TSUD Celebrates Heritage Week

Spring is in the air and so are preparations for a very fun-filled, activity-packed "Heritage Week" beginning April 12.

"Heritage Week" is a time set aside each year to reflect on TSUD's past accomplishments and prepare for future opportunities. This year's festivities kick-off with the Spring Honors Convocation on Friday, April 12, at the Dothan Opera House.

On Monday, April 15, enjoy a relaxed evening with entertainment featuring the TSUD Community Band under the direction of Tony Whetstone. This will mark the first musical event to occur on the Whetstone Stage in Sony Hall.

The "Reaching Out for a Healthy You" Annual Health and Wellness Fair on Tuesday, April 16, offers interactive demonstrations and free health screenings. Bring a friend and learn the secrets to a "healthier" you.

Enjoy a sack lunch Wednesday, April 17, in Sony Hall as you hear Dr. Larry Brown's presentation "Railroad Villages of South Alabama" during the Annual Woodham Lecture Series.

On Thursday, April 18, the Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony for the Library/Technology Building and the SGA Spring Picnic will culminate a memorable week. Mark your calendars and join the "Celebration of a New Era" at TSUD.

Students Participate in Collegiate Legislature Program

Editor's Note: This is an excerpt written by Rodney Mosquito describing his recent experience during the Eighth Annual YMCA Collegiate Legislature. Other TSUD student participants included Janice Stevens, Trish Stevens, Stephanie Sapp, Joellen Valez, and Charles Wiggins.

Collegiate Legislature is an invaluable program that instills critical thinking and leadership skills into its student body. This program has been one of the most rewarding experiences in my academic career.

As I prepared for the 2002 Collegiate Legislature, I wanted to present a bill that addressed education. My proposal was that any citizen that meets all requirements for residency in the state of Alabama, prior to enlistment into the active armed forces, receive 120 credit hours of college education benefits. These benefits would include tuition, books, and fees. This cost would be absorbed into the state's general fund. There are restrictions on eligibility and maintenance, which are included in the bill itself.

When the Eighth Collegiate Legislature came to order, the debates were heated, and the competition was stiff, but in the end my bill was passed and I truly felt a great sense of pride and accomplishment for the TSUD team.

As a soldier, the ability to effectively exercise the critical skill of "thinking on your feet," means the difference between life and death. I should know because I served in Operation Southern Watch - Kuwait - in 1998.
Spring Picnic T-Shirts On Sale

Preparations are being made for SGA's Annual "Spring Fling" Picnic on Thursday, April 18. To commemorate the celebration, SGA members are selling t-shirts for $12 each up to size 6X. Only pre-order sales will be taken.

This year's "Survivor" theme will be featured on Spring Fling t-shirts. Be sure to place your order(s) prior to April 9.

A LOOK AHEAD

Friday, April 12 - Spring Honors Convocation
Dothan Opera House - 6:00 P.M.

Monday, April 15 - TSUD Community Band Concert
Sony Hall (Whetstone Stage) - 7:00 P.M.

Tuesday, April 16 - Health and Wellness Fair
Malone Hall - 8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Wednesday, April 17 - Woodham Lecture Series - Dr. Larry Brown
"Railroad Villages of South Alabama"
Sony Hall - 12:00 P.M. - 1:00 P.M.

Thursday, April 18 - Library/Technology Building Ribbon-Cutting
9:00 A.M. - Guided Tours/Reception
10:00 A.M. - Ribbon-Cutting Ceremony

Thursday, April 18 - SGA Annual Spring Picnic
11:00 A.M. - 2:00 P.M.
4:30 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.

Saturday, April 20 - Spirit of Service Day
TSUD Project and Luncheon for SOS Workers
8:30 A.M. - 12:30 P.M.

Saturday, April 27 - March of Dimes "WalkAmerica" 2002
It's not too late to join the TSUD Team! If interested, contact co-captains Chris Bryant, ext. 393, or Julia Smith, ext. 320.

WIREGRASS ART ON DISPLAY

Visit the Library and the Instructional Support Center to view the works on display by these Wiregrass Artists:

Jean Battuello
Faye Blankenship
Connie Brooks
Stacey Bryant
Kathryn Butterwork
Pat Day
Forrest Faulkner
Joseph Gayhart
Kathryn Grier
Colleen Guy

June Johnson
Lawrence Katz
Nancy McGormley
Gayle Nelson
Jane Potts
Gina Ready
Catherine Smith
Kim Smith
Mois Waldren
Patti Walker

Susan Walker
Pamela Williams
Wyline Williams

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

APRIL
1 - Charles McArthur
2 - Joseph Fielding
3 - Christine Evans
4 - Donna Miller
5 - William Borders
6 - Anne Lorance
7 - Demetria Boone
8 - Lynda Salisbury
9 - Steve Cross
10 - Mary McCruter
11 - Kathi Adams
12 - Sandra Lee Jones
13 - Michael Malone
14 - Michael Higgins

MAY
17 - Cynthia Green
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COMING SOON
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