



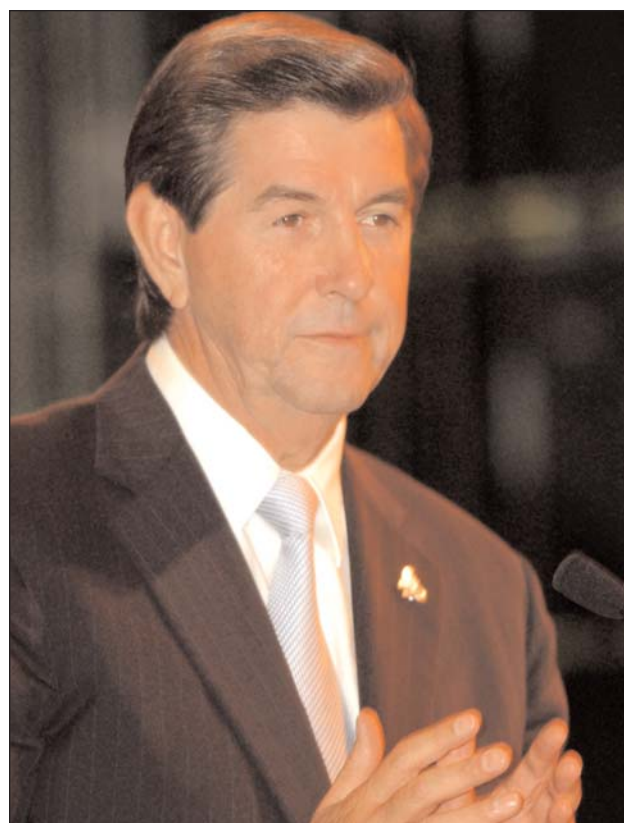
# TROY TODAY

*A look inside Troy University for faculty and staff*

June 9, 2005

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**Special visitor.** Alabama Gov. Bob Riley fields questions from Girls' State participants on the Troy Campus on Tuesday. A mission of the American Legion Auxiliary, the program provides hands-on citizenship training.

## **Drawing near** *Faculty, staff invited to participate in July 29 celebration*

Faculty and staff are invited to attend and participate in the July 29 celebration of the merging of Troy University campuses as one singly-accredited University.

The celebration will begin at 1:30 p.m. with an Academic Convocation at the Davis Theatre for the Performing Arts in Montgomery. Faculty and staff with master's degrees or above are invited to participate in the processional. Participants will robe in academic regalia beginning at 12:50 p.m. and begin the march at 1:15.

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## *Troy University well represented at pageant*

Troy University is well-represented at this year's Miss Alabama contest where three former Miss Troy Universities will join the reigning queen Avington Hart.

Hart, 20, is the reigning Miss Troy University and hails from Evergreen. She is a senior pursuing a bachelor of science degree in history and hopes to pursue a master's degree in history education.

Hart is joined in this year's pageant by Miss Troy State University 2001 Kelly Hawkins, Miss Troy State University 2003 Amy Philips-Redclift and Miss Troy State University 2004 Erin

Turner.

It's the first time in the pageant's history the University has been so well-represented said Brenda Campbell, who helps coordinate the Miss Troy University pageant.

"It speaks well of our program to see so many of our ladies vying for the title of Miss Alabama in one year. I wish them all the best of luck," she said.

The Miss Alabama program began in 1921.

The pageant, which began Wednesday, got off to a good start for one of the former queens. Kelly Hawkins won Wednesday night's swimsuit competition.



**Troy University Chancellor Jack Hawkins, Jr. poses for a photo with the reigning Miss Troy University and three former queens who are competing in the Miss Alabama Pageant in Birmingham. From left to right is Kelly Hawkins, the reigning Miss Troy University Avington Hart, Erin Turner and Amy Philips-Redclift.**

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## In the spotlight

### Troy University Distance Learning achieving national, international attention

A Troy University dean has garnered the international spotlight for her work in distance learning.

Dr. Sallie Johnson, dean of distance learning, has been selected to receive the Excellence in Distance Learning Administration for Outstanding Instructional Support award. The award is sponsored by the Online Journal of Distance Learning Administration and will be presented June 8 at the 2005 DLA meeting.

Chosen through a juried committee process by the DLA editorial staff from among hundreds of paper submissions world wide, Johnson's work will be recognized for her leadership role in developing and implementing projects to improve support and services for distance education students and faculty members from TROY.

She has also been invited by the

international organization to be a guest speaker for the organization's conference.

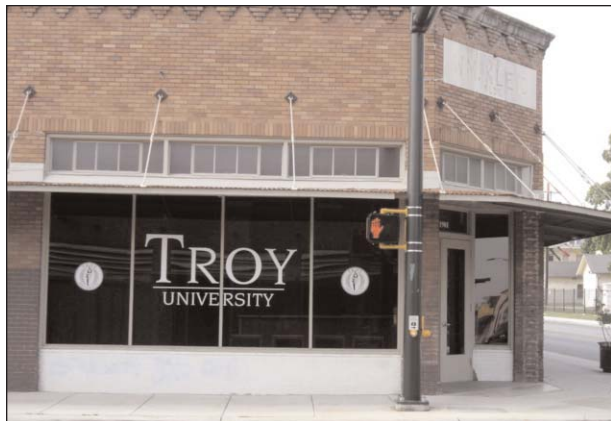
In May, Johnson was one of three distance learning professionals selected to represent the United States Distance Learning Association at the 2005 Canadian Association for Distance Education Conference in Vancouver, British Columbia, where she delivered an address to an international audience.

"Dr. Johnson represented the United States by promoting Troy University as a world leader in meeting the challenges of providing 24-hour, seven-day-a-week, 365 day-a-year student and technical support to more than 12,000 online undergraduate and graduate students spanning 13 global time-zones through exceptional student services and quality online

degree programs," said Dr. Susan Aldridge, vice chancellor of University College, the arm of the university that provides distance learning services.

Aldridge and Johnson will travel to Beijing June 12-13 to speak at the 2005 Sino-American Distance Learning Forum, once again the result of the University's quality in distance learning, Aldridge said.

The Forum, initiated by the Higher Education Committee for Distance Learning of the China Association for Educational Technology and the China Youth Centre for International Personnel Exchanges, promotes distance learning in China and serves as a platform to promote cooperation between Chinese education officials and their counterparts in the United States.



**Deep in the Heart of Texas.** The Grand Opening and ribbon cutting for the new Troy University San Antonio, Texas campus was conducted on May 19, 2005. Nearly 200 community leaders and elected officials attended the ribbon cutting ceremony. From this location, Troy University will serve its eArmyU students, its distance learning students in Texas and will offer a Bachelor's degree in Business later in the year. The Site was developed by Dr. Dave White, Director of the SE Region and Mr. Tommy Phelps, Site Director for San Antonio. The building is in a historic district and is part of a community revitalization plan.

### First-generation college goes among target for new TROY program

First-generation college students at Troy University will now be among those who are eligible to get help through a special program.

The University's Student Support Services Program will serve 165 first-generation college students, low-income or disabled students in an effort to help these students attain their educational goals and take advantage of career opportunities. It's the second time the Troy campus has won the competitive grant.

"We are elated to have the student services support grant back on this campus. These funds will allow us to engage at-risk students enabling their success at Troy," said Dr. John Schmidt, senior vice chancellor for student services. "Moreover, the grant will facilitate improving service delivery in testing and counseling, two key assessment tools in student engagement and retention. Obviously, the timing is perfect as we seek to enhance our retention."

The program, funded entirely through a U.S. Department of Education grant, will provide \$220,000 for the first year of the five-year project. Schmidt said it had been 11 years since the last successful grant application for the program. This year's application received a perfect score, and competed with colleges and universities nationwide. The Dothan and

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# High-speed quality

## New copiers help Creative Services meet University printing needs

The addition of new equipment is helping Troy University's Creative Services to more efficiently and effectively meet the University's printing needs.

"We were fortunate enough last year to procure on lease a Xerox 6135 Docutech High-Speed Copier with the capability of printing 135 black copies a minute on a variety of stocks up to 11-by-17 size paper," said Joe Johnson, director of Creative Services.

Johnson said the new copier will print single- or double-sided and has the capability to collate, staple or tape bind documents. The copier system also has enhanced the shop's abilities to handle documents with photos or other graphic elements.

Perhaps the biggest advantage of the new system is its ability to receive data electronically.

Currently 45 computers are set up on the Troy Campus to transmit data directly to the machine. Once there, Quick Copy Technician Steve Waddail give the document a final check and begin the copying process. For further information about this feature,



contact Waddail at creative@troy.edu or by phone at 670-3239.

While the technology makes the direct transmission possible, Waddail says documents may still be submitted on a CD or a disk as a pdf file.

Another new piece of equipment is the DocuColor 3535 color copier.

"The quality is outstanding," Johnson said. "It can print on a variety of stock, including coated stocks. It can also print transparencies, stickers and labels."

Johnson said the maximum copy size is 12-by-18 inches or 11-by-17 inches with a full bleed.

"We are excited to be able to better serve the University's printing needs through this equipment," Johnson said. "We have a dedicated staff in our Creative Services department, and we are here to serve the University as effectively and efficiently as possible."



**Above, Graphics Director Reba Allen, standing, and Bonnie Money, graphics technician, work on a job on the DocuColor 3535 copier in Creative Services. At left, Quick Copy Technician Steve Waddail begins a copying job on the Xerox 6135 Docutech High-Speed Copier.**

## Celebration

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The processional will be followed by a time of greetings and recognition of guests. The keynote speaker for the event is Dr. Jim Fisher, former president of the Council for the Advancement and Support of Education and President Emeritus of Towson University and the author of several books on education administra-

tion, including "The Power of the Presidency," published in 1984, which was nominated for a Pulitzer Prize for non-fiction.

That same evening, a black-tie optional gala will be held at the Embassy Suites in downtown Montgomery. "Around the World in 60 Sites" is the theme for the event, which will feature a brief presentation

and a toast to the new Troy University.

An orchestra, made up completely of TROY alumni, will provide the entertainment, as attendees will have the opportunity to dance the night away.

Mark July 29 on your calendar, watch for further details and plan to attend the celebration of the monumental time in the history of Troy University.

# Outside the classroom

Troy University's Dennis Mitchell chairs annual Air and Waste conference

Troy University faculty member Dennis Mitchell believes that professional activities he is involved in outside of the classroom can be of great benefit to his students.

Mitchell, a lecturer in University's Florida Region, co-founded and chairs the Alabama/Florida Air and Waste Management Association's annual joint conference, which was held in May in Pensacola. The meeting attracted participants from Alabama, Florida, Mississippi and Louisiana.

"Dr. Manfred Meine, Florida Region director, has always strongly supported the faculty being involved in substantial professional programming outside of the classroom," Mitchell said. "The fact that our students realize their instructors are also involved as active leaders in professional endeavors outside the University makes a big difference. It's an affirmation their education is connected to real world future opportunities."

Close to 125 environmental scientists and engineers attended the annual technical program to hear keynote speaker Ron Gore, chief of the Air Division for the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM). Also in the program, ADEM's Larry Brown provided the regulatory agency's annual update. The Florida Department of Environmental Protection (FDEP) likewise provided strong support from Tallahassee with several speakers including that regulatory agency's update by Scott Sheplak, as well as technical presentations John Glunn and Roger Register.

Although the featured topic for the discussion panel focused



**Close to 125 environmental scientists from Alabama, Florida, Mississippi and Louisiana attended the 16th annual Alabama/Florida Air and Waste Management Association's joint conference in Pensacola. The conference was co-founded and chaired by Troy University faculty member Dennis Mitchell.**

on new regulations regarding mercury emissions from power plants, the conference included a wide range of topics such as groundwater arsenic, new eight-hour ozone rules and toxics reporting issues.

The conference, through the Coastal Plains Florida Chapter, has been the source for a undergraduate scholarship program over the past seven years for environmental science students. Total funds generated for scholarships to date is about \$28,000.

## Program

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Montgomery campuses also have an on-going student services program.

Participating students will undergo a comprehensive needs assessment that includes testing, diagnosis and remedial recommendations for strengthening any deficiencies; instruction and tutoring in academic courses and basic study skills. The grant also establishes a counseling network to provide personal, academic, financial and career counseling for the students. Cultural enrichment activities will also be part of the program, according to Dean of Students Herbert Reeves.

"This program is designed to help students who are either first-generation college-goers, from a low-income family or who are disabled to succeed in the University setting," he said. "We typi-

cally see a high drop-out rate from this segment, but we can find ways to help them be successful at TROY."

National statistics indicate college students who fall within the program's scope are at higher risk of leaving college without a degree. Reeves said that while TROY's overall student retention rate slightly outpaces the national average, the at-risk students that will be served by the program are more likely to drop out during their first two college years than other students.

The program's success is defined by more than just keeping students in the classroom, Reeves said. According to the grant's application, the project will aim to, within six years, increase the percentage of graduates among the participating students from 5 percent to 15 percent.

Another indicator of needs, Reeves said, are TROY studies conducted over several years that point to the causes of high attrition rates among freshmen.

The top cause for freshman attrition is lack of time-management skills and uncertainty how to make educational decisions. Lack of communication skills, specialized academic support and basic college skills such as note taking and test preparation also make the list.

"This program will address these areas and help give students who are in the highest risk group on our campus the skills they need to thrive at the University," Reeves said.

While funded at 100 percent, TROY must supply facilities to house the center and must achieve programmatic goals in order to receive funding each year.

## Saluting staff



**Dawn Stephens receives the May McKinley Award from Chancellor Jack Hawkins, Jr. and Director of Accounts Receivable LouAnn Johnson.**

### *Dawn Stephens wins May McKinley Award*

**D**awn Stephens, cashier specialist for Troy University's Accounts Receivable Department, is the winner of the university's Vergil Parks McKinley Award for May.

Stephens, who has been a member of the university's staff since 1998, received the award at a ceremony today in the Hawkins-Adams-Long Hall of Honor on the Troy Campus. Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., chancellor of Troy University, presented the award to Stephens, who was nominated by Lou Ann Johnson, director of Accounts Receivable.

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.

A letter of nomination by Johnson praised Stephens for her attitude and work ethic. "Dawn Stephens is an extremely polite, hard-working and energetic individual," Johnson said in her nomination letter. "She is always cooperative, willing and eager to learn and accepts added responsibilities cheerfully. She exemplifies professionalism and exhibits leadership when performing her duties. Dawn is truly an asset to Troy University."

Stephens makes her home in Troy with her husband Arch.



**Sheri Macomber receives the June McKinley Award from Dave Barron, executive assistant to the chancellor, and Dr. Donna Bedsole, director of the ASN program.**

### *Sheri Macomber wins June McKinley Award*

**S**heri Macomber, departmental secretary for the Troy University School of Nursing, is the winner of the university's Vergil Parks McKinley Award for June.

Macomber, who has been a member of the Troy University staff since 2001, received the award at a ceremony today in the Hawkins-Adams-Long Hall of Honor on the Troy Campus. Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., chancellor of Troy University, presented the award to Macomber, who was nominated by Dr. Donna Bedsole, director of the associate of science nursing degree program.

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A letter of nomination by Bedsole praised Macomber for the enthusiasm and energy she brings to her job.

"One of Sheri's most important traits is her courtesy toward every faculty member, staff person and student," the letter said. "She always attempts to find an answer to every question. Sheri exhibits exceptional telephone etiquette and possess outstanding leadership skills. She is always willing to go above and beyond her the duties in her job description."

Macomber is a Montgomery resident.

# Dedicated service

## Twenty-four employees receive service pins during ceremony

Twenty-four Troy University employees representing 285 years of service were honored during a ceremony on Wednesday.

Five-year service pins were presented to:

- James Franklin Rucker;
- David K. Amponsah;
- Jerry Johnson;
- Ji-chul Kim;
- Patricia Dawn Brook;
- Eric Bair;
- Edward Noriega; and,

• Mike Moore.  
Ten-year service pins were presented to:

- Ramona Howard;
- Kimberly Brinkley;
- John Irwin;
- James Rinehart;
- Janiece Stafford;
- Tammy Lockley; and,
- Doristine Sankey.

Fifteen-year service pins were presented to:

- Pamela Allen;

- Sidney Levine;
- Lynn Hughes, and,
- Frances Beasley.

Twenty-year service pins were presented to:

- Lawrence Lovik;
- Deborah Sellers; and,
- Brenda Burgans.

A 25-year service pin was presented to Ann Marie Hussey.

A 30-year service pin was presented to Charles R. Whitson.



**Reward Callers.** The Reward Caller Program was started to encourage telephone courtesy among the faculty and staff of Troy University. Winners of the monthly award receive \$25. Above, Dr. Bill Flinn and Chancellor Jack Hawkins, Jr. congratulate the May Reward Caller winners Maurice Tillery, Shellye Vardaman and Cecilia Spivey. Below, Dr. Flinn and Dave Barron, executive assistant to the chancellor, congratulate the June Reward Caller winners, Jose Norris, Lillian Wells and Monica Lindsey. Also winning in June but not pictured is Paul McGahie.



## Thank-you notes

I would like to extend my deepest appreciation for receiving the Vergil Parks McKinley Award in March. It is a great honor and privilege to be recognized in this way. Thank you all for your encouraging words and congratulatory wishes. It is definitely the family environment here at Troy University that makes working here the best.

**Donna Bragg**

**University Records**

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Dear TROY Friends,

Thanks for thinking of me during my recent illness. The flowers were beautiful. It is great that your colleagues are there in a time of need.

**Marcus Paramore**

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Troy University Courtesy Committee,

Thank you for the fresh cut floral basket sent to me recently. My surgery went well, and I am on the road to recovery. Looking forward to getting back to work and seeing all my friends and work "family."

**Dot Helms**

## TROY welcomes new employees

Troy University welcomed nine new employees during the month of April.

New employees are: Clifford J. Aylmer, network specialist; Rebecca O. Graham, account clerk; Joseph R. Leinweber, student services specialist; Martha Davis Linn, MIS specialist; Jonathan Roy Lockhart, academic advisor; Sircalular Conswella Shannon, academic advisor; Evelyn May Lynn Sherlock, departmental secretary; Kathleen Denise Thompson, area director; and, LaShana D. Truitt, records assistant.

## Activities & achievements

The American Bandmasters Association has honored Troy University classics professor **Dr. Peter Howard** with the ABA's Edwin Franko Goldman Memorial Citation. The award, named for ABA's founder and director of the Goldman Band, recognizes distinguished contributions in the interest of bands and band music in America. It was presented to Howard at the ABA's annual meeting in Gainesville.

Howard was nominated for the award by Dr. John M. Long, professor emeritus of music at TROY and the ABA's past president. He was nominated for his nearly three decades of service as associate editor of the *Journal of Band Research*, an international scholarly journal published by the Troy State University Press.

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**Michael Bell**, instructional design specialist at Troy University's eCampus, will present at the Alabama Educational Technology Conference (AETC) in Birmingham, AL, on July 16. Bell's topic, "The iPod Killed the Radio Star... An Introduction to Educational Podcasting," will be one of the concurrent sessions offered to the hundreds of K-12 and higher education technology leaders in Alabama. The presentation will highlight the use of a new, emerging technology (Podcasting) and its uses and future values to the classroom and beyond.

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**Susan Gilmore**, learning portal coordinator at Troy University's eCampus, will present at the Alabama Education Technology Conference (AETC) in Birmingham, AL, on July 15-16. Gilmore's topic, "Online Distance Learning Orientation," will be included in the hands-on workshop portion of the three-day event.

The presentation will focus on providing quality hands-on experience for those interested in the distance learning environment. The format for demonstrating this platform will incor-

porate the Blackboard portal interface used here at Troy University.

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**Dr. Jonathan Harrington**, assistant professor of political science, recently published a review of "China's New Nationalism: Pride, Politics and Diplomacy," written by Peter Gries, in the journal *China Review International*, 11:2 (2004), pages 358-362. Harrington also recently delivered a paper at the ASPA sponsored Annual 2005 Teaching Public Administration Conference held in Fort Walton Beach, FL entitled "Teaching Overseas: The Expatriate Professor Experience."

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**Greg Price**, director of information technology, spoke on "Open-Source Email System Migration," at the University of Cincinnati on April 27. UC hosted an Electronic Communications Symposium, representing nearly 1,000 corporate and education organizations.

Price also spoke at the Educause's Southeast Conference on June 7. His topic was "Open-Source, Distributed Security."

In addition, Price and **Matt Mercer**, network administrator, will speak at ASCISA on July 11. They will discuss "Wireless Security: Campus Options."

Price also has been invited to IBM's annual Innovative IT Leaders Summit in NYC, a gathering of 250 IT leaders from around the world.

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**Dr. Billington**, associate professor of biological and environmental sciences, had the paper, "A comparison of the lake trophic status of water bodies in southeastern Alabama," presented at the Southeastern Ecology and Evolution Conference held at the University of Georgia. **Taylor Ezell**, a Troy University graduate student in Environmental Analysis and Management, presented the paper along with undergraduate students in the Department of Biological and Environmental Sciences: **Benjamin**

**Coale and Brett Mack.**

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**Dr. Peter O. Hefron**, associate professor of international relations, recently presented a paper at the University of Newcastle, Newcastle, Australia. The conference, *The Vietnam War Thirty Years On: Memories, Legacies and Echoes*, commemorated the 30th anniversary of the end of the Vietnam War. Dr. Hefron's paper, "Memories of a U.S. Army Replacement Battalion," discussed his unit's civic action program with local Vietnamese, the U.S. troop draw down and military relations with the American media.

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**Dr. Marci Goldstein**, area director for University College, was recently appointed to the Rules Committee of the Commission on Independent Education of the Florida Department of Education. She serves as a board member of the Tampa Bay Higher Education Alliance and is a member of the Greater Tampa Chamber of Commerce sub-Committee on Education, Employment and Economic Development.

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**Dr. Saramma T. Mathew**, professor of psychology, counseling and foundations of education, has had the article, "Television: A tool to educate pre-school children," published in *TOP: Tips On Parenting*, a quarterly newsletter of EEJ Center for Early Childhood Education at Utah State University, Logan, Utah. The article appeared in the Spring 2005 issue.

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**Dr. Ben Robertson**, assistant professor of English, has been awarded a three-month fellowship from Washington, D.C.'s Folger Shakespeare Library to study the diaries of Elizabeth Inchbald, one of the English Romantic Period's most important woman writers. Robertson's project will result in a compilation of Inchbald's pocketbook diaries.

## Woman of Courage

Jo Ann Gibson Robinson to receive posthumous honor on June 16

The fourth annual Troy University Rosa Parks Woman of Courage Awards and Lecture Series will honor Ms. Jo Ann Gibson Robinson, who played a key role in the Montgomery Bus Boycott. This event will be held on June 16, at 7 p.m. in the Gold Room of Whitley Hall in Montgomery, Al. The event is free and open to the public.

Robinson was born near Culloden, GA and was the youngest of 12 children. Educated in the segregated schools of Macon and then at Fort Valley State College, she became a public school teacher in Macon. After five years of teaching she then went to Atlanta, where she earned a M.A. in English at Atlanta University. In the fall of 1949, she accepted a position at Alabama State College.

Robinson was a professor of English

at Alabama State throughout the bus boycott. In Montgomery, she joined both the Dexter Avenue Baptist Church and the Women's Political Council (WPC). In 1949, she was humiliated by a Montgomery City lines bus driver, and she set out to use the WPC to target racial seating practices on Montgomery buses.

In 1954, more than 18 months before the arrest of Rosa Parks but just several days after the U.S. Supreme Court's *Brown v. Board of Education* decision, Robinson wrote to Montgomery's mayor as WPC president, gently threatening a boycott of city buses if abuses were not curtailed. Following Rosa Park's arrest in December 1955, Robinson played a central role in the start of the protest by producing the leaflets that spread word of the boycott among the black

citizens of Montgomery.

Robinson became one of the most active board members of the Montgomery Improvement Association, but she remained out of the limelight. In 1960, she left Alabama State and Montgomery, as did other activist faculty members. In 1976 Robinson retired from teaching from the public school system in Los Angeles where she was also active in a number of women's community groups. Her health suffered a serious decline just as her memoir, "The Montgomery Bus Boycott and the Women who Started It" was published in 1987.

For more information, contact Julia Wilson, Campus Director for Advancement, by telephone (334) 241-9502 or by E-mail [jhwilson@troy.edu](mailto:jhwilson@troy.edu).

### *Trojan Summer Music Games to benefit 'Sound of the South'*

Troy University's Movie Gallery Stadium will rock with sounds of two world-champion drum and bugle corps when the Trojan Summer Music Games return to campus July 26.

The 2004 World Champion Cavaliers of Chicago, Ill., and the 2003 World Champion Blue Devils are among the eight drum and bugle corps competing in this year's event, which supports the University's own marching band The Sound of the South.

"What makes this year so exciting is that only Division I corps will be here," said Ginger Zingara, a member of the University's music faculty and coordinator of the games. "They are bigger, better corps and no other sponsored show will have only Division I. The Cavaliers requested our venue when they heard what a great show we had last year."

The games—featuring some of the finest drum and bugle corps in the nation—offer a slightly different sound than the standard marching band fare. The event was held in Troy last year and in 1999. The games, which are part of Drum Corps International's summer tour, will begin at 7 p.m.

The corps use only brass, percussion and color guard to create an exciting blend of music and choreography, said Zingara. Each corps is composed of high school and college band students age 14 to 21 who are chosen through auditions.

"Fans of marching band music will want to mark their calendars for this event," Zingara said. "All the proceeds with benefit the 'Sound of the South,' so we're hoping plenty of 'Sound' fans and alumni will plan to attend."

Tickets are on sale and may be pur-

chased through the athletic ticket box office at 1-877-878-9467. All seats are general admission and are \$20 or \$15 for groups of 25 or more. The group discount is also extended to all participants in the Troy University High School Band Camp and Directors Clinic.

Participating in the event this year are: The Cavaliers (2004 World Champions), of Rosemont, Ill.; the Blue Devils (2003 World Champions) of Concord, Calif.; Carolina Crown of Ft. Mill, S.C.; the Colts of Dubuque, Iowa; Spirit from JSU of Jacksonville, Ala.; Kiwanis Cavaliers of Kitchner, Ontario, Canada; the Mandarins of Sacramento, Calif.; and the Troopers of Casper, Wyo.

Additional information on the event can be found at the event's website [http://music.troy.edu/dci\\_games/](http://music.troy.edu/dci_games/) or call 334-670-3281.