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A look inside Troy University for faculty and staff

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Chinese Consul General visits TROY – Consul General Dr. Yanping Gao and Consul and Director of Education Dr. Guohua Yan from Chinese Consulate General of the Peoples Republic of China in Houston recently visited Troy University and the University’s Confucius Institute. During a visit with Chancellor Jack Hawkins, Jr., the Consul General commended Troy University for its work to develop the only Confucius Institute located in the State of Alabama, and praised the University’s effort to foster cultural relations between the U.S. and China. Pictured, from left to right, are: Dr. Curt Porter, associate vice chancellor for international affairs; Dr. Yanping Gao, Consul General; Chancellor Hawkins; and, Dr. Guohua Yan, consul and director of education.

TROY to launch redesigned Web site

Troy University will unveil its newly redesigned Web site in mid-February featuring a cleaner look and user-friendly navigation.

The redesign was announced on Thursday in an email from Associate Vice Chancellor for Marketing Sandi Gouge.

Dr. John Schmidt, senior vice chancellor for advancement and external relations, said the collaborative effort has yielded a major improvement for the University.

“The Web provides our best and biggest opportunities to share Troy University with the world,” Dr. Schmidt said. “It is vitally important that we continue to put our best foot
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Burrus added to Leadership Conference lineup

A Grammy Award-winning singer and star of “Real Housewives of Atlanta” has been added to the lineup for the ninth annual Leadership Conference Celebrating Black History Month, according to Catherine Jordan, chair of the conference steering committee.

Kandi Burrus, a former vocalist for Xscape who won a Grammy for her work on TLC’s hit “No Scrubs,” will speak at the Leadership Conference. Co-sponsored by the University and

the City of Troy, the Leadership Conference annually brings together civic and community leaders, clergymen and business leaders in a collaborative and educational forum. This year’s conference is scheduled for Feb. 5-6 on the Troy Campus.

“Kandi Burrus is a great addition to our conference,” Jordan said. “Those who attend will be able to hear a noted TV actor and an outstanding broadcast journalist and now they will hear this outstanding vocal per-

former as well. It’s one of the most interesting and diverse conference schedules we have ever had.”

The Leadership Conference committee had announced earlier that Tim Reid, an actor, director and producer best known for his roles on hit television series such as “Sister, Sister,” “Frank’s Place” and “WKRP in Cincinnati,” and broadcast journalist Lyn Vaughn, who anchored CNN’s Headline News for more
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Black History Month

Freedom Bus Tour to kick off observance on Montgomery Campus

Troy University's Rosa Parks Museum will kickoff Black History Month on Feb. 7-8 by hosting the Freedom Bus Tour celebrating the new book "Alabama's Civil Rights Trail: An Illustrated Guide to the Cradle of Freedom."

The museum will host a reception, book signing and lecture featuring author Frye Gaillard on Sunday, Feb. 7, from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m., followed by a seminar on Monday, Feb. 8, from 9 a.m. to noon.

Both events are free and open to the public.

The museum stop is the first in a multi-city tour sponsored by the Uni-

versity of Alabama Press celebrating the publication of "Alabama's Civil Rights Trail." The book tells the story of Alabama's great civil rights events and lesser-known moments paired with a practical guide to Alabama's preserved civil rights sites and monuments.

TROY's celebration of Black History Month will continue with other free events open to the public, including

- A screening of the film "The Negro Soldier" on Tuesday, Feb. 9, at 6 p.m. in the Rosa Parks Museum auditorium. The film will be followed by a roundtable discussion of

the black veteran experience featuring black World War II veterans.

- The Harlem Renaissance Parlor Party featuring poetry readings, a jazz ensemble and a reception on Friday, Feb. 12, inside Tine's Alley in Whitley Hall.

- On Wednesday, Feb. 17, author Fran Buss and Mary Robinson will discuss and sign copies of the book "Moisture of the Earth: Mary Robinson, Civil Rights and Textile Union Activist." The book signing will start 6 p.m. in the museum auditorium.

For more information about upcoming events contact the Rosa Parks Museum at (334) 241-8615.

Wife of U.S. military leader addresses TROY graduates

The wife of a prominent military commander recently provided the commencement address at Troy University's Central Florida graduation exercises.

Holly Petraeus, wife of Gen. David Petraeus, former commander of Multi-National Force in Iraq and current commander of U.S. Central Command, addressed 70 graduates from TROY's Tampa, Orlando and Jacksonville sites during the Jan. 16 ceremony at St. Lawrence Catholic Church in Tampa, FL. More than 700 people attended the ceremony.

Mrs. Petraeus is the director of BBB Military Line®, a program of the Council of Better Business Bureaus providing consumer education and advocacy for service members and their families. As such, she oversees a national program that works with the Department of Defense as a partner in the DoD Financial Readiness Campaign and fosters outreach from the 165 local Better Business Bureaus (BBBs) to military communities across the United States.

Mrs. Petraeus is a summa cum laude graduate of Dickinson College in Carlisle, PA and a member of Phi



Holly Petraeus, wife of Gen. David Petraeus, former commander of the Multi-National Force in Iraq and current commander of U.S. Central Command, delivered the address for Troy University's Central Florida commencement ceremonies on Jan. 16. The ceremony included graduates from the University's Tampa, Orlando and Jacksonville sites. Pictured from left to right are: Barbara Federico, Carmen Federico, Tampa Bay Site Director Carol Walters, Holly Petraeus, Shelvin Watts, Debbie Shearl, Gerene Keesler and Vivian Gandara.

Beta Kappa. She is a recipient of the Secretary of the Army Public Service Award, the Boy Scouts of America "Service to Families" Award and the Department of the Army Outstanding Civilian Service Medal.

Web site

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forward worldwide through our Web presence and I believe in this redesign process we have done just that. Chief Technology Officer Greg Price, members of our Information Technology team and all those involved in this redesign have gone to great strides to ensure that the Troy University story is presented in an easily accessible and informative way. I greatly appreciate the effort Greg and all those involved have put into this project.”

According to Price, more than 35 members of the University’s staff and administration have been involved in the redesign process which has been an ongoing process of review for nearly two years.

“The final design was mostly developed in-house with input from a third-party,” Price said. “The conversion from a mock-up to functional Web pages, including features and testing, required months of IT work. At least 14 IT personnel will be responsible for moving the majority of content into the new design and approximately 25 University staff will be directly involved in the update process.”

Price said providing easy access to information was one of the primary goals of the redesign.

“Our primary goal was to make the site more user-friendly to our constituents,” Price said. “The major design changes allow significant focus on prospective and existing students. Since troy.edu is our primary marketing tool, we realized that we needed to update the Homepage to provide easy access to the information those audiences would be looking for.”

Among the new features offered through the site are the inclusion of social media links for Troy University, enhanced SOS emergency notification information, video capabilities and Active Admissions, a tool for recruiting new students.

The use of Active Admissions will greatly enhance the University’s ability to serve prospective students and applicants, according to Buddy Starling, dean of enrollment management.

“I believe that with the implementation of Active Admissions it will truly revolutionize the way we do business in enrollment management,” Starling said. “It is a dynamic product that will

enable us to be competitive in the various markets we serve. It really does change the way we do business, allowing us to operate with a greater level of efficiency and to be more responsive to both prospects and applicants. We are entering a higher competitive arena with the implementation of this technology.”

In addition to the new features offered through the redesign, Price said the site will further enhance the single Troy University presence.

“We will eliminate all ad-hoc servers and consolidate efforts to a series of core, homogenous technologies,” Price said. “In doing so, not only do we foster a more intuitive Web model, but we are also able to devote more staff time for content management of the site rather than systems’ management.”

Faculty and staff are encouraged to preview the new redesigned site by going to <http://preview.troy.edu>. Viewers may browse the preview pages and the various sample links available, including links to preview the template that will be used for campus, region and site locations.

Conference

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than 13 years, will be the featured speakers. Reid will close the conference as the luncheon speaker on Saturday, Feb. 6, while Vaughn will provide the conference opening keynote address on Friday, Feb. 5.

Registration is \$30 and online registration can be accessed at <http://troy.troy.edu/leadership/alc/>, or by contacting the University’s Institute for Leadership Development at 334-670-5686. Troy University students may attend the conference for a \$15 registration fee.

Pensacola Site employees support Red Cross relief efforts for victims of Haiti earthquake

The staff and faculty from the Pensacola Site have contributed significantly to the Haiti rescue efforts.

In late October seven members participated in the 17th annual United Way of Escambia County “Day of Caring.”

Site Director Rick Puckett, a supporter of the United Way, allowed his staff to take time from their work duties to volunteer for this important annual event. Their primary duty was to pack comfort kits with essential items like soap, shaving cream and razors.

Shortly after the Haiti earthquake 4,000 of the comfort kits left Pensacola enroute to Orlando where many of the

wounded are now being cared for.

In a recent broadcast on Pensacola’s local ABC affiliate Red Cross spokesman John Murray singled out Troy University for their assistance. “We had volunteers in the warehouse from Troy University, and they checked and repacked a lot of these kits,” said Murray. He also noted that additional comfort kits are still available and will be sent as needed.

Site volunteers included Cicely F. Williams, Linda J. Germany, Trisha Deady and her daughter Claire, Christi Berrey, Donna Hinnant and Dr. Xiaoli Huan.

Best paper

Work earns Troy University Professor Michael Woods coveted Windler Award

Troy University professor Dr. Michael Woods was recently named the winner of the Richard and Minnie Windler Award for the best paper in plant systematics.

The award, established in 1990 by Dr. Donald R. Windler of Towson University as a memorial to his parents, is presented annually for the best paper published in "Castanea," the journal of the Southern Appalachian Botanical Society.

Dr. Woods was honored for his paper "The Genera *Desmodium* and *Hylodesmum* (Fabaceae) in Alabama,"

which was published in the March 2008 issue of the publication.

The awards committee praised Woods' paper as a "wonderful example of a carefully prepared regional monograph."

"It addresses conservation issues, has excellent illustrations and dot maps for Alabama," the committee said. "We need more papers like this, which provide important complementary information to that in phylogenetic papers based on molecular techniques."

Dr. Woods is a professor of botany

and curator of the Troy University Herbarium. Since it was re-established in 1997, the collection has grown to more than 30,000 specimens, making it one of the fastest growing herbaria in the southeastern U.S.

Dr. Woods holds a bachelor's degree in biology from Cumberland College and a master's degree in biology from Murray State University. He received his doctoral degree from Southern Illinois University where he worked under the direction of the renowned plant taxonomist Dr. Robert H. Mohlenbrock.

Smith named director of TROY's Hampton Roads Peninsula Site

Troy University appointed Roger Smith as the new Hampton Roads Peninsula site director for the Atlantic Region.

Smith will be responsible for the supervision and administration of all site operations in the Hampton Roads Peninsula area. He will also ensure that all site operations comply with applicable accrediting and certifying agencies and associations.

A retired commander of the U.S. Coast Guard, Smith received his Master's of Science in Management from Troy University. Smith brings to TROY excellent leadership and decision-making skills. As a commander in the U.S. Coast Guard, Smith led approximately 25 personnel in the execution of one of its international programs as well as directed the development of a new program in the areas of policy, guidance and training.

Smith's constant dedication and work ethic earned him the Secretary of Transportation Award for Workforce Diversity. Smith continually strives to make a positive impact not only at work, but in his community as well, serving as a troop committee member and pack leader for the Boy Scouts of America.

"Roger is a strategic thinker with excellent business skills and, most importantly, a passion for people," said Dr. Christine Burge, director of TROY's Atlantic Region. "We are delighted to have him join our Hampton Roads team."

Society of Human Resources Management recognizes TROY's master's program

Troy University's Master of Science in Human Resource Management (MSHRM) program has been recognized by Society for Human Resource Management as being fully aligned with the program's recommended guidelines for HR education.

There are less than 30 Master's programs in HRM nationally that align with SHRM's educational objectives. This list includes, among others, DePaul University, NYU, Ohio State, Rutgers, Texas A&M, the University of Minnesota, and the University of Tennessee.

SHRM is the world's largest professional association devoted to human resource management. Founded in 1948, SHRM represents more than 250,000 individual members in over 125 countries.

In 2006, the SHRM Board approved an initiative to help the Society define and develop HR education at university business schools across the nation. One of the initiatives was to develop a Curriculum Guidebook and Templates which identify core topics that should be required in degree programs.

"The recognition of the MSHRM program by the Society for Human Resources Management is another indicator of the quality of TROY's business programs and their close relationship to the world of business," said Dr. Kaye Sheridan, interim dean of the Sorrell College of Business.

Going above and beyond

Elizabeth Crawley wins Vergil Parks McKinley Award for January

Elizabeth Crawley, assistant to the registrar in Troy University's Office of University Records, has received the University's Vergil Parks McKinley Award for January.

Crawley, who has been a member of the Troy University staff since 2007, received the award during a ceremony Tuesday in the Hawkins-Adams-Long Hall of Honor on the Troy Campus. Dr. Jack Hawkins, Jr., Chancellor, presented the award to Crawley, who was nominated by Tamara Jones, Troy Campus registrar.

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.

In a letter of nomination, Jones commended Crawley for the invaluable service she provides to students.

"Elizabeth is always concerned about the students and making sure they are helped to the best of her ability," Jones said. "She goes above and beyond to make sure students are made aware of deadlines and information needed to aid them in completion of their degrees. She not only helps the students, but she is also ready to lend a helping hand to her co-workers and peers. Elizabeth gets the job done and does it with a smile on her face. She is



Chancellor Jack Hawkins, Jr. (left) presents the University's Vergil Parks McKinley Award for January to Elizabeth Crawley during a ceremony on Tuesday on the Troy Campus. Crawley, who serves as assistant to the registrar, was nominated by Tamara Jones, Troy Campus registrar.

what this award is all about."

Crawley, a 2006 TROY graduate with a degree in business administration with a concentration in marketing, said she was honored to receive the award.

"I am truly surprised to receive this award," Crawley said. "I am happy to be a part of Troy University. I graduated from here and I love this University."



Reward Callers – Winners of the University's Reward Caller Awards for the month of January were honored during a ceremony on Tuesday in the Hawkins-Adams-Long Hall of Honor on the Troy Campus. Pictured, from left to right, are: Robert Joslin of the Department of Art and Design; Melissa Wilson of the Dothan Campus vice chancellor's office; Jeana Smith of the Chemistry Department; and, Shane Tatum of Student Services. The monthly award recognizes telephone courtesy and etiquette. Winners receive \$25.

Activities & achievements

Dr. Timon Paleologos, assistant professor in the College of Education, recently has his article “The Effectiveness of DIBELS Oral Reading Fluency for Predicting Reading Comprehension of High- and Low-Income Students” accepted for publication by *Reading Psychology*; date to be determined.

Dr. Paleologos also recently established a reading clinic at the Phenix City Housing Authority in which pre-service teachers enrolled in RED 4483 work in a tutorial format with elementary children to assess beginning reading skills and design lessons that help remediate specific early literacy deficiencies.

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Dr. Deb Gearhart, director of eCampus, has recently had the article, “The Issues Related to Student Authentication in Distance Education,” published in the *International Journal of Technoethics*. Dr. Gearhart serves as an associate editor for the *Journal*.

The book, *Cases on Distance Delivery and Learning Outcomes: Emerging Trends and Programs*, which was edited by Dr. Gearhart, was also recently released.

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A paper by **Dr. Dennis Self** and **Dr. Mike Schraeder**, of the Sorrell College of Business on the Montgomery Campus, along with a former TROY student, Maj. Dominick Edwards, U.S. Army, titled, “Turnaround in the Bandits of Bravo Company,” has been accepted for publication in the *Leadership and Organizational Development Journal*.

The paper is based on Maj. Edwards’ actual leading the change of a dysfunctional tank company, turning it into a high performance one. Major Edwards was a student of Dr. Self at Ft. Benning several years ago.

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Dr. Mary Ann Hooten, former TROY student Kristina Noeva, and **Dr. Frank Hammonds**, published an article entitled “The Effects of Homosexual Imagery in Advertisements on Brand Perception and Purchase Intention” in Vol. 37(9) of *Social Behavior and Personality: An International Journal*.

Drs. Hooten and Hammonds are associate professors in the Department of Counseling and Psychology.

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Dr. Alan D. Campbell, associate professor in accounting in the Sorrell College of Business on the Montgomery Campus, was quoted in the preface of the new edition of the textbook *Cost Accounting: Foundations and Evolutions, 8th Edition*, by Michael R. Kinney and Cecily A. Raiborn, on page xi under the heading “Relevancy in Today’s Business World.”

Dr. Campbell said: “The Kinney/Raiborn book does a

great job on more modern topics such as ABC, TQM, and JIT.”

Troy University uses the 7th edition of this textbook in *Managerial/Cost Accounting I* and *Managerial/Cost Accounting II*.

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Several Master of Public Administration (MPA) faculty presented papers at the Southern Political Science Association Conference, Atlanta, GA, Jan. 8-9.

Dr. Leora Waldner, MPA Southeast Region coordinator, and **Dr. Kathryn Brice**, adjunct, delivered two papers, entitled, “Race and Incorporation: Why New Urban Cities Grow Whiter and Richer?” and “The New Cities: Why Cities Incorporate and the Implications for Urban Politics.”

Dr. Ellen Rosell, MPA director, and **Dr. Feng Sun**, MPA faculty, presented their paper, “Undocumented Immigration in Southern States: Service Delivery Challenges for Local and State Governments.”

Dr. Feng Sun also delivered her coauthored paper, “Achieving Peace: An Examination of Consociationalism and State Capacity of Peace Building.”

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Dr. Tim Buckner, assistant professor of history, is among the guest speakers for the 2010 Cultural Crossroads Symposium to be held at the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts on Saturday, Jan. 30.

The theme of the conference is “A Place for All: Religion in Antebellum Alabama.” The conference is presented by the Landmarks Foundation, the Montgomery Museum of Fine Arts and Auburn University’s Caroline Marshall Draughon Center for the Arts and Humanities.

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Dr. Kern W. Craig, assistant professor of public administration, presented his paper, “The New World Order: A Deconstruction of the Nation-state and a Reconfiguration of the Mixed Political Economy,” at the International Conference of Asian Democratization and Politico-economic Sustainable Development in the 21st Century: Democratic Governance.

The event was held in October at the National Cheng Kung University in Tainana, Taiwan.

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Ralph Ford, director of bands and professor in the John M. Long School of Music, served as the composer and conductor in residence the Wichita Wind Ensembles “The Soul of Great Music – Standards #3” at Friends University in Wichita, KS, in October. He also was the featured composer at Senesey Music, the leading print and instrument retail store in Kansas.

Help for Haiti

Student-led benefit concert to aid earthquake victims set for today

Troy University students are joining forces to present a benefit concert to aid the people of earthquake-ravaged Haiti.

The "Help for Haiti" Relief Concert will be held today from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. at Rec Center Gym located on Elm Street. Admission to the concert is a donation of at least \$5.

The concert was originally to be held on Tailgate Terrace but was relocated due to inclement weather.

"Many people want to do something to help, but they don't know what to do or how to do it," said Micah Grimes, a senior broadcast journalism major from Ft. Meade, Fla., who is one of the organizers of the event.

"As college students, we may not have a lot of money to give but as a team, using the medium of music, our money can add up quickly."

The concert was the idea of Grimes and fellow TROY student Josh Johnson, who is the leader of the "J. Harvey Band," one of the groups slated to perform. All of the artists performing during the concert are donating their time allowing all of the proceeds from the event to go to aid the victims of the earthquake.

The concert, which is aimed at college students but is open to the general public as well, will feature performances by "The J. Harvey Johnson Band," Kenny Heard, "The Park

Band," Corey "The Rez" Rezner, Erica Franklin, Fire Mountain, Justin Grimes, Derrick Kinsaul, "Bad News Sushi," Ethan Watford and "The Nasty Nate Experience," featuring Trojan football players Bear Woods, Nate Nolin, Sam Sellers, Jacoby Thomas and Donnell Golden.

"We have partnered with Troy University and the TROY Student Government Association to give the south Alabama region an opportunity to give back, coming together on one night, as a community," Grimes said. "This event is targeted to college students to give them a real medium to give to the people of Haiti, but it is open to anyone and everyone."

'Picnic with the Partnership' event scheduled for Feb. 17

Troy University will sponsor "Picnic with the Partnership," on Feb. 17, as part of a membership drive for the Higher Education Partnership.

The picnic lunch will begin at noon on Feb. 17 in the lobby of Jack Hawkins, Jr., Hall on the Troy Campus.

Representatives from the High Education Partnership will be on hand to brief participants about the organization's efforts at the state level. Chancellor Jack Hawkins, Jr. will deliver closing remarks.

The first 200 recipients who respond by Feb. 1 will receive a free box lunch.

Members of the TROY Higher Education Partnership Membership Committee will visit departments on the Troy Campus on Monday to distribute membership

forms.

The Higher Education Partnership is the advocacy organization representing supporters of Alabama's public universities.

The Partnership's mission is to communicate the importance of higher education in bettering the lives of the people of Alabama. By hosting political forums, making civic club presentations, providing media commentary, holding get-out-the-vote events, and generally organizing the grassroots of university supporters, the Partnership has made a big difference for the future of higher education.

To register for the lunch, email tenglish@troy.edu. For additional information about the Partnership or membership in the organization, contact Dr. Deb Fortune, 334-808-6166.

Performances of 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' set for Tuesday

The Troy University Department of Theatre and Dance, in partnership with Troy City Schools, Pike County Schools, and Pike Liberal Arts, is set to host the Montgomery Ballet for "A Midsummer Night's Dream" on Tuesday, Feb. 2.

The Montgomery Ballet is under the artistic direction of Elie Lazar. The talented group has graced TROY's campus before with performances such as "An Evening of Romance", "Lost – the Story of Carmen", one of Lazar's original creations, and "A Salute to Our Nation's Veterans" featuring the TROY Symphony Band.

Shakespeare's romantic comedy, "A Midsummer Night's Dream" will consist of classical and modern-day ballet pieces.

The ballet will be performed at two different times, 9:30 a.m. and 1 p.m. in TROY's Claudia Crosby Theatre. Tickets will be available at the door beginning at 9 a.m. Admission is free of charge to the university and the public.

'The Wedding Singer'

Musical based on 1998 film coming to Davis Theatre on Feb. 4

Troy University's Davis Theatre for the Performing Arts will host the romantic musical comedy "The Wedding Singer" on Thursday, Feb. 4, at 7 p.m.

Based on the hit 1998 film starring Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore, this 80's musical will take audience members back to a time when pastel was in, hair was big and the wedding singer was the coolest guy in the room.

Tickets for the performance are on sale now at the Davis Theatre office. Single tickets range in price from \$20 to \$45.

"The Wedding Singer" tells the story of Robbie Hart, New Jersey's favorite wedding singer. Robbie has a desire to find the right girl and settle down, but when he finds her and she leaves him at the altar, he becomes broken-hearted and a wedding planner's worst nightmare, taking out his bitterness on stage. Every wedding he plays is a disaster until a charming waitress named Julia wins his affections. The only trouble is, she is about to be married and unless Robbie can pull off the performance of his lifetime, the girl of his dreams will be gone forever.

For more information regarding



The 80's musical comedy "The Wedding Singer," based on the hit 1998 film starring Adam Sandler and Drew Barrymore, will come to Troy University's Davis Theatre for the Performing Arts on Thursday, Feb. 4, at 7 p.m. Tickets are on sale now at the theatre office. For more information regarding ticket availability, call the theatre at (334) 241-9567. (Photo courtesy Prather Entertainment Group)

ticket availability, call the theatre at (334) 241-9567. Office hours are Monday through Thursday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Friday, 8 a.m. to noon.

"The Wedding Singer" is sponsored by WSFA 12 News and Leslie Bailey's Silver Spoon Caterers.

The Davis Theatre is located in downtown Montgomery at 251

Montgomery Street, and all shows have a 7 p.m. curtain time.

Other upcoming performances at the Davis Theatre include "Radio Days" on March 16 and "Passing Zone: Gravity Attacks" on April 15. For a complete list of shows, visit the Davis Theatre online—go to www.troy.edu and click on "Community Involvement."

AROUND TROY



Miss Troy University Pageant –

Ten Troy University students will compete for the crown of Miss Troy University in the 39th annual pageant at 2 p.m. Saturday in the Claudia Crosby Theater on the Troy Campus. Adult admission is \$10 and student admission is \$5. Contestants, pictured from left to right, are: Caitlyn Wade, Megan Picklesimer, Sydnii Todd, Rachel Ellis, Hannah Waldrop, 2009 Miss Troy University Marjorie Yessick, Casey East, Kathryn Hobgood, Allison Reynolds and Allison Farrington. Not pictured is Mary Allison Cross.