



THE BACKPAGE

Tuition Announcement For 2009-10

At the recent meeting of the Texas Chiropractic College Board of Regents, the budget for academic/fiscal year 2009-2010 was approved. Effective for the fall trimester, full-time tuition will be \$8,400 per trimester; part time tuition (1 to 11 credit hours) will be \$700 per credit hour. Fees will remain unchanged with the exception of the make-up examination fee which is increasing from \$25 to a minimum of \$40 (please refer to the announcements regarding changes with Make-Up Exam Policy in the June 26, 2009 and July 10, 2009 issues of The Backpage).

The increase in tuition was made after careful consideration of the impact this will have on students and the need of the College to maintain high quality teaching and learning resources. Every effort will be made to see that TCC remains competitively priced in the chiropractic col-

lege environment in a national and global economy that continues to be challenging.

The new cost of a TCC education is the second lowest in the US when compared to other chiropractic programs using cost of living guidelines (internal research comparing all U.S. chiropractic colleges' tuition data from their web sites and cost of living rates from a third party resource). This comparison does not include any tuition increases for other colleges. The value of a great education is based upon a number of factors including the investment of time and cost. A TCC education is a solid investment in both.

If you have any questions or concerns about regarding tuition, fees and payment procedures, please contact Denise Stanley (281-998-6006) or Bill Quinn (281-998-6051) in the Harris Building.

President's Report on Homecoming, pages 3-4.

Find TCC Online

In recent months, Texas Chiropractic College has been quietly extending its web presence through the various social networking and media sites available on the internet. It began in the spring when the admissions office launched Facebook and MySpace pages in its efforts to reach prospective students through more avenues of communications.

A month ago, the College opened a Twitter account with the intention of using it as a multipurpose messaging and alert outlet to include information for all of the College's different audiences. Additionally, and as a result of current students and alumni "friending" TCC, this summer the admissions' Facebook and MySpace pages will begin serving as multipurpose sites with all members of the TCC family invited to join these online communities.

And finally during Homecoming, a Flickr account was launch in an effort to better share photos of community events. If faculty, staff or students have information they are interested in sharing through these outlets (student organization meetings or fundraisers, news alerts that impact chiropractic, etc.), please contact Patty Barnes at pbarnes@txchiro.edu.
<http://twitter.com/TXChiroCollege>

<http://www.myspace.com/texaschiropracticcollege>

<http://tiny.cc/qHnPH> (Facebook)

http://www.flickr.com/photos/texas_chiropractic_college/

Lions Club Honors Salisbury

The Pasadena Lions Club held its installation banquet in June and TCC's Director of Development, Debbie Salisbury, was awarded The Melvin Jones Fellow Award by the Lions Club International Foundation. Presenting the award was District 2-S2 Governor, Barron Cagle.

The Melvin Jones Fellow award is the highest form of recognition conferred by the foundation. It is awarded to Lions Club members for their dedicated humanitarian services to make the world a better place.



pictured (l-r) Pasadena Lions Club President, Joey Bowers, Membership Chair, Debbie Salisbury & District 2-S2 Governor, Barron Cagle

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Important Notices From The Registrar

PUBLICATION OF THE FALL 2009 CLASS SCHEDULES HAS BEEN DELAYED

The administration is still finalizing teaching assignments for the Fall 2009 trimester. Until this is done, the registrar is unable to build the FA-09 class schedules. However, registration will begin as scheduled on Monday, July 20th. The procedures are outlined below.

Straight Schedule Students

Come in and fill out your registration form as usual. As per the registrar offices normal procedure, each registration form will be date and time stamped. Registration forms for each trimester will be kept in the order in which they are received. Once the fall schedule is available, students in the trimesters with multiple lab sections will be advised to come by the registrars offices to provide your lab section preference. Labs will be assigned on a first come/first serve basis based on when the original registration forms were received.

Mixed Schedule Students

Come in and fill out your registration form and place your name on a list to have a schedule made. This will allow the registrar to do the preliminary work necessary prior to building your class schedule. Once the fall schedule is available, schedules for mixed students will be made in the order in which they placed their name on the list.

The administration regrets the inconvenience this may cause but, due to the circumstances, the delay in providing class schedules is unavoidable.

MIXED SCHEDULE STUDENTS SHOULD TAKE SPECIAL NOTICE OF THE PROCEDURES FOR FINAL EXAMINATIONS

Final exams will be held Tuesday, August 11th – Tuesday, August 18th. The final exam schedule is now available in the registrar's office. Mixed schedule students need to look at the exam schedule and see if they have two exams scheduled at the same time. If there are exam overlaps, the mixed schedule students must advise the registrar's office by noon on Friday, July 31st.

Wednesday, August 19th will be utilized to allow mixed schedule students to take any overlapping finals. A full two hours will be set aside for affected students at 9:00 a.m. in L-203. Only those students with more than one makeup exam to take on that Wednesday will be allotted time beyond the 9:00-11:00 a.m. time frame.

The procedure will allow mixed schedule students a full two hours for each of their final exams and avoid the necessity of receiving an incomplete grade due to scheduling conflicts.

This week, Dr. Brassard provides his report on TCC's Homecoming held in Galveston July 15-18.

We've just completed our 2009 Homecoming festivities, and I wanted to share with you some of the noteworthy events that occurred. The event drew a crowd of 537 to the various activities that took place. Homecoming this year was under the direction of TCC's Dean of Postgraduate Education, Dr. Jason Flanagan, and his Postgraduate team: Carla Pronio, Bitsy Hatch and Pricilla Lerma. Several others assisted in the planning and coordination such as Dr. Steve Haslund, Tammy McAdams, Gabrielle Greenwade, Debbie Salisbury and Glenda Ramirez. Hats off to these dedicated TCC staff members for making our Homecoming successful.

Wednesday activities led off with the annual golf tournament where 14 teams competed for prizes. The winning team was the group of Raymond Salinas and Drs. Scott Pagano, Chris Doyle and Michael Sanders from Diagnostic Radiology. Later that evening, the Early-Bird reception gave those early arrivals the opportunity to meet with vendors, fellow alumni and friends and renew old acquaintances.

Thursday morning saw staff initiating a new registration and check-in process. This year, we implemented a scanning system that better monitored attendance to give attendees more accurate verification of their classroom attendance. The new system seemed to have worked well with few glitches. As with any new system, there were some complaints at first, but generally everyone seemed pleased, and many were complimentary of the way things were handled. We intend to make some changes to the system to allow longer visitation



President's Message

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time with vendors, additional classes and improved venue logistics. I was pleased to see the classrooms filled throughout each day of the convention. Several doctors brought their families and enjoyed the fabulous Moody Gardens attractions and the Schlitterbahn Waterpark that is just across the street. Always the highlight on Thursday is the evening Beach Party, and this year's was exceptional. The large turnout enjoyed the beach party theme with friends, enjoyed informal discussions with the homecoming faculty, and were entertained by the Rockin' Relics. This perennial favorite band includes two TCC faculty members—Dr. Steve Foster and Dr. Brad Koby.

Classes resumed on Friday, and again the rooms were filled. The past presidents of the TCC Alumni Association held their annual meeting during the Gavel Club luncheon, where they received an update on college activities and renewed long-time friendships. The President's Reception Friday evening was enjoyed by nearly 200 people. Special guest, Dr. Mary Beth Larsen, Chiropractic Relations Manager for Standard Process, was our featured speaker as she showed slides and reported on her recent ascent of world-famous

Mt. Kilimanjaro in Africa. Mary Beth made this trip last year, and she thrilled the audience with her experiences and impressions of this extraordinary event.

Saturday morning saw the convening of the quarterly meeting of the TCC Board of Regents. Status reports were shared with regents on various institutional departments, representatives of the Texas Chiropractic Association, the American Chiropractic Association, the World Federation of Chiropractic and others presented their reports to the board. Elections were held for officers for 2009-2010, retiring regents were recognized for their past service and new regents were elected.

New board officers are: Dr. Donald Krippendorf, Chairman, Dr. Jack Christie, Vice Chairman, Mr. Larry C. Johnson, Treasurer, Dr. John Felker, Secretary, and Dr. Bang Nguyen, At-Large member of the Executive Committee. Newly appointed members of the Board of Regents included Bob Mitchell, president of Bay Area Houston Economic Partnership; Dr. Kurt Juergens, who maintains a private practice in Houston; Crystal Morrison, a clinical psychologist; and Ken Cauthorn, owner of Customized
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Around Campus...

Internal Campaign Making Strides

The Office of Institutional Advancement Office is striving to reach 100% participation in the Internal Giving Campaign from faculty and staff by Aug. 31, 2009. Having 100% participation from faculty and staff is very crucial when funds are requested from outside sources and foundations. Debbie Salisbury, Director of Development, will be contacting each of you who have not participated yet between now and August 31st. Thank you in advance for helping make a difference at Texas Chiropractic College.

Cookbooks & Steak Lunches

In addition to the Internal Campaign, the Office of Institutional Advancement has two new and simple opportunities for all members of the community to support TCC. First is the TCC Family Cookbook. This book offers 95 pages of favorite recipes shared by members of the TCC family and is available for \$10.

The second item is a limited time offer in conjunction with Outback Steakhouse. For \$15 per ticket, diners can enjoy a steak or chicken lunch at the Outback Steakhouse on 12130 Dickinson Rd. (NW Corner of Beltway 8 & I-45). This offer is only valid on Aug. 15, 2009 from 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., which mean now you have lunch plans following commencement! For more information or to purchase either item, please contact Debbie Salisbury at dsalisbury@txchiro.edu, 281-998-6085, or just stop by her office on the second floor of the Harris Building

Organizing Chiogames

Chiogames will be held Nov. 7-8 If you are interested in being a team captain for Chiogames, please contact David Blocksom: dblocksom83@hotmail.com. For a list of events and more information visit www.parkercc.edu.

President's Message, cont.

Business Strategies and the Hampton Tax Group. This is strong group of officers and new board members. There is a wealth of experience on this board, not only from the chiropractic profession, but from other business perspectives that will help guide the administration and college community as we move forward with improving academic programs, clinic services to the public and the recognition of TCC in the community.

Saturday afternoon was reserved for special classes that had been mandated by the Texas Board of Chiropractic Examiners for license renewal. These classes focused on documentation, coding and compliance issues. Following the afternoon classes, the TCC Alumni Association sponsored the Alumni Reunion Re-

ception. This event is always a hit, and over 100 alumni participated.

Tracy Busch Pate, Associate Publisher of The American Chiropractor magazine was on hand during the convention, taking notes for an upcoming issue of that publication that will feature our homecoming activities and the college. So keep your eye open for this issue of the magazine and look for the photo spread.

Best Regards,



Richard G. Brassard, DC
President

Texas Chiropractic College



Outgoing TCC Board of Regents Chairman Johnny Blau was honored by Dr. Richard G. Brassard at the President's Reception with the W.D. Harper Award, TCC's highest honor. Mr. Blau has been a member of the Board of Regents since 1999 and has served as the chairman for the past four years.