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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Kudos to all those who assisted in the moves of Student Development personnel to the "new" Student Center, from **Plant Operations**, to those from other buildings and divisions to the **IT staff**. These groups had to do most of their work after the campus was closed. The staff from these areas often work behind the scenes and/or at times when most of the rest of us are not here.

Last weekend, we hosted three successful events on the Gainesville Campus, all of which required very long hours for **Plant Operations** personnel: the Starlight Concert, the Jenny Melton Race on Saturday and SOAR sessions for new students. All three required special set-ups. When you see any of this group, please thank them for all their hard work.

Kudos also go to the **Student Development Staff** who organized SOAR and all those **faculty and staff** who gave up their Saturdays to conduct our very successful SOAR sessions on both campuses.



Congratulations to **Jeffrey Lynn Hendricks** for receiving the Academic Recognition Student Award.

FROM THE OCONEE CAMPUS

This Maymester, 27 students from the Oconee and Oakwood Campuses, North Georgia, and UGA participated in the GSC Study Abroad program to Greece entitled "Discover Greece, Discover Thyself." The trip was led by **Dr. Nina Lamson, Dr. Pamela Sezgin, and Father Anthony Salzman**. **Professor Alex Johns** participated in the planning but shortly before departure was not able to travel. A special thanks to **Professors Lance Bardsley and Stacy Koffman** for their guest lectures. Students were introduced to Greek cuisine, dance, and music during these seminars. The trip was a total success and the students, an awesome group, included: **Ansley Anderson, Brittany Bowen, Stephanie Britt, Carly Brock, Wesley Camp, Jamie Dabbs, Sara Edwards, Alejandra Eguiluz, Margot Hancock, Sarah Hawkins, Chelsea Himsl, Elizabeth Jeffcoat, Kacina Lamson, Jaclyn Marshall, Alisha Mathews, Amber Mathews, Megan Morris, Kristen Pearson, Morgann Pruitt, Meagan Rennick, Jonathan Schnaubelt, Chelsea Swanhart, Carleigh Thomas, Travis Thomas, Cameron Whitlock, Amylee Woodall, James Woods.**



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IMPORTANT COLLEGE BUSINESS

◆ **Student Development & Enrollment Management—**

The long-awaited opening of the addition to the Student Center has arrived. Please note that the name of this building is now officially changed to the Student Center instead of the former name of Student Activities Building. This completes Phase One of this project. Phase Two will include a complete renovation of the remainder of the building. All offices were moved into the addition for this renovation to occur. The Student Development & Enrollment Management Office, Admissions Office, Counseling and Career Services Office, Financial Aid Office, and Registrar's Office have moved into their permanent space (to the extent that any space is permanent at GSC) in the addition. The Minority Affairs Office and Student Life Office are temporarily located in the Ballroom of the addition for Phase Two. The Disability Services Office is also temporarily located in the Ballroom while the space formerly occupied by the Registrar's Office in the Dunlap-Mathis Building is renovated for their use. The Testing Office is in the process of moving from its current location to the Conference Room in the Dunlap-Mathis Building. The Teleconference room will be relocated in the Student Center as a part of Phase Two and will open in January of 2009. One important new feature of the Student Center is the Enrollment Services Center. Upon entering the building, the first thing most people will notice will be the large round desk in the lobby. The front office operation of the Admissions Office, the Financial Aid Office, and the Registrar's Office is located in this Enrollment Services Center. Personnel from all three offices have been cross-trained so that they can answer questions from all of these areas. They will answer phone calls for all three offices, accept forms, distribute materials, and answer basic questions. Those with more complex issues will be referred back to the appropriate

individual office. In Phase Two, there will be a similar, but smaller desk at the other end of the building which will serve as the Campus Information Center. Personnel at this desk will answer the General Information phone line and serve as an information and referral center for the College community. Please stop by the Student Center and enjoy Phase One. It gives you a sense of the entire project, which should be completed near the end of Fall Semester.

◆ **FROM ACADEMIC AFFAIRS:** The full-time faculty contracts for fiscal (12-month) and academic (10-month) year 2008-2009 have been mailed to the home address on file. The contracts are dated June 16, and that is the date used for the twenty (20) day return deadline. Please review, sign, and forward your contract to Dr. Nesbitt for her signature. We should receive your contract by July 7. If you have any questions, please contact Dean Lieburn x3619 or e-mail dlieburn@gsc.edu.

◆ **Benefit for GSC Employee Families—**Did you know that spouses and dependent children of GSC employees can use College facilities for free? Yes, it's true. Family members of GSC employees can use the swimming pool and fitness center. (All rules apply as to age of children and being accompanied by a parent). The employee needs to go to the Student Life office with his/her spouse and children; show his/her employee ID to obtain a GSC ID for the spouse and dependent children. This GSC ID will allow the spouse and dependent children to use the pool and fitness center as appropriate.

GSC retirees are also covered by this policy which can be read in its entirety in the Faculty and Staff Handbooks under Benefits, Rights and Privileges. Use of Fitness Center.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **RELAY FOR LIFE—**The GSC Team participated in the 2008 Relay for Life, which was held on Friday/Saturday, May 30-31, from 7:00 p.m. to 7:00 a.m. The Relay was a great success! Our team raised \$4,261, and that averages more than \$200 per team member. We are proud of our GSC Team, who made the collections and participated in the walk for a cure for cancer. Also, we are grateful to our supporters who donated to this great cause. Thank you! Alfred Barker and Dean Lieburn, co-captains.
- ◆ **GATEWAY HOUSE** needs list: Children's Program: Small bottled water w/sports top, Capri Sun; Shelter Needs: dishwashing liquid, liquid hand soap, Comet,

SOS pads, paper towels, dryer sheets, laundry detergent, Lysol spray cleaner w/o bleach, furniture polish, diapers, baby bottle nipples, Clorox anywhere spray, 1 gallon ziplock bags, Food storage containers, 3 ring binders, pre-paid gift cards to Wal-Mart, 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!

ANNOUNCEMENTS



◆ **Douglas Young** standing and waving where Chairman Mao used to wave to about a million screaming red guards in Tiananmen Square.

◆ Check out the 2007-2008 GTA Season online at: <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=FsFXZmF9rrc>

Oconee Campus

◆ **Eleanor Crawford Award**—The GSC Alumni Association would like to invite you to submit nominations for the annual Eleanor Crawford Award which will be presented at the Faculty/Staff breakfast in August. This award recognizes a member of the College STAFF for extraordinary loyalty, dedication, and service to the College. Those NOT eligible for consideration are faculty members and previous recipients of the Award: *1990-Clara Phelps & Earl Poole; 1991-Frances Meadows; 1992-Ervin Crow; 1993-Peggy Stevens; 1994-Roger Brady; 1995-Steve Langston; 1996-Blanche Kinney; 1997-Gloria Brown; 1998-Mary McDade; 1999-Judy Forbes; 2000-Diane Carpenter; 2001-Brandon Haag; 2002-Sarah Booker; 2003-Deb Lilly; 2004-Joyce Ferguson; 2005-Peggy Holton; 2006-Michelle S. Brown; 2007-Gail Emmett & Julia Davies.* If you wish to nominate someone for this award, please write a brief statement about the person and send it to Michelle B. Brown—Alumni Office or email mbrown. Nominations submitted the past two years will automatically be reconsidered. The **deadline** for nominations is **Thursday, July 31**.

- ◆ 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.
- ◆ On June 25, 2008, all are invited to the Oconee Campus Activities Board's Field Day from 11:30am until 1:30pm. Activities available for participation include tug-o-war, a 3-legged race, a Frisbee toss, a hula hoop contest, and more! Refreshments will be served, and prizes will be given to top performers, so come and join us for a little Fun in the Sun Day!
- ◆ The Oconee Campus Office of Student Life will be hosting a Red Cross Blood Drive on July 16, 2008 from 10am until 3pm. Gift certificates from Chick-fil-A and Carraba's Italian Grill will be available, and all presenting donors will also be entered into a drawing for two \$75 Gas Cards. Come out and give, or volunteer! For more information, please contact the Office of Student Life in Oconee (6250).

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); July 7 & 9, Mon. & Wed., 5:30-8:30pm

Adult Summer Classes

- Basic Communicative Spanish I, July 7—August 11, Mon. 6:30-8:30pm; Fee: \$75
- Basic Communicative Spanish II, July 8—August 12, Tues. 6:30-8:30pm; Fee: \$75
- Water Aerobics—July 16—August 27, Mon. & Wed., 5:15-6:15pm; Fee: \$65

Adult Computer Classes—6 Hour One-Day

All one-day classes meet from 9am-4pm; Fee: \$99

- Basic MS Word 2007, July 7
- Basic MS Excel 2007, July 8
- Basic Quickbooks I, July 9
- MS Frontpage Web Design, July 10

Adult Computer Classes—6 Hour Two-Night

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

- Touch Typing (Keyboarding) NEW, July 24 & 31

FOR MORE INFORMATION
AND TO REGISTER,
PLEASE VISIT
WWW.GSC.EDU/CE/MAIN OR
CALL (678) 717-3605

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

RINGING OUR BELLS—GAINESVILLE

- ◆ Congratulations to **Tricia Bunker** for graduating from Leadership Hall program in May and Gainesville Citizens Academy in June.
- ◆ On June 6, **Dr. Barbara Carpenter**, Division of Education Health and Wellness, presented at the University of West Georgia (in Carrollton) Learning Festival on the topic of 'Y' Partner in Education: a partnership between GSC, Hall County YMCA, and Hall County Schools.
- ◆ Congratulations to **Stacy Koffman** for receiving a major Innovative Teaching Grant for her project on, "Virtual Visiting Artist: Creating a Global Learning Environment using Online Meeting Technologies".
- ◆ Congratulations to **Theresa Dove-Waters** on publishing her book, "Not My Son, Not on Mother's Day." To view the article written by *The Times*, go to www.gsc.edu/development/publicrelations/NewsReleases.htm.

NEWS FROM THE COLLEGE FAMILY

- ◆ **Valerie Wood's** daughter, **Katie Wood** was named *The Times* - Coach of the Year for the Flowery Branch HS girls soccer team. Valerie is a retiree from the library.
- ◆ Our heartfelt sympathy goes to **Worm Hicks**, whose father, Pete Hicks, passed away on June 7.
- ◆ Our deepest sympathy goes to **Kimberly Payne** whose grandfather passed away on June 16, 2008 after an extended illness. Please keep Kimberly's family in your thoughts and prayers.


UPCOMING EVENTS

- ◆ June 30—June Session Classes End
- ◆ July 8—Red Cross Blood Drive, 8am-5pm
- ◆ July 31 & August 1— Minority Students Overnight Orientation

RINGING OUR BELLS—OCONEE

- ◆ Kudos to the GSC Oconee Songwriter's Guild who wrote and produced a compilation CD entitled: *Rain on the Tracks*. The CD features songs by **Dan Wentworth**, **Tracey Hagood**, **Alfreda Henry**, **Alliene Bouchard**, and **Samuel Prestridge**. **Samuel Prestridge** is also the club's sponsor.
- ◆ **Johanna Rickman** participated in the Berkshire Conference for Women Historians in Minneapolis, MN this past weekend (June 13-15) and gave a paper entitled "A Poor Puddings Apology Discourse on Impotence and Consummation in Early Modern England."
- ◆ **Randy Parish** and **Kristen Roney** attended the Phi Theta Kappa Leadership Development Instructor Certification Course (how's that for a title?) in Indianapolis, IN, June 12-14. We are now certified to teach the Leadership course.
- ◆ The article entitled: *Challenging Students' Beliefs about Mathematics: The Use of Documentary to Alter Perceptions of Efficacy* will appear in the *Primus* (Problems, Resources, and Issues in Mathematics Undergraduate Studies). This article was a joint effort by **Emily Kittrell** and **Serkan Hekimoglu**.

July 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		<p>1</p> <p><i>Kelly G. Dahlin, GC</i> <i>Allison Doty, GC</i></p>	<p>2</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4</p>  <p>Fourth of July</p>	<p>5</p> <p><i>Royston Akoh, OC</i> <i>Nina Lamson, OC</i> <i>Mary McDade, GC</i></p>
<p>6</p> <p><i>Joy Evans, GC</i> <i>Peggy Strickland, GC</i> <i>Jack Whidden, GC</i></p>	<p>7</p> <p><i>Julia Davies, GC</i></p>	<p>8</p> <p>Blood Drive, 8am-5pm</p> <p><i>Al Walters, GC</i> <i>Cathy Drerup, GC</i></p>	<p>9</p> <p><i>Barbara Carpenter, GC</i> <i>Bonnie Jones, GC</i></p>	<p>10</p> <p><i>Stephanie Austin, OC</i> <i>Gina Reed, GC</i></p>	<p>11</p> <p><i>Christopher Barnes, GC</i></p>	<p>12</p> <p><i>Jim Hammond, GC</i> <i>Yeshi A. Wamishe, GC</i></p>
<p>13</p> <p><i>Tashiana Cheeks, GC</i> <i>Emily Wanless, OC</i></p>	<p>14</p> <p><i>Teresa Leckie, GC</i> <i>Mark Nabors, GC</i></p>	<p>15</p> <p>Relaxation & Stress Management 12-1pm</p>	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <p><i>Michelle S. Brown, OC</i> <i>Charles Burrage, GC</i></p>	<p>18</p>	<p>19</p> <p><i>Linnea Haag, GC</i></p>
<p>20</p> <p><i>David Thomas, GC</i></p>	<p>21</p> <p><i>Laura J. Moncada, GC</i> <i>Corey Young, GC</i></p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p>	<p>25</p>	<p>26</p> <p><i>Joanna Kim, GC</i></p>
<p>27</p> <p><i>Debbie Pierce, GC</i></p>	<p>28</p> <p><i>Malynde Weaver, OC</i> <i>Bea Chapman, GC</i></p>	<p>29</p> <p><i>Harry Childers, GC</i> <i>James Howard, GC</i> <i>Heather Howington, GC</i></p>	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <p><i>Stacy Koffman, GC</i></p>		