On August 26, 2009, Dr. Don C. Hines passed away after losing a battle with cancer. Dr. Hines spent much of his career in the Alabama higher education system. He served as president of the University of West Alabama, Livingston, Alabama, from 1994-1998 after serving as Dean of the School of Business in the 1980’s. He has served as Dean of the Sorrell College of Business, Troy University, twice in his career. Between his tenure at the University of West Alabama and Troy University, he served on the cabinet of Governor Guy Hunt’s administration as Division Chief of the Alabama Department of Economic and Community Affairs (ADECA). Dr. Hines was a member and deacon of Ansley Baptist Church as well as the adult Sunday School teacher. He has served as sound technician and was the driving force behind the creation of Homeward Bound Gospel Quartet, an outreach ministry of Ansley Baptist Church for the last ten years. Dr. Hines was instrumental in starting a rodeo team at both The University of West Alabama (Don C. Hines Rodeo Complex) and Troy University. The family requests that memorial donations be made to the Don C. Hines Endowed Scholarship Fund, c/o Troy University Foundation, Troy University, Troy, AL. 
THIS IS THE COWBOY WAY

Don C. Hines, May 23, 1999

Know first that it is not the boots, the hat, or the buckle, for they are only outward symbols. It is the inner spirit.

Work hard, for peace comes to those whose debts have been paid.

Play hard, for mortality is but a brief moment, and our trail can often seem so long.

Believe in yourself and those around you, for this will be your strength and comfort.

Be strong but gentle, only fighting for who and what you are.

Be a man, and, at the same time, see and believe as a child.

Never ever run from competition, for in the end, we only recall the challenges we have faced, the lines we have drawn, and the stands we have taken.

Provide aid and comfort to your competitors, and then defeat them.

Understand that there is no higher competition than with yourself.

Understand that in competition, it is never for the show. It is personal.

Know that God made bulls and broncs to be ridden.

And most of all, when you fall, know that only God can help you stand, if you let him.

And finally, know that when you put on the boots, the hat, and the buckle, you understand that this is the cowboy way.

Round-up Magazine, January 2000
Dr. Kaye Sheridan—Interim Dean of the Sorrell College of Business

To fill the position left by the passing of Dr. Don Hines, Dr. Ed Roach, Executive Vice Chancellor and Provost, appointed Dr. Kaye Sheridan, Director of the School of Accountancy at Troy University, as Interim Dean of the Sorrell College of Business. Dr. Sheridan has served as Troy University’s Director of the School of Accountancy since 2007.

Dr. Sheridan served as Head of the Departments of Accounting and Finance at the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga from January 2003 until July 2007. Prior to entering a career in higher education, she practiced accounting for 15 years, including the positions of managing partner of a local firm in Prattville and Director of Accounting Services & Compliance Group with Ernst & Young in Mobile.

Dr. Sheridan completed the Doctor of Business Administration degree in Accounting at Mississippi State University in 1998. She earned a Master of Tax Accounting degree from the University of Alabama in 1989 and a bachelor’s degree in Business Administration from Auburn University in 1983.

She has taught at Troy University, the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga, Mississippi State University, LaGrange College and Mobile University. Dr. Sheridan’s research has been published in the Journal of Accountancy, Taxes-The Tax Magazine, CPA Journal, Ohio CPA Journal, Strategic Finance, National Public Accountant, Real Estate Taxation and the TSU Business and Economic Review. For the past ten years, she has co-authored the “Current Rulings and Cases” chapter in The National Income Tax Workbook, which is used by more than 30,000 tax practitioners each year.
Faculty Activities

PRESENTATIONS TO SCHOLARLY GROUPS

Alan D. Campbell, Montgomery Campus, presented "Tax Aspects of Social Security Benefits" at the Florida Accounting and Business Expo (FABExpo) in Kissimmee, Florida, on May 27, 2009. He also served as a track administrator for three tax tracks at the FABExpo on May 28-29, 2009.

An interactive panel discussion: “The Times They Are A 'Changing,” developed by Drs. Diane Bandow of Troy-Atlanta, Tish Matuszek and Dennis Self of Troy Montgomery, and Karen Smola, Troy adjunct faculty member, has been accepted for presentation at the annual Southern Management Association conference to be held in November, 2009. The panel discussion involves the impact on colleges of Business resulting from the changes in expectations of performance by various accrediting bodies, such as SACS, AACSB, and ACBSP.

William Heisler, Atlantic Region, organized and chaired a professional development workshop on “Enhancing Student Learning through Service-Learning Opportunities” at the Annual Meeting of the Academy of Management.

William Heisler, Atlantic Region, served as session chair for a refereed paper session on “Organization and Management Learning: Application of Theories.” The meeting was held August 8-11, 2009 in Chicago, IL.

INTERNATIONAL ENGAGEMENTS

Ed Kamnikar, Montgomery Campus, presented a paper at the International Conference on Business And Information 2009. The conference was held at Parkoyal Hotel, Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia, July 6-8, 2009. The papers are titled, "The Audit Role in Road Transport Public Private Partnerships" and "Do Audit Opinions Affect Go Bond Ratings?" His papers will be published in Proceedings of Business and Information, Volume 6, ISSN 1729-9322, 2009.

AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS

Chuck Durham, Montgomery Campus, was awarded the 2008, Montgomery Campus, Employee Excellence Award for Faculty. The award was presented by Dr. Hawkins in December of last year.

Tish Matuszek, Montgomery Campus, has completed the Baldrige Examiner training and has been "appointed by the United States Department of Commerce, National Institute of Standards and Technology to serve in the capacity of Examiner on the 2009 Board of Examiners of the Baldrige National Quality Program.” She will not only serve for the University, but also for the nation. This is a significant accomplishment by Dr. Matuszek.

Edward Merkel, Troy Campus and Larry Lovik, Troy Campus (retired), received one of the highest forms of praise recently when their article entitled “The Economic Impact of NAFTA: A Case Study of Alabama” was cited in the 2009 edition of “International Economics, Globalization, and Policy,” ed. King and King. The article was cited within a paper entitled “Trade in the Americas: From NAFTA to Bilateralism” by Joanna Moss.
AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS continued

Diane Bandow, Atlanta Site, has been named to the 2009 Board of Examiners for the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award. Named for former Secretary of Commerce Malcolm Baldrige, the award is given by the President of the United States to businesses—manufacturing and service, small and large—and to education, health care and nonprofit organizations that apply and are judged to be outstanding in seven areas: leadership, strategic planning, customer and market focus; measurement, analysis and knowledge management; workforce focus; process management and results.

PUBLICATIONS

Mike Schraeder, Montgomery Campus, article (coauthored with Shelley Morrisette from Shippensburg University, Shippensburg, PA) “Leadership: Perceptions of Effective Training Venues and Famous Individuals as Effective Leaders” has been accepted for publication in a forthcoming issue of Journal for Quality and Participation.


Rodger Morrison, Montgomery Campus, book entitled, “Archetypal Symbols, Avatars, and Trust: Effects of culturally recognized symbols as avatars on participant trust in online environments,” has been accepted with VDM publishing.

Ed Kamnikar, Montgomery Campus, paper entitled “A Descriptive Case Study of the Greene County, Alabama Bankruptcy has been accepted for publication in the Journal of Public Budgeting.

Dennis Self and Mike Schraeder, Montgomery Campus, paper entitled “Potential Benefits of Engaging Primary Stakeholders in Developing a Vision,” has been accepted for publication in a future issue of Strategic Direction.


PUBLICATIONS continued


Rodger Morrison, Montgomery Campus, book entitled “Human-to-Machine Interaction: Historical and contemporary applications of a proposed general model with comparisons to the Human Interpersonal Communications model” has been published by VDM Verlag in Saarbrucken, Germany.


Mike Schraeder & David Hoover, Montgomery Campus, coauthored the article “Enhancing Organizational Recovery in Tough Times: A Pragmatic Perspective” in a forthcoming issue of Development and Learning in Organizations.


William Heisler, Atlantic Region, was a guest columnist in the September 2009 issues of The Oyster Pointer, a monthly business publication in Newport News, Va. The column was entitled “Be a good co-worker—Someday you may need help” suggested how to create a more positive work environment with coworkers.
TROY UNIVERSITY POLICY STATEMENT

Troy University does not discriminate on the basis of sex, age, color, race, national origin, religion, handicap, veteran status, or sexual orientation in its admissions, education, employment, or access to its programs. The University fully complies with the following: Civil Rights Acts of 1964 and its amendments; Federal Executive Order 11246; Educational Amendments of 1972; Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act of 1974; and the Uniformed Services Employment and Reemployment Rights Act of 1994.

ACCREDITATION

Troy University is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award the associate degree, the bachelor’s degree, the master’s degree, and the education specialist degree. Contact the Commission on Colleges at 1866 Southern Lane, Decatur, Georgia 30033-4097 or call 404-679-4500 for questions about the accreditation of Troy University. The Commission is to be contacted only if there is evidence that appears to support an institution’s significant non-compliance with a requirement or standard.

Troy University, through its Sorrell College of Business, is nationally accredited by the Association of Collegiate Business Schools and Programs (ACBSP) to offer baccalaureate degree programs in accounting, finance, general business, information systems, management, and marketing. The ACBSP has also accredited TROY to offer the Master of Business Administration.

USEFUL LINKS

Master Syllabi: http://business.troy.edu/MasterSyllabi

TROY Academic Operating Procedures: http://www.troy.edu/academics/aop/index.html

SCOB Academic Operating Procedures: See the SCOB Admin. organization in Blackboard

Sorrell College of Business: http://business.troy.edu

ACBSP: http://www.acbsp.org

Digital Measures Faculty Database: http://www.digitalmeasures.com/login/troy/faculty