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Campaign USF begins second year with two major gifts

The Central Florida Regional Data Center (CFRDC), one of the support service areas within University Computing Services at USF, is pleased to announce the arrival of a new IBM 3900 Model 3000R Processing Complex. The unit was installed over the Labor Day weekend. Approximately 90 percent of USF's instruction, research and administrative computing is done on CFRDC computers.

This new, larger and state-of-the-art processor provides nearly twice the computing power of the two older IBM 3381 computers it will replace, but is only about half the physical size. The CFRDC provides a computing environment that primarily supports USF's five campuses and other SUS and local government activities.

The upgrade to the new machine will provide added support for the growing business being experienced in the instruction, research and administrative areas and will play an important role in helping the university obtain its goal of being one of the top 25 universities in the nation by the year 2000.

The new student telephone (voice) registration system and drop-in are only an example of the numerous processes that will be improved by this upgrade.

The vector processing facility will be of great interest to the research oriented members of the computing community who need improved support for Numerically Intensive Computing (NIC). Math, engineering and scientific applications are most commonly associated with vector processing, as well as applied sciences such as meteorology and geographical studies.

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President Borkowski recently accepted a $516,000 gift to the university from the TECO Energy. Pictured are, from left, TECO President Timothy Guzelle, Buildings and TECO Chairman of the Board H.L. Stavros, and Campaign USF Chair Rudy Michael.

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Money trouble at Eye Institute

The new USF Eye Institute may be in serious financial difficulty. USF officials say accountants' reports before the institute opened gave an inflated idea of the number of patients the institute would attract and of how much insurance companies would pay for treatment there.

The officials believe that insurance companies would consider the Eye Institute a hospital, and pay the higher hospital rates for treatment. But because the Eye Institute is strictly an outpatient facility, the insurance companies have not paid the full rate.

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Campaign USF: Opportunities To Shape Florida's Future rolled into its second year by announcing two major gifts to the campaign effort, bringing the current campaign total to $71 million.

The $3 million Helen Ellis Endowed Chair in Parkinson's Disease Research has been established in her memory by her husband, A.L. Ellis. The chair will be located at the USF College of Medicine.

TECO Energy has pledged gifts totalling $1.5 million. Over the next 10 years, this will provide support for a number of USF projects, including $500,000 to endow an eminent scholar chair in education. The chair will be known as the TECO Energy Endowed Chair in Education and will support efforts to strengthen the management and administration of local public education.

In accepting the gift, President Francis T. Borkowski said, "This gift provides an immediate boost to Campaign USF. We are particularly pleased to have this support for our College of Education. Work being done at USF is already having a major impact on the quality of basic education in Florida, and this will allow continued progress."

Other activities that will receive support from the TECO gift include the Gus Stavros Center for the Advancement of Free Enterprise and Economic Education, the Center for Swallowing Disorders, and energy conservation for USF buildings.

TECO Energy chairman H.L. Culbrett said, "The University of South Florida has played a significant role in the development of our region and will be a major force in shaping its future. Campaign USF offers an opportunity to invest in that future."

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Sen. John Grant will lead the committee for the alumni house to be built at the entrance to the Tampa campus. When completed, the building will house the offices of the USF Alumni Association and will be used for alumni social and fund-raising activities, and will provide a central gathering point for the university's more than 250,000 alumni. Senator Grant is an alumnus of USF and his son, John Grant III, is presently enrolled as a junior and is a member of the prestigious TECO Ambassadors students alumni organization.

Asking the support of the Foundation Executive Committee to the committee involved with the construction of the president's house on the Tampa campus is Winkie Howell. Mrs. Howell has been a patron of many organizations in the Tampa area, such as the Plant Museum and the Children's Home of Tampa. She served on the President's Advisory Council under Cecil Mackey and is one of the founders of the USF Town and Gown. The president's home is planned for an area near the campus entrance, adjacent to the proposed alumni house.

At the Campaign USF meeting held in June, chairman Rudy Michael announced that the Annual Fund effort for 1983/84 (those funds given to be used during the current fiscal year) raised a total of $6.8 million, which included gifts from alumni donors. Other gifts during that fiscal year included six endowed chairs in the College of Medicine, two in the College of Business Administration and one at USF at Sarasota in education; several endowed professorships and scholarships; and endowed fellowships in areas of medical research.

President Borkowski delivered a personal thank you message to the Campaign volunteers and emphasized how critical private fundraising is for a public university such as USF.
SEPTEMBER 22 Fall graduation application deadline.
Deadline for requests for reinstatement of registrations canceled for financial reasons.

OCTOBER 7 CLAST administration.
OCTOBER 20 Honors Convocation.

Fine Arts
All art exhibits are free. Call ext. 2648 for Art Department information.
Call ext. 2311 for information on Music Department. Call ext. 2427 for box office information.

SEPTEMBER 22-23 Art exhibit: USF Art Department Faculty Biennial: Art Museum.
Art exhibit: USF Art Department and Museum Staff Exhibition: Theatre 1: Lobby Gallery.


SEPTEMBER 30-OCTOBER 1 Art exhibit: Center Art Show: Beyboro Hall. Call 822-7872 in St. Petersburg for information.

OCTOBER 2 Faculty exhibit: Robert Helms, piano. 8 p.m., Music Recital Hall (FAH 101). $2 general admission, $1 students and senior citizens.

OCTOBER 2-4 Art exhibit: Lynn McNiel MFA Thesis Exhibition: Teaching Gallery (FAH 110).

OCTOBER 5 Faculty exhibit: John Robson, lute. 8 p.m., Music Recital Hall (FAH 110). $2 general admission, $1 students and senior citizens.

OCTOBER 5-7 Theatre/USF: The Einheit Principle. 8 p.m. Theatre. General admission, $6, students and senior citizens $3.50.

OCTOBER 9-13 Art exhibit: Delores Con MFA Thesis Exhibition: Teaching Gallery (FAH 110).

OCTOBER 11-14 USF's "Year of the Einheit Principle." 8 p.m. Theatre. 2 general admission, $3.50 students and senior citizens.
USF alumnus Daniel Knich wrote The Einheit Principle, a [|...|]