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NEWSLETTER FOR TSUD FACULTY AND STAFF

## DR. FRITCHIE SELECTED TO SERVE SABBATICAL AT SPACE CENTER

Dr. Patricia Fritchie, TSUD professor of education, has been granted sabbatical leave for Fall Semester 2000 as part of a temporary assignment to the Astronaut Memorial Foundation (AMF) and NASA Education at Kennedy Space Center at Cape Canaveral, Florida. Dr. Fritchie received an invitation to be a part of this dynamic group while attending a technology conference in January. "I'm looking forward to this experience with great excitement," says Fritchie. "The Kennedy Space Center and the NASA Education facility are alive with intellectual energy and youthfulness."

While serving on the assignment, Dr. Fritchie will be helping to conduct in-service for Florida teachers through a grant awarded to AMF and NASA Education by the Florida State Department of Education to improve the use of technology in the classroom. She will help AMF and NASA Education set up a new iMac laboratory that is being donated by Apple Computers and will also be learning how to design, host, and direct distance learning opportunities. Dr. Fritchie will host at least two teleconferences from NASA Education classrooms to TSUD.



Pictured above is the first group of University Teacher Educators to have completed the Beyond the Millennium Conference at Kennedy Space Center. The conference, sponsored by the Astronaut Memorial Foundation, was held to promote the use of technology in American classrooms.

The AMF is funded through the sale of Challenger license plates, as well as generous support from corporations, foundations, and individuals. All funds are used to ensure the ongoing operation and maintenance of the two facilities, as well as to fund AMF's numerous education programs. The AMF is the only not-for-profit organization that is located on the grounds of the NASA-Kennedy Space Center in Florida. The AMF was founded after the Challenger accident in January 1986 with the mission of building and maintaining two national facilities to honor the fallen astronauts. The facilities include the Space Mirror Memorial and the Center for Space Education, a 44,000 square foot facility that provides space education and technology training for educators.

## CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The metal wall studs and exterior wallboard should be completed before the end of April. The bricklayers have started laying brick at the north end of the building, and the shingles are going on the roof. The heating, ventilation, and air conditioning duct work and the water and sewer pipes are being installed, as are the steps in the stairwells. The chiller should be positioned around the first of May in the area that has been constructed at the northwest rear of the building. Please remain safety conscience as you drive onto, around, and exit campus.

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## GOOD OL' DOGS WELCOMES CHICK-FIL-A

The TSUD family can now enjoy hot, fresh food prepared daily by Chick-fil-A in the deli. On April 4, 2000, a ribbon cutting was held to officially announce Chick-fil-A's arrival on the TSUD campus. In addition to the menu offered by Good Ol' Dogs, faculty, staff, and students can now enjoy something from Chick-fil-A Monday through Wednesday of each week. Stop by the deli today!



Pictured above at the Chick-fil-A ribbon cutting (L-R) are: Farrow Burks; Bill Dorminy, Chick-fil-A; James Stokes, SGA president; and Henry Phillips, Good Ol' Dogs.

## SPOTLIGHT ON LIBRARY AND ISC SERVICES

by Chris Bryant, ISC curriculum lab assistant

### "THE PLACE TO BE IS YOUR TSUD I-S-C"

Faculty and staff of TSUD lend me your brains! I need **YOUR** thoughts, suggestions, and ideas on how to improve **YOUR** ISC.

I very much want to make **YOUR** ISC a premiere place that you can come to for most of your college and professional career needs, but to make improvements where they are needed I will need everyone in the TSUD family to help out. Please direct your suggestions and ideas to me at extension 393 or through e-mail at [cbryant@tsud.edu](mailto:cbryant@tsud.edu).

Also, we have a new addition of over 80 videos on the ISC shelf, with many more in the process of being catalogued. Some new titles on the shelf include: *CHOEPHORI: The Libation Bearers* by Aeschylus (HUM #12), *Secrets of the SAT* (EDU #108), *Atlantis: The Lost Civilization* (ENG #77), and the *Creatures from the Sea* series (3 tapes: Shark Attack!; Treasures of the Great Barrier Reef; Private Lives of Dolphins) (SCI #107). Additionally, I am currently working on a web page for the ISC at [www.tsud.edu/isc](http://www.tsud.edu/isc) right now and hope to have the entire video list (new and old) on it very soon.

## ALUMNI ASSOCIATION INSTALLS NEW OFFICERS DURING MARCH MEETING

The governing body of the Troy State University Dothan Alumni Association installed two new officers in the position of president and president-elect during a recent meeting held on the TSUD campus. Carl White, Jr., who served as president-elect of the organization, was nominated unanimously by the executive committee and initiated as the third Alumni president. He succeeds Christina Johnson, who held the position for two years and will continue to serve on the executive committee as a member-at-large. Connie Snyder, a three-year member of the executive committee, is presently serving as president-elect after being nominated and initiated at the March meeting. Both were installed to their respective office by Taylor Barbaree, TSUD's coordinator for development and alumni affairs.

"I am excited about what this Executive Committee and association can do together during the upcoming year," said White, who completed his master's degree at TSUD in 1984. "We are also pleased to have Taylor aboard and look to move this Alumni Association ahead to better serve the University and its members." White, a Dothan resident, is employed with the Dothan Career Center as an employment service supervisor. Snyder received her master's degree from TSUD in 1995 and lives in nearby Colquitt, GA. She is the assistant director of admissions at Bainbridge College (Georgia).

Continuing to serve in the offices of secretary and treasurer are Theresa Evans and Mary McCruter. The association's first alumni president, Mark Kelly, and executive members Tara Brackin and Deborah Pettway conclude the make up of the eight-member committee. All were charter members of the TSUD Alumni Association when the organization gained membership into the TSU National Alumni Association on July 24, 1997. At the present time the alumni association has 40 active members. Executive Committee members will serve in their respective position until the Association's Annual Meeting that will be held in August.



Troy State University Dothan Executive Committee members (L-R) are: Mark Kelly, Tara Brackin, Carl White, Jr., Theresa Evans, Connie Snyder, and Debora Pettway.



## ACTIVITIES OF THE PRESIDENT

March 2000

Hosted Engineering Strategic Visioning Luncheon for local industry representatives and The University of Alabama College of Engineering administrators

Attended Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce Monday morning Legislative Committee sessions with local political representatives

Participated in Alabama-Florida Council Boy Scouts of America annual Recharter meeting in Dothan

Attended Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce ribbon cuttings

Participated in Houston/Henry County Retired and Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) fundraising Fashion Show at Dothan Civic Center

Participated in Alabama Council of College and University President's conference call

Participated in various SACS Reaccreditation Visiting Team activities

Participated in Alabama-Florida Council Boy Scouts of America

Executive Board meeting

Participated in Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meeting

Participated in TSU System Executive Committee meeting in Troy

Participated in Aviation Museum Foundation Executive Committee meeting at Fort Rucker

## DR. MARTINDALE NAMED PRESIDENT OF TROY STATE UNIVERSITY MONTGOMERY

Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., chancellor of The Troy State University System, announced that Dr. Cameron Martindale is the new president of Troy State University Montgomery. Dr. Martindale had served as interim president since August 1999, succeeding Dr. Glenda Curry who left the position to study for the ministry.

"I am humbled and grateful to have this opportunity to serve as president of this university that I love so much," Dr. Martindale said at a press conference at TSUM's Whitley Hall. "I pledge to all of you my loyalty, my dedication, my commitment, and my enthusiasm in this new role of president of TSUM as we move into a new era of development." Dr. Martindale joined the TSUM staff in 1986 as director of recruitment, retention, placement, and alumni affairs. She was serving as vice president for institutional advancement before being named interim president.

Dr. Hawkins said the new TSUM president has "a vision for the future, coupled with a clear understanding of the university's heritage. Dr. Cameron Martindale has been at the heart of the progress we have enjoyed at Troy State University Montgomery," Dr. Hawkins added. TSUM's progress includes the development of a growing downtown campus, consisting of renovated buildings, a new bell tower and commons area, and the Rosa Parks Library and Museum which is scheduled for completion this fall.

Dr. Martindale said the university's primary mission--serving adult students--will not change under her presidency. She also renewed the university's commitment to serving as a catalyst of growth for downtown Montgomery. "We will continue this progress, working with the City of Montgomery, the Greater Montgomery Area Chamber of Commerce, and Downtown Unlimited as we seek to revitalize downtown Montgomery," she said.

Dr. Martindale's civic involvement includes service on the executive committee of Montgomery Partners in Education, the board of Jubilee CityFest, and the Montgomery Civil Rights Coordinating Council. Dr. Martindale started her education career as a public school teacher and began in adult education by operating learning resource centers for the U.S. Air Force.

## FACULTY AND STAFF NEWS

**Dr. Alan Belsches** was elected secretary of the Alabama Council of Deans of Arts and Sciences at their February meeting.

**Dr. Dorinda Van Loo** attended the annual conference of the Association for Death Education and Counseling in Charlotte, NC. She also coordinated a new support group for parents who have had stillborns, miscarriages, or infant deaths. The co-facilitator was Katey Paulk, and nurses from Flowers, SAMC, and Dale County attended to answer medical questions that the parents might have.

## MESSAGE FROM SGA PRESIDENT

Lao Tzu wrote, "a scholar who cherishes the love of comfort is not to be deemed a scholar." With this in mind, my goals as SGA president are to instill the values of service, scholasticism, and patience in all those who work for the SGA. I hope that all of us work to perpetually change ourselves and to better the collegiate experience of those who attend TSUD. There are many changes that need to take place at TSUD. For example, TSUD is a non-traditional campus; however, this does not mean that students do not want traditional opportunities and facilities to improve their college experience. This administration will move forward to create a better environment for the students, both the traditional and the non-traditional, of TSUD. We will also work with an inspired commitment to improve our available facilities. I hope to give the SGA and campus of TSUD a new vision. My vision is one of a campus full of activities and dreams. If we--faculty, staff, and students--work together, our dreams of a bigger and improved campus can be a reality.

Change is all around us. We can choose to move forward and make our campus an example for the other state institutions of higher education. Or, we can stagnate in the fallow fields of complacency. Change is a product of knowledge, and I hope to at least make known the need for constant change at our University.

*James T. Stokes*  
SGA President





## COURTESY COMMITTEE REPORT

March 2000

### Sympathy Cards

\*Dr. Barbara Minsky (on the death of her uncle)

\*Dr. Sharon Moody (on the death of her father)

### Donation

\*Karen McGahee

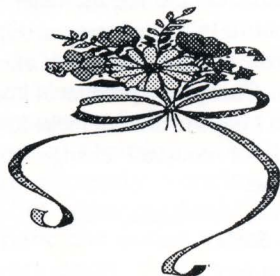
## COURTESY FUND DRIVE

It is Courtesy Fund Drive time, and we hope to have 100% participation. We urge you to make your contribution by cash or check, if you have not already done so. If paying by check, please make it payable to TSUD Courtesy Fund. Forward contributions to Cindy Halcomb or any Committee member.

The TSUD Courtesy Committee serves an important function at the University, and we hope you will become a part of the family spirit by contributing to the Courtesy Fund.

**THANKS!** in advance for your participation, and remember to notify any member of the Committee if you know of a courtesy that needs to be extended.

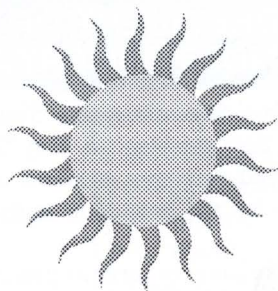
*Cindy Halcomb, Chair  
TSUD Courtesy Committee*



## SUMMER SPECTACULAR 2000

TSUD early childhood and elementary education faculty and students offer this exciting learning experience for young children. This year's theme is "Amusement Park Adventures," and children will be involved in designing and building their own amusement park.

Dates for Summer Spectacular are Tuesday-Thursday, June 6-30. Children ages 4-11 are invited, and the cost is \$15.00 per week per child. For more information, call extension 311. Don't wait...space is limited!



## BIRTHDAYS FOR MAY

- 3 Joseph Fielding
- 9 Demetria Boone
- 11 Lynda Salisbury
- 13 Renee' Green
- 21 Sandra Lee Jones
- 27 Michael Malone
- 29 Kenny Fondren
- 30 Michael Higgins



## BIRTHDAYS FOR JUNE

- 1 Ramamohana Guttikonda
- 3 Ronnie Childree
- 3 Cynthia Lumpkin
- 3 Janet McQueen
- 5 Stacey Mixon
- 6 Fred Feagin
- 7 Rodney Beaver
- 7 Beth Quick
- 9 Mary Noble
- 11 Taylor Barbaree
- 12 Adair Gilbert
- 13 Linda Young
- 15 Robert Saunders
- 24 Farrow Burks
- 26 Kirk Davis

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Red Cross

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The above internet links are also available on the TSUD Campus Safety and Security web page. To get there go to the university "Home Page," to "General Information," to "Campus Safety and Security," and to "Weather."

John McQueen

Evening Administrator/Safety Officer