

## Probe Fair Draws Area High Schools



On October 15, seven area high schools bussed their students to the PROBE Fair, held in the Lakeview auditorium at Floyd College. More than 500 seniors attended so that they could meet representatives from regional colleges in Georgia, Tennessee and Alabama. Seven schools were represented: Rome, Chattooga, Model, Pepperell, Armuchee, Coosa and Gordon Central. College president J. Randy Pierce said, "The benefit of a PROBE fair is that students who may not have considered college or been exposed to their offerings can explore new possibilities and get excited about their futures."



## United Way Campaign Kicks Off On All Campuses

The United Way Campaign kicked off at Floyd College on Friday, October 29 and will continue through Tuesday, November 30. Last year, Floyd ranked third in gift donations from among the 13 two-year colleges in the University System. We were able to contribute \$8,511.50 to the various charities in our community, a seven percent increase from 2002. As you consider your contribution, please remember that your donation will benefit someone in your own community, including children and the elderly. If you haven't already, you will receive a packet with a contribution form and listing of charities. Let's make this year's Floyd College contribution bigger than 2003.

## Congratulations

The dental association accreditation site visit to the Floyd College Dental Hygiene Department has been successfully completed with the excellent news that they have received two commendations - one for the department faculty and one for the department advisory committee.

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# Belly Dancing Is All the Rage



The Office of Continuing Education has discovered an unexpectedly strong interest in belly dancing, one of its course offerings at Heritage Hall. Women enjoy the art form, but also benefit from the exercise, which tones muscles and provides a cardiovascular work-out. According to the American Council on Exercise, belly dancing has become the latest alternative to traditional workouts. It is considered a non-impact, weight-bearing form of exercise that

helps reduce the risk of osteoporosis. Belly dancing can burn up to 300 calories an hour with minimal stress on the knees, shins and feet. It also reduces tightness in the head, neck and shoulder by gently stretching muscles in those areas.

New classes will begin November 2 (through December 16), on Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6 to 7 p.m. in Heritage Hall's Centre Stage. The registration fee is \$65.



*President J. Randy Pierce recently awarded a Coca Cola Foundation scholarship to second-year nursing student Judith MacDonald. Each year, Coke's foundation provides 400 scholarships of \$1,000 each to students attending two-year colleges.*

## Faculty/Staff Meeting Heralds Good News

There was good news all around on Wednesday, October 27 when faculty and staff met for the fall gathering. Judy Taylor announced that 76 percent of the faculty had contributed to the family (college) fund-raising campaign; 96 percent of the staff had contributed and 95 percent of the administration had pledged.



Amounts raised to date amounted to more than \$15,000, compared to just over \$4,000 last year. Pledges for the next five years from the Floyd College family total \$45,000. These contributions, in combination with those from alumni and the community at large, will help fund a number of important initiatives for the college.

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Ken Davis, publications editor, and Jeff Brown director of the extended learning program, both received recognition awards for outstanding contributions to the college. Each earned the attention of the University System for work undertaken for the System, but under the auspices of Floyd College.

Davis designed materials promoting study abroad programs for the European Council. Brown produced videos for institutions within the University System to use to recruit students in the study-abroad program.