

ADN Nursing Students Elected to State Offices



Two Bainbridge College students in the Associate of Science in Nursing Degree Program were elected to office at the annual Georgia Association of Nursing Students State Conference. Bainbridge Association of Nursing Students (BANS) members seen here at the event in Athens are (left-right) Larry Hancock and Jason Tabb, who were elected to offices, David Curry, Krista Hitson, Wendy Strickland, Will Tyus, Charity Trawick, Dorothy Marshburn and BANS Advisor Rhonda Payne.

Two members of Bainbridge Association of Nursing Students (BANS) at Bainbridge College, who are in the Associate of Science in Nursing Degree Program, were elected to office at the annual Georgia Association of Nursing Students (GANS) State Conference. They were among eight BANS members to attend the conference called "The Many Faces of Nursing."

Among those many faces were Bainbridge residents Larry Hancock, who was elected to the Nominations and Elections Committee South District, and BC freshman Jason Tabb, who was elected South District director. In addition to the two elected, BC students attending were Krista Hitson of Climax, Dorothy Marshburn of Bainbridge and Will Tyus of Brinson, who served as delegates, and Bainbridge residents David Curry, who was an alternate delegate, Wendy Strickland, and Charity Trawick.

They actively participated in the House of Delegates, debating resolutions, giving speeches, and voting on issues affecting nursing education at state and national levels, said BANS Advisor Rhonda Payne, who accompanied the group to the Oct. 15-18, 2009, conference in Athens. Students learned excellent nursing content in classes at the conference, she said.

In addition to specific duties for Georgia, Hancock and Tabb represented GANS at the National Association of Nursing Students Conference in April. The new board met after the BANS conference to establish goals for the year consistent with the 2009-10 GANS theme, "Spring into Nursing...Fall into Your Career." GANS is the official state organization for students enrolled in registered nurse programs in Georgia.

"Participation in professional organizations enhances the nursing knowledge and professionalism of individuals and is critical to the nursing profession," said Ms. Payne. "I am very proud of the way that this group of students represented Bainbridge College and their profession."