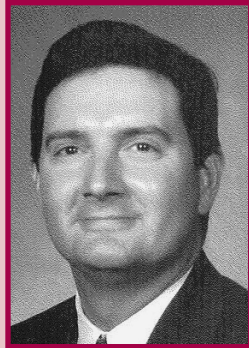


AMBASSADOR of the QUARTER

Congratulations to **Todd Kelley, United Community Bank**, for being named Ambassador of the Quarter for the 2007 third quarter. Ambassadors serve as liaisons between Chamber members and the Chamber. They are very active in various Chamber events including ribbon cuttings, groundbreaking, and recruiting new members.



Todd is a Vice President at United Community Bank and works in lending. He has been with the bank for 5 years and has been in the banking business for 15+ years. "I truly enjoy my career at United Community Bank," says Kelley. "They treat their customers as friends and family and that is how I have always done business."

A native Roman, Todd is also a veteran of the U.S. Army having served in Iraq, Korea and many other places across the world. He is a graduate of the University of Georgia, School of Banking. He and his wife Allison have one 3-year-old son, Parker.

When asked what he enjoys most about being a Chamber Ambassador, Kelley replied, "I enjoy getting out and meeting people. Being an Ambassador allows me to support the Chamber as well as my community. And I always have an opportunity to let folks know about United Community Bank and how we may help them."

Todd is actively involved in various areas of the Chamber and he was recognized at the October Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors' meeting.

Rome High School Exceeds National SAT Average

Over the past nine years, *Rome High School* students have scored above the national average on the Scholastic Aptitude Test (SAT). The national average score for the SAT during the 2006-2007 school year was 1511. Rome High had 131 college preparatory students take the SAT and their average score was **1621**. "I am excited to state that once again the students of Rome High School have surpassed the national average on SAT scores," said **Principal Dr. Tyger Evans**. "This is an expectation for us at RHS due to our teacher and student preparation in our rigorous core curriculum. We are proud to be the number one school system for SAT scores in Georgia, but it was not necessarily a shock to us. Our curriculum is tough and our expectations are high." Rome High School's average is **110 points above the national average and 149 points above Georgia's average**. The highest SAT average of any school system in Georgia was Rome City Schools. "We are very proud of our students and teachers for the outstanding SAT results for this past year. When students elect a rigorous curriculum they will do well on the SAT and be prepared for college," said *Superintendent of Rome City Schools* **Dr. Gayland Cooper (LR, '92)**.

Rome High student, Kayla Agan, raises her hand to ask a question during Andy Blackburn's World History CPA class.



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