

TIAA TI Alumni News

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2018 United Way Campaign to Take Place in April

TI is now scheduling its United Way Campaigns in the spring of each year. This year's campaign will take place from April 9 through April 25 and TIAA will once again be part of that campaign. The TI Foundation will automatically match TI retiree donations to United Way up to \$10,000, doubling the impact of those donations. Giving back is part of our legacy at TI, and we have a rich history of working with United Way to improve our communities. You will receive more details of this year's campaign and how to participate through the mail shortly.



TIAA Annual Meeting Set for May 17



All TIAA members and a guest are invited to join us for the TIAA Annual Meeting. It will be held at the Dallas Arboretum and Botanical Garden, 8525 Garland Rd Dallas TX 75218 from 1:00 to 3:00 pm. Refreshments will be provided and buses will run at 12:30 pm from the Texins Activity Center on the Expressway. Parking will be available at the Arboretum lots or the new parking garage for those who wish to drive. Terri West, TI Foundation, will be our featured speaker. Mark your calendar and don't miss this opportunity to see the Arboretum in full bloom. Following the business meeting to elect officers, enjoy seeing the gardens. Admission, parking, and bus transportation are all free with your TI badge or copy of this bulletin. Please note there is an extra charge to visit the Children's Garden. RSVP by May 11 by sending an email to admin@tialumni.org or calling the TIAA office at 214-567-8444) with your name and name of anyone attending with you. Also, please let us know if you plan to ride the bus or drive.

TIAA Travel Events

March Travel Recap: General Granbury's 187th birthday was celebrated with a parade of cars with pretty girls, cowboys on horseback, wagons sporting Confederate flags and marching bands. Eighteen of us enjoyed lunch at the Fillin' Station while watching the colorful event roll by right in front of our eyes. Then, after a little shopping around the square, we grabbed seats in the Granbury Opera House and watched a lot of dancing and side-steppin' goin' on as a television evangelist attacked the local



sheriff and the Chicken Ranch, a.k.a one of the better pleasure palaces in all of Texas. Pouring rain on the way home made us a little late getting back to TI but it couldn't damper our enjoyment of "The Best Little Whorehouse in Texas" event. Consider joining us in our adventures.

April 25. Texas Rangers vs Oakland Athletics Game – Wednesday, 5:30 - 11:00 pm. Let's enjoy



our national pastime plus support our local team in their quest this year to win the biggest prize in baseball, the World Series. We bought 20 tickets for seats in the Upper Reserved section looking down the third-base line in one of the prettiest baseball stadiums in the nation. We will leave at 5:30 pm, grab something to eat and drink at our own expense (remember, this is one of the \$1 Hot Dog Days!) from one of the many ball park vendors, enjoy the game and return around 11:00 pm. The cost will be \$30 for members and \$33 for nonmembers.

May 8, Trinity River Audubon Center – Tuesday, 10:00 am – 2:00

pm. Connect with nature and experience the outdoors with your TIAA friends at the beautiful Trinity River Audubon Center in Dallas. It's only 30 minutes away from TI but you'll feel a world away while you are there. It is located in the 6,000-acre Great Trinity Forest, the largest urban hardwood forest in America which contains a unique mixture of bottom-land hardwoods, wetland systems and grasslands. We will leave at 10 am, enjoy a 60-minute private, guided tour at the Center, (weather permitting we can walk one or two of the hiking trails – some are handicapped-accessible), eat at Matt's Rancho Martinez (on our own) and return about 2 pm. Cost is \$10 for members and \$11 for nonmembers. Please register early as the tours are limited to 20 people.



September 25 - 27, Fredericksburg – Tuesday - Thursday. Plans are underway for a two-day trip to Fredericksburg to see why this is one of the top ten small-town destinations. We will drive ourselves to and from Fredericksburg, stay at a B&B, visit the National Museum of the Pacific War, (a.k.a. the Admiral Nimitz Museum), do some one-of-a-kind shopping on Main Street, visit the LBJ Ranch, enjoy a wine tasting, watch millions of Mexican free-tail bats emerge at dusk, taste authentic

German edibles, or do our own thing at times. Join members and guests of TIAA for the fun on September 25 - 27. Click [here](#) to see how much fun we had at our last out-of-town trip. If interested, please let us know by calling the TIAA office at 214-567-8444 so we can reserve enough rooms.

Community Involvement Events

February & March Community Involvement Recap: On February 13 several of us went to play Bingo with the residents of Crystal Creek Retirement home located near the TI main campus. We

enjoyed calling Bingo numbers to a large crowd of residents and helping them fill in their cards. Great fun for all and all the residents won a prize.

On February 22, we went to the Senior Source and two volunteers conducted “Mock Interviews” with four seniors who were re-entering the work force and needed help in writing a resume and conducting an effective job interview. By listening and critiquing, we were able to help them improve their interview skills. Seven other volunteers stuffed clear envelopes with safety awareness and emergency response literature brochures for the Medical Reserve Corp of Dallas County. The Medical Reserve Corp’s community outreach program emphasizes the importance of being prepared for catastrophic local disasters or other public health emergencies and the packets we prepared will be provided to the MRC’s clients.

On March 13, six TIAA members arrived at the Family Place Retail Shop on Forrest Land to spend the morning sorting incoming donations and preparing item for sale. We were able to sort hundreds of ladies’ clothing onto sales racks and also labeled a huge inventory of costume jewelry for sale. The family Place Resale Shop serves a vital role for their clients who often give up everything to flee from domestic violence. Their clients are provided with vouchers to purchase whatever they need to start new lives

April 12, CitySquare Opportunity Center – Thursday, 8:30 am - 1:30 pm. The CitySquare Food Pantry provides food to thousands of low-income working families in Dallas each year and serves as an oasis of healthy food in the South Dallas food desert. CitySquare also fights childhood hunger through its afterschool and summer meal programs. The summer meal program, Food on the Move, fights childhood hunger statewide by deploying CitySquare AmeriCorps members to deliver meals and provide enrichment activities to thousands of children residing in apartment communities. Please join us at the Texins Activity Center to board a Senior Source bus at 8:30 am. Volunteers will assist CitySquare’s neighbors with shopping, restocking the pantry shelves, and by sorting inventory and food donations. Afterwards, we will have lunch at a local restaurant (at our own expense) and arrive back to the Texins Activity Center around 1:30 pm.

April 24, Texas Ramp Project – Tuesday, 8:30 am The Texas Ramp Project changes people’s lives in a single hundreds of times a year! They build wheelchair ramps for disabled or elderly people who can’t afford to buy one. In a few hours in a morning, they give these folks the freedom to leave their home again – the home where they want to remain but whose steps have imprisoned them. Please meet by 8:30 am at an assigned location by private vehicle. A Senior Source van will not be available for this event’s transportation. Volunteers will assist in the construction of a custom-made ramp; no construction skills required! Afterwards, we will have lunch at a local restaurant (at our own expense). Please **register** early so we have a count to determine which ramp(s) will be built and to provide you with the address.

May 14, Network of Community Ministries – Monday, 9:30 am -1:30 pm. We will meet at 741 South Sherman St (one mile north of TI Expressway site). Volunteers will stock food shelves with canned and dry goods obtained from the US Postal Service’s food-donation collection scheduled each year in mid-May. Afterwards, we will have lunch at a local restaurant (at our own expense).

TIAA Breakfast

April 20, 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 are now meeting on the *Southern* side of the restaurant. If you have any questions, please contact Jon Campbell at 214-507-1500.



New and Renewing Members

Recently Timothy Bell, Jackie Brenner, Vicki Causey, Kevin Frank, Brooks Herrick, Marie Smith and Joe Sulc became members and Darrel Baker, Oralia Baker, Lisa Calloway, Bob Cox, Don Edwards, Dovie Edwards, Ira Frost, Gary Guenther, Shirley Harris, Diane Hawkins, John Hawkins, Patricia Hayes, Troy Herndon, Hanns Hirschberg, Shirley Lima, Veriato Lima, Judy Lipsett, Eugene Lipsett, Randy Lusk, Brian Narveson, Noel Pittman, Pat Pittman, Larry Ricketts, Frank Vogel, Jerry Wiseman, Doris Wiseman and Robert Zlotky renewed their memberships. Welcome to all.

How to Register for Events

TIAA members without computer access should call the TIAA office at 214-567-8444 to register for any event. Members with computer access should register by going to www.tialumni.org, logging on, clicking on **Calendar**, and clicking on the desired event to reach the proper registration page.

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