



President's Corner

If you have been out and about on campus, you will have noticed that the stage area of the Student Center is being restructured in response to several accidents that have occurred in that area. Some of the levels will be adjusted and handrails will be installed. The project should be completed in the next week or so. In the meantime, please use caution in this construction area.

We will also be updating the College's procedures for dealing with accidents on campus that involve students, employees and visitors. Once finalized, these procedures will be communicated out to the College community. Please make yourself aware of these procedures so you will know how to respond if a situation requires your action.

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The phones at UC|GA 400 are synchronized with GSC, so it is only necessary to dial the last four digits of the number.

** This is the number for the financial aid representative who is at the Center only on Thursdays to meet with current NGCSU students until consolidation.*

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Hartley's "embrace" opens at gallery

The Roy C. Moore Art Gallery of Gainesville State College presents *embrace: Paintings by Jennifer Hartley*, on view September 26 – October 25.

The exhibit features a series of vibrantly colorful double portraits, depicting a broad range of relationships between two people: parent and child, brothers, sisters, lovers, friends. When she began this series, Hartley was initially seeking "positive examples of love and affection." She "chose the embrace as a symbol for fondness and adoration" and combined snapshots of her friends and colleagues with found images of strangers. Hartley graduated from The

University of Georgia with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in 1985 and a Master of Fine Arts degree in 2009. She has been a professor of Foundation Studies at Savannah College of Art and Design since 2009.

Hartley will give an artist's talk, followed by a catered reception, on Tuesday, October 9, at 2 PM. This event is free and open to the public. The gallery will be open Mondays through Wednesdays from 10 AM to 4 PM and Thursdays from 10 AM to 7 PM. For more information, please contact Beth Sale, Gallery Director, at 678-717-3707 or gallery@gsc.edu.



Faculty Development Series continues

Student Grading: Why Not Use Video?

The University System of Georgia's Office of Faculty Development has again scheduled a series of faculty development work shops this year. "Student Grading: Why Not Use Video?" is the topic of October's online workshop, to be held from noon to 1 PM on Wednesday, October 10.

The presenter for the workshop is Jason Huett from the University of West Georgia.

October's face-to-face USG Faculty Development Workshop is "Using the iPad Academically and Beyond." Presenters for this session are Irene Kokkala from North Georgia College & State University and Mike Rogers from the Board of Regents. The Friday, October 19 workshop begins at 10 AM and will be held at NGCSU in Dahlonega.

To register online for either of these workshops, go to http://www.usg.edu/facultyresources/faculty_development/workshops/category/academic_year_2012-2013

DON'T FORGET!
C & CS WORKSHOP

**Balancing Your Life
with Yoga and Mindfulness**

Tues., Sept. 18, 12:30 & 4:30 PM
Wed., Sept. 19, noon & 5:00 PM



Our College Family

Sincere condolences to the ACTT Center's **Harry Childers** and his family on the death of his grandfather, Arnold Robertson of Ashland, Alabama. He passed away Sunday, September 2.



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TOWER TALK is the official communication vehicle for Gainesville State College faculty and staff members and is published biweekly by the Office of Public Relations and Marketing. Submissions for the next edition should be emailed to dkrewson@gsc.edu or sent to Debbie Krewson, Public Relations & Marketing Office, to be received by noon, Wednesday, September 26, 2012. Based on action by the Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia and pending approval by the Southern Association of College and Schools Commission on Colleges, Gainesville State College and North Georgia College & State University will consolidate in January 2013 to become the University of North Georgia. For details and updates, please visit www.gscngcsu.org.

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

<p>Live Mariachi Tuesday, Sept. 18 Noon - 1 PM Student Center Main Stage</p>	<p>Latin Jazz, GSC Combo Monday, Sept. 24 Noon - 1 PM Student Center Main Stage</p>	<p>Expo Cultural Wednesday, Sept. 26 Noon - 1 PM Student Center Main Stage</p>
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Announcements



If you are having an interesting event that students will be attending, please remember to contact **Student Life** (activities@gsc.edu) to obtain co-curricular cards. Have students complete the cards and then return them to Student Life via campus mail. We'll give the students their co-curricular transcript entries and also forward all interested instructors a list of who attended.



Volunteers are needed for timing at the Intramural Swim Meet on Wednesday, October 3. The meet starts at 12:15 and will be done about 1:00 PM. If you have some free time to donate, please be at the pool shortly after noon. Free t-shirts will be given to volunteers! Please contact **Lisa Watson** (lwatson@gsc.edu) if you can help.



Dr. Chris Jespersen, who will be Dean of the soon-to-be University of North Georgia's combined Humanities/Fine Arts and Social Sciences College, will be at the Oconee Campus on Tuesday, September 18 from 10:30 to 11:30 AM. All interested faculty and staff are welcome to meet Dr. Jespersen at the Student Resource Center, Room 522.



On Thursday, September 20, 2012, the Digital Media Group will be taking

"head shot" photos of the faculty and staff to be used in the GSC directory. If you need a picture for the directory or would like to update your current one, please stop by the Media Center (Room 180 in the Watkins building) between noon and 2 PM. Email **Jeannie Nash** (jnash@gsc.edu) to sign up in advance for fastest service. If you don't sign up in advance but find you have time to come, the process will take only a few minutes longer.



Appointment-plus, an online appointment-booking system, is an easy, convenient way to schedule student appointments. The system allows you to set your own dates/times for student appointments, reject or confirm appointments, and send reminder emails to students. Appointment-plus is quick and easy and eliminates the hassle of endless emailing, phone calls, or sign-up sheets. Training sessions will take place at noon according to the following schedule:

Gainesville: Monday, Sept. 24, Nesbitt Building, Room 2100; Monday, Oct. 1, Science Building, Room 257; Monday, Oct. 8, Nesbitt Building, Room 2100.

Oconee: Wednesday, Sept. 26, Room 304; Wednesday, Oct. 10, Room 304.

GC Library sponsors

"All Campus Reads!"

BANNED BOOKS WEEK is coming! Join the Gainesville State College Library on the Gainesville Campus for the first "All Campus Reads!" event. The Office of Student Life has donated 20 free copies of the bestselling book, *The Book Thief*, by Markus Zusak, to be given to the first 20 students to sign up to participate in "All Campus Reads." This activity will culminate in a book discussion in the library led by Kristy De La Tour of the Phi Kappa Delta Honor Society on November 13.

Banned Books Week, this year occurring October 1 – 6, is an annual recognition of authors and books which have been censored, banned, or burned in the United States and abroad in the past, and even to this day. This year's focus is on the burning of books in Nazi Germany during World War II. As part of this event, the library will have on display "Parallel Journeys," a professional exhibition from the Kennesaw Museum of History and Holocaust Education from October 1 – 31.

The "Parallel Journeys" display, along with "All Campus Reads," will lead into a larger exhibition from the United States Holocaust Memorial Museum which will be on display in the library of the soon-to-be University of North Georgia campus in Dahlonega from January through March, 2013. Stay tuned for more exciting events happening in your library!

Faculty/Staff Campaign Continues

Come to the Robinson Ballroom in the Student Center (GC) on Monday, September 17 or Tuesday, September 18 to pick up your campaign packet and enjoy some light refreshments.

Everyone who makes a donation will receive a GSC umbrella as a thank-you gift!



Save for a Rainy Day!

SWIM MEET

Wednesday, October 3
Warm-ups at Noon, 12:15 Start

Open to all faculty, staff, and students aged 17 and up.
Pick up entry form in PE Office, Fitness Center, or Security Desk in front of gym. Return to PE Office or to Lisa Watson (Gym, Room 166).
Questions? Contact lwatson@gsc.edu or (678) 717-3646

✓ Mark your calendar:

- Tues., Sept. 18** **Volunteer Fair.** 11 AM - 2 PM, Quad, GC. Hosted by School of Social Sciences.
- Wed., Sept. 19** **Art Show Reception.** Noon, Lobby, Continuing Education/Performing Arts Center, GC. "Intimate Association" by Hyoungeok Kim.
- Thurs., Sept. 20** **small, beautifully MOVING PARTS.** Dinner at 6 PM, Film at 7 PM, meet directors & producers afterward. Arts Council Smithgall Arts Center
- Fri., Sept. 28** **Frog Prince Opens.** Brenau University's Pearce Auditorium. Through October 5. A GTA WonderQuest for Young Audiences Production.
- Fri., Sept. 28** **Chicken & Egg Debate.** Nesbitt Building, GC. Continues Sat., Sept. 29.
- Fri., Oct. 12** **GSC Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament.**

Chicken & Egg Debate returns

The GSC Debate Forensics Interpretation Club is hosting the fourth annual Chicken and the Egg Intercollegiate Debate Tournament in the Martha T. Nesbitt Academic Building on Friday, September 28 and Saturday, September 29, 2012.

The event will feature debate beginning at 2:00 PM Friday in rooms throughout the building, followed by speech events from 8:00 AM to 7:00 PM Saturday in the same building. An awards ceremony will take place at 7:30 PM.

All events and competitions are open to the public. For more information, contact **Tom Preston (tpreston@gsc.edu)**.

Intramural Tennis Singles Tourney Week of Sept. 24

Open to all GSC students, faculty, & staff. Pick up an entry form in PE Office, Fitness Center, or Security Desk at the Gym. Return form to PE Office or to Lisa Watson (Gym, Room 166). Questions?

lwatson@gsc.edu or 678-717-3646



Ringling Our Bells



Dr. Barbara Carpenter (retired) and **Dr. Maryellen Cosgrove** (BEHW) have been notified that their article, "Value-Added Measures of Teacher Candidates' Dispositions," was accepted for publication in the fall edition of

the *Southern Regional Association of Teacher Educators Journal*. This article is based on a two-year study that compared teacher candidates' admissions and exit essays of their application of the GSC conceptual framework.



Social Sciences hosts Volunteer Fair 2012

The GSC School of Social Sciences is hosting Volunteer Fair 2012, where students will be encouraged to "serve, learn and volunteer." On Tuesday, September 18 from 11 AM to 2 PM in the GSC Martha T. Nesbitt Academic Building, students will have the opportunity to learn about attractive opportunities for volunteering, service learning, and internships in the community.

"This Volunteer Fair is the only one of its kind in North Georgia which gives community agencies access to a sizable pool of volunteers. Our students unanimously report being enlightened and inspired by their involvement in this event," said **Dr. George Danns**, event coordinator.

Representatives from over 50

organizations, including Georgia Mountain Food Bank, Greater Hall Chamber of Commerce, The Arts Council, American Red Cross, Gateway Domestic Violence Shelter, CASA, Rape Response, The Humane Society, Keep Hall Beautiful, Northeast Georgia Medical Center, United Hospice, Disability Resource Center, Good News at Noon, Solicitor General Hall County, Hall County Sheriff Department, Salvation Army, YMCA, Center Point Mentor Program, National Alliance for Mental Illness, Challenged Child and Friends, Boys and Girls Club, Meals on Wheels, and the Children Center for Hope and Healing, have been invited and are expected to participate.

For more information, contact Dr. Danns at gdanns@gsc.edu or (678) 717-3461.

Walt Bready, Georgia Trails Education Specialist at GSC, was recently invited by Dunwoody Councilman Denis Shortal to offer his suggestions on how to mitigate flooding along a proposed trail in the city.



Gloria Bennett has been accepted to the Sewanee School of Letters, University of the South, in Sewanee, Tennessee. The School of Letters is an innovative summer Master's Degree program in English and Creative Writing. Students attend school for six weeks in June and July, earning a Master's Degree in four or five summers.



Ben Wynne recently contributed entries on the Pledge of Allegiance, the Lost Cause Myth, and the Know-Nothing Party to the *Encyclopedia of Religion and Politics in America* (Santa Barbara, CA: ABC-CLIO), edited by Philip C. DiMare.