

## New Medical Science Library opens at university

The Medical Science Library, North Georgia's newest research facility, opened in the Health & Natural Sciences Building on Sunset Drive on Nov. 4, three days after the building's grand opening event.

"The primary purpose of the new library branch is to provide ease of access to biology, nursing and physical therapy materials," said Carol Chester, cataloging manager in the Stewart Library, who is also in charge of the new Medical Science Library on the first floor of the sciences building. "Students and faculty of those disciplines will be the primary customers, but anyone on campus has access to the materials."

Academic and research publications published in 1999 and later were the only reference materials moved to the new location.

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**MEDICAL RESOURCES:** Carol Chester, in charge of the new Medical Science Library in the Health & Natural Sciences Building, tells Adam White, a biology/pre-pharmacy major, what the new facility has to offer.

## North Georgia presents 'Ye Olde Yuletyde Feaste' Renaissance dinner



Dr. Lee Barrow

The North Georgia festive "Ye Olde Yuletyde Feaste," an evening full of eating and entertainment in the style of a lavish 16th-century English Christmas festival dinner, will take place Dec. 6 and 7 at 7 p.m. in the Hoag Student Center Adams Great Room.

Tickets, which include a full three-course meal and all entertainment, are \$25 per person. The deadline for advance ticket purchases is Dec. 2. Tickets are available from the fine arts department at 864-1423.

"All the regal pageantry and ceremonial pomp of 'Merrie Olde England' will be splendiferously brought to life during the Renaissance madrigal dinner," said Dr. Lee Barrow, fine arts department head.

The Fine Arts Department and the Student Theatre Guild at North Georgia will team up to present a colorful and entertaining royal banquet, complete with madrigal singers, lords and ladies, wenches, a court jester and even an executioner.

"Gather with good friends and neighbors to share in the festive, wholesome, and gladsome fellowship with which Christmas has been celebrated from earliest times," Barrow said.



## Campus in Action

**Dr. Jeffrey Sommers**, history, delivered a presentation titled "The Middle East in Historical Perspective" at Middlesex College in Bedford, Mass. His presentation was part of the college's Global Studies Seminar series.

**Dr. Grace Newsome**, nursing, has been elected to a 3-year term as a commissioner for the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission. NLNAC is responsible for the accreditation of more than 1,600 nursing schools within the United States. The commission oversees all activities of the NLNAC. The commission consists of 12 members, including six nurse educators, who are elected by 15,000 nurse educators from across the nation.

**Dr. Gordon E. McNeer**, language and literature, chaired a panel on "World Poetry in Translation" at the SAMLA Convention held Nov. 15-17 in Baltimore. He read from his translations of Jose Hierro's "Book of Hallucinations."

**Dr. Sandee McGlaun**, language and literature, performed her original one-woman play titled "What a Doll" at the Holly Theatre Company's 2002 Festival of Plays, Nov. 8-9. The play, which chronicles her ongoing love-hate relationship with Barbie, was originally written as a part of her dissertation.

### Fall Commencement

Dec. 20, 7 p.m. in the Gym

### Commissioning

Dec. 20, 4 p.m. in the Gym

## Leadership development grants awarded to student organizations

Eight student organizations have been awarded Student Leadership Grants administered by Omicron Delta Kappa, the National Leadership Honor Society.

"Leadership is learned through experience," explained Dr. Donna Gessell, ODK faculty secretary. "Understanding how grants work is a critical skill for leading many organizations."

Gessell said that President Nathaniel Hansford felt that students should have the opportunity to learn about grant applications and the decision making that is an important component of organizations that award grants. He determined that ODK would be given the authority to award a total of \$10,000 in leadership development grants, based on proposals submitted by various student organizations.

Bob Thomas, director of the Leadership Initiative on campus and faculty advisor to ODK, led the initial discussion to help the organization's student leaders understand grants.

"They soon took over the process, making it their own," Gessell explained.

Joanna Register, NGCSU ODK Circle president, said grants were awarded for activities including contracting leadership speakers, organizing conferences and other programs.

"Each organization is required by ODK to give an Honors Day presentation on the impact that the grant-funded program has made on leadership development within the organization and otherwise," Register said in a letter to President Hansford.

Organizations receiving leadership grants ranging from \$300 to \$2,000 are the Resident Student Association, the Writing Center, Phi Alpha Theta, Sigma Tau Delta, Pi Kappa Alpha, Project Dignity, Kappa Sigma and the Psychology Club.

"The ODK student leadership has distinguished itself with the caliber of discussion at each of the stages," said Gessell. "Their discussion while evaluating the proposals went right to the heart of discerning what constitutes leadership development."

## Upcoming Events

The NGCSU Singers, Patriot Choir and Le Belle Voci, conducted by Dr. Jack Broman, will present a **Choral Ensembles Fall Concert** in the Hoag Student Center Auditorium on Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m. and Dec. 3 at 12:30 p.m. The concert is free and open to the public.

The annual **White Christmas Breakfast** will be presented by the NGCSU Staff Council on Dec. 5 from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m. NGCSU faculty and staff may receive a free breakfast by bringing an unwrapped, new toy or 10 canned or dry foods. The event will be held at the Dining Hall in the Chestatee Room and is co-sponsored by Aramark and the NGCSU Foundation. Canned or dry food items also may be dropped off at collection boxes placed in the hallway or lobby area of the main buildings on campus.

## Microsoft software available for home use

The Microsoft Campus Agreement program, which provides access to certain software for use by full-time NGCSU employees at home, has been established at North Georgia.

Available only to higher education institutions, the MCA lets an institution use the licensed software for a 12-month period. North Georgia has licensed Office 2000 Professional Edition and Office 2001 Macintosh Edition, which include Word, Excel and PowerPoint; Frontpage 2000 and 2002, web-design tools; and Publisher 2000 and 2002, which contains a number of templates for layouts such as newsletters and greeting cards.

Only one personal computer at home may have the software installed on it, whether it is a desktop or a portable computer. Employees may read the "MCA home install frequently asked questions" at: [www.ngcsu.edu/Adminsrv/infotech/helpdesk/mcahome.htm](http://www.ngcsu.edu/Adminsrv/infotech/helpdesk/mcahome.htm) for complete details on eligibility and terms of use.

## Admissions Open House attracts large crowd

The Fall Open House of the Admissions & Recruiting Office attracted 255 prospective students, plus family and friends, totaling 649 visitors to the campus on Nov. 23.

"Approximately half of the prospects indicated a strong interest in the ROTC program, wanting to take part in one of the many military tours," said Cindy Lowe, assistant director of admissions for operations. "The other 50 percent participated in a non-military tour throughout our campus and residence halls."

The day began with a welcome and introduction from President Nathaniel Hansford, along with the cadet bagpipers and Blue Ridge Rifles performing for the visitors.

"We were thrilled to see many of our faculty and staff that day, ready and willing to share loads of information about our various programs and organizations," Lowe said. "We counted about 40 occupied display tables in the gymnasium during the Academic and Activities Showcase."



**APPALACHIA ART:** This photograph by Doris Ulmann from the John C. Campbell Folk School Collection is part of the "Images and Objects of Appalachia" exhibition on display through Jan. 24, 2003, in the Hoag Student Center Gallery on campus. In addition to the photographs by Ulmann, the exhibit also includes clay folk figure sculptures by Mary Mashburn, a 1983 North Georgia graduate. The works bring together images and objects inspired by the lives of rural working people of the southern Appalachians.

## 2003 State Charitable Contributions Program

North Georgia employees donated or pledged \$8,763 to the 2003 State Charitable Contributions Program, the highest total ever contributed by the university to the statewide program. The amount represents 125 percent of the university's goal of \$7,000, which is a 40 percent increase over last year. The average contribution was \$127, another all-time high. Sixty-nine employees (16 percent of North Georgia's workforce) contributed.

## Anne Amerson to hold book signing on campus

Anne Amerson will have a book signing for her latest book titled "Dahlonega's Historic Public Square: Then & Now Stories about the Buildings and the People" on Dec. 12 at the campus bookstore from 12 to 1:30 p.m. The price of the book is \$10, plus tax.

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## New medical library

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“Besides space constraints in the library which limited us to what we moved here, the currency of reference material is critical in these disciplines,” Chester said.

Included in the new facility are reference books, general collection books that may be checked out, a television and videocassette recorder combination with headset to view videos, which faculty may check out, current journals and a microfilm reader and printer.

The four Macintosh computers provide access to the Stewart Library Web site, which contains an online catalog of library resources and provides access to Galileo and the Internet. Instructors may reserve materials and interlibrary loan forms and services are available.

“We hope to eventually have 12 Dell personal computers available with a networked laser printer,” Chester said. “This facility is in its infancy and its future will most likely rest on how much it is used.”



**STRATEGIC DISCUSSIONS:** Dr. Tom Austenfeld addresses the public forum of the Subcommittee on Academic Affairs, chaired by Dr. Linda Roberts-Betsch, on Nov. 21. On the way to developing a five-year strategic plan for the university, four subcommittees invited input from the campus and community. Suggestions and ideas from faculty, staff, students and representatives of Dahlonega, Lumpkin County and beyond are being provided to the campuswide Strategic Planning Committee charged with mapping future directions for North Georgia. Other subcommittee chairs, who are compiling their reports by the Dec. 3 deadline, are Gerald Lord, subcommittee on Campus Physical Environment and Fiscal Affairs; Jeff Boggan, subcommittee on External and Community Affairs; and Laura Whitaker-Lea, subcommittee on Campus Community and Student Affairs. For more information, contact Dr. Charles Hawkins at 864-1602.



Beverly Grizzle, Mike Ferguson, Clayton Grant and Richard Oates reminisce about their years at North Georgia.

## Longtime employee retires

Beverly Grizzle worked at the university for 30 years, starting out in the Office of the Registrar working for Ella Rae Oakes. She worked there for two years, then went over to the business office and worked there until November, when she retired as the senior administrative secretary.

“I have seen many changes in my career,” Grizzle said. “I started when there were about 1,200 students a quarter, and I could call many of them by name.”

About eight years ago, Grizzle took a picture of the college campus from Crown Mountain that showed the orange fall leaves and deep blue mountains that she said turned out especially nice.

“Everyone loved it and wanted to buy one, so I enlarged and matted it and the picture sold,” she said. “I feel very humbled to have my photos in many offices around campus. Maybe with my photos around, people will remember me.”