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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

One of the truly fun events of the year is the College's Starlight Concert & Fireworks Show. It is scheduled for next Friday, June 13 at the G.W. Bailey Amphitheatre. I hope the College community will take advantage of the occasion to bring a picnic and enjoy the music and fireworks. Thanks to Michelle B. Brown and the Alumni Association for planning this event and to all the volunteers who help in the planning and in serving as hosts on that evening.

FROM THE OCONEE CAMPUS

The Oconee Campus recently added several new staff members. Please welcome Bennie Coleman, custodian; Melissa Adams (previous employee) Academic Advisor; Katherine Phlegar (previous employee) and Jordan Koffman, Enrollment Assistants.

GAINESVILLE STATE COLLEGE ALUMNI

Starlight
CONCERT & FIREWORKS

Friday, June 13
6pm, Gates Open

IMPORTANT COLLEGE BUSINESS

- ◆ When using the **Travel Expense Form** on the Business Affairs page at <http://www.gsc.edu/admin/businessaffairs/main/> please make sure that you "Enable Macros" as this will allow the fields to populate as you fill in your information. Also, please make sure that you fill in the Fund Dept. ID; Program; Class; (and Project/Grant if applicable). If these fields are not filled in, the correct department cannot be used to reimburse the employee. In addition, the form needs to be signed by the employee and by the supervisor.
- ◆ Due to year end, the deadline for turning in **petty cash receipts for reimbursement** will be **Thursday, June 12, 2008 by 5:30pm.** Please be sure to turn them in to the Business Affairs office before the deadline. Thank you in advance for your cooperation!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ Please congratulate **Betsy Cantrell, Tammy Allen, Melissa Gooch, Charles Bell, Brenda Adams, Judy Forbes, Beth Bellamy, Stacie Rowley, Donna Grizzle, and Lance Hundt** for being elected as members of the **GSC Staff Council At-Large Representatives.**
- ◆ **Counseling & Career Development Summer Workshops—**
 - * Successful Study Skills—June 17, 12-1pm
 - * Choosing A Major—June 18, 12-1pm
 - * Time Management for the Successful Student—June 19, 12-1pm
 - * Testing Anxiety—June 24, 12-1pm
 - * Relaxation and Stress Management—July 15, 12-1pm

Workshops take place in the Counseling & Career Development Office, Student Activities Building. For more information call 678-717-3660.
- ◆ **Gateway House Needs List:** Small bottled water w/ sports top, trash bags (30 gallon & tall), laundry detergent, Lysol spray cleaner w/o bleach, hair dryers, toilet paper, book lights for night reading, books for women and children, new or used DVD players, new or used CD players, new or used DVD/VCR combo, construction paper, children CD's and DVD's, 60 watt energy saving light bulbs, pre-paid gift cards to Walmart, Target and local grocery stores as well as pre-paid gas cards are also welcome. Thank you for helping the Gainesville State College Women's Organization support Gateway House. Please take your donations to Paula Arckivy in the Registrar's Office, Betsy Cantrell in OPIR or Leora Myers in the President's Office. Your donations are greatly appreciated!
- ◆ Looking for **discounts** to summer attractions? Check out the Team Georgia Connection for state discounts at <http://team.georgia.gov/portal/site/TGC/template.LOGIN/>. Register your email and after you register, login, click benefits and review the discount program.
- ◆ **A baby shower will be held for Carly and "Baby Lily"** on Friday, June 13 in the PE complex Conference room from noon until 2pm. Please come and join us....see list below.
 - Socks
 - Crib sheets
 - Bottles (half and full size)
 - Diapers in any size
 - Wipes
 - Cloth diapers / Burp clothes
 - Blankets
 - Any brand diaper rash ointment, powder, lotion, bath product
 - Clothes (onesies, etc.) in 6 mo. and up—she has plenty in the 0 - 3 size

Oconee Campus

- ◆ **We Need Your Help!** On May 12, 2008, a 7.9 magnitude earthquake struck central China. Please donate \$1 to \$100 to help those in need. For more information contact the Athens China Earthquake Relief Fund—100% go to rescue/reconstruction. Jason Huang—706-255-4304, Sean Wu—706-613-2162.
- ◆ There will be a **Project Safe volunteer training session** September 15 from 8:30am to 4:30pm. If you would be interested in becoming a Project Safe volunteer, please email projectvolunteer@yahoo.com or call the business line at 706-549-0922.

Center for Teaching, Learning and Leadership

GSC SUMMER 2008 STAFF WORKSHOPS (FACULTY ALWAYS WELCOME TO ATTEND)

The following workshops are being offered during the 2008 Summer Semester.
For each workshop attended below you will receive 1 SEP credit.

Remember, it is never too late to get started in the Staff Development Program (SEP). There are many ways to get more information about the SEP, such as the CTLL Website, email Roxanne Burnett, or even call ext. 3930.

<u>June 11, 2008</u>	Responding to a College Emergency	<i>Teleconference</i>
	12p-1p AC III-191 & OC3-564	Facilitator: Richard Goodson
<u>June 23, 2008</u>	Playing your Part in Conducting a Successful Search Committee	<i>Teleconference</i>
	12p-1p AC III-191 & OC3-564	Facilitators: Amy Collins & Julia Hewell
<u>July 9, 2008</u>	Outlook Shortcuts and Tips	
	12p-1p (1p-2p for practical time w/facilitator) DM 138	Facilitator: Susan Daniell
<u>July 15, 2008</u>	New PeopleSoft Intro	<i>Teleconference</i>
	12p-1p ACIII 191 & OC3-564	Facilitators: Melissa Gooch & Bonnie Jones
<u>July 22, 2008</u>	Helpful Time Management Ideas	
	12p-1p DM 122	Facilitator: Roxanne Burnett
<u>July 23, 2008</u>	Escape School Nationally Acclaimed Child Abduction Prevention Program	
	12p-1p DM 109	Facilitator: Billy Hendrix

Summer 2008 Learning Circle

Teleconference

Will meet each Friday June 20—July 25 from 12p-1p in rooms AC III-191 & OC3-564
(1 hour of SEP credit for participation in the Summer '08 Learning Circle will be granted at semester end)

Those interested in joining the Summer '08 Learning Circle please contact Roxanne Burnett ASAP so that enough books can be ordered and distributed before the first group meeting on June 20. Contact information is available below.

ADHD and Me: What I Learned from Lighting Fires at the Dinner Table, by Blake Taylor

Synopsis:

Blake Taylor's memoir, written when he was 17, offers, for the first time, a young person's account of what it's like to live and grow up with this common condition. Join Blake as he foils bullies, confronts unfair teachers, struggles with distraction and disorganization on exams, and goes sailing out-of-bounds and ends up with a boatload of spiders. It will be an inspiration and companion to the millions of others like him who must find a way to thrive with a different perspective than many of us.

FOR ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING THESE AND OTHER WORKSHOPS PLEASE VISIT OUR WEB PAGE. ALSO, WATCH NOTICE BOARD ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR ANY ADDITIONS OR REVISIONS. SUGGESTIONS FOR WORKSHOPS YOU WOULD LIKE TO SEE OFFERED ARE ALWAYS WELCOME. TO ENROLL IN THE STAFF EXCELLENCE PROGRAM PLEASE CONTACT CTLL:

EMAIL RBURNETT@GSC.EDU OR BY PHONE AT x3930
http://www.gsc.edu/Admin/ctl/staff_excellence_program.htm

CONTINUING EDUCATION—ON COURSE

Driver's Education & Defensive Driving

- Driver's Education—June Session 2, Classroom dates: June 23-27, Mon-Fri, 8am-2:30pm
Fee: \$350; *Driving dates arranged with instructor.*
- Behind-the-Wheel Driving Lessons (car provided), dates & times arranged for 2-hour sessions; Fee—\$99
- The National Safety Council's Defensive Driving Course, \$35 (insurance only)
\$75 (points reduction); June 7, Sat, 8am-3pm

Adult Summer Classes

- Swimming for Endurance—June 12 - July 17, Thurs., 6:30-8pm; Fee: \$69
- The Basics of Selling on eBay—June 11, Wed., 6-9pm; Fee: \$99(plus \$25 book fee)
- Water Aerobics—June 16 - August 27, Mon. & Wed., 6:30-7:30pm; Fee: \$65

Adult Computer Classes—6 Hour Two-Night

All two-night classes meet from 6-9pm; Fee: \$99

- MS Windows: All You Need to Know—June 16 & 23
- Basic Internet & E-Mail—June 17 & 24
- Basic Quickbooks I—June 18 & 25
- Basic MS Excel 2007—June 19 & 26

* *Summer Camps and Summer Swim Lessons are now available. For more details, please visit our website at www.gsc.edu/ce/main.*

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RINGING OUR BELLS—GAINESVILLE

- ◆ **Cathy Whiting** attended the Human Anatomy and Physiology Society's annual national conference in New Orleans, LA May 24-28 and gave a presentation entitled: "Beyond Memorization: an Integrative Approach to Teaching Anatomy and Physiology. Additionally, she participated in an advanced renal physiology course. Two GSC students, **Matthew Kiser** and **Mitalee Patel** also attended the meeting and participated in an advanced respiratory biology course. Both of these students will be attending the Medical College of Georgia this fall. Matthew will be entering the respiratory therapy program and Mitalee will be entering the ultrasonography program.
- ◆ On June 3, **Douglas Young** spoke to the Gainesville Kiwanis Club about the life of Jefferson Davis on Davis's 200th birthday. Gainesville has the second largest Kiwanis Club chapter in Georgia, and well over 100 members attended the meeting.
- ◆ Congratulations to **John Williams** who, on May 23, completed an intensive eight week training program and is now recognized as an official Blackboard Certified Trainer. **Melody Little** also renewed her certification.
- ◆ **Katie Simmons** has been invited by USA Weekend to lead a panel discussion on Collegiate Make A Difference Day activities at the National Points of Light Foundation conference on Student Service Learning at the Marriott Marquis in Atlanta on June 1, 2008. Katie will be presenting GSC SIFE team's award winning Learning Equals Earning program with Chicopee Woods Elementary. This program has also been presented at White Sulphur and Oakwood Elementary schools.
- ◆ Congratulations to **Sloan Jones** for winning Rotarian of the Year award from the Rotary Club of South Hall.

RINGING OUR BELLS—OCONEE

- ◆ **Kimberly Payne** attended the Annual Georgia Association of Student Financial Aid Administrators (GASF AA) Spring Conference in Savannah, GA from May 21-23.
- ◆ **Mark Jones** and **Eric Skipper** successfully completed Leadership Oconee XII, a 9-month program that promotes community service and involvement, sponsored by the Education Committee of the Oconee County Chamber of Commerce.

NEWS FROM THE COLLEGE FAMILY

- ◆ Retiree **Doris Farmer** passed away, May 19. Doris worked in our cafeteria and was famous for her homemade biscuits and banana pudding. Please keep her family in your prayers.
- ◆ Our deepest sympathy to **Jeanne White** and family in the loss of her father, Dr. Eugene W. Vosecky. Please remember Jeanne and family in your thoughts and prayers.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ June 13—Starlight Concert & Fireworks—6pm gates open
- ◆ June 15—Father's Day
- ◆ June 17—June Session Midpoint
- ◆ June 30—June Session Classes End
- ◆ June 30—Red Cross Blood Drive, 10am-3pm