



## Groundbreaking Launches TSU-TVA Project

Phase one of a three part project involving the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), Tennessee State University, Nashville State Technical Institute and the State Board of Regents was activated March 3 when groundbreaking ceremonies were held at Cockrill Bend Industrial Park. Three buildings, which will house an aviation center, a craft upgrade center and an industry specific training center, will be built on seven acres of TSU property in the area. TVA will provide \$1.4 million to build the one-story structures and to lease the property for three years. At the end of the three years, TSU will own all three buildings.



A project involving TSU, TVA, Nashville State Technical Institute and the State Board of Regents was officially started with a groundbreaking ceremony at the Cockrill Bend Industrial Park. Those who participated in the ceremony were Dr. Howard Lawrence, president of Nashville Tech; Congressman Bill Boner, who was instrumental in securing federal funds for the project; Mayor Richard Fulton; Charles Dean, TVA chairman, President Frederick Humphries, and Richard Rhoda, assistant to the chancellor, State Board of Regents.

Participants in the ceremonies included Charles Dean, TVA Chairman, Congressman Bill Boner, Mayor Richard Fulton, Richard Rhoda, assistant to the Chancellor, State Board of Regents, President Frederick Humphries, and Howard Lawrence, president of Nashville State Technical Institute.

The project was initiated in 1981 when TSU and TVA began a search for ways to help each other and the North Nashville community, explained Ron Dickson, vice president for business affairs.

"TSU and TVA entered a five year agreement with the primary intent of getting people back to work and to help develop the Cockrill Bend area," he said.

Describing the projects in phase one, Dickson said the new aviation center will become an integral part of the School of Engineering's aeronautics program. The craft upgrade center will provide retraining in specific areas such as welding for people who have been displaced in the work force. The industry specific training portion of the project will prepare workers for immediate hiring by a particular industry or business.

Nashville Tech will provide the training programs, Dickson added.

"A work group representing labor, the state of Tennessee, the institutions involved and other community people will be appointed to help with the projects," Dickson said.

The second and third phases of the TSU-TVA agreement involve establishing a small business incubation center and a high technology center respectively. An additional \$3.1 million will be spent to bring these projects to fruition.

## Roberts Named Assoc. VP, Evening Programs Director

Dr. Dean B. Roberts has been named associate vice president for academic affairs and director of evening programs at the downtown campus. Roberts, whose appointment became effective February 13, succeeds Dr. Joseph Cozy.

Roberts has been a member of the TSU faculty for 10 years. He served as head of the Department of Curriculum and Instruction in the School of Education during the past six months. Before that, he held the position of coordinator of the doctoral program for two years.

Stating that he is "looking forward to the challenges" of the new post, Roberts added, "A lot of TSU's future growth is going to come in the area of the non-traditional student.

"Even though we've been here for so many years, large segments of the community still don't know what we have to offer working adults," he continued. "One of my goals is to give us broader exposure."

Roberts has dedicated his entire career to teaching. After earning a bachelor's and master's degree in history from Northwest Missouri State University and a doctorate in curriculum and instruction from Kansas University, Roberts taught in the public schools of Topeka, Kansas, and Bedford, Iowa, for a total of 10 years. He also coached basketball during those years. Roberts taught at Kansas University for three years before coming to TSU in 1974.

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## Lillie Shelton Promotes Professionalism Through TSUSA

Lillie Shelton's goal of professionalism for the Tennessee State University Secretaries Association is paying off in the improved "telephone personality" of some members.

"At one time people were complaining about the telephone personality (of some TSU secretaries) not being very good," said Shelton, who is secretary to the Director of Libraries, Dr. Evelyn Fancher. "But we have received a few comments saying that there has been improvement and I have noticed that they (the secretaries) are better."



Lillie Shelton

Shelton, who is in her first year as president of the TSUSA, said her goals include promoting unity among the association and University administrators, faculty, staff and students.

She said she also is aiming "to promote good human relations" and "professionalism at all times to stimulate a better image for TSU."

Shelton said the TSUSA membership roll includes about 35-40 active members of the slightly more than 100 secretaries on the main and downtown campuses. She

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## U.S. Budget Proposals Cut Student Aid

WASHINGTON, D.C.—President Reagan's fiscal year 1985 budget proposals contain a number of items that concern the higher education community nationally. Chief among these is a request to eliminate funding for nearly 800,000 financial assistance awards to undergraduate and graduate students.

The Action Committee for Higher Education, a coalition of Washington-based higher education groups that serve as an information clearinghouse on U.S. student aid programs, has prepared the following list of FY 85 budget proposals that would impact on higher education:

—The President's FY 85 budget would cut federal need-based student aid programs by a total of \$326 million, eliminating some 797,000 awards to undergraduate and graduate students. About five million of the nation's 12 million students currently receive financial aid. Funding for need-based programs would drop from \$3.976 billion to \$3.650 billion.

—The budget proposes *no funding* for: Supplemental Grants (currently funded at \$375 million), a program which provides grants to students as selected by a school; National Direct Student Loans (currently \$161 million in federal capital contributions), a program which provides low-interest loans to students with the federal government putting up about 90 percent of the capital; State Student Incentive Grants (currently funded at \$76 million), a program which encourages the creation of state scholarship programs for needy students by providing funds which the states match and reallocate to their campuses; Graduate Student Fellowships (currently funded at \$14 million).

Other programs would be revamped in the President's budget; a brief outline follows:

—Pell Grants, the basic federal student grant program, would be funded at the current level (\$2.8 billion). College Work Study, which provides campuses with the funds to pay for student work opportunities, would be increased from \$550 million to \$850 million, but taxation rates on discretionary family income would be increased, and the student would be expected to contribute a minimum of \$500 toward educational costs before qualifying for a grant.

—Guaranteed Student Loans would be revised to require a needs test for all recipients. Currently, a needs test is only required of applicants with family incomes over \$30,000.

—The budget also proposes to cut in half the TRIO programs, which provide vital services to encourage college attendance and retention of disadvantaged students. The program currently is funded at \$165 million.

—Also proposed for elimination are: the Cooperative Education Program, which permits students to get work experience while attending school (currently funded at \$14 million); foreign language and area studies programs, which encourage international studies (currently funded at \$31 million); and veterans cost of instruction programs, which assist institutions in providing education to veterans.

## Biomedical Seminars Offered

The Department of Biological Sciences presents seminars on the biomedical sciences each Friday at noon in room 208 of McCord Hall. Dr. Prem S. Kahlon, coordinator of the seminars, says that the quality of the speakers for the seminars has been significantly enhanced by NIH funding of the MARC and FASEB programs.

A special invitation is extended to the TSU family to attend the seminars scheduled for the weeks ahead. The dates, speakers and topics are as follows:

March 16, 1984, Dr. D.S. Sachan, UTK, "Prevention of Alcohol-Induced Fatty Liver by Carnitine";

March 23, 1984, Dr. Shirley Russell, Meharry Medical College, "Genetics";

April 6, 1984, Dr. Paul Hasegawa, Purdue University, "Plant Tissue Culture";

April 13, 1984, MBRS Meeting;

April 20, 1984, Dr. John Wallace, Univ. of Louisville, "Immunology";

April 27, 1984, Dr. John Ruffin, N.C. Central University, "Environmental Toxicology."

## Announcements

A TSU School of Engineering graduate, John E. Sartin, has donated nine chromo-plated coat/hat hooks to the Career Development Center. Sartin is currently employed with the General Electric Company in Erie, Pennsylvania. Dorothy Lockridge, director of the Career Development Center, said the gift will be used in the new interviewing facility.

The Graduate School recently received notification that Tennessee State University has been awarded a

\$100,800 Graduate and Professional Opportunities Fellowship Grant. Dean James Reeves reports that the grant's starting date is August 15 and the concluding date is August 14, 1985.

The grant will cover three continuing and three new grants for graduate students in engineering and six continuing grants for students in business. Each grant will be \$8,400.

The Department of Government and Public Affairs has received a \$64,000 grant from the Department of Housing and Urban Development to provide stipends for students who participate in the Community Development Work-Study Program. The recipients of the grants must be interested in pursuing a graduate degree in public administration. Recipients are also required to accept internships with public sector agencies under the Community Development Block Grant Program or the Urban Development Action Grants Program and to maintain satisfactory academic performances. For more information about the grants, contact Dr. Hoyt A. King, head of the Department of Government and Public Affairs, at 320-3443 or 320-3600.

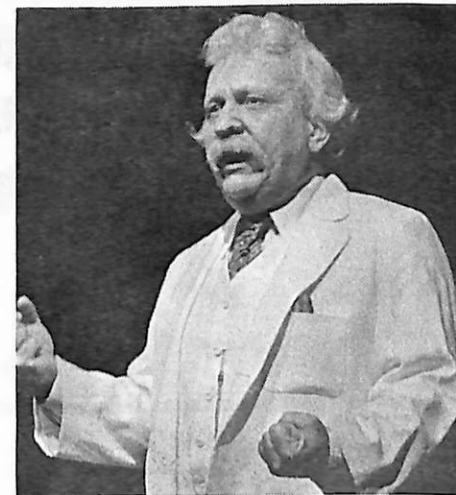
The English Department faculty has moved its offices to the second floor of the Business Building.

The Founders Day celebration will be held April 12 and 13. Plans for the observance include an opening convocation, seminars and a banquet.

The Honors Program will hold its annual banquet March 15 at 6:30 p.m. at the Sheraton Hotel. The guest speaker will be Dr. David Jones, director of secondary programs for the Metro Nashville Board of Education. The program also includes a dramatic presentation and the presentation of awards to outstanding students. For more information, contact Dr. McDonald Williams, 320-3315.

TSU's Upward Bound Program has been recommended for a continuation grant in the amount of \$178,726 for 1984-85 by the Department of Education. The program, directed by Mary Love, provides high school students with pre-college classes and cultural experiences.

A voter registration drive has been planned for the TSU campus. Members of the campus community



Mark Twain came to life through the artistry of John Chappell, a noted actor who tours the country presenting "Mark Twain—On Stage." Chappell appeared February 23 in the Administration Building Auditorium. The performance was presented by the TSU Cultural Affairs Committee.

can register to vote on Mondays from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Education Building from March 12 through March 30th. For more information, call Grace Leggs at 320-3264.

The cut-off date for processing purchase requisitions for the current fiscal year is March 30.

The cut-off date is applicable to unrestricted funds. Purchase requisitions must be received by the Budget Office *no later than 4:30 p.m., March 30, 1984.*

Any exceptions to the established cut-off date must be supported by a letter of justification, approved by the vice president responsible for the area, and attached to the requisition when submitted to the Budget Office. Letters of justification requesting exemption from the cut-off date must be approved by the Business Affairs office.

## Staff Notes

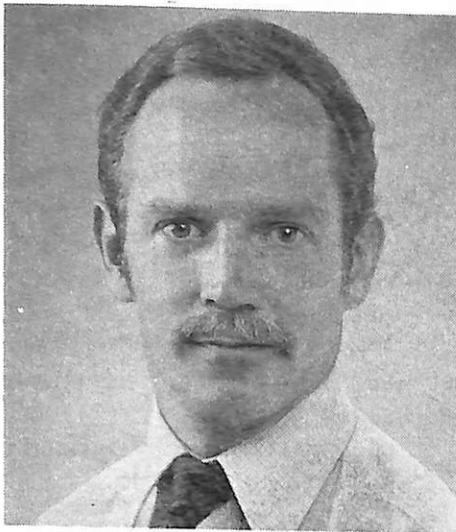
The Personnel Department reports the following new employees for the month of February:

Arthur Davis, mechanic, Physical Plant; Keith Morgan, media technician, University College; Doris Dismuke, recruiter/counselor, Allied Health; Amiri Gamshadzahi, associate professor, Physics and Math; Harold Smith, research analyst, Physics and Math; Martha Lowery, secretary, Extension Service; Michelle Lenox, technician, Student Activities; Allison Stegall, fireman, Heating Plant; Lonnell Ingram, fireman, Heating Plant; Douglas Binkley, fireman, Heating Plant; and Avon Buford, clerk typist, Library/Learning Resources.

The following staff members resigned during February: Cherry Ringgold-Tillman, Allied Health; and Adrienne Phillips, Speech Pathology.

## Media Center Is An Untapped Resource

Charles Gray would like to encourage the TSU faculty to "investigate integrating media into their classroom presentations."



Charles Gray

Gray, associate director of the Media Center, said, "Research has proven that it (media) does have a positive impact on learning." He added that the studies have shown that the more the senses are involved in teaching subject matter, "the greater the likelihood that students will retain knowledge of a given subject."

Faculty members will have an opportunity to learn more about using audio and video materials for instructional purposes during a high technology institute scheduled for April 1-3 by the State Board of Regents, Gray said. A \$50 registration fee will be charged, one-half of which will be rebated by the Board of Regents to faculty members from SBR schools.

"There will be excellent speakers from throughout the country participating in the program," said Gray. "The media center will involve itself by video and audio taping the workshop, and making tapes available for people who cannot attend all sessions. I hope that as many faculty that can get away will attend the workshop."

To register for the workshop, interested persons should call Dr. Peter Consacro, SBR, at 741-4821.

The media center, which is located in the Learning Resource Centers on the main and downtown campuses, serves the University by distributing equipment (projectors, tape recorders, etc.) for use in instructional and public service programs on and off campus. The center also provides limited graphic art services for brochure, chart and overhead transparency production, with advance notice. A color television studio and a darkroom within the center also facilitate production of instructional and public service materials.

Efforts to strengthen the centers capabilities for producing instructional materials have been advanced with the acquisition of a computer, Gray said. The computer can be used for the development of interactive instructional materials.

As an example of the video productions which can be used in the classroom, Gray said the center is in the process of producing a remedial program for the mathematics department which features graphing techniques for math majors. He said the process uses special effects to illustrate and simplify some concepts involved in algebraic graphing.

In addition to Gray, the media center's staff includes eight other workers.

"We are all a division of the Library," Gray added.



Yvonne Hodges

## Hodges Joins PR Staff

Yvonne Hodges, former administrative assistant to the dean of the School of Engineering at TSU, has joined the Public Relations staff as coordinator of public service and special projects. Hodges, whose appointment became effective February 20, fills the vacancy created by the resignation of Darralyn Hall. Hall left the University to become marketing and publicity coordinator at Donelson Hospital.

Hodges' responsibilities will include writing and researching materials for public service announcements, the faculty-staff newsletter and alumni magazine; assisting the director of public relations and other staff members as assigned; and serving as a liaison between campus personnel and the media.

A Fisk University graduate, Hodges holds a bachelor's degree in music and a master of art degree. She was formerly employed by the Charlie Pride Music Publishing Company in the public relations division.

## Faculty Briefs

**Dr. Richard A. Grooms**, assistant professor, Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, director of campus recreation-intramural sports, and facilitator of special physical education programs, was elected chairman-elect of the Adapted Physical Education section of the Tennessee Association for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance during the organization's annual meeting. Grooms will preside as chairman-elect of the section during a November meeting in Knoxville. He will serve as chairman of the Adapted Physical Education Section during the 1985 meeting, to be held in Nashville.

**TSU President Frederick S. Humphries** was the recipient of the National Achievement Award presented by Phi Delta Kappa, a professional educational sorority, during a recent national meeting in Los Angeles, California. Humphries was nominated for the award by the Nashville Alpha Beta chapter of the sorority. Ann Black is basileus of the chapter and **Dr. Darlene Huddleston**, acting dean of the School of Education, is a member of the organization.

**Dr. Larry D. Woods**, associate professor, Department of Criminal Justice, has been appointed to the National Board of Editors of the *Criminal Law Advocacy Reporter*, published by the Matthew Bender Publishing Company. Woods was also recently elected vice-chairman of the Long Term Planning Committee of the Metropolitan Nashville Board of Education.

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said recruitment drives to raise the number of members were not too successful. The association accepts secretaries as well as administrative assistants and others with secretarial office responsibilities.

Shelton said currently the TSUSA has "pretty good" relations with the University administration. "We have not had any problems with our workshops or anything like that. . . So far, everything has been pretty good," she said.

Shelton, who attended the National Business School, said she does not have plans to seek reelection. "But," she added, "if I am reelected I will serve because I enjoy the work."

Shelton said she has been at TSU for 18 years, working all of that time on the library staff.

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Roberts said he has witnessed many changes in the teaching profession over the past 23 years.

"The major change has been a very regretful erosion of community support for public education," he said. "The lack of support is based on perceptions which are mostly myth. Today, teachers are being trained better than ever before."

He has also seen a lot of changes at TSU during his 10 year tenure.

"I've seen a lot of changes for the better, a lot of improvement at TSU," he said. "I attribute a lot of the growth and positive improvements to the guidance provided by Dr. Humphries and Dr. Crowell."

Roberts is married and has two children.

## 1984 Baseball Schedule

March

13—Lane College, Jackson, Tennessee—2:30 p.m.; 14—Vanderbilt University, Home—2:30 p.m.; \*17—Rust College, Home—1:00 p.m.; 18—Kentucky State, Home—2:30 p.m.; \*19—Rust College, Holly Springs, MS—1:00 p.m.; 20—David Lipscomb, Home—2:30 p.m.; \*21—Alabama A&M, Normal, Alabama—1:00 p.m.; 22—Vanderbilt University, Nashville, TN—2:30 p.m.; 23—Middle Tennessee State, Home—2:30 p.m.; \*25—University of North Alabama, Home—1:00 p.m.; \*28—University of North Alabama, Florence, Alabama—1:00 p.m.; \*30—Tennessee Tech University, Cookeville, TN—1:00 p.m.; and \*31—Kentucky Wesleyan, Home—1:00 p.m.

\*Denotes Doubleheaders

## Tax Workshop Planned

A mini-workshop on "How to Reduce Your Tax Payments and Manage Your Personal Finances" will be presented March 28, 7:30 to 9:15 p.m., in room 318 on the Downtown Campus. The workshop is for TSU faculty, staff and students. Jim Bates vice president and trust officer of First American Bank, will lead the workshop.

To register for the workshop, contact Susan Blair, student services, at 251-1561. The registration deadline is March 26.

She said her most persistent wish is for more secretaries to participate in the association other than during special events such as the annual salad luncheon.



The E. I. Dupont de Nemours & Company has awarded a DuPont Engineering Grant of \$20,000 to Tennessee State University. The science and engineering grant is to enhance university teaching and research in science and engineering by helping satisfy needs and engage in activities that would not otherwise be possible. Pictured are Dr. Calvin Atchison, vice president for development, W. B. Jones, manager of the DuPont Old Hickory Plant, President Humphries, Robin Shaw and Gene Green DuPont employees and TSU graduates.

## Safety Tip: Poison Prevention Week March 18-24

This year's observance of National Poison Prevention Week will be held March 18-24. The theme is "Children Act Fast... So Do Poisons." As with other safety events during the year, Poison Prevention Week is a time of special emphasis on a particular safety problem, but the practices stressed should be observed all year long.

Young children will eat and drink almost anything. They can get their hands on something and put it in their mouth with amazing speed. A child may put something in his/her mouth as part of the learning process, may think it is food or may imitate adults seen taking medicines. Since they do not yet know what is good for them and what is not, anything within their reach is a potential hazard.

Adults should be reminded not to leave any potentially poisonous product unattended, even for a minute. They should not allow themselves to be distracted by a telephone call, the doorbell or food cooking on the stove. If the distraction cannot be avoided, either the child or the dangerous substance should be taken along. Otherwise the child may eat or drink the substance, with potentially fatal results.

The Poison Prevention Week Council estimates that 500,000 children will be victims of accidental poisoning this year. In an effort to reduce that number, the Council offers the following suggestions for "poison-proofing" homes:

\*Keep household products and medicines out of reach and out of

sight of children, preferably in a locked cabinet or closet. Even if necessary to leave the room for only an instant, remove the container to a safe spot.

\*Store medicines separately from other household products and keep these items in their original containers—never in cups or drink bottles.

\*Be sure all products are properly labeled, and read the label before using.

\*Always turn the light on when giving or taking medicine.

\*Children imitate adults, so avoid taking medicine in their presence. Avoid drinking medicine from the bottle.

\*Refer to medicines by their proper names. They are not candies.

\*Dispose of outdated and unneeded products by pouring down the drain or toilet or some other acceptable manner, then discard the empty container.

\*Ask for and use substances in child-resistant packages. Insist on safety packages for medicine. Always re-secure the safety closure carefully to protect young children.

If, in spite of all precautions, a poisoning accident occurs, call a doctor, hospital or Poison Control Center. Have on hand a bottle of Syrup of Ipecac to use if advised to do so.

## TSU Hosts ASBS March 21-24

Tennessee State University will serve as the host chapter for the 49th Annual Meeting of the Association of Social and Behavioral

Scientists (ASBS) to be held March 21-24 at the Downtown Sheraton Hotel.

ASBS is an interdisciplinary social science organization of international scholars from the fields of sociology, political science, anthropology, economics, psychology, geography and history. Along with a number of scholarly papers being presented throughout the seminars, the W.E.B. Dubois Award will be given to an outstanding humanitarian and scholar and the Theophilus E. McKinney Award will be given to a student scholar. McKinney founded ASBS in 1935 while he was dean of Johnson C. Smith College.

Under the theme, "Illuminating the Path of Community Self-Reliance," a variety of topics will be discussed. Among them are political and economic barriers facing southern rural blacks; the black woman's influence on the women's movement; the role of blacks in agriculture and theories of race and racial studies. Speakers will include a number of authorities from colleges and universities across the South.

Other activities will include the W.E.B. Dubois luncheon to be held at Fisk University, a banquet and dance featuring the TSU Jazz Ensemble and a pavilion which will showcase the predominately black universities in Nashville.

Dr. Andrew Jackson of TSU serves as president of ASBS, with Dr. Ruth Dennis of Meharry Medical College as vice president. For conference registration and information, call 320-3638.

## Student Shares Love of TSU



John Morgan

"Wherever I go I tell people about the Minority Scholarship program," says John Morgan a freshman student and recent graduate of Cheatham County High School in Ashland City.

The Minority Scholarship Program is funded by a Tennessee Higher Education Commission (THEC) grant. The program is designed to attract traditional, college-age white

students directly from high school; and to attract them to live in the dormitories.

John says he "loves Tennessee State University" and wants to actively recruit for the school. He is working with Dr. Helen Bain, associate professor of educational administration and active recruiter, to set up a recruiting trip to his alma mater, Cheatham County High School.

John's mother, Margaret Verran, librarian at Kingston Springs Elementary School in Kingston Springs, relates how John found out about the program. "I met a TSU employee who explained the scholarship program to me in the supermarket. She gave me the phone number and suggested that I contact Dr. Helen Bain at Tennessee State University."

Mrs. Verran did contact Dr. Bain. John applied for the scholarship, was accepted and entered Tennessee State University last fall.

John is active in amateur sports, a love which he has had since he was 5 years old and continues to be on his list of priorities. He has been active in The Meistersingers. In addition to working in the Office of Public Relations, he sings in the University Choir and holds down a part-time job.

He cites a desire to be a Poag Player and perhaps work on the University Yearbook in his coming years at Tennessee State.

When asked about what his plans are for the future, John replied, "I have not really decided upon a major field."

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