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College's Two Foundations to Merge

Following several months of negotiations, the Floyd College Foundation and the Cartersville/Bartow College Foundation recently voted to merge. According to *Judy Taylor*, *director of Advancement*, "This action was taken as a result of the trustees' understanding of the college's emerging role as a regional, multi-campus institution, their desire to support our regional identity and commitment to develop a comprehensive, regional campaign strategy."

The vote was taken during December board meetings in Rome and Cartersville, and the process is expected to take approximately 3-4 months to complete. The new board will combine the strength and experience of the Floyd College Foundation with the energy and commitment of the Cartersville/Bartow College Foundation. According to *President Randy Pierce*, "The result is a winning combination that will benefit the institution, communities and students that we serve."

Floyd's Enrollment Growth in National Top 20

Floyd College ranks among the top 20 two-year colleges in the nation in record enrollment growth according to a recent trend study.

The study conducted by *Community College Week*, a biweekly periodical, lists Floyd College as 17th out of the top 50 fastest growing two-year colleges in the country that serve 2,500 to 4,999 students. The annual analysis of the "Fastest Growing Community Colleges" reports that Floyd College had a 19.3 percent enrollment increase from fall 2001 to fall 2002. The periodical's study, published in its December 8 issue, is based on a total of 968 two-year colleges in the country that reported their enrollment data.

The study's results come at a time when Floyd College has already set a new record for enrollment with fall 2003. This fall the college saw an 18 percent increase over fall 2002 numbers with a total of 3,369 students enrolled, which equals a 40 percent increase over fall 2001.

The institution's enrollment numbers have been increasing steadily since last year. Both spring and fall 2003 semesters have exceeded benchmark figures set in 2002. Floyd College was also named the fastest growing institution in the University System of Georgia by Chancellor Thomas C. Meredith earlier this year based on record enrollment for fall 2002 and spring 2003 semesters.

NYSP Top 10 in Nation

Floyd College has once again been selected to receive a meritorious award from the National Youth Sports Program (NYSP) for the college's outstanding participation in its 2003 program. The college will receive the award during the 2004 NYSP national workshop in Washington, D.C. in February.

As Floyd enters its 32nd year of hosting the program, the meritorious award places the college's NYSP camp among the top ten in the nation out of a total of 204 participating schools. The award recognizes the college's continuing efforts to better serve area children involved in the camp, including the Hispanic liaison that the college added to increase the involvement of the local Hispanic community, and the 13 former NYSP campers who worked during the 2003 program. NYSP also plans to make special acknowledgments to *David* Mathis, project administrator, and Michael Jenkins, activity director, for their leadership during the camp.

NYSP is a six-week summer camp funded by a grant from the federal government and the Department of Health and Human Services. The camp is conducted by the National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) for disadvantaged youths ages 10 – 16 from surrounding counties, including Floyd, Gordon and Polk.

Folks

Virginia M. Carson, vice



president for Academic Affairs, has been selected to be a 2004 Examiner for the Georgia Oglethorpe Award. Georgia Oglethorpe is a

nonprofit public-private partnership that provides services to Georgia's business, industry, government, education, healthcare, and nonprofit organizations. The Criteria for Performance Excellence are the same Criteria used to determine recipients of the Malcolm Baldrige National Quality Award.



Ralph Peters, professor of Sociology, has recently had a CD titled "Useful Fictions," released. The CD, produced by Katerica Productions, includes 15 songs for

which he provided the words and music.

Dudley Salley, professor of



Economics, attended the Allied Social Science Association Meeting in San Diego, California from December 28 – January 6. The

meeting featured presentations on general economic subjects with over 450 scholarly sessions held.

Ken Caruthers, chief photographer for Six Mile Post, and Josh Grubb, photographer for Six Mile Post, attended the Atlanta Photojournalism Seminar on December 5. The seminar offered workshops conducted by professional photographers, including information on lighting, documentary and sports photography.



A nnouncements

A number of faculty members are recipients of *Floyd College's Distance Learning Development Grants*. Faculty receiving these awards will create materials for on-line delivery or a hybrid combination of online and in-class instruction, offering students more selections of learning opportunities.

The faculty members who will create a full course are:

Stephanie Harris, instructor of Mathematics (Math 1111 online); Billy Morris, associate professor of Geology (Physical Geology online); Dana Pergrem, instructor of Communication (Communication 1100 hybrid); Mark Pergrem, instructor of Physics (Customizable Format for Physical Science I); John Reiners, associate professor of Business and Economics (Principles of Macro-Economics Hybrid); Pinghua Wang, associate professor of Mathematics (Math 1113 Online);

These additional faculty members will create supplemental materials for a course:

Brian Barr, assistant professor of Art (Instructional Art Website and Virtual Gallery); Simon Grist, associate professor of Instructional Technology (Practice Tests and Tutorials for the Regents' Reading Test); Sheila McCoy, professor of French, Spanish, and English (Tutorial Modules in Spanish and French); Pinghua Wang, associate professor of Mathematics (Math 1101 Testing Tools).

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SMB

The curriculum committee has approved the academic credit for the "cancer course" being offered through Floyd College's nursing program. RN-BSN students who have completed the *Georgia Cancer Coalition course* will be granted three hours of credit, which will satisfy their elective course requirements.



Floyd College Division of Social & Cultural Studies presents an art show featuring the work of Jess Hinshaw titled "Convalescence" January 27-February 2, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. A reception will be held Thursday, January 29, 6-8 p.m. in the Lakeview Building Gallery.