



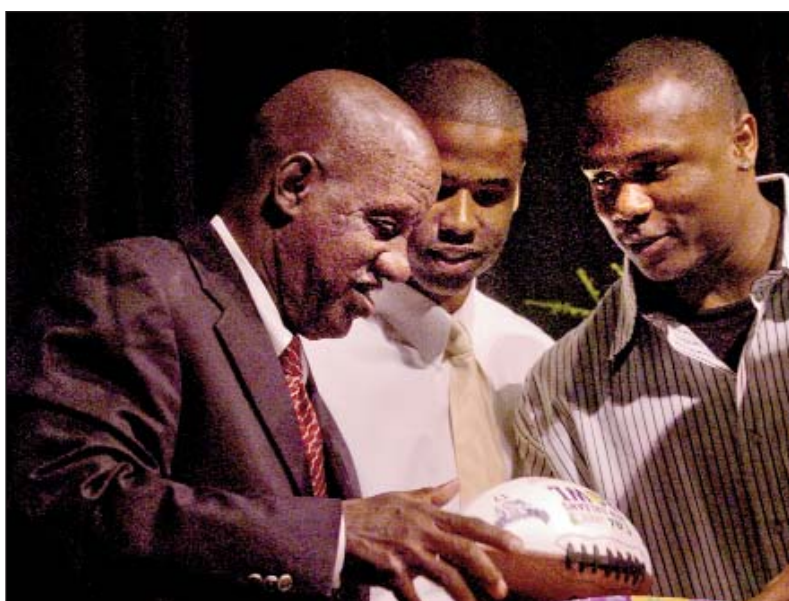
# TROY TODAY

*A look inside Troy University for faculty and staff*

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**Helen Keller Lecture.** Above, James Robert "Radio" Kennedy is presented with an autographed football by Trojan football players Gary Banks, Marcus Richardson, Greg Whibbs and Zarah Yisreal as Coach Harold Jones, Chancellor and Mrs. Jack Hawkins, Jr. look on. Jones and Kennedy were the guest speakers for the University's 12th annual Helen Keller Lecture, which was held April 17 in the Claudia Crosby Theater. At left, singer Daniel Ray provided the entertainment for the event.

## Ingalls Award

**Dr. Pappanastos honored for teaching excellence**

**D**r. Ed Pappanastos, associate professor in Troy University's Sorrell College of Business, is the 2006-2007 recipient of the Ingalls Award for Excellence in Classroom Teaching, the University's most prestigious honor for faculty members.

Dr. Pappanastos, a Montgomery resident, received the award during the University's annual Honors Convocation held Monday night in the Claudia Crosby Theater on the Troy Campus.

The Ingalls Award is given annually to the teacher on the Troy Campus  
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## *Ceremony honors memory of Virginia Tech shooting victims*

Nearly 200 students, faculty and staff at Troy University gathered on the University's main quad Friday morning for a ceremony to honor the memories of the victims of the shootings at Virginia Tech University.

The names of the deceased were read by Bo Weed of Southside Baptist Church in Troy and a moment of silence was held during the ceremony, which was presented by the University's Student Government Association.



**TROY students, faculty and staff join in a moment of silence on Friday in remembrance of the victims of the shootings at Virginia Tech University.**

**Let us hear from you!**

*Send your comments, suggestions or submissions for TROY Today to [aellis@troy.edu](mailto:aellis@troy.edu).*

## Major gift

Alabama Power Foundation donation to aid in Bibb Graves Hall renovation

A \$200,000 donation from the Alabama Power Foundation will help Troy University restore Bibb Graves Hall, its oldest building on campus.

Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., Chancellor, received the donation on April 13 from Gordon Martin, vice president of the Southern Division of Alabama Power. The presentation took place in the Trojan Center Board Room on the Troy Campus.

"Bibb Graves Hall is a highly recognizable campus landmark and an important part of Trojan history," Dr. Hawkins said. "We appreciate the support of the Alabama Power Foundation to help us restore this important part of our heritage to service future generations of TROY students."

"The mission of the Alabama Power Foundation is to make our communities better and improve the quality of life in our state," Martin said. "Assisting education and historic preservation, both at the same time, is a great example of what the foundation is all about."

Bibb Graves Hall, named for Alabama's Governor from 1927-31 and from 1935-39, was built in 1929 as the



From left to right are: Dr. Judson Edwards, director of the University's Center for International Business and Economic Development; Dr. Don Hines, interim dean of the Sorrell College of Business; Dr. Jean Laliberte, associate vice chancellor for development; Julia Wilson, director of special events and special projects; Dr. Cameron Martindale, senior vice chancellor of advancement and external relations; Gordon Martin, vice president of the Southern Division of Alabama Power; Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., chancellor; and, Bill Minix, senior director of institutional development.

centerpiece of the new Troy State College Campus. The original campus was built in downtown Troy in 1887.

The plans to renovate Bibb Graves

Hall include complete overhaul of the heating and cooling system, roof replacement and complete refurbishing of classroom and faculty office space.

## Former U.N. ambassador to speak at TROY commencement

Ambassador Sichan Siv, former U.S. ambassador to the United Nations, will be the keynote speaker at Troy University's spring commencement on May 11.

More than 500 students from 20 U.S. states and 12 nations will receive diplomas, according to Tamara Jones, associate registrar. The University will hold two separate ceremonies to accommodate the graduates. The ceremony for students receiving undergraduate degrees will begin at 10:30 a.m., while the ceremony for graduate students will begin at 2 p.m. Both cere-

monies will be held in Sartain Hall.

Tickets will be required for the 10:30 a.m. ceremony. Each graduate is given six tickets and more will be available on a first-come basis at the Sartain Hall ticket office the day of commencement. There is no charge for the tickets.

Ambassador Siv, nominated by President George W. Bush in October 2001, was unanimously confirmed by the U.S. Senate as the 28th ambassador to the United Nations Economic and Social Council. From 2001 until recently, he represented the United States at the

U.N. General Assembly and the U.N. Security Council.

From 1989 to 1993, Ambassador Siv served as deputy assistant to the president for public liaison and deputy assistant secretary of state for South Asia affairs in the George H.W. Bush administration.

A native of Cambodia, he escaped forced labor camps in 1976 and resettled as a refugee in Wallingford, Conn. Ambassador holds a master of international affairs degree from Columbia University and is married to the former Martha Pattillo of Pampa, Texas.

## TROY has good showing at Higher Ed Day rally

Troy University was well represented at the recent Higher Education Day rally at the Alabama Statehouse, with several hundred alumni, students, faculty and staff from all four Alabama campuses in attendance.

"I have attended these rallies since the Higher Education Partnership was formed 10 years ago and this was by far the strongest show of support by TROY," said Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., Chancellor. "I was pleased that several of our alumni got involved and I want to thank them for supporting their University."

Chancellor Hawkins said the turnout was particularly timely, as the University is trying to correct a long-standing inequity in the budget process that has the unintended effect of penalizing



Above left, Troy University students make their voices heard at the Higher Education Day Rally on the steps of the Alabama State House earlier this month. Above right, Dr. Cameron Martindale, senior vice chancellor for advancement and external relations, gives instructions on meeting with legislators to TROY faculty and staff from the Phenix City Campus.



TROY for its 27 percent enrollment growth since 1990.

Currently, TROY receives \$5,440 per student in state appropriations compared to the state average of \$6,905 in

per-student funding for non-doctoral universities, a difference of \$1,465. It would take an additional \$14 million a year in state appropriations just to bring TROY up to the state average.

## Ingalls

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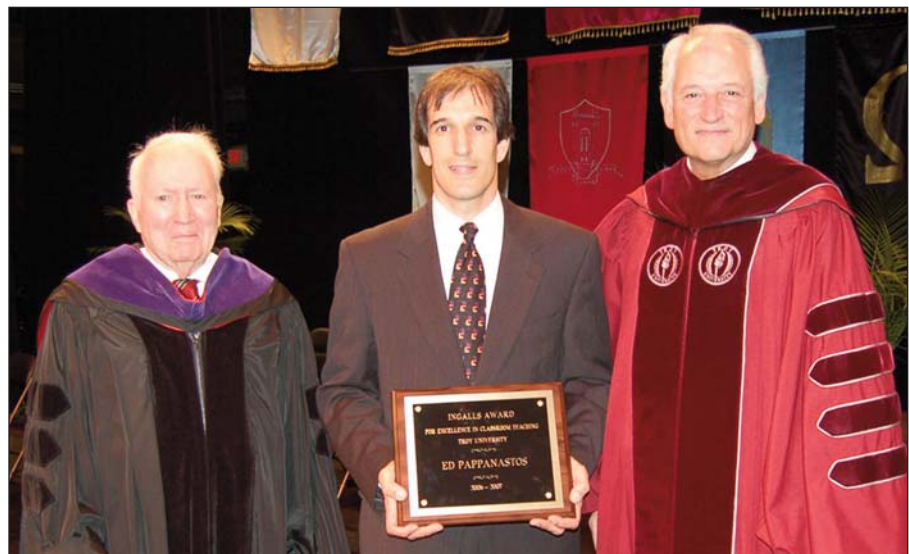
who has "most diligently, effectively and cheerfully conducted his or her classes during the current academic year." Students nominate faculty members for the award, and a committee of students and faculty advisers selects the recipient.

Dr. Pappanastos earned his master's and doctoral degrees in applied statistics from the University of Alabama. He also holds a Master of Business Administration degree and a bachelor's degree in information systems from Auburn University Montgomery.

Dr. Pappanastos has been a member of the Troy University faculty since 1997. Prior to joining the TROY faculty, he served as an assistant professor at Alabama State University and as an instructor of business at Auburn University at Montgomery.

Dr. Hal Fulmer, associate provost, said Dr. Pappanastos was well deserving of the award.

"One of the marks of excellent teaching at Troy University is the capacity to ask as well as to answer provocative



Dr. Ed Pappanastos, center, receives the Ingalls Award for Excellence in Classroom Teaching from Chancellor Jack Hawkins, Jr., right, and Birmingham Attorney Thomas N. Carruthers Jr., who served as the keynote speaker for the annual Honors Convocation on the Troy Campus on Monday.

questions," Dr. Fulmer said in presenting the award. "In my work with Dr. Pappanastos on our First Year Studies Task Force and in my observation of him as one of our campus's most

engaging student mentors, I have found him to be a remarkably humane individual and well worthy of this award."

Pappanastos and his wife Jaymie have two children.

## Behind-the-scenes work

Kim Davidson receives Vergil Parks McKinley Award for April

**K**im Davidson, event coordinator for the Office of the Chancellor, has won the University's Vergil Parks McKinley Award for April.

Davidson, a member of the University's staff since 2003, received the award Wednesday during a ceremony at the Hawkins-Adams-Long Hall of Honor on the Troy Campus. Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., Chancellor, presented the award to Davidson, who was nominated by Dave Barron, executive assistant to the chancellor.

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.

Barron praised Davidson for her work ethic and tireless effort behind the scenes.

"Kim Davidson's unsung job and behind-the-scenes work allows our University and the Chancellor to properly host numerous events for students, faculty, staff, donors and friends," Barron said in his letter of nomination. "She is a delight to work with, displaying incredible patience across a diverse spectrum of issues ranging from concerned parents to University applications to international guests of the University. Kim is often the first impression any visitor to the Chancellor has of the University, and no one does it better. She is the tireless, unseen hand that



**Kim Davidson, event coordinator for the Office of the Chancellor of Troy University, receives the Vergil Parks McKinley Award for April from Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., TROY chancellor, TROY First Lady Mrs. Janice Hawkins and Dave Barron, executive assistant to the chancellor, during a ceremony in the Hawkins-Adams-Long Hall of Honor on the Troy Campus on Wednesday.**

makes the official events of the University successful whether in the board room or at the Chancellor's residence."

Davidson, a TROY alumna and a Pike County resident, said she was honored to receive the award.

"I am really humbled and grateful to receive this award," Davidson said. "It is an honor to be part of such a wonderful team of people at Troy University."



### *Magrath receives Sullivan Award*

Dr. Christi Magrath, associate professor of biology, was honored with the 2006-2007 Algeron Sydney Sullivan Award during a luncheon April 23. She was also recognized during the University's annual Honors Convocation held Monday night in the Claudia Crosby Theater.

The Sullivan Award, which is presented at select colleges and universities throughout the United States, recognizes recipients for their excellence of character, humanitarian service and spiritual

qualities. The award has been presented annually to a male student, female student and one non-student at TROY since 1981.

Dr. Magrath joined the Troy University faculty in 1999 after receiving her Ph.D. from Tulane University. She earned her bachelor's degree from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Two TROY seniors also were recipients of Sullivan Awards – Elizabeth Rebekah Weeks of Wilsonville and Chauncy Glover of Madison

## Activities & achievements

**Catherine Hutcheson** of the Department of English recently served on the Editorial Advisory Board for a new textbook by Susan Anker, "Real Skills with Readings: Sentences and Paragraphs for College, Work, and Everyday Life," published by Bedford St. Martins.

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**Dr. Catherine Smith**, assistant professor of English, has co-authored two articles that were recently published. The Polish journal *Kwartalnik Pedagogiczny* (Educational Quarterly), published "Polish Post-Secondary Vocational Schools vs Canadian Community Colleges: A Comparison of Information Accessibility and Accountability."

Dr. Smith's article, "Native Speaking vs. Nonnative Speaking English Teachers in Poland: Personal Reflections," appeared in the January 2007 issue of the Lamar University Electronic Journal of Student Research.

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**Dr. Nathan Alexander's** review of "Triumph Forsaken: The Vietnam War, 1954-1965," by Mark Moyar will appear in a forthcoming issue of the *Journal of Cold War Studies*. Dr. Alexander is an assistant professor in the Department of History.

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**Dr. Vitaly Voloshin**, associate professor of mathematics, has recently published the paper "A note on quasi-triangulated graphs" (joint paper with co-authors from Canada and Moldova). The paper was published in the major international journal of the Society for Industrial and Applied Mathematics, *SIAM Journal of Discrete Mathematics*.

Dr. Voloshin also recently obtained a research grant from the University of Catania (Italy) and Ministry of Education of Italy. The grant will fund travel and stay in Italy for 2-4 weeks during 2007.

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**Dr. Dan Puckett**, assistant professor of history, presented the paper, "The Serviceman: Rabbi Milton Grafman and Temple Emanu-El's Response to World War II," at the Alabama Historical Association's Annual Meeting in Opelika, Alabama, on April 14, 2007.

Dr. Puckett also served as a commentator on the panel, "Perspectives on Cuba," at the International Security-Internal Safety Regional Conference at Mississippi State University in Starkville, MS, on March 24.

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**Dr. Marian Parker**, associate professor and coordinator of the P-12 and Secondary Education programs, has been named editor of *Alabama English*, the journal of the Alabama Council of Teachers of English.

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**Dr. Sergey Belyi**, associate professor of mathematics, participated in the International Conference on Modern Analysis and Applications in Odessa (Ukraine). The conference was dedicated to the centenary of Mark Krein, one of the most eminent Ukrainian mathematicians of our time.

Dr. Belyi presented the results from his latest paper "A general realization theorem for matrix-valued Herglotz Nevanlinna functions."

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The 42nd International Congress on Medieval Studies, to be held in May at Western Michigan University, will feature "Starry, Starry Night": The Stars as Seen by Boethius, Dante, and Chaucer," a study co-authored by **Dr. Harold Kaylor**, professor of English, and TROY undergraduate **Zachary Couch**.

Dr. Kaylor also has recently published the following:

- The History of Troy: The University, Troy, AL: The Association for Textual Study and Production, 2007.
- Chaucer's *Troilus and Criseyde* and Boethius's *Consolation of Philosophy*, *Medieval English Mirror* 3 (2007), 111-119. This article listed the members of Dr. Kaylor's course, "The Works of Geoffrey Chaucer," who contributed to its production.
- Boethius, Dante, and Teaching Aspects of Chaucer's *Tragedy*, (a chapter) in *Approaches to Teaching Chaucer's Troilus and Criseyde and the Shorter Poems*, New York: Modern Language Association of America, 2007, 43-49.
- and, Review of *Sourcer of the Boece* (edited by Tim William Machan, Athens, GA: The University of Georgia, 2005), *Journal of English and Germanic Philology*, July (2007), 403-405.

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**Dr. Meg Milligan**, assistant professor of psychology, and Dr. Kevin Morris, professor of English, Greenville Technical College, recently co-presented "Working Together to Study Attitudinal Differences between Faculties: Cross-disciplinary Results," at the 2007 Southeastern Conference on the Teaching of Psychology in Atlanta.

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**Dr. Robert B. Kane**, Air Force historian at Eglin Air Force Base (AFB), FL, and adjunct history professor for eCampus, wrote a short article on the Doolittle Raid, which occurred 65 years ago, and a book review on a recent biography of James "Jimmy" Doolittle for the *Air and Space Power Journal*.

Additionally, he and the Eglin AFB Chief Historian conducted a staff ride of the Doolittle Raid sites around Eglin AFB for 12 U.S. Army officers from Fort Rucker and eight U.S. Air Force officers from Eglin AFB.

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The current issue of *Umbrella* ([www.umbrellajournal.com](http://www.umbrellajournal.com)) features two poems by **Dr. William Thompson**, chair of the English Department.

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**Dr. Ed Kamnikar**, associate professor of accounting, was a guest speaker at Montgomery Chapter Scholarship Luncheon sponsored by American Society of Military Comptrollers on April 17. The luncheon was held at Whitley Hall on the Montgomery Campus.



**April Reward Callers.** Chancellor Jack Hawkins, Jr., congratulates winners of the April Reward Caller Awards. Winners, from left to right, were: Tamara Jones of University Records, Judy Strickland of International Programs and Todd Burks of Financial Aid. Not pictured is Kimberly Dobbins of the Sorrell College of Business on the Dothan Campus. The awards are given monthly to encourage proper phone etiquette and courtesy among University employees. Winners receive \$25.

## *Faculty member serving on national reading test committee*

A Troy University education professor has been named to a committee that is developing a new national test for teachers of reading.

Dr. Timon Paleologos, assistant professor of education on the Phenix City Campus, has begun work on the committee, which is devising a new test for the Praxis series. Praxis, developed by the non-profit organization ETS, is a series of tests and assessments used by many state departments of education as part of the teaching certification process.

Dr. Paleologos said the new test will “assess what first-year teachers of reading need to know” to succeed in the classroom. He said the process of developing the test will take about two years.

“I am privileged to be working with a wonderful group of literacy experts from across the country and impressed with the effort put forth to produce a test like

this,” Dr. Paleologos said. “Our job as a committee is to confirm the areas that need to be tested, revise test specifications, and approve test design.”

Dr. Lance Tatum, interim dean of the College of Education, said Dr. Paleologos’ experience with Praxis will benefit the entire TROY education faculty.

“It’s an honor to have a Troy University faculty member chosen to serve on a Praxis committee,” Dr. Tatum said. “Assessment and test design are critical components of teaching. The more we know about the best practices in this area, the stronger we will be as a College of Education.”

Dr. Paleologos earned a Ph.D. degree in education from Auburn University. He served as an elementary school teacher in the Lee County School system from 1997-2004. He has conducted research in reading fluency and early literacy assessment.

## *Anderson receives Educator’s Award*

The chair of Troy University’s Department of Athletic Training /Education has been honored by the Southeast Athletic Trainer’s Association.

Associate Professor John “Doc” Anderson was presented the SATA Educator’s Award at the 32nd annual Clinical Symposium and Members Meeting in Franklin, TN. The award is presented annually to a SATA member who is “committed to teaching athletic training skills and functioning in a leadership capacity at an institution,” according to the award criteria.

Anderson, who holds the University’s Ingall’s Award for Excellence in Classroom Teaching, was head track coach and athletic trainer at the University from 1967 – 1979. He served as head athletic trainer at Louisiana State University from 1979-1989 before returning to TROY as a faculty member in the athletic training program. He has served on the medical staffs of both the United States Olympic Team and the United States Pan-American Games team. He earned a bachelor’s degree from Auburn University and a master’s degree from TROY. In 1999, Anderson was inducted into the Alabama Athletic Trainers Hall of Fame.

## *Dr. Spurlock has book published*

PublishAmerica has announced the publication of “Clemente’s Dream” by Troy University Journalism Professor Dr. Jefferson Spurlock.

Clemente’s Dream is the story of a nine-year-old boy who moves to an Alabama town with his widowed mother when their car breaks down en route to Florida. Finding difficulty with a new school and with meeting new people, Clemente Vazquez soon becomes the target of suspicion when one of the town’s leading merchants discovers his “prized possession” missing.

Facing further adversity such as hearing disparaging remarks about his Puerto Rican heritage from the school bully and from other local residents, Clemente battles a number of obstacles, hoping to become accepted by the town.

## Service saluted

University honors faculty, staff members for years of employment

**T**roy University recently honored several employees for their years of service.

Among those who were honored during the service pin ceremony were Maurice Tillery, departmental secretary for the library, who has served the University for 35 years and Dr. Don Jeffrey, interim dean of the College of Arts and Sciences, who has logged 30 years of service. The two received special framed photos of the Trojan statue fountain in honor of their loyal service to the University.

Those receiving 25-year service pins were: Eleanor J Lee, director of instructional support services, and Dr. Forrest H Petry, associate professor in the College of Education.

Faye Rhoden, program coordinator of in-service education, received a 15-year service pin.

Receiving 10-year pins were: Sandra L Henry, director of enrollment management on the Dothan Campus; Maurice Maryanow, assistant professor of arts and sciences on the Montgomery Campus; Dr. Janice I Nelson, associate professor in the MSN Program on the Montgomery Campus; Greg Price, chief technology officer; and, Faith W



**TROY Chancellor Jack Hawkins, Jr. congratulates longtime University employees Maurice Tillery (35 years) and Dr. Don Jeffrey (30 years) during a recent service pin ceremony.**

Ward, director of alumni affairs.

Receiving five-year service pins were: Kathy H Bradshaw, accounting coordinator; Patsy T Brown, departmental secretary for accounting and information systems; Dona A Gibbons, education tech coordinator/engineer for eCampus; David L Griffin, electronic engineer for the TV Center; Sharon B

Harris, financial aid counselor; Archie W. McMichen, child care worker at the Independent Living Center; Christy L. Morrow, account clerk; Gayle L. Nelson, director of eCampus operations; Dr. Martin T. Olliff, associate professor on the Dothan Campus; and, Deborah S Rushing, assistant professor in the BSN Program.

## *TROY shines as host for history conference*

Troy University recently played host for the first time to the Regional Phi Alpha Theta History Conference.

Twenty-seven TROY students participated in seven different panels made up of universities from throughout Alabama. Students also presented academic papers on various historical subjects.

The panel topics included Rwandan Genocide, The Struggle for Empire in Colonial/Revolutionary North America, Politics and Consti-

tutional Reform in 20th Century Alabama, Civil Rights and U.S. Environmental History.

"It was very gratifying to observe our Troy history majors interact so competently and professionally with their peers and faculty from these other institutions. I was really proud of them," said Dr. Bryant Shaw, chair of the Department of History.

Dr. Peter Caster, professor of film and English at the University of South Carolina-Upstate, was the luncheon speaker for the conference.



**Dr. Nathan Alexander, assistant professor of history, leads a discussion with panelist Shawn Butler from the University of South Alabama and Casey Tannreuther of TROY.**

## 'Crossroads'

### Rosa Parks Museum exhibit features retrospective of Life magazine photographer Gordon Parks

Troy University's Rosa Parks Museum opened a new exhibit April 2, entitled "Gordon Parks: Crossroads." The exhibit will run through July 30.

The 50-photograph retrospective collection celebrates the life of Gordon Parks, who became Life magazine's first black staff photographer in 1949.

The exhibit is presented by Art2Art, in collaboration with the Gordon Parks Foundation and the Southern Poverty Law Center, and provides a glimpse into the life of one of America's most accomplished 20th century artists.

Born in 1912, the youngest of 15 children of Kansas tenant farmers, Parks began his musical career at 15 when he became a

brothel piano player and a big-band singer.

In 1938, Parks purchased his first camera in a pawn shop and just months later found his portraits of black women exhibited in the windows of the Eastman Kodak store in Minneapolis, MN.

His first professional photographing job would come under the auspices of the Farm Security Administration. While at FSA, he created the famed "American Gothic" photograph. While shooting documentaries for FSA, Parks also launched into glamour and beauty photography, completing projects for Vogue and Glamour magazines. In 1949, he joined the staff of Life magazine, where he stayed for some 25 years.



**A tour of the night sky.** Visitors to the 10th annual Astronomy Day at W.A. Gayle Planetarium in Montgomery on April 21 took advantage of the perfect weather conditions to take a tour of the night sky through telescopes provided by the Auburn Astronomical Society. The day featured a variety of activities including a planetarium show and a telescope clinic. The planetarium is operated for the City of Montgomery by Troy University.

## *Experience Asia Festival to be held today, Friday*

The College of Communications and Fine Arts' Experience Asia Festival will kick off today and run through Friday.

At 6 p.m. today, a Ramen Noodle Cook-off will be held in the Trojan Center Lobby. The cooking competition will be followed at 7 p.m. by a performance by Nepalese Dancers, an Asian Fashion Show and a showing of the movie "Memoirs of a Geisha" in

the Trojan Center Theatre.

Asian Night at Stewart Dining Hall will be held from 4:30 to 7 p.m. on Friday, featuring a variety of Asian foods. Students with a dining card can eat free, while the cost for the general public will be \$6.25.

The Ronin Taiko Drum Concert will be held at 7 p.m. Friday at the Claudia Crosby Theater. The concert will feature performances by the Wiregrass

Youth Symphony Orchestra and Dr. Jihye Chang Sung, concert pianist. The concert is free to students, while admission for the general public is \$5. Tickets are available at the Trojan Center Box Office and School of Music Box Office, Smith Hall and WTBF Radio.

For more information, contact Dr. Maryjo Cochran, by e-mail at [macochran@troy.edu](mailto:macochran@troy.edu) or by phone at 670-3851.

## *'Nunsense' to be performed at Davis Theatre*

The Troy University College of Communication and Fine Arts is bringing its production of the musical Nunsense to the Davis Theatre stage for one evening only on Tuesday, May 8, at 7 p.m. Seating is still available and costs \$10 per ticket.

Nunsense follows the madcap adventures of the Little Sisters of Hoboken as they stage a benefit revue to raise money to bury a group of nuns accidentally poisoned by their own convent chef! Under the

direction of TROY faculty member Adena Moree, this production will feature rousing musical numbers, tap and ballet dancing, an audience quiz and plenty of comic surprises.

Nunsense has become an international phenomenon. With more than 5,000 productions worldwide, this popular show has been translated into 21 languages. Nunsense has received four Outer Critics Circle Awards including Best Off-Broadway Musical and has become the second

longest running musical in off-Broadway history, second only to The Fantasticks.

This production is presented as a part of the 2006-2007 University Series for Troy University's Davis Theatre. Single tickets are now available for purchase at \$10 per ticket. For more information regarding ticket availability, call the theatre at (334) 241-9567. Office hours are Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m. and Friday 8 a.m. – noon.