

HAPPENINGS

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Faculty and Staff Earn Honors



President Brock and Vice-President Gingras pose with Meritorious Award winners (from l. to r.) Larry McConnell, Dr. Roger Ivey, Dr. Barbara Frieling, and Linda Casey. Other award winners recognized at the BC Honors' Night included Shirley Beck - Rick Perkins Technical Studies Faculty Award; Renee Comerford - Julia P. White Scholarship; Phi Theta Kappa Georgia All-Star Academic Team; Ben Gunter - Sigma Kappa Delta Award; Janis Hanks - Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges; Patti Lord - GEA-Georgia Educator of the Year; Horace Taylor - Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.

BC Remembers Sarah Griffin



Retired Instructional Services Secretary Sarah Griffin passed away on May 23 with friends and family by her side.

A tireless worker who was remembered for her sunny smile and her optimistic outlook, Griffin made coming to work a little more fun each day.

A graduate of Bainbridge High School, she attended BC, was a member of Phi Theta Kappa, and worked in the Transfer Office from 1992 until her retirement in 2001. Over the years, the BC family showed their appreciation by honoring her with a Staff Meritorious Award and a Student Government Apprecia-

tion Award.

She and her husband, Dick, a BHS teacher, and their daughter, Judy, a BC alumnus and employee of Valdosta State University, made Bainbridge their home. An active member of the First Baptist Church of Bainbridge and the Bainbridge Pilot Club, she never let her illness affect her attitude toward herself or others.

Memorial contributions may be made to Hospice of Southwest Georgia, 1323 E. Shotwell St., Bainbridge, GA 31717 or to First Baptist Church, 401 E. Shotwell St., Bainbridge, GA 31717.



9/11 Victims Remembered

BC faculty and staff members looked on as Vice-President for Academic Affairs Dr. Rob Gingras raised the specially designed flag commemorating the heroes who lost their lives fighting back against the terrorists on United Flight 93 last September 11. Specially designed by an anonymous Southwest Georgian, the flag includes the last words heard by one of the passengers, Todd Beamer, before they acted. After flying over BC, the flag will continue its journey to Valdosta State University until it has flown over all of the System institutions in Georgia. Upon completion of its rounds, the flag will be presented to Todd Beamer's widow and daughter on the anniversary of the crash.

On The Go

Developmental Studies Chair Dr. Carol Adams, Associate Professor of Mathematics Patti Lord, Instructor of Mathematics Ray Norton, Instructor of Reading Dr. Princess Palmer, Instructor of Developmental English Bettye Fox, and Counselor Shannon Sutton attended the University System of Georgia 26th Annual Learning Support Conference at Jekyll Island. **Dr. Adams**, who serves as a member of the executive committee of the University System of Georgia Learning Support Advisory Committee that coordinated the conference, presided at a workshop and chaired a focus group during the three-day meeting. **Dr. Palmer** presented a paper entitled "The Real Reasons Students Fail the COMPASS" based on the research she conducted at BC in the fall which was funded in part by the BC Foundation.

New Bookstore Groundbreaking



Next spring, students at Bainbridge College will be purchasing their books and supplies in a new bookstore currently under construction. Attached to the old bookstore, the site was the scene of a groundbreaking ceremony with students and staff alike participating in the event including (Front row-from l. to r.) Jonas Norman, Janice Pearce, Patrina Newton, Felicia Emanuel, Misty Merritt. (Back Row-from l. to r.) Wynn Powell, Al Cox, Dr. Cliff Brock.

Congratulations

Associate Professor of Secretarial Science Shirley Beck recently won the BC Rick Perkins Award for Excellence in Technical Education. She earns the chance to compete among instructors at the Department of Technical and Adult Education consortia level. The award recognizes technical college instructors who make significant contributions to technical education through innovation and leadership in their fields.

Assistant Comptroller Paula Grollman was elected Chair of the University System of Georgia Human Resources Association.

NCTW/WIA Program Coordinator Marilyn Melton graduated magna cum laude from Albany State University with her bachelor's degree in early childhood education.

Director of College Relations Valerie Beynon received an Award of Distinction and a Judges' Award from the Capital Chapter of the Florida Public Relations Association for the redesigned BC Admissions Application brochure.

Director of Financial Aid Linda Casey won the Outstanding New Professional in Georgia Award from the Georgia Association for Student Financial Aid Administrators.

In Memoriam

Condolences to the family of retired **Instructional Services Senior Secretary Sarah Griffin** (see front page).

CALENDAR

6/6	Dr. Stephen Tilford Concert First Baptist Church 7 p.m.
6/19	Midterm, "A" Term
6/25	Regents' Test, 1:30 pm and 6:00 p.m.
6/26	Last Day of Class for "A" Term
6/27	Final Exam for "A" Term
7/1	Midterm, Regular Term
7/1	First Day of Class for "B" Term
7/4-5	Independence Day Holiday: College Offices Closed: No Saturday Classes
7/9	Fall Early Bird Registration - 8 a.m.-6 p.m.
7/18	Midterm, "B" Term
7/29	Last Day of Summer Classes
8/12	Faculty Orientation
8/13	Fall Registration 8-11:30 a.m. and 5:30-7 p.m.
8/16	First Day of Fall Classes
9/2	Labor Day Holiday No Saturday Classes 8/31

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