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NEWSLETTER FOR TSUD FACULTY AND STAFF

OLIVER RETIRES FROM TSUD

Dr. Ruth Oliver, assistant professor of counseling and psychology, retired from TSUD on July 1, 2000. Though leaving her classroom at TSUD, Oliver is not leaving education. In August, she will assume a position as school psychologist for the Department of Defense at Fort Rucker where she will be working with children ages 4 through 6th grades.

Dr. Oliver joined TSUD in September 1994. Prior to coming to TSUD, she worked with the Daleville School System as a counselor and school psychologist. Her desire to strengthen relationships surrounding children prompted her move to higher education. "I wanted the opportunity to do consultation with parents and teachers . . . to assist them in helping their children."

In reflecting upon her tenure at TSUD, it was the growth of the students that gave Oliver the most satisfaction. "It was very rewarding to see them learn and then be able to take their education and be successful in practice." Oliver added that working cooperatively in counseling and

psychology has strengthened the experiences provided to TSUD students, "By working together as a faculty, we have been able to increase the experience and level of skills and provide a higher quality of learning for our students."

Oliver also shared what she thought were the greatest strengths and challenges for TSUD. "Our

faculty is our greatest strength. I have worked with the most dedicated and committed faculty in counseling and psychology. Our students benefit from this strong commitment." This commitment is vital to overcoming the challenges facing higher education, according to Oliver. "Resources, or lack of resources, are a big challenge. Maintaining the accreditations necessary in education and especially in a practition-

er field such as counseling requires a great deal of faculty and faculty resources."

In her new position, Oliver will focus her efforts on assessment and intervention for children of parents stationed at Fort Rucker. She says that the dynamics of families in the military increase the challenges for their children, "Many times a family member will receive an assignment that requires them to leave the family for a period of time. Returning from these assignments places a great deal of strain on children." Oliver adds that the nature of work for military personnel is also challenging for the children, "The



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potential crisis that the children face is greater than in other families. They have to deal with the danger that being in the military brings as well as constantly readjusting to changes in their family structure." Oliver says that she looks forward to returning to a more practice-oriented position and to helping students who possess a diverse "range of needs."

2000-2001 REVISED TSUD TUITION

In-State Tuition Per Semester: Out-of-State Tuition Per Semester: Undergraduate (12-16 hours) \$1,500.00 Undergraduate (12-16 hours) \$3,000.00 For each undergraduate hour under 12 or over 16 125.00 For each undergraduate hour under 12 or over 16 250.00 Undergraduate per credit hour, audit 63.00 Undergraduate per credit hour, audit 125.00 Graduate per credit hour 130.00 Graduate per credit hour 260.00 Graduate per credit hour, audit 65.00 Graduate per credit hour, audit 130.00

The Technology Fee is \$3.50 per credit hour, maximum of \$42.00. (Approved by The TSU System Board of Trustees.)

SAFETY TIP

Preparing for a Heat Wave

Know What These Terms Mean...

Heat exhaustion: Heat exhaustion typically occurs when people exercise heavily or work in a hot, humid place where body fluids are lost through heavy sweating

Heat stroke: Heat stroke is life-threatening. The victim's temperature control system, which produces sweating to cool the body, stops working.

Know the Signals of Heat Emergencies...

Heat exhaustion: Cool, moist, pale, or flushed skin; heavy sweating; headache; nausea or vomiting; dizziness; and exhaustion. Body temperature will be near normal.

Heat stroke: Hot, red skin; changes in consciousness; rapid, weak pulse; and rapid, shallow breathing. Body temperature can be as high as 105 degrees F and skin will feel dry.

Know the Treatment of Heat Emergencies...

Heat cramps: Get the person to a cooler place and have him or her rest in a comfortable position. Lightly stretch the affected muscle and replenish fluids. Give a half glass of cool water every 15 minutes. Do not give liquids with alcohol or caffeine.

Heat exhaustion: Get the person into a cooler place. Remove or loosen tight clothing and apply cool, wet cloths, such as towels or sheets. If the person is conscious, give cool water to drink. Give a half glass of cool water every 15 minutes. Do not give liquids that contain alcohol or caffeine. Let the victim rest in a comfortable position and watch carefully for changes in his or her condition.

Heat stroke: Call 9-1-1 or your local emergency number. Move the person to a cooler place. Quickly cool the body. Immerse victim in a cool bath, or wrap wet sheets around the body and fan it. Watch for signals of breathing problems. Keep the person lying down and continue to cool the body any way you can. If the victim refuses water or is vomiting or there are changes in the level of consciousness, do not give anything to eat or drink.

John McQueen Evening Administrator/Safety Officer

Source of information was the American Red Cross (http://www.redcross.org).

BLOOD DRIVE

TSUD/American Red Cross
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Monday, July 31, 2000 9:00 A.M. - 12 Noon Malone Hall, Harrison Room Give the Gift of Life. Give Blood.

ACTIVITIES OF THE PRESIDENT

May/June 2000

Attended Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce Teacher Appreciation reception

Guest speaker for Education Foundation for Dothan's Future, Inc. meeting

Participated in TSU System Ed.D. Advisory group meetings in Troy Participated in TSU System Executive Committee meetings

Attended TSU Fellows presentation in Troy

Guest speaker at Elba Rotary Club lunch meeting

Represented Alabama Humanities Foundation at the annual

Humanities Foundation meeting in Washington, D.C.

Visited with local Congressional representatives in Washington, D.C. Attended TSU Spring Commencement

Attended TSU System Board of Trustees meeting in Troy

Attended Dr. William Glasser's seminar at TSUM

Attended telecommunications infrastructure management proposal presentations at TSUD

Participated in two Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meetings

Participated in State Articulation and General Studies Committee meeting in Montgomery

Participated in Alabama Humanities Foundation Board of Directors meeting in Anniston

Attended annual lunch meeting of the Biracial Study Group

Attended TSUD Community Band concert

Participated in Wiregrass Forum meeting in Ozark

Hosted two Houston County Public Schools Educational Technology planning meetings

Participated in two Army Aviation Museum Foundation Executive Committee meetings at Ft. Rucker

Participated in Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce Military Affairs Committee meeting

Participated in aerospace meeting in Enterprise

Attended meeting for The College Board's TSUD Community Assessment Program report

Attended Women in Leadership symposium in Troy to hear Mrs. Marsha Folsom's presentation

Attended Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce general membership luncheon

Met with American Seating representative in Birmingham

Participated in Alabama Council of College and University Presidents meeting in Troy

Participated in Dauphin Island Sea Lab Board of Directors meeting in Troy

Attended lunch presentation by Dr. David Bronner in Troy

Hosted informal meetings with faculty members

Attended two meetings with Community Foundation leaders

Participated in Alabama Humanities Foundation Board of Directors weekend retreat in Gulf Shores

Guest speaker at Dothan Rotary Club's lunch meeting

Participated in TSU System Strategic Planning Steering Committee meeting in Troy

Met with SGA leaders

Participated in Jack Hawkins, Jr. Golf Tournament in Prattville

Participated in TSUD Honors Convocation

Met with Mayor Chester Sowell and Commissioner John Glanton Delivered Keynote Address to the Alabama Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers (ALACRAO) Annual meeting at Point Clear

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

The Responsive University - A TSUD Work in Progress

Troy State University Dothan will continue to define itself in keeping with the spirit and best practices of a "Responsive University." A responsive university constantly seeks ways to improve itself, taking its curricular and service direction from the students it teaches and alumni it produces. A responsive university is not afraid to innovate and bring about change. Dr. Peter F. Drucker comments in his seminal work, <u>Management Challenges for the 21st Century</u>: "The test of an innovation--as is also the test of quality--is not: 'Do we like it?' It is: 'Do customers want it and will they pay for it?""

Dr. Drucker's message for higher education and concomitantly the responsive university is equally clear. Innovation and quality assurance must never be separate considerations. And most importantly, innovation and quality must be the guiding factors as this responsive university passionately seeks to establish a "student-first" mode of doing business.

TSUD's students deserve our collective best thinking regarding curricular innovation, and as importantly course scheduling and delivery. We have been especially innovative in making distance learning a significantly improved addition to our course delivery and scheduling. The recent decision to add split terms to our traditional semester format is yet another example of our commitment to innovate. Graduate students who maintain the most complex lifestyles should be the greatest recipients of our creative thinking. It is very possible that our graduate students will actually increase their average credit load as a result of the enhanced semester calendar. Finally, we need to know more about the potential for increased weekend offerings vis a' vis student demand.

It is important to re-emphasize why we need to be more creative and innovative in our schedule design and course delivery. Simply put, our students (current and future) deserve it! This responsive university will never lose sight of why we exist and for whom we work. Our students are our customers, and our products. We look to them to keep our academic enterprise vibrant and our financial condition solvent. They look to us to improve their lives—a mutually responsive notion indeed!

Michael E. Malone President

P.S. You don't hear it enough--thank you for all you do AND what you mean to me!

SPOTLIGHT ON LIBRARY AND ISC SERVICES

by Julia Smith, director of library services

HIGHLIGHTING WIREGRASS HISTORY

HOUSTON COUNTY - DOTHAN FIRSTS

First Post Office - 1871

First Mayor - 1885

First Boarding House - 1888

First Bank - 1889

First Railroad - 1889

First Horseless Carriage - 1895

First Telephone - 1896

First Civic Club Organized - 1899

First Hospital - 1900

First Deed Recorded - 1903

First Fire Department - 1904

(Source: Hub of the Wiregrass, by Fred Watson, c1972 in the TSUD collection)

ON THE WEB

http://www.dothanalcvb.com/murals.htm

http://web.snowhill.com/~Dothan/txhistry.html

http://www.alacourt.org/Courthouses/henry/hen.htm

http://www.tsud.edu/General_Information/university%20history.htm

http://www-rucker.army.mil/_private/old_files/HISTORY.HTM

TSUD'S POWELL SELECTED TO AMBASSADOR PROGRAM

Ms. Viola Powell, TSUD instructor of mathematics, has been selected to serve as a People to People Ambassador. Ms. Powell will travel to Beijing, Najing, Suzhou, and Shanghai, People's Republic of China, in September 2000 as part of the program's Mathematics Education Delegation.

People to People Ambassador Programs offer unique, professional opportunities to establish an on-going dialogue among mathematics educators in the United States and China. Ms. Powell's delegation will meet with students, administrators, and policy makers and observe mathematics classes in elementary and middle schools. Ambassadors will also have the opportunity to engage in formal and informal discussions about teaching and learning mathematics, which is of particular interest to Powell, "I want to study the schools. They (Chinese students) seem to be much more advanced in math than we are, and I want to find out what they are doing."

The delegation will visit numerous schools and departments including: Beijing Normal University, a mathematics teacher training university for both secondary and tertiary level institutions, Middle School of Jiangsu Provincial Education Institute, an experimental on-line education middle school, and Suzhou University, Department of Mathematics, which has won 40 national, ministerial, and provincial awards for teaching and scientific research.

Ms. Powell will serve as one of 25–30 delegates selected from math educators throughout North America. The delegation will convene in Los Angeles on Friday, September 22, and will depart for Beijing on Sunday, September 24, 2000. They will return on October 6, 2000.

CONSTRUCTION UPDATE

The heating, ventilation, air conditioning (HVAC) ductwork, electrical outlets, and water lines are being installed in the new building. The interior stairways have been installed, and the drywall subcontractor is installing the walls and ceilings. As walls are completed, electrical outlets are installed and door frames are set. Within the coming month, window glass installation will start as the brick mason completes brick laying in the window areas. Please be safety conscience as you enter, travel through, and depart campus. If you'd like to tour the new facility, e-mail jquick@tsud.edu who will coordinate a tour.

FACULTY AND STAFF NEWS

Dr. Barbara Gusick presided over an interdisciplinary session she organized for The 35th International Congress on Medieval Studies held May 4-7 at Western Michigan University in Kalamazoo, MI. The session, entitled "Fair and Foul: Weather Patterns in Medieval Thought," spanned the Anglo-Saxon to the late-medieval period and expressed the views of medievalists who were historians and/or literary scholars.

Dr. Sandra Lee Jones gave a presentation of Chancellor's Fellowship Project to System Executive Committee in Troy on May 9; worked with Dr. June Linke, Chancellor's Fellow here at TSUD from the Troy Campus, to create two bro-chures for use by The Troy State University System and TSU for introducing SACS activities and institutional effectiveness to new faculty and staff; attended TSU graduation, luncheon, and Board of Trustees meeting and received certificate for completion of Chancellor's Fellowship Program on May 12; submitted an article for publication that was co-written with Dr. Victoria Morin on June 15; served as a panelist on the National Education Association 2nd Annual Symposium "Moving a Quality Teacher Agenda" in Chicago, IL, on June 25.

Mr. Keith Seagle presented "Leadership and Values in the Real World" to the Youth Leadership Dothan Class of 2000 on May 10. The 100-minute interactive workshop emphasized identifying and practicing values as important ingredients in leadership. Youth Leadership Dothan is a project of the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce. Also, Keith recently became the new Chairman of the Dothan-Houston County Substance Abuse Partnership Advisory Committee. Keith, who has been on the Advisory Committee since 1997, assumed the position from former TSUD student John Michael Hornsby. Other TSUD representatives are Dr. Pamela Williamson and Dr. Adair Gilbert.

Dr. Dorinda Van Loo attended the Evolution of Psychotherapy Conference in Annaheim, CA, on May 25-29.

MARRIOTT FULFILLS PLEDGE

The Sodexho Marriott Services, Inc. has fulfilled its Capital Campaign pledge to TSUD of \$50,000 toward the construction of the Library/Technology Building. Dr. Michael Malone, TSUD president, said, "Marriott has long been a partner with TSUD and The TSU System. This is one more indication of their support and loyalty."



COURTESY COMMITTEE REPORT

May/June 2000

Get Well Card

*Christine McMahan

Get Well Card and Flowers

*Carolyn Jordan

Sympathy Cards

- *Taylor Barbaree (on the death of his grandmother)
 *Dr. Larry Brown (on the death of his mother)
- *Dr. Bill Dapper (on the death of his father)
- *Dr. Charles McArthur (on the death of his brother)

Donation

*American Cancer Society (in memory of Mrs. Opieree Barbaree)

Thank You Notes Received

Thanks for the card you sent Christine. She was very appreciative.

Alex McMahan

Thank you kindly for the card received. Alex and I really appreciate all the cards, calls, e-mails, and concerns following my recent surgery. Hope to see you all soon.

Christine McMahan

The family of Opieree Barbaree acknowledges with grateful appreciation the kind expression of your sympathy. Friends, thank you so much for your thoughtfulness during this difficult time.

Jenna and Taylor Barbaree

The kindness expressed by your Memorial Gift to the American Cancer Society has been received with heartfelt appreciation.

BIRTHDAYS FOR AUGUST

- 2 Keith Seagle
- 4 Reiff Lafleur
- 5 Harriett Ball
- 9 Sharon Moody
- 10 Sandy Henry
- 17 Janet Ridgeway
- 21 Jonua Byrd
- 24 Sheila Bennett
- 28 Larry Brown
- 29 Kathy Hale



BIRTHDAYS FOR SEPTEMBER

- 1 Joanne Krist
- 11 Viola Powell
- 12 Andrew Rivers
- 12 Anthony Taylor
- 13 Tony Whetstone
- 15 Becky Hunt
- 16 Rita Farver
- 23 Adam Palmese
- 24 Patsy Rach
- 25 Sallie Johnson
- 30 Bai Kang

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