

# TI Alumni eNews

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## **Third Quarter 2015 Newsletter**

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problems, please contact the TIAA office at 214-567-8444 or <u>admin@tialumni.org</u>. As always, the latest copy of our quarterly newsletter is available for viewing, downloading or printing out a copy at <u>www.tialumni.org/q-news</u>.

## 2015 OMOT Art Exhibit Scheduled for August 2 through 14

Dallas-area TI employees, contractors, retirees and their spouses will display their creative talents at the 2015 On My Own Time (OMOT) exhibition. The art exhibition will be held at the



Dallas Texins Activity Center, August 2 through 14. The categories this year include: works on canvas and paper, photography, computer art, sculpture, ceramics and wood, jewelry, textiles and mixed media. There is a brand new Collaborative Category where three or more individuals can create an entry of visual art or literary art. The winners will advance to the region-wide exhibition at NorthPark in late September.

# **Financial Frauds and Scams Seminar on August 22**

The Elder Financial Safety Center, a collaborative partnership of The Senior Source, the Dallas County Probate Court and the District Attorney's Office will present a seminar on Financial Frauds and Scams on August 22 at the Lovers Lane United Methodist Church, 9200 Inwood Road (at Northwest Highway). Featured speakers will be Dave Lieber, *Dallas Morning News* "Watchdog" Columnist, and Tami Lucero, Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. Registration will start at 8:30 am and the program will run from 9:00 am until noon. Attendance is free but you must RSVP by August 12 at 214-823-5700 or efsc@theseniorsource.

## **TIAA Travel Events**

July Travel Recap – Twenty-one TIAA members and guests traveled to Terrell for our annual opportunity to enjoy a BBQ sandwich out in the open air and obtain fresh veggies and fruit right from the grower. They had more than that in the store, though, with home-made bread, cider, salsa, frozen peach cobblers, etc. so we put coolers on the bus to hold our purchases. It was a warm, muggy, overcast day which made the ice cream taste better and melt faster! Click <a href="here">here</a> to see the slideshow of this trip and please consider joining us on one of the Travel events described below.



August 4, Choctaw Casino – Tuesday, 10:15 am - 7:25 pm, Durant, OK. Join us for a fun day of gambling at Choctaw Casino. This year's trip will be different in that we will ride the scheduled bus that makes a stop in Plano. We will meet at Kohl's in Plano, 2704 Central Expy, Plano, TX at 10:15 am for the bus that leaves at 10:35 am. Each traveler must have a player's card or be prepared to get one on arrival at the casino. Each traveler will also have to register with either the casino or TIAA to reserve seats on the bus. The bus ride is free. The return time from the casino is 7:25 pm. Click <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a> to register for this event.



August 19, National Weather Service's Forecast Office – Wednesday, 9:30 am - 2:30 pm, Fort Worth. Weather forecasting – science or art? Let's take a 60-minute, guided tour of the Southern Regional NWS office and find out how they make these decisions that affect our plans for the weekend. They provide weather, hydrologic and climate forecasts and warnings for the entire United States, its territories and adjacent waters and ocean areas – a big job! The office is handicapped-accessible but no bags, packages or purses are allowed in the building. (Unfortunately, tours may be cancelled on short notice due



to severe weather but we'll reschedule if that happens.) We will eat at Flip's Patio Grill (at our own expense.) Cost is \$20 for members and \$22 for nonmembers. Click <a href="here">here</a> to register for this event.

#### **Next Travel Events:**

September 9, Nebraska Furniture Mart Tour – Wednesday, 9:00 am - 2:30 pm., The Colony.

**September 24, Museum of the American Railroad –** Thursday, 9:30 am - 2:00 pm, Frisco.

All trips depart from and return to the Dallas Texins Activity Center unless otherwise noted. Each TIAA member may bring one guest at the member price. Others may join us at the nonmember price. If you choose, you may mail your check to TIAA, PO Box 740181, Dallas, TX 75374 instead of paying online. Payment is due seven days prior to the event to reserve your place on the bus. Please check out other upcoming events on our <u>Travel Calendar</u>.

**Other Travel Opportunities:** In addition to TIAA's monthly travels, we sometimes learn about other interesting Dallas-area locations that you might want to visit, so check our **Other Travel Opportunities** webpage frequently.

## **Community Involvement Events**

July Community Involvement Recap – The July 2 visit to the CitySquare Thrift Store was a most enjoyable event for our nine TIAA volunteers. We stocked the shelves and walls in the front lobby with Christmas wreaths, garlands, trees, stockings, and many, many Christmas ornaments and decorations. We were all in the Holiday spirit after taking in the sight – then, clients began arriving to the store and were buying items faster than we could put



them on display! We did the best we could but time ran out long before the boxes of supplies were emptied. Reluctantly, we left the thrift store for home yet we were pleased that the CitySquare staff was very thankful for our efforts and the lobby looked wonderful. Our work was even featured in the July 17-23, 2015 White Rock Lake Weekly newspaper. Please consider joining us on joining us on one of the Community Involvement events described below.

August 3, 2015 – The Senior Source Headquarters – Monday, 8:30 am -1:30 pm. The Senior Source works to provide life-changing services for older adults in the greater Dallas area at all income levels, from the most active to the very frail. Their programs are very diverse and include these services: Elder Support, Nursing Home Ombudsman, Guardianship and Money Management, Senior Employment, Senior Companion, AGE (Advocacy Group for Elders), Foster Grandparent, RSVP (Retired



Senior Volunteer Program) and ElderCare Partners. Our service project will be to visit The Senior Source Headquarters and learn about all the exciting things they do throughout Dallas and the surrounding community. In addition, specific volunteer opportunities will be discussed

with the hope that some TIAA members will become long-term volunteers with The Senior Source. Afterwards, we will have lunch at a local restaurant (at our own expense) and arrive back to the Texins Activity Center about 1:30 pm. Click here to register for this event.

August 27, Texas Discovery Garden – Thursday, 8:30 am – 1:30 pm, Fair Park. Share your interest and enthusiasm about gardening while you learn more about plants and insects by volunteering at Texas Discovery Gardens, located within Fair Park, Dallas. Volunteers usually help teach school children, work with plant propagation, and assist with office tasks, marketing and PR. Our volunteer event will be to help the Texas Discovery Garden prepare for the annual Texas State Fair of Texas extravaganza.



There will be many fun activities involving light duty assistance and you will be among the first to view the beauty of the Texas Discovery Garden before the State Fair of Texas begins on September 25. We will board a Senior Source van at the Texins Activity Center at 8:30 am and be transported to Fair Park's Texas Discovery Garden. Afterwards, we will have lunch at a local restaurant (at our own expense) and arrive back to the Texins Activity Center by 1:30 pm. Please click <a href="https://example.com/here">here</a> to register for this event.

## **Next Community Involvement Event**

**September 21, Metrocrest Services –** Monday, 8:30 am – 1:30 pm.

**Other Volunteer Opportunities:** In addition to TIAA's monthly Community Involvement Team activities, we frequently learn about other Dallas-area volunteer organizations that need help. These are timed events requiring only a few volunteers and we add new notices as soon as they are received, so check our **Other Volunteer Opportunities** webpage frequently.

### **Slideshow Archive**

Slideshows created by Ronnie Brandenburg about various TIAA activities are posted on our website using pictures taken by Jerry Brandenburg, Larry James, Jessica Stewart, Linda Stopani and others. To view any of the slideshows, click <a href="here">here</a> and then on the desired event.

# **New and Renewing Members**

Recently Elizabeth Forbus and Wesley Negus became TIAA Members and Kate Rose and Tom Rose became Lifetime Members. Carol Blamire, Edward Blamire, Gera Crampton, John Crampton, Kay Krueger, Marvin Lane and Dale Lindner renewed their membership. Welcome to you all!

# **TIAA Breakfast Meeting**

August 21, Friday, 9:30 am – All TI retirees, TIAA members and their spouses are invited to this informal get-together at the Southern Recipe Cafe. This quiet and peaceful restaurant is located at 1381 W. Campbell Rd. (just east of Coit) in Richardson and their back room is available for us to enjoy a cozy breakfast with old 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, so just show up and bring a friend if you like.

Next TIAA Breakfast Event: September 18, Friday, 9:30 am.

### In Memoriam

We add new names and obituaries of former Tlers to our new website several times a week and currently have over 10,000 entries. To view the names, members can click <a href="here">here</a> to access the <a href="here">In Memoriam</a> menu and then click on <a href="Date">Date</a> so the most recent deaths will be displayed first. (You can also sort the list by <a href="City">City</a> or <a href="State">State</a> or use the <a href="Find">Find</a> function to locate a particular person). Also, members can click <a href="here">here</a> to read the most <a href="Recent Obituaries">Recent Obituaries</a> in date sequence.

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