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New Officers Elected at TIAA Annual Meeting on May 26

More than 80 TIAA members, spouses and guests attended the 17th Annual Meeting of the TI Alumni Association at TI's RFAB in Richardson. President Larry James called the meeting to order and gave



an update of all the activities over the past fiscal year. He noted that there were currently more than 1,500 TIAA members, with 51% being life-time members. Since its last annual meeting, the TIAA Community Involvement Team has volunteered for 14 community projects; the Travel Team has provided 20 opportunities to explore and enjoy the adventure of travel; and five Educational Seminars have been organized and presented

for retirees, former Tiers and guests. The following people were elected to serve from July 1, 2016 to June 30, 2017: Dorothy McAllister, Secretary; Gary Stopani, President; Greg Boydston, Executive Vice President; and Kate Newman, Treasurer. Click [here](#) for more information about the meeting.

New Dallas County Community College District Trustee

Congratulations to Phil Ritter on becoming the DCCCD Trustee for Place 2. Phil, an experienced attorney, joined TI's Legal Department in 1989 and was a Senior VP of Public Affairs from 2001 to 2009. He is now a lifetime member of TIAA. Phil left TI to act as the DFW Airport's Executive VP of Government and Stakeholder Affairs from 2009 to 2014. He is currently the COO of the Meadows Mental Health Policy Institute. With seven colleges under its guidance, DCCCD is one of the largest community college systems in the state having served more than three million people since 1965. We wish him the best.



Texas Instruments Afternoon at the Dallas Symphony

Meyerson Symphony Center – Sunday, June 26. TIAA Members are invited to join active Tiers in spending a patriotic afternoon at the DSO featuring world renowned conductor Jeff Tyzik and the TI Jazz Band. The concert will be from 2:30 to 4:40 pm, but doors will be open at 1:00 p.m. for check-in, at the Morton H. Meyerson Symphony Center in downtown Dallas. TIAA Members can register for up to four tickets by clicking [here](#) and putting **TIAA** under company/organization when you sign up. You can pick up your tickets at the Meyerson before the event.

SMU Commencement Address

The SMU Commencement keynote speakers on May 14 were technology and civic leaders Rich and Mary Templeton, with an introduction by SMU President, Dr. R. Gerald Turner. Click [here](#) to view this inspiring address. It's well worth viewing.

TIAA Travel Events

May Travel Recap: *May was a busy month for TIAA travelers – a two-fer, if you will. There were 17 of us on a tour led by Dr. Dottie Woodson at the beautiful Fort Worth Botanical Gardens on May 3. The weather was cool but sunny as we walked around one of the gardens (they have 23 of them on 110 acres) in this urban oasis. It was created during the Great Depression as an "outdoor library of plants" and the scientific names just rolled off the tongue of our leader as she pointed out ways we could enhance our own landscapes. Then we went into the 60' tall Conservatory and all coats and hats came off as it was 85 degrees with 85 percent humidity inside this 10,000-square-foot glass house filled with tropical plants. There were lush coffee and chocolate trees – two of our favorite main food groups – along with banana, palm, nutmeg (smelled just like Thanksgiving) and palm trees. We followed this up with a relaxing lunch at a nearby IHOP with Dottie. Click [here](#) to view a slideshow of this trip.*



On May 11, thirteen of us donned our red, Texas Instruments visor caps and rode a bus to watch the Texas Rangers beat the Chicago White Sox (7-6). It was Dollar Hot Dog Day, making good munching as we sat in covered seats on the third level and enjoyed a great view of the field. After the game, we found an extra passenger waiting for us on the bus – an elderly, nice-looking gentleman (one of the ladies in our group wanted to take him home) who explained that he came on a white bus and he thought it looked like ours. We escorted him across the street and to the corner where the white shuttle buses run every few minutes, but he certainly looked wistful as we waved goodbye and drove off. Not only did the Rangers beat the White Sox, we beat the rain going back to TI so it was a good day all around. Please consider joining us on our numerous adventures.

June 14, Wine/Cheese Tasting at Su Vino – Tuesday, 10:30 am to 2:30 pm. Su Vino means “your wine” in Italian and Spanish, so let’s go see which one it is. You will participate by tasting several wines in their tasting room while also enjoying plates of various cheeses. They strive to make wine more fun and friendly by breaking down the barriers of wine speak and wine snobbery. Hopefully you will learn to be more comfortable with new wines at the end of our tasting. We will take an Echo bus and leave Texins at 10:30 am, enjoy the wine and cheese and eat lunch at the Old West Café (so bring lunch money) before returning around 2:30. Cost for tasting and transportation will be \$18 for members and \$20 for nonmembers. Please [register](#) online for this event.





June 24, Red, White and Tuna – Friday, 8 pm to 10 pm. This is the third installment in the Tuna trilogy and it's been several years since we left Bertha and Arles dancing at the end of *A Tuna Christmas*. Did the romance blossom? Has Didi Shavley received any "cosmic" communications from R.R.'s UFO? Did Stanley make his fortune in the Albuquerque taxidermy business? These and other burning questions will be asked and answered in the side-splitting spoof of life in small-town Texas. Along with Tuna's

perennial favorites, some new Tuna denizens burst into the 4th of July Tuna High School Class Reunion. This sets the stage for a show full of fireworks and fun from the land where the Lion's Club is too liberal and Patsy Cline never dies. We will meet at the Mesquite Community Theatre, 1527 Galloway Avenue, Mesquite at 7:30 to pick up tickets for the performance which begins at 8:00 pm. The cost is \$12 for members and \$14 for nonmembers. Please be sure to log on and [register](#) online for this fun night with your friends.

Next Travel Event: July 30, "It's Beginning to Look a Lot Like Murder" – Saturday, 3:00 pm.

Community Involvement Events

May Community Involvement Recap: *On May 5, nine TIAA volunteers traveled to Oak Cliff to help build a handicap ramp for a needy client of the Texas Ramp Project Program. Libbie, a 73-year-old woman, lives in her mother's old house that was built in the '70's and spends most of her time looking out the plate-glass window in the living room. Because her mobility is impaired, she has a hard time maneuvering stairs so it was our pleasure to build her a ramp. Libbie loves plants and has beautiful red and white roses next to the house and colorful yellow lantana around her light pole in the front yard. She plans to paint the railings on the ramp her favorite color – baby blue -- to match the trim on the house. She can now come out to enjoy her plants, the sunshine, and bring in the mail whenever she wishes. Libbie was delighted and so appreciative.*



On May 14, the Richardson Post Offices collected and then delivered a total of 27,402 pounds of food donated by generous postal customers to Network Ministries' food warehouse. On May 16, nine TIAA volunteers went to Network Ministries to stock shelves with the cans and boxes of food donated. We were amazed in how much food we had stocked but left feeling we had barely made a dent in the huge pile of grocery sacks still waiting to be emptied. We remembered last May when we had completely stocked all of the US Postal Service's donations in just three hours. The Network Ministries' staff was very thankful for our services and told us they will be working for weeks to finish stocking the food drive items. Network Ministries remains a great volunteer location and would welcome any TIAA volunteer to help them serve needy clients. See their [website](#) for more information.

June 8, SMU Mock Trial – Wednesday, 7:30 am to 2:30 pm. The SMU Dedman School of Law provides a seminar during June of each year for practicing lawyers across the Nation. This seminar



allows lawyers the opportunity to practice court presentation skills in front of volunteers who serve as jury members. We will leave Texins Activity Center on a Senior Source bus at 7:30 to act as jurors and provide valuable feedback to the lawyers attending this seminar. Volunteers will be provided breakfast and lunch and will be paid \$10 for their time. We will arrive back at the Texins Activity Center about 2:30 pm. Please [register](#) online for this event. They could also use volunteer

jurors on Thursday, June 9. Participants may serve both days and will see how different lawyers present their cases. However, TIAA will not provide transportation on June 9 and you will need to plan to park in the free parking lot at Hillcrest and Daniel Ave.

Next Community Involvement Event: July 14, CitySquare Thrift Shop, Christmas in July – Thursday, 8:30 am to 1:30 pm.

Educational Seminars

May Seminar Recap: *On May 17, over 30 TIAA members and guests attended a medical seminar at Texins covering two dynamic topics: “Diabetes Wellness” and “Managing the Cost of Your Prescriptions.” Sherry Davidson, RN Diabetes Coordinator at Baylor, discussed healthy lifestyle goals to prevent and manage diabetes. Natalie Mangham and Carl Burlbaw, Eldercare Specialists from the Senior Source, offered suggestions and ideas on the options available to reduce your prescription costs. This information was useful to seniors who have insurance beyond Medicare, as well as to those who don’t.*

On My Own Time Competition and Exhibition

Dallas-area TI employees, contractors, retirees and their spouses are invited to display their creative talents and take part in the 2016 On My Own Time (OMOT) competition. The art exhibition will be held at the Dallas Texins Activity Center, August 1 through 12, with the winners advancing to the region-wide exhibition at NorthPark Center, September 30 to October 8. OMOT is an employee art competition organized by the Business Council for the Arts (BCA). The council's goal is to recognize and encourage creativity, stimulate dialogue and build team spirit among employees in the North Texas region. Click [here](#) for more information.

What’s my password?

Almost every website demands a password in this security-conscious world of today and it's easy to forget which password goes with each website. How many characters? Any capital letters? Numbers? Special characters? To make it easier for our members, we have added a short-cut to obtaining a new password in the heading at Tialumni.org. Just type in your UserID (your old TI employee number without any leading zeros or alphabetical characters) click on the red "Have you forgotten your password" question near your User ID and a screen will appear that will help you set up a new one.

TIAA Breakfast Meeting

June 17, Friday, 9:30 am. All TI retirees, TIAA members and their spouses are invited to this informal get-together for breakfast at the Southern Recipe Grill, 621 W. Plano Pkwy. We meet 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, so just show up and bring a friend if you like. From North Central Expy, turn West on Plano Pkwy, cross the bridge and turn north into The Village at Collin Creek. The restaurant will be to your left. If you have any questions, contact Jon Campbell, jonscampbell@gmail.com or 214-507-1500.



Next TIAA Breakfast: July 15, Friday, 9:30 am.

TI Corporate Citizenship Report

Texas Instruments recently posted its tenth annual Corporate Citizenship Report (CCR), outlining the company's social and environmental performance for 2015. "Engineering a better future has been an integral part of our company since our founding 85 years ago. Through the years, we have collaborated with our employees, customers, suppliers and communities to make great products, continually improve operations, inspire the next generation of innovators, and make where we live and work better for everyone," said Rich Templeton, TI chairman, president and CEO, in the report's opening letter. For more information, click [here](#).

New and Renewing Members

Recently Lois Banks and Oussama Chahed Ouazzani became members of TIAA. Thomas Moore and Shyamal Parikh became lifetime members. Edward Bartlett, Keith Bradshaw, Lisa Calloway, Douglas Clark, Paul Fletcher, Khanh Ha, Lillian Hardy, Jimmie Horton, Joyce Horton, Robert Johnson, Sydne Jones, Burrell Ketcham, Linda Ketcham, Charlie Kinnard, Tim Kunes, Arlena Lay, Lucius Lyons, Sidney Parker, Wanda Patterson, Jerome Pousson, Sandra Robbins, Larry Robinson, William Ryan, John Savage, Chi-Cheong Shen, Helen Shen, Lin Wetterau, Mary Wetterau and Lucille Young renewed their memberships. Welcome all.

In Memoriam

We add new names and obituaries of former Tiers to our new website several times a week and currently have over 11,000 entries. To view the names, members can go to [In Memoriam](#) and 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. Or members can go to [Recent Obituaries](#) to read those for the preceding year in date sequence. Please feel free to leave a comment after displaying the obituary.

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