

HAPPENINGS

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BC Welcomes Poitevint to Board of Regents



Mrs. Doreen Poitevint (center) of Bainbridge accepts congratulations from Chancellor Thomas Meredith (left) and Governor Sonny Perdue after being sworn in (inset with husband, Alec) as the newest At-Large Regent on the Georgia Board of Regents of the University System of Georgia. She currently serves as Chairman-Elect of the BC Foundation.

Hall Published in New York Times

Only six days before his 28th birthday, Bainbridge College Speech Instructor Wynton C. Hall had an Op-Ed article appear in *The New York Times* with Richard B. Wirthlin, Ronald Reagan's strategist and pollster.

The article, "The Pause that Diminishes," (www.nytimes.com/2004/02/24/opinion/24WIRT.html?ex=1078598297&ei=1) offered readers a strategic analysis of the 2004 presidential contest. The authors also included an excerpt from a May 26, 1980 private memorandum sent from Wirthlin to then Governor Reagan. In it, Wirthlin counseled Reagan that his opponent (Jimmy Carter) could use the period between winning a party's nomination and the national presidential conventions—what Wirthlin calls "the political doldrums"—to redefine Reagan's image. Likewise, Wirthlin and Hall argued, the upcoming period of time between John Kerry winning his party's primaries and the actual conventions could pose series dangers for the Senator from Massachusetts.

Op-Ed articles in the *NY Times* are often regarded as the "Super Bowl" of political writing. According to the editor of the Op-Ed page, David Shipley,



Hall

roughly 1,200 unsolicited submissions flood into his office every week. Because the Op-Ed page has room for only 1,200 words of type, spots on the page are fiercely competitive and highly coveted.

Hall is currently writing a book with Wirthlin. Their book will chronicle Wirthlin's 36-year relationship with President Reagan.

White Named Perkins Award Winner

Assistant Professor of Computer Information Systems Ben White recently won the BC Rick Perkins Award for Excellence in Technical Education.



White

He earns the chance to compete among instructors at the Department of Technical and Adult Education consortia level. Winners from each of the six consortia continue to compete at the state level.

The award recognizes technical college instructors who make significant contributions to technical education through innovation and leadership in their fields. The award is named for the late Thomas "Rick" Perkins, an instructor at West Central Technical College.

According to his supervisor, BC Technical Studies Chair Dr. Karen Hill, "Mr. White is an excellent instructor who is an expert in the computer field. His students admire both his teaching ability and his depth of knowledge of the courses he teaches. We are proud of Mr. White and that he is serving as the Bainbridge College faculty representative to the state for 2004."

White, who has been with BC since 1992, earned his Associate of Applied Science in computer information systems from Bainbridge College, his Bachelor of Science in psychology and Master of Science in Information Studies from Florida State University and is the President of the BC Alumni Association and co-adviser of the BC Computer Users Group. He and his wife, Lisa Reeves, make their home in Bainbridge.

On The Go

Academic Affairs Coordinator Barbara Stephens attended the 108th Annual Meeting of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools in Nashville.

Retired Chair of Arts and Sciences Dr. Ray Chambers recently submitted several articles for publication in the New Georgia Encyclopedia. He has also chaired panels or presented papers at the last two Georgia Political Science Association conferences.

Director of College Relations Valerie Beynon recently submitted articles for publication in the New Georgia Encyclopedia.

Instructor of History Michael Kirkland recently co-authored an article on Vernon Jordan with freshman Clint Long of Cairo for the New Georgia Encyclopedia.

Interim Vice-President of Student Affairs Dr. Joe Miller recently presented two sessions at the 8th Annual Georgia Tech Prep Conference in Atlanta and published the article "Work Ethic of Today's Youth - A New Look at an Old Problem" will appear in the June issue of *Psychology and Education - An Interdisciplinary Journal*.

Instructor of Administrative Office Technology Tatyana Pashnyak attended the Sixth Marine Corps Districts Educator's Workshop on Parris Island, South Carolina. She also attended the Chi Alpha campus ministry leaders conference in Atlanta.

Professor of English and Humanities Dr. Barbara Frieling has been selected for inclusion in the eighth edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers 2004*.

An article by **Assistant Professor of English Dr. Jennifer Hobgood**, "I will sign, but it shall be in Flames': Eliza Haywood's Critique of Contract" will be published this spring in the *Journal for Early Modern Cultural Studies*. She also presented a paper at the Annual Conference of the Southeastern Society for Eighteenth-Century Studies in Savannah.

Assistant Professor of Biology Dr. Robert Stinson will present "Use of Card Tricks in Teaching Difficult Concepts" at the Annual Conference of Teaching Matters: Tradition, Innovation and the Making of Students at Gordon College.

Instructor of Speech Communication Wynton Hall and BC sophomore Jessica Schneider presented "Revisiting 'The Dream' 40 Years Later: Dispositio and Elocutio in Martin Luther King's 'I Have a Dream Speech, at the 16th Annual International Association of Business Disciplines conference in San Antonio. Their presentation has also been accepted in the refereed journal of *Business Research Yearbook*.

Associate Professor of Developmental English Dr. Carol Adams has been selected for inclusion in the eighth edition of *Who's Who Among America's Teachers 2004*.

Instructor of Political Science/Geography Dr. John Vanzo will present "Geopolitical Ramifications of the Israeli Security Barrier: Evaluation and Policy Recommendations," at the 2004 American Political Science Association Annual Meeting in Chicago.

Assistant Professor of English Dr. Patrick Smith presented "Paternity Test: Harry Crews's Debt to Faulkner's *As I Lay Dying*" at the Georgia-Carolinas College English Association at Valdosta State University. He also lead an Artsfest workshop on writing and revising.

Instructors of Developmental Reading Carly Womack-Garland and Greg Loyd presented "Integrating Technology into the Classroom" at the International Conference on Teaching and Learning in Jacksonville, Florida.

CALENDAR

April 2	High School Quiz Bowl
April 12-15	International Week 11 a.m.-1 p.m.
April 27	Honors Night 7 p.m., Charter House
May 6	Graduation

Welcome

Lori Hancock
Director, Learning Center

Jessica Long
Career Specialist

Angela Geisinger
Admissions Counselor

Sympathy

Condolences to **Professor of English Dr. Margaret Smith** on the passing of her mother.

BC Holiday Schedule

The following is a tentative list of holidays scheduled during calendar year 2004:

HOLIDAYS

January 1	New Year's Day
January 19	Martin Luther King Jr.
April 9	Spring Holiday
July 5	Independence Day
September 6	Labor Day
November 25, 26	Thanksgiving
December 22, 23, 24, 27, 28	Christmas

REQUIRED ANNUAL LEAVE

December 29, 2004
December 30, 2004
December 31, 2004

The college will re-open Monday, January 3, 2005. The New Year's Holiday for 2005 will be used later in the year.

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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.

Valerie Beynon, APR Editor and Publisher