1997 Alumni Family Picnic

We Want You There!

All former Gainesville College students and their families are invited to join the College faculty and staff for an afternoon of Free Food, Fun, and a gift for each family. There will be hamburgers, hotdogs, shaved ice, and cotton candy. We have also reserved a moonwalk for the children to enjoy. Bring a blanket and enjoy an afternoon on the Gainesville College campus. See page 5 for registration information.

WHEN: Sunday, May 4, 1997
WHERE: GC Campus (beside the GC Student Center)
TIME: 12:30-4:00 p.m.

Register Today... Time Is Running Out....

Alumni & Friends Golf Tournament

“A Tournament You Don’t Want To Miss!”

WHEN: Monday, May 12, 1997
WHERE: Chicopee Woods Golf Course
TIME: 11:00 Lunch—12:30 Shotgun
Registration form on page 12

Attention GC Alumni who played Intramural Sports

COST: ***FREE***
WHO: All Intramural Students
WHAT: Reunion
WHERE: GC Student Center
WHEN: Saturday, April 26, 1997
Drop-In 4:00 p.m.—7:00 p.m.
DETAILS on page 9.
Memorial Project In Progress

The committee continues to make progress on the planning and construction of our new memorial area on campus. Currently, we are meeting with brick and rock masons and expect to break ground in the next couple of weeks.

The focus of the committee at this time is to create a mailing list of the families of those who have lost a loved one that attended or was employed by Gainesville College. If your family has not been contacted by one of the committee members listed below, please contact our Alumni Office at 770/718-3648. We would like to send you an invitation to the dedication planned for this Spring.

Committee Members:
Lillian Welch, Dave Simpson, Linda Guest, Ed Jones, Michelle Brown, and Pat McCarthy.

Aerial shot of proposed project. 24’ Diameter.

Side view—wall of project.

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Gainesville College is a Two-Year Unit of the University System of Georgia and an Affirmative Action/Equal Employment and Educational Opportunity Institution.

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One of the things that we should feel most proud of as we collectively reflect on my 14 years at Gainesville College is the successful effort which has been undertaken to develop an increasingly effective Alumni Association. Gainesville College is unique in many ways among its two-year college peers in the System and across the country, with perhaps one of its most unique features being the strong support it receives from its alumni through a growing Alumni Association. GC alumni seem never to forget their first alma mater.

The Association celebrated its 10th year in 1995 and was really “born” through the initiatives of Pat McArthy in 1985 when she had the dual responsibilities of working with the Foundation and a struggling alumni group. It was through her efforts that the Alumni Association was incorporated under the umbrella of the Gainesville College Foundation which laid a basis for the two organizations to work in complementary ways in the best interest of the institution and its students.

The Alumni Association has been blessed with strong leadership from its Executive Council and the larger Alumni Council made up of members representative of the region served by GC. The presidents who have led the Alumni Association, beginning with Bill Stephens (GC Class of ‘76), and following consecutively—Doug Dillard (‘70), Sandra Blackstock Gross (‘92), Ricky Pugh (‘75), Bobby Whitlock (‘73), Linda Stokes (‘70), Lee Chapman (‘84), Harriett McNeal (‘70), Wes Winkler (‘87), Joe Booth (‘76), and Lillian Welch (‘69)—have played key roles in its success. Reviewing that list allows me to develop a sense of pride that those who have been involved in leadership roles in the Alumni Association are also effective representatives and community participants in their localities in Northeast Georgia.

Things have not been the same since Michelle B. Brown (GC Class of ‘90 and a 1991 graduate of North Georgia College) came to GC as Alumni Director in 1993. The growth in alumni activities has been significant under her conscientious and effective leadership.

As you probably know my now, my planned transition to my new responsibilities in Alabama was modified from July 1 because of my need to get to Alabama as soon as possible. However, I delayed my first official day in Alabama to April 2, for two reasons. First, I was afraid of what my new colleagues in Jasper and Birmingham had in store for me, a fellow who would report to work on April Fool’s Day. Second, I wanted to stay an extra day to meet with the GC Alumni Council in its planning session on April 1. I wished to do so as a way of saying to the Alumni Association and its current leadership how much its support has meant to me through the years and the high expectations I have for the organization and for each of you individually as alumni in the years ahead. I literally left that session “worn out” by the magnitude of the ever-growing list of activities undertaken by the organization in support of GC and its students.

I am personally very appreciative of the recognition given me at the Annual Meeting of the Foundation when I received your Alumni Association’s Distinguished Service Award. I consider myself to be an “honorary alumnus” of Gainesville College and expect always to participate in the years ahead.

Please look us up if you are in the Jasper/Birmingham area of our neighboring state of Alabama. Anyone with GC connections will always be welcome.
Here are many events outlined in this Spring issue of Anchors Away that I would like to invite you to attend.

The Alumni Intramural Reunion is set for Saturday, April 26 in the GC Student Center. This will be a casual social evening for current and past GC Intramural students to enjoy. Details on page 9.

The Alumni Family Picnic will take place on Sunday, May 4. This is a day that all alumni come back to campus for a day of free food, many outdoor activities and to visit with old friends. All alumni, GC faculty and staff, and their families are invited to attend. The schedule for the day is listed on page 5.

The May 12, 1997 Alumni and Friends Golf Tournament is also a big event for the Alumni Office. The tournament is outlined on page 12, and will take place at Chicopee Woods Golf Course this year. The tournament is a fund-raiser for the Alumni Scholarship Trust.

Other exciting events happening on the campus include the Dr. Watkins Celebration and "A Day for GC," just to name a few. Please mark all of these dates on your calendar. You are always welcome at GC!

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GC students enjoy the cappuccino, hot chocolate and cookies given away by alumni volunteers during the morning. Pictured left to right: GC students Cam Kidd and Shelby Singleton being served by David Williamson, Kristi Phillips, Crystal Elrod and Warren Roper.

Alumni volunteers at the evening session of the Hot Chocolate/Cappuccino Giveaway sponsored by the Alumni Association on February 27 are, left to right: Allen Dellinger, Johnny Maddox, Caroline Williamson, and Linda Guest.

Special thanks to those alumni who helped: Marie Braswell, Terry Baker, Lillian Welch, Kristie Phillips, Jan Staton, Linda Guest, Melanie Hutchins, Johnny Maddox, Kelly Coker, Allen Dellinger, Joe Lancaster, and Sheri Millwood.
Schedule for GC ALUMNI FAMILY PICNIC

Sunday Afternoon, May 4, 1997

All events will take place beside the GC Student Center.

(Rain Plan—GC Gym)

12:30–2:00 PICNIC: Bring a blanket, we will provide the food...hamburgers, hotdogs, baked beans, chips, tea, soft drinks, and cookies.

2:00–2:30 PROGRAM: Retiring Alumni Council Members recognized; New Alumni Council Members presented.

12:30–4:00 EVENTS: Moonwalk, Water Balloon Toss, Horse Shoes, Volleyball Tournament, Shaved Ice, and Cotton Candy

2:00–6:00 POOL OPEN: (All small children must be accompanied by an adult.)

ATTENTION GC ALUMNI WHO ATTENDED DURING 1967–1970!
ALUMNI REUNION—AT 1997 PICNIC

We will have a special reunion area for alumni who attended during these years. Also, we have a free gift for you and a special area for you and your fellow classmates to gather. Be prepared...we’ll also have the yearbooks for you to enjoy from those years. Look for the Reunion Tents!

GC Alumni Family Picnic Reservation Form

Name: ____________________________
Address: ____________________________
City: __________________ State: __________ Zip: _______
Telephone Number: Home (______) __________________________ Work: (______) ________________________

Year(s) I was at GC: 19____ to 19 _____.

_____ Adults attending picnic

_____ Children attending picnic

_____ Yes, (I, We) would like to play in the volleyball tournament

Please mail to:
GC ALUMNI OFFICE • P. O. Box 1358 • Gainesville, Georgia 30503

Do You Have A Question???
Call the Alumni Office at (770) 718-3648
Presidential Search and Advisory Committee Formed

President of Gainesville College was selected by University System Chancellor Stephen Portch on February 14 on the GC campus.

Members of the Committee are: Caywood Chapman, Professor of Biology, Chairman; Lee Clendenning, Assistant Professor of Mathematics; Theresa Dove-Waters, Coordinator of Nontraditional Services and Instructor of Religion; Sallie Duhling, Chair, Division of Humanities and Professor of English; Kristi Phillips, President, Student Government Association; LeTrell Simpson, Vice President for Corporate Development, Northeast Georgia Medical Center; and Rich White, President, Regions Bank.

A position announcement has been mailed to over 1,000 colleges and universities. In addition, advertisements inviting applications for the position have been placed in The Chronicle of Higher Education, Black Issues in Higher Education, and The Atlanta Journal and Constitution. The Committee is receiving applications through April 15 and will begin reviewing them shortly thereafter.

According to Chairman Chapman, ten to twelve applicants will be interviewed by the PSAC Committee in early May, and that list will be cut to seven or eight applicants who will be invited to campus for further interviewing during the last two weeks of May. After the on-campus interviews, names of five candidates will be presented to Chancellor Portch, unranked, in early June. A Board of Regents Committee will review the names and the Chancellor will make the final decision. That Committee consists of Ninth District Regent Ed Jenkins, Jasper, Chairman; Fourth District Regent Juanita Baranco, Decatur; and Eleventh District Regent Glenn White, Lawrenceville. Chancellor Portch and Board of Regents Chairman Thomas Allgood of Augusta are serving ex officio on the Committee.

Alumni Highlights

Fall 1996 Gainesville College Alumni Questionnaire
Random Sample and 1992 June Graduates

- 77.0% attended GC as a full-time student and 84.3% attended day classes.
- 43.5% participated in extraclass activities.
- 67.2% went to a four-year college or university immediately after leaving GC.
- 38.5% now hold a baccalaureate or higher degree while 48.3% are currently continuing their education.
- The largest percentage employed are in Business and Commerce occupations (40.3%), with the second largest percentage in Health Professions (14.3%).
- Respondents were most satisfied with the overall quality of instruction, the overall quality of academic programs and the attitude of faculty toward students.
- Respondents felt that their GC experience helped them most to write effectively, prepare for additional education, understand written information, learn on their own, communicate orally in an effective way and work with a variety of people.
- 96.1% indicated that GC met their expectations and 98.3% have recommended GC to others or would if the occasion arose.

- 64.3% of respondents indicated that GC should offer baccalaureate degree programs, especially in the areas of business, education, and health professions.
- 43.5% of respondents indicated that GC should offer master's degree programs also in the areas of business, education, science, and health professions.
- Positive comments indicated great experiences and satisfaction with GC, excellent faculty and staff, academically sound curriculum, great transition from high school to college and from 2 year to 4 year schools and a convenient location.
- Negative comments expressed concerns about advising, library resources, parking availability, limited opportunities for night students to participate in student activities, faculty teaching opinions and liberal views instead of facts and too much PE required.
- Suggestions for improvement included offering baccalaureate and masters degrees, constructing dorms, expanding languages, building a parking deck, and increasing the number of computers, software, and printers.
GC Alumni Invited To Celebration

The Gainesville College Foundation Cordially Invites You to an Evening honoring Foster and Janice Watkins on Tuesday, April 22, 1997 6:30 p.m. Reception, 7:30 p.m. Dinner Chattahoochee Country Club Gainesville, Georgia

Proceeds from the event will benefit the J. Foster Watkins Scholarship Trust at Gainesville College. The Trust was established in 1993, when the College celebrated the 10th Anniversary of the presidency of Dr. Watkins.

Heading up the event committee in charge of arrangements are LeTrell Simpson, Vice President for Corporate Development at Northeast Georgia Medical Center, and member of the Board of Trustees of the Gainesville College Foundation, and Joe Chipman, President of Lanier National Bank and past Chair of the Foundation.

According to Simpson, the committee is "pleased to have the opportunity to put together an evening of recognition for Foster and Janice in an effort to try to show in some small way how much we appreciate the significant role they have played for the benefit of all Northeast Georgia."

The scholarship committee is led by Stacey Reece, GC Foundation Fund Drive Chair and mortgage banker for Lanier Mortgage, and Rich White, Honorary Fund Drive Chair and President of Regions Bank of Gainesville. "By contributing to the Foster Watkins Trust," said Reece and White, "you will help ensure the vision of Dr. Watkins that a higher education is available to all the citizens of Northeast Georgia."

Cost for the event is $100 per individual. Call 770/718-3844 for more information or reservations before

West Hall Middle School Alumni Recognized

A Gainesville College Alumni Reception was held on February 11, 1997 at West Hall Middle School for the 16 GC Alumni who work and teach there.

Principal Dr. Vicki Denmark and past GC Alumni Council member and WHMS teacher Deloris Bagwell, were instrumental in the planning of the reception. Pictured are several of the alumni who attended the reception.

Pictured left to right: GC Alumni Association President Lillian Welch, WHMS Principal Dr. Vicki Denmark, Kelli McClung, Debra Wood, Jackie Stewart, Deloris Bagwell, Marita McKnight, GC Alumni Council Member Sheri Millwood, Gale English, GC President Dr. Foster Watkins, Lisa Harris, and Elaine Dunahoo.

Does Your Business/Company employ a notable number of GC Alumni?

If so, please contact Michelle B. Brown, Director of Alumni Affairs 770/718-3648. Alumni Corporate Receptions are hosted entirely by the GC Alumni Office and are an opportunity to recognize your employees for their attendance at Gainesville College. Your company/business may be the next location we hold a reception!
Volunteer For “A Day” for Gainesville College
April 24, 1997

The 12th Annual Day for Gainesville College, a day set aside to call on businesses in Gainesville-Hall County to raise funds to provide scholarships for deserving students, will be held on April 24, beginning at 8 a.m. at the College.

FREE BREAKFAST

Volunteers will enjoy breakfast provided by Burger King.
A brief program will follow, then each volunteer will spend approximately ½ day calling on five to six businesses which have previously been contacted by mail, so they will be expecting a call.

FREE T-SHIRT

Every volunteer will be given “A Day for GC” t-shirt, and a partner to make their calls with.

FREE LUNCH

Volunteers will report their calls about noon, then enjoy lunch at Holiday Hall, courtesy of McKibbon Brothers.

To volunteer or for more information, call the GC Foundation Office at
770/718-3844

Opportunity To Give

96% of GC students live within a 35-mile radius of the campus.

GAINESVILLE COLLEGE ENROLLMENT IN NORTHEAST GEORGIA SERVICE AREA BY COUNTY FALL, 1996

Please fill in the required information and return this form with your check made payable to the Gainesville College Foundation to: GAINESVILLE COLLEGE FOUNDATION, P. O. Box 1358, Gainesville, GA 30503.

Amount Enclosed $ ____________

Name ____________________________________________

Address ____________________________________________

Date __________________ Signature ___________________

VISA/MasterCard _____________________________________
(Circle One) Card No. __________________ Exp. Date __________

(Name as it appears on card)

Appropriate membership/recognition is awarded to those who support Gainesville College. Gifts may be tax-deductible as provided by IRS regulations.

Every gift is important!
Attention GC Alumni who played INTRAMURAL SPORTS

Don’t Miss Out!

You Are Invited to a FREE REUNION

COST: **FREE**
WHO: All Intramural Students
That means YOU! If you participated in intramural sports while you were a student at GC, including all classes from the 1970’s to the 1990’s.

WHAT: Intramural Reunion; Hors D’oeuvres
(Food, Fun, and See Old Friends)
A Gift for all who attend.

WHERE: GC Student Center
WHEN: Saturday, April 26, 1997
Drop-In 4:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.

Come and visit with old friends and instructors.
We'll all be there!

Who Do You Remember from Intramurals At GC?

The Intramural Planning Committee
Lillian Welch, Billy Compton, Michelle Brown, Sam McGee, Robert Jimerson, Jimmy Kirkland, Eddie Suggs, Sam Henry, Christie Darracott, James “Bouncer” Williams, Jamie Chasewood, Marie Braswell, Tramon Butts, and Mike Tomlin

Name: ___________________________________
Address: ___________________________________
City, State, Zip: _______________________________
Home Phone: _______________________________
Work Phone: _______________________________
# Attending Reunion: ___________ (you + guests)

Reservations requested, but are not required.
SEND TO: GC Alumni Office
Attn.: Michelle Brown
P. O. Box 1358
Gainesville, GA 30503
Call the Alumni Office
FOR MORE INFO.
770/718-3648
Upcoming Activities in the Arts

Visual Arts
Art Gallery in Performing Arts Center

**Wax Prints by Frank Saggus and Photographs by Kim Bancroft Thomas**
*March 31-May 14*
An exhibit featuring two artists whose work has in common the transformation of traditional print media via computer-generated processes.
770/718-3865.

**Graduating Art Majors’ Exhibit**
*May 19-June 13*
Artists’ reception: 5:30–7 p.m., Tuesday, May 20
Art majors select their work for this exhibit which celebrates the best artistic output from their studies at Gainesville College.
770/718-3865.

**Bi-Annual Watercolor Competition Exhibit**
*June 23-August 15*
Artists’ Reception: 5:30–7 p.m., Tuesday, June 24
This popular watercolor competition is open to all.
The deadline for submitting work is June 14.
For further information, the number is 770/718-3865.

Music

**Chorale Spring Concert**
*May 22, 7:30 p.m.*
Continuing Education/Performing Arts Theatre
The GC Chorale presents a concert of chorale literature featuring Mozart’s Vespers.
Tickets: $8 adult, $4 child.
GC students, faculty, staff and their families are admitted free of charge with ID.
770/718-3865.

**Rockin’ On the Green**
*May 22, 11 a.m.*
Outside the Student Center
The GC Lab Ensemble presents an outdoor pop and rock concert showcasing versatile student performers.

Spring GTA Play

**PICNIC**
*April 15-27*
Gainesville College Performing Arts Theatre

**Next Year’s GTA Schedule**

**Noises Off**
*November 11-23, 1997*
Georgia Mountains Center

**Our Town**
*February 17-24, 1998*
Pearce Auditorium

**West Side Story**
*April 14-26, 1998*
Gainesville College Performing Arts Theatre

For best seats contact:
GAINESVILLE THEATRE ALLIANCE
P. O. Box 1358
Gainesville, GA 30503
OR CHARGE BY PHONE: 770/718-3624
Dr. Melissa McGinnis is a busy pediatrician living in Cumming, where she has practiced for 14 years. Last year, she received a national Community Access to Child Health (CATCH) planning grant for the purpose of bringing quality health care services closer to children in Forsyth County. The grant, funded by Wyeth-Ayerst Laboratories and awarded by the American Academy of Pediatrics, is allowing for rotating clinics in area churches for the provision of health care services, such as screenings. Dr. McGinnis is the first pediatrician in Georgia to receive a CATCH planning grant.

Dr. Melissa McGinnis (center) is pictured with Todd McClure of Wyeth-Lederle Vaccines and Pediatrics (left) and Gary Dudley, a child and adolescent psychologist, at a reception at First Baptist Church in Cumming.

Dr. McGinnis, a native of Cumming, is a 1973 graduate of Gainesville College. She received the A.S. degree in chemistry and was frequently on the Dean’s List and was a member of Phi Theta Kappa. “One of my favorite teachers at Gainesville College was Garry McLaun,” she said recently. “He took an interest in my education and taught me basic chemistry.”

Following her education at GC, she received the B.S. degree from North Georgia College, then her M.D. degree from the Medical College of Georgia, where she received a state scholarship. Subsequently, she completed her residency and internship at Charlotte Memorial Hospital in Charlotte, North Carolina. Before she returned to Cumming, she previously practiced in Jasper and Toccoa, Georgia.

In conjunction with the grant, Dr. McGinnis first made a proposal for a mobile health unit for Forsyth County. She did a survey on her own and came to the conclusion that clinics held at local churches would be the best way to provide health care services. That plan would break the barrier to health care access, such as a lack of public transportation. The first such clinic was held at First Baptist Church in Cumming on January 30, 1997.

Dr. McGinnis says that the physicians who staff the clinics have such time constraints that it is hard to coordinate the church-based clinics. But she hopes that another such clinic can be held during the summer in the area.

“While Forsyth County as a whole is not impoverished, there are geographic pockets of need,” said Dr. McGinnis. She is volunteering her time and her staff for the pilot program.

She is a member of the Forsyth Council on Youth, the Georgia Chapter of the Academy of Pediatrics, and is on the staff of Baptist North Hospital, Cumming, and of North Fulton Hospital, Alpharetta.

In addition to her many professional involvements, she also finds time to serve as music director of her local church.

Reception Planned for GC Retirees

Eight retiring GC faculty and staff will be honored at a reception hosted by the GC Foundation on Wednesday, May 21, at 2:30 p.m. in the lobby of the Continuing Education/Performing Arts Building.

Those retiring are: Ervin Crowe, Harold Clure, Peggy Stevens, Rosanell Adams, Jean Casper, Kathryn Pennington, Louise Holcomb, and Foster Watkins. Please call the Alumni Office at 770-718-3648 if you would like to attend.
FORMAT:
Ft. Lauderdale
You may enter your own team or the committee will pair singles to make four-man teams. If you do not know your USGA handicap please provide the average of your last three rounds.

ENTRY FEE:
$75 per person OR $300 per team (check MUST accompany registration form).
$75 registration includes:
Green Fee and Cart • 2 Mulligans • Sandwiches and Beverages beginning at 11:00
Hors D’oeuvres following tournament • Golf Hat

PRIZES:
Top Team—low net • Top Team—low gross • Longest Drive • Closest to the Pin
All Par 3’s • Miscellaneous Drawings—Everyone Eligible

REGISTRATION DEADLINE:
April 30, 1997 or first 128 players

ALL PROCEEDS WILL BE DONATED TO THE ALUMNI SCHOLARSHIP TRUST

Question: What is the format of the tournament?
Answer: The format of the tournament is Ft. Lauderdale. You may enter your own team or the committee will pair singles to make four-man teams. If you do not know your USGA handicap please provide the average of your last three rounds.

Question: What is the entry fee for the tournament?
Answer: The entry fee is $75 per person OR $300 per team. Check must accompany the registration form. The registration includes Green Fee and Cart, 2 Mulligans, Sandwiches and Beverages beginning at 11:00, Hors D’oeuvres following the tournament, and a Golf Hat.

Question: What prizes are available in the tournament?
Answer: The prizes include Top Team—low net, Top Team—low gross, Longest Drive, Closest to the Pin, All Par 3’s, and Miscellaneous Drawings—Everyone Eligible.

Question: What is the deadline for registration?
Answer: The registration deadline is April 30, 1997 or first 128 players.

Question: Where will all proceeds from the tournament be donated to?
Answer: All proceeds will be donated to the Alumni Scholarship Trust.

Question: Where can I mail the registration form?
Answer: You can mail the registration form to GC Alumni Association, P. O. Box 1358, Gainesville, GA 30503.
J. B. Sharma

- **TITLE:** Associate Professor of Physics. Joined the GC faculty in 1988, after serving at Gordon College for four years.
- **HIGHEST DEGREE:** M.S. in physics from the University of Georgia. Is doing doctoral work at Georgia Tech.
- **RESPONSIBILITIES:** Coordinator for the physics program. Developed the new computer-based physics lab, one of the best instructional labs for introductory physics in the country. Chaired the University System Academic Advisory Committee on Physics last year. Is a Governor's Teaching Fellow at the University of Georgia.
- **FAVORITE AREA OF POSITION:** Enjoys working with students and being a part of a supportive and energizing teaching environment.
- **FAMILY AND INTERESTS:** Married to Preeti Sharma; two sons, Neel, 4, and Chet, 8 months. Hobbies are organic gardening and hiking.

Sarah Harrison

- **TITLE:** Administrative Specialist in the Department of Continuing Education. Joined GC staff in 1986. Earned the Certified Professional Secretary rating in 1990.
- **RESPONSIBILITIES:** Serves as secretary to the Continuing Education Director, supervises the office, responsible for camera-ready publications, handles administrative correspondence. Has coordinated some program offerings.
- **FAVORITE AREA OF POSITION:** Enjoys being supportive of the department and the institution and meeting the needs of the public through continuing education programs.
- **FAMILY AND INTERESTS:** Married to Idus Harrison for 45 years. They have four children, two of whom are high school teachers, and six grandchildren. Is caregiver to her mother-in-law and is busy training her dog, Abner.
We Heard That...

Willie Keith Maddox, LaGrange, is employed as district manager of Global Home Technologies.

Steve and Kim Kathryn Short Jordan have operated a Farm Garden Center in Athens since they opened it in April 1995. The couple has three children: Kyle, 9, Ray, 4, and Jessalyn, 3.

Susan Leigh Norris Dyar has a new addition to her family. Anna Elizabeth Dyar was born on September 14, 1996 and joins Jason, 9, and Allie, 6. The family lives in Jefferson.

Julie Lapoint Pope and Mark Pope ('84) were married on August 17, 1996. Julie is a psychology intern at Austin State Hospital, and Mark is an industrial psychologist who works for the state auditors.

Ernest Robert Boetz lives in Atlanta and manages a band called "The Brass," a Rock-n-Roll band in Atlanta. The group has a full length CD for sale and will soon tour the Southeast.

Robert Thorpe is expected to receive his M.Ed. degree from Georgia State University in June, 1997, and will begin the doctoral program at Georgia State. He has accepted the position of an Assistant Principal at Gainesville High School.

Stephanie Lynn McDonald Sartain and her husband Perry are the proud parents of their daughter Abigail, born January 4, 1997. The couple also has a 2½-year-old son Candler. Stephanie is employed as a substitute teacher with the Lanier Tech Adult Education Program.

Richard Jimmy Mayberry married Karen Kemp, a current GC student, on March 8, 1997. Richard is employed as Operations Manager by Mercury Finance in Athens.

Brian Jackson Cameron lives in McRae, Georgia, and works as a Correctional Officer II with the State Department of Corrections at Telfair State Prison. He and his wife have two children, Alexis, 4, and Candice, 1.

Belinda Ann Reed Sullards is employed as a Pre-K teacher for Magic Years of Learning. She lives in Flowery Branch.

Amy M. Chitwood expects to receive a B.B.A. in Management degree from North Georgia College and State University in the summer of 1998. She has been a records coordinator for the Financial Aid Office at Gainesville College since 1994.

Shan M. Hamil and Hank Page, Cumming, were married on September 30, 1995. Shan is a dental hygienist and Hank is attending North Georgia College and State University in the nursing program.

Tramon D. Butts is employed in the Guest Services area of Renaissance Hotels & Resorts. He is continuing his education at Kennesaw State University.

Memorial

Nancy Anderson Gordin

Nancy Anderson Gordin, who attended Gainesville College in 1978–80, died at her home in Lakeland, Florida, on February 26, 1997. She died of possible complications from seizures she suffered following removal of a benign brain tumor.

While at GC, she was 1980 Homecoming Queen, and participated in intramurals and the Student Government Association. She subsequently received baccalaureate and master's degrees from Georgia Southern College.

She is survived by her husband Doug and daughter Gretchen.
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The Times along with the Gainesville College Jazz and Symphonic Bands, the GC Chorus, and the Student Government Association invite you to the 4th Annual Gainesville College \textit{Twilight Concert} on May 16*, at 7:45 p.m. \textbf{FREE OF CHARGE!}

*Rain Date: May 17

Bring your own picnic favorites to enjoy during the performance!

Bring your lawn chair or blanket and join us for an evening of enchantment!

For more information, call the Gainesville College Student Activities Office at (770) 718-3622.

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\textbf{Student Ambassadors Craig West (left) and Crystal Elrod (right) are joined by Alumni Council member Jan Staton as they served as judges for the Speech and Business Action Plan competition during Free Enterprise Day at the College on March 7. The competition was sponsored by (S.I.F.E.) Students in Free Enterprise.}
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- continued college?
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- moved?
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