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Floyd Ready for Reaffirmation Team Visit

A reaffirmation team from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) will be on the Floyd College campus November 11-14 to review the college's ten-year self study report. As most colleges in the south, Floyd College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award the Associate of Arts, the Associate of Science, and the Associate of Applied Science degrees. This accreditation is reviewed every ten years to assure that colleges continue to provide a high standard of education.

Mr. Jerry Shelton, director of Institutional Effectiveness, and Ms. Adrian Bowers, assistant to the Vice President for Academic Affairs, have co-chaired the Self-Study Steering Committee, which has included nearly three years of exhaustive research and compilation of materials in preparation for the visit. More than 70% of the college's 260 employees have at one time or another been involved in the self-study process. The result is a 250-page bound report and an appendix of similar size.

Following review of the college's report, the team will present its evaluation of the college's status. They are expected to make a number of recommendations for improvement in specific areas (the typical SACS visit generates an average of 25-50 recommendations). The college will then have the opportunity to respond to those recommendations.

"This is an important step in the life of the college," said President Lynn Cundiff. "We look forward to the visiting team's review, because we are proud of the many strides we have made to enhance the already strong academic offerings of Floyd College."

Reaffirmation Team Schedule At A Glance

November 10, 11 - Arrive in Rome

November 11 - Dinner with selected College officials

November 12 - Interviews of campus faculty and staff

November 13 - Additional Interviews; compilation of report

November 14 - Report to the campus; depart

Monte Carlo Gala Friday

A record number of sponsors are supporting this year's Monte Carlo Gala, the Floyd College Foundation's annual fund-raising event, which will be held Friday, November 8.

Ten \$1,000-plus sponsors will join headline sponsor Citizens' First Bank in supporting the gala. Table sponsors at \$500-750 number 13, and more than 50 Patrons have contributed \$200 each. There are a few event tickets left at \$50 each. If you are interested, call the President's Office at 706.295.6328.


Now in its fourth year, the Gala includes casino-style gaming tables, an elaborate buffet dinner, and silent and live auctions of donated items. It will be held at State Mutual Insurance Company's corporate headquarters.

Proceeds from the fundraiser will provide scholarships to Floyd College students, and perhaps will help defray the cost of leasing laptop computers next year by students with severe financial need.

Folks

WELCOME the following new employees: **Weimin Zheng**, part-time assistant professor in Learning Support, **Vicki Ray**, part-time instructor in Physical Education at NMTI, **Suzette Mitchell**, part-time Mathematics instructor in Learning Support; **Stephen Head**, part-time assistant Librarian; and **Cheryl Styles**, part-time assistant Librarian at NMTI.

Wendell Barnes, coordinator Interpreter Training Immersion Program, attended the Conference of Interpreter Trainers in Little Rock, AR, last week and will attend the Southeast Regional Institute on Deafness in Nashville, TN, November 2-5.

Tim Green, part-time instructor in PE, and his wife Beth welcomed twin baby girls to their family on October 18. Madelyn Ann and Cardin Elizabeth join 20-month-old sister Caroline Key.  Congratulations!

Sue Munn, assistant professor of English, moderated a session titled "Technology in the Text: Literary Cases Studies," at INTERFACE, the annual conference of the Humanities and Technology Association, which was held October 17 and 18 in Atlanta.

Susan Claxton, director, Haralson Center, **Mark Baker**, recruiting coordinator, and fifteen student volunteers represented Floyd College in the Bremen Town Fest on October 19.

Laura Musselwhite, assistant professor of History, was a discussant at "Communitarianism and Civil Society," a conference held at Berry College October 17.

Announcements

Floyd College's Black Awareness Society, believing that the celebration of Black History Month shouldn't be limited to February, but instead observed all year, will begin celebrating Black History Month during November.

Activities will include a November 13 appearance by Kemba, an actress who portrays famous African-American women, and a talk by Dr. Joseph Silver, vice chancellor of the Board of Regents on November 20.

Continuing education classes scheduled for November include:

Networking for Results
How to Prolong Your Success Cycle
Keyboarding
Microsoft Access
Microsoft Word
Floristry

Advanced Cake Decorating
The Small Business Development Center will offer the following seminars:

Home Based Business Ideas
The Weekend Entrepreneur

For information or to register for a class, call 706.295.6324.

The offices of Student Life and Counseling and Career Services will hold an open house Monday, November 4, 10 a.m.-1 p.m. and 5-7 p.m., at North Metro Tech.

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The Floyd College **Environmental Wetlands Laboratory** which opened last month, has received a \$7,000 donation from the **Coosa River Soil and Water Conservation Commission** to complete construction.

"The check is \$3,000 more than was originally pledged to the project because we are so impressed with the facility," said Graham Liles, executive director of the organization. "In our travels around the state this is the best educational wetlands site we have seen."

