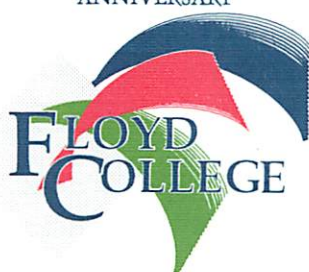


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# Folks & Features

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## Standards Increased

Getting into a public college in Georgia will get tougher under a plan the state Board of Regents passed this week.

Concern over the number of students who arrive unprepared for college work, the low graduation rates for those students, and the climbing costs of offering remedial courses is driving the change, said *University System Chancellor Stephen Portch*.

Across the nation, college remedial courses are being scrutinized, as more than a third of college freshmen need remediation.

In Georgia last fall, 43 percent of the 28,751 freshmen entering Georgia's public colleges and universities required some remediation. State schools will spend more than \$25 million for remedial courses this year.

"That's a lot of money to spend correcting something that should have been done in high school," said regents *Chairman Donald Leebern* of Atlanta.

The newly adopted policy sets the following goals:

- ♦ To adopt new admission standards, such as college entrance test scores, high school grades and high school courses, early in 1996.

- ♦ To phase in the new rules over 10 years, beginning fall 1997.

Current seventh-graders are likely to be the first class affected by more stringent requirements.

- ♦ To set limits on the number of students who can be admitted at each school without meeting all requirements. Some waivers may be granted.

- ♦ To reduce the number of students placed in remedial courses at four-year schools by 5 % each year until schools reach their cap on exceptions.

- ♦ To have no higher percentage of students in remedial courses at two-year schools in 2005 than now, even though an initial increase is likely to occur.

- ♦ To review the quality of high school courses intended to prepare students for college and to create a massive program to tutor and encourage students academically beginning as early as the fourth grade.

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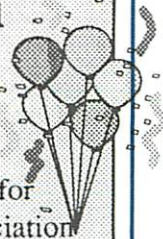
## Alabama System Head Graduation Speaker

*Fred Gainous*, chancellor of the Alabama College System, will give Floyd College's commencement address at ceremonies scheduled for Saturday, June 10, at 10 a.m. in the Forum.

Dr. Gainous, a former colleague of *President Lynn Cundiff*, has served as Chancellor in Alabama since spring 1988.

## Faculty/Staff Appreciation Dinner

Don't forget to make your reservations for the Faculty/Staff Appreciation dinner celebrating the 25th anniversary of Floyd College. The dinner will be held Friday, May 19, at 7 p.m. in the gymnasium. Call 295-6328 today to reserve your place!

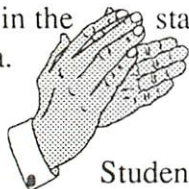




# Folks

**Jo Anne Jackson**, assistant professor of Nursing, spoke to the Paulding Charter Chapter of the American Business Women's Association on April 18. The topic of her talk was "Juggling Multiple Rules."

**Alberta Johnson**, assistant professor of Psychology and Education, was recently recertified by the National Council on Family Relations as a Family Life Educator which allows her the designation, CFLE, for another five years. There are only nine CFLEs in the state of Georgia.



Students **Tracy Owen** and **Brana Snow** have won the college's Leadership Awards, and **Lori Leonard** and **David McCroy** have won the Spirit Award, as voted on by the Student Affairs Committee of the College.

Welcome new employee **Jerry Wesley Clayton**, groundskeeper.

# Activities

**Phi Theta Kappa** will host a crime prevention speaker from the Metro Crime Prevention Association Wednesday, May 24, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Solarium.

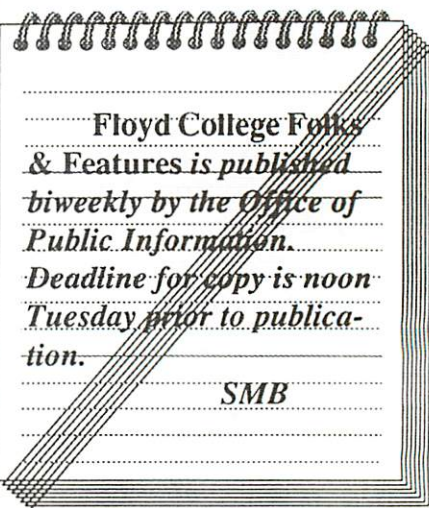
**The Spring Quarter Intramural Sports Banquet** will be held Thursday, May 25, noon-2 p.m. at the Pavilion.

Tee-shirts, and trophies or plaques will be awarded to winners of intramural golf, softball, tennis, table tennis, and canoe racing.

All participants in the spring sports are invited to attend.

**The Floyd College Foundation** is in the midst of a Pacesetter Campaign to raise \$100,000 for scholarships. A new category this year will award scholarships to non-traditional students. Approximately 50 faculty and staff members currently make regular contributions to the Foundation through payroll deductions. The Foundation would like to increase that number, and ask you to consider contributing to this worthy cause. Please respond positively to their request.

**Training for the BANNER system** of information management continues at a brisk pace. Admissions personnel spent this week in day-long sessions. Next week, Financial Aid employees will train for three days, and the following week, Computer Services personnel will spend three days in Athens in BANNER Student Technical Training. The system is still on schedule to be operational in May



of 1996. The BANNER system is being adopted by all units of the University System of Georgia for computerized registration, records, advising, business services, and financial aid. Advantages include the capability for advisors to access the system's information from any 486 computer on campus to check on a student's academic progress, and the capability for students to register for classes by telephone.