

First City National Bank of Austin

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Director Spotlight

In this month's issue, we will begin a series of articles that will spotlight directors of our Bank. This issue will introduce you to three outstanding gentlemen. These people play a vital role in the operation of our Bank, and we feel it is important for you to know them.



John C. Scurlock

John C. Scurlock is chairman of the Board and chief executive officer of First City National Bank of Austin. Mr. Scurlock joined our Bank in February of 1963 as executive vice president. In 1970, he was promoted to president, and in 1978 to vice chairman of the Board and chief executive officer. Mr. Scurlock served as vice chairman of the Board until January 1, 1983.

Prior to joining our Bank, Mr. Scurlock was associated with Inter-First Bank, Dallas (formerly First National Bank).

Mr. Scurlock is a graduate of Southern Methodist University where he received his B.B.A. degree in finance. After graduation, he joined the United States Air Force and served as an Air Force pilot.

Mr. Scurlock married the former Jan Simpson of Dallas, and they have three sons, Steve, David, and John, Jr. Mr. Scurlock is currently a director of the Texas Bankers Association and is chairman of the Downtown Austin Bankers Association. For the past five years he has also been active with the Palmer Drug Abuse Program.



Jack A. Collins

Jack A. Collins is president of First City National Bank of Austin. Mr. Collins was named president of First City in 1978. He joined our Commercial Loan Department in 1974 as a senior vice president.

He is a graduate of The University of Texas and holds a B.B.A. degree. After graduation, Mr. Collins began his banking career with Republic National Bank of Dallas in their Management Trainee Program. He was later promoted to vice president of their Corporate Lending Division and served in this capacity until he joined our institution.

Mr. Collins is active in many organizations throughout Austin. He serves on the Administrative Board of First United Methodist Church, is on the Board of Directors of the United Way and West Austin Youth Association and is an associate member of the Board of Visitors — The University of Texas Cancer Foundation.

Mr. Collins is married to the former Nancy Chapman, and they have two children, Allison and Burke.



John S. Burns

John S. Burns is chairman of the Executive Committee of First City National Bank of Austin. He served as chairman of the Board until January 1, 1983. Mr. Burns joined the Bank in 1962 as president and chief executive officer. The Bank's assets at that time were \$12,000,000.

Previously. Mr. Burns had been associated with Capital National Bank in Austin where he was senior vice president when he resigned to join City National Bank. He went to Capital National Bank in 1945 upon leaving the U.S. Navy as Commander where he was awarded the U.S. Navy Cross.

Having resided in Austin since 1933, Mr. Burns came to Austin from Cameron, Texas, where he was born. He received his B.B.A. degree in finance from The University of Texas.

Mr. Burns married Hallie Bremond Houston in 1946. They have three children, Hallie, John, Jr., and William.

Mr. Burns is a member of the Board of Directors of First City Bancorporation of Texas, Inc., is a director of Cullum Companies. Inc. of Dallas, and is a former trustee of San Marcos Baptist Academy. During Governor John Connally's tenure in office, he appointed Mr. Burns to the Veterans Land Board. Mr. Burns is very active in civic and social affairs.

34 Years of Dedication



Alleen Muenzler

You could not ask for more dedication to a company or to a job than **Alleen Muenzler** has given to First City. Alleen has been with our Bank for 34 years. She began in October of 1949, and at that time, we were known as Fidelity State Bank.

Approximately 25 people were employed at the Bank when Alleen started, and job duties were broad. Everyone pitched in to do their share. "During this time, we had no switchboard . . . I answered the three or so incoming lines from a phone at my desk," says Alleen. Alleen's iob responsibilities covered a wide range of functions for the Bank . . . from specific secretarial duties and taking dictation from several officers, to handling the safe deposit boxes (admitting people and renting new ones), to charging back insufficient checks, and after 2:00 p.m. each day, Alleen would cut the metal plates used in connection with any new account which was opened. These plates were later used by the Bookkeeping Department in sending monthly statements. She even helped in the process of making statements at the end of each month . . . she was not alone; all other employees pitched in with the exception of the president and executive vice president.

Later, Alleen transferred to the lending area, and at the time, commercial and installment were combined. She has been involved in commercial lending most of her career.

Alleen and husband, Orland, have a son, Randy, and her interests away from the Bank have been

at home and with family. She has recently become a proud grandmother, and whenever possible, little Melissa Kay shares most of her time.

Alleen is certainly a remarkable person. She is presently assistant to the chairman of the Board. She also serves as secretary to the Board of Directors . . . our Bank can be proud of her 34 years of loyalty.

A Tribute to You

During the month of March, First City held its annual blood drive, and your support was overwhelming. Thanks to you for giving and for trying to give . . . it's people like you that the Blood Center depends on. Our Bank plays a very important role in sponsoring these drives, and because of your help, our blood drive was a big success. If you have any questions concerning the blood drive, feel free to call Shannon Boggus at extension 4714.



Patty Russell (Blood Drive Staff) and Bea Good.



Mark Jennings and Bill Threadgill (Blood Drive Staff) and Janet Waldeier.

Tribute to a Blood Donor

No badge of service does he wear
He lives, a "HERO" unaware
A man who rolls his sleeve to give,
His blood, to help another live.
Who gives without return of fee,
In simple answer to a plea,
That flush of health again may glow
On cheeks of one he'll never know.
His blood a newborn babe may save
From yawning brink of early grave,
That child, so weak and small today,
A hero's role may later play.
Or one, a prey to accident, By his blood
new strenath is lent.

His blood may help a surgeon's knife Bridge the gap from death to life. No, none of these will know his name, Nor see it carved on walls of fame; But we who toil that men may live, A hearty, humble, "Thank you" give. Give Blood! Give Life!

Author Unknown

Win Big Bucks!

Beginning April 1, 1983, you have the opportunity to receive cash awards for your valuable ideas. The program is called Reaching Further, Doing More for You and First City Bank. Put your idea on the line, and see what the results might be. If you are interested, see page 3 of the First City Banker for official program guidelines and a sample of the idea submission form. Please note ... hold on to these rules (insert page of of the Banker); it will be a good reference if a guestion arises and will hopefully eliminate unnecessary phone calls. Your Reaching Further, Doing More for You and First City Bank committee members are pictured below. If a question comes up regarding the processing procedures of this program, direct your questions to any one of these committee members.

Take this opportunity to win big bucks and see what you can do to help our Bank with cost-saving or income-producing ideas. Start thinking today!!!



Front Row: Sharon Adamcik and Shirley Lassiter. Back Row: Don Bartko, Lynn Gipson, Hugh Clarke, and Gaynell Black. Becky Prestwood not pictured.

From Yesterday . . . to Today

Nineteen eighty-three marks our Bank's 60th anniversary of being part of Austin's financial world. Our Bank has grown through the years and has prospered into one of the leading banking institutions in Austin.

It all started in 1923, and we were known as Fidelity Mortgage Company. We had a capitalization of \$40,000, which later increased to \$80,000. A man by the name of H. H. Luedecke was president. Today, his son, Wm. H. Luedecke is one of our Board of Directors. Our building was a one-story structure located at 905 Congress Avenue. and the population of Austin was 40,342 people. The Bank's theme was "Bank of Personal Services." In 1936. Fidelity Mortgage Company changed its name to Fidelity Trust Company. This enabled the Bank to broaden its lending power.

The 30s marked the depression years . . . but Austin was growing. In 1930, Austin's population was 53,120 and grew to 84,449 in 1939.

In 1940, this institution asked, and was granted, a charter for a state bank, and the name was changed to **Fidelity State Bank**. Austin's population was 87,930, and the removal of the streetcar tracks began to make way for modern transportation . . . buses.

In 1955, the Bank was reorganized as a national bank and was renamed to **City National Bank**. At the time, our Bank's capital and surplus was raised to \$800,000. In 1955, 157,500 people called Austin their home. During the 50s, the Austin Municipal Auditorium opened its doors and new air service flew into Austin with connections to Louisiana and the Rio Grande Valley.

During the 60s, City National Bank was known as "The Bank of the Hour," and in 1962 the Bank proudly announced that John S. Burns was elected president and a member of our Board of Directors. The Bank's assets at that time were \$12,000,000. In April of 1963, City Bank introduced to the public an entirely new look with a newly remodeled and enlarged facility. The new building ignored the traditional

and physical appearance of the bank of yesterday.

Twenty years ago this month, our Bank was a two-story building located at Ninth and Congress. It had a mediterranean motif, with an arched entrance way to the main lobby. Two large planters on the Congress Avenue sidewalk contained Cherry Laurel trees, and smaller planters were placed on the Ninth Street side of the bank. On the upper corner of the building at Ninth and Congress, a bell-ringer figure, Jacque Mart and Bell, was designed in copper to symbolize our City Bank slogan, "The Bank of the Hour." The bell ringer would actually move along a semicircular pathway and automatically strike the bell each hour. This figure was designed by Chester Wallace of Austin and is a twin figure of a sculpture in Venice, Italy. This figure is still at our Bank and is located near the back entrance of our lobby ... now you have the answer to the guestion that has been in the back of your mind . . . who is that copper man?

City National Bank was the first bank in Austin to utilize carpet throughout the public area of the bank. "All wool carpet with self-face rubber foam padding adds to the Bank's warmth and welcomes the visitor to the friendly, personal atmosphere of the organization's new home," as quoted from a 1963 City Bank press release.

The 60s were growing years for City Bank, and along with the growth came a new appointment to our Bank — John C. Scurlock, executive vice president.

The 60s were prosperous years not only for our Bank, which by 1968 had total assets of \$73,948, 513, but Austin's population exceeded 200,000.

By 1970, City Bank began construction of a new building (the building we are presently in), and the Austin skyline would take on a new look. In April of 1971, our building was completed. Jack Bible, building engineer, was the first to actually start working in the building. "We didn't occupy all fifteen floors, only the plaza through fourth floors,"

says Jack Bible. The remaining floors were available for leasing. The employee Christmas party was held on the 15th floor during 1971 and 1972, and at that time the room was just a large open space. The Bank's new advertising theme in the early 70s was "The Bank That Makes It Happen." As we grew, so did our needs, and Jack A. Collins ioined us as senior vice president of our Commercial Lending Department. During the latter part of the 70s, our advertising theme was "More Bank," and we were proving to the Austin community and our customers exactly that. City Bank had grown into a bank with assets totaling \$433,726,524 as reflected in the fourth quarter statement of condition in 1979.

Our Bank, a 203-foot high structure, was designed to be a total facility that would meet our needs for many years.

In 1977, we merged with First City Bancorporation of Texas, and at the time, the First City Bancorporation was a 25-member statewide bank holding company, with assets of more than \$5.2 billion.

It's now the 80s, and our Bank is standing strong in the Austin community. We are the third largest bank in Austin and the third largest bank within our holding company. Our total assets grew to over \$600,000,000 at the end of 1982.

In 1981, we went through our last name change, and we became **First City National Bank of Austin**. Our theme is strong ... "Reaching Further, Doing More," and through this theme our philosophy is reflected ... we are looking ahead, not only to provide the most up-to-date services, but also to be of service to the community.

Austin has developed into a beautiful city, and today 375,000 call Austin their home. First City National Bank of Austin has grown into one of the finest banking institutions in Austin, and you can be proud to be a part of this fine organization.

Many thanks to Jack Bible in helping secure a lot of the history that is presented in this article.

Courses of Interest

Training courses for the month of April are as follows:

Cross Selling April 5

Assertiveness Training
April 6

Professionalism April 7

Effective Business Writing April 22 & 27; May 4 & 10

Coaching, Counseling, Team Building April 26

Information regarding course outlines and participant selection may be found in your Course Catalog. Classes will be limited to 15. Please complete a registration form for each participant per course selected and return them to Abbie Daly no later than April 1. Should you have any questions, please feel free to call Abbie at extension 4682.

Proud Parents

Alan Beezley (Corporate Trust) is the proud father of a baby girl born February 19. Cynthia Allyne weighed 8 lbs., 12 1/2 oz.

Nicole Michelle is the name **Peter Gonzales** (Mail Room) has given his baby girl. She was born February 22 and weighed 8 lbs., 7 1/2 oz. CONGRATULATIONS!

Extra, Extra . . . Read All About It . . .

Beginning April 1, you will be able to enjoy the convenience of purchasing movie tickets for any **Presidio** theatre... that's right. Presidio theatres. **We will no longer carry General Cinema tickets.** You have been able to purchase General Cinema tickets for over a year, and it has been well received, but we have decided to switch and see how you like the change.

Presidio theatres are located throughout Austin . . . Village 4 on Anderson Lane (North), Lakehills on Ben White (Southwest), Riverside on Riverside Drive (central), and Dobie 1 and 2 at Dobie Mall (central). The price of the tickets are \$3 . . . so you'll be saving from \$1 to \$1.50 on each ticket, and there are **no** restrictions.

Movie tickets can be purchased from Jan Waldeier in the Marketing Division on the Sixth Floor during the hours of 8:00 a.m. — 12:00 noon and 1:00 — 4:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. If you have any questions, call Jan at extension 4737.

We hope you have enjoyed this convenience and hope even more of you take advantage of the savings. See you at the movies!

Welcome to First City

We would like to welcome the following new employees to First City:

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Cathy Boyle Investments
Iverna Cons Item Processing
Twana Gray Tellers
Stephen Green Mail Room
Sharon Hedges Accounting
Lori McDonald Tellers
Beryl Reynolds Item Processing
Beatriz Tavera
Sammy Thurman Mail Room

Congratulations

Congratulations to those people completing training courses during the month of February:

Customer Relations - Tellers

Patti Baldree Lori Jacobson
Claire Cappelle Claire Netherton
Kathy Hewlett Trina Shipp
Karen Hudson Sheryl Stefan
Ellen Stein

Communication Seminar for Work Leaders

Alan Artman
Betty Dabbs
Rick Fielder
Bea Good
Sandy Hennig
Cheryl Hunter
Annie Lujan
Mary Rutherford
Ann Sanders
Debbie Seidenberger
Cindy Strong

Stress Management — Exempt

Stan Oestrick Linda Prince
Ed Piner Nyla Revell
Eleanor Poole Annette Ruback
Rebecca Prestwood Bryan Simmons
Paula Skerkowski

Effective Presentations

Cindy Gatlin Vicki Houston Lionell Johnson Linda Prince Nancy Rathmanner Michelle Seinera

April Birthdays

Helen Janak	4/01
Eleanor Poole	4/02
Lydia Lucero	4/03
Kathryn Hewlett	4/05
John Bedier	4/08
Kendra McMains	4/08
Trina Shipp	4/09
Bryan Simmons	4/09
Elton Medford	4/10
Mary Cervantes	4/11
Cheryl Hunter	4/13
Carol Johnson	4/14
Shirley Lassiter	4/15
Cindy Strong	4/15
Margie Vallejo	4/16
Lionell Johnson	4/17
Vicki Covert	4/18
Robert Gally	4/18
Richard Moore	4/19
Donna Needham	4/19
Rick Jackson	4/21
Martha Perkins	4/22
Ruby Collins	4/23
Gary Peese	4/25
Barbara Pierce	4/25
John Wolf	4/25
Robert Bailey	4/26
William McFarland	4/26
Ann Alfaro	4/27
Rose Calhoun	4/29
Melvin Guidry	4/30
Michelle Seinera	4/30

Happy Birthday!

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