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2012 TI Retiree Luncheon

By popular demand, the TI Retiree Luncheon will return to the Mesquite Rodeo & Convention Center on Thursday, Nov. 1 from 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Entertainment will be music from the 50s and 60s by the Dallas Doo-Wops. The theme of this year's luncheon is "Celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Datamath Calculator". Melendy Lovett, President of TI Education Technology and TI Senior Vice President will be the featured speaker. Each year the TIAA picks a local non-profit to benefit from donations at the TI Retiree Luncheon. This year we are asking retirees to bring children's socks & shoes to benefit the "Shoes for Orphan's Souls", sponsored by Buckner's International. Doors open at 9:30 a.m. and lunch will be served at 11:30. Free bus service will be provided from the Sherman, Spring Creek and Expressway Texins Centers. Invitations will be mailed in early October with an RSVP form and details of medical services. Don't miss this once-a-year opportunity to catch up on the news, enjoy visiting with friends and former associates, hear an update on TI's business, and help make a difference in our community.

Medicare Open Enrollment

If you need to shop for a Medicare health plan or a Medicare D prescription drug policy, your open enrollment period is Oct. 15 through Dec. 7. The Dallas Area Agency on Aging will provide one-on-one assistance at various locations between during this period. Click here for a list of locations and times. You can also call The Senior Source at 214-823-5700 and make an appointment with one of their Elder Support Specialists. You might want to start early, so you won't get caught up in the holiday rush.

Community Involvement Events

You are invited to make a difference in our community by participating in community involvement team (CIT) activities. Round-trip transportation is provided from the Dallas Texins Activity Center or you can meet us at that day's location. We normally stop for lunch at a local restaurant before returning to TI. There is no fee for volunteering for these TIAA-sponsored projects, and you can earn money for these organizations through the TI Foundation's VIP Program.

Oct. 4, White Rock Center of Hope – Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Dallas. The White Rock Center of Hope is a community coalition of individuals, civic and social organizations, and over 50 Member Churches united to provide emergency aid and steps toward self-sufficiency to their neighbors in the White Rock Lake area. Volunteer to help with sorting food, working in the thrift shop and other tasks around the center. Transportation will be provided from Texins. Afterwards, we will have lunch at our own expense and return to Texins about 1:30 p.m.

Oct. 11, Trinity Audubon – Thursday, 8:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., Dallas. Volunteers will help with an outdoor habitat project in the cooler fall weather. The Trinity Rivier Audubon Center has several lovely native flower and butterfly gardens and we will help to keep them blooming as well as reap or plant wild grasses. Afterwards, we will have lunch at our own expense and return to Texins about 2:30 p.m.

Next Community Involvement event:

Nov. 9, North Texas Foodbank – Friday, 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Dallas.

*See our **Community Involvement webpage** for more detailed and updated information. To register, contact the TIAA office at admin@tialumni.org or 214-567-8444 seven days prior to event so we can inform you if plans change.*

TIAA Breakfast Meeting

Oct. 19, Friday, 9:30 a.m. – All former TIers are invited to this informal get-together at the Southern Recipes Cafe at 1381 W. Campbell Rd. (just east of Coit) in Richardson for fellowship and good food. Feel free to bring a friend. No RSVP needed.

Next TIAA Breakfast: Nov. 16, Friday, 9:30 a.m.

Email Tip

Tired of having to notify everyone about your e-mail address change every time your Internet Service Provider (ISP) changes? Avoid that chore by creating a free email account (Gmail, Yahoo! and Microsoft Outlook.com are popular choices) and using that address for your "permanent" email address. To avoid the need of checking two different accounts for email, set up the free account to automatically forward emails to your current ISP email address. Or, you may want to set it up the other way around, with your current ISP email address forwarding to your "permanent" e-mail address. Either way, the next time your ISP

changes, you'll just need to change the e-mail forwarding setup, and you'll still have your "permanent" email address that you've told everyone to use.

New TIAA Members

The TIAlumni Association is happy to announce that Bruce Flinchbaugh, Jeffrey Niehaus and Carlton Hoel recently became members of our association and that Beth Meyer and Ida Goods became Lifetime Members. Welcome.

Educational Seminar

Oct. 25, TI Health Benefits Seminar – Thursday, 1 - 3:30 p.m., Plano Centre, Collinwood Room 1, 2000 E. Spring Creek Pkwy, Plano. Come get the latest information about the TI Health Benefits package. Dr. Kevin Soden, TI Medical Director will provide a medical update. We'll also have a Medicare representative on-hand who will discuss changes that have been made to Medicare. If you'd like to get the most current details about health insurance, prescription benefits, and long-term care, you don't want to miss this important seminar. Admission is free but reservations are required because of limited seating space. Please phone TIAA at 214-567-8444, press 2 and leave your name phone number and number of seats needed.

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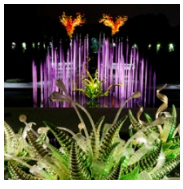
Tech Smart Big Heart Event

Sept. 24 - Nov. 21, TI Weeks at the Arboretum – Monday - Friday only. The Arboretum is open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. daily. TIAA members can get free admission for themselves and up to five guests. Just show your retiree badge or a copy of this *eNews* item.

TIAA Travel Events

Oct. 9, DFW Operations Tour, Dallas/Fort Worth Airport (Sorry, Sold Out.)

October 25, Chihuly Night and Dallas Wind Symphony Concert – Thursday, 5:15 - 10 p.m., Dallas Arboretum. We've seen it during the day, but imagine those thousands of pieces of glass being lit up at night accompanied by great music from the Dallas Wind Symphony. We will leave at 5:15 p.m., walk around the Arboretum, gape at the Chihuly exhibits in the evening glow of moonlight and tree lights (wear a jacket and comfortable shoes because the trams will not be



running), enjoy a picnic (bring your own food, blanket and/or folding chairs), vote for your favorite Halloween costume at 7:15 as they parade across the stage, enjoy a rousing concert 7:30 and be back at TI by 10. Cost, including transportation and admission, is $24 for members and $27 for nonmembers.

Next Travel events:

Nov. 24, Dickens of a Christmas – Saturday, 2:30 - 8 p.m., McKinney.

Dec. 13, Rankin Brothers Christmas Concert – Thursday,6-10:30 p.m., Garland.

*See our **Travel webpage** for more detailed and updated information. 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. To register, contact the TIAA office at 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.*

Slide Show Archive

Our ***Slide Show webpage*** lists slide shows that Ronnie Brandenburg has created using pictures taken by Jerry Brandenburg, David Drake, Linda Stopani, Jessica Stewart and Barbara Taylor. The newest additions are the Geoscience Seminar on Sept. 11 and the Golf Tournament on Sept. 21. To view these or any of the other slide shows, click the above link and then click on the desired event.

In Memoriam

TIAA has learned of the recent deaths of the following former TIers and/or TIAA members:
Bill B. Bell Sr., Elizabeth D. Brinkley, Diane M. Broughton, Cecil M. Garrity, Ramona R. Gonzales, Timothy P. Goode, Robert L. Guillemette, John T. Matthews, Philip Mischkot, Francis W. Murphy, Howard E. Muskopf, Jacquelyn F. Quiram, Rebecca B. Scott, Elizabeth L. Seitz, John A. Smith Jr., Arneda M. Sullivan, and Michael S. Wallis. We have added their names to our online In Memoriam List. To view the complete list, click on the above link and use the *Find* function to locate a particular person. You can also view the In Memoriam Presentation shown at the 2011 TI Retiree Luncheon that honored TI retirees and former TIers who passed away between the 2010 and 2011 retiree luncheons. This presentation may take a while to load and will advance automatically.

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