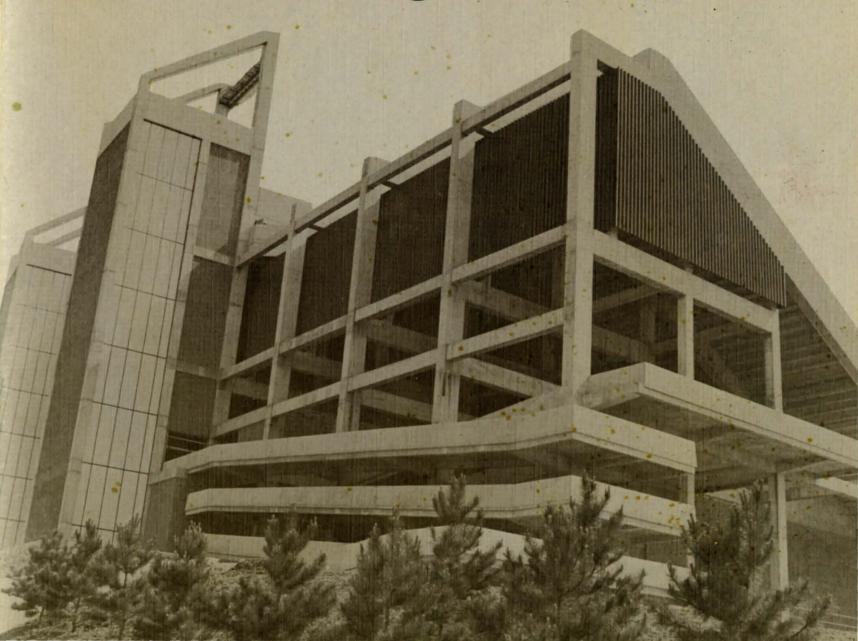
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Dedication Program

Saturday, September 4, 1982 – 10:30 a.m. Gymnasium, Second Level

Welcome William G. Lyden, Jr.

Chairman, All-Sports Complex Committee

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The Salvation Army

Remarks The Honorable James A. Rhodes

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Presentation of the Building . . William G. Lyden, Jr.

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Acceptance of the Building . . . Dr. Thomas D.Y. Fok

Chairman, Board of Trustees Youngstown State University

Unveiling of the Portrait John J. Coffelt

President, Youngstown State University

Mrs. Arnold D. Stambaugh

Unveiling of the Plaque Dr. Thomas D.Y. Fok

Chairman, Board of Trustees Youngstown State University

Benediction Captain Jay Goforth

The Salvation Army



Arnold D. Stambaugh

(1903 - 1981)

Prominent Youngstown businessman, civic leader and philanthropist Arnold D. Stambaugh devoted much of a lifetime to providing for the betterment of his community and its organizations.

Born in Lincoln, Nebraska, Mr. Stambaugh came with his family to live in Youngstown at the age of 14. After graduation from The Rayen School in 1922, he went to work selling lumber for \$20 a week, calling on industrial customers throughout the area by streetcar until he could afford to buy a car. By 1929, he had organized the Stambaugh-Frampton Lumber Co., operating sawmills in Ohio, Michigan, and Pennsylvania. The young company successfully sought to supply steel mills with lumber to brace steel for shipment, and soon was able to claim a million dollars a year in hardwood sales and ownership of 27 sawmills. In 1946, Mr. Stambaugh organized the Stambaugh-Vorhees Lumber Co., and in 1958 established the Stambaugh Hardwood Lumber Co. which he served as president and treasurer until his retirement in 1969.

Although he retired from business in 1969, Arnold Stambaugh continued to devote his energies to longtime community interests, and was far from retired from active life.

Youngstown State University was one of Mr. Stambaugh's great interests. In 1952, he gave the institution 17 acres of land for recreational and sports use, and in the 60s began what was to be a ten-year personal campaign for a sports complex at the University. In 1978, announcing that the spectator stadium in the University's new All-Sports Complex would be named in honor of Mr. Stambaugh, the YSU Board of Trustees cited his civic vision and "continuing efforts to help both the Community and Youngstown State University." The Board recognized Mr. Stambaugh for providing "the leadership and inspiration in bringing together the leadership of the Community to provide the major thrust in a successful fund-raising drive to make a reality the long-desired Community dream of a major spectator stadium..."

Industrial development in the Mahoning Valley was also one of Arnold Stambaugh's principal interests. President of the Youngstown Area Development Foundation in the early 60s, he remained a trustee and counselor to the organization for nearly two decades. He also served as president of the Community Improvement Corporation of Mahoning County from the time of its founding in 1966 until 1981.

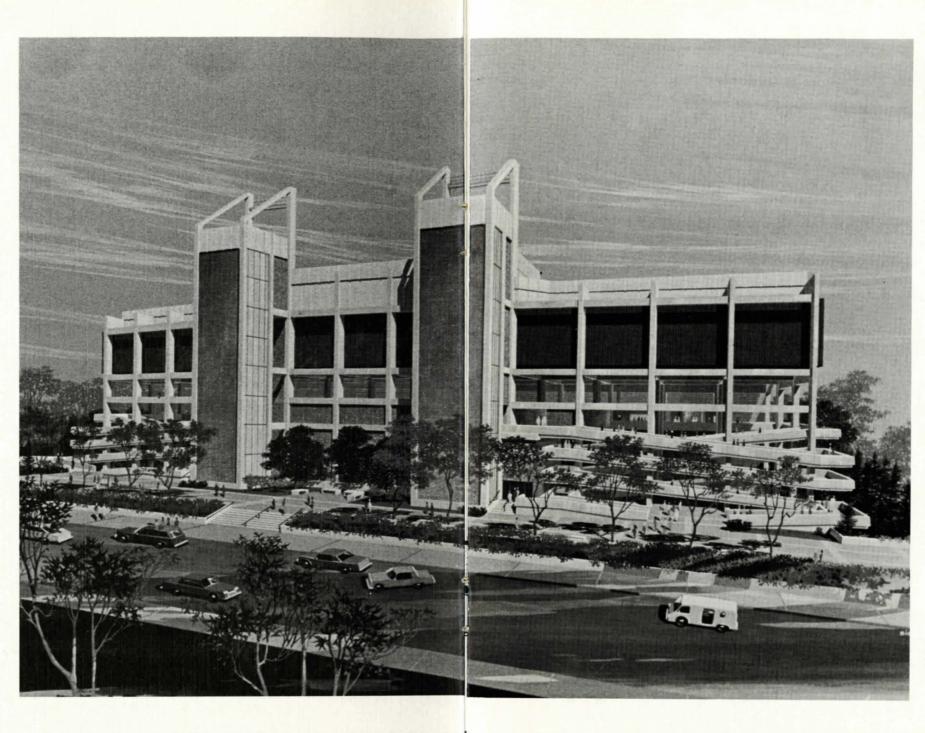
He served for many years on the executive board of the Ohio Presbyterian Homes, and in 1968 chaired a fund drive which raised \$4 million to build the Youngstown Home, Park Vista. He subsequently served on the Park Vista advisory board.

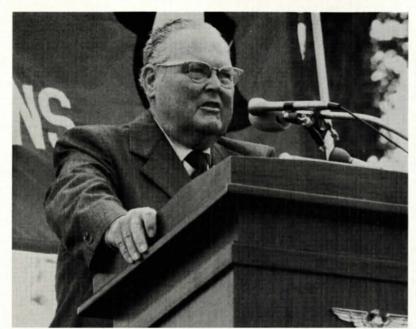
Active in local Boy Scouts organizations from the end of World War II, Mr. Stambaugh donated 120 acres to Explorer Scouts in Pennsylvania in 1949, and 430 acres south of Lisbon to the Boy Scouts for a wilderness camp in 1965. This participation, including many years of membership on the executive board of the Mahoning Valley Boy Scouts Council, earned him the coveted Silver Beaver Award, the highest honor given by the Boy Scouts of America to local Scout leaders and executives. In 1977, he received the Boy Scouts Compass Award.

Numerous other memberships, as well as awards and citations, attest to Mr. Stambaugh's many contributions to the community. Named to the board of directors of Peoples Bank in 1964, he became chairman in 1969 and was chairman emeritus when he resigned in 1976. His outstanding service to the Salvation Army as a longtime advisory board member won him that organization's highest commendation, the Others Award, in 1977; presented by the national commander of the Salvation Army, it was the first such award to be given in the Youngstown area. Also in 1977, he received the Junior Chamber of Commerce "Man of the Year" Award, and had a resolution passed in his honor by Youngstown City Council.

Other community involvements included the Boys Club, Junior Achievement and Youngstown Symphony Society. During an interview with *The Youngstown Vindicator*, Arnold D. Stambaugh stated,

"Youngstown has been good to me and I feel I owe something to it...we are all tied together."









The Arnold D. Stambaugh Stadium brings Penguin football to the YSU campus for the first time in the game's 41-season history at the institution.

The main project in the 18-acre All-Sports Complex, Stambaugh Stadium has been called the "fulfillment of a 30-year community vision." In addition to the funds committed by the University Board of Trustees and an appropriation from the Ohio Legislature, Youngstown State alumni, area residents and leaders of business, industry and labor pledged more than \$3 million in a public campaign for the Stadium since state funds cannot be used for spectator facilities.

Of striking contemporary design, the Stadium is constructed of poured-inplace and precast concrete, and trimmed on the exterior with corrugated metal panels which give mass and color to the structure. Fiberglass panels holding aluminum gridwork face the two stairwell towers, enhancing architectural detail.

Two broad cantilever walk-ramps provide easy access to the Stadium's main concourse level from the north and south. On the concourse level, four large concession stands are located between six portals opening onto the seating area. The Stadium locates spectator seating for 16,000 on the west side of a lighted artificial-turf playing field.

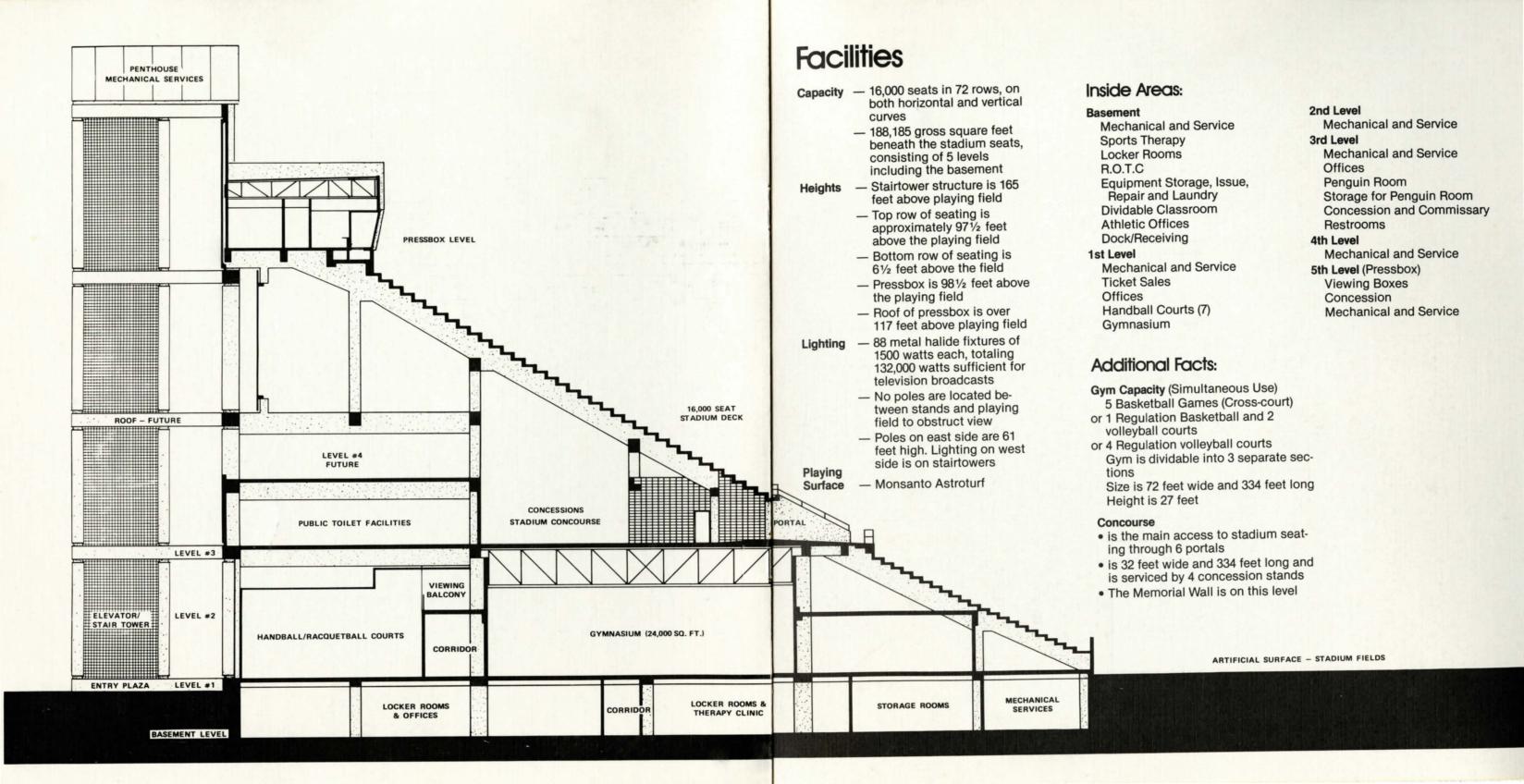
The playing field has been designated Dwight "Dike" Beede All-Sports Athletic Field, in honor of the late YSU head football coach and faculty member. A large electronic scoreboard, located at the north end of the playing field, was provided through a community subscription drive sponsored by the YSU Alumni Association in cooperation with the Penguin Club and the Curbstone Coaches.

The top level of the Stadium is a pressbox, with accommodations for working press, as well as radio and television broadcasting. Six spectator viewing boxes are also located on this level.

Inside Stambaugh Stadium, some 188,000 square feet of space is distributed over five main levels, including the basement. The interior of the structure features numerous sports facilities, including a sports therapy clinic and a gymnasium which spans the length of the building. Also housed there are ticket offices; seven handball courts with viewing areas; training, equipment and locker rooms; offices for coaches. the Athletic Department staff and team physician; and a large dividable classroom. Offices and lecture rooms for the Army ROTC program are also contained within the Stadium shell.

Ground was broken in July 1978 for the All-Sports Complex. Work on the multimillion-dollar project proceeded in six major phases, beginning with site preparation as the first phase. During the second phase, installation of a maze of underground facilities for utilities took place, and the Stadium foundation was set. The Stadium structure and playing field were developed during the third phase. The fourth phase provided for installation of a multi-purpose recreation field to the north, and 10 lighted, regulation outdoor tennis courts on an allweather surface east of the Stadium. In the fifth phase, an eight-lane, quartermile all-weather track with bleacher seating for 1,200 was constructed east of the tennis courts. A recreation area at Spring and Elm streets — featuring a basketball court, two handball areas and three tennis courts — was installed as the sixth and final phase of the Complex.







Throughout the current academic year, Youngstown State University will observe the 75th anniversary of its founding with a year-long Diamond Jubilee. During 1982-83, a variety of programs will commemorate three-quarters of a century of service to the region. It is fitting that the dedication of Arnold D. Stambaugh Stadium — which is both a campus facility and a community resource — serves as the official kickoff for the anniversary celebration.

Dedication of Stambaugh Stadium marks the realization of a dream long held by University and community leaders. It was the support and encouragement provided by the late Arnold D. Stambaugh, civic leader and longtime friend of the University, which inspired the successful fundraising drive to bring a major spectator stadium to the Mahoning-Shenango Valley. Youngstown State University pays tribute to the vision of Arnold D. Stambaugh, and extends its gratitude to the following individuals for their dedicated efforts and contributions:



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