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Construction Projects Slated for Summer

A construction project which will start with the renovation of the cafeteria serving and dining areas and culminate in the construction of a new classroom building will begin June 2. In addition, the dam at Paris Lake will undergo a \$272,500 repair in the next four months.

W.D. Roach of Woodstock has been awarded the \$191,000 bid for the renovation of the Cafeteria/Student Center area. Over the summer construction will take away the dining area now in front of the entrance of the food service area. That space will eventually become the private dining room. The current private dining room and the space in front of the Bookstore will be redesigned for a more efficient flow of service. This area should be completed before fall quarter begins.

A bid, which is to be let July 1, will include a 4,000 foot expansion of the dining area into the courtyard area in front of the Solarium. The Solarium itself will be opened up and connected to the main campus building to create a game room. The current pool room will be used as offices for the Six-Mile-Post.

The new building, which will be located north of the Administration Building will include classrooms, an art gallery, and a 300-seat auditorium. The 27,000 square-foot building is expected to cost \$3.5 million.

Faculty and staff members who park in the service lot behind the cafeteria need to be aware that this area will be closed for the duration of the construction project, as well as the first two rows of parking going towards the RESA building.

The repair of the dam at Paris Lake will take approximately four months. During that time the water level of the lake will be taken down about 10 feet, but the lake is not expected to be drained. The trail around the lake will be closed to pedestrian traffic, however, there will be access to the Wetlands Lab. The lake repair is being funded by MRR funds and year-end (leftover) money from the Board of Regents.

Another imminent project is the reroofing of Heritage Hall which is expected to be underway this summer.

DOE Shifts Technology Center to FC

In a move similar to others across the state the Department of Education State Board voted Wednesday to move the RESA Technology Center to Floyd College.

"I think this is a statewide move to strengthen the ties between the Board of Regents of the University System and the Board of Education," said President Lynn Cundiff.

The move will give Floyd
College four personnel, all of the
equipment currently in the Technology Center, including a GSAMS
classroom, the center's current
budget, and a budget for new
equipment.

"These are extremely talented individuals," Dr. Cundiff stated, "known across the state for their abilities. Their presence on our campus will greatly enhance what we are already planning and doing with the Information Technology Project."

The Technology Center employees will still have the responsibility to train K-12 teachers

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Congratulations to Nihal
Gunay, counselor, Steve Burns,
associate professor of Social Work,
Barbara Walden, senior secretary,
and students Emma Salter and Rob
Nasca, who made a presentation
titled "You Matter to Us: MentorsFor Peers & ASAP" at the Georgia
College Personnel Association's
annual conference last month that
was selected as the Outstanding
Program for the conference!

Phyllis N. Weatherly, director of Counseling and Career Services, and counseling interns Linda Quick and Donna Mantooth also attended the conference. Phyllis presented a program titled "Reclaiming Your Life: From Burnout to Balance."

Richard Barnett, part-time instructor in English, has an essay titled "The Bite of Original Sin" appearing in the 25th anniversary issue of Notre Dame Magazine, the alumni magazine of the University of Notre Dame.

Laura Morris, library assistant, will receive a five-year certificate during the Faculty/Staff Appreciation Dinner May 16. Her name was inadvertently left off the list in the last issue.

Keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers: *Elizabeth Booker*, plant operations, and her family upon the death of her sister, Shirley Turner, and *Rob Laltrello*, system support specialist, and his wife Kaycee, as their infant daughter, Sierra, recovers from surgery.

Welcome the following new employees: Stanley C. Bearden, security guard, Haralson site, Paul S. Hines, security specialist, L. Sharon Sewell, part-time instructor,

Haralson site, Marcia S. Callaway, part-time instructor, Haralson site, Roland A. Thornbury, part-time instructor, Cartersville Center, Arleen Simmons, part-time instructor, Cartersville Center, Jack Harris, part-time instructor, FC at NMTI, and Mary Lotero, part-time instructor.

Announcements

A free *blood and cholesterol screening* will be held Thursday, May 29, 9 a.m.-1 p.m. in the Student Center. The screening is sponsored by the Office of Student Life, HPER, the Division of Nursing, and Floyd Medical Center.

Floyd College is accelerating it's *Employee Training Program*, a series of computer education classes for faulty and staff, this May. The "Five Friday Frenzy," as this month's agenda is named, has been set up to prepare instructors for teaching using new technology as part of the Information Technical Project (ITP). The ITP was approved by the Board of Regents as a pilot project of the University System of Georgia, and will put laptop computers in the hands of every Floyd College student next fall.

The employee training courses, being taught on main campus, cover such topics as computer literacy, e-mail, Windows '95, Word 7.0, Power Point presentations, the Internet and web page design. These skills have been outlined by Floyd's academic affairs office as important to the success of the laptop project. Classes are being taught in three hour blocks on the five Fridays of May and class times alternate each week.

To register for a class, contact Dana Marko, training specialist, at 802-5136.

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for RESA, but will expand their services to include college faculty members and education majors from four-year colleges.

Members of Floyd College's Strategic Group and Academic Affairs Office are considering creating a new Division of Technology Support which would include the Technology Center, FCTV, GSAMS, Audio Visual services, and the ITP Help Desk. Any such changes, as well as the move of the Technology Center, will take place July 1.

RESA, the Regional Education Services Agency, is one of nine such training centers operated by the Department of Education. The Northwest Georgia RESA serves a ten-county area and 16 school systems, making it the second largest in the state. RESA offers training and continuing education to K-12 school teachers.

In 1993 the Floyd College Foundation constructed a 12,000 square-foot building on the Floyd College Campus for use by RESA. RESA will continue to use the building after the Technology Center is moved to the college's jurisdiction.