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Officers for 1999-2000:

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Rick Wilshire- Treasurer
Chris Evetts- Secretary*
Kathy Smith- Interim Secretary

Homecoming 1999!

If you haven't heard (or received any Homecoming information from TCU yet), we're having a barbecue luncheon vs. a breakfast this year! And yes, it's free for the whole family! I will be ordering food for about 100 people, so let's try and get as many people to attend as possible! The luncheon will be from 11:30am-1:00pm in the lobby of the Walsh Center, right outside of the new Pepsico rehearsal hall. The Walsh Center is in the west end of Ed Landreth Hall, behind the TCU Theater. And did I mention that this was FREE to all Ex-Bandsmen and family???? And for you Alumni Band members, don't forget to meet on the field of Amon Carter Stadium at 10:00am for the pre-game rehearsal!

Mrs. J

It is our sad duty to report that Wyn Jacobsen (known by all of us as Mrs. J) passed away on Saturday, August 28th. Mrs. J was loved and respected by all of us. A memorial service was held on Monday, August 30th at University Christian Church. The service was well attended by many of Mrs. J's former students (she was a teacher in the Ft. Worth School District for many years), Ex-Bandsmen, and friends. A wonderful reception followed

the service. We would ask, once again, to please give Prof a call, write him, or send him an e-mail. It would mean a lot to him to hear from you...

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Update on the Jim and Wyn Jacobsen Fund:

One of Mrs. J's last unselfish requests was that any memorials given in her name be sent to the Jim and Wyn Jacobsen Fund at TCU. Currently, the Fund has more than \$21,000 in it with another \$3,000 in Corporate Matching Funds yet to be received. For all of you that have donated to the Fund, **THANK YOU!** For all of you that are Charter Donors to the Fund and have accepted the pledge to donate a minimum of \$250/year for 4 years, remember that we need to be at \$25,000 by the end of the year for the Band to receive any disbursements from the Endowment Fund. We are SO CLOSE! If you haven't yet donated for this year, please go ahead and send in your donation! **WE CAN DO IT!** We would love to be able to hand Fred Velez and the Band a check at the end of the year!

GO FROGS!

Ex-Bandsmen Makes it BIG!

Chris Evetts (our Ex-Bandsmen Secretary) is now a member of the Glenn Miller Orchestra! (Yes, the REAL

one!) Chris joined the band in September and is now touring with the famous Big Band across the country and the Seven Seas! Congratulations to Chris! (Thus the “*” by his name in the opening credits...) Because of this event, I have asked Kathy Smith to fill in as the Secretary for the Ex-Bandsmen Association. She has been a TREMENDOUS help and asset for us! She is also the Web-Master for our Internet site. And that address is:

More Ex-Bandsmen News!

Members of the band, TROPIX, wanted us to let you know that they will be the featured band at the Homecoming dinner at Joe T. Garcia’s on the night of November 13th. The band is made up of TCU Ex-Bandsmen, so why not round out your day by going to listen to them perform that evening! Good eats, good music; what more could you ask for?

Band of Fame Nominations:

We have received several nominations for the Ex-Bandsmen Band of Fame! All have been judged to be worthy of this honor! Who are they? Well, you’ll have to come to Homecoming to find out! (Or wait until the next newsletter comes out...) One thing is certain; there is no shortage of exceptional Ex-Bandsmen!

New TCU Ex-Bandsmen Window Stickers!!!

Through the help of Kathy Smith and fellow Ex-Bandsmen (and Band of Fame member) Curly Broyles, we now have a window sticker for you to proudly display on your car/vehicle! We are including a sticker for you in this newsletter! Yes, this one’s FREE! However, any additional stickers can be purchased at Homecoming or through your President (Mark Sakovich) for the LOW price of \$1.00. These stickers are ONE OF A KIND! No other organization at TCU uses this style!!

Words from the “Veep”

President’s Final Thoughts:

Well, it’s been almost one year since I became your President. Time sure flies when you’re having fun!

Actually, this is one job that I don’t mind doing... Last year at this same time, I sat down and came up with a demanding list of objectives for 1998-1999. A lot of people said that it was too much to accomplish in one year, but with the exception of not rewriting the Bylaws, every single agenda item has been done! Again; this is through the efforts of many of you! One of the things that Peter and I stressed was communication. We cannot have a viable organization if no one is communicating with each other! Thus the need for the internet site and the many newsletters that have come out in the past year. We need to remember that our purpose is to support the Band program at TCU. We can do that in many ways: By donating money, time, or yourself, you can help the Band! I mentioned earlier in the newsletter that if you would like to purchase one of our window stickers, please send a SASE to me at:

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Of course we will have these stickers at Homecoming too... Also, my e-mail address is:

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State of Our Funds:

Is it so? Can we be running out of money? Well, not really... We will have enough in operating funds to keep us going for about 2 more years without making a big push to ask for funds. However, at some point in time this subject will come up. We will make an appeal for donations at Homecoming for the Ex-Bandsmen Association just as we have always done. For the time being, we just wanted everyone to make a donation to the Jim and Wyn Jacobsen Fund...



