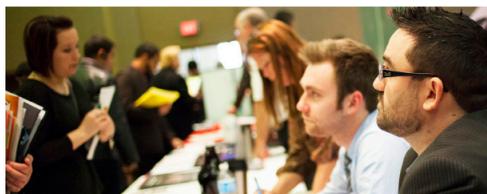


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Lawson: first Troy student elected Republican chair

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Cole Lawson, a senior political science and broadcast journalism major from Smiths Station, was recently elected chairman of the College Republicans Federation of Alabama (CRFA), becoming the first Troy University student to hold the office.

For the first time in several years, Troy University won the bid to hold the CRFA conference against all other Alabama universities. In attendance were Senator Jeff Sessions, Governor Robert Bentley, Representative Martha Roby, Attorney General Luther Strange and Alabama Republican Party Chair Bill Armistead.

Lawson won against several other college representatives, including those from Alabama and Auburn. He has been involved with Troy's chapter of College Republicans since September 2012.

Lawson has served as chairman of the organization and has helped to increase its numbers from ten to over 400 members.

The College Republican Federation of Alabama's goal is to create a network of college students with Republican beliefs and create an environment where they can meet and discuss with their like-minded peers.

As chairman of the CRFA, Lawson's job is to be a representation of the state organization, to oversee the growth and development of Alabama chapters, to serve

as a representative to the College Republican National Committee and to fundraise for College Republicans across the state.

College Republican meetings focus on discussing critical issues that currently face our nation. The group also hosts guest speakers for students to meet and



Cole Lawson

to ask questions.

"Our job is to represent the voice of College Republicans all across the state of Alabama," Lawson said. "I will also be adding charity as a major focus of the College Republican Federation this year. I have asked each chapter to identify one local charity for their chapter and our organization to help."

As chairman of the CRFA, Lawson looks forward to making a difference for college students and offering an outlet on every Alabama campus for students to network with their peers in an environment that supports their Republican beliefs.

Lawson said that he looks forward to bridging the gap between College Republicans and Alabama legislatures by "ensuring all chapters across the state are active and functioning and that each chapter gets out and partakes in the political process and gets involved with their local legislators."

Lawson's future goals are set on becoming governor and then the president of the U.S. He is determined to make a positive impact on society and reverse the downward trend the United States has started down in the last few years.

Lawson said that in order to improve the current state of our country, "it will take concerned citizens like many others and myself to keep the United States as the best place to live on earth. If we don't become involved, we don't accomplish anything."

Journalism symposium to feature New York Times sports columnist

Staff Report

The annual M. Stanton Evans Symposium on Money, Politics and the Media will feature William C. Rhoden, a sports columnist with the New York Times. Rhoden will address ethics and morality and how they play a role in the athletic world.

The Hall School of Journalism and Communication and the Troy University Center for Student Success host the event each year.

The symposium is set to begin

at 9 a.m. in the Trojan Center Ballrooms on March 28 and is free to those affiliated with the university and to the public.

Rhoden became a member of the New York Times in 1981 and was named sports columnist in 1990. Before he began working at The Times, Rhoden was a columnist with The Baltimore Sun and, from 1974 to 1978, he served as associate editor of Ebony Magazine.

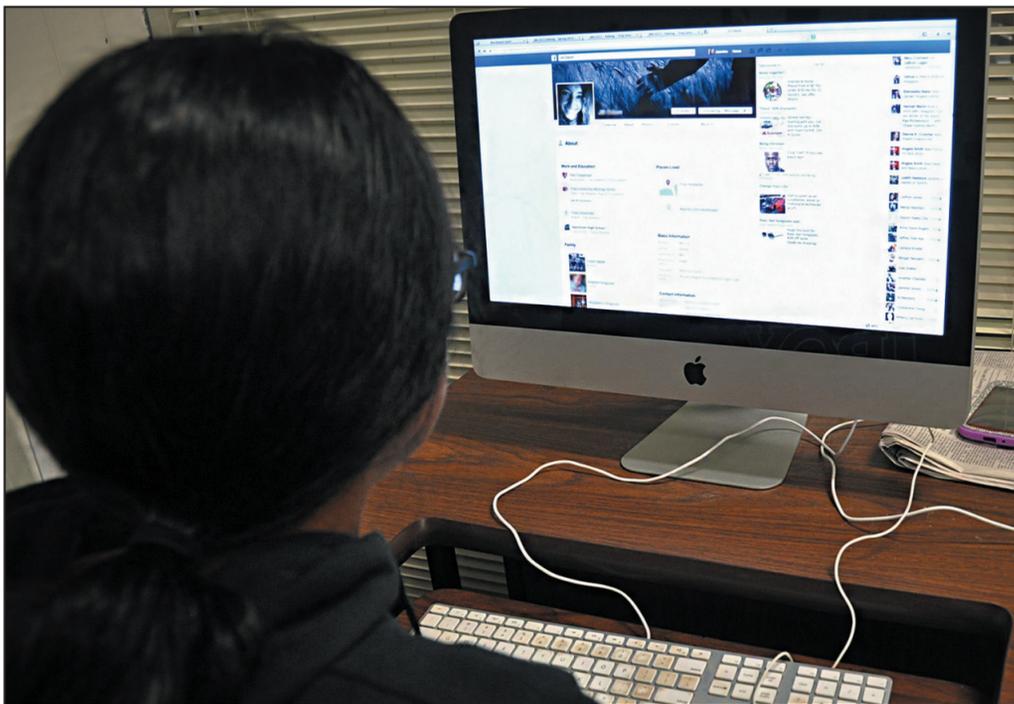
Rhoden received the Peabody Award in 1996 for broadcasting as a writer of the HBO documentary

"Journey of the African American Athlete." Rhoden has also written two books titled "Forty Million Dollar Slaves" and "Third and a Mile: The Trials and Triumphs of the Black Quarterback."

The topic of Rhoden's presentation will center on "Editorial Leadership: The Role of the Media in Influencing Ethics and Morality in Sports."

Rhoden's talk can be followed by Twitter users by joining the conversation #RhodenTroy.

Gone phishing?



April Irvin photo

Jasmine Scruggs, a junior English major from Huntsville, demonstrates how easily someone can obtain personal information through social media websites, such as Facebook. Recently, Troy e-mail users received emails in a phishing attempt. According to chief technology officer, Greg Price, this particular phishing email was targeted towards certain users. Price said that some users responded to this email. He encourages all users to change e-mail login information to protect their personal and academic accounts.

Spam manipulates individuals using personal information

Kevin Carter
Contributor

Troy University's email system has undergone a new round of phishing attempts to gain access to individuals' account information over the past week. This recent attempt at phishing was unique, due to the increased level of sophistication seen in these emails.

Normal forms of phishing target thousands of people in an attempt to get a response from just a few people. This new attempt was different, in that these

emails were targeted towards individuals, with the content being more personalized towards the recipient.

The attacker does this by reviewing the target's social media, website data and any other public forums the user may be on. This form of phishing is referred to as Spear-phishing. The targeted recipients are generally much lower in numbers than other forms of phishing but often see a much higher success rate.

One way to avoid losing your account information

is to make sure you never give any of your account details or other personally identifiable information over the email.

"Reputable organizations do not solicit personally identifiable information via mass email delivery," said W. Greg Price, the chief technology officer of Troy University. "Also you should not respond to inquiries from unfamiliar sources."

The Troy University IT department suggests that all users change their email passwords frequently and make them as com-

plex as possible.

This can be accomplished by using capital letters and numbers in password. Furthermore, you should avoid using the same password for various websites, as security issues could arise if even one of the sites were compromised.

At Troy University, forward any suspicious spam to spam@troy.edu, and then delete the message. Furthermore, if students need help changing their password they can create a ticket at helpdesk.troy.edu.

Technology in society: a modern day Anne Sullivan

Cassie Gibbs
Assistant News Editor

Troy University held its 19th annual Helen Keller lecture series on Tuesday.

The purpose of the lecture series is to raise awareness of the challenges that face those who live with physical limitations.

Helen Keller, a deaf and blind woman from Tuscumbia, became an inspiration to many others who were living with physical limitations by showing them that a person with limitations could live a full and happy life.

Helen Keller was taught to speak, read Braille, and write with the help of Anne Sullivan, a pioneer in the

field of educating those with physical limitations.

Through the hard work of Sullivan and her personal determination to succeed, Helen Keller graduated with honors from Radcliffe College and soon become an internationally known speaker and writer.

Many different organizations that help those with limitations were represented at the lecture series, including the Helen Keller Foundation for Research and Education, the Alabama Department of Education, the Alabama Department of Mental Health, the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services, and the Alabama Institute for the Deaf and Blind.

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Emily Jackson photo

Anindya Bhattacharyya (left), tells the audience about how technology has changed his life. Next to him is Sam Harris, a professor in the Interpreter Training Program at Troy.

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Colleges Against Cancer raise just below goal



Karli Mauldin
Assistant News Editor

Troy University's chapter of Colleges Against Cancer raised \$15,645 at Relay for Life last Saturday from 6 p.m. to 3 a.m. Colleges Against Cancer's goal was to raise \$19,500.

Taking place in more than 20 countries, Relay for Life is a signature fundraiser for the American Cancer Society.

The fundraisers are meant to support cancer survivors, raise money for future cancer research and to celebrate the lives lost from battles with cancer.

Jennifer Moore, a senior elementary education major from Warrior and president of Colleges Against Cancer, said she believes Relay for Life was a success since the group came so close to its initial goal.

"I don't want to compare this year to other relays," she said. "Each year has a different event and its own definition of good or success."

Moore said she thought Relay for Life went

smoothly and that it seemed that everyone had a great time at the event.

This year's Relay for Life impacted 16-year-old cancer survivor Anna Williams from Grady. Williams has chronic myeloid leukemia, which has no known cure.

"I was just a normal girl at school playing basketball at the age of 13 when I watched my dad have a stroke right before my eyes on Jan. 16, 2011," Williams said.

She said watching her dad have a stroke was the scariest thing she's ever seen.

Just 11 days later, Williams was diagnosed with leukemia.

"I didn't know what to think or do," Williams said.

At first when the symptoms came up, Williams said she didn't think anything of it, because she felt as if that kind of severe illness would not be a part of her life.

"We got to the hospital around 3 p.m. (Jan. 27, 2011), and they put me in a waiting room," Williams said. "Around 4 p.m. or 4:30 p.m., this lady comes in and tells

me 'Anna, something is wrong with you, but we aren't sure what it is yet.' 5 p.m. rolls around, and the same lady comes to my room and says 'Anna, you have leukemia.'"

Williams said she remembers sitting straight up in her hospital bed, then looking at her mother before laying back in the bed and letting it all hit her.

"There were so many thoughts running through my head," Williams said. "How long would I be here, when am I going to lose my hair...she (Williams' mother) got us and held me and said 'do you believe in God?' I said 'yes ma'am,' she said 'do you believe He has taken care of us this far?' I said 'yes ma'am,' she said 'why would He leave us now?' She said 'He is going to be with you every step of the way, and I am too.'"

That next day Williams had a bone marrow aspiration, where she was put to sleep and a small amount of tissue in liquid form was removed from her hip bone for examination.

"Cancer is such a strong word," Williams said.

"People never think it will happen to them, but it happens everyday. Cancer has changed my life daily, but I keep going. There are days where I want to give up and say 'why me,' but I am so much stronger than that.

"I do not feel sorry for myself, all we have to do is look around us and see that our lives are not as bad as some others have it. I will not give up, until there is a cure and I've beat cancer for good."

Williams said Saturday's Relay for Life was the first one she had ever been to and said she had a great time.

She said telling her story has already helped her cope with it better. She said she felt like all the fraternities and sororities were her friends and appreciated that they were out there helping her with a big struggle in her life.

"It felt like I was there with my big family," Williams said. "They all made me feel like a stronger person."



Elizabeth Brazier photo

Top: Jordan Buffy, a sophomore nursing major from Eufaula, attended Relay for Life. Bottom: Haley Greathouse (right), a sophomore broadcast journalism major from Eufaula, and Loey Peete (left), a freshman nursing major from Montevallo, walk around the track for Relay for Life.

Pi Kappa Phi hosts bike-a-thon for Push America

Grishma Rimal
Staff Writer

The Gamma Gamma chapter of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity at Troy University is observing its philanthropy week by raising funds for Push America. Push America is the national philanthropy of Pi Kappa Phi and works in assisting people with disabilities.

The week long events have included fundraisers at local businesses like Ruby Tuesday, Milky Moo's and Chick-fil-A and a raffle draw worth \$250 of merchandise sponsored by Country Club Prep.

The fraternity is also doing a 48-hour bike-a-thon that began Tuesday at 4 p.m. and will end today at 4 p.m. Along with the bike-a-thon, there will be a Miss Push contest where sorority members will compete for the title through a penny war competition. The sororities will

each have a jar that people may donate any amount of change into it. The sorority member collecting the highest amount will win the title of Miss Push.

According to Nick Ledford, a sophomore nursing major from Slocomb and philanthropy chair for the fraternity, the fundraisers at local businesses are new events and members expect to raise more money this year than in the past.

"We are pushing for a target of at least \$7,000," said Evan Ballard, a sophomore social science education major from Slocomb.

Although the fraternity annually does a "Push Carnival" for disabled school students in the area, setting up a small fair and inviting them to play, it was unable to organize the carnival this year because the local schools are on spring break.

"Helping people and knowing that I'm making a difference is the best part about Push week," said Nelson Allen, a freshman Spanish major

from Andalusia.

According to Allen, the preparation for Push week began last year immediately after the previous event ended. "We don't kid when it comes to Push," he said.

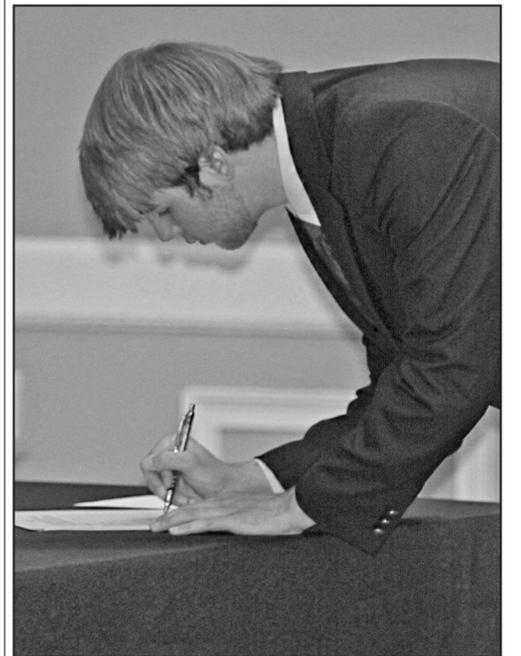
"I enjoy getting out and volunteering and raising money for a good cause," said Skyler Rakes, a freshman undecided major from Birmingham.

The program also includes a competition between the sororities called the War of Roses, a three-part contest including banner making, penny wars and the numbers of members attending the fundraisers.

The week will end with the fraternity hosting three parties at its house with performances from the bands Fly by Radio on Thursday, Los Locos on Friday and The Whiskey River Band on Saturday.

Tickets for the parties can be bought for \$10 from any of the fraternity members. Each party will start at 10 p.m.

Alpha Lambda Delta inducts its newest members



Pat Hicks photo

Caleb Hicks, a freshman multimedia journalism major from Dublin, signs the inductee scrolls Tuesday night. Alpha Lambda Delta serves as a society that honors freshman for academic success.

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These organizations are also major supporters of the Helen Keller lecture series.

This year's speaker was Anindya "Bapin" Bhattacharyya, a technology development and training specialist at the Helen Keller National Center.

His lecture was titled "Power of Technology Leads to Self-Success."

Bhattacharyya became deaf as a child in India and later became blind at the age of nine as a result of ashes being thrown into his eyes.

After four years of living with multiple disabilities, Bhattacharyya's father found a school in America that had the ability to educate Bhattacharyya while helping him to overcome his disabilities.

With the help of teachers and family support, Bhattacharyya was able to finish high school and attend college, first at Gardner-Webb and then the University of Arkansas in Little Rock, where he graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree in political science.

Bhattacharyya spoke about how technology affected his life and allowed him to be as successful as he is.

"Helen Keller was always with Anne Sullivan. But, where is my Anne Sullivan? I don't just have one

Anne Sullivan. I have many, including technology," Bhattacharyya said.

With the help of a portable GPS with a Braille display, Bhattacharyya is able to enjoy a walk with his son while being aware of what is in his surroundings.

Bhattacharyya said that his smartphone allows him to stay in contact with his family who are still in India.

Bhattacharyya was a major supporter of an attempt to get people with disabilities the technology they needed at an affordable price.

"Technology is extremely important," said Bhattacharyya. "However, it is extremely expensive for people with disabilities. I realized that deaf-blind people needed access to communication because the world is closed to them without it."

Through the efforts of Bhattacharyya and others, President Barack Obama signed into law the Video and Communications Access Act in 2010.

This law allows for deaf-blind people to receive communications equipment for free, depending on income.

Sharon Joyner, a junior interpreting major from Andalusia, said that she was really impressed with Bhattacharyya and his accomplishments.

"I really enjoyed listening to what he had to say," Joyner said. "He's gone through a lot and he's overcome a lot. He's definitely an inspiration."

TRIVIA QUESTION:

WHAT'S WHITE, BLACK AND READ ALL OVER?

ANSWER: THE TROPICAN

Crime Log

March 19

Criminal Mischief Third Degree

A front passenger side window was damaged in the rear parking lot of McCartha Hall. The total cost was \$200.

March 20

Theft of Property Third Degree

A blue wallet, containing \$80 in cash, one Visa card, a student ID, a Wells Fargo debit card, a social security card, and various rewards cards, were stolen at Hawkins Hall.

March 22

Theft of Property Motor Vehicle

A black, four-door, 2007 Toyota Camry was stolen from Alumni Hall parking lot.

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Art professor incorporates student interests in classes

Taylor Foxx
Staff Writer

"Hey, that look's great. Everyone, take a look." The professor lifts a beautifully painted skateboard deck for the rest of the class to see. Brandishing the work like a proud parent, Greg Skaggs, associate professor of design in Malone, hardly fits the stereotype of an average college professor.

"He doesn't really teach; he just tells you to get into it and get to work," said Nolan Odom, a senior graphic design major from Montgomery.

He wants you to get out and try something different. He tries to teach you through experience. He is a very colorful flower in a very dull field."

Greg Skaggs was born in Oklahoma in a small oil town as the son of an oil company worker.

Skaggs was first introduced to art in the eighth grade when he participated in a painting class.

In the ninth grade he was selected as one of 20 students in the state of Oklahoma to be admitted to an exclusive summer art program at Oklahoma Art Institute. There he studied under several artists including Howard Kanovitz, pioneer of the photo-realism movement, and Larry Rivers, the "godfather" of American pop art.

In 1989, Skaggs met Carrie Rollins at a YMCA summer camp. She was serving as a fellow camp counselor. He married her a year and half later in the winter of 1990.

He began working at Troy University in 2005. Since then, he has taught everything from graphic design courses to special courses on video art and children's book illustration. His classes

reflect his own desire to learn and express his creativity in news ways.

"My teaching philosophy is that I really like to be involved in my student's interests," Skaggs said. "I really consider myself a facilitator of learning because I learn as much as they do. Sometimes more because I am interested in the subject."

Currently, Skaggs is teaching a special topics class on urban art with a focus on graffiti.

"Mr. Skaggs doing the specials topics was a recommendation," said Pamela Allen, the interim chair of the Department of Art and Design. "I liked the idea of bringing new energy into our department. A lot of the students were interested a course he taught for the honors program. He brought in a graffiti artist to do demonstrations. I thought this would be a great opportunity to expand it and offer it to our students."

His class is currently finishing up several projects, including a large graffiti art project. The wall-sized works can be seen on display outside the Malone building on the walls facing the parking lot.

Skaggs and his wife have two daughters and are preparing for an empty nest. Their youngest daughter, Abbie, will attend Troy University in the fall. Though several years have passed since his own college days, Skaggs still enjoys skateboarding and longboarding. His favorite place to skate is in the Malone parking lot and on the university grounds during the less-crowded weekends.

His office is located in Room 139 of Malone Hall, but he can usually be found in the painting room. He encourages students to drop in if they have any questions or just want to talk.



Tedric Davenport photo

Professor Greg Skaggs grips an original artwork, a hand-painted skateboard, while standing in front of a former student's graffiti piece. Skaggs likes to frequent the Malone parking lot on this board in his free time.

How to get noticed at a career fair

Alyse Nelson
Assistant Features Editor

Whether you are an undecided freshman and finding a career is a distant concern, or you are a graduating senior and getting a job is a constant worry, the Career Services Center and upcoming career fair can help you.

However, the only students that are going to benefit from the career fair are those that are prepared.

For some, preparation is printing a résumé on expensive paper. For others, it is dressing professionally or practicing speaking.

For everyone, it should be all of the above.

Several representatives of employers that will be at the upcoming career fair on April 2 were asked what their company was looking for from students.

"Professionalism," said Deidre Frith of Panhandle Converter Recycling. "This includes the way you introduce yourself, a firm handshake, neatness of your attire and having a professional résumé available."

"I would say conservative dress – professional," said Lauren Cole, director of career services located in Eldridge Hall. "If you have enough time then it's always a good idea to bring your resume by career services."

The Career Services office offers many tools and programs designed to help students of any classification stand out at career fairs and beyond as they bolster their résumés and apply for jobs.

"We do a little bit of everything," Cole said, going into further detail. "We do mock interviews, if any student is nervous about approaching employers at the fair. We do career counseling for underclassmen that are unsure about picking a major or picking a career."

This could prove helpful as speaking and first impressions are huge for the employers present at the fair.

When asked, Carla Tucholsky of Enterprise Holdings said that her company was looking for "a professionally dressed, excited, and poised individual that is prepared to speak in a clear and concise manner about their interests in our program as well as their personal attributes that make them an ideal candidate for our organization."

Brittany DeLong, a December 2013 print journalism graduate from Goshen, can confirm this statement from a student's perspective.

"I made sure to have a very positive attitude in case I did meet potential employers," she said of the career fair that she attended last semester. "I was friendly, outgoing, and a little informal. This was an opportunity to talk and get a feel for what a real interview with a company would be like."

Her approach was successful as she was called for an interview at the Troy Chick-fil-A for the position of marketing director while also receiving interest from other companies.

"I, regrettably, did not pursue the position but gained the experience in interviewing," DeLong said. "I think the interview had everything to do with how I presented myself at the career fair."

With a first impression being so crucial, having an experienced person helping you can make or break your personal experience at the career fair.

Career Services has several programs online and in the office geared toward helping students succeed.

Cole goes into detail about Trojan Recruiting Live, their most interactive program. Upon registering,

students can submit their résumés online to be reviewed by a staff member. After it has been reviewed, the student can then set up an appointment to meet a staff member in person and see what can be improved.

Also on Trojan Recruiting Live, students can see which employers will be at the career fair, as well as make use of other tools and information.

Cole said that there are about 48 employers attending the fair from various career fields – Xerox, AMX Logistics, Andalusia Regional Hospital, state agencies, police departments and many more.

These employers are looking for students for various reasons. Some are seeking graduating seniors to start their careers, while others want interns or to just simply meet the students.

"Most employers want to get to know students early on, form a relationship and hire them after they graduate," Cole said. "It's a great networking opportunity. We encourage any students, even freshmen or sophomores, to come."

"I'm looking for experience as to how to present to an employer," said Elizabeth Chisholm, a sophomore human resources major from Panama City, Fla., when asked why she was attending the upcoming fair.

"I'm working to get my résumé prepared so that an employer will look at it," she continued, sitting at the desk of Ciarresse Pollard, a graduate student working as an intern in Career Services.

Pollard emphasized the fact that even the smallest details are noticed, such as the paper your résumé is printed on. "Employers are taking so many different résumés. So when the feel is different, they're like 'oh,'" she said.

This pause of consideration could be the difference between blending in and standing out.

With even a type of paper holding significance, preparing to meet the employers can seem like a monumental task.

To help, there will be a senior boot camp the day before the career fair, on April 1 in Trojan Center Room 119 from 4 p.m. until 5 p.m. A recruiter from PLS Logistics, another company making an appearance at the fair, will be there to speak to students about what employers wish to see.

"Basically, it's an opportunity for students to get advice as to what employers are looking for as well as advice on how to dress, what your résumé should look like, preparing for your elevator speech and how you should approach employers at the career fair," Pollard said.

The career fair will be held the following day on Wednesday April 2 in Sartain Hall from 10 a.m. until 2 p.m.



Hallie Dodds photo

Samuel Hunter, a junior political science major from Millry, makes copies of his updated résumé for the career fair.

NOTICE

Student publications leadership positions

The Hall School of Journalism and Communication and the Troy University Student Publications Board are accepting applications for top jobs on the student newspaper and yearbook:

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Palladium
Editor • Business manager

To apply, you must be a full-time student who plans to enroll for the fall semester of 2014 and the spring semester of 2015. Minimum GPA is 2.5. These jobs require skills in leadership, communication and motivation.

Deadline to apply:
March 27, 2014

More details and application forms are available at

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Student set apart by balance

Madison Griggs
Staff Writer

When most people encounter an accounting major, they assume it's all numbers, statistics and Saturday nights in, but 24-year-old Ozark native Holly Vernon defies these stereotypes.

In her sixth year at Troy, Vernon has taken a job as the graduate assistant in the accounting department on campus. She began as a history and political science double major, but changed course when accounting sparked her interest.

"Someone suggested it to me," Vernon said. "They thought I would love it and said I'd make a lot of money. So I took Principles and really enjoyed it."

As for her plans after graduation, Vernon already has a job lined up. In the past few years she has interned with Jackson Thorton twice, and has been offered a job with them in Montgomery.

"That's one of the best things about accounting," Vernon said. "I've had this job locked down for two years." She went on to explain that in accounting, if you have a good GPA and you intern, the jobs seek you out. She's had a luxury not found in most fields today — options. It's no surprise that her department nominated her for Student Spotlight, but when asked about the nomination Vernon remained incredibly humble.

"I mean I guess I'm a good student, I have a 4.0. And I'm really involved," Vernon said. "Really involved" seems to be an understatement. Vernon is president of the business fraternity on campus, is active in the accounting society, and is involved with several other organizations on campus and has been for quite some



Emily Jackson photo

Holly Vernon

time. Outside of her nice and important-looking office in the accounting department, Vernon reads nonstop and is a successful blogger.

"And I love anything to do with water," Vernon said. She was supposed to make a trip to the beach for Spring Break, but her sudden onset of vertigo prevented her from enjoying the break. She definitely plans on making a trip as soon as it goes away.

Everyone has several things that set him or her apart from the sea of students here at Troy, and for Vernon one of those things is balance.

"I'm probably the most laid back nerd you'll ever meet. I care about my grades, but I don't stress about them," Vernon said. The fact that she maintains a 4.0 and remains heavily involved in all of her organizations, all while not stressing says a lot about her. When prompted for any crazy stories from her time here at Troy, she laughed and merely replied with, "I just keep it real."

Sudoku

How to play:

Simply fill in the blank spaces with the numbers 1 to 9. Every row, column and 3-by-3 box must contain all nine digits with no number repeated. The Sudoku puzzle consists of 81 squares divided into nine 3-by-3 blocks. Some of the squares already have numbers in them.

To solve a Sudoku puzzle you have to use the numbers 1 to 9 to fill in the blank spaces so that each row, each column and each 3-by-3 square has all the numbers 1 to 9 appearing once. Some puzzles are quite simple to solve while others are very tricky.

The only thing you need to solve a Sudoku number place puzzle is logic. You don't need any mathematical knowledge.

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On campus recycling made more convenient

Megan Phillips
Staff Writer

Just a year ago, recycling on campus was hard. It was by no means impossible, but certainly inconvenient and sometimes a real pain.

"I don't recycle now, but if there was a way for me to do it just as conveniently as it is for me to take out the trash, then I absolutely would," said Christian McCurdy a senior history major from Henagar, "especially if it was available at my apartment complex or at places on campus where trashcans are located."

If every student recycled one can a month, we would be able to power a television for over eight years.

The Environmental Club has taken it upon themselves to do just that. They have set out to make recycling a soda can just as easy as discarding it in the garbage by having a recycling bin conveniently located next to trashcans.

Ten years prior, Troy University had a recycling program, but it was shut down, be it due to finances or a lack of

interest. Groups on campus, like the Environmental Club, were reluctant to ever let it die and hosted pushes for recycling during Earth Week.

However, for students like Chelsea Smith, a senior biology major from Enterprise, it was clear that Trojans could do more.

"We really want to see students take an interest in what we are doing because for a school like Troy with the size of our student body, we really should have a steady program in place because we could make a real difference," Smith said.

To do this, the Environmental Club has taken its first steps by placing recycling bins in all of the residential buildings here on campus.

All students have to do is place their bags of recyclables into the bins and the Environmental Club will take care of the rest.

"Recycling is something everyone can do," said Jeremy Duke, a junior biology major from Ozark and member of the university's current recycling initiative. "We want this to become a commonplace thing, not a chore for students."

Troy University has approximately 24,000 students currently enrolled; this means that if every student on campus recycled one aluminum can a month, we would be able to power a television for a little over eight years.

"We hope to see this become a pilot program for next year to see which dorm is doing it and where the interest lies, and then whether or not Troy would be able to support a campus-wide recycling push in academic buildings and Greek buildings as well as just residential



Caitlin Collins photo

Since recycling bins have been placed in the residential dorms on campus, students in the Newman buildings have been the most responsive to the recycling initiative.

"Recycling is something everyone can do."

halls," Duke said. "We are seeing what renovations need to be made, and then we are preparing to make them."

Students who are interested in joining

the Environmental Club in their efforts are more than welcome to sign up for the email list about meetings and events during Earth Week, which will be the second week in April.

During Earth Week, the club and its members will be set up on the Quad spreading awareness for their initiative as well as other environmentally based issues.

Students can also find the club on Facebook at Troy University Environmental Club, or those just interested in work with the recycling initiative can find connections at the Troy Recycle page.

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Seth Nicholson

Advice for students with relationship woes

Grant Nall

As you all know, Valentine's Day is most commonly associated with relationships.

One friend of mine always says it was the "day that women took over the world."

Yes, that could be considered slightly sexist.

I'm here to prevent problems with relationships, so here are some tips to prolong a lifetime of singleness.

First, you begin with wooing away the love of your life.

From the book, "How to Talk to Anyone," Leil Lowndes says, "the way you look and the way you move is more than 80 percent of someone's first impression of you."

To make the desired impression, encounter the other by staring at them as if you had a sociopathic disorder, like wild prey being stalked in the jungle by the enticed predator.

Eye contact and pupil dilation have actually been linked to the stimulation of dopamine production in the brain, giving

the sense of euphoria.

Now, cue the banal conversation that neither of you particularly care about.

Be sure not to laugh at anything the person says—your goal here is to provoke them to uneasiness.

Lastly, remain completely oblivious of all notions or gestures made to continue this relationship.

You can't let them feel in control at any point of the situation; you must protect your dignity, so shut them down.

Personally, I don't even know what is considered a 'signal,' so carry on, my wayward son.

With all that said, hygiene and appearance is another major facet to focus on.

When it comes to clothes, be under-dressed and fashionably out-of-date so as to appear that this is the last thing that seriously concerns you.

Another particular study concluded that "colors are responsible for 62-90 percent of our first impressions of one another," and also that bright colors you wear signify boldness.

I think that a plaid gray sweater or some old paint pants would work just

fine.

Facial and bodily hygiene are the other factors.

Apply an excessive amount of cologne if you're a guy; it typically helps to override a woman's genetically superior sense of smell and gives them nausea or headaches. That's a win.

For women, it's sometimes best to be overtly attached to your singleness by insisting on a flawless cute appearance every time, or else give them your 'I just woke up with a squirrel in my hair' style.

Now, to maintain this single status, one of the last crucial deal-breakers is personality.

Dale Carnegie, an expert of communications and human relations, gives many pro-social tips to ultimately manipulate people with enticing words without them even noticing.

One quote of his is "To be interesting, be interested."

Basically, dishonesty is a virtuous art and a valuable trait in personal communication.

It's an ill-advised but most exercised of all mingling guidelines.

Never be yourself—that's simply unprofessional and the individual might actually find out how dull you are.

In addition, it is human nature to want to be the star of the scene, so make sure you bluster over them with your prowess in life.

As I've been told, people are attracted to others that exude confidence, so always take the extra mile.

Lastly, people value social reclusion accompanied by uncomfortable quietness and awkward tension—that includes the persistent distraction of a phone being used while the person is sitting right in front of you.

People enjoy their titles of relationship status and the updating of it every minute more than their involvement as part of it, so make sure you're prepared to make that big posting commitment.

With that said, I hope by now that you've obtained a well-informed glance at this lifestyle.

Being single might not be too bad, and it definitely won't be hard to get there with these concrete tips.

Say WHAT?

The Tropolitan asked a random sampling of students the following question:

What would you like to see more of in the Trop?



"Pop-up pictures would be nice."
—The Tropolitan



"More news updates on various clubs and organizations happening on campus, not just the ones that are constantly broadcast in Trojan Today."
— Kayla McCormick, a junior sociology major from Enterprise



"I'd like to see a little more of what's going on in different departments on campus."
— Lauren Parks, a senior elementary education major from Marbury

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Concert Chorale performance *Choir to personify spring through music*

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Troy University's Concert Chorale will be performing its spring concert next week.

The spring concert will focus on lighter music, unlike its fall semester concert, which had music that would be performed during a Catholic Mass. Diane Orlofsky, professor of music, said she didn't want to do something sacred for a spring concert and concentrated on lively themes.

The concert is centered on a "Masterwork," which is a piece by a composer with several movements to it. Orlofsky said that she used "Fancies," a work that's based on Elizabethan poetry by John Rutter.

There are six movements to "Fancies," and it was written in 1971. One of the pieces titled, "Tell Me Where Is Fancy Bred?" is taken from Shakespeare's "Merchant of Venice."

Also included in the concert are three Spanish songs, which are all about spring and the land, which matches the current season. The program includes translations for the lyrics in English, which allows the audience to listen with context and understanding.

Orlofsky had a chance to see the St. Olaf choir, and they sang songs from Norway that she said she enjoyed. She found the composer and got permission to use it, and those two pieces were late additions to the performance.

These two pieces hold heavy themes, with one being dedicated to Tony Pike, a musician and teacher, who recently passed. This piece is called "Across the Vast, Eternal Sky," which comes from Norwegian composer, Ola Gjeilo.

The other piece is called, "Even When He is Silent," by Kim André Arnsen, and it premiered days after the terrorist attacks in Oslo and Utøya, Norway, in 2011.

Thirty-six students are participating in the Concert Chorale, and two of the students, Travis Adams and



April Irvin photo

The Concert Chorale practices for their spring performance this semester. The group has been practicing for this performance since January, alongside other obligations. They met three times a week with Orlofsky, and then met once more outside of these practices to perfect the music.

Jordan Ratliff, are conducting the pieces themselves.

"For a concert of this magnitude, every voice is important," Orlofsky said. "We had to learn the language, and a lot of the pieces are lush and full and big."

Since the choir only consists of 36 students, every voice is heard, and the students are held accountable for their sound.

All of the musicians playing the accompaniments are staff from Troy, except for Caterina Bristol, an oboist

from Alabama State University.

Orlofsky said that students should attend so they can see their peers put into action all of the work that they've done to make the concert possible.

"It's really important to hear different things, and stretch your palette to things you've never listened to," said Orlofsky.

The concert is on Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at 7:30 p.m., at Bush Memorial Baptist Church, and admission is free.

Campus choirs to hold auditions



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Concert Chorale member talks about try outs for Frequency

Zachary Winslett

Arts and Entertainment Editor

Two Troy University vocal ensembles, Frequency and the Concert Choir, will be looking to tune up their select group of students with auditions.

Frequency, a jazz vocal ensemble, will be holding auditions April 3 from 1-2:30 p.m.

The Concert Choir will be holding auditions April 7-8.

Audition packets for both auditions are available in Long Hall 115, and additional information can be obtained by emailing troychoral@troy.edu with

questions.

The Concert Chorale's website, music.troy.edu/vocalchoral/concertchorale, has information and pictures of the group. For a live demonstration, students can attend the Concert Chorale's concert on April 1 at 7:30 p.m. at Bush Memorial Baptist Church.

Those wondering what makes Frequency special can find information at music.troy.edu/vocalchoral/frequency. According to its website, the group requires a "higher level of group synergy" because it performs without a conductor.

Anna Orlofsky, a sophomore Spanish

major from Troy, is already a member of the Concert Chorale, but she is trying out

"It's really cliché, but practice makes perfect. There is no substitute for preparation."

for Frequency this semester.

"Frequency is different from any other musical group at Troy," Orlofsky said. "It focuses on a capella and vocal

jazz music, and the level of talent of the group is incredible. Joining their ranks would be an honor."

As a part of the Concert Chorale, Orlofsky is seasoned in performance and the choir system at Troy University, but that doesn't mean she is shirking the preparation stage.

"My strategy has been to play the notes over and over until they become a part of me and to trust in my voice and my preparation," she said.

"It's really cliché, but practice makes perfect. There is no substitute for preparation."



Jonah Enfinger photo

On Thursday, Gregg Skaggs' special topics class painted graffiti pieces outside Malone Hall. Hannah Ellis, a senior fine arts major from Eclectic, spray painted a jellyfish.

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Tennis teams keep building steam

Wally Pendergrass
Staff Writer

The men's and women's tennis teams continued their winning ways over the week, having a combined record of 4-1 since last week.

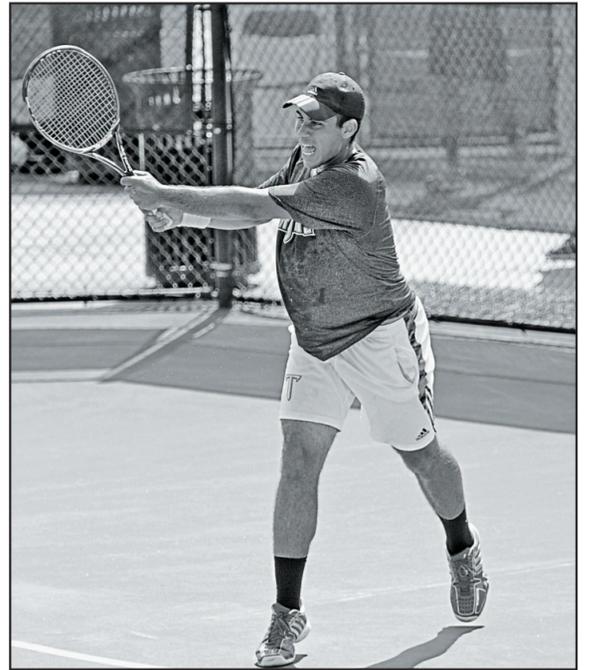
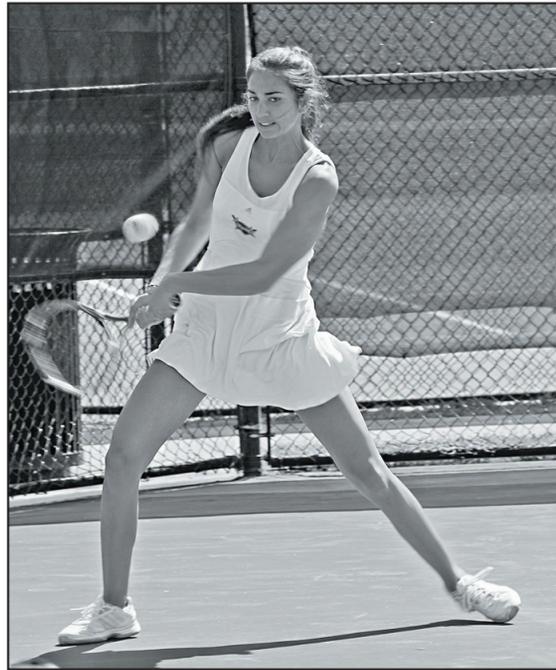
The women extended their impressive winning streak to five matches after beating Alabama State, Middle Tennessee State, and Florida A&M. The men won at home against Alabama State and lost a close match to South Alabama 4-3.

The women's team won 7-0 over Alabama State on Friday, March 21 and 5-2 over Middle Tennessee State on Sunday, March 23. The Trojans won the doubles point in both of those matches and Trang Huynh has won five straight in singles.

The women celebrated senior day on Tuesday, March 25, with a 4-0 win over Florida A&M. The only senior on the team, Lyubov Dorofeeva, and her doubles partner sophomore Brooke Durden started the Trojans off with a doubles win.

The Trojans' doubles team of sophomores Trang Huynh and Anja Cosovic won their eleventh doubles match in a row to give the Trojans the doubles point. The Trojans finished off the FAMU team quickly and when the match stopped at 4-0 the Trojans were ahead in the remaining matches.

Troy's women's tennis team (10-6) will take on South Alabama and Louisiana-Lafayette March 28-29 in Mobile.



Left: Caleb Hicks photo Right: April Irvin photo

Sophomore Anja Cosovic won her 11th doubles match against Florida A&M on Tuesday, March 25. Senior Sami Ghorbel struggled but lost the No. 1 singles match against the Jaguars on Saturday, March 22.

The men won their third straight match on Friday, March 21, when they defeated Alabama State 6-1. The team won the doubles point in dominant fashion and won the first five singles matches before Alabama State won the No. 6 singles match.

The next day the Trojans would come

up just short against South Alabama. The Trojans lost the doubles point and quickly got behind 2-0 when they lost the No. 4 singles match.

However, senior Mansingh Athare got his fifth singles match win in a row to make it 2-1. The Jaguars got the next two points though and clinched the match.

The Trojans did win the final two singles matches to close out their home stand.

The men's match March 23 at Florida A&M was postponed due to rain and no rescheduled date has been announced. Troy's men's tennis team (5-12) will play at the MTSU Shootout on March 28-30 in Murfreesboro, Tenn.

Track team shines at Relays

Gabe Sadetsky
Staff Writer

The Troy track team finished their final day of the Alabama Relays with a strong showing this past Saturday, March 22, in Tuscaloosa. The meet, which began on Thursday, March 20, earned several Trojans outstanding achievements while increasing the team's national rankings as a whole.

In the field events, Troy also left its mark at the relays in Tuscaloosa, as the nation's ninth ranked freshman Corina Cox completed a season-high 49.99-meter throw in the discus.

Sophomore Myles Charley's finish in men's long jump saw him move to seventh in the NCAA with a 7.00-meter jump, leaving him a mere nine-hundredths short of his Sun Belt-leading jump earlier this year.

Freshman Aleeah Stigarll took ninth in the

women's heptathlon. The women's distance medley team placed fourth with a time of 13:03.76.

The team was composed of freshmen Marsel Mosley, Sierra King, Sara Lane and sophomore, Julia Ostendorf.

In the men's performance, arguably the greatest showing came from junior Benjamin Martin in the 100-meter dash. Martin finished second in the race.

He also broke a 26-year school record with a 10.28 finish moving him to first place in the Sun Belt Conference rankings and third in the NCAA.

Senior sprinter Jordan Landburg also had a remarkable day, placing second as his 46.84 finish in the 400-meter dash which is the fastest time in Division I this year. The finale moved Landburg into third in school history, placing him behind Trojan Hall of Fame member and former Olympian Charles Oliver. Martin and Landburg

also made substantial contributions in the 4x100-meter relay, joining senior teammates Thaddeus Curtis and Phillip Pritchett. The tandem finished with a time of 40.61 seconds, shifting them into the top-10 nationally in the event.

"It was a great day for the Trojans," said Troy head coach Jill Lancaster. "Cox continued the momentum from yesterday by placing second in the discus with a personal best. Jordan and Ben were tremendous on the men's side, moving up the national rankings. Both teams continue to get better. At the end of the day, the veterans put up some huge marks, but just as impressive were the number of new athletes who are starting to see themselves in the same position."

The Trojan track teams will be back in action next Friday, April 4, as they partake in the Track and Field at Tiger Track Classic meet at Auburn University.



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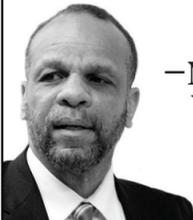
Junior Hayes Grissom placed fourth and had a season best in men's javelin at the Alabama Relays in Tuscaloosa on Thursday, March 20.

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who had to play their way into the dance by way of a qualifying game, only to upset a six-seeded Massachusetts team by 19-points, and then going on to destroy the "Cinderella story" Mercer by 20 on its way to the Sweet 16.

Every year, you see games come down to more than just statistics, where the Davids demand respect from the Goliaths. It's madness, alright, and it happens every year. You might want to make sure to tune-in to see how this crazy story plays out. That is, if you're not disgusted on the current state of your bracket. I just hope Miss Cleo gives her \$1 billion to an honorable charity.



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Hilltoppers trample Trojans

Megan Phillips
Staff Writer

With the moderate success that followed the Troy softball team throughout the past couple weekends fading in the background, the start of Sun Belt Conference play in Bowling Green, Ky., on March 22 and 23 ended in nothing but heartbreak.

The games began on Saturday, March 22, as the Trojans stepped to the plate for the first time officially pitting themselves against their conference competition in the 2014 season.

Although game one ended in a 3-0 loss for Troy against Western Kentucky, it was by no means for lack of heart.

Despite a rocky start, allowing for one run in the first inning, junior pitcher Jaycee Affeldt more than proved her worth by putting away 12 straight batters until Western Kentucky got back into the game at the bottom of the fifth.

Overall, the game was a competition of fielding and who could bring those hitters home as Troy collected a total of five hits to Western Kentucky's six, the only difference in game being the runs on scoreboard.

Unfortunately, game two did not see such equal comparison as the Hilltoppers were out for vengeance and the Trojans would be forced to take a devastating 8-1 loss.

Sophomore pitcher Ashley Rainey

would take the loss this time, giving up six hits for the consequential six runs scored in the first half of the game.

In the bottom of the fifth, she saw relief from sophomore pitchers Sara Mock and Rachel Rigney. Both gave up one run during the fifth inning.

The Trojans would pick up their only run for the game off an RBI single hit by freshman shortstop Becca Hartley.

After this game, the Trojans and the Hilltoppers would retire for the night before resuming play the next day, Sunday, March 23, in game three.

This game, like the two before would end in a loss for Troy, the scoreboard showing 5-0 as the teams left the field.

This game would feature another solid pitching game by Affeldt who threw 112 pitches for 74 strikes, but would eventually take the loss for the Trojans, despite an impressive attempt by the Trojans to take back the field in the seventh with senior first baseman Katie McAllister taking her base off an error and then sophomore outfielder Amanda Winters advancing on a walk.

However, neither was able to cross the plate and bring home a run for Troy who would be forced to take another shutout on the books.

Troy faced the Jaguars on Wednesday, March 26, and lost, 9-1.

For their next competition, Troy will go head-to-head against Georgia State here on their own new turf on Saturday, March 29, at 1:30 p.m.



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March Madness, money

Gabe Sadetsky
Staff Writer

It's that time of the year where sports enthusiasts do their best Miss Cleo impersonations while choosing the winners and losers of the annual March Madness college basketball tournament.

Basketball fanatics across the country, including President Barack Obama, can't seem to fill out their brackets quick enough once Selection Sunday unveils the teams participating in the tournament.

To add to the "madness," investment tycoon Warren Buffet raised the stakes for this year's tournament, promising to award \$1 billion to any person who fills out a perfect bracket. You would think with those stakes, even Miss Cleo and her "psychic posse" would be the first in line to print off their bracket sheets on selection Sunday.

What in the world would the president do with \$1 billion if his bracket was flawless? The "Obamacare" website would most-assuredly turn a new corner, right?

Yes, this time of the year is madness at its finest. Yet, people tend to get caught up in the action and forget that the madness doesn't occur on their pieces of paper with their various predictions.

The real madness ends and begins on the hardwood, where we saw a total of three out of the four 12-seeded teams upset their five-seeded opponents in the first round.

Just a quick question for the readers out there who filled out a bracket this year, how many of you honestly picked North Dakota State to beat Oklahoma? Or how many of you "basketball junkies" ever thought you'd see a Mercer Bears team advance over a one coach Mike Krzyzewski, who's lead his Duke Blue Devils to 11 Final Four appearances in his career? I guess the better question is how many of you inaccurately picked Duke to reach the Final Four this year?

The only way to explain those underdog heroes every year is this: its madness. Many people stress that statistics will tell you the story on who to pick in your brackets. However, stats won't explain a story like that of Dayton junior Jordan Sibert, who transferred to the Flyers from Ohio State to garner more playing time, only to see his new team upset the Buckeyes in the first round.

You can't find box scores that tell the tale of a Tennessee Volunteers team,

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Warhawks cry for mercy

Trojans rack up 19 runs in game three, sets new record

Amy Austin
Staff Writer

After a rough start, the Trojan bats came alive as the baseball team took the series 2-1 from the University of Louisiana at Monroe during the weekend.

On Friday, March 21, Troy faced ULM to open the three-game home stand and lost 7-4.

Troy took the lead from the Warhawks 4-2, but in the top of the sixth, ULM would tie the game. Adding three more runs, the Warhawks would then take the lead and the game.

Junior outfielder Jo-El Bennett was two for five in the game. Senior second baseman Garrett Pitts had three walks and two hits.

The team as a whole had eight walks but only produced two RBIs.

"We took a 4-2 lead midway through that game," said head coach Bobby Pierce. "They came back and scored four and took the lead. We really couldn't answer that rally that they put together."

On Saturday, March 22, game two came down to the final out of the ninth inning.

The Warhawks made an error and Pitts had his second walk off hit of the season as Troy defeated ULM 4-3.

Senior pitcher Shane McCain had his sixth quality start of the season pitching six innings with eight hits and six strikeouts.

Junior designated hitter David Hall finished the game 3-for-4 for the Trojans. Base running from junior outfielder Clay

Holcomb produced the runs the Trojans needed.

The game came down to the wire in the ninth inning.

The bases were loaded and there were two outs as Pitts hit a ground ball towards second.

Freshman second baseman, Anthony Herrera, flipped the ball to sophomore shortstop, Kodie Tidwell, but the fumble allowed senior first baseman Matthew Howard to score at home. This gave Troy the 4-3 win.

"We battled and scratched and finally tied the score and won that game late in the ninth inning with some good at bats," Pierce said. "We got a 4-3 needed win on Saturday."

Championship Sunday, March 23, was the route for the Trojans as Troy defeated the Warhawks 19-3 in just seven innings after the mercy rule was called.

Troy set a new record by hitting nine doubles in a seven inning game. Troy had 11 extra base hits in the game.

This was the most since Troy defeated South Alabama 17-0 in 2010.

After scoring only one run in each of the first two innings, Troy's bats exploded in the third as eight consecutive batters reached base, the most since 2010 at Kennesaw State.

Throughout the inning, there were three doubles, a single, and two players hit by a pitch before David Hall blasted a grand slam.

In the fourth, Troy plated seven more runs. Two doubles and a three-run homer gave Troy an even bigger lead.

Troy has hit 24 home runs in as many games. There have been seven multi-home run games, and the three players tied for the lead are David Hall, junior outfielder Trevin Hall, and Jo-El Bennett with five homers each.

"The bats finally broke out, something we have been waiting on for 20 plus games," Pierce said. "Certainly glad to see our guys get relaxed in the box and do some things that we thought they were capable of all along."

One player that stood out among the many was David Hall. Hall was nine for 14 over the weekend. He was also five for five on Sunday with a grand slam, two doubles, and six RBIs.

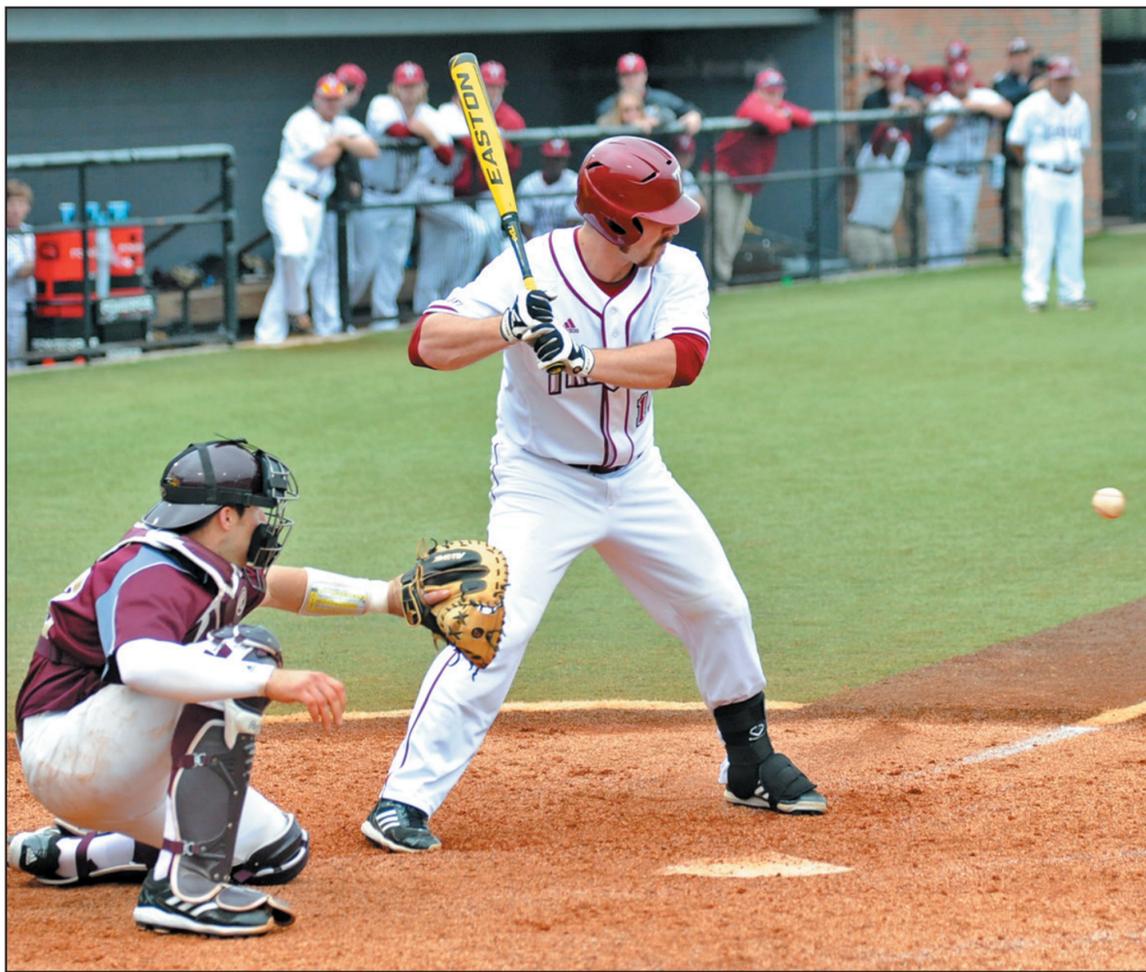
"Working to get your confidence to where it needs to be and to get back up there and keep swinging it like you know you can," Hall said. "I was in a low place earlier in the season. Just kept working and getting back in there so my confidence is back."

The win on Sunday, March 23 marked Bobby Pierce's 200th conference win as Troy's head coach.

"Five for five day with a grand slam is not very usual even when a hitter is in his best time, so very proud of him and his effort today," Pierce said. "It was a good day for a lot of people, but certainly for Dave."

Troy headed to Pensacola on Tuesday, March 25, to take on the University of Alabama. The Trojans lost to Alabama with a final score of 10-5.

During March 28-30 Troy will hit the road to Atlanta to take on Georgia State.



April Irvin photo

Junior designated hitter David Hall hit five for five in game three against ULM on Sunday, March 23. He had two doubles, a grand slam and six RBIs. Hall was just a triple shy of hitting for the cycle. Hall currently leads the team with a .377 batting average and has 17 RBIs. The team faces Georgia State on the road starting March 28 through March 30. The Trojans will return home on April 4 to host Sun Belt rivals, the Rajun' Cajuns.

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