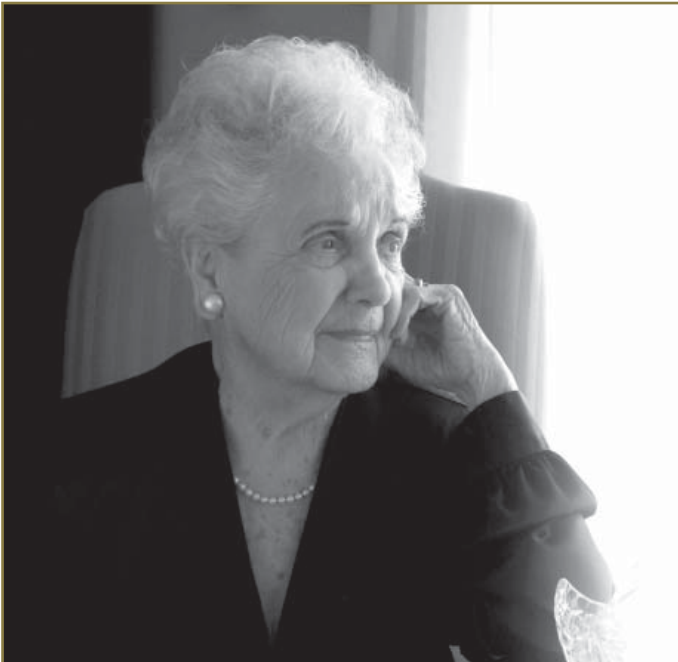




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## Mary Alice Marshall Shares Her 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration

Join us as we recognize the miracle that is Mary Alice Marshall as she turns 100. The Temple Symphony Orchestra's Holiday Concert is Saturday, December 6, and starts at 7:30 p.m. You are invited to attend this uplifting holiday performance which is being dedicated to Mary Alice Marshall. Opening remarks will include the many honors that she has received. There will also be an unveiling of her portrait that will be hung in the lobby of the Mary Alice Marshall Performing Arts Center, and the revised plans for the renovation and expansion of the Center will be announced.

At intermission, the symphony will play an arrangement of Happy Birthday that is being created just for her and the audience will be invited to sing along. This is an event you won't want to miss!



MAMPAC Workmen working on lobby renovations. Need outline

## Message From... TCF Executive Director

Temple College . . . A Center of Excellence, has become the mantra that drives everything we do at Temple College and the decisions that are made by Temple College Foundation. Given the current economic downturn, our belief that education is still the best investment in our local as well as global communities becomes even stronger. Once gained, education is the one thing that cannot be taken away or diminished.



Rosemary B. Hauser

With that thought in mind, the College Board of Trustees and the Foundation Board of Directors have made the decision to move forward with the expansion and renovation of the Mary Alice Marshall Performing Arts Center to complete as much as possible with the current funds available. Fundraising will continue, and as new funds are gained, more renovations will be planned.

The College has gained local, state, and national recognition for its outstanding music programs and musical groups. Thomas Fairlie and his faculty and staff are to be congratulated for their talents and ability to achieve excellence in spite of the critical needs for expanded and renovated space. The new Phase III renovation will see the following accomplished:

- Lobby renovation by December 6, 2008
- Bathroom additions and renovations by Summer 2009
- Concert Hall completion by Summer 2009
- Instrumental Rehearsal Hall – completion date to be determined

The Performing Arts Center is an important teaching facility as well as the community's largest performing venue. We need your help and support in order to make it the best it can be. Temple College historically has been able to get the "biggest bounce for its buck" through its many partnerships with the community as well as utilizing the talents of Skeet Powell, Director of Facilities, Construction/Facilities Planning and his staff. That being said, we ask you once again to invest in Temple College by supporting this project. All gifts, regardless of size, will make a difference. (Please see Concert Hall Chair Donation Information on page two.) As always, we appreciate your strong support. I am available to meet with you at any time and look forward to hearing from you.

Warmest personal regards,  
Rosemary B. Hauser  
Executive Director

## Fourth Annual Endowed Scholarship Luncheon

“A nation reveals itself not only by the men it produces but also by the men it honors, the men it remembers.”  
~John F. Kennedy

For the fourth year, the Temple College Foundation and Temple College hosted its Endowed Scholarship Luncheon in the Temple College Pavilion. Dr Harry B. Macey, Jr., President of the Temple College Foundation and TC alum, welcomed the group, and Chaplain Lydia Santibañez, TC Board of Trustees, delivered the invocation. Jack W. Jones, Jr., President of the TC Board of Trustees, welcomed everyone to the luncheon. The audience was thoroughly entertained by the Temple College Show Choir directed by Roy Finney, TC Music Department.



*The 2008 Endowed Scholarship Luncheon paid tribute to the late Dr. Ralph Wilson, Jr. for his generous gifts to Temple College and the TC Foundation Endowed Scholarship Fund. Members of the Wilson family stand with a portrait of Dr. and Mrs. Ralph Wilson, Jr. at the luncheon. Pictured from left are his mother Sunny Wilson; daughter Janice Wilson; wife Sharon Wilson, and brother and sister-in-law Ava and James (?) Wilson.*

This year's luncheon was a tribute to long-time TC supporter Dr. Ralph Wilson, Jr. for his generous gifts to the College and the Foundation Endowed Scholarship Fund. In remembering Dr. Wilson, Erroll Wendland spoke to the audience about Dr. Wilson's philanthropy in the Temple community, especially TC. Dr. Wilson and his late wife, Jean, donated the equipment for the TC Dental Hygiene Lab which bears their names: The Jean and Ralph Wilson Dental Hygiene Clinic. He bequeathed \$1M to the endowed scholarship fund which will fund hundreds of scholarships for Temple College students. The endowed scholarship is the Dr. Ralph Wilson, Jr. & Sharon Marie Wilson Endowed Scholarship. His wife Sharon, and his family were present to receive the plaques and honors in his memory. This gift will continue to brighten the lives of students for many, many years to come.

In her remarks, Rosemary B. Hauser, executive director of the TC Foundation, pointed out the outstanding education that the students receive from TC, and how the Foundation came up with the idea of the slogan "Excellence in Education." She reminded the audience that 65% of the TC student body receive assistance from endowed scholarships, donations, and other funding sources providing more than \$1 million last year. Pictures of the day show students and donors enjoying each other's company.

## Texas Legislature Designates TC as a MITC

In 1996, Temple College partnered with the Taylor community to start the TCAT (Temple College at Taylor) Learning Center in one half of a 30,000 sq. ft., vacant grocery store. Four years ago, with the aid of an Economic Development Agency grant, a Meadows Foundation grant, and local funds, the final half of the building was completed. Enrollment has continued to grow steadily at TCAT; the 2008 fall semester totals 800 plus students.

Temple College and the Taylor community agree that an additional expansion is necessary to meet the growing student population. Dr. Chuck McCarter has led the expansion effort for Temple College. The 80th Legislature created the EWCHEC (East Williamson County Higher Education Center) and designated it a MITC (Multi Institutional Teaching Center). However, the Legislature did not provide funds for a building nor for operation and maintenance expenses.

The Taylor community has pooled their resources to build the Phase I building on 70 acres of land purchased by the TCAT Foundation. The Phase I building design has been completed and work is underway to secure funding for construction.

Several other teaching institutions have joined EWCHEC. These include TSTC (Texas State Technical College) and TT (Texas Tech). Specific technical training courses such as Auto Mechanics and Medical Electronics Maintenance will be offered by TSTC. Temple College will begin a bridging program in nursing to offer an Associates RN degree for those students completing their LVN training, and Texas Tech will offer a Bachelor's degree and graduate nursing programs via electronic delivery. Other teaching institutions have expressed interest in becoming partners in EWCHEC.

Until the Phase I building is completed, EWCHEC classes will be held at the old Taylor Middle School. TSTC will also teach programs at the Taylor High School site.

East Williamson County is excited about EWCHEC and is working diligently to open the Phase I facility and to encourage additional MITC partners. The educational opportunities are expanding in this area, and Temple College is leading the way.

John Nelson, TCAT

### Concert Hall Chair Donation

**Donate \$250 to the Mary Alice Marshall  
Performing Arts Center Phase III  
Renovation Project**

Your \$250 donation will help pay for new seating in the Concert Hall. A personalized plate will be permanently adhered to one of the new seats indicating your philanthropic support of the arts. There will be several options for recognition name plates from which to choose.

Great anniversary, birthday, Christmas gift or memorial!

For information, contact:  
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## 22nd Annual Golf Tournament Adds to Scholarship Coffers

The 22nd annual Temple College Foundation/Johnson Bros. Ford Golf Classic was held September 15, 2008 at the Wildflower Country Club. The Tournament raised \$151,127 for TC student scholarships. This figure includes two endowments, the Louise L. Cox Memorial Scholarship and the Linda Knight Green Endowment, generous gifts from The Martin Group and Barbara and Erroll Wendland for current scholarships, and the corporate sponsorship of Johnson Bros. Ford. There were also many sponsorships including: 5 Blue Diamond (\$5,000 and up), 1 White Diamond (\$2,500), 25 Platinum (\$1,000), 11 Flag (\$500 with any other sponsorship), 28 Gold (\$500), 16 Silver (\$300), and 39 Bronze (\$100).

Morning and afternoon participants enjoyed a fun round of golf. Each year golfers receive golf shirts as part of their "goodie bag." This year they agreed to donate their shirts to the Hurricane Ike evacuees. Our supporters have generous hearts!

The winners are listed below:

Mark Bain, Dana Lange, Jeffrey Schneider, and Brad Turner won first place in the A.M. Round, while Danny Belk, Jason Carothers, David Southerland and Scott Tyson placed first in the P.M.

Bob Bradley, Billy Helm, Brent McCallum, and Ricky Preston took third place in the A.M., and Gary Clowers Jim Schwartz, Janet Schwartz, and John Taylor took afternoon honors.

Gene Barnes, Casey Bramlett and Tava Hamilton placed 7th in the A.M., while Bret Odom, Steve Shearer, Mike Templeton, and Jim Tompkins won 7th in the P.M.

Corey Craig, Mark Gacke, Ken Janke, and Ronnie White captured 22nd in the A.M., and Bill Barge, Bob Marshall, Rob Marshall, and Derek Martin won in the P.M.

Kevin White won the \$500 prize for closest to the pin hole 16, and Chuck Lucko won a box of golf balls for closest to the pin hole 6.

This tournament is a fun way to support TC students.

***Come out and see for yourself next year on Monday, September 21, 2009.***



Morning 5A Third Place: Bob Bradley, Billy Helm, Brent McCallum and Ricky Preston



Morning 1B First Place: Mark Bain, Dana Lange, Jeffrey Schneider and Brad Turner



Afternoon 6A First Place: Danny Belk, Jason Carothers, David Southerland and Scott Tyson



Afternoon 2A Seventh Place: Gene Barnes, Casey Bramlett and Tava Hamilton

***Thanks!  
You Make the Difference***

# Temple College – “Excellence in Education”

“Excellence in Education.” Is it just a catch phrase? This motto characterizes TC (Temple College). The question is, can we continue to maintain this excellence? According to the Texas Association of Community Colleges, in 1985 the state share of two-year college support was 65%, students and parents 13%, taxpayers 22%. In 2005 the state provided 31% of the total with students, parents, and taxpayers paying the rest, with local property taxes accounting for the highest portion, 37%. Although the two-year colleges enroll 60% of the incoming freshman, the state funding level has decreased dramatically.

We know that we need to keep property taxes down, maintain affordable tuition costs, and offer competitive salaries. Because most of the two-year college income goes to salaries, maintenance and operation, and program costs, very little is left over to provide facilities and scholarships. This is where the college foundation can help. For instance, the Temple College Foundation raised more than \$1 million for scholarships last year. Presently, it is raising \$5 million for the critically-needed renovation and expansion of the Mary Alice Marshall Performing Arts Center.

The following shows what your dollars can do for the students of Central Texas.

## • Academic Recognition

- May 2008—Nine Texas Bioscience Institute Middle College students received Associate of Arts degrees from Temple College three weeks prior to their high school graduations. Congratulations!

## • East Williamson County Higher Education Center

- 2007 designated as an Early College High School: first students from Taylor and Hutto ISDs admitted at Legacy Early College High School.
- 2008 Texas Economic Development Council Workforce Best Practices Award. This is the second consecutive year a TC program has won this prestigious state-wide award: Texas Bioscience Institute won in 2007.

## • New Programs

- Diagnostic Medical Sonography—Two year AAS program prepares students for entry-level position as sonographers through didactic education and clinical experience.

## • New Buildings

- Science Laboratory Building: New \$5.6 million science laboratory building (30,000 square feet total area) with 10 state-of-the-art classroom/laboratories.
- East Williamson County Higher Education Center: Temple College at Taylor Foundation developed a funding plan for purchase of a 70-acre site and initial construction of a \$6 million facility for a multi-institutional teaching center in Taylor. (Please see related story.)

## • Building Renovation

- Arnold Student Center underwent a \$1 million renovation earlier this year. Facilities include food court, two smart classrooms, dance studio, meeting rooms, writing lab, outdoor deck and patio, and lounge areas.
- Mary Alice Marshall Performing Arts Center: Fundraising continues for the \$5 million needed to renovate the Mary Alice Marshall Performing Arts Center to bring it into the 21st Century and offer the community an excellent performing arts facility, as well as continuing opportunities for “excellence in education” for TC students.

- The present Newton Science Building will soon be renovated to provide a general classroom building.
- West ISC underwent renovation and remodeling to create “smart” classrooms.

## • Cameron Center

- Cameron Center added two new science labs, two new classrooms and new bookstore area.

In order to maintain the reputation of Excellence in Education and to keep the dreams of Central Texas students alive for now and in the future, we must all help. No gift is too small or too large. The future education of the workforce in Texas is in jeopardy, and the community colleges are the institutions that offer the educational skills business and industry need to keep pace with national and international growth. In the present economic climate, an investment in a student’s education is an investment that pays dividends for a very long time: it pays us by developing human resources that can make our state and nation strong and economically sound.

Gwen Hauk, Editor

## TC Endowed Scholarships



Nine Temple College nursing students have been awarded \$1,500 **Martin Group Scholarships** for 2008-2009. The Martin Group also sponsored a \$1,500 faculty scholarship award to Faye Abercrombie for graduate study. Students receiving the nursing scholarships are Colin Allison, Teresa Phegley, Hanna Sawin and Faith Youngs of Temple; Gessica Eskew of Belton; Cynthia Pajestka of Bartlett, and Darla McAuliffe-Speer, Sara Sweeney, and Ellen Tucker of Thorndale. All are sophomore students enrolled in the Associate Degree Nursing (ADN) program to become registered nurses. Ms. Abercrombie has been a member of the TC vocational nursing faculty for 10 years. A graduate of the University of Mary Hardin-Baylor, she will pursue a master’s degree from the University of Phoenix.



*Aileen Reyna, a student at the Temple College Taylor Center, is the first recipient of the **Louise L. Cox Memorial Scholarship**, an endowed scholarship established in memory of Louise L. Cox who worked at Temple College for 46 years before her death in 2007. The \$1,500 scholarship will be used to cover tuition and fees. Ms. Reyna is a single mother of one son. A business management major, she is an honor student with a 3.68 grade point average and is a student worker in the office at the Taylor Center.*

## Meet the President

In August, the Temple College Board of Trustees named its new president, Dr. Glenda Barron. For 20 years, Dr. Barron worked at The Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board (THECB), which is the agency responsible for planning and improvement of education in the State of Texas.

As the Assistant Commissioner for Community and Technical Colleges, Dr. Barron gained insight into all aspects of the community college. Her knowledge of two-year colleges as well as her rapport with other college presidents and the State legislature will benefit Temple College. She brings to the president's position a distinguished career in education which began at Panola College. After she received her AAS, she transferred to the University of Houston where she completed her Bachelor of Science degree. Later she received a Master's of Education degree from McNeese State University and then a Doctor of Philosophy degree from the University of Texas. Dr. Barron also has experience as an instructor, teaching at Lamar State College-Port Arthur, Austin Community College and UT-Austin.



Dr. Glenda Barron

When we met for our interview, she greeted me with a warm smile and a firm handshake. After we sat down to talk, she immediately set me at ease and shared stories about herself and her family. Knowing her from her position as Assistant Commissioner, I was surprised when she said that since she and her husband now have an empty nest they have taken up riding dirt bikes. You will also see her arriving on campus in her GMC pickup. She quipped, "I'm just a country girl at heart."

In the interview we covered topics that relate to her vision of how she perceives her role as a college president.

**After years at the Texas Higher Education Coordinating Board, why did you want to be a college president and why Temple College?**

"I was not ready to retire, and I had always thought I would like to serve as a community college president." She said that as the Assistant Commissioner for Community and Technical Colleges, she learned that community colleges offer students what they need to accomplish their goals from a two-year transfer degree to short courses. She shared that as she toured community college campuses, she realized that not only recent high school graduates came there, but also older students who had GED's and had been out of school for years. She felt that older students came because they felt comfortable in the community college atmosphere. According to Dr. Barron, the community college very often gives students a second chance. It also offers availability at a decidedly lower cost, and it offers diverse educational opportunities. She said, "The community college gives students an excellent education for whatever reason they are here."

**Why Temple College?**

She answered that she had been on many college campuses and had been to TC several times to look at some of the progressive things it was doing in helping students meet their goals. She cited the Math computer lab and the Texas Bioscience Institute program. She said each time she was here, she noticed the comfortable campus environment and the caring faculty and staff.

She also shared that when she worked with Dr. Marc A. Nigliazzo on THECB committees and projects, he would talk about the people of the College and what they were accomplishing rather than what was going on at the College. From these conversations she felt that TC was a good place to be. "I felt that the position opened at the right time and at the right place."

**What would you like the students, faculty, staff and community members to know about you?**

Dr. Barron emphasized the point that she is not on a mission; she is not coming in as a change agent. She noted that Temple College enjoys a reputation for excellence and she is determined to see that it keeps that reputation. According to Dr. Barron, her first six months will be spent learning about the history of the College and its programs and about the community and its people.

She said she wants people to know that ethics is very important to her. "I want them to know that when I give my word, I will deliver on it. I conduct myself in a way people can trust me because I don't want my mama to read on the front page of the paper an account of misconduct in my position."

**What do you think are the priorities and challenges for manageable growth at TC? What impact will student growth have on facilities?**

Dr. Barron pointed out that TC is growing at a steady pace, from 4900 students in the fall of 2007 to 5200 this year. She said there would be a strain on facilities but that there are several things that can be done to lessen the impact. "One of the most important things we can do is to utilize distance education. With gas prices soaring, the availability of classes on campus and distance ed will have to be carefully scheduled. We must find ways to serve our students well and in an efficient way."

"Because of the scarcity of parking, campus activities must be well coordinated so there is not a glut on parking spaces," she added. Citing growth as a good problem, she pointed out the tremendous growth in the Hutto and Taylor areas which impacts Temple College at Taylor (TCAT). "It is essential to provide all the services to those centers as well as on the main campus."

**What is your vision for the East Williamson County Education Center?**

"There is tremendous growth in East Williamson County. TC is providing courses through TCAT, and at this time the critical need is more space. Presently, we are using half of an empty Taylor ISD middle school for classes. We will need a new building by 2010."

Dr. Barron is excited about the partnership with upper level colleges that will offer courses through the new East Williamson County Higher Education Center. These four-year colleges will offer a connection for four-year degrees to

**President cont.**

Central Texas students. A site has been secured, and a building is being planned. (Editors note: Read the story on the EWCEC in this issue of the newsletter for more information on this new TC project.)

After the interview, we continued to get better acquainted, and I left feeling that this new president's role is to serve the community, offer an excellent education to students at a value, and see that TC remains a "Center of Excellence." She understands the mission of the community college.

Gwen Hauk, Editor

*Upcoming Events*

**Mary Alice Marshall  
100<sup>th</sup> Birthday  
Celebration**

**December 6 - 7:30 p.m.**

**Mary Alice Marshall Performing Arts Center**

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