

Groundbreaking

Harry Meshel Hall • Youngstown State University

July 13, 1984 • 9:00 a.m.

Program

Invocation The Reverend Raymond J. Thomas
Director, Newman Center

Welcome Frank C. Watson
Chairman, Board of Trustees
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Introductions Neil D. Humphrey
President
Youngstown State University

Remarks The Honorable Harry Meshel
State Senator, 33rd District of Ohio

Response William J. Lyden
Chairman, Building and Property Committee
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**Groundbreaking
Ceremonies**

HARRY MESHEL HALL, Youngstown State University's high tech building, has been hailed as the facility that will lead the way to forming a new economic foundation for the Youngstown area and all of Northeastern Ohio.

~~Scheduled for completion in early 1986, the \$15-million structure will house the University's Computer Center and the academic programs teaching computer science and technology. It is named in honor of State Sen. Harry Meshel, veteran senator from Ohio's 33rd District and currently Senate president, who was instrumental in securing state funding for the project. Sen. Meshel also helped develop plans for the building.~~

Located in front of, and connected to the Wick Avenue Parking Deck and the pedestrian walkway, the 87,000-square-foot structure will centralize and expand the University's computer facilities. It will provide space and equipment to house programs for the education and training of students and personnel in advanced technology, and to extend this technology into new fields, thereby forming the basis for new industries. The facility will also be used for retraining programs.

Plans for the four-story, steel and limestone building call for 6 classrooms and 13 laboratories which, combined, will have study stations for 750 students. In addition, there will be 25 offices, a 100-seat lecture hall, and a large student commons study area with an atrium on the second floor. Top levels of the structure will contain offices for the computer center staff and faculty, plus a visitor's viewing area of the 6,500-square-foot main frame computer room complex.

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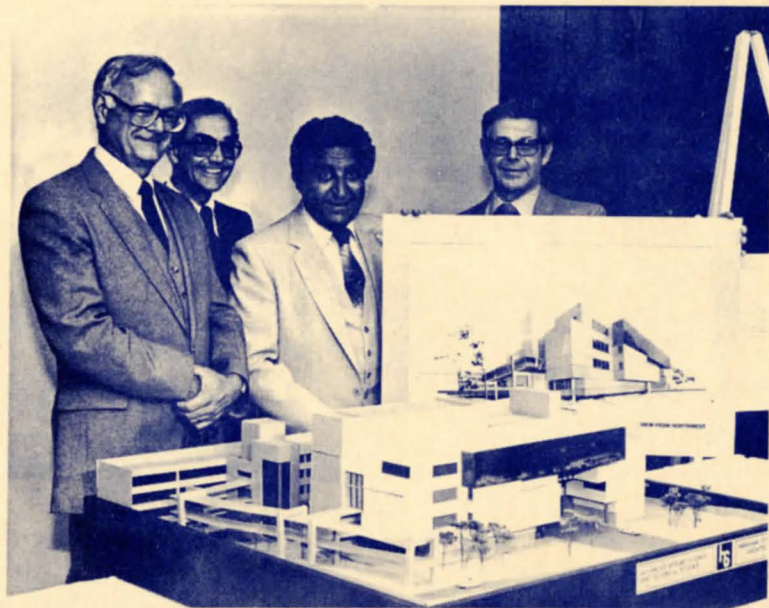
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Project plans revealed . . . September 16, 1983. (Left to right) Bernard T. Gillis, YSU provost; Neil D. Humphrey, YSU president; State Sen. Harry Meshel; and Frank C. Watson, YSU board chairman.