

# LOGOS

A Newsletter for TSUD Faculty and Staff

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# TSU BOARD APPROVES MISSION STATEMENT

At its meeting on Friday, August 12, 1994, the Troy State University Board of Trustees approved a mission statement for the TSU System and a campus role statement for each of the units within the System. In presenting the mission statement to the Board, Chancellor Jack Hawkins, Jr., indicated that the approval of this document would give added unity and purpose to the entire TSU System. Prior to this time, each campus had a mission and role statement, but no formal statement existed for the whole System.

The approved statement defines the TSU System as "a multi-campus system of public higher education dedicated to instruction, scholarship, and service." The mission statement emphasizes that "excellence in instruction has the highest priority, but considerable emphasis is also placed upon applied research and public service to support instruction as well as the economic development of the geographic area served by the various campuses and locations."

Composed of three separately accredited campuses (TSU, TSUD, TSUM), the TSU System is committed to "affordable, accessible, high quality academic programs with small enrollments to a variety of students of all racial and ethnic backgrounds." Other common goals within the TSU System include remaining "steadfastly committed to

the development and implementation of programs which meet the needs of its students wherever those students matriculate, and this commitment includes the utilization of innovative scheduling and delivery systems as well as distance learning and other appropriate emerging educational technologies."

With these commonalities, how are the campuses within the TSU System different from each other? "TSU provides instruction and student services appropriate for a residential campus serving traditional collegeaged students (18 to 23 years of age) and for the increasing number of commuting students." Further, TSU provides an academic cultural and social environment aimed at developing the full potential of the traditional university student by providing quality academic programs complemented by social and cultural activities ranging from NCAA Division I/AA intercollegiate athletics to a wide spectrum of activities in the fine arts." TSU administers the branch campus at Phenix City and University College, the latter of which is responsible for "all out-of-state military education programs and locations."

TSUM is designated as "a commuter university with an emphasis on evening and weekend educational offerings" for students who "are primarily working adults." Curricular offerings at TSUM include "significant emphasis on graduate education and on delivery of undergraduate courses and programs via

distance learning." TSUM also serves military personnel from Maxwell Air Force Base and Gunter Annex.

The newly-approved mission statement specifies that TSUD "includes the Dothan campus and the Fort Rucker location." TSUD is "a commuter institution serving a clientele of predominantly non-traditional adult learners from the surrounding area." The curriculum at TSUD has an emphasis upon "upper division [junior and senior] programs with a lower division [freshman and sophomorel to meet the needs of transfer students and beginning freshmen who have the intellectual capacity, maturity, previous education, and motivation necessary for university success." To meet the needs of its non-traditional students. TSUD "places strong emphasis on graduate and continuing education, providing instruction in both traditional and innovative formats within flexible scheduling patterns for daytime, evening, weekend, and interim sessions."

The major impact of the campus role statement on TSUD is that TSUD is approved to enroll beginning freshmen. However, there are restrictions on those who may enroll as beginning freshmen. Students under 21 years of age must meet the minimum high school grade point average of at least a "C" and an ACT score of at least 19 (or comparable score on SAT). Students 21 years of age or older must have completed high school and have a minimum grade point average of "C" or better.

TSUD has no conditional admission for beginning freshmen; they must meet minimum requirements. TSUD remains a commuter institution serving primarily non-traditional students.

As required by the Consent Decree entered between by the United States and the TSU System in the Alabama higher education desegregation case, TSUD has notified the federal court of its admission policy modification and currently awaits the response to this notification.

There are no plans at TSUD for residence halls, athletic programs, and other activities commonly associated with traditional residential campuses. The revision in TSUD's mission simply provides an opportunity for those who qualify to remain in the Wiregrass region and to attend a university immediately after high school or before enrolling at another institution.

As a result of the work of the Wiregrass Higher Education Committee (composed of representatives from the City of Dothan, Houston County, the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce, Wallace College and TSUD), the revised mission for TSUD is appropriate for the relationship between TSUD and Wallace College. TSUD and Wallace College have agreed to cooperate and work together to serve the needs of the Dothan area in higher education. As TSUD begins to admit qualified beginning freshmen, Wallace College has been offered the opportunity to serve as the sole provider of developmental courses and the General Studies courses in music and art appreciation. A joint committee made up of personnel from both institutions is currently working out the details for this cooperative effort.

Dr. Thomas Harrison, TSUD president, said, "I am extremely pleased with the accomplishments of the Wiregrass Higher Education Committee in its efforts to improve educational opportunities for citizens of the Wiregrass region." Dr. Harrison added, "The approval by the Board of Trustees of a mission

# FACULTY/STAFF-STUDENT MENTOR PROGRAM

Be a part of something special!

The Mentor Program for students has grown during the summer. We now have 42 mentors working with TSUD students. There were 135 mentor requests for Fall 1994, as of September 13, 1994. Of these, 125 have been assigned. Unfortunately, the other 10 will not have mentors as we do not have enough. Presently, each mentor has 5 mentees, and we do not want to exceed this number.

Faculty and staff interested in participating in the program should contact Charlotte Kirkland at extension 215 to inquire about mentor training. We will need more mentors, and being a mentor is one of the most positive things you can do for TSUD students.

Video tapes are available for viewing, and Dr. Kirkland will be glad to schedule another training session during fall quarter if there is enough interest.

statement for the TSU System and the campus role statement for each unit within the System is designed to continue the high quality of programs, service, and facilities for which the Troy State University System is known and to clarify the role of each campus in the entire System."

#### TSUD REPORTS LOAN DEFAULT RATE

The Office of Student Financial Assistance of the U.S. Department of Education has notified Troy State University at Dothan of the official cohort default rate on loans made to students for attendance at TSUD under the Federal Stafford Loan and Federal Supplemental Loans for Students programs.

TSUD's default rate for Fiscal Year (FY) 1992 was 4.3%, which reflects that only five students defaulted on loan repayment. TSUD has consistently remained under the 10% default rate.

An institution does not encounter serious problems until it reaches the 20% default rate. At this point, if default rates continue to be unsatisfactory, an institution could be subject to an administrative action to limit, suspend, or terminate the school's eligibility to participate in all

federal financial aid programs authorized by Title IV of the Higher Education Act (HEA).

Mrs. Jonua Byrd, director of financial aid and veterans' affairs at TSUD, remarked, "I feel one factor that contributes to our low default rate is our predominantly non-traditional adult student body, who are more responsible and are sincere in completing their educational goals. The Financial Aid Office at TSUD is sincerely concerned about its students, and we offer the availability for one-on-one counseling for our students."

# NEW TELEPHONE AREA CODE FOR ALABAMA

Starting January 14, 1995, Alabama will have a new area code. 334 will be the area code for the southern half of the state. This will include Montgomery, Troy, Dothan, and Phenix City.

The northern part of the state will continue to use 205. There will be a four to six month transition which will allow telephone users to become accustomed to the new area code.

Please keep this code in mind as you begin to order new stationery, business cards, and promotional material.

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#### PEOPLE IN THE NEWS

Dr. Barbara Alford attended TSU System meeting on expanding microwave system usage; attended TSU graduation; attended TSU System Board of Trustees meeting; presented TSUD distance education update to System Executive Committee; presented TSUD information to

Chamber Education Committee; represented University at Annual Awards Banquet for the Adolescent Resource Center; attended meeting of the Alabama Commission on Higher Education; planned and emceed the Wiregrass United Way Kick-off; along with Continuing Education staff, hosted and made presentations for the Training and

Development Managers Associa-

Dr. Larry Howard presented the paper "Organizational Culture Profiles: Graphic Support for a Competing Values Perspective of Cultural Value Dimensions" at the national conference of the Academy of Management in Dallas.

Dr. Robert Jones attended South Alabama Substance Abuse Conference in Dothan on August 10-12; attended 4th Annual Conference of Alabama Alcohol and Drug Abuse Association in Mobile on August 12-13.

Dr. Sandra Jones attended Dothan City Schools Semesterized Eight-Block Schedule Workshop, which was presented by the faculty and administration of Frederick (MD) High School on August 5; attended a dinner honoring James Gray, founder of the National Writing Project while attending Gulf Coast Conference on Teaching of Writing on August 7-10.

Mr. Ed Kirkland gave a presentation at Wiregrass Training and Development Association meeting on August 17; attended seminar at the Chamber of Commerce on procurement of Government contracts on August 23; attended Chamber of Commerce Eager Beaver luncheon on August 24; coordinated and made presentations at two new business workshops co-sponsored by the Small Business Development Center and the State Department of Revenue on August 25; attended mentor training session on August 31; met with Ms. Mary Beth Davis with Dunbarton Corporation to discuss employee training on September

Dr. Anne Lorance attended regional historic commission meeting at Landmark Park and met with educational representative from the Alabama Historic Commission; received acceptance for NAEYC

## **ACTIVITIES OF THE PRESIDENT**

- Attended several Dothan City School Board work sessions
- Attended swearing-in ceremony for Police Chief John White on August 2
- Presided at TSUD Administrative Council meeting on August 4
- Attended retirement dinner for Drs. Kline and Martha Johnson at Troy State University in Montgomery on August
- Attended reception for Dr. Sandra Faria at Continuing Education Center on August 8
- Attended meeting with Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr. and The Dothan Eagle editors on August 11
- Attended TSU graduation activities and the Board of Trustees meeting in Troy on August 12
- Attended retirement reception for Dr. Jack Blackburn at Auburn University on August 16
- Met with architect to discuss new buildings on August 18
- Participated in Dothan City School Board meeting on August 18
- Participated in TSU System retreat in Eufaula on August 22
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- Participated in TSUD Administrative retreat in Eufaula on August 23 - 24
- Attended retirement reception for Dr. Sandra Flowers at Alabama Aviation and Technical College in Ozark on August 25
- Attended meeting with TSU System officials and the Court Monitor in Montgomery on August 31

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presentation in Atlanta to take place in December.

Dr. Victoria Morin attended the State Department of Education Gifted Education Conference on August 1-2 and presented a paper on "Meeting the Affective Needs of Gifted Students with Learning Disabilities."

Dr. Mary Eve Shoaf attended the farewell reception for Dr. Sandra Faria at Northside Mall on August 8; traveled to Denver, CO, and New Mexico and while there visited art museums, art colonies and viewed Mexican artifacts.

Ms. Ann Wells attended meeting with Houston County group of Wiregrass Leadership Institute and met with Martha Bell, Community Service Director, Wallace College on August 4; taught a real estate continuing education class on August 12; attended a meeting of Training Directors held at TSUD on August 17; had a follow up meeting with Martha Bell at the TSUD Continuing Education Center and hosted an informational meeting with some retired community leaders on August 18; attended Troy State University System retreat on August 22 and 23 and the TSUD retreat on August 23 and 24.

Mr. Tony Whetstone assisted in Student Appreciation Day on August 9; attended Dothan Advertising Federation meeting, where Dr. Adair Gilbert presented program on "Customer Satisfaction" on August 10; attended Editorial Board meeting at The Dothan Eagle with Dr. Harrison and Dr. Hawkins regarding the chancellor's 5-Year Report on August 11; conducted the TSUD Community Band concert at Landmark Park on August 11; attended TSU System Board of Trustees meeting in Troy on August 12; attended TSU System Retreat and TSUD Retreat in Eufaula on August 22-24; participated in Ad Expo '94 at Holiday Inn-South on August 25.

# **Library News**

by Julia Smith

Educational reform is presently a hot topic in the state of Alabama. Everyone seems to have an idea concerning what constitutes QUALITY EDUCATION. Authors of two new titles in the library offer examples of schools which have excelled in revitalizing their schools.

Total Quality Education, authored by Michael Schmoker and Richard B. Wilson, profiles school programs based on total quality management principles set forth by Edward W. Deming.

These principles were adapted and applied to each individual school setting. The authors feel this approach would not replace other reform movements, such as Accelerated Schools or Outcome-Based Schools, but would complement them.

Reinventing Education: Entrepreneurship in America's Public Schools is authored by Louis V. Gerstner, Jr., Chairman and CEO of IBM, along with Roger Semarad, Denis Philip Doyle, and William Johnston. The book describes the work of Next Century Schools, a program funded by the RJR Nabisco Foundation to promote innovative educational programs in schools throughout the United States. It profiles some of those programs and gives direction for the future of education. In the foreword of the book, Gerstner states, The Unofficial battle cry of the RJR Nabisco Next Century Schools program..."No more prizes for predicting rain: prizes only for building arks."

#### WORDS OF WISDOM FROM FRANK WALKER

"Any child can tell you that the sole purpose of a middle name is so he can tell when he's really in trouble." (Denis Fakes)



## **NEWS FROM MONTGOMERY**

# VICE PRESIDENT FOR ACADEMIC AFFAIRS NAMED

Troy State University Montgomery has named Dr. Livingston Alexander of Western Kentucky University as its new vice president for academic affairs. Dr. Alexander, who served as associate vice president for academic affairs

at the Bowling Green, Kentucky, institution since 1990, succeeds Dr. Martha Johnson, who recently retired from TSUM.

Dr. Alexander holds a doctor of education degree from the University of Houston, where he also received his master's degree in education. He earned his bachelor's degree from St. Joseph Seminary College in Washington, D.C. He has served as an American Council on Education Fellow in higher education administration at the University of Tennessee Knoxville.

## 1994-95 GOALS OF THE PRESIDENT'S OFFICE

- 1. Lead TSUD in making appropriate accommodations for compliance with the approved TSU System Mission and Campus Role Statement.
- 2 Supervise TSUD's response to the Chancellor's Six Charges presented at the 1994 System Retreat.

Common Course Number System

**Equity Funding** 

**Fellows Program** 

Internationalization of the University

**Technology Utilization** 

Improvement of Public Perception

- 3. Secure approval by the Alabama Commission on Higher Education of a role change for TSUD in the areas of allied health and engineering technology.
- 4. Begin construction on campus of two multi-purpose class-room buildings.
- 5. Support TSU System strategy to gain permanent recognition and funding of the unmet needs of TSUD and TSUM.
- 6. Revise current institutional effectiveness plan to allow for greater input opportunities with realistic expectations identified for all programs, services, and personnel.
- 7. Support activities to position TSUD as a Comprehensive I commuter institutiton of recognized exceptional quality and integrity.

Pamela Williamson hosted students from DHR to TSUD for tour and presentation "Preparing for College" on August 3; participated in TSU System Retreat on August 22-24; participated in AmeriCorps Grant training workshop in Atlanta, GA on August 29-30.

Mr. Bob Willis presented admission information to a group sponsored by SpectraCare on August 3; conducted recruitment trips to ESJC and Chipola Jr. College on August 9 and 31; attended the TSU System Retreat and TSUD Retreat on August 22-24; coordinated a recruitment/display table at the Ad Expo sponsored by the Dothan Advertising Federation and the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce on August 25.

Mr. Forrest Wood provided community service to the Adolescent Resource Center in Dothan by loading software and establishing a system of menu access for their word processing and accounting packages.

## NEWS FROM.....

# "BROWN BAG" SEMINARS

Bring Your Own Lunch
Soft Drinks Will Be Provided

Hosted by the School of Education Professional Development Committee

TIME: 12:00 Noon PLACE: TBA

Calendar of Events

Dates SEPT 28 **Presentation Titles** 

"The Change Process"

Speaker Dr. Harrison

The purpose of the "Brown Bag" seminars is to provide a forum for professors to share their recent or ongoing research, white papers in progress, ideas for grant proposals, etc. This is also a wonderful opportunity to present your paper in preparation for an upcoming conference. Interested individuals who would like to present during fall quarter of 1994, please contact Dr. Victoria Morin at ext. 366.

#### **SCHOOL OF EDUCATION**

TEP Orientation
Tuesday, October 4, 1994
2:00 P.M. - 4:30 P.M.
Room: TBA

Fall Internship Seminar October 5, 1994 9:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M. Room: TBA

> TEP Application Deadline Fall Quarter October 25, 1994

#### UNIVERSITY BOOKSTORE

CLOSED FOR INVENTORY SEPTEMBER 28 - 30

#### COURTESY COMMITTEE

- \* Flowers and get well card sent to: Ms. Carolyn Jordan, Ms. Joy Carr, and Dr. Jack Sublette.
- \* Wedding gift and card given to: Mr. & Mrs. Buzz Wood.
- Thank you notes received from: Tracey Ingram and Joy Carr.

#### FROM THE TSUD FAMILY

A very sincere thank you for the lovely flowers and sweet card that you sent to me during my hospital stay. It meant so much to me. I really appreciate your thoughtfulness.

Joy Carr

# 1994 TROJAN FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	PLACE	TIME	
September 10	Univ. of Connecticut	THERE	1:00 P.M.	
September 17	S.W. Louisiana	THERE	7:00 P.M.	
September 24	Alabama State University	номе	6:00 P.M.	
October 1	N.W. Louisiana	THERE	7:00 P.M.	
October 8	Nicholls State	номе	6:00 P.M.	
October 15	<b>Charleston Southern</b>	HOMECOMING	2:00 P.M.	
October 22	Univ. of Central Florida	THERE	1:00 P.M.	
October 29	Western Kentucky	THERE	5:00 P.M.	
November 5	Cincinnati	THERE	TBA	
November 12	Alcorn State	THERE	1:00 P.M.	
November 19	Samford University	HOME	TBA	

Thank you so much TSUD Courtesy Committee for the beautiful card and the precious baby gift. I really appreciate your thoughtfulness and generosity toward the new addition to my family. Again, thank you so much.

Tracey Ingram

### **BIRTHDAYS FOR** SEPTEMBER

- Joanne Krist
- 3 Sandra Carter
- Colleen Reynolds
- **Robert Jones**
- 10 Ken Deavers
- Viola Powell 11 12 J. C. Lewis
- **Tony Whetstone** 13
- 16 Frank Lovrich
- 24 Jim Hartsfield

# TSUD WELCOMES NEW FACULTY

New faculty members for the 1994 Fall Quarter at TSUD:

Dr. Rodney Beaver

Dr. Glenda Gunter

Ms. Lannes L. Morris Murphy

Mr. Jay Muza

Dr. Ruth Oliver

Dr. Kumar Rallapalli

Dr. Richard C. Williams

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### **BIRTHDAYS FOR OCTOBER**

- **Sharon Shaw**
- Mary Dunlap 11
- **Bob Willis** 14
- 14 Joy Carr
- 16 Phyllis Burchfield
- 27 Richard Martin
- 30 Carolyn Jordan

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# LOYALTY OPPORTUNITIES

Don't forget that the Troy State University System car tag and credit card programs are available. This is a great opportunity to support your university and provide scholarships for our students. For additional information, contact Mr. Tony Whetstone at extension 217.