A crowd of approximately 300 gathered at the site of Troy State University at Dothan's new campus Wednesday, October 5, to take part in the University's official ground-breaking ceremony. Strong winds and cool temperatures did nothing to dampen the enthusiasm of the many well wishers who had assembled to celebrate a new beginning in the school's history. Guest speakers for the ceremony were: Mr. Bill Armistead, Special Assistant to the Governor for Economic Affairs; Mr. Wallace D. Malone, Jr., Chairman of the Board and C.E.O. of the SouthTrust Corporation, and President pro tempore of the Troy State University Board of Trustees; Dr. Ralph W. Adams, Chancellor of the Troy State University System; and Mr. Pierce Flatt, President and C.E.O. of SouthTrust Bank of Dothan, and Chairman of the Greater TSUD Development Fund.

Mr. Armistead challenged the residents of the Wiregrass area to take full advantage of the educational opportunity provided by the expansion of TSUD. Mr. Armistead said the
new university could become the backbone of "the greatest economic revolution this area has ever seen." Mr. Armistead also stressed how important it is for the educational facilities of the Wiregrass region to match those of its other urban counterparts.

Mr. Malone urged the crowd to "take a look around." "In a year you won't believe what you see. In three years you won't recognize what you saw a year from now, and in ten years, you are not going to believe what you are going to see here. Growth in the last year was in the neighborhood of 12%. Once the move is made to the new campus, we will see major growth rates of perhaps 15% or more each year," he said.

Dr. Adams proclaimed the groundbreaking ceremony as a "most memorable occasion, a landmark event and a red letter day in the history of education for Troy State in the Wiregrass area." "We visualize and predict that TSUD will become a great institution and become an important part of Dothan, Houston County and the state," he said.

Mr. Flatt said that this day would go down as a turning point in the history of Dothan. He said that if you compared the different areas of growth in the state, there is a tremendous difference in economic growth, continuing growth, industrial growth, and prosperity between those who have a major four year university and those areas that do not.

TSUD President Thomas Harrison closed the ceremony saying, "I am proud of the contributions that TSUD continues to make to the Wiregrass community. With the new facilities and those we expect to build in the future to care for increased enrollment, Troy State University at Dothan is destined to become a leader in higher education."

The Wiregrass Community Band played as University officials, special guests, and civic leaders took shovels in hand and officially broke ground for the new campus.

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TSUD INFORMATION BOOTH
AT WIREGRASS COMMONS

We need to do a better job at the TSUD Information Booth at Wiregrass Commons in publicizing TSUD programs, events, and activities both prior to and after the events.

If individual faculty and staff or directors and departments have information that can be used in display at the booth, please get that information to Courtney Hardyman (ext. 226).

Thank you in anticipation of your assistance.

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Birthdays

November

2  Gaye Peacock
7  Mrs. Sandra Faria
10  Pam Williamson
13  Dr. Eugene Bergquist
25  Nanne Cutler
Activities of President Thomas Harrison

- Had tour and lunch at Great Southern Paper in Cedar Springs, Georgia - September 7
- Participated in Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meeting - September 19
- Delivered completed draft of dissertation to Dr. Jack Blackburn, Auburn University - September 26
- Attended 46th Engineering Battalion Awards Ceremony at Fort Rucker - September 27
- Guest Speaker at SONY Awards Dinner at Dothan Country Club - September 28
- Met with Dr. Norbert Maertens and Dr. Utsey about Title III evaluation - September 29
- Attended reception for Dr. Shirley Woodie, President of Alabama Aviation and Technical College in Ozark - October 2
- Attended Dothan Kiwanis Club meeting to hear Dr. Neal Berte, President of Birmingham-Southern College - October 4
- Presided at TSUD Groundbreaking Ceremony - October 5
- Presided at TSUD Executive/Administrative Council meeting - October 7
- Participated in Dothan Area Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors meeting - October 7
- Had lunch with Jim Blackmon, Administrator and Hank Williamson, Associate Administrator/Finance at Southeast Alabama Medical Center - October 10
NEW DIRECTOR OF RECRUITING AND STUDENT ACTIVITIES

Effective September 1, 1988, Mrs. Courtney Hardyman became Director of Recruiting and Student Activities at TSUD. For the past year, Courtney served as secretary to the Vice President for Student Affairs and Development.

As a graduate of Baldwin County High School and of Auburn University with a B.A. in public relations—journalism, Courtney is well qualified for her position at TSUD. Job responsibilities for Courtney include all formal recruiting, student activities and organizations, University brochures, and information booth at Wiregrass Commons.

Located on the mezzanine in office #4 of Houston Hall (ext. 226), Courtney is already actively recruiting new students and working with current students. If you have ideas for Courtney, please let her know.

Courtney lives in Ozark with her husband Steve, who is a veterinarian.

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ACTING DIRECTOR OF SPECIAL PROGRAMS HIRED

Please welcome Dr. Deborah Truitt Goodman to TSUD. Dr. Goodman was recently hired as Acting Director of Special Programs. Her responsibilities include continuing education, development activities, and alumni affairs. Dr. Goodman holds a B.S. degree in Vocational and General Home Economics, an M.S. degree in Family Relations and Child Development, and an Ed.D. degree in Educational Administration and Higher Education. All of her degrees were earned at Oklahoma State University. Most recently, Dr. Goodman was employed as the Director of Continuing and Cooperative Education at Rogers State College in Claremore, Oklahoma. Dr. Goodman is a member of the National University Continuing Education Association, the Oklahoma Lifelong Learning Association, the Association for the Study of Higher Education, Omicron Nu, Phi Kappa Phi, and Gamma Phi Beta. "Dr. Goodman brings significant training and impressive credentials to the position at the University," said Dr. Sublette. He commented further, "Having Dr. Goodman on staff will give TSUD an opportunity to assess the needs of the Wiregrass region for continuing education and to attempt to meet those needs."

Dr. Goodman lives in Enterprise with her husband Wallace, publisher of the Enterprise Ledger, and her daughter Michelle, a seventh-grade student.
The OWLS program continues to be a very successful program in attracting adult students to the University. During Fall Quarter 1988, there are 149 students participating in the OWLS program.

During the four quarters of Summer 1987, Fall 1987, Winter 1988, and Spring 1988, there were 244 "OWLS," 38.5% of whom returned to TSUD for at least one subsequent quarter. Beginning Fall Quarter 1988, the program was expanded to include graduate courses. With Winter Quarter 1989, there will be a deadline for applying to the OWLS program.

As you talk to prospective students, please be aware of the following information concerning the OWLS program:

1. The OWLS program allows adults who have not attended a high school, college, or university for at least three calendar years to enroll tuition-free for one undergraduate or graduate credit course.

2. Students are permitted to register on a space-available basis and only for those courses for which they meet the prerequisites.

3. A student may be an "OWL" only once.


5. Admission to the OWLS program is not automatic; students must apply.

6. In order to participate in the OWLS program, applicants must be admitted to the University.

7. The OWLS application must be approved prior to the student's registration; no reimbursement of tuition will be made.

The Office of Recruiting appreciates the informal recruiting done by faculty and staff. The above information should be helpful.
FALL QUARTER ENROLLMENT

The final enrollment figures for Fall Quarter 1988 indicate that both headcount enrollment and quarter hour production show healthy increases over the figures for Fall Quarter 1987.

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People in the News

DR. ALAN BELSCHES

Dr. Belsches will lead a discussion of Mildred Taylor's Roll of Thunder, Hear My Cry and Robert Cormier's I Am the Cheese at the Houston-Love Memorial Library on December 5, as a part of the reading/discussion series entitled "Not for Children Only!"

DR. MARY BROWN

On October 7, Dr. Brown attended the University of Alabama chemistry department's Homecoming in Tuscaloosa. The Department of Chemistry honored their graduates who had gone on to a career in chemical education. The participants saw a videotape of an educational television program that Professor George Toffel presented in July, 1959. Dr. Kenneth W. Whitten, a former U of A professor who is currently head of the General Chemistry program for the University of Georgia, presented a lecture.

MRS. SANDRA CARTER

In September, Mrs. Carter attended The Right to Literacy Conference in Columbus, Ohio. The conference was sponsored by the Modern Language Association with support from Ohio State University and the Federation of State Humanities Councils. Conference participants attended lectures of their choice from a field of 50 different sessions. The conference sessions featured
many well-known authorities who spoke on various topics regarding literacy in the schools and societies today.

MRS. NANNE CUTLER

In September, Mrs. Cutler attended a meeting for volunteerism in Alabama, and in October she attended a meeting of the Houston County Health Council. Mrs. Cutler is currently serving as Publicity Chairman for the Dothan Arthritis Foundation's annual holiday fashion show and benefit ball, "Sequins and Suits."

DR. ANN EASLEY

On October 13, Dr. Easley attended the Alabama Association of Counseling and Development, District IX meeting at Troy State University in Troy. The guest speaker was Dr. Windell Williamson whose topic was "Myths of Mental Illness."

DR. ADAIR W. GILBERT

Dr. Gilbert is currently serving as the 1988-89 chairperson for the local chapter of the American Society for Quality Control. ASQC works to promote the development and marketing of high-quality and competitive products.

MRS. COURTNEY HARDYMAN

Mrs. Hardyman spoke to the Dothan High School Mentor Class about what the University could offer each of them. She also represented TSUD at College and Career Programs at Graceville High School, Ashford Academy, Houston Academy, Slocomb High School, Geneva High School, Geneva County High School, Wicksburg High School, Cottonwood High School, Rehobeth High School, and Samson High School.

MR. PATRICK HELLER

While on a quarter break trip to see family in Pennsylvania, Mr. Heller found time to visit Pennsylvania State University's Telecommunications Department. Also in September, Mr. Heller attended a LAMP WORKSHOP in Montgomery, which dealt with new techniques in the library/audio-visual field.

MRS. ANNE MCCUISTIAN

Mrs. McCuiestion, Pam Williamson and Reta Cordell met on October 11 as a committee to determine guidelines for conversion to the 4.0 scale. The 4.0 scale will become effective in Fall of 1989.

MRS. DIANE MURPHY

Mrs. Murphy attended the LEAD Academy's Seminar regarding Conferencing Skills used in a clinical approach to supervision in September 1988.

DR. MARY JO POLLMAN

On October 13, Dr. Pollman attended a board meeting of the Alabama Reading Association in Montgomery. On October 14, she presented a paper, "Predictable Reading Materials and the Acquisition of Word Attack Skills," to the
Alabama Reading Association Convention in Montgomery. She also presented awards to the Outstanding Reading Teachers at the convention. Also on October 14, Dr. Pollman attended a board meeting of the Alabama Association of Early Childhood Teacher Educators in Montgomery and on the 15th, she attended a board meeting of the Alabama Association of Young Children in Birmingham. On October 3, she attended a meeting of the Wiregrass Association for Young Children at TSUD.

DR. JACK R. SUBLETTE

On September 7, Dr. Sublette, President Harrison, Dr. Grimmer and Mr. Gene Murphree met with officials at Great Southern Paper to accept the second payment of a pledge to the Greater TSUD Development Fund. On September 13 & 14, Dr. Sublette gave a welcome at new student orientation sessions, and on September 28 he, President Harrison and Mr. Murphree met with TSU System officials concerning the new TSUD campus. Dr. Sublette presided at meetings of the Enterprise Public Library Board of Trustees on September 26 and on October 3. On October 5, he participated in the official TSUD groundbreaking ceremony.

MR. TONY WHETSTONE

On October 5, Mr. Whetstone directed the Wiregrass Community Band for the TSUD groundbreaking ceremony. During the past, Mr. Whetstone has met with various civic groups and organizations regarding the TSUD Needs Assessment Survey and has participated in the yearly evaluation of the Title III offices. Mr. Whetstone also performed in the SEACT Orchestra for the Fall production of "Oliver."

MR. FRANK WALKER

Mr. Walker was recently elected to the Board of Trustees of the Southeast Alabama Multitype System, a cooperative system of 43 junior colleges, schools and academic libraries.

MRS. PAMELA T. WILLIAMSON

On September 30, Mrs. Williamson attended a meeting of the Wiregrass United Way.

News From...

THE OFFICE OF COUNSELING SERVICES

The Office of Counseling Services hosted an on-campus interview with A. L. Williams on October 11, 1988.

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THE COURTESY COMMITTEE

The Courtesy Committee reports the following activities:

- Sent a get well card to Sarah Love's husband.
- Sent a get well card and plant to Dr. Parsa.
- Sent a get well card to
Diane Murphy's mother.

Dr. Shoaf would like to thank all the faculty and staff who have contributed to the courtesy fund. As of October 11th, 60% of TSUD personnel had donated to the fund. Dr. Shoaf would like to try for 100% participation. For more information, see Mark McCuistian in the Business office or Dr. Shoaf in room 80, ext. 235.

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EDUCATIONAL TECHNOLOGY SERVICES CENTER

Mr. Patrick Heller reports that the ETSC has begun a project to create and maintain a video archives for TSUD. The archives is off to a great start with a videotape of the Ralph W. Adams Address as well as the groundbreaking ceremony. Anyone interested in seeing either is welcome to come by the ETSC. A video history of TSUD is in the works for the future.

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GAMMA BETA PHI

Dr. Richard Martin reports that Gamma Beta Phi elected new officers and executive committee members at their October 2 meeting. The election results are as follows: President, Mike Sheppard; Vice-President, Debra McLain; Secretary, Anna Harrison; Treasurer, Debbie Evans; Historian Elect, Cindy Holloway (Linda Reynolds remains as Historian until January and the completion of the scrapbook for competition at the state level); Public Relations Director, Patricia Linder; Special Projects Director, Todd Baxley.

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THE OFFICE OF RECRUITING AND STUDENT ACTIVITIES

The Wallace College Jazz Band entertained faculty, staff, and students October 11 at TSUD’s first Student Activities period. The music was great, and everyone seemed to enjoy the break. The November 2 and November 29 Student Activities periods have been cancelled. We will resume having these activities Winter Quarter. They will be on January 27 and February 28, from 10:30 to 11:40 a.m.

The TSUD Newsline, a newsletter for students will continue to be printed each month and distributed to students. This is an excellent way to inform students about important deadlines and other items of interest. If you have anything that you would like to add to this letter, please send the information to Courtney Hardyman.

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Birthdays

October

1  Jennifer Spivey
11  Ms. Mary Dunlap
16  Dr. Mary Jo Pollman
27  Dr. Richard Martin
30  Mrs. Carolyn Jordan