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Building for the Future



Construction is moving along on Floyd College's Bartow Campus. The contractors report that underground plumbing and electrical work is complete, and that all footings, all ground floor columns, and the east end retaining wall have all been formed and poured. Estimated completion date at this time is February 25, 2005.





Holidays on Tuesday, December 23, 20 at 3:30 p.m. and will reopen on Friday, January 2. The workday on January 2 will be from 8:30 a.m.-5 pm.

Floyd College Becomes Tobacco Free

The President's Cabinet, with the endorsement of the Student Engagement Council and the College Environmental Health and Safety Committee, has announced that Floyd College and all campus locations will become tobacco/smoke free effective January 1, 2004. Smoking by individuals entering onto college property will be confined to their vehicles.

The move was made "because of our continued concern for the health and safety of our faculty, staff, students and guests on our campuses," stated President Randy Pierce.

"With the use of tobacco products on the rise, particularly among our younger populations, we feel this is an opportunity to emphasize our commitment to best health practices and a cleaner and healthier environment," he continued.

A Holiday Luncheon will be held Wednesday, December ID, in the Lakeview Building. All faculty and staff are invited. Participants are asked to bring a covered dish to the event—the meat will be provided. The Employee Ambassadors will also be collecting for Tays for Tats at this time.

Folks

Sue Munn, associate professor of English, facilitated a discussion of debate topics in the English in the Two-Year College division at the South Atlantic Modern Language Association (SAMLA), a regional English conference held in Atlanta on November 14-16. Debate topics for the discussion group which Ms. Munn facilitated included "The Argument for/against Using Computers in the Classroom," "Online Classes versus Traditional Classroom Interaction," and "The Rhetorical Patterns vs. A Creative Non-fiction Approach in Teaching Freshman Composition." For the 2004-2005 year, Ms. Munn has been selected to serve as secretary of the English in the Two-Year College division of SAMLA.

Kim McBurnett, assistant professor of Education, conducted a presentation at the Students First: Success for All workshop held at Kennesaw State University on November 13. The presentation was titled "Helping Children Cope with Grief in the Classroom Setting."

Wendell Barnes, director of the Interpreter Training Program, participated as an artistic shadow interpreter for an event to celebrate the State of Ohio's Bicentennial on November 10-16 in Columbus, Ohio. He was asked to interpret for a production entitled "Footsteps in Ohio," a dramatic reading format original production that was based on oral history stories gleaned from citizens in Ohio covering the 200 years in the state's history. The production had four performances at the Davis Discovery Center, and was originated by Footsteps of the Elders, a senior theatre company in Columbus, where he serves as the company interpreter.

Barbara Rees, chair of the division of Health Sciences, visited

Northwest College in Powell, Wyoming October 26-31. The visit was part of the National League for Nursing Accrediting Commission (NLNAC) accreditation review of that college. Northwest College is a two-year residential college that also offers an associate's degree in Nursing.



Mary Louise Lever (left), Floyd College Foundation Board member, came in second place in a televised cooking contest in Japan last month.

Debbie Holmes, Head Librarian, was elected chair of the ACRL division of the Georgia Library Association at the COMO (Ga. Council of Media Organizations) convention that was held on Jekyll Island last month.

Frank Minor, associate professor of English, is serving as the dramaturge for the Berry College production of Tennessee Williams' play Summer and Smoke.

Virginia Carson, vice president for Academic Affairs, gave her final report to the Board of Directors of the American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges at the 2003 Conference in Salt Lake City on November 12. She has concluded a five-year term as Editor of The AMATYC Review, the refereed journal of the organization.

Keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers: the family of *Bill Riley, part-time security guard*, who died last month; *Cherry Denney*, *senior administrative secretary*, in Continuing Education upon the death of her father James Chandler Floyd.

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A nnouncements

Dental Hygiene will hold an Open House for their new clinical site on the second floor of Heritage Hall on Friday, December 12, 12 noon-2 p.m. Contact Donna Miller, director of the Dental Hygiene program, at 706.295.6760 for more information.

The Floyd College State Charitable Contributions Campaign raised nearly \$8,500 in donations. The donations total is up six percent from last year's total and just \$300 shy from the record amount of \$8,815 raised in 2001.

While the college did not reach its projected participation goal of 70%, overall employee participation increased to 43% as compared to participation in 2002 of 33%.

"Considering that we are in tough economic times, I am pleased with the overall results of the Campaign," says *Ken Reaves*, *director of Human Resources* and campaign chair. "We increased our participation level from last year and, once again, Floyd College has displayed its heart by helping the committee with donations."