

USF AT ST, PETERSBURG  
Office of the Dean

MEMORANDUM

April 1, 1981

TO: St. Pete Faculty  
FROM: John Hinz   
SUBJECT: Urgent Campus Dedication Meeting This Friday, April 3rd

A general faculty meeting in Room 138 at noon this Friday, April 3rd, will deal with our forthcoming campus dedication, Make every effort to attend despite the short notice.

As you must be aware, this projected week-long series of events is of interest to, and will be funded by, various constituencies. Students, staff, faculty, alumni, USF administrators, arts people, local business and political leaders, and the St. Petersburg community at large all believe they are entitled to participate in our ceremony and rites of passage.

Clearly, it is in our interest to support this perception and encourage their involvement. If we draw all these interested parties into our celebration and handle the affair tolerably well despite the severe time limitations, the occasion itself will strengthen this regional campus, promote its growth, and help ensure its future. The date has been set for us: May 11 to 16. Clearly, we have our work cut out for us. Five weeks is scarcely adequate for us to make maximum impact on the community.

Our meeting this Friday, therefore, will not resemble a gathering of Druids. Our working agenda that day will concern itself with practical arrangements: dates, times, events, staff, organization and coordination. It is important that we get our act together here before another dedication-related meeting scheduled for next Tuesday at Tampa.

The time we have available to us is desperately brief. Yet, what better way to get the people of this region to know and appreciate their USF regional campus? If St. Petersburg faculty, students, and staff rally around, regroup, cooperate, and work like blazes, I believe we can still pull it off.

This is a party we are throwing for ourselves and the community we serve. Let's make it a blast, not a bust!