

TI Retiree Luncheon Set for November 13



"Dr. Venu Menon, Vice President for Analog Technology Development, has been at TI for 19 years. He has a PhD in Chemical Engineering from the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago."

The Annual TI Retiree Luncheon will be held at the Mesquite Convention Center on Thursday, November 13. Doors will open at 9:30 a.m., with a barbecue lunch served at 11:30 a.m.

The speaker this year will be Dr. Venu Menon, Vice President for Analog Technology Development, for Texas Instruments. He is responsible for developing manufacturing technologies for TI's power management, high performance and high volume analog semiconductor chips.

The theme of this year's event is "Celebrating the 60th Anniversary of TI's Silicon Transistor". In his comments, Dr. Menon will update TI's progress in analog technology, with emphasis on new applications and future markets. He will also share some video from TI's Archives featuring Dr. Gordon Teal and Dr. Willis Adcock describing how TI surprised the electronics world with the first commercial silicon transistor, years ahead of industry's expectation.

Other important anniversaries will be highlighted in the program, including the 50th Anniversary of the TI Founders Building on the UT Dallas Campus, and the 50th Anniversary of the TI Foundation. We are expecting about 40 exhibitors to have booths at the event including, for the first time, representatives of the Spectacular Senior Follies. Entertainment will be

provided by Marty Ruiz, a popular local singer. In addition, noted author, Darwin Payne, will be at the event and will sign copies of his recently published book, *"No Small Dreams: J. Erik Jonsson – Texas Visionary."*

Flu shots will be available at the event. If you are covered by Medicare and/or TI BCBS PPO, there will be no charge for the flu shot, but you will need to bring your Medicare card or your BCBS card to the event, if not covered by Medicare. If not covered by TI BCBS PPO or Medicare plans, you will need to pay \$24 for the shot (cash or check) at the event and file for reimbursement with your provider.

Each year the TIAA selects a local non-profit to benefit from donations at the TI Retiree Luncheon. This year we are asking retirees to bring used clothing to help CitySquare, whose mission is to fight the root causes of poverty through service, advocacy, and friendship. The TIAA has volunteered at their location several times and has been made aware of their needs for clothing. Especially needed are men's pants, but other items are welcomed. Bins will be available near the doors to deposit the gifts upon arrival.

Invitation packets to the luncheon were mailed to TI retirees in mid-October. If you did not receive your copy, please call the TIAA office at 214-567-8444 and request a copy of the information. Buses will be available at no charge for those who do not wish to drive to the Mesquite Convention Center, but reservations are required. The buses will leave from the Sherman Texins Activity Center at 8:00 am; from the Spring Creek Texins Activity Center at 9:00 am; and from the Expressway Texins Activity Center at 9:30 am.

Don't miss this opportunity to catch up on the news from Texas Instruments, and the chance to visit with friends and associates.



By popular demand, the Mesquite Convention Center will again be the site of our annual luncheon.

My Peace Corp African Adventure

by Linda Smittle

I have a Learn – Earn – Return life philosophy. Like most people, my first focus in life was learning – primarily at home and school. After graduating from college, I focused on earning a living – teaching school and then working at Texas Instruments. When I retired in 2009 after 23 years at TI, I moved into the Return phase. Always active in the annual United Way campaigns and volunteering in the community, my retirement provided me more time to volunteer. I looked for how to more fully embrace giving back.



After living two years in a community of 1600 in rural Ghana, the community thanked Linda Smittle for her service by presenting her with a dress, "Queen Mother" beads, a head wrap, and a calabash (drinking bowl).

I found the Peace Corps. I applied to be a volunteer and was selected to serve two years in a rural community in Ghana, West Africa, where I helped people to help themselves live healthier lives. I am now back in Texas contemplating my next adventure.

Almost three years ago I said goodbye to my friends and prepared for a twenty-seven month Peace Corps adventure. I hauled 80 pounds of stuff for and a brain full of ideas about living in a developing country. Some stuff (e.g., moisture lotion, sun hat) I used almost daily; other stuff (e.g., index cards) was almost worthless. My visions were similar: some on target, some duds.

Here, I contrast some of my pre-service thoughts with the reality of living in West Africa:

1. I'll live in a small round mud hut with a thatched roof that I'll share with mice and spiders.

I lived in a three-room mud-brick house with a tin roof funded by the Carter Foundation for Guinea Worm eradication. The uneven cement floor slopped a few inches downhill. My computer table (and all my furniture) had wood blocks under a couple of legs to keep the surface sort of level. The screens on the windows kept out malaria-carrying mosquitoes, but dust – especially during the dry season – blew through the house. I shared my home with mice, bats, small lizards and several varieties of spiders.

2. I'll walk miles to fetch a bucket of water from a stream. I'll boil it for 10 minutes to kill vermin and destroy micro-organisms. I'll be fru-

gal with it; a single bucket will meet all my needs for a day.

A borehole (machine-dug well with a hand pump) was 20 yards from my front door. And I didn't have to fetch it! Children added their name to the running list of "water fetchers" – probably because each child who fetched five buckets of water came into my kitchen and made popcorn. We ate some popcorn on my patio, but most of the popcorn went home with the child to share with her family. Although the water tested "clean", I filtered it with a desktop ceramic filter. I used the filtered water for drinking and cooking; I used half a bucket of unfiltered water for each of my twice-

a-day baths.

3. I'll live without electricity or running water.

Like everyone in my community of 1600 people, I had electricity but no running water. I didn't miss running water, but I'm glad I had electricity. I read at night, stored food in my refrigerator, stayed in front of the fan, and baked bread in my toaster oven.

4. I'll ride my bike down a dirt path to villages where I will teach captivating health lessons to mothers in their local language.

I rode my used six-speed bike a couple miles down the road to market and to the school where I tutored. I passed the Twi language proficiency test before being sworn in as a volunteer; but whenever I taught, someone translated. My lessons may not have been captivating, but only babies slept through them.

5. My toilet will be a hole in the ground.

My toilet was a hole in the ground behind my house. But the hole was surrounded by a mud-brick outhouse with a tin roof and wooden door.

6. Being thousands of miles from family and friends, I may be lonely.

Today's technology (cell phones, internet, email) and traditional mail (cards and packages) made staying connected easy. I missed seeing my family and friends; but I didn't feel isolated.

7. I'll be on call 24-7 and have no

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Events

TIAA Major Event

Weekdays now through November 27, TI Days at the Dallas Arboretum – 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 garden will transform with thousands of blazing-colored florals as 50,000 pumpkins, gourds and squash come together to form the nationally acclaimed storybook Pumpkin Village. Afternoons are more crowded than mornings. TI is limited to 500 weekend (each Saturday and Sunday). For this reason, retirees are eligible to attend only on weekdays.

Community Involvement Events

November 7, Annual "Stand Down" Event – Friday, 8:30 am - 3:00 pm, Veterans Resource Center. This event welcomes several hundred homeless military veterans to receive shoes, clothes, and support from numerous agencies on-site who will interview and counsel each individual. TIAA will aid in the logistics of parking, setting up tables and chairs, providing drinks to the veterans standing in line, and any other assistance the VRC requests. Rather than one "Stand Down" day, the VRC has decided to extend the event throughout the week prior to Veteran's Day. We will be the only volunteer group to provide services on this Friday so a big turn out by TIAA will be most welcome. Please join us at the Texins Activity Center to board a bus at 8:30 am. Lunch will be provided by the VRC and we will arrive back at Texins about 3:00 pm.

November 11, TI/TIAA United Way Event – Tuesday, 8:30 am - 3:30 pm. TI is partnering with the United Way of Metropolitan Dallas to celebrate their 90th anniversary by sponsoring the "Nine for 90" program. Tiers and TI Alumni have the opportunity to join in various service projects throughout the year. On November 11, TIAA will join TI and other companies for a concentrated effort to assist our North Texas veterans with Rich Templeton, Cowboy Legend Roger Staubach, and various

elected officials. Forty TI and TIAA volunteers will perform various tasks during this event, and they will be briefed on their assignments when they arrive at the event location. Please wear casual comfortable clothing and closed-toe shoes. United Way "Nine for 90" t-shirts and TI visors will be provided upon arrival at the school. Lunch and drinks will be provided for volunteers at no cost. Parking will be limited, so you are encouraged to ride our shuttle, which will depart from the Texins Activity Center promptly at 8:30 am.

December 9, VNA - Meals on Wheels – Tuesday, 8:30 am - 1:30 pm. TIAA volunteers will be wrapping Christmas gifts consisting of socks, soap, hand lotion, toothpaste & toothbrushes, and shampoo for distribution during the Meals on Wheels Christmas Day meals and gift distribution event. Please join us at the Texins Activity Center to board a bus at 8:30 am to volunteer for service at the Patrick and Beatrice Haggerty Center. Lunch will be provided by the VNA, and we will arrive back at the Texins Activity Center about 1:30 pm.

Unless otherwise indicated, transportation from the Dallas Texins Activity Center is provided by The Senior Source or TI. To register online, please go to tialumni.org/cit, click on the desired event, then on Event Registration Page and follow the instructions. You can also register by contacting the TIAA office at admin@tialumni.org or 214-567-8444. Please register at least seven days before the event, so that we can inform you if plans change.

TIAA Breakfasts

November 21, December 19 & January 16 – Friday, 9:30 am, Southern Recipe Cafe, 1381 W. Campbell Rd. (just east of Coit Rd.), Richardson. 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 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 or two, so just show up and bring a friend if you like.



More than 400 TIAA members and other TI retirees attended the annual Health Benefits Seminars at Plano Centre on October 16.

Golf Tournament Benefits Two Charities

The 15th Annual TIAA Charity Golf Tournament raised more than \$36,400 in donations and pledges for two worthwhile charities: the United Way of Metropolitan Dallas and The Senior Source. TI and the Texans Credit Union were underwriters for the tournament, making it possible for 100 percent of the donations to go directly to the charities.

More than 100 golfers – including active Tiers, retirees, and sponsors – joined the tournament as a kickoff to the TI United Way Campaign. In total, 27 teams participated in the tournament on October 20 at the Woodbridge Golf Club in Wylie, TX.

The tournament broke TIAA records for most golfers, largest contributions raised, and possibly the best weather ever for a golf tournament.

Stephanie Grossman, Director of Special Events, for The Senior Source, spoke to golfers during the Award Ceremony, and told them about the work of The Senior Source, including a major new program directed at Senior Security. David Cauthron, who heads the United Way campaign for the IT area at Spring Creek, thanked the TI golfers and the TI Foundation for their contributions to the success of the tournament. He also expressed

thanks to TI retiree, Courtney Miller, all the volunteers, and the staff of the Woodbridge Golf Club for their excellent support of the tournament.

Courtney Miller, tournament co-chair, presented a ceremonial check for \$17,500 to a representative of The Senior Source. Legend Sponsors for the tournament were: Edward Jones & Co., Jerry Pierce, CFP; Blue Cross/Blue Shield of Texas; Highland Springs Continuing Care Retirement Community; Town Village North Dallas, a Brookdale Community; UBS Financial Services, Inc.; and The University of Texas at Dallas.

Only one stroke separated the top three teams in the tournament. The team of active Tiers: Pros From Dover (Bill Egr, Matt Dimarco, Scott Eisenhart and Ken Cyr), won top prize in the tournament.

Other winners in the tournament include: Second Place Team: Knee Jerks (Gale Turner, Steve Ranallo, Rick Skaggs and Frank Gonzalez); Third Place Team: Angry Birdies (Guy Josselyn, Kim Harrison, John Zuffinetti and Chad Barnard); Closest to the Pin (Men): Ed Spragins; and Closest to the Pin (Women): Barb Montilla.



Winning golfers shown, left to right, Scott Eisenhart, Ken Cyr, Matt DiMarco and Bill Egr.

My Peace Corp

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time to myself.

My day typically started before daybreak with roosters crowing, children calling and mothers chatting as they fetched water. My daily schedule varied based on community needs (weighing babies, teaching nutrition classes, supporting projects for borehole repair and latrine construction) and household chores (shopping, washing, cooking). But I had plenty of time to myself to think, read, and write.

8. I'll love my Peace Corps adven-

ture and will learn as much as I teach. It will be difficult to say goodbye.

I loved my adventure! I learned much more than I taught. The good-byes were challenging. The hellos – reconnecting with family and friends – are exciting! The current challenge: deciding on my next adventure.

Many stories of my life in Ghana have been captured on my blog www.pcghana.wordpress.com. More information about the Peace Corps is available on www.peacecorps.gov.

On My Own Time Winners

The winners of the 2014 On My Own Time Art Competition were announced at the Artists' Reception & Awards Ceremony at the Texins Activity Center on August 15.

The Best of Show award was won by TIAA's Ted Houston for his work on canvas, "We're Still Here". The People's Choice award was won by Nima Shahidi for his ceramic bowl, "Firouzeh". A total of 275 votes were cast online and 83 paper ballots were collected at Texins during the exhibition.

The ribbons were presented by Terri Grosh, recently named Employee Engagement Manager for TI. In her comments, Terri thanked the artists for their participation and for the inspiration of their work.

There were 56 entries in nine categories in this year's competition.

The 36 participating artists included active Tiers, retirees, contractors, and their spouses.

Those receiving First Place ribbons, along with Best of Show and People's Choice awards were eligible to display their artwork at North-Park Center during the region-wide exhibition, September 14 - 26.

Katherine Wagner, CEO of the Business Council of the Arts (BCA), who directs the region-wide program, attended the ceremony at Texins and spoke to the artists. She praised their creativity and the quality of their work.

All of this year's winning entries can be viewed at <https://tialumni.org/omotas>.



Ted Houston's painting "We're Still Here" won Best of Show.



Nima Shahidi's ceramic bowl "Firouzeh" was the People's Choice.

TIAA United Way Campaign Enters Home Stretch

A goal of the TI Alumni Association is to provide opportunities for community involvement. That is why, once a year, we join with TI in supporting the United Way Campaign. This year, our TIAA campaign started September 29 and runs through November 14.

Cathy Beasley, TIAA Secretary, and Max Post, Chair of the Activities Committee, are the co-chairs for this year's campaign. We believe our combined investments in the United Way Community Impact Fund are one of the best ways to strengthen our communities.

Cathy pointed out that TIAA retirees making a donation to the United Way campaign through TIAA, will have their dollars automatically matched dollar for dollar by the TI Foundation (up to \$10,000 per person). You do not need to apply for matching funds. If you previously donated directly to United Way, we ask that your gift be made through the TIAA Campaign to double the impact. Just click <http://eway.unitedwaydallas.org/tiaa> to make your pledge.

Max commented that while the total dollars are always important, this

year we plan to emphasize participation at any level, as a measure of success for the TIAA Campaign and for our community.

United Way amplifies the impact of every dollar by directing it toward exceptional local programs with a track record of measurable success. United Way initiatives address key gaps in the community — all in support of breaking destructive cycles of dropouts, poverty and poor health in North Texas.

Since the United Way of Metropolitan Dallas set their 2020 goals in 2011:

- 332,000 of our underserved residents have access to healthcare.
- 70,000 people have been put on the path to financial stability.
- 156,000 students have been put on the path to being successful in Math and Science.

Thank you on behalf of the hundreds of thousands of North Texans — families, children, neighbors and friends — who will be more prepared to graduate, who will find pathways out of poverty and who will be healthier because of your contribution.



Some of the many activities supported by the United Way include TI volunteers helping at The Family Place, left, and delivering Meals on Wheels to housebound seniors, right.

Travel

November 7, A Tuna Christmas – Friday, 8:00 pm, Mesquite Arts Center. It's Christmas in the third smallest town in Texas. Radio station OKKK news personalities Thurston Wheelis and Arles Struvie report on various Yuletide activities, including hot competition in the annual lawn display contest. In other news, voracious Joe Bob Lipsey's production of A Christmas Carol is jeopardized by unpaid electric bills. Many colorful Tuna denizens join in the holiday fun. Tickets are \$11 for members and \$13 for nonmembers.

November 19, Mythbusters: The Explosive Exhibition – Wednesday, 9:30 am - 3:00 pm, Ft. Worth Museum of Science and History. Can you huff, puff and blow a house in? Does toast always tend to land butter-side down? Does running in the rain get you less wet than walking through it? Can you really make a canoe out of duct tape? Spend a day as a myth buster at MythBusters: The Explosive Exhibition to uncover the truth behind the myths for yourself. And while you're at it, watch live demonstrations and peruse props and gadgets from the show. Discovery Channel's Emmy-nominated show MythBusters specializes in testing wild hypotheses in wildly entertaining experiments. The exhibition features real remnants from experiments on the show along with many interactive opportunities for guests to engage in a little hands-on fun. We will eat at the Star Cafe in the Stockyards at our own expense before returning. Costs are \$29 for members and \$32 for nonmembers.

December 6, Candlelight Home Tour – Saturday, 4:00 - 10:00 pm, Waxahachie. Brighten your holiday spirits by strolling the glimmering streets of Waxahachie. Visit their historic downtown area to enjoy the picturesque Ellis County Courthouse, dining, shopping and a walking tour of three unique homes, spanning from the Victorian era to the 21st Century. We will leave at 4:00 pm, shop, eat at any of the numerous restaurants at our own expense, visit the homes and return around 10:00. Costs to be announced.

January 8, Samurai Museum, Dallas – Tuesday, 11:00 am, Dallas. Samurai warriors fought in style with fancy helmets and ornate armor, shot engraved arrows and brandished fancy swords. The fighters were revered for their loyalty, courage

and integrity, and they shaped Japan's history for centuries. And Dallas now has a place that showcases samurai culture from the 10th to the mid-19th centuries in the Ann and Gabriel Barbier-Mueller Museum, one of the world's only museums dedicated to samurai art, so let's go see it. We will leave Texins at 11:00 am, eat lunch at our own expense at the Mercat Bistro attend the gallery talk at 1:00 pm, tour the museum and return about 3:00 pm. Admission is free; transportation costs to be announced.

January 29, Jack Evans Police Headquarters Tour – Thursday, 9:30 am - 3:00 pm, Dallas. TIAA members and guests will be able to visit the Dallas Police Headquarters about a mile from downtown Dallas to learn about "Law and Order". The Jack Evans Police Headquarters building was completed in 2003, houses many departments and is handicapped-accessible. Our tour will visit investigation areas (including homicide), the crime-scene fingerprint area and the high-technology fusion center (criminal intelligence related to terrorism). Plan on a lot of walking as this building is larger than a football field. So wear comfortable shoes! We will have time for a Q&A session with Sr. Cpl. Schuster during the tour. We will leave Texins at 9:30 am, tour from 10:00 am to noon, eat lunch at our own expense and return around 2:00 pm. Transportation costs are \$15 for members and \$17 for nonmembers.

All trips depart from and return to the Dallas Texins Activity Center unless otherwise noted. Meals are at participant's expense. Each TIAA member may bring one guest at the member price. Others may join us at the nonmember price. To register online, please go to tialumni.org/trip, click on the desired event, then on Event Registration Page and follow the instructions. You can pay by credit card through a secure link or mail your check to TIAA, PO Box 740181, Dallas, TX 75374. You can also register by contacting the TIAA office at admin@tialumni.org or 214-567-8444. Please register at least seven days before the event, so that we can inform you if plans change.



TIAA members watched the longhorn cattle drive down Exchange Avenue on their Fort Worth Stockyards tour on October 10.

Contacts

Health & Financial Benefit Plans

TI HR Connect

1-888-660-1411, Option 1
www.netbenefits.com/TI

This phone number consolidates all benefit phone numbers into a 24-hr voice-recognition system. TI Benefits Center representatives are available Monday through Friday from 7:30 am to 7:30 pm, Central Time. First-time users of the web address need to register in order to log on.

Raytheon Benefits Center

1-800-358-1231

TDD 1-800-562-2307

raytheon.benefitcenter.com

TI-Raytheon Systems retirees should have Social Security and personal identification numbers available when calling. Check with the Raytheon Benefits Center for latest benefit contact information.

TI Alumni News

This newsletter is published quarterly by the TI Alumni Association to help inform the TI alumni community about TIAA activities.

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TI Alumni Association

The mission of TIAA is to provide a link between TI and TI alumni that fosters communications, programs, services and activities about and of interest to TI and TI alumni.

Elected Officers: : Larry James, President; Tom Boedecker, Executive Vice President; Barbara Pappas, Treasurer; and Cathy Beasley, Secretary.

Appointed Officers: Max Post, Activities Chair; Jon Campbell, Communications Chair; Greg Boydston, Community Involvement Chair; Lisa Calloway, Education Chair, Ronnie Brandenburg, Travel Chair; John Byers, CIO; Jasmine Ng, TI Liaison; and Jessica Stewart, Administrator.

To contact any TIAA officer, email admin@tialumni.org or call 214-567-8444.

Groups

The following groups usually meet as shown below. Call or email contact person to confirm schedule.

Antenna Lab – 1:00 pm, second Tuesday, lunch at Poor Richards Cafe, 2442 K Ave., Plano. Contact Ralph Bovee, ralphbovee2@aol.com, 972-422-5458 or 214-407-7512.

Apparatus Retirees – 8:30 am, third Wednesday, breakfast at IHOP Pancake House, LBJ Frwy. at Centerville Rd., Garland. Contact Newton Beam, ncb1932@sbcglobal.net or 940-220-9930.

Attleboro Retiree Club – 1 pm, second Tuesday (except July & August) at Norton VFW Post 8049, Summer St., Norton, MA. Contact David Rushia, peperenum1@yahoo.com.

Austin Alumni Lunch – Annual reunion on first Monday in December at Rudy's BBQ on 183. Contact Marian Justiss, marian@justiss.net.

Austin Retiree Club – Lunch meetings are held every other month (January, March, May, July, September and November) on the third Thursday. Open to all former Tlers in Austin area. Contact Fritz Wolff at ejfwolff@gmail.com or Bill Crane at wcrane@austin.rr.com.

Dallas-Area GSIs – 11:30 am, third Tuesday, lunch at Tony's Café, NW corner of Alma & Spring Creek Pkwy., Plano. Contact Dick Matthews, rich12mat@yahoo.com or 214-432-0138.

Dallas TI Reunion Club – 10 a.m., second Saturday, meeting and lunch at Denny's Restaurant on Motor St., Dallas. Call Gladys Jones, 214-376-9725, or Willie Demus, 214-331-2111.

Equipment Group Retirees – 11 am, lunch on 15th of each month (or the nearest weekday) at Red Lobster, LBJ Frwy. & Greenville Ave., Dallas. Contact Neil Sunderland, neilsund@gmail.com or 972-272-2869.

Ex-GSIs – 11:30 am, second Wednesday, lunch at Tino's Too, 2201 K Ave., Plano. Contact Martha Hamilton, mhamilton@geomarine.com or 972-424-0297.

Ex-TI Network – 5:30 pm, last Friday, meeting at The Allen Wickers Pub, 2301 North Central Expy. Ste. 195, Plano. Contact Joan Nichols, j.nichols4@yahoo.com or 214-543-2546.

First Monday Bunch – 1-3 pm, first Monday, meeting at Richardson Senior Center, 820 W. Arapaho Rd., Richardson. Contact Ralph Dean, deanandcomp@sbcglobal.net or 972-235-2589.

Houston. Alumni Association – 11 am lunch on third Wednesday (except for the second Wednesday in December) at America Buffet, 12815 Southwest Frwy., Stafford, TX. See details on www.tiaa.org. Gary Luckett, garyluckett@gmail.com or 281-658-5047.

LinkedIn – Sponsored by TIAA for use as an open forum by former Tlers who want to stay connected with the TI family. List owner Tom Boedecker. <http://www.linkedin.com/groups?gid=139468>.

North Texas Retiree Luncheon – 11:30 am, second Friday of the second month of each quarter at El Chico, 1222 North Central Expy., McKinney. Contact Cliff Gibbs, tri-o@waymark.net or 972-742-1113.

Old Bunch Lunch Group – 11:00 am, second Thursday, Spring Creek Barbeque, 270 North Central Expy., Richardson. Mostly SC QA 1990s retirees. Contact Jim Setliff, setliff@sbcglobal.net.

TIAA Breakfast Club – 9:30 am, third Friday, breakfast at the Southern Recipe Café at 1381 W. Campbell Rd. in Richardson. Contact Jon Campbell, jonscampbell@gmail.com or 972-235-5158.

TIAA Retiree Bunch – 11 am, third Tuesday of each month (except July & August), Spring Creek Barbeque, 270 North Central Expy., Richardson. Contact Tom Gregory, tomgregory3@gmail.com or 972-412-9332, or Lucy Salas, 469-878-1514.

TI Bible Study Group – 7-8 am, every other Thursday, Greater Cornerstone Baptist Church, TI Blvd. & Forest Ln., Dallas. SC retirees meeting for over 20 years. David Robertson, teacher. Contact Ron McCormick, ronmccormk@aol.com.

TI Design Automation (TIDA) – Personnel, retired or otherwise, from DAD and all other electrical, mechanical and software DA departments worldwide – 11:15 am luncheon on first Wednesday of each quarter at Spring Creek Barbeque, 270 North Central Expy., Richardson. Contact Bob Penick, bob@penick.net.