

HAPPENINGS

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Technical Studies Implements Work Ethics in Curriculum

Employers know the importance of demonstrated work ethics in their employees. Thanks to the Division of Technical Studies and the Georgia Department of Technical and Adult Education (GDTAE), students will receive training in work ethics traits while completing coursework in a technical program.

Since January, all classes taught through Technical Studies include a weekly instructional emphasis related to work ethics. Students will then be evaluated by their instructors on both their coursework and their grasp of work ethics concepts.

The GDTAE consulted with businesses and industries to identify ten work ethic traits that should be taught and practiced to develop a viable and effective workforce.

These work ethic traits include: attendance, character, teamwork, appearance, attitude, productivity, organizational skills, communication, cooperation, and respect. Activities related to each trait have been designed to develop and enhance each student's work ethic.

This program emphasizes that work ethics is a behavior that must be explored, modeled, and reinforced. Students experience applied activities related to all ten of the work ethic traits.

"The goal of the program is to provide business and industry with trained workers who possess both strong occupational skills and good work habits," stated Tech Prep Coordinator Joe Miller. "We plan to check with area businesses regard-

ing any noticeable improvements in the work ethics traits of students who have been through the program as a means of evaluating its effectiveness."

Although BC adopted and implemented the Work Ethics Program in 1991, the Work Ethics Program Plan implementing actual instructional components in the curriculum was not formalized until this year.

"The importance of work ethics affects the United States' competitiveness in the global marketplace because of its contribution to higher productivity and quality products and services," Miller commented. "This quality workforce further increases the marketability of Georgia to business and industry."



Tech Studies faculty participate in a staff development orientation of the state mandated work ethics program. Since January, all classes taught through the Division of Technical Studies include a weekly instructional emphasis related to work ethics subject to evaluation by the instructor. Here, Dr. Roger Ivey (right) explains the plan to BC faculty members (from left to right) Don Huskey, Shirley Beck, Bettye White, and Donnie Fordham.

Sympathy to Student Activities Night Supervisor and adjunct instructor Natasha Gordon on the loss of her grandmother.

Condolences to the family of retired Security Guard James Clark (1979-1993) who passed away January 25 in Fitzgerald.

On The Go

A new species of freshwater snail, *Elimia mihalcikai*, was named for **Instructor of Biology Dr. Elizabeth Mihalcik** in recognition of her studies on pleurocerid systematics. The species was one of four discovered in the Coosa River System near Anniston, Alabama.

WIA Adult Case Manager and Minority Advising Program (MAP) Co-Chair Horace Taylor attended the Minority Advising Program/Minority Recruitment Officers' Fall Conference at Fort Valley State University.

Seminole County High School students learned about the new articulation agreement between SCHS and BC from speaker and **Tech Prep Coordinator Joe Miller**.

WIA Adult Case Manager Horace Taylor successfully completed 120 hours of training in the Career Development Facilitator Curriculum and is eligible to apply for National Certification as a Career Development Facilitator. The training was given by Kennesaw State University Continuing Education Department - Project IDEAS at Albany Technical College.

The fourth grade class at Elcan King Elementary School learned about the San Diego Zoo from a presentation by **Tech Prep Coordinator Joe Miller**.

UPCOMING CAMPUS EVENTS

- 2/1 Colors of the World
Sponsored by Performing Arts Club
6 p.m., Student Center
- 2/2 Social Science Fair
4 p.m., Student Center
- 2/4 Senior Ambassadors Mtg.
10 a.m., Student Center
- 2/6 Faculty Friendly Day
Cookout for faculty
Sponsored by SGA
- 2/9 Regional Science Fair
4:30 p.m., Student Center
- 2/12 Valentine Raffle Drawing
Sponsored by BC Alumni Association
- 2/14 Valentine's Day Carnations and Heart-o-Grams
Sponsored by SGA
- 2/14 PTK/CDCC Valentine Reception
10 a.m.-2 p.m., CDCC
- 2/15 Frederick Douglass Performance
5:30 p.m., Student Center
- 2/19 SGA Blood Drive
9 a.m.-2 p.m.
Between Bldgs. 200-300
- 2/20 Bingo Spaghetti Supper
Sponsored by SGA
3-6 p.m., Student Center
- 3/6 SGA Bake Off
- 3/9 Math Tournament

BC Welcomes

Becca Martin
Coordinator,
Project Updraft

Linda Casey
Interim Director,
Financial Aid

Stephanie Sellars
Interim Assistant,
Financial Aid

Berley Hadley
Youth Case Manager,
WIA

Debra Watson
Temporary Job Skills Instructor,
WIA

Get well wishes go out to Sarah Griffin who is undergoing treatment for melanoma.

Appointments

Admissions Counselor Connie Snyder to Interim Director of Admissions.

CALC Coordinator Joyce Register to Information Analyst I.

Farewell

Instructor of Political Science Dr. Robert Wilkes recently resigned his position.

Director of Admissions Dr. Karen Hill who has accepted a position with Flint River Technical College in Thomaston.

Appointed to a committee? Graduated? Recently married or had a baby? Let the campus know! E-mail your good news to vbeynon by the 15th of the previous month and look for it in an upcoming issue. This newsletter is published bi-monthly by the Office of College Relations.

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