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Thursday, May 8
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GJC Jazz Ensemble

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GJC ALUMNI & FRIENDS
GOLF TOURNAMENT
Friday, May 9, 12:00 Noon

Chattahoochee Golf Course
Trophies, Prizes, Refreshments

Registration Fee — $30.00

Includes: Golf, Cart, Refreshments,
Chance at Prizes, Thursday Nite Party

Entry Deadline: May 2
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FROM THE PRESIDENT
J. FOSTER WATKINS

While it is much more exciting to talk about the students and the programs at Gainesville Junior College, I wish to take my space in this edition of Anchors Away to discuss some major capital improvements which are underway or are pending in the near future at GJC.

We continue to believe that our campus and its facilities, and the extremely fine care they have received from students and staff over the years, are a positive recruiting factor for us. We have made good use of our facilities to this point but in recent years, with the significant growth in population and programs, we have all labored under less than optimum circumstances.

The action of the Board of Regents in June, 1985, to place the proposed Continuing Education/Public Service-Small Performing Arts facility on the design list was welcomed and long-awaited news. This facility will be the first major new building at the College since 1972. Preliminary narrative descriptions and supporting room specifications for the proposed facility were submitted to the Regents' staff during August. Legislative support for capital improvements in the System in the recently completed session seems to indicate that funding of this project is a strong possibility for the 1987 session. Approval for moving ahead with the preparation of preliminary plans has been received with Jack Bailey and Associates of Gainesville selected as the architectural firm for the project.

The completion of this facility, hopefully within three years, will allow us to return our Student Center to its intended use — support of the comprehensive needs of our students in a commuter institution. We are continuing to explore ways of returning more of the current Student Center to student use so that their needs will be met more effectively during the interim. The strong leadership we have received from our student government association (LACOSA) during recent years has made it increasingly clear that our students do not have adequate space which they so richly deserve.

Repair and renovation funding from the System will support two — and possibly three — major facilities improvements during the 1986 calendar year. A mini-fieldhouse with bathroom facilities and some needed storage and support space for the campus wellness/recreational program is nearing completion (see photo). Final architectural plans are complete with a bid process anticipated by early summer for a two-classroom addition and supporting modifications to the Art/Music Building. This facility was recently modified with the development of a mini-auditorium in the music area. A major portion of the seats were moved from the Little Theatre in the Academic Building when that space was reclaimed for much-needed classroom and office space. Funding may be received from the System for the long-needed air conditioning of the gymnasium, as that building is the only facility on campus capable of handling Honors Day, Graduation, and other such large-crowd activities. Approval to initiate the engineering study necessary to support this step is expected shortly.

We continue to be excited about the developments in our alumni thrust. Janice and I look forward to having many of you in our home in connection with the GJC Alumni Golf Tournament and the Spring Open House.

Please keep in touch and let us benefit from your thoughts as to how GJC might continue to be concerned with what it might become in the future and not rest too much on what it has been in the past.

Left to right: Bob Howington, Chief Business Officer; Wendell Whiteside, Chairman of the P.E. Department; and Dr. Foster Watkins, President of GJC, checking progress on the new mini-fieldhouse at GJC.

Doyle and Anne Webb attended a national conference on “The Freshman Year Experience,” February 16-19, at the University of South Carolina, as GJC continues to seek ways to make this a “better place” for its students.

Foster Watkins made a presentation to the 1986 Annual Meeting of the American Association of Colleges for Teacher Education (AECTE) in Chicago on February 27. While in Chicago, he visited with personnel of the Wrigley Corporation which continues to be a major corporate supporter of GJC.

Steve Gurr was a member of the visiting team at the campus of Northwestern State University in Louisiana, March 2-5, for purposes of Southern Association of Colleges and Schools accreditation.

Katie Simmons served as a judge in the Restaurant Marketing Competition at the 42nd Annual NC-DECA Career Development Conference in Winston-Salem, N.C., in March.

Robbie Gooch organized a Fashion Trip to New York City for persons from GJC, Gwinnett Tech, and Brenau College. Thirty-nine people toured fashion-related industries and visited with a designer, a photographer, a fashion coordinator, and a sales representative on a six-day trip in March.

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NINE ALUMNI ON FOUNDATION BOARD OF TRUSTEES

Nine Gainesville Junior College alumni are currently serving on the Board of Trustees of the GJC Foundation. Under the leadership of alumni Martha Simmons and Dan McNeal, these trustees serve as liaisons between the College and the community and are the major fundraisers for the Foundation.

In addition to those pictured, Warren Stribling and Doug Magnus, members of the Class of '73, are serving their second year as GJC Trustees.

Because the Alumni Association is sponsored and budgeted by the Foundation, service by alumni on the Foundation Board is very important.

Please give your support and thanks to these alumni who are willing to share their time and represent the Alumni Association in this significant role.

Left to right: Dan McNeal, Vice Chairman and Fund Drive Chairman of the Foundation; Martha Simmons, Chairman of the Foundation; and Bill Stephens, President of the Alumni Association and ex-officio member of the Executive Committee of the Foundation.

Alumni elected to Foundation Board of Trustees in January — left to right: Mike Gravitt, '68; Jay Jacobs, '81; Carolyn Hill, '77; Judy Presley, '75; and Gary Anderson, '73.

SOME FACTS ABOUT GJC

- As the only state-operated, two-year college located in emerging Northeast Georgia, Gainesville Junior College will play an increasingly important role in the years ahead.
- A recent economic impact study by Phil Smith, Instructor of Business Administration at GJC, reported that the total expenditure impact of GJC is over $21,000,000.
"A POSSIBLE LESSON FOR ALL OF US"
by Bill Stephens
President
GJC Alumni Association

The regrettable situation at the University of Georgia that led to the resignation of University President Fred Davison has generated a great deal of controversy and discussion. Almost every day there is another article in the newspaper or some revelation from a special investigative report. Everybody from Lewis Grizzard to James Kilpatrick has voiced their opinion, and the subject seems to be the topic of conversation everywhere.

I was in a meeting the other day with a gentleman who has known and worked with Dr. Davison for a number of years. He obviously holds Dr. Davison in high regard for his obvious leadership at the University over the years. During the conversation, this fellow made a good point that there is a lesson in this for all of us." Thinking about that, I believe he was right. For any task to be accomplished, it is necessary for a person or persons to be responsible for actions of others. The old adage of a quarterback getting "too much credit when the team wins and too much blame when it loses" is as applicable to responsibilities in a business or a University as it is to football.

Dr. Davison was charged with the responsibility of planning, directing, leading, and controlling the actions of others as they managed the affairs of a major University with literally thousands of employees and over 25,000 students. There was political pressure from the outside, internal conflict, financial responsibilities, and I'm sure his days were as hectic as anyone else's with phone calls, interruptions, meetings, and all those other things that seem to make the day go by so quickly.

If you think about it, no matter what the job or vocation, the concept of being "responsible" or "accountable" is the same. The only difference is the extent and scope of the consequences of an action. Individuals in clerical positions, mid-level managers, assembly line workers, and presidents of business all have responsibilities. Obviously, the duties of the president of a college and the consequences of his actions differ from those of the manager of a bank branch. Yet are they not both subject to the pressures from inside and out, phone calls, meetings, personnel problems, and the same time constraints?

At the University of Georgia, I believe that approximately one percent of the student body was enrolled in the developmental studies program. I wonder how much attention we pay to that part of our jobs that comprises only one percent or less of the possible overall responsibilities. Maybe there is a lesson here. Maybe we could all pay more attention to the things that we are responsible for, things regardless of how small that, if left alone, sometimes surface to create more problems than can be imagined.

The development of the Alumni Association is a small step by your Alma Mater toward a better future for it as an institution and the students it serves. I hope you will consider it your responsibility to let us hear from you and to become involved in the continued growth and progress of your college.

Hopefully, we were all challenged by President Watkins' comments in the last issue of this publication. "In the past we have depended on 'they' for GJC to make its way. In the future, 'we,' the Alumni' will be increasingly held accountable for maintaining and extending the progress which has been made in the past."

GJC ALUMNI ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP FORM
Membership is open to all former students, not just graduates. There is no membership fee.

Name _________________________________
Maiden Name ___________________________
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MAY 7-17, 1986

DELLA'S DINER: BLUE PLATE SPECIAL
by TOM EDWARDS
A Musical Country Soap Opera...

You won't want to miss this original episode of the side-splitting antics of Della and friends. Written by Atlantan Tom Edwards and made famous at UpStairs at Gene & Gabe's, this country comedy will leave you gasping for air and laughing for more. Join the whole gang as they sing along with the Juke Box playing such country favorites as "Take This Job and Shove It," "Daddy Sang Bass," "Sixteen Tons," and "Happiest Girl in the Whole U.S.A."

Box office opens for single ticket sales on April 16.
Reminder: GJC Alumni get a discount! Call 535-6206 for ticket information.
The cast and crew of the original production of “J.B.” fifteen years ago held a reunion on February 19. After dinner and getting reacquainted, they went to see “J.B.” from the audience-side of the stage. Left to right: Rosemary Dodd, Marilyn Brown McCarver, Sue Sevelius, Ed Cabell, Ernest Williams, Carol King, Janice Furr Carlin, Shawn Burke, Robbie Langford Gooch, and Dr. Hugh Mills.

Over 300 students and guests watched as Mechelle Bennett, Cumming, and Darren Kent, Dawsonville, were crowned Sweetheart and Sweethunk at a Valentine Dance hosted by LACOSA.

During “National Community College Month” in February, Dean Steve Gurr hosted a breakfast to honor GJC personnel who attended two-year colleges. Enjoying early morning refreshments are, left to right, John Bailey, Martha Gaskill, and Sandra Henderson.

LACOSA brought LeRoy Powell to entertain GJC students with his philosophy on kudzu and coon hunting.

Michael Lomax, Chairman of the Fulton County Commission, spoke on “The Harlem Renaissance” at a program sponsored by LACOSA on February 24. Buford School Superintendent Beauty Baldwin spoke on “Education in the Eighties” on February 27.
YOU'RE INVITED TO CAMPUS...

Please join us for the following events.

SPRING CALENDAR OF EVENTS

APRIL 6-20
"Wildflowers of Georgia," an exhibit of paintings and photographs by Betty Foy Sanders
GJC Library/LRC

APRIL 6
Reception honoring Governor and Mrs. Carl Sanders
Public Invited — 2:00-4:00 p.m.
GJC Library/LRC

APRIL 7
Still & Max, Ventriloquist*
GJC Student Center — 11:00 a.m.

APRIL 22
Bard Productions present THE ILLIAD*
Music Building — 11:00 a.m.

APRIL 22 - MAY 1
GJC International Students Exhibit
GJC Library/LRC

APRIL 23
THE KILLING FIELDS, video tape*
GJC Student Center — 11:00 a.m.

APRIL 29
"A DAY FOR GJC" — Foundation Annual Fund Drive—
Call Alumni Office — Volunteer to Help!
Health Fair
GJC Student Center — 9:00-2:00 p.m.

APRIL 30
Piano Recital, David Watkins
Music Building — 11:00 a.m.

MAY 1-16
GJC student Scott Wiederholt’s "Carved Wooden Water Fowl"
GJC Library/LRC

MAY 5
Honors Day*
GJC Gym — 11:00 a.m.

MAY 7-17
"Della’s Diner" presented by The College Theatre
Georgia Mountains Center
Call 535-6206 for ticket information
— REMINDER: GJC Alumni get a discount!
Dith Pran, author of THE KILLING FIELDS*
GJC Gym — 11:00 a.m.

MAY 8
ALUMNI OPEN HOUSE at home of Dr. & Mrs. Foster Watkins — 1511 Enota Avenue, N.E., Gainesville
7:30-9:00 p.m. Dress — Very Casual

MAY 9
GJC ALUMNI & FRIENDS GOLF TOURNAMENT
Chattahoochee Golf Course
Send in your registration now!

MAY 13
Blood Drive
GJC Gym — 9:00-1:30 p.m.
Vocal Recital, Toni Anderson
Music Building — 7:00 p.m.

MAY 14
GJC Legs Contest*
GJC Student Center — 11:00 a.m.

MAY 17-30
GJC Student Art Exhibit
GJC Library/LRC

MAY 20
"Jazz on the Green"
Featuring the GJC Jazz Ensemble & Combo*
Outside GJC Student Center — 11:00 a.m.
(Rain date: May 26)

MAY 22
S-I-N-F-U - L Sophomore Picnic
Sponsored by GJC Alumni Association
Day — 11:00-12:00 by Trustee Lake
Night — 7:00-9:00 in Student Center

MAY 28
U.S. Army Professional Rock-n-Roll Band*
GJC Student Center — 11:00 a.m.

JUNE 2,3,4
Final Exams

JUNE 6
1986 Graduation
GJC Gym

JUNE 18
Registration for Summer Quarter
*Sponsored by LACOSA

CONGRATULATIONS TO THE CLASS OF 1986

Our best to all of you from the Gainesville Junior College Alumni Association
We Heard That...

1970
Charles Mixon is a real estate broker with Mixon & Associates at Dunwoody Park.

1971
Melba Ree Foster Wilkins is living in Carrollton, Georgia, where she is teaching biology at Central High School. She is married and has two daughters, Allison Bree and Emily Anne. Her husband, Anthony, is principal of Sand Hill Elementary School.

Ernest T. Williams, Jr. is head of the Respiratory Therapy Department at Northeast Georgia Medical Center.

1972
Tim Lawson is V.P. of Lawson Developments, Inc. and is currently developing "The Highlands Community" in North Hall County. He and his wife, Shirley, have a pretty blue-eyed baby boy, Timothy James, born July 13, 1985.

1973
Emory Murphy has been named acting coordinator of the Georgia Peanut Commission.

Greg Merrill, Vice President of LACOSA in 1972-73, was recently promoted to Quality Assurance Planner at Boeing Georgia, Inc. He and his wife, Julie Ann, are living in Macon. Greg said, "Everyone, please call sometime!"

Susan Jones Ferguson has been promoted to Assistant Vice President and Controller at the Bank of Dahlonega.

1975
Alain Mignolet, a former GJC tennis player, owns ten tennis clubs in Miami Beach and is Pro and Manager at the North Miami Beach Tennis Center.

1976
Patti Joe Lewis is Case Manager for Habilitative Systems, Inc. in Chicago, Illinois.

Sara Bannister is currently state president of the National Association of Bank Women.

1978
Bert Elder graduated from the UGA College of Pharmacy in 1981 and worked at Whitesburg Appalachian Regional Hospital, Whitesburg, Kentucky, as Director of Pharmacy from 1982-1985. He is currently employed as a pharmacist at the Northeast Georgia Medical Center in Gainesville. Bert married Alicia Reynolds in June, 1981, and they are expecting their first child in July.

Chris England is Assistant Branch Manager with The Citizens Bank and is engaged to be married to Renee Brock in September.

1979
Teresa Anderson Shaver works for Southern Bell and lives in Norcross with her husband, David.

Ken Shaw works for ITT and has returned to school to work on his master’s degree.

1980
Karen Underwood Mays is Personnel Director at Home Federal.

Elaine Mills and Emory Dunahoo married in 1981 after meeting at GJC. Elaine graduated from Brenau, and Emory opened K & D Transportation at College Square Shopping Center in 1983. They have two girls, Megan and Lindsey.

Stephanie Turner Pickens is working as a Health Aide in the Miller Park Head Start Program which serves the needs of over 200 low-income children.

Pat Bryant is Assistant Basketball Coach at Oglethorpe University in Atlanta.

1981
Gary Rich, a former LACOSA President, survived the mudslides in California. He is a consultant with Rainbow Financial Group in Woodland Hills.

Belinda Jacobs Whitefield lives in Augusta, Georgia, with her husband, Tim, who is a mechanical engineer with Georgia Power at Plant Vogtle. They have one daughter, Amber Caylin, and are expecting their second child in April.

Sherry Bearden McCord is working at the Gainesville Post Office.

1982
Watch for Mike McGehee, known to us as Mike McGhee; word is out that he will be seen soon in another movie with Patty Duke, "Willie Nile."

Kay Anita Sims is Assistant Pharmacy Manager with Kroger’s in Dalton, Georgia.

Randi Carter is General Manager of the boat shop at Holiday Marina on Lake Lanier.

Edwina Anderson Houghton lives in Avondale, Georgia, where she is a real estate title examiner.

Dinah Latty, a former Lady Lakers basketball player, is a sales representative for Region Toyota in Charlotte, N.C.

Ann Morgan is Assistant Marketing Director of Gwinnett Place Mall.

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ALUMNI VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SOPHOMORE PICNIC

Thursday, May 22, 1986
10:00-12:00 Noon — 6:30-9:00 P.M.
Help for 30 Minutes or Two Hours
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☐ changed jobs?
☐ married?
☐ moved?
☐ continued college?
☐ added to your family?
☐ done something else that's noteworthy?

Tell us about it!

Name ____________________________
First Middle Maiden Last

Years attended GJC: _______________________

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Occupation __________________________

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From Thompson Bridge Road (Highway 60) — turn east onto Enota Drive, cross Riverside Drive, turn left onto Enota Avenue (Enota School on right) proceed to CRY CREEK sign. First home on left, 1511 Enota Avenue.

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April 29th

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