

# FLOYD College & Folks Features

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## System Records Highest-Ever Enrollment

In his final "State of the System" address delivered November 13, Chancellor Stephen R. Portch informed that "the University System of Georgia has never been better. It is stronger than at any point in its 70-year history."

"We have the highest SAT scores ever, we have the most students ever," Portch stated. "This is the best class in the System's history."

The chancellor cited that the final Semester Enrollment Report for fall 2001 reflects 217,546 students — the highest headcount enrollment ever recorded in the University System's history. The new record represents a 5.7 percent increase over last fall's enrollment of 205,878, and far surpasses the System's previous all-time-high of 206,484 students, originally set in fall 1995.

The System also recorded an impressive 6.1 percent increase in the number of credit hours taken in Fall 2001. This represents a continuing recovery from a decline during the conversion to the semester calendar.

Highlighting the Admissions Policy Direction as the "cornerstone" of his tenure as chancellor, Portch also took pride in the record-high average SAT scores being reported, which moved from 994 in fall 1995 to

## Bartow Challenge Campaign Underway

The Challenge Campaign to match a \$120,000 gift to the Bartow College Foundation is now underway, according to Advancement Officer Judy Taylor.

"The solicitation was originally scheduled for the first of October," said Ms. Taylor, "but because of the events taking place around the country at that time, the committee decided to postpone the campaign."

Since its formation in January 1999 to support the proposed \$19 million Bartow Center, the Foundation has raised more than \$450,000. The "challenge" donation, by an anonymous

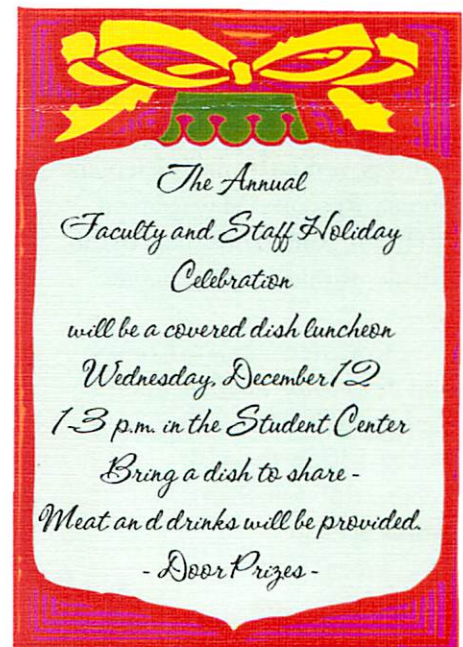
donor, will match dollar for dollar money raised in this new effort up to \$120,000. If successful, the Foundation will have an endowment of more than \$690,000.

"We are so impressed with the leadership of the Cartersville/Bartow Community," said Ms. Taylor. "The community's vision and commitment to the new campus is an initial endowment that, prior to the opening of the new facility, will approach the \$1 million mark!"

Construction on the center is scheduled to begin in 2002.

1,026 in fall 2001. In addition, traditional freshmen enrollment in System-required remedial courses (learning support) dropped from 27 percent in fall 1995 to 15 percent this fall. Portch said these achievements are the result of the Board's 1995 decision to impose higher admissions requirements on Georgia students - requirements implemented throughout the System this fall.

Floyd College's enrollment was up 14.8 percent with 2,400 students. The equivalent full time (EFT) count is 1,620--also 14.8 percent over last year's number. Only Bainbridge College, Coastal Georgia Community College, and Dalton State College had a greater percentage of increase in enrollment. Five institutions lost enrollment.



*The Annual  
Faculty and Staff Holiday  
Celebration  
will be a covered dish luncheon  
Wednesday, December 12  
1-3 p.m. in the Student Center  
Bring a dish to share -  
Meat and drinks will be provided.  
- Door Prizes -*



# Folks

Welcome the following new employees: **Wayne Jones**, *controller*, and **Tabitha Holloway**, *secretary* at the NMTC center.

**Greg Sumner**, *assistant professor of Criminal Justice*, presented two seminars last month titled *Crime Prevention and Personal Safety: On and Off the Clock*. The sessions were presented to the staffs of the Northwest Georgia Credit Union and the Department of Family and Children's Services.

**Harvey Moody**, *associate professor of Chemistry*, presented a seminar and conducted two workshops titled "More Time for Science: Using Computer Interfaces in Your Science Laboratories" at the Virginia Association of Science Teachers Conference in Richmond, Virginia last month.

**John Reiners**, *human resources director*, presented a program on Professional Certification in Human Resources at the recent USG HR Association meeting held in Savannah. Certification in HR is governed by the Society for Human Resource Management (SHRM). John is president of the Greater Rome SHRM chapter.

Congratulations to Christy and **Jonathan Twilley**, upon the birth of their daughter, Rachel Elizabeth on November 26! Jonathan works in Plant Operations.

Keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers: **Steve Burns**, *professor of Social Work*, and his family; **Harriet Kiser**, *associate professor of Math*, upon the death of her father, Bud Higgins; **Rae Moody**, *Bookstore clerk*, and **Harvey Moody**, *associate professor of Chemistry*, upon the death of Rae's father, Rapha Smith.

## Announcements

The Floyd College chapter of the American Criminal Justice Association, that was formed last year, has completed its annual service project. The group has raised \$500 for the Heart of the Community Foundation. The money will go towards funding the newly built heart house located on the property of Redmond Regional Medical Center. Greg Sumner, assistant professor of Criminal Justice is advisor for the group.

The conversion of purchasing, payroll and all financial systems of the college to **PeopleSoft** will take place the first week of December and will be completed by December 10. This has been a five-month conversion process for the college.

The **Floyd College Foundation's** annual Monte Carlo Gala that was held on November 10 netted approximately \$10,000.

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**Jeff Patty**, *director of Computer Services*, reports that the installation of the new campus-wide **phone system** is awaiting the arrival of DOAS workers and will hopefully begin this month.

This semester will mark the first time that **students' grades** will not be mailed to them. They will be able to check their grades electronically after December 18 on the SCORE, a secure student log-in website.

According to **Doug Webb**, *director of Plant Operations*, work on the Walraven Building roof is progressing and should be completed by the end of January.

