

## 365 To Graduate June 13

A record number of students will graduate from Floyd College this year during ceremonies scheduled for 10 a.m. Saturday, June 13, at the Forum in downtown Rome. The commencement address will be given by **Justice Robert Benham** of the Georgia Supreme Court.

The ceremony will include the presentation of two special awards: The President's Meritorious Award which will be presented to **Georgia Speaker of the House Tom Murphy**, and the Wesley C. Walraven Faculty Award which is not announced ahead of time.

**Regent Edgar Rhodes** will bring greetings from the Board of Regents, and **Bridgette Stewart**, *HPER Lab Assistant* will welcome the graduates into the Alumni Association.

This graduating class will include 15 students who will receive the Associate of Applied Science in Physical Therapist Assistant degree--the first graduates of this new program.

These will also be the last graduates to attend school under the Quarter calendar, since after 28 years the college (and the University System) will convert to the Semester system in the fall.

As in years past, the ceremony will be taped and broadcast over FCTV in the following weeks.



## FC Hosts Political Forum

The Floyd College Continuing Education Department will be hosting the first major political forum of the year on June 7, 1998, at Heritage Hall from 7-9:30 p.m.

Gubernatorial candidates from both political parties will be present for the Northwest Georgia Gubernatorial Forum which will be broadcast statewide on GPTV. The event is being coordinated by **Sarah Burkhalter**, *director of Continuing Education*, and **Doug**

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## Nurses Pinning, Honors Ceremonies June 11, 12

The traditional Nurses' Pinning Ceremony will be held Thursday, June 11, at 7 p.m. in the Forum in downtown Rome. The college's Honors' Ceremony will be held Friday, June 12, at 7 p.m., also in the Forum.

The Pinning Ceremony is a long-standing tradition full of imagery and emotion. The evening begins with a candlelight

processional of nursing graduates carrying the lamp of life, and as the program progresses, presentations of roses, bibles and nursing pins are made. **Barbara Rees, RN, DSN**, *professor of Nursing*, will be the Master of Ceremonies.

The Honors Night program will be coordinated by the Office of Student Life. **Ken Weatherman**, *professor of Physical Education*,

serves as the Master of Ceremonies.

The program includes presentations of academic, as well as leadership and service awards.

New this year will be the induction of a group of students into the National Creative Society.



# Folks

**Congratulations** to the following faculty members who were awarded tenure during this month's Board of Regents meeting: **Pauline Ruel**, assistant professor of Nursing Education, **Donna Daugherty**, associate professor of Biology, and **Alberta Johnson**, associate professor of Psychology and Education.

**Ken Weatherman**, professor of Physical Education, coauthored an article with Dr. Ken Matheny of Georgia State University titled "Predictors of Smoking Cessation and Maintenance." The article was published in the February edition of the *Journal of Clinical Psychology*, pages 1-13.

As part of the speakers series of the GLSA (Gay and Lesbian Student Alliance) at Kennesaw State University, **Ken Anderson**, associate professor of English, read poems from his book "The Intense Lover" this month. He also read "Prayer for My Neighbor," a poem which will be appearing in this year's *The Old Red Kimono*.

Keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers: Jack Mathis, father of **David Mathis**, lab coordinator for HPER, as he recovers from a stroke and surgery; **Frank Fricks**, part-time printing press operator in Public Information, as he recovers from surgery; Annie Alexander, mother of **Joannie Baker**, secretary in Public Information, who is recovering from surgery; Matt Dyer, son of **Linda Dyer**, secretary for the VP for Student Development, whose illness continues; **Brenda Gail Baldwin**, Foundation Member, upon the death of her brother, Kevin Eugene Sanders; and Jesse Nolen,

husband of **Betty Nolen**, associate professor of Accounting, who is recovering from surgery.

## Announcements

Requests for use of the Floyd College vehicles will now be processed by **Wayne Harrison**, facilities coordinator, in Plant Operations, rather than the President's Office.

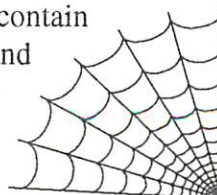
A reception to unveil this year's *Old Red Kimono*, the student literary magazine, will be held Monday, June 1, at 1:30 p.m. in the small dining room on the central campus. Everyone is invited to attend.

Three cheers for **Kim McBurnett**, PREP Coordinator, as she embarks on the third summer program for seventh graders. Up to 150 students from 9 schools in the surrounding counties will attend the Postsecondary Readiness Enrichment Program June 22-July 3. Any faculty or staff members who would like to volunteer to help with the program, should contact Kim at 706.295.6357.



Did you know that there are now an incredible **5,203** web pages on the Floyd College site?!!

The pages contain **2,081** images and **20,881** on-site links to other pages.



## NYSP Returns for 25th Year



Floyd College will be sponsoring its 25th annual summer camp June 15-July 24 as part of the National Youth Sports Program (NYSP).

The campus provides activities and guidance for economically disadvantaged children from Floyd, Gordon and Polk Counties. David Mathis, NYSP Project Administrator, is supervising the program.

The Floyd College program serves 350-400 youths ages 10-16 each year. The goal of the camp is to motivate the young people to learn self-respect through a program of sports instruction and competition.

Activities include supervised sports instruction in softball, soccer, volleyball and basketball, as well as classes in sailing and canoeing.

Enrichment classes will provide information on career and educational opportunities, study habits, drug and alcohol abuse and nutrition.

Academic and arts and crafts sessions will also be a part of the program.

Floyd's NYSP program is one of 173 held at colleges in 44 states. Last year, the Floyd program was awarded for being one of the top ten programs in the country.

## FC Hosts Gubernatorial Forum

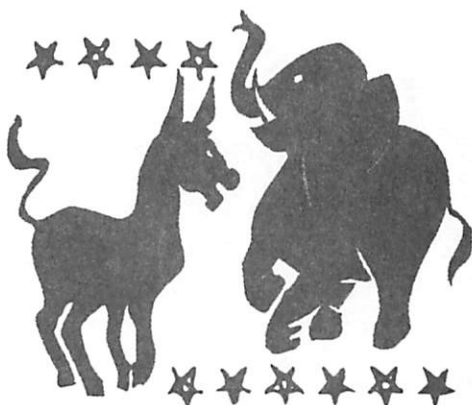
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*Walker, Events Coordinator for Centre Stage.*

"This is the first state-wide broadcast of this type from Floyd," said Walker. "I think it's a good opportunity for the college, and it will reflect positively on the Northwest Georgia community. It's important for us to put Rome on the map politically, to let them know we're here. The forum will help put us in the front tier of political exposure."

"I believe that the gubernatorial forum hosted by Floyd College and the Greater Rome Chamber of Commerce," said **Dr. Lynn Cundiff**, *Floyd College President*, "will help the candidates focus on this section of the state, our needs, and our strengths."

The Republicans will be taped from 7 p.m. until 8 p.m. and the Democrats from 8:15 p.m. until 9:15 p.m. Georgia Public TV will be broadcasting the forum on a tape delay basis. On Monday, June 8th, the Republican Party



debate will air at 7 p.m., and Tuesday June 9th will be the date of the airing of the Democrat debate, again at 7 p.m.

There are currently five Democratic candidates confirmed to attend the forum: **State Representative Roy Barnes** of Marietta, **State Senator Steve Langford** of Atlanta, **David Poythress** of Atlanta, **Morris James, Sr.** of Montezuma, **Dr. Carlton H. Myers** of Pine Mountain, and **Secretary of State Lewis Massey**.

Republican candidates who will attend are: **Michael Bowers** of Atlanta, **Nancy Schaefer** of Clarkesville, and **Bruce Hatfield** of Kennesaw. **Guy Milner** has declined.

Separate receptions for each party will be held before the taping of the show at the Heritage Hall building.

**Bill Nigut**, television personality at WSB TV in Atlanta, will serve as moderator for the evening and will be joined by a panel of three respected news journalists from the Northwest Georgia area including **John Willis** of the Rome News-Tribune.

Each candidate will be allowed to make an opening statement, followed by questions from the panel. Organizers have

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established the duel themes of Health Care and Education, which are dominant issues in this area.

"The GPTV crew is bringing a full remote setup," said Walker. "This is going to be produced like a live broadcast, though they're taping it to prevent any production glitches. No local media outlets will be allowed to carry the program live, but they will be able to get a feed to acquire sound bites."

Funding for the event is made possible by **Georgia Power**, **Bell South**, and **Redmond Regional Medical Center**.

### Want to See the Forum?

*Because of the limited seating in Centre Stage for the Gubernatorial Forum, the event is not open to the public.*

*The college will, however show the live event through GSAMS in the Nursing classroom in the Heritage Hall annex. Seating will be open there on a first-come, first-served basis.*