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New Internship Guidelines!

The MPA internship program is transitioning to a centralized processing effective Term I, 2013. Beginning in Term I all new Global Campus, including eTROY students and existing students who are required to complete an internship as a part of their program of study, will be placed in an internship Blackboard shell. Upon placement in the Blackboard shell students will receive a welcome email from Dr. Kristie Roberts-Lewis (Internship Coordinator) welcoming them to the Blackboard shell and outlining the internship requirements. Students will then explore internship opportunities, identify their top three internship choices and initiate contact with the proposed agency/organization in consultation with Dr. Roberts-Lewis. Next, students and the Internship Coordinator will negotiate internship job duties/responsibilities with their selected agency to gain final approval of the Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) and commence their internship. All internship forms including the MOU will be submitted via the Blackboard shell and maintained by the Internship Coordinator. Once the internship has commenced and students are near completion or once the 300-hour requirement has been fulfilled, students will be dis-enrolled from the Blackboard shell and are eligible to enroll in PA 6694 and complete all other internship requirements.

Another major component of the centralized internship process beginning T1/13 will allow students to request substitution of their internship course for a concentration course. Students who elect to use their internship course as a concentration course must gain approval in advance, and prior to starting the internship, from Dr. Roberts-Lewis who will verify that the internship will allow the student to gain specific experience and build specific competencies that are directly related to the student's identified concentration. Failure to gain approval from Dr. Roberts-Lewis on the proposed internship prior to commencing the internship will invalidate the internship and will prevent the student from gaining academic credit for the internship opportunity. Students who have completed PA 6694, who are currently enrolled in PA 6694 or who are working in an approved internship beginning in T1/13 are not eligible for the course substitution but are covered by the MOU agreement/internship policies procedures that were in effect at the time the internship was initiated. If students who are not required to take an internship still wish to do so, they can request to be added to the internship organization in Blackboard and be assisted by an Internship Coordinator.

Why the change? Students will now have assistance from the time they enter the MPA program until the internship is completed; and internship opportunities will be consolidated in one central repository in the internship Blackboard organization. For questions concerning internships, please contact Dr. Kristie Roberts-Lewis, Internship Coordinator at robertsk@troy.edu.

Important Dates:

May 27:	Jul 5:
Term 5 classes start	Deadline to drop classes or withdraw from the university for Term 5

Jun 27, 8 pm (Central Time): Next e-Speakers event. The subject is the Internship Program and the speakers are Dr. Dayna McDaniel and Dr. Kristie Roberts-Lewis who will discuss the new program requirements related to the internship program.

Troy MPA Professor Sees International Students Soar to New Heights

In the Spring of 2000, Dr. Terry Anderson, Associate Professor of Public Administration at the Fort Walton Beach, Florida TROY site, began a relationship with the Georgian Institute of Public Affairs (GIPA) in Tbilisi, Georgia. Her association with that institute has included to date over 15 trips to teach a number of different courses in GIPA's MPA program as well as additional trips to conduct other consulting and research projects. In December 2003, she presented a 3-day seminar to President Saakashvili's public affairs staff on the subject of organizational management. In 2008, she produced an edited book, an introduction to public administration, which was written by Dr. Anderson and several of the other MPA faculty from Troy University at the request of GIPA. In March 2010, she was the recipient of a Fulbright grant under the Senior Specialist Program to deliver 2 courses at GIPA and to consult on several issues related to graduate programs and higher education in Georgia.

Throughout the years, a number of Dr. Anderson's students have gone on to assume very important positions in Georgia, both in and out of the public sector. Giorgi Margvelashvili (former GIPA Provost and current Georgian Minister of Education and Science) accepted the nomination of Georgia's Dream Coalition party to be their candidate for President in the October 2013 election. As the Minister of Education, his first choices for Deputy Ministers were Ketevan ("Kate") Natriashvili, MPA, MBA, and Tamar Sanikidze, MPA, both of whom are former students from her classes at GIPA. Deputy Minister Natriashvili and her husband Nikolas Edilashvili, also a former student of Dr. Anderson's, actually lived with Dr. Anderson and her husband, Gary, in Orlando, Florida from 2002-2003. Their relationship has grown so close over the years that the two young people now routinely refer to the Andersons as their American parents.

Dr. Anderson is obviously very proud of her colleague and her former students and was humbled when she heard that the two Deputy Ministers credit her with contributing to their success by preparing them for their new positions during their shared time in the classroom. She says that it reminds her that as we encounter the people who pass through our lives every day, we often never know how our interaction with them affects them. As an instructor it serves to illustrate the importance of giving every student our best effort knowing that once our time together is over, we will have the assurance that our influence will be remembered as being positive, supportive, and enlightening.



By Dr. Terry Anderson



By Dr. Pamela Gibson

The Most Common Mistake Students Make When Conducting a Literature Review

The professor has called upon you to 'do some research' on an area having some history of academic inquiry. I dare say, students do not typically follow this directive with a trip to the library or a call to a reference librarian. Rather, the student is most apt to go on-line. What sets this investigation apart from a typical web search of, say, a good lasagna recipe, is the need to uncover scholarly works that have tackled the topic and provided substantial findings that contribute to the academic literature.

You won't find that in a Google © search.

Simply because it is on-line does not make the information worth the paper you are printing it on. Convenience, in this instance, is not helpful. In fact, your "cited" works may be biased commentary with no facts to substantiate the positions held in the "piece," leaving you to defend it to the professor. This is not to say websites cannot provide valuable information in your quest for knowledge. Zines and blogs offer a wealth of material on popular culture and inform in an effective and unique way. However, to achieve the goals of a graduate course paper assignment, the best method of inquiry is the more traditional academic search engines.

Factiva, First Search, ScienceDirect, Ingenta, and others, are databases available to you through the University Library website. You can limit your searches to refereed journals, to texts familiar to your field of study or to a particular time period (if, for instance, you are doing a paper examining the history of an issue or, if you are writing a paper on the most recent research on a topic, you can limit the published timeframe of sources).

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The Most Common Mistake Students Make When Conducting a Literature Review (Continued)

The electronic resources available to you through the library are numerous. Although you might not pack up for that trip to a library, it is still worthwhile to make a call or “chat” with the reference librarian and learn more about these services when conducting a literature review for your paper assignments.

Student Research Forum

The first MPA Student Research Forum was held during April 22—27, 2013. Nine presentations by eight students were completed via Blackboard Collaborate in the e-Quad Advising Organization. At the live session on April 27th, the top two presentations were revealed. First place and \$50 went to Jennifer Williams for her presentation “Factors Impacting Job Satisfaction of Government Employees in a Social Service Agency.” Second place and \$25 went to Meghan Wander for her presentation “Pay for Performance; What is the buzz about?” All presenters received a certificate of participation. The archived sessions can be accessed via the MPA e-Quad Organization in Blackboard (click on Student Research Forum and select the recordings section).

Congratulations to the following students!:

David Clausen & Tracey Vause	Case Study on America’s Transportation Infrastructure
Jessica Porter	Factors Impacting Retention in the Field of Child Welfare
Lisa Rigg	Internal and External Meeting Facilitation; Which One to Choose?
Cordellia Vanover	Mandatory Nurse to Patient Ratios; and Developing a Profile to Identify Medicare and Medicaid Defrauder
Tracey Vause	Managing the Effects of Organizational Downsizing; A Meta-Analysis
Meghan E. Wander	Pay for Performance; What is the buzz about?
Ashley Weber	Factors Impacting Childhood and Adolescent Obesity in Louisville, KY
Jennifer Williams	Factors Impacting Job Satisfaction of Government Employees in a Social Service Agency

Faculty Updates

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- Dunning, P. T. & Gibson, P.A. (2013, March). Successful collaboration in the City of Hampton, Virginia budgetary process. *PA Times Online*.
- Dr. Gibson presented “What Matters Most to Public Administration Practitioners: A Look Back from 1976 to 2005” at the Virginia Social Science Association Annual Conference, Richmond, VA., April, 2013.
- Dr. Gibson and Dr. Hadwiger presented “Cyberbullying: When the instructor is the target: Constructing a virtual environment of civic engagement” at the eTROY e-Colloquium in April 2012.

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Faculty Profile



Dr. Hal Moeller

Harold (“Hal”) Moeller has taught government contract courses in the MPA Program since he assisted Dr. John Dunning in developing the Certificate in Government Contracting in 2007. Like many Troy students, he earned his MPA while working full time. Later he and his wife went “cold turkey” from employment to complete other graduate degrees, she to attend seminary and he to attend law school in New York. Since law school he has worked with state agencies in New York and New Jersey, including a transit authority, health science universities and court administration on procurement and contract management matters.

Dr. Moeller believes that adjunct instructors bring current real-life work situations and experience to the classroom, whether in class or on-line. And, adjuncts take the bigger picture that the academic world provides to the nitty-gritty of day-to-day work life. Each side informs the other and makes both better.

Some of the more interesting contract management projects he has advanced include the complete agency-wide transition from a cost reimbursement contracting structure to a performance based structure, while daily services to frail elderly beneficiaries of the contracts continued uninterrupted; utilizing privatization and contracting to require private sector investment in an urban city’s redevelopment programs; transitioning to an electronic filing and case management system for a state’s Supreme Court; and managing a suite of contracts to provide all medical, mental health and dental services to a state correctional population.

Pi Alpha Alpha (PAA) Inductions, Spring 2013

PAA is the National Honor Society for Public Affairs and Administration. The purpose of PAA is to encourage and recognize outstanding scholarship and accomplishment in public affairs and administration and to foster integrity, professionalism and creative performance in government and public service activities. Students in TROY’s MPA Program may be inducted provided they have maintained a GPA of at least 3.7; have completed at least 75% (27 hours) of their coursework, and have the recommendation of the faculty. Congratulations to the following students who were nominated and accepted induction into PAA in Spring 2013:

Mary Elizabeth Balkcom
Ivy Brewer
Joyce Broadwater
Kourtney Brown-Wells
Lian Chen
Phyllis Nicole Crenshaw

Latanga Fore-Kennedy
Mykita Levy
Bridgette Williams Long
Thaddeus Parker
Sheila Ratliff
Lisa Wilson Rigg

Sherina E. Ritter
Sebastian Saenz
Jimmie L. Scott II
Corey Smith
Cordellia K. Vanover
Lyndon Waller

Phi Kappa Phi (PKP) Inductions, Spring 2013

Founded in 1897 at the University of Maine, Phi Kappa Phi is the nation’s oldest, largest, and most selective collegiate honor society for all academic disciplines. The purpose of PKP is to recognize and promote academic excellence in all fields of higher education and to engage the community of scholars in service to others. Eligibility within the MPA program at Troy University is limited to those students who graduate with a 4.0 GPA. Congratulations to the following students who were nominated and accepted induction into PKP in Spring 2013:

Brian Biletnikoff
Phyllis Crenshaw

Jennifer McCart
David Russell

Tracey Vause

Mentoring—A Personal Story

By David D. Leon, MPA Student

In October of 2011, I was approached by my wife Karen to assist a student of hers named Marvin Galo who was interested in a Law Enforcement career. He wanted to conduct his “senior project” on the working lifestyle of a police officer. Marvin was a very dedicated student who wanted to succeed in his educational endeavors.

I agreed to mentor Marvin and on November 26, 2011, he joined me on a Pasco Sheriff's Office Florida “Ride-a-long” within District 3. While the action in the field was limited that day, Marvin did meet some interesting people who were having domestic type issues and observed a deputy sheriff interviewing a woman suspect concerning pawning stolen property. The woman eventually confessed and was inevitably arrested and transported to jail.

We continued to meet on several occasions “off-duty” and I enlightened Marvin on the life of a police officer from arrest procedures, reviewing and learning Florida state statutes, and officer safety tactics. Marvin would furiously write notes as I spoke and seemed very interested in public service.

On March 21, 2012, I joined Marvin at his high school and we completed his “senior project” presentation. He had created a Power Point presentation loaded with pictures of the ride-a-long and notes he had gathered through his research of the police officer career. At the close of the presentation, Marvin learned he received an “A” grade on his senior project final. He was overjoyed and would continuously thank Karen and me for our assistance and support throughout his senior year, even after his graduation. We did maintain continuous contact with Marvin and supported him while he took testing requirements to join the military.

On December 17, 2012, we said good-bye to Marvin as he left for the United States Marines Boot Camp located on Parris Island, South Carolina. Every one to two weeks we would receive a letter from Marvin concerning his experiences at boot camp and then we would each write our own letter back to him in response. We would give him words of encouragement when he was down and acknowledged and praised his successes when they were revealed.

On March 15, 2013, Karen and I traveled to Parris Island to honor Marvin at his graduation ceremony when his title was changed from Recruit Galo to Private Galo. Marvin is now a member of the United States Marine Corps and we are so proud of his accomplishments!

It was not difficult for me to mentor Marvin and I did not hesitate when it came to the opportunity to serve another person. It is through my faith and the spirit within me that I was able to accomplish and also learn how to care for a stranger from this young man. This experience has brought my own family even closer within our faith.



Pasco County Sergeant David Leon and Marine Private Marvin Galo

MPA Faculty Meeting

The MPA faculty met at TROY for the annual faculty meeting April 11-13, 2013. Among the items discussed were new NASPAA requirements to create a common assessment rubric for every MPA course, a revised Internship Program, and updates to various course Student Learning Outcomes (SLO's), which replace Course Learning Objectives (CLO's). Changes to SLO's and use of the common rubrics will start with Term 5, 2013.



Front row (l-r): Dr. Leora Waldner, Dr. Bob Abbey, Shalanda Crenshaw, Erika Faulk, Dr. Ellen Rosell & Dr. Terry Anderson. Back row (l-r): Dr. Dayna McDaniel, Dr. Kim Loutzenhiser, Dr. LaKerri Mack, Dr. Pam Gibson, Dr. Dave Shetterly, Dr. Tammy Esteves, Dr. Fred Meine, Dr. Sam Shelton & Dr. Pam Dunning

At the session on Saturday, two of the current MPA Alumni Board members (Erika Faulk and Shalanda Crenshaw) were in attendance.

Faculty Updates (Continued)

Dr. Esteves was selected by Cengage to attend the 2013 SXSWedu/Engage conference in Austin, Texas, March 4-6.

Dr. Esteves recently attended the 2013 ASPA National Conference in New Orleans where she presented two papers, "Creating sustainable change: Building Personal and Organizational Resilience," and "Sustainability in MPA Education." She also became the Chair for the Section on Democracy and Social Justice, and presented the Social Justice in Action Award at the 2013 Social Equity Luncheon.

Dr. Anderson, Dr. P. Dunning, Dr. Esteves, Dr. McDaniel, Dr. Meine, Dr. Shetterly and Dr. Waldner presented "The In-Line Program" at the eTROY e-Colloquium in April, 2013.

Dr. P. Dunning received a Faculty Instructional Development Grant for Summer, 2013 entitled "Developing PA 6607 Performance Measurement and Management in Public and Nonprofit Organizations."

Meine, M. and Dunn, T. P., (2013). The search for ethical competency: Do ethics codes matter? *Public Integrity*, 15(2): 149-166.

Dr. Roberts-Lewis, Dr. Mack & Dr. Fields were panel presenters at FORUM 2013 in Atlanta "Public Policy as a Precursor to the Disproportionality of African-American Males in Special Education Programs."

Promotions and Awards

Dr. Pam Dunning, Dr. Pam Gibson and Dr. Charles Mitchell recently received tenure and promotion to Associate Professor effective August 1, 2013. They were recognized at the annual MPA Faculty Meeting in April.



Dr. Mitchell, Dr. Dunning & Dr. Gibson



Dr. Leora Waldner

Dr. Leora Waldner received the eTROY Faculty Spirit Award for 2013. Dr. Waldner received the recognition based on outstanding performance, along with demonstration of consistent dedication, initiative, motivation, positive attitude and customer service to those she supports and with whom she interacts. Dr. Waldner has also been promoted and is now the College of Arts & Sciences Global Campus Assistant Dean—Administration.

Student News



Kimberly Middlebrooks

On March 22, 2013, Mrs. Kimberly Middlebrooks, an MPA student in Atlanta, presented a paper entitled "Generational Differences: How do Age Cohorts Affect Leadership Preferences" at the 15th Annual Georgia Public Administration Academic Conference. The conference was held at the University of North Georgia in Dahlonega, GA where students from eight Georgia colleges and universities participated in the conference. Mrs. Middlebrooks' presentation was very well received. Her advisor, Dr. Charles E. Mitchell, mentored Mrs. Middlebrooks in this event.

Andrew Hokenson's article "Experiencing the Risks and Rewards of Foreign Service" was published in the PA Times Online, March 2013.

Keta Humphrey has completed all of the coursework required for the certification in Government Contracting and just finished her last class for the MPA. "I was fortunate enough to receive an internship from the school that has allowed me to work as a Contract Specialist for the US Air Force. I recently received great news that I was hired to work as a Contractor Administrator for the Defense Contract Management Agency (DCMA) in Manassas, VA. They originally gave me a start date for April 7th, but I was able to negotiate with them, and they moved the date to June 2. I am so excited about the new move and the new job."

Alumni News

Alumni Donato Clarke presented at The Georgia State University World AIDS Day, held November 27 which featured a panel of local activists and experts who focused on the World Health Organization's campaign, "Getting to Zero." The campaign targets the goals of zero new HIV infections, zero discrimination against HIV patients, and zero HIV related deaths. The panel included experts from the Georgia Department of Public Health, Fulton County Department of Health and Wellness, chair of the Fulton County HIV/AIDS Services Planning Council, as well as a Georgia State psychologist, and a self-proclaimed HIV ambassador, who works with families affected by HIV.



Donato Clarke, Office of HIV/AIDS, Georgia Department of Public Health

Kim Wyman is Washington's 15th Secretary of State, currently serving in her first term. Elected in 2012, Kim Wyman is the second female Secretary of State in Washington history. Before becoming Secretary, Kim served as Thurston County Auditor for 12 years, overseeing the county's elections, licensing, recording and financial services. During her tenure, the Thurston County Auditor's Office won four National Achievement Awards for significant innovations in county government as well as five Government Finance Officers Association Certificates of Achievement for excellence in financial reporting. As Auditor, Kim served on state and national election reform groups, including the Pew Center on the States Election Initiatives - Voter Registration Modernization and Performance Index of Elections work groups. Secretary Wyman is a graduate of California State University, Long Beach and holds a Master's Degree in Public Administration from Troy State University in Alabama.



Kim Wyman

Congratulations to recent MPA graduates Paul Ajayi and Lola Olajide who were selected as finalists for the Presidential Management Fellows (PMF) program for 2013. The PMF Program received approximately 12,120 applicants for the 2013 application cycle, with 663 finalists selected.

Kimberlin Donaldson, a 2012 Graduate of Troy's MPA program completed the prestigious Mentor/Protégé Program with the National Forum for Black Public Administrators (NFBPA). The program is an intensive, eight-month initiative with a two-fold focus. Annually, a search is conducted to identify up to twenty aspiring public managers who show great promise of achieving executive positions in public service. NFBPA will match each of these professionals or "protégés" with a seasoned Black executive. Ms. Donaldson successfully completed the program and was among the Class of 2013 Protégés recognized at this year's conference.

Charles A. Watson Award Winner—Andrew Hokenson

The Charles A. Watson Annual Research Award is named in honor and memory of Dr. Watson, Associate Professor of Public Administration, who served Troy University and our students from 1984 to 2008.

Dr. Watson taught research methods, quantitative analysis and program evaluation for our graduate programs. He had a strong passion for applied community based research. He had an outstanding knack for data gathering, analysis, and statistical testing and he truly generated enthusiasm for community based research in his students. His filing cabinets were full of outstanding student papers – giving strong evidence that our students, true to the mission of public service, dedicate their academic skills to their communities.

With the unexpected passing of Dr. Watson in November 2008, the Atlantic Region Alumni Association established an annual award in 2009 originally designed to recognize the outstanding graduate student of the Atlantic Region with the best paper of the year addressing community-based research in keeping with the work of Dr. Watson.

This year, its fifth, the award has been elevated to program-wide recognition. Student papers are nominated by the MPA faculty, with selection made by an appointed committee. The winner receives a certificate, and their name engraved on a plaque on view in the Department of Political Science offices in Troy, Alabama.

This year was no different in the demonstrated scholarship of our student body and in keeping with the spirit with which Dr. Watson saw research informing our practice in public service. The Troy University Dr. Charles A. Watson Annual Research Award for 2013 goes to Andrew Hokenson, for a research manuscript entitled, "Emergency Management Public Policy: An analysis of individual disaster preparation." Mr. Hokenson was nominated by Dr. Robert Abbey. Congratulations Andrew!



Dr. Charles Watson

Recent Graduates

Congratulations to the following projected Spring 2013 (Terms 3 & 4 & Semester) graduates:

Robert S. Agdinaoy	Edith H. Harris	Jeremy M. Reed
Mark Elizabeth Balkcom	Latasha R. Heflin	Janis L. Reid
Faith V. Bergman	Andrew J. Hokenson	Marlon Rickman
Brian S. Biletnikoff	Gary Holmes	Lisa W. Rigg
Ashley E. Bischof	Renada Holmes-Davis	Sherina E. Ritter
Aaron J. Bondurant	Latoya R. Hooker	David Russell
David Boyer	Keta S. Humphrey	Myrlene Saint Aime
Ivy A. Brewer	Anthony Hurt	Samuel O. Sanders
Meghan V. Brick	Pelenatate C. Ioane	Jimmie L. Scott
Joyce Broadwater	Aaron M. James	Robert L. Seymour
Thomas C. Brown	Holly N. Jarnagin	Corey D. Smith
Karl H. Burgess III	John B. Jernigan	Kinsey L. Solomon
Chanda L. Caldwell	Timothy Jernigan	Ralph C. Steele
Lian Chen	John Joiner	Michelle C. Steib
Brittany C. Chester	Charles E. Jones	Tina M. Taylor
Kelley C. Christopher	Adam J. Kinder	Arshasmine S. Tellis
Christine Ciulla	Natalie L. Larue	Katrice R. Vann
Jessica Cooley	Bridgette L. Long	Tracey D. Vause
Stephanie Cooper	Susan K. Maina	Jeffrey Waechter
Scott V. Corillo	Bryan W. Maryland	Lyndon B. Waller
Phyllis N. Crenshaw	Jennifer L. McCart	Jonn R. Warde
Chanell B. Daniel	La Kisha S. McDonald	Shawonda R. Washington
Daniel D. Dill	Rolanda Morgan	Tiffany Wedgeworth
Elizabeth M. Dowe	Kimberly G. Nelson	Latangula D. Williams
Geneise M. Graham	Lakeshia D. Payton	Shaunkita T. Williams
Kaley M. Green	Daniel Pyle	Yachika N. Wilson
Benjamin F. Hall	Sarah L. Randolph	Jessica A. Wood
Angelika S. Harris	Shelia Ratliff	Donovan Wortham



The mission of the Troy University MPA program is to develop professional competency and leadership in individuals associated with public and non-profit sectors by providing quality graduate professional education through a standardized curriculum and a network of campuses utilizing traditional, nontraditional and emerging electronic formats.

Welcome to New Students

Please welcome the following new students who were admitted between January and April 2013:

David Albert	Nausha Collins	Tora Lemon	Jackqueline Scott
Laura Allison	Ashley Cooks	Valencia Little	Robert Shelton
John Argue	Leisha Crosby	Lana Lollery	Ashley Strahm
Cephas Barton	Timothy Fauber	Katelin Masterson	Margaret Thomas
Trina Bonman	Alvin Fenn	Vaunetta McCants	Kalesha Thompson
Linaty Booker	Jonathan Fiel	Jody McCurry	Sara Thompson
Keslie Boyles	Keish Green	Joseph Merlino	Melissa Vair
Jacob Brasfield	Sheila Harvey	Quentin Mitchell	Preston West
Nichelle Brooks	Jonathan Henson	Ranae Moore	Matheu Wilson
Ernest Brown	Kimberly Jones	Dana Neal	Christopher Wilson
Valerie Brumbaugh	Ebony Jones	Karen Nusbaum	Charles Wilton
Estebania Cabrera	Benjamin Keown	Tawana Parham	Harold Yarbrough
Johane Charles	Andreya Kyle	Samuel Perez	
Michael Coats	Jayne Larick	Brittany Rafferty	

Congratulations Dr. Kristie Roberts Lewis!

Dr. Roberts was married on March 10, 2013 to her wonderful husband Feliciano Lewis at the Greater Victory Christian Center in Atlanta with a reception held at 103 West in Buckhead. Nearly 150 guests were in attendance.

Dr. Roberts-Lewis also served on the local host planning committee for FORUM 2013 (April 19-23, 2013) sponsored by the National Forum for Black Public Administrators (NFBPA) and as Chair of the Ecumenical/Invocation Committee. She organized local pastors from across the city to participate in the Ecumenical Service held annually during the conference where the guest speaker was Reverend Dr. Bernice A. King (daughter of Martin Luther King, Jr.). The service was attended by approximately 1,000 managers and executives serving federal, state and local government at the Atlanta Marriott Marquis Hotel. The theme for the conference was Equity, Access and Opportunity...Celebrating 30 Years of Public Service Excellence. Founded in 1983, NFBPA is one of the nation's largest organizations of public sector African American professionals.



Share Your News!

Our next issue will be September 2013 and we need your help to fill it. Please e-mail Dr. Pam Dunning (pdunning@troy.edu) if you have recent news that you would like to have included in the newsletter.

A special thanks to everyone who contributed to this newsletter. Your help is greatly appreciated.