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Chancellor Portch Visits Floyd College

Chancellor Stephen
Portch visited Floyd
College last Friday--the 27th stop
on his whirlwind tour of the 34
units of the University System of
Georgia, of which he became head
July 1. Dr. Portch toured the
main campus and Heritage Hall,
addressed faculty and staff members and spoke to the Exchange
Club of Rome while in town.

During his address to faculty and staff, Dr. Portch emphasized the importance of the vision statement for the University System which has been written in collaboration with the presidents and the Board of Regents of the system. Titled "Access to Academic Excellence for the New Millennium," the vision statement proclaims a system of "worldclass, diverse faculty and staff," "students who master their majors and the basic skills of critical reasoning..., communication, and creativity," "active partnership with business and industry, cultural and social organizations, and government," and that the system "will be characterized by a whole that is greater than the sum of its parts."



The latter statement was elaborated on when the Chancellor was asked about the "change of status" many of the system's units are requesting (going from a twoyear college to a four-year college, etc.). Chancellor Portch strongly stated that he does not like the term "change of status" and that the term "elevation" which often accompanies the request for change of status is a slap in the face to the excellent institutions such as Floyd College who do not desire to become more than what they are. "I would much rather have a top-notch two-year institution than a mediocre four-year

institution any day. And this is what your president is striving for--to be the best two-year college in the state of Georgia."

On the issue the System's relationship with the Department of Technical and Adult Education (DTAE), the Chancellor said that he plans to have a proposal for cooperation between the two agencies on the table by December. He hopes that the proposal will be a joint proposal with DTAE. He is not as concerned about the governance of the boards, as he is about meeting the students needs.

Dr. Portch was impressed with all the activity on the Floyd College campus and looks forward to seeing the progress made on the many projects when he returns with the Board of Regents in November.

Enrollment Update

Enrollment figures were still incomplete, but at press time, we had a total of 2,576 students registered on all campuses. The Acworth campus does not hold registration until October 3.

Deepest sympathy is extended to President Cundiff and his family upon the death of his father, Harold Cundiff last week, and to Mary Louise Lever, chairman, Floyd College Foundation, and her family upon the death of her father, William Burk. earlier this month.

Congratulations to Jenny and Ken Weatherman, associate professor of Physical Education, upon the birth of their son, Andrew Richard, on September 15.

Love Borchardt. professor of Education, received an international poetry award during ceremonies held in Washington, DC, last month. Congratulations!

William Mugleston, chairman, Division of Social and Cultural Sciences, has just published a book of essays for History 251 classes titled Benedict Arnold, Anne Hutchinson, Sam Adams, Witches, and Other Troublemakers: Essays in Early American History (American Heritage Publishers). Dr. Mugleston and John K. Derden are the editors of the book.

James F. Cook, professor of History, has had an article titled "Busbee: Builder of Consensus" published in the Fall 1994 issue of the Georgia Journal.

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The Board of Regents, at their September meeting, approved MMR funds of more than \$800,000 to complete the renovation of Heritage Hall. Work is continuing at the downtown facility and should be completed by Spring Quarter.

The Institutional Effectiveness Committee is soliciting proposals for faculty and staff development grants. Approximately \$12,000 has been budgeted for faculty and \$3,000 for staff to be distributed in amounts up to \$1,000. For more information contact Chris Lee, director of Human Resources.

Continuing Education and Small Business Development classes scheduled in the next few weeks include:

> Christmas Traditions Quilt How to Handle Difficult People Total Quality Management Crimewise Seminar Business Ethics Basics of Small Business Marketing Word Perfect 5.1, Session II Getting to Know Your IBM PC Taming of Operating Systems Gymnastics Paralegal Oil Painting So You Want to Be a Nurse? Defensive Driving Piano Magic Play By Ear First Aid Leadership Development for Managers The Small Business Journey For more information or to

register for a course, call 706/295-6324.

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Family Night will be held Friday, September 30, 6-9 p.m. in the Student Center. Sponsored by the Student Activities Office, the event will include a meal, and entertainment in the form of Karoke (sing-a-long) and a caricaturist. Family Night is open to all students, faculty and staff members and their families.

Tell your friends about Floyd College's television (FCTV), channel 99. The Extended Learning staff is working extremely hard to keep high quality, educational programming on the air 24 hours a day.

Look for local programming featuring Sam Callan, director of Student Activities, Phil Kerr, director of Admissions and Records, Jon Hershey, assistant professor of English, Sandy Briscar, director of Public Information, Jane Slickman and Sarah Burkhalter, Continuing Education coordinators, and Drew Tonsmeire, Small Business Development Center Coordinator. There is also a five-minute Spanish news program presented by Jorge Romero, Hispanic minister at First Baptist Church in Rome.