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A look inside Troy University for faculty and staff

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Growing again

University College expanding Asian operation to include four Hanoi sites

Troy University is expanding its Asian operation to include four sites in Hanoi, Vietnam, with a fifth site in Ho Chi Minh City planned for 2005.

Troy University currently operates more than 60 sites outside Alabama in 17 U.S. states and 11 foreign nations. Troy University's programs outside of Alabama do not receive state funding.

Nguyen Dink Hoan, President of International College of I.T. and Management in Hanoi, is serving as Troy University's liaison in Vietnam. He said TROY has begun offering graduate degree programs in business on his campus, which is a private university. Troy University is also gearing up to begin offering bachelor's degree classes in marketing and general business on the campus of Vietnam National University in Hanoi beginning in October.

"This is significant because Troy University will be the only American university allowed to offer full, four-year undergraduate programs in Vietnam," Nguyen said Tuesday during a two-day visit to Troy. "And Vietnam National University is the most prestigious university in Vietnam; it does not report to the ministry of

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Dr. Susan Aldridge and Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr. present Nguyen Dink Hoan, President of International College of I.T. and Management in Hanoi, with a Troy University flag during his visit last week.

Unwelcomed visitor

Campuses clean up after Hurricane Ivan comes calling

Hurricane Ivan may be long gone, but his wrath and fury will be felt for weeks to come. Five Troy University campuses were affected by this storm, the hardest hit being the Pensacola Site at the Pensacola Naval Air Station.

TROY-Pensacola, located within walking distance of the coast, was left with 90 percent of the Naval facilities damaged, most of it catastrophic. The site has been closed indefinitely with classes being moved to a local church.

The Fort Walton and Dothan campuses both fared much better. They both had minimal damage with limbs and debris scattered throughout both campuses. The Fort Walton campus also had minor sign, fence and roof damage.

The Troy Campus suffered only minor damage, including two doors being blown off their hinges at Stewart Dining Hall, a window blown open on the first floor of the Adams Administration Building and 10 trees uprooted around campus. Many trees on the newly renovated quad bent over as a result of the wind, but crews quickly worked to right them following the storm. There was also minor roof damage to 25 buildings on campus, the worst to Gardner and Hamil Halls. The damage to the roofs caused many to leak leaving minor water damage. The Athletic Department also had clean up to be done. The softball complex suffered from erosion on the field while the baseball facility lost some of its privacy

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Prize-winning author

Author, Professor Sena Jeter Naslund receives Hall-Waters Southern Prize

Author and Professor Sena Jeter Naslund, recipient of Troy University's 2004 Hall-Waters Southern Prize, says story-telling is an innate part of human beings, dating back to the days when prehistoric men painted pictures on the walls of caves.

Naslund visited Troy University, Montgomery Campus Saturday to receive the Hall-Waters Prize during a ceremony at the Rosa Parks Museum and Library and to speak with participants in the University's "Conflict in Southern Writing" Conference.

The Hall-Waters Prize is endowed by TROY alumnus Dr. Wade Hall, an author and professor emeritus of English at Bellarmine College in Louisville, KY. Dr. Hall endowed the prize as a memorial to his parents, Wade Hall, Sr. and Sarah Elizabeth Waters Hall. The award is presented annually to a person who has made significant contributions to Southern heritage and culture in history, literature or the arts.

"I love the act of writing," Naslund said. "It is painfully hard sometimes, but that is not a negative thing. If I don't have something to write, I feel guilty."

Naslund, a Birmingham native, is the author of six works of fiction, including four novels *The Animal Way to Love*, *Sherlock in Love*, *Ahab's Wife* and *Four Spirits*.

The idea for the novel *Ahab's Wife*, a companion piece to Herman Melville's *Moby Dick*, developed as a result of Naslund's childhood reading experiences, as well as of those of her daughter. During a trip together, the two listened to several books on tape, including the Melville classic. Naslund was amazed when her 11-year-old daughter began to recite a speech given by Captain Ahab.

"I remember thinking, what a shame that there is no great woman character in *Moby Dick* that my daughter could remember and recite," Naslund said. The novel has received both the Harper Lee Award and the Alabama Library Association Award.

Naslund's latest novel, *Four Spirits*, chronicles the tragic events of the bombing of the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham as seen through the eyes of fictional characters. "The name of the book comes from the four little African-American girls killed in that horrible, violent act of terrorism," Naslund said. "The power of that tragedy is revealed as fictional characters learn of the bombing."

Naslund believes addressing such events in novel form can have a benefit for the reader.

"I think a fictional work allows readers to live the lives they cannot ordinarily through the use of imagination," she



Author and Professor Sena Jeter Naslund is presented with the 2004 Hall-Waters Southern Prize by Troy University alumnus Dr. Wade Hall during a ceremony at the Rosa Parks Museum on the Troy University, Montgomery Campus on Saturday.

said. "The use of imagination allows us to step outside of ourselves and into the skin of others and feel things we would ordinarily be unable to understand."

Naslund said she was honored to receive the award. "I greatly appreciate what Wade Hall has done through Troy University and what Troy University is doing through this conference," she said.

Naslund is a graduate of Birmingham-Southern College and holds a Ph.D. from the University of Iowa. She has taught at the University of Montana, Indiana University, Vermont College and, in 2003, held the Vacca Professorship at Montevallo University. Currently, Naslund is the distinguished teaching professor at the University of Louisville and the program director of the Spalding University Brief-Residency Master's of Fine Arts in Writing program.

Naslund is currently working with Elaine Hughes on a commissioned dramatic script of *Four Spirits* for the Alabama Shakespeare Festival Theatre.



Future TROY students. Students from Qingdao (China) University of Science and Technology have the opportunity to finish their degrees at Troy University, Malaysia Site or possibly even the Troy Campus thanks to an agreement between the two Universities. Dr. Phil Lyon, director of Troy University, Korea, recently met with the students who are just beginning or are in the early stages of their degree work in Qingdao, located just north of Beijing. An articulation agreement has been processed between the two Universities to ensure student credits will transfer, and as many as 100 students are expected to move to a TROY site after completion of their second year of study. Proudly wearing Troy University shirts, the students posed for a group photo with Qingdao University officials and Dr. Lyon.

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education, but it reports directly to the prime minister.”

Nguyen said the program is designed to be flexible. It will allow students to begin their degree programs in Vietnam and finish in Troy after one, two or three years.

“Students may also choose to study all four years in Vietnam,” he added.

Troy University also plans to offer an executive master of business administration program on the campus of Vietnam National University in February.

In October, TROY will also begin an undergraduate program in computer science at Hanoi University of Technology and in February will begin a master’s program in computer science there. The University will also offer graduate-level programs at the

Academy of Finance in Hanoi in February and in the second quarter of 2005 TROY will begin a program at a site in Ho Chi Minh City.

Dr. Susan Aldridge, vice chancellor of University College, the division that operates all Troy University programs outside of Alabama, said the expansion in Vietnam is a natural move for the University, which also operates teaching sites in Japan, Korea, Hong Kong, Taiwan, Malaysia, Thailand and India.

“We have enjoyed a great deal of success in Asia,” she said. “Our partnership with Nguyen and the universities in Vietnam will facilitate the development of a middle class in Vietnam. Our Chancellor, Dr. Jack Hawkins’ trip to Vietnam two years ago paved the way for the ministry of education’s approval.”

Ivan

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screen netting.

The Montgomery campus did not escape Ivan’s wrath either. Twelve windows were blown out of the Executive Building, as well as two gate arms were torn off their bases in the parking lot. The School of Nursing and the Executive Building both had roof damage causing minor leaks and water damage. Ivan also caused minor damage to the Rosa Parks Museum Kids Annex and the back wall of the Davis Theatre.

The show must go on

Broadway actor to step in and keep *The Guys* in production at TROY

The phrase “The show must go on” is one of the oldest clichés of theater, but it has taken on new meaning for the Troy University Department of Speech and Theatre this week.

After several months of work, the production of *The Guys*, a two-character play dealing with the aftermath of the events of Sept. 11, 2001, was threatened by real-life tragedy. Chris Minton of Naples, Texas, the leading man, was forced to drop out of the production due to obligations with the National Guard.

“Chris’ unit was activated to assist hurricane victims, so it became very clear last Wednesday he could not perform,” Adena Moree, director and associate professor of speech and theatre, said. “We were ready to shut down the show.”

Shutting down appeared to be the only option, since the performances are scheduled for Oct. 7, 9 and 11 in the Trojan Center Theatre. But a Troy University alumnus who makes his living on the Broadway stage has agreed to pinch-hit for Minton, Moree said.

“Dr. David Dye (a member of the department’s faculty) suggested C.J. Wilson for the part and he has agreed to do it,” Moree said. “He will get into town this week and we will begin rehearsing immediately.”

Wilson, a member of the class of 1990 and a native of Fairhope, has acted in several Broadway shows and in several television dramas. His most recent stage role was that of the Earl of Douglas in the production of Shakespeare’s *Henry IV* at the Lincoln Center.

Wilson has also appeared in guest roles in several TV series, including “Law and Order” and “Deadline,” as well

as several television commercials. Much of his work is done on the New York stage, including roles in the off-Broadway hit *Race* and a supporting role in the 2001 revival of Gore Vidal’s *The Best Man on Broadway*.

At TROY, Wilson was a member of the Pied Pipers and starred in several campus productions, including *Oedipus the King*, *Brighton Beach Memoirs* and *She Stoops to Conquer*.

“This is a fabulous opportunity for our students,” Moree said. “The opportunity to work with a professional is great experience for them.”

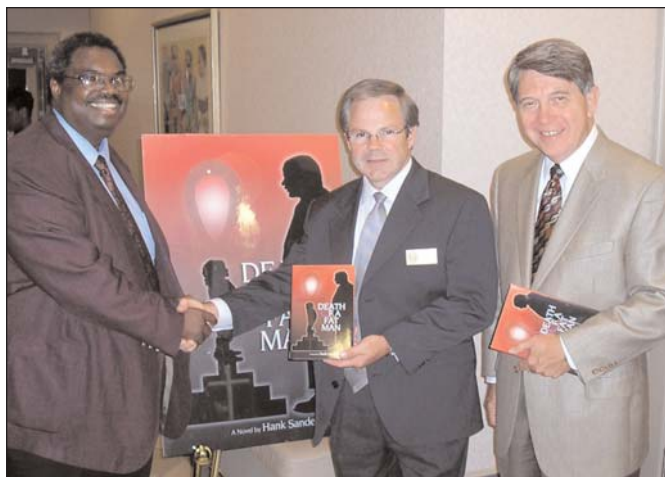
Perhaps the biggest beneficiary of Wilson’s arrival is Georgia Mallory, a senior education and theatre major from Prattville, who will perform the other lead in the show. Mallory is a veteran of the Troy University stage, having appeared in such productions as *You’re a Good Man, Charlie Brown*, *A Chorus Line* and *Antigone*.

“We selected the play for Georgia, so we’re relieved that all the work we’ve done will not be wasted,” Moree said.

This play is based on a journalist’s personal experiences in the aftermath of Sept. 11. Creator Anne Nelson was faced with having to help a fire captain write eulogies for some of his men killed as a result of the terrorist attacks.

Tickets are \$5 for general admission and free for TROY students with a valid student I.D. They can be purchased at the Troy University Box Office or at the door on the night of the performance.

For more information, contact the Troy University Box Office at (334) 670-3293, the Troy University Department of Speech and Theatre at (334) 670-3714, or visit www.tsutheatre.org.



Book signing. State Sen. Hank Sanders is greeted by Ray White, vice president of administration and financial affairs at the Montgomery Campus, and Dr. William Richardson, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences at the Montgomery Campus, during a recent book signing and discussion at the Rosa Parks Museum. Sen. Sanders’ book, *Death of a Fat Man*, was written in letter form to his granddaughter to “impart to her the wisdom to overcome struggles.” Sanders admits the book mainly follows the main character’s struggle with obesity, but goes further. “The major issue is struggle, we all have them,” he told the gathering. “Struggles are a gift from God. Struggle is healthy and something we all must face many times in throughout our lives.”

Model employee

Linda Jordan receives Vergil Parks McKinley Award for September

Linda Jordan, departmental secretary to the dean of the College of Education at Troy University, is the winner of the Vergil Parks McKinley award for September.

Jordan, who has been a member of the Troy University staff since 1990, received the award during a ceremony held on Wednesday in the Hawkins-Adams-Long Hall of Honor. Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., chancellor of Troy University, presented the award to Jordan, who was nominated by Dr. Donna Jacobs, dean of the College of Education. A letter of support for Jordan was presented by Dr. Dianne Barron, associate provost and dean of the graduate school at TROY.

The McKinley Award is the highest honor that Troy University gives to a non-faculty staff member. It is presented monthly to an employee who has demonstrated outstanding attitude, innovation and work ethic. The award was established by former Texaco CEO John McKinley in honor of his father, Vergil Parks McKinley, who was a Troy University professor during the early 20th century and was key to the development of the university's athletic program. Winners of this award receive an engraved clock and a \$350 stipend.

Dr. Jacobs called Jordan "the glue that holds us together in the College of Education."

"Mrs. Linda Jordan is an inspiration to me and many others who have the privilege of working with her," Dr. Jacobs said. "In her over 14 years of service to the institution, she has consistently demonstrated a professional demeanor and a genuinely positive attitude. If we had a 'Most Valuable Person' award in the College of Education, Linda would be the overwhelming selection. She is the type of person I strive to be – honest, hard working, committed to her family and dedicated to her work."

Dr. Barron called Jordan the model of a perfect employee. "She works independently and is always supportive of the mission and to achieving excellence," Barron said. "She meets no challenge unprepared or without a genuine commitment and loyalty to Troy University. Her gentle kindness and quiet confidence has earned the respect of students, staff and faculty alike;



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yet she always has time for her family, church and community. When John McKinley made his financial contribution to Troy University to recognize model staff members, he had Linda Jordan in mind."

Jordan said she was honored to receive the award. "It is great to work at a place where you can get up in the morning looking forward to coming to work and where you are working with such great people," Jordan said. "I feel very honored."

Jordan and her husband Frank reside in Troy.

Activities & achievements

Dr. Sigurdur Greipsson, assistant professor of biological and environmental sciences, presented a paper titled "Ecosystem Restoration: Role of Arbuscular Mycorrhizal Fungi" at the ninth annual conference of the Texas Society for Ecological Restoration, Houston, TX. Co-author of the paper was Andrew Roberts, who is currently working on his master's thesis at Troy University.

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Dr. Neil Billington, associate professor of biological and environmental sciences, presented two papers at the 134th annual meeting of the American Fisheries Society, Aug. 21-26, in Madison, WI. The first paper, "Genetic databases for whole-molecule mitochondrial DNA RFLP variation in walleye and sauger," was presented as part of the

Symposium on Genetic Databases for Fisheries Management and Conservation. The second paper, "Conservation genetics of Montana sauger," was presented at the Fish Genetics session and coauthors included Troy University EAM graduate student Rachael Koigi and William Gardner of the Montana Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks.

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Positive feedback

Dr. Terry Anderson sees former students playing large roles in emerging democratic government in Republic of Georgia

Teachers often have to wait decades to see their students achieve great things. Dr. Terry Anderson, chair of the graduate arts and sciences programs for the Florida and Western Region, recently received a little more immediate feedback.

For the past five years, Dr. Anderson has served as a visiting professor with the Georgian Institute of Public Affairs in Tbilisi, Republic of Georgia, in its prestigious master's of public administration program. Many of her former students have gone on to assume important positions in the newly emerging democratic Georgian government, including Giorgi "George" Arveladze, who studied under Dr. Anderson in the class of 2000.

In August, Arveladze, 25, was named by the Parliament as Georgia's representative to NATO. This is just the latest step in a meteoric rise for the young Georgian.

In 2001, Arveladze, at age 22, was selected by the minister of justice to

direct penitentiary reform for Georgia. In 2002, he was elected to the Tbilisi City Council. In the national elections held early in November 2003, Arveladze was elected as a member of parliament. Following the peaceful "Rose Revolution" in late November 2003, Arveladze became the secretary-general of the majority National Movement Party.

"I am extremely proud and humbled to have had a small part in his educational and professional development," Dr. Anderson said.

But Arveladze is not the only success story among Dr. Anderson's students. Four of Dr. Anderson's students from her 2002 research methods class formed a non-governmental organization (NGO) called Georgia for NATO. Dr. Anderson said the purpose of the organization is to develop research for Georgian policy makers to support their country's efforts to enter the international alliance. Her former students' work can be found on their web site at

www.nato.ge. One of those students has since left the organization to assume a position in the State Chancery while a second now works in the Ministry of Education.

Dr. Anderson has taught in Georgia for four summer terms and will return in 2005. She is currently working on an introduction to public administration textbook at the request of the provost of the institute, Giorgi Margvelashvili.

"This textbook will be for use by students such as these who are learning about public administration absent any tradition of democratic government in their lifetime," Dr. Anderson said.

"I have asked Drs. Fred Meine and Don Rosenhoover here in the Florida Region to collaborate on it with me," Dr. Anderson added. "GIPA's program is but one of many such programs in the former Soviet Union and Eastern Europe that are trying to train a cadre of public administrators who can lead their countries into a democratic future."

Achievements

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Dr. Susan Aldridge, vice chancellor of University College, is serving as vice chair of a national panel formed by the Department of Defense to establish national standards for distance learning.

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Helen Lam, head technical services librarian at the Troy Campus, has had two articles published. "Library Acquisitions Management: Methods to Enhance Vendor Assessment and Library Performance" was published in the *Library Administration and Management* 18, No. 3 (Summer 2004): 146-154. This focuses on how to stretch library funding dollars at a time of shrinking budgets through the use of simple software tools

to identify which vendors give the best value. The second article, "Information Technology and Digital Libraries in Hong Kong, pro 1997" was published in the *American Library Association's "International Lead,"* 18, No. 3 (Sept. 2004).

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Dr. James Rinehart, associate professor and chair of the Department of Political Science on the Troy Campus, appeared on the Alabama Public Television public affairs/news program, "For the Record," on Monday, Sept. 13. The topic of discussion was the recent tragic events in Beslan, Russia and the Russia-Chechnya Conflict in a broader context.

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Dr. Judy Dye and **Dr. Marian Parker**, associate professors in the College of Education, and **Lisa Vardaman**, education subject specialist for Library Services, presented the results of TROY's "Teachers as Readers" project at the summer conference of the Association of Teacher Educators in Boston, MA, Aug. 17-19.

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Dr. Mac Adkins, dean of distance learning at the Montgomery Campus, was quoted in a recent issue of "Adjunct Advocate." Dr. Adkins was interviewed based on his experience with FacultyFinder software. An electronic version of the article is available at www.adjunctnation.com/magazine/article/?id_article=374.

Dedication of alumni house set for Saturday

Troy University will formally dedicate its new Alumni House, located on the corner of George Wallace Drive and Highland Avenue across from Movie Gallery Veterans Stadium, on Saturday, Oct. 2 at 12:30 p.m.

Speakers scheduled for the ceremony include Chancellor Jack Hawkins, Jr., Sammy Carr, president of the Troy University National Alumni Association, Dr. Cameron Martindale, senior vice chancellor of advancement and external relations, and Faith Ward, Director of Alumni Affairs.

The prayer of dedication will be given by Harrell McKinney, chair of the Troy State University Foundation's Board of Trustees and one of the driving forces behind the effort.

Renovations, which included turning the bedrooms into offices for alumni affairs personnel, new shutters and paint on the exterior of the residence and a parking lot, were completed over the summer thanks to private donations and in-kind gifts.

"Our Alumni House will help serve the alumni in any possible way," Ward said. "We are very pleased and excited about having a place to better serve our alumni when they visit the Troy Campus."

Celebrity guest

Broadway star Carol Channing to kick off 'Friendraiser' event for Troy University Public Radio

Celebrity guest Carol Channing, one of Broadway's brightest stars and a fan of public radio, will kick off the Troy University Public Radio Fall Friendraiser and Fund Drive on the morning of Oct. 9.

Channing won a Tony award for her work in *Hello Dolly* and starred as Lorelei Lee in *Gentlemen Prefer Blondes*. She will appear at the Troy University Davis Theatre in Montgomery on Oct. 12 at 7 p.m. in *An Evening with Carol Channing*.

Special guests from throughout the coverage area will join the on-air celebration of Troy University Public Radio and the communities it serves in south central and east Alabama, the north Florida Panhandle and southwest Georgia. In the spirit of fall elections, new listeners and loyal supporters can "Vote for Public Radio" by calling 1-800-800-6616 with their tax-deductible pledge of financial support. For added convenience, listeners can pledge online at wtsu.troyst.edu. Pledge incentives include tickets to concerts and special events, acclaimed books and music CDs.

Troy University and the Corporation for Public Broadcasting provide major funding for the operation of the Troy University Public Radio network – WTSU 89.9 FM Troy/Montgomery, WRWA 88.7 FM Dothan and WTJB 91.7 FM Columbus/Phenix City. Because public radio is commercial-free, listeners are asked to share the cost of purchasing public radio programs. Popular mainstays like Morning Edition, All Things Considered, A Prairie Home Companion and Car Talk cost thousands of dollars. The Troy University Public Radio network is committed to bringing its ever-growing audience of listeners the highest quality of affordable programming.

Sixth annual Band Day set for Saturday

Troy University's "Sound of the South" Marching Band will perform with bands from 28 high schools and one middle school Saturday, Oct. 2, for its halftime performance at the Utah State University football game.

The show will be the culmination of the band program's sixth annual Band Day. More than 1,500 musicians will take the field to perform "My Home's in Alabama" and "Celebration," as well as the Trojans' fight song.

The game is scheduled to start at 2:30 p.m. at Movie Gallery Veterans Stadium in Troy. For tickets call 1-877-878-9467.

Bands scheduled to participate are Brantley High School, Clarke County High School, Cordova High School, Cottondale High School (Fla.), Cullman High School, Dale County High School, Elmore County High School, Escambia County High School, Everett Middle School (Fla.), Frisco City High School, Geneva High School,

Goshen High School, Graceville High School, Headland High School, Houston Academy, Luverne High School, Miller High School, Monroe County High School, New Brockton High School, Notasulga High School, Prattville High School, Red Level School, Reeltown Jr./Sr. High School, S. Walton High School (Fla.), Samson High School, Slocomb High School, Sneads High School, Tarrant High School, and West End High School.

Trojan Festival

Country singer Brad Paisley to headline inaugural event set for Oct. 29-30

Troy University football fans looking for that little something extra to spice up their trip to campus should circle the weekend of Oct. 29-30.

In addition to the home football game against Sun Belt Conference rival Idaho, TROY will host the Inaugural Trojan Festival, with country music superstar Brad Paisley serving as the headline act.

"We want to give TROY football fans an event they can look forward to, in addition to the football game," Director of Athletics Johnny Williams said. "We are excited that Brad Paisley will be performing at Movie Gallery Stadium and hope this event will become an annual attraction the people of Southeast

Alabama will look forward to every year."



Paisley

Paisley, whose current duet with Allison Krauss called "Whiskey Lullaby" is No. 1 on the country music charts, will headline a Friday night concert at Movie Gallery Veterans Stadium.

Fast-rising starlet Carolyn Dawn Johnson will open the 7 p.m. concert.

Tickets for the Trojan Festival are now

on sale through the TROY Athletics Ticket Office or through www.Tickets.com. The tickets will sell for \$30, \$25 and \$20 and include admission to the Friday concert, a Saturday afternoon pre-game concert on the Tailgate Terrace and a general admission seat for the football game.

The Saturday concert on Tailgate Terrace will feature two other rising country music stars. That show will be headlined by Andy Griggs, whose cousin Cleve Roberts played football for the Trojans during the 1997-98 seasons.

Another rising female artist, Rachel Proctor, will open the Saturday show at noon.

Miss Troy University Pageant to be held Oct. 31

Miss Troy University 2005 will be held at 2 p.m. on Sunday, Oct. 31, at the Claudia Crosby Theater, according to Sara Jo Burks and Brenda Campbell, co-directors of this year's pageant.

The categories that the contestants will compete in include interview, talent, evening wear, swimsuit and on-stage question.

There will also be a People's Choice award the audience will select by placing a \$1 vote for the contestant of their choice with the proceeds of the vote being awarded to the contestant with the most votes.

The winner of the Miss Troy University Pageant will receive one year of full tuition, paid entry to the Miss Alabama pageant and various other prizes.

The pageant is open to all full-time female Troy University students ages 17-24. There is a \$25 sponsorship fee required for entry. Applications can be downloaded from the official pageant website which can be accessed by following the student life link on www.troyst.edu. Applications are due Oct. 11.

Troy University to hold Fall Festival

The beginning of fall would not be the same without the traditional fun and games of a fall festival. This year will be no different, as Troy University and the Higher Education Partnership have planned a Fall Festival for Friday Oct. 8. The festival will be held from 3-7 p.m. at Tailgate Terrace on the Troy Campus.

"This will be a fundraising effort to fund all branches of the Higher Education Partnership," said Debbie Fortune, director of distance learning initiatives and programs for the Troy Campus.

There will be booths, games, food, and prizes for all ages as well as a Bluegrass Gospel concert by "Ole Timey Bluegrass Band" starting at 5:30 p.m.

The concert, which is free and open to the public, will star Troy University's own Dr. Debbie Fortune and Dr. Allen Dennis.

Several vendors will also be set up with a variety of booths along with arts and crafts, pony rides, clowns and free games for the kids.

"We are planning to raffle off several prizes including a gun donated by Troy Nissan," said Reba Davis, instructional designer for Southeast Alabama Technology Network.

SAVE Project gears up for Domestic Violence Awareness Month activities

The SAVE Project will begin its annual promotion of Domestic Violence Awareness Month through the placement of purple ribbons throughout campus, signifying the importance of awareness and prevention.

Smaller ribbons to be worn on clothing or book bags will be placed in buildings on campus during the middle of October.

Everyone is encouraged to pick one up to show they take a stand against domestic violence.