

TROY STATE UNIVERSITY AT DOTHAN

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STUDENT ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE SPONSORS TOWN AND GOWN THEATER'S AIN'T MISBEHAVIN'

The Student Activities Committee of Troy State University at Dothan will sponsor the celebrated and Tony award-winning musical "Ain't Misbehavin'," to be presented by the Town and Gown Theater of The University of Alabama at Birmingham, on Tuesday, April 21, at 8:00 p.m. in the Dothan Opera House.

"Ain't Misbehavin'" is a celebration of the musical scenes of the 1930's when the country needed a laugh and a song while it fought to recover from the Great Depression. It is inspired by the natural prodigious talent and contagious sense of humor of Thomas "Fats" Waller, a keyboard clown from New York City.

"This is the first time TSUD has sponsored an outside activity of this nature and we are proud to have this opportunity to sponsor such a quality performance for our students and our community," said Robert M. Paul, Jr., the Director of Student Activities at TSUD. "We selected the Town and Gown Theater because of the professional nature of James Hatcher's productions and because of his popularity in this area."

Hatcher, the producer and director of the Town and Gown Theater, is a native of Enterprise. Cast member Rickey Powell has Broadway experience, starring in the title role of the production "The Wiz."

"Fats" Waller grew up in the exciting musical atmosphere of Harlem in the teen's and 20's, when New York City was a

piano player's town. Born a clown, Waller developed a style at the keyboard that evolved into the famous Harlem Stride Piano technique. He began working with the Harlem Stride piano masters and soon was accompanying silent pictures at the Lincoln Theater and making his reputation at uptown parties—those all night affairs about which he wrote in "The Joint is Jumpin'."

Tickets for the musical will be on sale after April 1 in the Student Activities office at TSUD. Balcony seats are \$12, general admission are \$10, and TSUD students with valid ID cards will be charged \$5. All tickets at the door will be \$12.

"Based on the Town and Gown Theater's past performances, I predict that tickets will go quickly," Paul stated. "Since we have a limited number of seats available, we encourage people to purchase their tickets early."

Persons desiring more information about the presentation of "Ain't Misbehavin'" should contact the University at (205) 792-TSUD, extension 264.

ACTIVITIES OF THE PRESIDENT

- Guest speaker at District 9 meeting of the Alabama Association of Counselors and Development Association -February 26
- Participated in Council of Presidents' meetings -February 27 and March 4
- Met with Special Gifts sub-committee of Greater TSUD Development Fund Committee - March 5 and 25
- Met with Administrative Council March 6
- Attended Chamber of Commerce Education Committee meeting
 March 6
- Met with Belle Lambert of Wiregrass Commons March 6
- Met with Greater TSUD Development Fund Committee March
 11

- Participated in meeting of Houston County division of the ACHE/Wiregrass Committee - March 12
- Attended ACHE Meeting in Montgomery March 16
- Attended United Way Recognition Breakfast March 20
- Attended United Way Planning Committee meeting March 24

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

| 3 | Mr. Travis Anthony |
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| 12 | Mr. Robert Paul, Jr. |
| 12 | Dr. Mary Brown |
| 13 | Dr. Leonard Roberts |
| 16 | Dr. John Woodham |
| 24 | Mr. Robert Bullock |
| 25 | Dr. J. Wyatt Grimmer |
| 29 | Mrs. Linda Rankin |
| 30 | Dr. Betty Anderson |

PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Mr. Khamis Bilbeisi will present a paper on "Internal Auditing" for the Southeast Alabama chapter of the National Association of Accountants on April 21, 1987.

During March, Dr. Dean Davis spoke to employees of the Van Heusen Company at the management retreat in San Destin, Florida, on "Motivation--Achieving Excellence"; met with Wiregrass United Way Long-Range Planning Committee; was appointed competition manager for the Alabama Academic Decathlon. Dr. Davis' activities with the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce include a presentation to the Economic Development Council, an appearance on Ann Varnum's Morning Show, coordinating a small business marketing seminar, and meeting with Small Business Committee.

Dr. Carolyn Holdsworth will have a book review of Stephen Putzel's Reconstructing Years: The Secret Rose and The Wind Among the Reeds in volume 5 of Yeats: An Annual of Critical

and Textual Studies, ed. Richard J. Finneran. Putzel's study concerns the historical, mythological, and esoteric symbolism and structure of the first editions of two of Yeats' early works, The Secret Rose (a volume of stories) and The Wind Among the Reeds (a volume of poems). Putzel teaches at Rutgers University. Holdsworth has worked extensively with the manuscripts of The Wind Among the Reeds.

Dr. Robert Long's article entitled "The Edict of Diocletian: Notes and Speculations" appeared in The Midsouth Journal of Economics and Finance (Vol. 10, No. 3, December 1986, pp. 199-203). The journal is a joint publication of the Midsouth Academy of Economics and Finance, Memphis State University and Mississippi State University.

March has been a busy month for Dr. Frank Lovrich:

• Exchange Club - March 16

Wiregrass Professional Association - March 26

TSUD Development Fund Special Gifts subcommittee meeting
 March 5

 Greater TSUD Development Fund Committee (Country Club) -March 11

Breakfast Meeting (Chamber of Commerce) - March 12
 ACHE/SREB Regional Meeting (Holiday Inn) - March 16

• Grant Meeting at Alabama Aviation and Technical College - March 17

TSUD Development Fund Special Funds subcommittee meeting

(Flowers Hospital) - March 24

 Discussion with ADECA concerning Energy Grant for the University - March 25

Dr. Priscilla McArthur will speak to the Friends Organization of the Abbeville Library at their annual Alabama authors' tea on Sunday, April 5. The tea will be preceded by a luncheon with the Friends Board. Dr. McArthur will explain how she chose the Gold Rush as a topic for a book, her research, sources used, and publication procedure.

Mrs. Gayle Oberst attented the Military Affairs Committee meeting, the Zonta meeting, and the Business and Professional Women organization meeting. Mrs. Oberst's other activities included meeting with Better Business Bureau representatives, attending the Advisory Board meeting of the Kellogg Foundation, serving on the nominating committee for Army Aviation Credit Union, and meeting with Troy representatives con-

cerning budget and computer facilities.

Dr. Mary Jo Pollman is organizing and participating in story-telling activities at Headland Library on April 10, at Kaleidoscope at Landmark Park on April 11, and Landmark Park on April 12. Dr. Pollman is Chairperson of the Month of the Young Child (April). Houston Academy kindergarteners will be coming to the TSUD Child Center on April 8, 15, and 20.

Dr. Mary Eve Shoaf will be attending the Southern Division Music Educators National Conference (MENC), April 29 - May 2 at Sheraton Twin Towers in Orlando, Florida. The conference will feature general sessions, the music industry exposition, and twenty performing groups. Featured speakers at the general sessions will be Donald Corbett, President of MENC; Mary Hoffman, University of Illinois; Harold Decker of Wichita, Kansas; and Ron Logan, Director of Entertainment at Disney World. Smaller sessions will be presented by outstanding music educators from the South, Ohio, Hawaii, etc.

Mr. Paul Stark participated in the Small Business Marketing Seminar sponsored by the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce held at the Ramada Inn in Dothan on March 12, 1987. Professor Stark's topic was "Marketing: the Small Business Advantage." Approximately 80 area business and professional people attented the breakfast seminar.

The highlight of Dr. Jack Sublette's month was attending in Chicago the joint annual conventions of the National Association of Student Personnel Administrators and the American College Personnel Association. In addition to attending several sessions on commuter students, learners, and enrollment management, Dr. Sublette attended a lecture entitled "College: Building Community" by Dr. Ernest L. Boyer, President of the Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching and author of the recent Carnegie Commission Report, College: The Undergraduate Experience in America. Dr. Sublette also attended the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce Small Business Marketing Seminar: various meetings related to the Greater TSUD Development Fund; met with Joe Johnson, the TSU printer; attended the Wiregrass United Way Awards Breakfast; and spoke to two ninth-grade English classes on Shakespeare at New Brockton High School.

Librarian Frank Walker recently spoke to the Retired Teachers

Association of Crenshaw County on secular humanism.

Mrs. Pamela Williamson attended the March of Dimes Kick-Off Reception on March 12, 1987. TSUD will have a team of walkers; if interested in walking or donating, contact Pamela Williamson. Walk will be April 4th at 9:00 a.m. On March 19, 1987, Mrs. Williamson attended a "Just Say Nope to Dope" workshop at Charter Woods Hospital. Mr. Tom Sorrells was the keynote speaker. With President Harrison and Dr. Sublette, Mrs. Williamson attended the Wiregrass United Way Awards Breakfast on March 20, 1987.

NEW ARRIVAL

Congratulations to Connie Oberneder and her husband on the birth of Matthew Ryan, 10 lbs., 2 oz., March 23, 1987.

UNITED WAY AWARD

TSUD recently received the Bronze Award for Achievement from the Wiregrass United Way. This award is given for 20% increase over the previous year's contribution. Mrs. Pamela Williamson thanks again all of the faculty and staff who participated in this year's Wiregrass United Way.

NEWS FROM . . .

Admissions, Recruiting, and Student Activities

In planning for going "on-line" with TSU-Troy, Mrs. Mc-Cuistian, Mrs. Cordell, and Mr. Paul made two trips to Troy in order to learn more about the registration and data processing areas.

Bookstore

Deadline for ordering caps and gowns for Spring 1987 graduation is May 1st.

Communications/Personnel

Parking lot rules will be strictly enforced. The rules are posted on campus, and copies are available in the Business Office.

Community Outreach Committee

The Committee met on March 10th to reconsider and prioritize areas of pursuit. A principal area of discussion concerned the establishment of a Wiregrass Information/Research Panel. This project is being headed by Dr. Adair Gilbert. Other projects include a speaker's bureau (Mr. Buchanan), dual enrollment for high school seniors (Dr. McArthur), a Senior Visitation Day (Rob Paul and Reta Cordell), a summer enrichment program (Dr. Shoaf), new B.S. programs (Dr. Martin), mall classes (President Harrison, Dr. Lovrich, Dr. Anderson, Dr. Van Loo), incentives for older individuals (Dr. Sublette), workshops and public lectures (Dr. Davies, McCuistian), awards for community leaders (Dr. McArthur), and an Open House Week (Mrs. Williamson and Dr. Van Loo). Sign up sheets were available at our general faculty meeting so that interested faculty members might participate in these projects. If you did not sign and would like to help. please contact Dr. Van Loo or Cindy Halcomb.

Counseling Services

A "Just Say Nope to Dope" Information Booth will be in the Student Lounge Area on April 21st. A limited number of T-shirts donated by Charter Woods Hospital will be given away as well as brochures.

The Placement and Career Information videos on career fields will continue each Thursday. Please continue to encourage students to take advantage of this information.

Courtesy Committee

Congratulations card and flowers were sent to Connie Oberneder at Flowers Hospital as well as a visit and presentation of a gift for her newborn baby boy. A gift and cardwere sent to Elizabeth Brooks on the occasion of her retirement from TSUD at Fort Rucker.

Library

National Library Week: April 5-11, 1987, The Year of the Reader

This year's National Library Week theme salutes the Year of the Reader proclaimed by the Center for the Book at the Library of Congress. This year's theme is TAKE TIME TO READ -- USE YOUR LIBRARY!

Library hours for Spring Quarter 1987:



8 a.m. - 9 p.m. Monday - Thursday 9 a.m. - 1 p.m. Friday 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Saturday 2 p.m. - 5 p.m. Sunday

Browsing Area

The Library will have a browsing area in the former workroom (now student study area), in which to display serial publications that the library receives as gifts from individuals and publishers. Among the titles ready to be "browsed" are the following:

• AAHE Bulletin (American Association for Higher Education)

American-Arab Affairs

Army Flier (Gift from Mr. Al Cooper)

CEA Newsletter (Correctional Education Association)

Coin World (Gift from Robert Long)

Communique (National Association for Gifted Children)

Cottonboll (Alabama Public Library Service)

Education News (World Bank)

Executive Summary (ASHE-ERIC Higher Education Report Series)

Modern Maturity (Gift from Laurette Long) NSTA Report (National Science Teachers Association)

Population (Population Crisis Committee)

Reading Today (International Reading Association)

• Skeptical Inquirer (Committee for the Scientific Investigation of Claims of the Paranormal -- Gift from Timothy Fletcher)

• State Educational Leader (Education Commission of the

States)

Youth (Worldwide Church of God)
 Stop by the Library to see the complete list.

School of Business

 Business Advisory Council (BAC) Scholarships announced in last month's LOGOS were presented in a ceremony with President Harrison and BAC representatives in attendance.

• The School of Business Student Advisory Committee met on March 26th. Janet Sheehan, Bill Phillips, and Robert Flatt will serve as School of Business student representatives to the Dean, Department Chairmen, and Curriculum Committee.

Development

Al Childs met with Mr. Billy Blackmon, President and Directing Business Representative, District Lodge No. 75, IAMAW and approximately 40 officials in Daleville and presented the video "A Vision for Excellence: Southeast Alabama at the Crossroads." Subsequently, Mr. R. O. Smith, President of Local Lodge 2003 IAMAW advised their Executive Board to donate \$3,000 to the Greater TSUD Development Fund with presentation scheduled for April 4; met in Montgomery with Former Governor George C. Wallace, now holder of the ISU Public Administrator's Chair, to discuss TSUD's plans for a new campus; also met with State Budget Officer Charles Rowe. State Auditor Jan Cook's staff, Secretary of State Glen Browden's staff, Patti Terry, Finance Department, State Treasurer George C. Wallace, III and several members of Governor Guy Hunt's staff; met with Former Judge Jack Wallage in Clayton, Mr. Ben Reeves and Mr. Joe Waley in Eufaula with plans being coordinated to present the video to several Barbour County civic organizations; sent 49 letters (Ala. 24, Ga. 5, Fla. 20) to presidents of civic organizations concerning the presentation of the video; met with Mrs-Effie Mae Hughes, AARP Program Chairman for Dale County and scheduled video presentation at their annual luncheon April 21 in Ozark; attended at the Dothan Country Club with the

DATES TO REMEMBER

April 4 . . . March of Dimes Walk-a-Thon

April 5-11 . . National Library Week

April 20-24. . Student Activities Week

April 22 . . . Secretaries' Day

Editor's Note:

"Dates to Remember" is a new section in LOGOS. Please provide me with dates and events to include.

JUDGE RULES IN FAVOR OF TSUD IN DISMISSAL OF DR. HARDEN

United States District Judge Robert E. Varner has ruled in favor of Troy State University at Dothan in the \$4.5 million lawsuite stemming from the dismissal of a tenured faculty member in the spring of 1982.

Judge Varner issued his ruling in a 99-page opinion based upon testimony heard during a two-week trial held in federal court in January. Dr. T. Dewey Harden, an Assistant Professor in the School of Education, had filed the lawsuit in June 1982 alleging that TSUD had terminated him in violation of his first amendment rights of freedom of speech and expression and his fifth amendment rights of due process.

"We are gratified at the ruling as we have strongly felt all along that Dr. Harden was certainly given valid reasons for his termination in May 1982," said Dow T. Huskey, the University's attorney. "We are extremely pleased that the decision of the administrators was upheld by the court and was held to be a valid exercise of their discretionary functions as professional educators."

The original complaint against the University was filed in June 1982 and named 19 defendants, including the Troy State University System and its Board of Trustees. Defendants at TSUD were then-Chief Executive Officer Robert M. Paul; Dr.

J. Wyatt Grimmer, Dean of Academic Affairs; Dr. Marjorie Kirkland, then the Dean of the School of Education; and Dr. William T. Thornton, then the Dean of Student Affairs.

Harden was asking for \$1 million in damages from Paul and \$500,000 from each of the deans, in addition to injunctive relief and re-instatement to the University's faculty.

The University had won the case originally, based on a series of summary judgments in favor of the Troy State University Board of Trustees, each of the defendants, and the University. The case then went to the Eleventh Circuit Court of Appeals where it was narrowly reversed. All defendants were dismissed except for the four TSUD named--Paul, Grimmer, Kirkland, and Thornton. The ruling took them out of the case in their official capacity, but left them in their individual capacity.

The case was further appealed to the United States Supreme Court which remanded it to the federal court for trial.

A University source said, "Dr. Harden was given a written notice, personally handed to him from Mr. Paul, on May 6, 1982, which elaborated some general and 20 specific reasons for his proposed termination as a tenured faculty member. Judge Varner held in his ruling that Dr. Harden had failed to prove any of the allegations that he made in his complaint."

The source further stated: "It has been a complex and protracted case, as is evidenced by both the trail lasting two weeks and the unprecedented 99-page opinion. From our standpoint, it's over."

RESULTS OF RETENTION SURVEY

Listed below are the reasons given for not re-enrolling by students who were enrolled at TSUD Fall Quarter 1986 but not enrolled Winter Quarter 1987:

I did not re-enroll at Troy State University at Dothan for Winter Quarter 1987 because

- I moved out of the area. (2 made comments) I could not schedule the class(es) I wanted or needed. 21 Explain: (9 made comments) I could not schedule the class(es) I wanted or needed 20 at times to fit my schedule. Explain: (15 made comments) the quality of instruction did not meet my expectations. 5 Explain: (4 made comments) my work schedule would not allow me to enroll at any 34 time. (3 made comments) the University does not provide adequate services 2 (counseling, tutorial, etc.). Explain: (3 made comments) I need a break from school. (5 made comments) 15 I transferred to 1 Wallace, 2 Auburn, 1 Germany, 1 TSUT 5 I enrolled as a transient student at 1 Univ. of MD, 1 10 Chipola Jr. Coll., 3 Wallace, 1 ESJC, 3 TSUT. Explain: (10 made comments) The University does not offer the program of study I 12 want. Explain: (9 made comments) 12 of inadequate financial resources. (none made comments) 78 made general comments. I 88 do/ 22 do not plan to re-enroll at TSUD in the
- future. 26 No response.

 The survey was sent to 396 students, and 136 (34.3%) returned the questionnaire. For a complete list of the respondents' comments, see the report in the office of one of the deans.
- LOGOS, the Troy State University at Dothan Faculty and Staff Newsletter, is distributed monthly by the Division of Student Affairs and Development. It is intended to be a vehicle for the dissemination of information to employees of the University. Suggestions as to format and content of the LOGOS will be welcomed by the Student Affairs staff. Employees are encouraged to submit data for inclusion no later than the last Wednesday of each month.