this great trip.

## Tech Smart Big Heart Museum Admissions

TI has made arrangements with both the Dallas Museum of Art (DMA) and the Nasher Sculpture Center in the Dallas Arts District to allow Tiers (both active and retired) to invite up to five guests to visit both museums for free. This offer extends from July 19 – July 24. Bring either your badge or a copy of this email for admission.

## TIAA Volunteer-of-the-Year Nominations

TIAA's Community Involvement Team (CIT) has announced that nominations are now open for the TIAA Community Involvement Volunteer of the Year Award. This award represents and highlights the spirit of volunteerism among all our members. The award will be presented at the annual TI Retiree's Luncheon on November 9, 2011. The recipient will be a TIAA member who has contributed to TIAA through TIAA-sponsored community projects, working on the TIAA board or teams, and/or volunteering through TIAA teams in the community. Click [here](#) to download the criteria and nomination forms, or you may call the TIAA office at 214-567-8444 and a copy will be mailed to you. Nominations must be received prior to Oct. 15.

## OMOT Art Competition Deadline Nears

Registration for the 2011 On My Own Time (OMOT) art competition at TI runs through July 15. The OMOT team, headed by retiree Ted Houston, has scheduled this year's event for Aug. 1 through 12 at the Texins Activity Center. Last year, 70 TI artists – active and retired – submitted 95 works of art in the OMOT competition. Winners in each category plus “The People’s Choice” went on to the citywide exhibit at NorthPark Center in the fall. The categories are unchanged from last year. Click [here](#) for more information.

## Summer Seminars – Just for the Fun of It

Register now for the second in a series of three fun Summer Seminars. All are held in CR1/CR2 in the cool Texins Activity Center, with refreshments provided. The second seminar, “TI Retiree Author’s Workshop”, on **Wednesday, July 20, (1-3:30 pm)** will focus on the art of the written word. Two accomplished TI-retiree authors will be on hand to review their publications. Ed Millis will tell about his research on the life of Jack Kilby, which resulted in the first full-length biography on the inventor of the integrated circuit: *Jack St. Clair Kilby: A Man of Few Words*. Ed will also discuss how to write your own life story, and will provide a two-page handout with details on to get started. Harvey Cragon will speak about his research and writing of three books on World War II computing: a vacuum tube digital computer built in England to break the German Fish cipher, two electromechanical analog computers; the US submarine torpedo data computer and the Norden bombsight. In addition, he will discuss writing two booklets: one on the British Royal Navy’s codes and ciphers used in the Napoleonic Wars and the second on a late 19<sup>th</sup> century railroad in northwest Arkansas.

Following the presentations, a Q&A session will be held on the “how to” of researching and publishing a book. Please register by July 18 so we can plan for refreshments. Contact the TIAA office at [admin@tialumni.org](mailto:admin@tialumni.org) or 214-567-8444 and leave your name, telephone number and name of anyone attending with you. Also, mark your calendar for the third summer seminar at Texins: Antiques & Collectibles Roadshow – 1 to 3 p.m., **Thursday, Aug. 25** at Texins, CR1/2.

## Seminar Presentations

If you missed the recent seminar on “Art Appreciation & Resources”, held June 9, at Texins, you can view and/or download the presentations on our TIAA website. Click [here](#) to access the seminar presentation archive.

## July TIAA Breakfast

We will again meet this month at [The House Cafe \(Link E\)](#) at 801 Alpha Dr. at Bowser Rd. in Richardson on Friday, July 15 at 9:30 a.m. All members and former Tiers are invited to this informal get-together for fellowship and good food. Feel free to bring a friend. No RSVP needed.

## Welcome to New Members

The TI Alumni Association is happy to announce that Shar Albrecht, Larry Brast, Loretta Jennings, Gregory Kimball, John Kreitzer, Chung-Shing Lee, Cliff Martin, Matt A. McKelvie, Tony Smithson and Yi Tian recently became members of our association. Betty Gable, David Kimble and Mary Ann Potter became Lifetime Members. Welcome.

## Cookbook Recipe Deadline Extended

July 15 is the new deadline for submitting recipes for a cookbook that TIAA is publishing to benefit the United Way. We would especially like to receive more recipes for vegetables, appetizers and beverages. TIAA is funding the cost of preparing the cookbook, so **all** the proceeds from the sale will go to the United Way. Your favorite recipes will be the featured items. Your name, city and state will be included with your recipes. Entries are no longer limited to three recipes per person. Please email your recipes to Dolores Runyon at [dolores.runyon@sbcglobal.net](mailto:dolores.runyon@sbcglobal.net) or mail to 8404 Forest Lane, #404, Dallas, TX 75243. The cookbook will be on sale at this year's TI Retiree Luncheon for \$10.

## Community Involvement Activities

TIAA members are invited to make a difference in our community by participating in community involvement activities. Round-trip transportation is provided from Texins Activity Center. There is no fee for volunteering for the following TIAA-sponsored service projects. Contact the TIAA office at [admin@tialumni.org](mailto:admin@tialumni.org) or 214-567-8444 to register so we can inform you if plans change.

**World Vision, Tuesday, July 12** – Help sort donated items and place them in appropriate shelf bins. We may also assist non-profit customers as they shop for various items for their organizations. We'll board a bus provided by The Senior Source at Texins at 9 a.m. and ride to World Vision North in Grand Prairie. After our work there, we will have lunch at our own expense and return to Texins about 1:30 p.m.

**Shoes for Orphan Souls, Wednesday, Aug. 10 (note date change.)** – Join other volunteers to help sort new shoes and socks which are provided to orphans and at-risk children in the United States and throughout the world. We'll depart from Texins at 9 a.m. and ride a bus to the air-conditioned warehouse in Mesquite to prepare shoes and socks for distributing. After processing footwear at the Buckner Center for Humanitarian Aid, we will have lunch at our own expense and return to Texins about 1:30 p.m.

## June Slide Shows

Ronnie Brandenburg has created slide shows with pictures taken by Linda Stopani and Jerry Brandenburg at the Mammoth Exhibit and Dr Pepper Museum in Waco on June 1, the RoughRiders Game in Frisco on June 10 and our "Welcome Home a Hero" trip on June 22. To view these slide shows, click [here](#) to access the Travel & Events page and then click on the desired event.

## TIAA Travel Events

**Dallas Doo-Wops, Saturday, July 2** – Like 50s and 60s music? Then join us at the quirky Pocket Sandwich Theater and enjoy a vocal group with their band performing familiar rhythm and blues songs. We will leave the Texins at 6:30 p.m., order a light dinner on our own at the theater (soups, salads, sandwiches, drinks and/or desserts), listen to toe-tapping music for two hours and return about 10:30 p.m. Cost is \$34 for members and \$38 for nonmembers.

**Winspear Opera House, Dallas, Tuesday, July 19** – Let's tour a beautiful reinterpretation of the traditional 20<sup>th</sup> century opera house located in the Dallas Arts District. A DART bus will pick us up and take us to a guided tour of the traditional horseshoe configuration where music,

Broadway shows, concerts and lectures are held. We will leave Texins at 10 a.m., tour the beautiful facility, eat lunch at The Spaghetti Warehouse, and return about 1:30 p.m. Free except for the cost of our food.

**Fair Park Guided Tram Tour, Dallas, Saturday, July 23** -- Experience a guided tour from a motorized, **covered** tram at Fair Park, home of the 1936 Texas Centennial and one of the Dallas gems. Learn about the grand history of this 277-acre premier park from famous historian Willis Winters, AIA Fellow. See and hear about the legendary murals of the Centennial and Automobile buildings. Watch the dancing waters of the esplanade. After the tour we will visit the newly-restored Aquarium followed by lunch at Two Podners B-B-Q and Seafood, on your own, before returning around 2:00 p.m. Bus will leave Texins at 8:15 a.m. Cost is \$25 for members and \$28 for nonmembers. Space is limited to 20 seats so make your reservations by July 16.

### Future Travel Events

DMOS6 Walking Tour, Dallas, Tuesday, Aug. 9.

Mary Kay Manufacturing Plant, Addison, Monday, Aug. 22. **(Note date change.)**

Winstar Casino Trip, Oklahoma, Thursday, Sept. 1.

Meadows Museum Tour and special exhibition, Dallas, Thursday, Sept. 22.

DART Manufacturing Tour, Plano, Tuesday, Sept. 27.

*See [www.tialumni.org/travel/](http://www.tialumni.org/travel/) for more detailed and updated information. Each TIAA member may bring one guest at the member price. Others may join us at the nonmember price. To register, contact the TIAA office at [admin@tialumni.org](mailto:admin@tialumni.org) or 214-567-8444. Payment (by check only) is due seven days prior to event to reserve your place on the bus. Mail check to TIAA, PO Box 740181, Dallas, TX 75374.*

### In Memoriam

TIAA has learned of the recent deaths of the following former Tiers and/or TIAA members: George C. Brown, John Caetano, Michael F. "Mike" Clark, Leslie W. Coke, Rita L. Cripple, Donna J. Crothers, Dorothy C. "Sue" Gaines, Robert Goddard, Evalyn Hardey, Arthur L. Harmon, Thomas M. Harmon, Murrell "Skinny" Holbert, James I. Hill, Hennretta V. Joyal, Ruby E. Kumler, Thomas R. "Big Tom" Livingston, Rosemary Merriell, June M. Mitchell, Jack L. Ogle, Aldo N. Paviolo, Lawrence Payne, Ruth Ready, Margaret R. Riley, Jeffrey R. Stone, Lou J. Vandiver, J. D. Vinson, Edward Watson, Helen Watson, and Doyce J. Young. We have added their names to our online *In Memoriam* list. To view the complete list, go to [tialumni.org/in-memoriam/](http://tialumni.org/in-memoriam/) and use the Find function to find a particular person.

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