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## **Graduation At Forum**

The annual Honors Assembly, the Nursing Pinning Ceremony, and Graduation will be held at the Forum in downtown Rome, June 8, 9, and 10 respectively.

The Vice Presidents' Council decided to move the graduation to the Forum because we have outgrown the gymnasium in which the ceremony was previously held. The Forum can accommodate more than 4,000 people. "We were at the point where we were going to have to allot tickets to graduates to limit the number of people attending the program," President Lynn Cundiff explained. "Moving to the Forum will not only allow more people to attend, but it will save our staff time and the college money in setup charges. The Forum also has handicapped access to its stage, which we do not."

### FX To Feature Police Academy

The Floyd College Police Academy will be featured on FX, a national television network, in a live feed to New York the week of April 17.

According to *Major Bobby Pearson*, the network will feature the academy cadets performing their regular activities beginning a 6 a.m. one morning that week, during breaks of the network's morning show.

The network is featuring other locations in Georgia during the week as well. The executives chose the Police Academy after seeing articles about the program in national publications.

#### **SACS Update**

Floyd College has requested that the accreditation visit by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools be moved up from winter, 1997, to fall, 1996. Approval for the change in date is expected from our SACS liasion, Dr. Gerald Lord.

#### **HS Scholars Bowl**

The 12th annual Six Mile Scholars Bowl tournament for local high school teams will be held on campus Friday, April 28, beginning at 8:30 a.m. The tournament is being sponsored by the Floyd College College Bowl Team under the direction of *Frank Minor*, instructor in English.

# Secretaries' Day Luncheon

The 10th annual Secretaries' Day Luncheon will be held Tuesday, April 25, 11:30-1:30 p.m. at the Skytop Holiday Inn, and will feature musician/comedian Mike Snider.

Snider, a member of the Grand Old Opry, is a regular cast member of the popular television show "Hee-Haw" and is a frequent guest on "Nashville Now."

The Secretaries' Day Luncheon, sponsored by the Continuing Education Department, is a popular tradition in Rome drawing more than 400 guests annually. In addition to the keynote speaker, Jane Slickman, program specialist, will give a brief presentation titled "The Power of Laughter." Door prizes, including a weekend for two to "Villas By the Sea" in Jekyll Island, will also be given away.

Tickets for the event are \$30 per person prior to April 18, and \$35 after the 18th. Credit cards are accepted. Tables for six or more may be reserved at \$40 per person. To register, call 295-6324.

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Brady Vardemann, vice president for Academic Affairs, has been selected by Chancellor Stephen Portch to serve on the University System's task force to plan for the transition to the semester calendar. The task force is made up of 15 faculty, students and administrators from across the state.

Margaret Davis, associate professor of Mathematics, has coauthored an article titled "Assessing Patient Willingness to Reveal Health History Information" which was published in the March 1995 issue of the Journal of the American Dental Association. She was the statistician on the project which was conducted by the other co-authors: Tom McDaniel, Donna Miller, and Rhonda Jones, who are employed in the Medical College of Georgia's Dental Hygiene Program located in Rome.

Ken Weatherman, associate professor of Physical Education, made a presentation at the annual meeting of the Southern District American Alliance for Health, Physical Education, Recreation and Dance last month. The presentation was titled "Stress-Related Predictors of Long-Term Smoking Status in Subjects Completing a Smoking Cessation Program."

Marvin Wideman, training specialist, Floyd College Regional Police Academy, won the 1995 USPF Georgia State Powerlifting Championship, Saturday, March 25,

in Chamblee, Georgia.

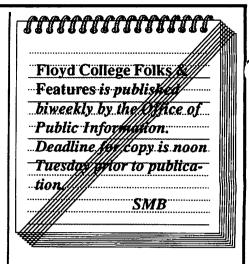
Marvin has won the state championship for the past three years. He will be preparing for the USPF

Senior Nationals which will be held in Baton Rouge, Louisiana in July. Marvin is a two-time goal medalist in the police and fire world games where he achieved three world records!! Congratulations!

Ken Anderson, associate professor of English, read from his poetry at the Charleston Writers' Conference, which was held at the College of Charleston Thursday, March 23-Sunday, March 26. In addition, Ken's story "A Break in the Weather" has been anthologized in a collection [ titled Danwhich was gerous, ( edited by John Patrick. Sarasota: Starbooks, 1995.41-77.

## **L**ctivities

The Office of Student Activities will host FUN TIMES, a collection of unusual activities, Tuesday, April 4. Activities include the Velcro Wall, in which participants put on a velcro suit and fling themselves against a wall made of velcro; Fun Picks, an opportunity to have a picture taken with famous celebrities; and Sumo Wrestling, where players in large padded suits bash themselves against each other. OK......Should be interesting to watch anyway. Call 295-6363 for details on time and location.



Reservations can be made through April for the London to Edinburgh trip August 1-10 which is being coordinated by Jim Cook, professor of History. The trip includes visits to Big Ben, Westiminster Abbey, Houses of Parliament, Buckingham Palace, Windsor Castle, Stonehenge, Edinburgh Castle, Stratford-Upon-Avon, Dove Cottage, and Salisbury Cathedral.

The cost of the trip is \$1,456-\$1,611 and includes everything except lunches. Interested persons are asked to register with Dr. Cook now. Payment for the trip is due by May 1.

