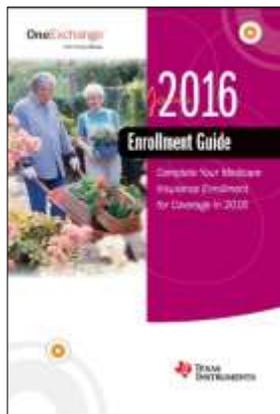




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TI Health Care Transition for Age 65 or Older Retirees



As previously announced, TI will transition retiree health care coverage for age 65 or older retirees from the TI group retiree health plan to OneExchange on January 1. You **must** contact OneExchange between October 12 and December 31 to select your coverage for 2016. If you were unable to attend one of the meetings in September to learn details about this transition, you are urged to view a recorded presentation online at Medicare.OneExchange.com/ti or to listen to an audio recording at 844-684-0761. In October, you will receive the OneExchange Enrollment Guide with information about how to schedule your personalized call with a licensed benefit advisor. See our [Web Article](#) for more information.

October 8 Pre-65 Retiree Health Benefit Session

Since TI hosted many sessions on the transition to OneExchange in mid to late September, the annual TI Health Benefit Seminar at the Plano Centre will not be held for 65 or older retirees this year. For those retirees who are pre-65 and not eligible for Medicare or those on bridge to retirement, there will be an information meeting from 1:00 to 3:00 pm on October 8 at the Plano Centre in Collingwood I. Please [register](#) online for this event.

TI Days at the Arboretum

September 21 through November 25, weekdays only – TI retirees and other TIAA members and up to five guests may gain free admission. Just show your TI retiree badge or a copy of this newsletter. Free admissions do not cover the Children's Garden. Once again, the Dallas Arboretum kicks off the autumn season with one of the most spectacular pumpkin and gourd displays in the world. The Arboretum will be transformed with thousands of blazing-colored florals as 50,000 pumpkins, gourds and squash come together to form the nationally acclaimed storybook Pumpkin Village. Afternoons will be more crowded than mornings. TI is limited to 500 attendees on Saturdays and Sundays. For this reason, retirees are eligible to attend only on weekdays.



The Dallas Arboretum is open from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm daily and offers parking at the main gate for \$15.

TI/TIAA Golf Tournament



TIAA is teaming up again with active Tiers on Monday, October 19, for the 16th Annual TIAA Charity Golf Tournament. The event is at the Woodbridge Golf Club in Wylie, TX. It will benefit two worthwhile charities – the United Way and The Senior Source. Texas Instruments and the Texans Credit Union are underwriters for the tournament, making it possible for 100% of donations to go directly to the charities. More than 100 golfers are expected to participate. Golfers will check in

beginning at 10:00 am, with a shot-gun start at 12:30 pm. Lunch will be served beginning at 11:00 am, with awards following the tournament. Retirees and former Tiers are encouraged to help support this year's tourney, whether golfers or not. Sponsorships are available for golf holes and carts. There are also opportunities for volunteers to help in contacting corporate sponsors or helping with the tournament logistics. Please contact the TIAA office at 214-567-8444 for information on volunteer opportunities. A [golfer registration form](#) as well as a [donation form](#) are available online or by contacting the TIAA office at 214-567-8444.

2015 TIAA United Way Campaign

TIAA's 2015 United Way campaign will begin October 19 and continue through November 4 with TIAA members across North Texas answering a call to "Live United" by giving, advocating and volunteering. Again this year, the TI Foundation will automatically match TI employee and retiree donations to United Way up to \$10,000, doubling the impact of your donation. TI and United Way have a rich history of working together to improve our

communities. TI has been the largest aggregate corporate donor to United Way of Metropolitan Dallas (UWMD) since Erik Jonsson, one of the company's founders, helped start the United Way in Dallas in 1961. Additional information will be sent out in mid-October.



TIAA Travel Events

September Travel Recap – *All aboard! On September 24, 15 members boarded a bus to visit the Museum of the American Railroad, which was formerly at the State Fair of Texas. North Texas owes its growth and prosperity to the coming of the railroads and they still play a vital role in our society as we learned on our tour. They have 13 acres in Frisco in which to exhibit 46*

historic rail cars with ten Chicago Metra cars coming soon to provide a "Stream-Liner" for educational programs for K-12 classes. (Did you know that 80% of the world's power is produced via steam?) We saw the "Big Boy" which is the world's largest locomotive, weighing 1.2 million pounds (and requiring two months to move from Dallas to Frisco). We saw the GG-1 electric locomotive which pulled Robert Kennedy's funeral train in 1968 and we toured a Pullman sleeping car, "Glen Nevis".



George Pullman's company provided first-class accommodations on the Chicago-Florida Orange Blossom Special using freed slaves as porters. This led to the creation of the first African-American labor organization, the Brotherhood of Sleeping Car Porters. The [slideshow](#) of this trip is available online. Please consider joining us on one of the Travel events described below.

October 8, Treasures from the House of Alba – Thursday, 4:30 pm to 8:00 pm. Join us as we visit the SMU Meadow's Museum (which is handicapped accessible). They are observing their 50th



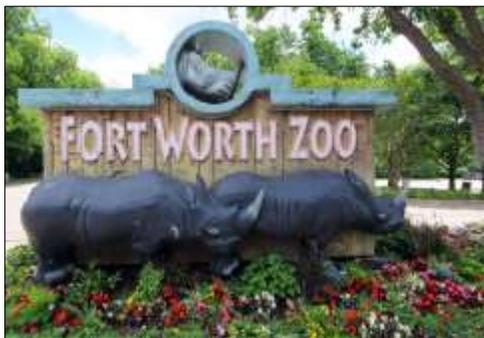
anniversary with one of the most important exhibitions in their history. For more than 500 years, the Alba family has collected art, and they are graciously allowing more than 130 works from their multimillion dollar private collection to leave Spain for the very first time. We will see paintings by Titian, Goya, Rubens, Rembrandt, Ingres, Renoir and many more. We will also view the heart of their collection, a painting by Fra. Angelico called The Virgin of the Pomegranate, circa 1426, which is rarely displayed in public; and Texas will be its first USA visit. A docent will guide us to explain this beautiful art in an hour-long tour.

We will leave at 4:30 pm, be awed by the art beginning at 5 pm, eat at Amore Italian Restaurant (bring dinner money) and return around 8 pm. This wonderful, educational experience includes transportation and admission to the museum at \$16 for members and \$18 nonmembers. Please [register](#) online for this event.

October 23, Ghost of Denton Tour – Friday, 5:00 pm. The city of Denton has a fascinating history with more than its fair share of ghostly stories. Denton had 14 major fires on the square in 35 years and, during those fires, early records of the county were lost. Perhaps, that is why the spirits linger – they want someone to remember! (Any town that boasts a grave on the courthouse lawn ought to have ghosts.) Shelly Tucker, a professional storyteller, will share these tales with you in an entertaining evening of spine-tingling storytelling. Her stories will stay with you and haunt you for days and weeks after the tour. The walking tour is 90 minutes with most of it revolving around the square so please wear comfortable shoes, bring a hand to hold and come out for a chillingly good time! We will leave at 5:00 pm, eat at The Abbey Restaurant (bring dinner money), tour at 8:00 pm and return about 10:30 pm. Cost for members is \$15 and for nonmembers \$17. Tour is limited, so please [register](#) online early for this event.



November 4, Fort Worth Zoo Tour – Wednesday, 9:30 am. Let's jump on a bus to see the world-class Fort Worth Zoo that features natural habitat exhibits where visitors are only separated



from the animals by a river or pane of glass. Founded in 1909, this is the oldest continuous zoo site in Texas and is known for its conservation programs that rank among the most respected in the world. With over 7000 animal and hands-on interactive features this trip is an outstanding attraction. (For those that wish, a limited number of complimentary wheelchairs are available. To use these items, you must present a valid driver's license.) We will leave at 9:30 am, wander around the zoo at our leisure,

leave for Old Neighborhood Grill to enjoy lunch together (bring lunch money) around 1:00 pm, and return about 3:30 pm. Cost for members is \$15 and nonmembers \$17. Please [register](#) online for this event.

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 [Travel Calendar](#).

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

September CIT Recap – Eleven TIAA members participated in a Community Involvement event at the Metrocrest Service's warehouse on September 21. Metrocrest Services, located in Farmers Branch, provides a diverse number of programs to seniors, including home delivered meals, minor home repairs, food pantry canned & dry goods, and transportation to appointments. Other services provided for local disadvantaged residents include rent and utility bill assistance, financial counseling, medical aids, case management, seasonal programs for distribution of school supplies, summer food for children, holiday food & gifts, and holiday baskets for seniors. Metrocrest Services provides support for the cities of Carrollton, Farmers Branch, Addison, Coppell, and parts of Dallas. Our TIAA volunteers spent the morning packing an enormous mountain of school supplies into boxes ready for distribution to schools within the Metrocrest Services delivery area. Supplies included approximately 1,000 back packs; 1,000 pencil boxes; 5,000 erasers, glue sticks, and scissors; and almost 10,000 spiral notebooks! Wow! We worked our brains (counting and sorting items), tested our eyesight (Is this notebook black or blue?), and exercised our muscles (bending to pick up items and moving empty or full boxes). After our hard work, we relaxed and rested at lunch – glowing with pleasure, knowing our work will make a difference in the lives of many school children

across the Metroplex. Please consider joining us on one of the Community Involvement events described below.

October 8, White Rock Center of Hope – Thursday, 8:30 am to 1:30 pm. The organization provides a number of programs to help with client's emergency aid and/or self-sufficiency including: Food Pantry program that distributes 275,000 pounds of food valued at over \$300,000 to families in need each year. Clothing Closet which allows families to come once every three months, with each seasonal change, and select four outfits per family member. Over 70,000 pieces of clothing are distributed annually in addition to the clothing that is shared with 13 other area agencies. Household items and bedding are distributed when it is available. Financial Assistance is provided one time in a twelve month period to help families avoid eviction and loss of utilities, purchase prescription medicines, purchase licenses, identification and other special permits. Transportation Assistance providing bus passes for transportation to doctors' appointments or job interviews. Christmas Toys providing joy of the Christmas season shared with over 1,000 children each year through the distribution of donated toys, gifts and hand crocheted or knitted caps provided by "Mad Hatters". School Supplies and backpacks are provided to area schools through an annual School Supply Drive. Please join us at the Texins Activity Center to board a Senior Source bus at 8:30 am to volunteer for service in the White Rock Center of Hope Food Pantry. We will help organize, pack, and shelve food items for distribution to the organization's clients. 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 [register](#) online for this event.



October 12, Texas Discovery Gardens, State Fair of Texas – Monday. Would you like to be a volunteer at the Texas Discovery Gardens? If they offered you a free T-shirt, free parking, a free Texas State Fair ticket, and a 10% discount in their gift store – all for volunteering only 3-1/2 hours at the facility during the State Fair – would you sign up? That's over \$40 worth of benefits just for working one shift either in the morning, early afternoon or late afternoon. The Texas Discovery Gardens is looking for individuals or groups to volunteer during the Texas State Fair on any day between September 25 and October 18 to work in the beauty of the



Butterfly House, the outdoor gardens, or within the facility as a greeter or gift store helper. If you would prefer to go on a day with other TIAA members, we are planning to have a "TIAA Group Volunteer Day" on Monday, October 12. Please call the TIAA office at 214-567-8444 to volunteer. We hope to see you there and at the Fair!

Next CIT Event: November 10, Dallas VA Medical Center – Tuesday, 8:30 am to 3:00 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 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.

TIAA Breakfast Meeting

October 16, 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. We meet in their back room 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 or two, so just show up and bring a friend if you like.



Next TIAA Breakfast – Friday, November 20, 9:30 am.

TI Alumni Groups



A number of alumni groups and networks have been in existence for years, largely as social organizations. A list of known [Alumni Groups](#) along with their meeting times is posted on our website. Some of these organizations may have their own websites, in which case links are provided. Each month, we now feature one of the groups in this publication. One of the longest-meeting groups is the TI Retiree Bunch, which has been meeting since 1974. They currently get together for lunch at 11:00 am on the third Tuesday of each month (except for

July and August) at the Spring Creek Barbeque, 270 North Central Expy. in Richardson. Please contact Tom Gregory, tgregory3@me.com or 972-412-9332 for more information. If you are a member of an alumni group that would like to be included in this listing, please contact the TIAA office at admin@tialumni.org or 214-567-8444.

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 them, go to the [Slideshow Menu](#) and then click on the desired event.

New and Renewing Members

Recently Edwin Cole, Arthur George, Angela Harrison, James Myers, Candie Nelson, Katherine Newman, Harvey Stiegler, Gretchen Stockwell and Jeff Straetker became TIAA Members and Eileen Theroux and Ted Theroux became Lifetime Members. Marilyn Adams, Frank Alexander, Glenn Angel, George Bednarz, Bonnie Borrello, Seb Borrello, Mary Brown, Richard Brown, Wally Capps, Jerry Carrington, Susan Carrington, Harlan Cleveland, George Elliott, John Fattaruso, Dan Goodwin, Eugene Helms, Norma Helms, Sandra Hoffman, Harold Hosack, Sharon Hosack, Thelma Johnson, Harold Kolb, Colin Martin, Doug McComsey, Nelah McComsey, Bruce McCullough, Maureen Nelson, Ralph Payne, Shirley Payne, Bob Pope, Ingrid Reynolds, Glenda Sellars, Ronald Sellars, Iree Abney-Stratford, Carlos Valdivia, Charles Vervalin, Mary Vervalin, Lorenzo Vigo and James Williams renewed their memberships. Welcome to you all!

In Memoriam

We add new names and obituaries of former Tiers to our new website several times a week and currently have over 10,000 entries. To view the names, members can go to [In Memoriam](#) and then click on **Date** so the most recent deaths will be displayed first. You can also sort the list by **City** or **State** or use the **Find** function to locate a particular person. Also, members can go to [Recent Obituaries](#) to read those for the preceding year in date sequence.

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