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Aug. 8, 1986

YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio -- Youngstown State University has received an endowment from the estate of a Youngstown woman to fund services for handicapped individuals, University President Neil D. Humphrey announced today (8/8/86).

The Ethel M. Wood Epilepsy Foundation Endowment Fund at YSU will provide a graduate student assistantship in the University's Office of Counseling and Health Services. The graduate student will advise and counsel those having the condition of epilepsy and other handicapped students.

"This gift will enable the University not only to strengthen its service to students but to increase its service to the community," Dr. Humphrey said, noting that the foundation and University share the goals of education, research and public service.

The endowment also will fund the creation of a clearinghouse at YSU for current information on epilepsy, a disorder of the central nervous system that affects more than 2 million Americans. Materials available under the auspices of The Epilepsy Foundation of America will be emphasized.

The Ethel M. Wood Epilepsy Foundation Fund has been established with an initial endowment of \$85,016, said Richard P. McLaughlin, attorney for the foundation.

"The foundation will provide the University with additional resources for helping disabled students adjust to college life," said Dr. Charles McBriarty, Vice President -- Student Services.

The endowment is named for the widow of Eastburn R. Wood, former owner of the Liebman-Bonnell-Wood Insurance Agency.

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YSU President Neil D. Humphrey of Poland, left, accepts a check for \$85,016 establishing the Ethel M. Wood Epilepsy Foundation Endowment Fund at the University from Atty. Richard P. McLaughlin, attorney for the Wood estate. Dr. Charles McBriarty of Boardman, right, Vice President--Student Services, said the fund will be used to create a graduate assistantship to advise and counsel those with epilepsy, and assist other handicapped students.

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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - Youngstown State University's campus has been a busy place this summer, with 6,064 students taking courses--second highest summer enrollment in the University's history.

The record for summer was set in 1983 with 6,100 students. There were 5,766 students enrolled last summer.

This summer's student body includes 1,148 full-time students who are carrying 12 or more hours of credit, and 4,916 part-time students.

The Full-Time Equivalent this quarter is 2,943, fourth highest for summer term. FTE is the student-credit hour formula used by the state to measure both part-time and full-time students into a full-time equation.

Of the total 6,064 students, 5,102 are undergraduates and 962 are graduate students; 2,868 men and 3,196 women.

The seniors lead class enrollment, as they did last summer, with 1,798. Other class figures show there are 1,186 freshmen, 1,126 juniors, and 992 sophomores.

Of those attending summer classes, 5,580 are Ohioans and 484 are from other states and countries.

Summer enrollment by schools and colleges shows 1,552 in the College of Applied Science and Technology; 1,590 in the College of Arts and Sciences; 962 in the Graduate School; 729 in the Warren P. Williamson, Jr. School of Business Administration; 557 in the School of Education; 415 in the William Rayen School of Engineering; and 261 in the College of Fine and Performing Arts

Current freshman class enrollment is 100 percent of last summer's figure; the sophomore class is 97.3 percent; the junior class, 108 percent; and the senior class, 105.4 percent compared to seniors in the summer of 1985.

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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - Youngstown State University's Board of Trustees today (8/8/86) approved a new three-year agreement between the University and the YSU Chapter of the Ohio Education Association, which represents 410 full-time faculty members.

It includes eight percent salary increases for each of the three years, new salary ranges at the four academic ranks, improvements in fringe benefits, increased University commitment to faculty research and professional development, restrictions on outside employment, and other improvements.

The OEA unit, which has had a collective bargaining agreement with the University since 1972, approved the tentative agreement earlier by a 276-50 vote.

The new salary ranges are: professor - \$36,000 to \$63,000; associate professor - \$30,000 to \$52,500; assistant professor - \$24,000 to \$42,000; and instructor - \$18,000 to \$31,500. They apply to nine-month faculty contracts.

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YOUNGSTOWN, Ohio - Edward J. DeBartolo, Jr. has given Youngstown State University a \$35,000 gift which will be used to institute a drug testing program for YSU athletes.

The University Board of Trustees accepted the gift at a special meeting today (8/8/86). Detailed plans for the program--still being worked out by the Athletic Department and the board's Public Service Committee--will be announced when they are presented at the board's Sept. 26 meeting.

University President Neil D. Humphrey praised the gift as a vital contribution to young people and the community as well as Youngstown State.

While Athletic Director Joseph Malmisur and YSU coaches have said they know of no drug problem at YSU, they have stated a testing program is necessary, pointing out that drug abuse is a nation-wide problem that has been focused on athletes because of their high profile.

The DeBartolo family is the country's largest single investor in sports enterprises with ownership of the San Francisco 49ers, the Pittsburgh Penguins hockey team, the Pittsburgh Civic Arena, and three thoroughbred racing operations, Thistledown Racing Club at Cleveland, Balmoral Park in Chicago and Louisiana Downs, Shreveport, La. The DeBartolo Corporation is the nation's largest developer and manager of shopping malls.

President Humphrey said, "This important gift reflects the DeBartolos' concern about drug abuse, particularly as it affects young people and especially those involved in athletics."

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"It's our hope that this gift will benefit both the University and its athletes," commented Edward J. DeBartolo, Jr.

Athletic Director Malmisur said, "We will use all the services available to help our athletes. This is a truly major step forward."

Malmisur earlier had said that the program will be modeled after the International Olympic Committee program. It includes random urinalysis testing of the University's 200 athletes. Coaches, trainers and staff members also would be tested.

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