TSUD recently hosted five one-hour sessions designed to introduce local community leaders to a new economic development project built around creation of small companies and jobs through an innovative system of skills training and venture capital linked to a small business incubator.

The system, devised by Mobile consultants E. Lynn Stacey and Tom Siegwald, involves a unique networking system for training and financing entrepreneurs and housing new start up businesses in a stable incubator environment. The system, currently in operation in Mobile, will soon be in place in several other counties in the southeastern region.

TSUD has assumed the leadership role in this project. However, President Harrison emphasizes this will be a total community effort. "We will be seeking support from local government and the private sector to form a collaborative team effort."

The study period will take 90 to 120 days to complete. At that time business, civic and governmental groups leaders will be asked to judge the feasibility of such a project for the Southeast Alabama area. In June, presentations which gave an overview of the program and explained the economic rationale were made to several groups including the Chamber of Commerce and the Economic Development Authorities. "The positive response encouraged us to go forward with this study," Harrison stated.
SCHOOL OF BUSINESS HAS NEW DEAN

Crawford Buchanan was recently appointed as the Dean of the School of Business at Troy State University at Dothan. Buchanan, who assumed his new duties on June 22, 1988, is in his own words "Definitely a product of the Troy State University System."

Buchanan was the first student admitted to Troy State University - Troy campus under the Army's degree completion program, through which he received a B.S. in History and Social Studies in 1963. In 1976, he received his MBA from TSUD and in 1976 returned to the University as an instructor in the School of Business. In subsequent years, Buchanan has served TSUD as the Director of the TSUD - Fort Rucker campus, as Director of the Warrant Officer Electives Program, as an Assistant Professor in the School of Business, and Coordinator of the Applied Sciences Program. Buchanan has also served TSUD as Chairperson of the University's Faculty Personnel Advisory Committee, Chairperson of the Physical Resources Standard Sub-Committee for the Southern Association's accrediting team visits, and Assistant Dean of the School of Business.

Buchanan's last ten years of military service reflects assignments in positions of significant responsibility. He attended the U.S. Army War College, became Director of Operations of the Army Aviation Center at Fort Rucker, served as Secretary of the General Staff of the U.S. Army in Vietnam, and was Commander of an Infantry Brigade at Fort Jackson, South Carolina. From 1973-1976 he served as Deputy Commander and Chief of Staff of the Army Aviation Center at Fort Rucker, and was the Army Aviation Officer for all U.S. Army Forces in Europe at the time of his retirement. In all, Buchanan served for more than thirty-two years in the U.S. Army.

On becoming the Dean of TSUD's School of Business, Buchanan said, "Having been associated with TSUD as a student, supporter, and faculty member for the past twenty eight years, I am delighted to have the opportunity to influence to a greater degree the quality of our programs and our relations with the community and businesses in the Wiregrass region."

"After spending some fifteen to sixteen years of the last twenty of my life in the Wiregrass area, I am well aware of the wonderful people and of the growth of the region. My goal is to provide the leadership to the School of Business that will make us a more useful and contributing part of the community. TSUD is a real asset to the City of Dothan and to the Wiregrass region as a whole. The majority of our students work or have families and simply are unable to leave to go to Alabama, Auburn or Troy. In this sense we are providing them with an opportunity for further education that would not be available if we were not here," he added.

Dr. Jack Sublette, Vice President for Student Affairs and
Development said, "The University is both pleased and excited to have Crawford Buchanan as the Dean of the School of Business at Troy State University at Dothan. Dean Buchanan's diverse professional experiences and his dedicated service to TSUD make him well qualified to provide effective leadership for one of the most significant units within the University."

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PRESIDENT'S MONTHLY ACTIVITIES

- Attended TSU Board of Trustees meeting in Troy - June 7.
- Attended National Conference of Regional and Branch Campus Administrators at Hilton Head, South Carolina - June 20 - 22.
- Met with dissertation committee in Auburn - June 23.
- Attended American Heart Association Houston Division Annual Awards Banquet - June 30.

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People in the News

DR. EUGENE BERGQUIST

On June 12-16, Dr. Bergquist attended the national meeting of the American Society of Limnology and Oceanography held at the University of Colorado at Boulder.

DR. MARY BROWN

Dr. Brown attended the Middle Atlantic Regional Meeting of the American Chemical Society at Millersville University in Millersville, Pennsylvania.

MR. CRAWFORD BUCHANAN

Mr. Buchanan met with Mr. Dale Hubbard, President of the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce, on June 16th to discuss cooperative efforts. Also on June 16th, he attended a Small Business Incubator conference held at TSUD. Represen-

- tatives from the Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce, the S.E. Alabama Regional Development, and TSUD were present. On June 23rd, Mr. Buchanan was visited by Dr. Arthur Sweeney, a candidate for a School of Business faculty position. On June 28th, he met with Mr. David Conrad, Area Director of the South Alabama Better Business Bureau to discuss mutual assistance programs.

DR. PATRICIA FRITCHIE

Dr. Fritchie made a presentation during the Southeastern Leadership Training Conference of the International Reading Association in Charleston, South Carolina, on June 24 through June 26th. On June 9, she presented an inservice workshop entitled "Reading and the Social Studies Curriculum" at Fort Rucker Elementary School.

MRS. LAURETTE H. LONG

The staff of TSUD's library has given ALABAMA BIRDS, 2nd edition, by Thomas A. Imhof, in memory of Mr.
Braxton Comer Smith. Mrs. Laurette Long and Mrs. Sonja Woodham will attend an Alabama Union List Serials (AULS) workshop in Montgomery on August 2, 1988.

DR. RICHARD MARTIN

In June, Dr. Martin served as Faculty Marshal at the 1988 TSUD Commencement Ceremony. Also in June, he called a special executive session of Gamma Beta Phi officers to review and evaluate the past year's programs and projects, and to plan and schedule next year's events. Dr. Martin acted as moderator for a public affairs session which brought together Democratic and Republican candidates for the Houston County Probate Judge primary election and members of the news media. Dr. Martin also moderated a public affairs program featuring candidates for Probate Judge participating in the run-off election.

DR. MARY JO POLLMAN

On June 28, Dr. Pollman attended a state kindergarten workshop.

DR. MARY EVE SHOAF

Dr. Shoaf enjoyed playing the piano for TSUD's graduation ceremony and reception. On July 9, she attended a Hospice workshop given by Dr. Eve Gorden at St. Columba Center.

MS. JULIA SMITH

Julia Smith and Barbara Wheeler of the Library attended a Collection Development Workshop on June 28 at the Houston-Love Memorial Library.

DR. JACK SUBLETTE

On June 7, Dr. Sublette appeared with Nanne Cutler on Ann Varnum's "Morning Show." On June 16, he accepted a donation from SouthTrust Bank through the Alabama Air Fair at a breakfast at the Holiday Inn and also met with the consultants and the committee concerned with establishing a small business incubator in Dothan. He attended a seminar on desktop publishing sponsored by Computer Solutions on June 17, and on the 27th, he attended a meeting of the TSU System Executive Committee. Also on the 27th, Dr. Sublette presided at the meeting of the Enterprise Public Library Board of Trustees. On June 28, he spoke to the Houston County Kiwanis Club.

DR. ELIZABETH VAN LOO

On June 16, Dr. Van Loo attended a Parents Anonymous Board meeting and on the 12th, she attended a meeting of the Health Council and Aids Task Council. She spoke to the Lions Club in Enterprise on "Aids - An Update."

MR. FRANK WALKER

In June, Mr. Walker attended the Alabama Libraries State Advisory Council meeting, the Alabama Libraries Long Range Planning Committee meeting, and the Southeast Alabama Multitype Board of Trustees meeting. Mr. Walker also met with a representative from the Dothan Vocational Center to discuss assisting in setting up a media/library center.

MR. TONY L. WHETSTONE

Mr. Whetstone spoke to the Ozark Kiwanis Club on TSUD and the relocation of its campus.

MRS. PAMELA T. WILLIAMSON

In June, Mrs. Williamson spoke to Mrs. Faria's Senior Nursing class
about "Career Advancement for Nursing Majors."

MRS. ROBIN WYATT

Mrs. Wyatt and Mrs. Reta Cordell attended the annual meeting of the Alabama Chapter of the American Association of Collegiate Registrars and Admissions Officers. The meeting was held June 23-25, in Tuscaloosa at The University of Alabama. Three of the sessions that Mrs. Wyatt attended included discussions on marketing plans, the aging students population, and programs for graduate admissions.

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News from...

COUNSELING SERVICES

The Office of Counseling Services will be highlighting various career fields each Tuesday from 9:00 a.m. - noon during Summer quarter and again Fall Quarter. Please encourage all students to attend the career series.

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THE COURTESY COMMITTEE

The Courtesy Committee reports the following activities:

- A get well card was sent to Robert Long.
- A get well card was sent to Mrs. Buzz Wood.
- A sympathy card was sent to Dr. Davies on the death of his sister.
- A get well card was sent to Laurette Long's mother, Mrs. Herson.
- A sympathy card and flowers were sent to Lynda Harper on the death of her mother.

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THE LIBRARY

Mr. Frank Walker reports three recent additions to the library staff. The new personnel are: Barbara Wheeler and Pam Creamer in Circulation and Patrick Heller in the Media Center. Welcome to TSUD!!

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THE INSTRUCTIONAL SUPPORT LABORATORY

Two new typewriters and two Apple II E. computers are now available for students' use in the ISL Lab. The typewriters were purchased with Student Activities funds and the computers were courtesy of the School of Education.

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