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## Troutt inaugural ceremony set for Friday at Idlewild

Members of the Rhodes campus community are invited to see history in the making this week as William E. Troutt is formally installed as the 19<sup>th</sup> president of the college.

The ceremony will take place Friday, April 14, at 10:30 a.m. at Idlewild Presbyterian Church, 1750 Union Ave. Buses will run between the campus and Idlewild beginning at 10 a.m. Friday, departing from the front of Mallory Gymnasium.

This will be the first fully traditional inaugural ceremony since the inauguration of John David Alexander '53 in 1966. Delegates from more than 100 colleges, representatives of learned societies and alumni as well as Rhodes trustees will process into the church led by the Rhodes faculty.

By comparison, the



A new exhibit in Burrow Library contains mementoes from past inaugurations at the college, including those of John David Alexander Jr. in 1966 (top) and William L. Bowden in 1970.

inaugurations of presidents William L. Bowden and James H. Daughdrill were more "college family" occasions held on Homecoming weekends to encourage alumni participation.

At Friday's ceremony, Dr. Stanley O. Ikenberry, president of the American Council on Education, will deliver remarks. Other participants include Ebony Woods '00, president of the Black Student Association, and Richard Lum '00, president of the Rhodes Student Government. In his inaugural address, Troutt will share his vision for Rhodes' future.

To conclude the day, the campus community is invited to celebrate with a ball beginning at 8 p.m. Friday in the Bryan Campus Life Center. The Jim Johnson Orchestra, music makers for Rhodes' gala 150<sup>th</sup> anniversary ball in 1998, will return by popular demand. Seniors Rob Cole and Nicki North, the current Mr. and Ms. Rhodes, will make a special presentation at 10 p.m. to give an official student welcome to the Troutt era at Rhodes. ■

## Fourth annual Campus Life Awards to honor many

Rhodes will hold its fourth annual Campus Life Awards ceremony Tuesday, April 11, at 7:30 p.m. in the McCallum Ballroom of the Bryan Campus Life Center.

Seniors Teal Baker and Taylor Teas are co-directors of the event, which will be hosted by the current Mr. and Ms. Rhodes, seniors Rob Cole and Nicki North.

The purpose of the Campus Life Awards is to complement the annual spring Awards Convocation on April 18 by recognizing outstanding contributions to the Rhodes community and campus life.

Campus Life Awards programs of the past three years have met with success and have increased the sense of pride and accomplishment among

community members. At no other time during the year do administrators, faculty members, staff and students come together to honor each other's contributions to the community outside the classroom.

The Rhodes Gospel Choir will provide entertainment, and a reception in Crain Hall will follow the ceremony. ■

## Spring concert in Hardie to feature Weimer on trumpet

The Rhodes College Community Orchestra will present its Spring Concert Monday, April 17, at 8 p.m. in Hardie Auditorium. Admission is free and open to the public.

Community Orchestra director Elizabeth Weimer will conduct.

The program will feature Lee J. Weimer, trumpet instructor at Rhodes, who will perform Torelli's *Sonata in D* on a baroque trumpet. The baroque trumpet has no valves as seen on modern trumpets.

Also included on the program

will be works by Elgar, Schubert, Purcell, Offenbach and Stravinsky.

The orchestra is comprised of Rhodes students and members of the Memphis community. ■

## Omicron Delta Kappa welcomes 46 new members

Omicron Delta Kappa, Rhodes' oldest honor society, initiated 42 new student members on April 4.

Other officers of the Rhodes chapter are seniors Jason Jowers, vice president; Casey Williams, secretary; and Teal Baker, elections chair.

Membership in ODK is based on service and leadership in extra-curricular activities.

The new senior initiates are Rachel Bozynski, Coy Buckley, Tyler Buckner, Jennifer Cramm, Jay Eckles, Jim Glowens, Tim Hayes, Jaime Hook, Matt Nelson, Bambi Roberts, Blake Rollins, Matthew Shipe, Jeff Sutton, Courtney Umberger, Val Witte, Amanda

Wright and Mara Zimmerman.

Juniors inducted are Matthew Alexander, Julie Auwarter, Mridula Bagrodia, Laura Bauer, Rebecca Beach, Kalman Bencsath, Christie Brewer, Claire Chambers, Fran Connolly, Brad Damare, Ashley Diaz, Amanda Flaim, Susan Hughes, Shawna Miller, Amit Mirchandani, Lauren Mize, Catherine Neely, Keely Pitts, Bernard Quinn, Daniela Seminara, Emily Slagle, Kasey Sweeney, Anna Teekell, David Weatherman and Dorothy Weir.

Non-student members inducted into the Rhodes Chapter are Church Health Center founder Dr. G. Scott Morris, ARAMARK Director Tim

VanderMeersch, Professor of philosophy Pat Shade and Rhodes President William E. Troutt. ■



Barry Fullerton (left), president of Phi Circle of ODK, and ODK alumni president S. Herbert Rhea (right) congratulate new inductees (from left) G. Scott Morris, William Troutt and Pat Shade.

## Phi Beta Kappa to induct 33 new members in May

The Rhodes College chapter of Phi Beta Kappa, Gamma of Tennessee, has announced the names of students who have been invited to join the society this spring.

Election to membership in Phi Beta Kappa is based upon a record of excellence in the study of liberal subjects.

"The chapter congratulates all the new members on their exceptional accomplishments," says Tim Huebner, secretary of the chapter.

Members of the Class of 2000 invited to join are:

Jennifer Baker, Lindy Brown, Tyler Buckner, Sarah Butcher, Kevin Carlucci, Rob Cole, Annie Daniel, Garney Fendley, James Flowers, Hannah Fullmer, Nicholas

Grojean, Tim Hayes, Jaime Hook, Zachary Jumper, Amy Killebrew, Patrick Lane, Robyn McKellar, Emily Monroe, David Morgan, Emily Parkinson, Joseph Peeples, Anna Pinchack, Nathan Ragain, Jeffrey Sutton, John Trout, Elizabeth Watt, Ellen Weirich and Martin Wohlfarth.

Two other members of the Class of 2000, Bambi Roberts and Jill Peterfeso, accepted membership in 1999 during their junior year.

Students in the Class of 2001 invited to join Phi Beta Kappa are:

Laura Bauer, Amanda Brewer, Keely Pitts, Kelley Thompson and Dorothy Weir.

Phi Beta Kappa will induct its new members during a ceremony

at 11:30 a.m. Friday, May 12, in Blount Auditorium. A luncheon honoring the new members will follow at about 12:15 in the Burrow Refectory.

Both events are open to the Rhodes community. Contact Tim Huebner at 843-3653 to make luncheon reservations. ■

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## Senior thesis exhibit opens Saturday

The works of three Rhodes students will be on display during the annual senior thesis art exhibit opening Saturday, April 15, and running through Saturday, May 6, in Clough-Hanson Gallery.

Works will include sculpture by Jason Friedes, paintings by Lou Haney and photography by Leslie Sait.

The gallery will host a reception honoring the artists Friday, April 28, at 5 p.m.

Gallery hours are Tuesday

through Saturday from 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. Admission is free and open to the public. The gallery will be closed April 20-24. Check the gallery website at <http://artslides2.art.rhodes.edu/gallery.html>. Call 843-3442 for more information. ■

Senior Lou Haney explores different dimensions of food by painting images culled from food magazines. This painting is an acrylic on canvas, 2000.



## Seder promises to be shared learning experience

Rhodes InterFaith Circle and Jewish Student Union at Rhodes will host a Seder at 7 p.m. Wednesday, April 12, in the Rhea Lounge of Briggs Student Center.

Seder is the Passover meal that commemorates the exodus of the Hebrews from Egypt. Passover starts

after sundown on April 19 and ends April 27 at sundown.

Having a Seder a Jewish tradition, but the dinner at Rhodes is open to people of all faiths and intended to be an interfaith learning experience, says Rhodes Chaplain Billy Newton.

Andrew Shulman '00 and Scott

Ostrow '93, college services director for the Memphis Jewish Federation, will lead the Seder in a casual setting around the table and shared meal.

Call Shulman at 843-3312 or e-mail [shuar@rhodes.edu](mailto:shuar@rhodes.edu) to make a reservation. ■

## Media Matters

- Steve Ceccoli, assistant professor of international studies, wrote an op-ed piece on the Food and Drug Administration and tobacco issues that ran on March 30.
- *USA Today* ran a story on March 20 about Matt Marcotte '99, who recently appeared on the ABC game show *Who Wants to Be a Millionaire*. The story was about Marcotte donating \$3000 from his \$250,000 in winnings to the Rhodes Tex-Mex Border Ministry. In addition, *Memphis Business Journal* ran a March 10 story about the Tex-Mex ministry and Marcotte's donation.
- Mike Nelson, professor of political science, was interviewed recently by several national media about the U.S. presidential campaign, including the *New York Times*, *The New Republic*, the *Dallas Morning News*, National Public Radio and the *Los Angeles Times*.
- Chuck Orvis, associate professor of economics, was a guest on March 23 on the TV show *Tax Talk*, which airs on the local access channel of Time Warner Cable.
- President Bill Troutt was quoted in the Feb. 18 edition of *The Chronicle of Higher Education* and in *The Chicago Sun Times* on March 7 speaking as former chairman of the commission appointed by Congress to study college costs.
- Chris Wetzel, associate professor of psychology, was quoted in a Scripps Howard News Service article about why Americans lie. The article ran during early March in the *Minneapolis Star Tribune* and the *San Diego Union-Tribune*.
- Lynn Zastoupil, associate professor of history, was quoted in a *Commercial Appeal* in article concerning a book about Kasturbai Ghandi, the wife of Mahatma Ghandi. ■



## Rhodes News Notes . . .

The Rhodes community is invited to enjoy "An Afternoon of Broadway," a concert featuring Rhodes voice students. The performance will be Tuesday, April 11, in Hyde Hall at 4:30 p.m. Admission is free.



Also on Tuesday, April 11, art critic and historian James Elkins will discuss "The Unrepresentable: The Concept of the Sublime in Painting, Astrophysics, Genetics and Particle Physics" at 8 p.m. in Hardie Auditorium. Admission will be free and open to the public.



The Rhodes Fencing Club claimed 18 medals in ten events at the Tennessee Division Championships in early March. It was the team's first time to enter the event, which was held in Chattanooga. Team coach and member Brad Kroeker won first place in the men's saber competition.



This spring's Russian film series continues on Wednesday, April 12, with a screening of *Stalker*, a 1979 film directed by Andrei Tarkovsky. The film will begin at 5:30 p.m. in Room 410 of Rhodes Tower. Admission is free and open to Rhodes students and employees.



Results of the recent general student elections are posted on the following Web site: <http://www.students.rhodes.edu/rsg/results.html>.

John Copper, professor of international studies, has been on the lecture circuit recently. During March, he spoke at the University of Chicago on "Democracy and Taiwan's Recent Election" and at Harvard University on "Taiwan's Recent Election: The Effect on Democratization." In addition, Copper gave an address on China-Taiwan issues to a meeting organized for members of Congress by the Woodrow Wilson Center.



Kelly Fish, assistant professor of business administration, was elected president of the Memphis chapter of the American Marketing Association. He will serve as president for a year, beginning in June.



Tim Huebner, assistant professor of history, gave a guest lecture, "Murder, Mayhem and the Southern Judicial Mind," at a mid-March luncheon speaker series for the Center for the Study of Southern Culture at the University of Mississippi.



Susan Kus, associate professor of anthropology, co-authored an article published in the March issue of *American Anthropologist*. Her co-author is her husband, Victor Raharjaoana, also an anthropologist and archaeologist. The article's title is

"House to Palace, Village to State: Scaling Up Architecture and Ideology."



Rhodes Equestrian Team members Raven Babcock '01, Kristin Kleber '00 and Tara Krisle '03 qualified for regional competition at Murray State University, where Kleber was named reserve champion in the novice class for jumping. Krisle won the championship in the open class on the flat. Kleber and Krisle advanced to zone competition—consisting of four regions—April 9 at Middle Tennessee State University.



Student John Ramsey '02 was named Mr. Shamrock at Kappa Delta's recent fundraiser for child abuse prevention. The benefit raised about \$1,000. ■



Who gets the last piece of pizza? Sitting on a blanket behind Palmer Hall, first-year students Andi Battaglia (left) and Anne Schaberg snack and study on a breezy afternoon last week.

## Outstanding seniors named to Who's Who Among Students

The 2000 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges* contains the names of 23 seniors from Rhodes who have been selected as national outstanding campus leaders.

Qualifications for selection to *Who's Who Among Students* include academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and

potential for continued success.

Rhodes students named to *Who's Who* are:

Jessica Anschutz, Rachel Bozynski, Jessie Crawford, Todd Foss, Tim Hayes, Jason Jones, Amy Killebrew, Laurel King, Kristin Kleber, Richard Lum, John McCants, Melanie McSwain, Nicki North, Joe Peeples, Jill Peterfeso, Andrew Shulman, Jennifer Stefan, Rebecca

Stetler, Courtney Umberger, Casey Williams, Valerie Witte, Andy Wohlfarth and Amanda Wright.

They join a group of students from more than 2,300 institutions of higher learning in the 50 U.S. states, the District of Columbia and several foreign nations. Outstanding students have been honored in the directory since it was first published in 1934. ■