

A Great Success of 2014 Chinese New Year Appreciation Banquet

On the evening of Feb. 5th, 2014, the banquet hall in Renaissance Hotel, Montgomery, AL, hung with lanterns, Chinese knots, and other colored streamers, was filled with melodious music and joyful laughers. Confucius Institute of Troy University (CIT) ushered in the Year of Horse with grand celebrations along with over one hundred Chinese and foreign guests from all walks of life. Among them, there are VIPs from Montgomery City government, Troy University Montgomery Campus, Troy University Dothan Campus, teachers, staff, and students from Troy University, Principal Mary George Jester, Chinese teacher Steve Frost, students and their parents from LAMP High School, the best high school in Alabama, and entrepreneurs from Alabama as well.



Dr. Ingram, the senior vice Chancellor of Troy University, hosted the whole celebration and delivered a speech to welcome the Year of Horse. He wished all the guests a happy Chinese New Year, a great success, the best luck of the year and calling on the guests present at the banquet to help diversify of Troy University. Dr. Hawkins, Chancellor of Troy University, with his wife, also attended the banquet, having delightful conversations with the guests, was then interviewed by the local media.



The whole celebration was enlivened by Chinese poem recitals by the students from LAMP High School, flute and Zither duet performance, Chinese folk song solo, peacock dance offered by Chinese students and visiting scholars from Troy University. Their splendid performance won rounds of loud applause from the audience. The celebration reaches its climax when Dr. Hawkins presented awards of excellence to Ms. Xiaofeng

Chen, deputy director of CIT, Bu Xin, Coordinator of Troy University Montgomery Campus, Sun Guoxin, Coordinator and Instructor at troy campus, and Steven Frost, Chinese teacher of Lamp High School.

