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TI Retiree Benefits Going Digital

To ensure receipt of communications about annual enrollment and other Fidelity-administered benefits, pre-65 TI retirees need to make sure their personal email address is accurate at NetBenefits.com/TI and that they've elected electronic delivery in their communication preferences. What's the benefit of digital communications? You receive important information wherever you are! Whether you're visiting family, taking a road trip or traveling abroad, you will never miss a communication from TI benefits. Also, look for annual enrollment information in your inbox this fall! netbenefits.com/ti

TIAA Travel and Events

July Travel and Events Recap: *On July 11 twenty-six former Tiers and guests braved the hot July night to attend the Shoot for the Moon event by Dallas author James Donovan. It was held at the Allen Public Library and dinner (topped off by a moon-shaped cake with craters!) was provided from their cafe. Most of us could remember watching a small, black-and-white TV screen and hearing, on July 20, 1969, "Houston, the Eagle has landed" – and the world has not been the same since. The author has extensively researched and recorded our ten-year political strife with Russia and our shock after tiny Sputnik 1 (183 pounds and about the size of a beach ball) flew high across our land in 1957. In 1961 President Kennedy announced the dramatic and ambitious goal of putting a man on the moon and bringing him home safely before the decade was out – a feat that would ultimately determine the victor of the space race. NASA emerged quickly and had stringent requirements for the future astronauts: male (for the first three groups), physically fit, well-educated (some had engineering degrees or Ph.Ds.) and previously a fighter or a test pilot. This long journey to the moon involved 400,000 NASA employees, 20,000 companies and about \$25 billion to achieve (close to \$170 billion in today's dollars); but what was the cost to the personnel involved? We sat in their auditorium and listened as the author discussed his conversations with the astronauts – their thoughts, training, relationships, triumphs, disasters and the stresses upon their families. The contributions of TI's technology to the success of the Apollo and other space missions was recognized; and it was even suggested that, without TI's help and expertise, a moon landing would not have occurred – at least within President Kennedy's promised timeline and perhaps not at all.*



It was 88 degrees when the eight of us hopped on a bus to ride to Weatherford on July 13 for the Parker County Peach Festival. It was very crowded around the central streets which were enclosed by a chain link fence – literally shoulder to shoulder. Plus, there were very few peach stands – even at \$20 a basket!

TIAA Community Involvement

August 6, Crossroads Community Services – Tuesday, 8:30 am – 1:30 pm. TIAA Volunteers will assist Crossroads “neighbors” in selecting grocery items and/or helping in the clothing distribution area. Afterwards, we will have lunch at a local restaurant (at our own expense). Please join us at the Texins Fitness Center to board a Senior Source bus. Please [register online](#) for this event.

TIAA Breakfast

August 16, Friday, 9:30 am. All TI retirees, TIAA members and their spouses are invited to this informal get-together for breakfast at the Southern Recipes Grill, 621 W. Plano Parkway. We meet the third Friday of every month to enjoy a cozy breakfast with old and new friends. You will find fresh food, great service, reasonable prices, and good conversation. Registration is not required as we can always pull up another table or two, so just show up and bring a friend if you like. From North Central Expressway, turn West on Plano Parkway, cross the bridge and then turn north into The Village at Collin Creek. The restaurant will be to your left. We now meet on the southern side of the restaurant. If you have any questions, please contact Jon Campbell, jonscampbell@gmail.com or 214-507-1500.



Next TIAA Breakfast: September 20, Friday, 9:30 am

New and Renewing Members

Recently Phillip Raign became a lifetime member and Calvin Causey, Vicki Stallcup-Causey, Sigifredo Diaz, John Ostaszewski and Pete Zavala became new members. Charles Baker, Paula Baker, Lucille Bean, Maurice Brau, Robert Davis, Timothy Desiato, Charlotte Dockray, Michael Goidl, Debra Heiden, Evelyn House, Loretta Jennings, Jennie LeClaire, Russell LeClaire, Randy Lusk, Juanita Mitchell, Carlene Morrow, Charles Morrow, Molly Murray, Becky Needham, Gene Needham, Mae Odom, Jim Polozeck, Richard Reed, Alan Rittman, Victoria Rittman, Phil Stephens, Thomas Sutter and Jodie Zoeller renewed their memberships. Welcome to all.

Personal Information

TI is no longer notifying TIAA when a retiree's personal data, such as addresses or phone numbers, change, which they had done for the past 20 years. Therefore, to keep your data current so that TIAA can stay in touch with you, please send an email to our [office](#) or call 214-567-8444 if this vital information changes.

TI Retiree Badge

A TI retiree badge is required on many of our activities. If you need a replacement badge, you can obtain one by calling HR at 1-888-660-1411. HR will verify that you are a retiree and forward the information to the TI Badge Room, who will prepare a replacement badge and mail it to your home address within a few days. If you prefer to pick it up, you will need to request directions to the TI Badge Room from the guards at the TI entrance.

In Memoriam and Reporting a Death

Recent deaths of TI retirees and former Tiers are added to our website several times a week. To view this members-only info, please log in and click on [In Memoriam](#) and follow the instructions to locate a particular person, city, state, country or date. Members may also go to [Recent Obituaries](#) to read the short bios. Please feel free to leave a comment after viewing an obituary.

If you need to report the death of a retired Tier, please call the TIAA office at 214-567-8444. To also notify TI, call both ViaBenefits 1-844-638-4642 and TI HR Connect at 1-888-660-1411, select option **1** and reply to a few questions like **Tell me my choices** and then **Report a death** and then **Yes**. You'll be connected to an assistant to whom you can relay the death information.

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