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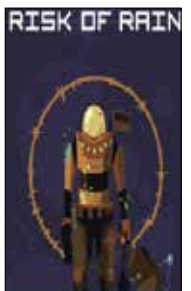
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Research club to go to D.C. for conference

By Jessyca Arndt
Staff Writer

The Undergraduate Researchers Impacting Tomorrow club (UR-IT) is planning a trip to Washington, D.C.

On April 26 through April 29, the members of the club will be going to D.C. for the Posters on the Hill conference sponsored by the council on Undergraduate Research. While in Washington, they will also visit museum exhibits and take part in other educational activities.

Under the guidance of Krista Mazza, former GHC psychology professor, the UR-IT club was created in spring 2011. UR-IT provides students with real research experience that is practical in both four-year institutions and future career opportunities.

The club also broadens

the experience for students at GHC by helping them to examine the modes of research from beginning to end and provides students with the resources to experiment with an open and multidisciplinary program. Past projects have involved collaboration with the Tellus Science Museum in Cartersville.

"My personal experience with UR-IT developed my college experience and has opened many doors for my higher education, such as scholarships and networking. Universities love research experience," said Julián Orjuela, president of UR-IT.

UR-IT exposes students to proper ways to conduct research. They collaborate with faculty and other resources and also host nearly all of their meetings in an online collaborative. This



Photo by Jessica Arndt

UR-IT club members are excited for upcoming trip. Back row from left: Camille Pace, Julián Orjuela, Steve Hood, Adam Jackson.

Front row from left: Ekta Patel, Amelia Bagwell, and Laurel Wickam

program allows them to open up a live chat, making it easy for all students to participate from just about any location.

Amelia Bagwell, club

secretary, stated, "Georgia Highlands offers research experience even above some other four-year institutions, and when I was able to say that I worked as lead re-

searcher, it opened up doors for scholarships and admissions for me."

Club members say science or social science majors should consider joining this club for the research experience. Although the club is geared toward sciences of all kinds, it welcomes all majors and backgrounds, and the club is always willing to have another mind to collaborate with.

UR-IT is a club based on the Cartersville campus, but it is open to all students at all GHC campuses.

Anyone who is interested in joining or would like more information on the club and activities, may email GHCURIT@gmail.com; contact Camille Pace, club adviser and instructor of mathematics on the Cartersville campus, or message UR-IT through its Facebook Page at GHC UR-IT.

B2B African-American reading held on all GHC campuses

By Pedro Zavala
Editor-in-Chief

The club Brother 2 Brother hosted a reading of works by African-American writers on all campuses Feb. 26 in honor of Black History Month. The event was open

to all students and staff who recited works from African-American writers.

David Smith, Floyd B2B event planner, stated that he enjoyed the reading. "I think it's cool to be sharing this with others," Smith said.



Photos by Pedro Zavala

Interim president, Renva Watterson (left), reads "Creation" by James Weldon Johnson. Tadj Bradley, B2B Floyd campus vice-president, invites students to read African-American poetry that was provided.

Summer classes set to offer multiple benefits to students

By Georgianne
Carpenter
Staff Writer

Registration is already underway for summer classes.

"I am really looking forward to taking summer classes," said Blake Porter, freshman.

During the summer session, many people come from other colleges and universities to Georgia Highlands College to take classes they need at their home institutions because it is cheaper, more accessible and more convenient than if they took them at another college.

"People find it is a more relaxed atmosphere," said Eileen Walker, senior academic adviser.

Taking summer classes can speed up progress toward graduation and perhaps lessen the class load for regular semesters.

In elementary school, students dread the idea of "summer school," but for college students summer may seem like a pointless break filled with a void that taking summer classes can fill.

"People enjoy taking Maymester," said Walker. Maymester is a good way to take another class and still have a summer vacation.

Maymester begins May 19 and ends June 6. The June session begins June 9 and ends July 3, the July session begins July 3 and ends July 31. The full summer session begins June 9 with final exams set for July 31-Aug. 4.

The Financial Aid Office has notified current students by email that they should submit a summer aid application to see what fund they have remaining to apply for summer school.

Jon Hershey, dean of humanities, recommends that students fill out a summer aid form for financial aid as soon as possible.

Front Page Photos

Top left: Donovan Harris, in blue, fights for the ball against the Chattahoochee Tech Eagles defense helping the Chargers in their victory in the first round of playoffs.

Top right: Sophomores Amber Curtis (left) and Shakierya McClendon hold up the region runner-up trophy the Lady Chargers won after going all the way to the championship game.

Bottom: Jesse Stroup, Chargers team manager, is hoisted up in celebration of his college basketball debut.

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Learning Support classes being revamped

By Brooke Govin
Staff Writer;
Pedro Zavala
Editor-in-Chief

Georgia Highlands will soon eliminate the exit COMPASS test for all learning support classes but will keep the entrance COMPASS test. Students who must take the entrance COMPASS will be placed in learning support classes based on their score.

In addition, changes are taking place for math, English and reading support classes.

"The main reason for the changes is to make the graduation process more efficient," said Brent Griffin, interim dean of the mathematics division.

Classes now STEM or non-STEM

By Brooke Govin
Staff Writer;
Pedro Zavala
Editor-in-Chief

Math pathways are based on whether the student chooses a STEM or non-STEM career. STEM stands for science, technology, engineering and mathematics.

So if a student is majoring in mathematics, physics, computers, biology or similar majors, then he or she would be in the STEM pathway. Students who major in art, communications, psychology, history and similar majors would be non-STEM.

Upcoming changes to learning support classes are intended to reduce the total number of classes per pathway.

"One of the goals of this initiative is to move away from the one-class-fits-all model of placing all students in an algebra course," stated Kelly Shane, assistant professor of learning support mathematics and coordinator of learning support

classes. This means there will be fewer semesters students have to spend taking the learning support classes before reaching the required classes needed to graduate. "This will also help students graduate sooner and leads to lower expenditures," stated Griffin.

Currently, a student may have to take up to three semesters' worth of learning support classes.

In the math department, changes have already been made and are currently being offered. Learning support classes are not being eliminated, just changed.

The changes to English are different than the ones occurring in the math department.



Graphic from completecollege.org

Students in associate degree programs are taking more credits than necessary, according to Complete College America.

partment.

The changes that are being planned call for combining the English learning support course with the reading learning support course beginning in summer 2014, according to Jon Hershey, dean of humanities.

A recent change is to offer developmental English and English 1101 as co-requisites. This means students may take the learning support classes alongside the regular English credit course.

GHC was chosen to pi-

lot some of the new classes in the 2013-2014 academic school year.

By fall 2015, all University System of Georgia colleges and universities will be in compliance with the Complete College Georgia program. The changes first began in summer of 2012.

This is part of the nation-wide Complete College America program, intended to increase graduation rates.

Kelly Shane, assistant professor of learning support math and coordinator of learning support, emphasized that students with any questions regarding changes to learning support classes should sit down and speak with an adviser.

Search committee is accepting applicants for position of permanent GHC president

By Matthew Massey
Staff Writer

Georgia Highlands continues the search for a new college president.

Ten faculty members, two civic leaders and one student make up the Presidential Search and Screen Committee for Georgia Highlands College.

Assisted by Parker Executive Search, a search firm hired by the Board of Regents, the committee is tasked with finding and interviewing candidates.

Once the search committee has narrowed down the applicants, it will make recommendations to the Board of Regents' Special Regents Search Committee, who will then begin their own version of applicant screening and

interviewing. After the special committee has made the final selection, the name will be sent to Chancellor Hank Huckaby for final approval.

Teresa Hutchins, search committee chair, said, "This process should be finalized during the summer." She went on to say, "We should, if everything works out, have a new president by next fall."

The Presidential Search Committee was announced Jan. 8, 2014. After the announcement, it began the search Feb. 3 by recruiting and asking for nominations.

Currently, Renva Waterson has been serving as interim president since the retirement of previous president, Randy Pierce in 2011.

According to Parker Executive Search's website,

"The Search Committee invites applications, inquiries and nominations for this position."

Although applications will be accepted until the position is filled, parties of interest are encouraged to have their applications submitted by March 17.

Once the applications have been reviewed the committee will begin on-campus interviews that will run throughout April and into May.

The committee has created a web page about this process which is updated regularly, to keep students and community informed during the search process.

Also included on the webpage is a section for students and other parties of interest to fill out a four

question survey in regards to what they would like to see in a future GHC president.

While the process must remain confidential, Hutchins affirmed that the committee will be as transparent as the process will allow. "We strongly encourage feedback," stated Hutchins.

"While there are no hard dates set, we plan on hosting town-hall style meetings for feedback and involvement," she said

Though faculty and staff have priority, the committee plans to host a town hall for the student body as well.

A list of all committee members, contact information, updates and an area for feedback is available at www.highlands.edu/site/presidential-search

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Highlands Happenings

Early Bird Advising sessions have begun

By Scott Ward
Staff Writer

Early Bird Advising is currently in full swing.

EBA is March 3 through March 21 for all students seeking insight to bettering career options. Students who participate are permitted to register for classes one week early for the fall semester. EBA registration starts April 7 opposed to regular open registration on April 14.

EBA gives students on all campuses an opportunity to make an appointment with a faculty adviser in the area of his or her study and to assess the progress of his or her academic career. This is a chance for students to plan ahead for future classes.

If a student would like to schedule an appointment

or just has general questions regarding Early Bird Advising, he or she should e-mail advising@highlands.edu.

Renea Winchester to premier new book

By Derweatra Hammock
Managing Ed., Design

Author Renea Winchester will be giving the first public reading of her new book "Farming, Friends & Fried Bologna Sandwiches" in the Floyd campus library on March 11 at noon.

Along with reading snippets of her new book on March 11, she will read sections from her previous books.

She will also speak about how she became a writer and explain how writing builds communities.

GHC students, faculty

and staff who attend will be the first to hear the first chapter of Winchester's new book, which will not be released until fall 2014.

Snacks will be available.

GHC Honors Night scheduled for April 10

By William Thomas
Staff Writer

Over 100 Georgia Highlands' students will be honored at Honors Night Thursday, April 10, at 6 p.m. in the Clarence Brown Center across the street from the Cartersville campus, according to Lyric Sprinkle, Douglasville and Paulding student life coordinator.

Honors Night is an annual ceremony that recognizes excellent achievements in academics and leadership exhibited by students. All academic divisions throughout all cam-

puses nominate students for a variety of achievements.

Sprinkle said some of the awards being presented are the Spirit Award, the Leadership AwardS, the Who's Who Award and the Steve Burns Award.

Annual Spring Fling to take place in April

By Derweatra Hammock
Managing Ed., Design

Campus Spa will be giving students, faculty and staff the complete spa experience during this year's Spring Fling.

Spring Fling will take place on the Floyd campus April 16, the Paulding campus April 17, the Marietta campus April 22, the Douglasville campus April 23, and the Cartersville campus April 24.

Students, faculty and staff will be able to receive hand treatments, chair

massages, oxygen therapy, foot massages and hot face towels.

The event will also feature games, prizes, free lunch and more.

For more information, students should contact their student life coordinator

Gym roof remodeling closes parking lot

By Derweatra Hammock
Managing Ed., Design

The P.E. building roof will be undergoing construction for the month of March.

According to Eric Rick-er, campus planner, due to the remodeling of the roof the faculty and staff parking lot behind the gym will be closed.

The door and sidewalk area from the gym locker rooms to the tennis courts will still be open for use.



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Six Mile Post receives awards in regional contest

By Ashlee Gilley
Staff Writer

Members of the Six Mile Post staff attended the 63rd Annual Southern Regional Press Institute (SRPI) held at Savannah State University Feb. 20-21.

The SRPI consisted of an opening panel, two days of workshops and the Milledge/Owens Awards Luncheon on the last day. The workshops were taught by a diverse group of media professionals, some of whom were alumni of Savannah State University.

The media professionals ranged from a CNN correspondent, local radio personalities, music industry professionals, journalists and many others.

The SRPI was an opportunity for professionals in the media industry to give back and share their experience and knowledge with the professionals of the future. They spoke of how important the use and impact of social media is in today's society.

Press institute leaders encouraged students and mentors alike to live-tweet the happenings during the event, and nearly everyone involved was tweeting updates, quotes and advice



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Six Mile Post staff members and advisers hold some of the awards received for journalism excellence during the Southern Regional Press Institute hosted by Savannah State University. From left to right, Ryan Jones, chief photographer; Kristie Kemper, adviser; Ashlee Gilley, staff writer; Cindy Wheeler, assistant adviser; and Antonio Garcia, managing editor of online.

with the hashtag #SSUSRPI.

The hashtag helped to represent the main theme for this year's press institute, "Social Media in a Global Society: Ethics, Urgency, Accuracy."

In their workshops and panels many of the professionals gave examples of how they use social media daily in their jobs. They also said

that people should be open minded and knowledgeable about up-and-coming social media.

Awards were announced and presented during the Milledge/Owens Awards Luncheon on Feb. 21. Hollywood producer and casting director Reuben Cannon kicked off the luncheon as the opening speaker.

The Six Mile Post took first place in the category of Best Overall Newspaper, two-year division, and took second place in both Best Web Page and Best Online Newspaper, two-year division.

Antonio Garcia, managing editor of online, won first place for Editorial and Column Writing, two-year division. Second place in this category was taken by Derweatra Hammock, managing editor of design.

Ryan Jones, Six Mile Post chief photographer, was awarded first place in the Photography category, two-year division. Second place went to Pedro Zavala, editor-in-chief.

Former Six Mile Post assistant editor Sarah Lane won first place in the Sports Writing category, two-year division.

The awards did not stop there as Six Mile Post advisers Kristie Kemper and Cindy Wheeler were both awarded the Wilton C. Scott Award for Excellence in Scholastic Journalism.

Representing the Six Mile Post at the press institute were Ashlee Gilley, Jones and Garcia. Kemper and Wheeler were also in attendance.

GHC may send nursing and dental hygiene students to UGA's Costa Rica campus

By Tyler Hogue
Staff Writer

Georgia Highlands has recently learned of the possibility of a Costa Rica Health Science study abroad trip.

According to Bronson Long, director of global initiatives and study abroad, "The college is considering sending nursing and dental hygiene students to Costa Rica, hopefully next academic year." All study abroad trips would be based on the

University of Georgia's Costa Rica campus, which is located in Monteverde, Costa Rica.

"The campus is in a beautiful, rural area in the mountains," stated Long. The UGA campus has living quarters for students and faculty members, a cafeteria, a library, several classrooms and a biology lab. Long also said the campus has done a great job of being sensitive to the local culture and environment.

Laura Musselwhite, interim vice president for academic affairs, stated, "The possibility that students from Georgia Highlands can make use of the UGA facility in Costa Rica is very exciting. It is a wonderful way for schools in the University System to share resources. Our students would experience a new culture and gain credits at the same time."

Long also said trips for non-health science students are also under consideration.

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College TV station holds potential for GHC students of all majors

By Derweatra Hammock
Managing Ed., Design

Georgia Highlands' cable network station, GHTV, is looking to expand by getting more students, faculty and staff involved.

Not to be confused with what is shown on the televisions on the Highlands' campuses, GHTV is provided by Comcast to the Greater Rome Area and all of Georgia by AT&T U-verse.

The station was first called FCTV after Floyd College but was changed to GHTV after the college underwent its name change to Georgia Highlands in 2005.

Carla Patterson, former FCTV coordinator, said the college TV station started operations under George Pullen, former division chair of extended learning, on Sept. 6, 1994 and will be celebrating its 20th anniversary in September.

GHTV is currently run by Jeff Brown, director of digital media services, and Justin Sucre on the Heri-

tage Hall campus in Rome.

Sucre stated, "The television station is used for learning purposes. We want to keep students educated and people up to date with events happening in the community."

GHTV programs include course lectures from professors, campus tours, orientations, professor introductions and feature videos on faculty, staff, students and athletes.

The network also shows community and state events, campus entertainers, other campus and student life events, along with programs providing insight into art, history and literature.

Brown said, "We feel like students do not know we exist due to our location at Heritage Hall. They may think that we are a part of the nursing department (which is also located at Heritage Hall), but we are not. One of the reasons for our location is Comcast being right around the corner."

GHTV currently has two



Photo by Derweatra Hammock

Jeff Brown, director of digital media services, edits footage in the control room at GHTV during the taping of "Community Watch."

ongoing series. "Community Watch," with hosts Jon Hershey, dean of humanities, and Greg Shropshire, president of the 100 Black Men of Rome, has been on air for almost 10 years. "Coffee Break" hosted by Susan Claxton, coordinator of human services, has been up and running for about two years.

"In the process of getting more faculty and staff involved, we really hope to increase student involvement. GHTV has so much potential for students going into communication, marketing, art, graphics and design, media and several other careers," stated Brown.

Sucre and Brown believe it would also be a great idea to form a student organization around GHTV.

Brown said, "Students can create and film videos, post them and send them out to the cable provider, and we would just be the advisers, offering advice and assistance when needed."

Students would be able to set up the cameras, finding the best angles; create the scenery, including the background and props; test the sound and the lighting; ask interview questions; operate the controls on the switchboard; direct and edit footage; and create graphics, along with several other

things just as Brown and Sucre do now.

GHTV also has an online YouTube channel called GHConlineTV. Some videos can be found and viewed more quickly here than they can on the television station.

Students, faculty and staff interested in being involved with the television station should contact Brown at jbrown@highlands.edu.

GHTV can be seen daily except for between 5 p.m. and 11 p.m. by Comcast subscribers in the Greater Rome Area on channel 4 and by AT&T U-verse customers in Georgia 24/7 on channel 99.

Student enjoys assisting others no matter their age or circumstance

By Ryan Jones
Chief Photographer

Ryan White entered the human services program at Georgia Highlands College in 2012 because she "enjoys helping people, whether young or old."

White discovered her love for helping people when she was working at a mental hospital. When the hospital closed, she wanted to open her own group home, but was hesitant because of how young she was.

Instead of opening her own group home, White started sitting with the elderly.

She is currently employed at a children's home, where she works with children from ages 10 to 18. She acts as a liaison between the children and the therapist and will sometimes hold a group session if there is a problem amongst the girls.

White interacts with the children during activities and is there to listen to any of the children who want to

talk to her. She writes up reports on the children that she has worked with at the end of each day.

She says, "I really enjoy it, so I think my passion is helping others."

According to White, some of the children stay long-term while others only stay for a short time, depending on their circumstances.

White particularly struggles when a child she knows comes to stay at the children's home. She is afraid to speak with the child about



Photo by Ryan Jones

Ryan White

personal matters because she doesn't want to break confidentiality.

In the classroom, White draws on her experiences with the children she works with so that she can better understand the material and help others to understand it as well.

White says, "I am in school to learn more about my career."

Once she graduates from GHC this spring, White wants to open her own business where she would be a private sitter and provide transportation while pursuing a degree in business.

Associate professor of math journeys from Havana, Cuba, to Georgia Highlands College

By Pedro Zavala
Editor-in-Chief

Many students may not know that Floyd campus math professor, Blanca Gonzalez, is originally from Havana, Cuba.

When Fidel Castro became the leader of Cuba after overthrowing the Bautista Regime, her family had to flee to the United States in 1960.

Gonzalez said, "My grandfather was a lawyer for Bautista. We had to get out. I remember my mother sewing our jewelry into the hems of our dresses of me and my cousins."

She has a brother, a sister and is the middle child. Both siblings currently live in Miami.

Gonzalez graduated from the University of Georgia with her masters in mathematics and started teaching at Columbia High School in Florida.

She then followed her husband to Tampa, Florida and began teaching at Henry B. Plant High School. She then taught at Hillsborough Community College in Plant City, FL.

Gonzalez continued to follow her husband as he

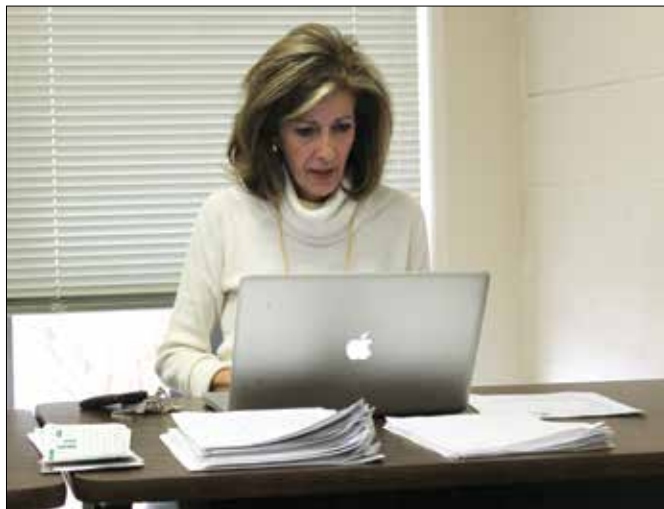


Photo by Derweatra Hammock

Gonzalez grades papers for her pre-calculus class.

moved to Valdosta, Ga. for work. There she taught for four years at Valdosta State College.

She and her husband then moved again and this time to Rome, GA.

She began teaching part-time at GHC in 1976. Gonzalez said, "Dave Cook, former head of the science department, offered me a position here, and I've been here ever since."

Gonzalez is a member of a garden club, a book club and is involved in the Medical Alliance of Rome. She helps organize the Retired

Physicians Luncheon, which she does in memory of her father.

Gonzalez has three sons. One is a GI pathologist, one an engineer and one has special needs.

She also assists in DIGS, developing independence, growth and security for adults with developmental challenges.

She does Zumba in Rome and attends St. Mary's Catholic Church. "We also go to Europe every summer," said Gonzalez.

Gonzalez stated she plans to retire Jan. 1, 2016.

Annual speech tournament allows students to practice their public speaking skills

By Holly Chaney
Staff Writer

Students are invited to develop and strut their public speaking skills in front of a live audience at the fourth annual Georgia Highlands Public Speaking Competition.

The competition, to be held April 11 at 2 p.m. on the Cartersville campus, is open to any current GHC student that is currently enrolled in or has already completed Human Communication or Public Speaking courses.

Participating students will compete in a primary round by delivering persuasive speeches that they have prepared to an audience of their peers. The top speakers, as judged by GHC faculty and staff, will then move on to a second and final round to determine their placement.

"We have not nailed down the prizes yet for this year but they will likely be very similar to last year: \$150 for first place, \$100 for second, \$50 for third, GHC bookstore gift cards for fourth and fifth and GHC T-shirts, water bottles and other gear for the runner-ups," said competition director Steve Stuglin.

As an added bonus, many teachers are offering students extra credit to compete or to attend as an audience member. Students should check with their professors to see if this participation perk is available to them.

Registration for the competition will begin March 7 and continue through April 4. Registration is free but competing students must submit a speech title and a brief 100 to 300 word, single-page outline for their proposed competition speech.

The supporters for the Georgia Highlands Public Speaking Competition are the Georgia Highlands Office of Academic Affairs and the Rome Area Council for the Arts.

Event coordinators are also hopeful in continued support from the Georgia Highlands Bookstore and Georgia Highlands Student Life.

To register, see videos of past competitions or find out more information, students can visit www.highlands.edu/site/communications-speech-competition.

Interested volunteers can e-mail Stuglin at ssuglin@highlands.edu.

GHC alumnus now chief of campus police for Bartow Co. schools

By Connor Henderson
Staff Writer

Some people view Georgia Highlands as not a real college, calling it the 13th year of high school." What these people don't know is how much of a leg-up a degree from Highlands gives an individual.

The story of Charles "Dan" Knowles, chief of campus police for the Bartow County school systems, is more than enough to show people that Highlands is a



Photo by Connor Henderson

Charles "Dan" Knowles

legitimate college.

Knowles began his college education with dual en-

rollment while at Cass High School in 1985, being taught by Jon Hershey and George Pullen.

The credits he received, combined with the ROTC scholarships he earned, got him into Georgia Technical College in Atlanta.

However, feeling like tech school wasn't for him, he went into the Army. After leaving the Army he became a police officer, and years later returned to school to major in criminal justice. Knowles earned his degree

at Georgia Highlands in 2000.

In 2005 he was made Chief of Campus Police, and he maintains security for all Bartow County public schools.

"When I came into this job, the first thing I had to do was hire people," said Knowles. Despite this start, he sees this as an easy job, especially with the people he supervises.

Knowles finds the job rewarding. "You take both the good and the bad," he stated.

"Sometimes you have to be there for some of these kids. I find it easier to be there for them now than have them get picked up on the streets later," Knowles said.

Knowles has three daughters, two of them in college and the oldest a member of the National Guard. He has been a police officer for almost 22 years, and the past nine of which he has been chief of campus police.

Knowles is a member of the GHC Alumni Board.

Scholarships available for GHC students

By Thomas Dobson
Staff Writer

The Georgia Highlands College Foundation offers many scholarships, with rewards ranging from \$500 to \$1000 dollars, and some offering even more. The GHC Foundation offers scholarships to all students, including incoming freshmen, non-traditional students and those currently attending GHC.

"Most students think they won't qualify for a scholarship," said Raymond Carnley, chief advancement officer at GHC. This is often because they didn't qualify for HOPE.

But there are scholarships available at GHC for every kind of student.

Each scholarship has its own set of requirements and criteria students must meet to apply, but all require students to have a complete on-file FAFSA, to fill out a GHC



SCHOLARSHIP INFO



30- scholarships available for students to apply
for online

80- average number of scholarships provided annually

over \$90,000- total amount awarded to students in past 12 months

Statistics and graphics from Advancement office

Scholarship Application form and to have a completed recommendation form.

Depending on the scholarship being applied for, the recommendation form must be filled out by a professional, a former or current employer or someone in the education field, such as a past or current teacher. Some like the Chiaha or Felicia Claxton Memorial Scholarships require the recommendation form be filled out by a GHC faculty member.

Scholarships open to current GHC students include the David B. McCorkle

National Creative Society Award, which is open to all passing full or part-time students who show talent in the creative arts. There are two awards of \$500 each over a single academic year given to one male and female student.

The Bartow County Community Service Scholarship and the Paulding Business Association Scholarship require applicants to be residents of those counties in order to be considered.

The Jerry W. Shelton Scholarship is awarded to a full-time GHC student who

shows academic success and financial need. The scholarship is for \$600 over one academic year disbursed over fall and spring semesters.

For GHC students who are over 25, GHC has Non-traditional Scholarships for those who show financial need. However, recipients are required to work at least five hours during GHC basketball tournaments since these events provide the funding for the scholarships.

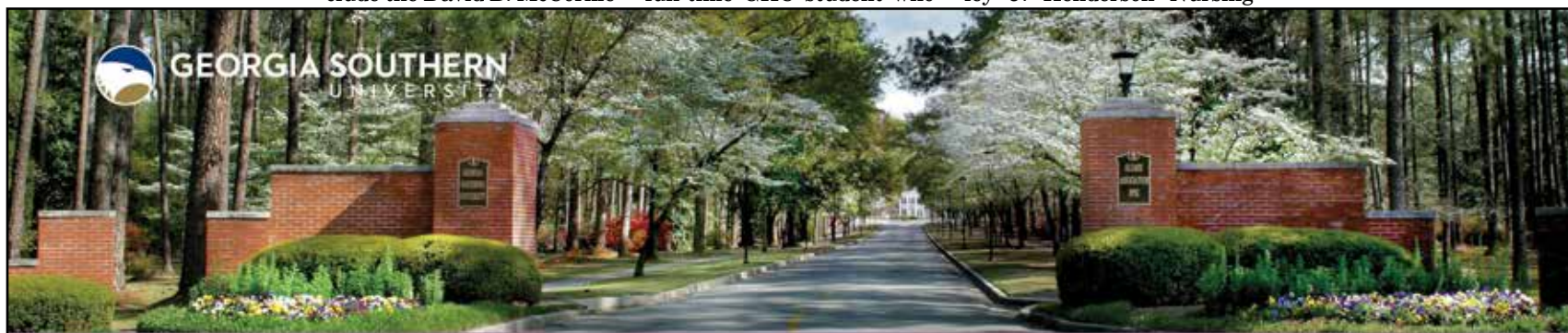
Georgia Highlands has a few scholarships, like the Betty R. Wollstein and Lesley J. Henderson Nursing

scholarships, for students in GHC's nursing program, and these require applicants to be either enrolled in or entering the GHC nursing program to qualify.

"A new scholarship, The Diane Bagley Memorial Scholarship, has been endowed by the family of Diane Bagley and will provide a \$1,000 scholarship to a GHC student who is majoring in a program of study leading to a career in healthcare," stated Mary Ann Steiner, assistant advancement officer.

Unless stated in the requirements, all scholarships are open to all students, regardless of major. Students should go online to gahighlandsalumni.com, or call the Advancement Office at (706) 802-5743 to see what scholarships they qualify for and which ones are available.

All scholarships mentioned above are currently available and open for application.



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Women's history month traces advancements over time

By January Curry
Staff Writer

The month of March is not just the last month of winter. Since 1987, Congress has declared the month of March Women's History Month.

Petitions by the National Women's History Project have made it possible to dedicate the entire month to women who have committed themselves to serving this nation.

This year the National Women's History Project is celebrating women of character, courage and commitment. National events scheduled range from discussions to leadership forums and festivals.

Though the designation of Women's History Month was established in 1987, the fight for equality for women in the United States started long before that.

The Women's Suffrage

Movement of the early 20th century, the 1909 strike by the Women's Trade Union League and the march on Pennsylvania Avenue in 1913 for the right to vote all laid the foundation for the fight for equality.

There are many websites and exhibits that highlight the journey celebrated during Women's History Month. People can research the growth from inhumane working conditions to the right to vote and the more recent efforts toward equal pay for men and women.

Spreading the word and staying informed is something that can be done by college students all over the nation. "We can do small things on campus like fundraisers or putting things on the school website," said nursing major Dominiqu Gravelly.

In current day America powerful women like Hillary Clinton or Oprah Winfrey



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Rosie the Riveter is an iconic symbol for American women who worked in factories during WWII.

are seen as representatives of the change in women's status.

In the early 1900s women could not hold positions

of power. Those who started the change were everyday working women brave enough to speak up about the conditions they were

forced to work in.

Today's everyday woman can be a major influence as well. "My grandmother gives me lessons for the future," said Susan Adams, dental hygiene major.

Annually, the United Nations sets a theme to highlight specific achievements. This brings women from all over the world together to celebrate the successes.

The month of March also includes International Women's Day. Since 1911, March 8 has marked a day in history to highlight the political, economic and social achievements of women.

With all of the national and international celebrations there are still many Americans who are unaware of this celebrated month.

- Some information in this article came from womenshistorymonth.gov and diversity.com.

GHC celebrates women's history month

Cartersville

Thursday, March 13
Cartersville library
fireside:
Readings from favorite female authors by faculty, staff and students (9:30 a.m.-2:30 p.m.) and costume contest where students compete for prizes (2:30 p.m.).

Thursday, March 20, at noon, Cartersville library fireside:
Recognition of Women's History Month Essay Contest

winners, who will receive awards named in memory of Carolyn Hamrick, late dean of Cartersville campus.
Contact: Leslie Johnston at ljohnsto@highlands.edu and Stacy Brown at stbrown@highlands.edu

Paulding

Wednesday, March 19, at 1 p.m. in room 301:
Focus on issues related to sex trafficking in Greater Atlanta and Living Waters for Girls collection drive
Contact: Joan Ledbetter

at jledbett@highlands.edu and Alex MacMurdo at amacmurd@highlands.edu

Marietta

Wednesday, March 12, at 6 p.m., room J-158:
Laura Beth Daws, former GHC communications professor, presents "Miss Representation" film screening and discussion.

Thursday, March 20, at 1 p.m. on D-Building patio:

Readings and Reflections on women's history.

Thursday, March 20, at 6 p.m. in Student Center theater:
Presentation by Cynthia Cooper – WorldCom Whistleblower.
Contact: Meredith Ginn at mginn@highlands.edu and Beth Gilliland at bgillila@highlands.edu

Douglasville

Tuesday, March 4, at 12:30 p.m. in Student Center:

Women's Poetry Reading with local poets Alice Shapiro and Carlene Tejada.
Contact: Lyric Sprinkle at lsprinkle@highlands.edu

Floyd

Wednesday, March 19, at 1 a.m., solarium
Hannah Morris and Rising Star Expedition.
Contact: Carla Patterson at cpatters@highlands.edu

-Dates from: highlands.edu/celebratewomen

GHC's weather alert system is prompt but has a lot of accuracy problems

When there is a GHC campus closing, students don't need two phone calls, six e-mails and four text messages. All students need, at most, is one of each just to get the point across effectively without annoyance.

Over the past few weeks we have experienced Mother Nature at her worst. From freezing rain to sleet and multiple snow storms, we have had an interesting start to our spring semester.

Along with this inclement weather, class cancellations for all GHC campuses started to put a hold on things.

Most students were

notified about the campuses closing with the help of the Connect system Georgia Highlands uses in order to keep all students up to date with what is happening on campus during weather emergencies and other campus emergencies that would affect students.

With this system, GHC administrators are able to send text messages and pre-recorded phone calls to students' preferred phone numbers, along with well detailed e-mails. Although this method is effective at getting the message across, it's extremely redundant.

Students who attend

more than one campus receive double the number of aggravating alerts, making them more frustrated than thankful for the notices.

Another issue with the notification system would be accuracy. Frequently students will receive text messages and e-mails with the wrong dates or with typos. When this happens, a replacement is sent out to correct the problem. This causes the notifications to pile up.

It only takes one correct notification to inform students about the issue at hand.

- Six Mile Post
Editorial Board

A brief greeting can lead to a great friendship

When I was in high school, I became friends with a girl in a different way than I normally become friends with people.

Every day once computer class was over, I'd take the exact same route to gym class. One day on my way there I saw a girl coming up the hallway, and I kindly said, "Hello." She smiled and said "Hey" back, and we both continued on our way.

We did not have a class together, share the same lunch table, play on the same sports team, participate in the same club or live on the same street. We were complete strangers who had never seen one another before.

We continued this routine for several months, just casually, and sometimes goofily, greeting each other but never stopping for introductions or to have an actual conversation.

Then one day, as we passed one another in the hallway, she stopped me. She blurted out how she had been having such a horrible time the previous day due

to failing a test, forgetting her lunch money, losing her house keys and having no ride home from school.

She continued to say, "With everything going wrong, I thought I was going to explode. But then I saw you coming down the hallway yesterday waving and smiling at me. I'm really glad we have this little routine because it cheered me up and probably kept me from doing or saying something foolish."

I was so surprised at her talking to me that the only thing that came out my mouth was "You're welcome?"

From that moment on, we actually stopped to talk to one another each day in the hall. We eventually began to hang out, and up to this day, she is still one of my best

friends.

From our situation I learned not to be timid in greeting or acknowledging someone in passing.

The person could be having a horrible day and a brief "Hi!" or "How's it going?" could improve the person's mood or keep him or her from doing something ill-advised.

I'm not saying to have a full heart-to-heart with a stranger but just to say hello. If the "don't talk to strangers" rule is really important, don't speak to them, just smile, wave or give a nod as they pass by.

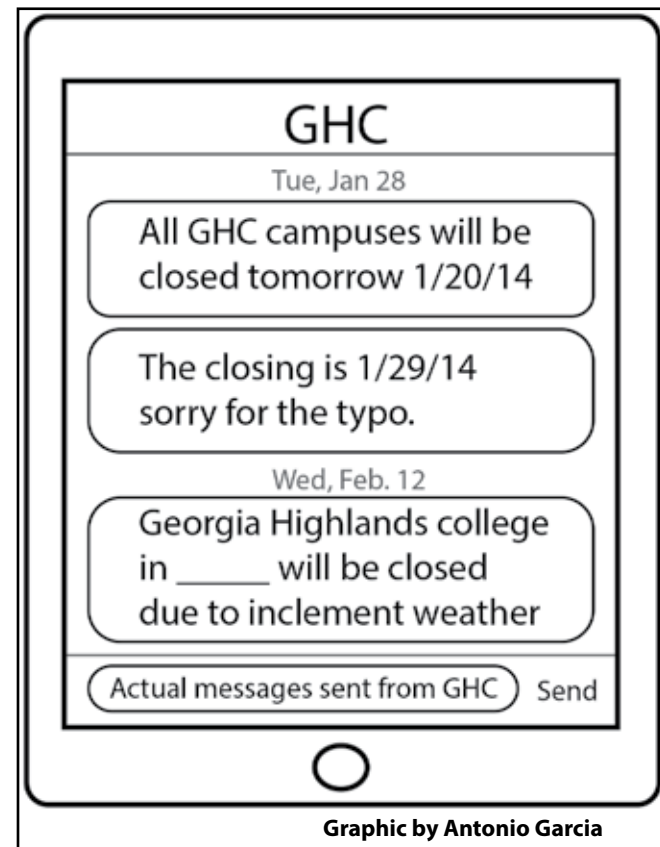
The greeting does not even have to go to a stranger. It can be to an acquaintance or a coworker.

That small greeting or smile could earn you a very close friend in the future.



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Georgia Highlands provides opportunities



Path 2 Highlands

Ryan Jones
Chief Photographer

I decided to come to Georgia Highlands College because it was inexpensive, and I wanted to get some core classes out of the way before I went to a "real school." My graduation is

approaching, and I am glad that I chose to come to GHC – not because of the money I have saved, but because of everything I have learned and everyone I have met.

When I started college, I

wanted to major in biology and become a veterinarian. Those dreams were quickly squashed in my first semester when I took biology 2107. I then had to reevaluate what I wanted to do with my life.

I continued taking my core classes, but I took an abundance of psychology and communications classes as well. I also joined the Six Mile Post and a few clubs which allowed me to meet a lot of people I might not

have met otherwise.

Over time, I got to know my teachers, advisers and fellow students. Aside from what I learned in my classes, these people taught me a lot about life and myself.

I eventually decided that I want to study psychology so that I can hopefully work with youth and help them get through that time in their lives, then teach and help college students have good experiences like I have had.

I plan to continue studying psychology at the University of West Georgia, but I will never forget my time at GHC. Even though I came here to save money, I am leaving with an abundance of new friends and experiences.

I am proud of the education that I have received at Georgia Highlands, but I am even more proud of who I have become, and I would not be who I am today without GHC.

Dress for success; dress like a professional and be treated like one

Always dress for the success you want, not the circumstances you have. One would assume the pursuit of a higher education would have the end goal of obtaining a professional career in his or her field of choice. If that is so, why are students still dressing like they're in grade school?

College is the time of learning higher skills, making professional contacts and preparing to enter into a higher than minimum wage work force, yet some

students dress as though they haven't a job at all.

Sure, we all have our bum-around days where nothing more than sweats and the nearest T-shirt will suffice, but imagine showing up to school that day and an unexpected big namer is touring your campus and this is your opportunity to leave an impression. Would you feel on your A-game strutting up in your grungy Tee and your baggy, sagging shorts when your competition is rocking a well put to-

gether outfit?

Sure some people aren't as judgmental as others, and that's great, but why risk it? Why not make a lasting impression in that person's mind? It would only work in your favor to up your game a little.

It doesn't take much. You don't have to spend a fortune to upgrade your look a touch. Leave your sneakers and hoodies in the gym. Ditch the T-shirts and opt for a polo of some sort, maybe even a button down.



Soap Box

Matthew Massey
Staff Writer

Leave those ratty torn up jeans at home and put on a nicer pair, maybe even some slacks or khakis. As an avid thrift store junkie, I'm here to tell you it's not hard to spend very little and come out with a lot.

You are the image you project, whether you like it or not. Dress like a kid and people will treat you as such. Walk in to the room looking well put together like you have a purpose and people will treat you as such.

Letter to the editor

Student struggles to deal with death

Dear Editor,

I believe that the course SOCI 2145 will help everyone that is uncomfortable with death. I have been scared of death since I was a child, and I believe that this fear itself is inescapable. Ever since my mom (grandmother) died on Nov. 14, 2010, I have been scared

to be in the dark or at home by myself. I have no idea why, but I am tired of being afraid in my own home. I believe this course would help others and I overcome every fear associated with death.

Myia Keyes
Nursing Major
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Cover of February issue

Lack of traditional library has no effect on D'ville students

By Holly Chaney
Staff Writer

If students at the Douglasville campus need to checkout a book for a research paper, they won't be visiting the school library, at least not in the traditional sense of the word. Instead, students are directed to a computer lab that has been officially designated as the school library.

While the Douglasville location is the only Highlands campus that does not possess a traditional library, it has yet to be a hardship on students. In our technologically ingrained culture most students already use the web to answer their own daily questions, so it is not a tall order to ask students to

take their research online.

Through this virtual library, students have access to a myriad of online resources, are able to speak to live librarians and can also checkout books from other Georgia Highlands locations with the expectation of receiving them within just a few days.

Virtual reference centers allow schools to bypass the financial hardship of a proper collegiate library while allowing more space for classrooms and seating for students.

So while the Douglasville location is lacking a traditional campus library, it is still meeting the needs of its students virtually and doing so with excellence.

Not to knock the physical, tangible glory of a good

book, but with research resources like GALILEO, students have entire educational references available instantaneously through a few tiny keystrokes. It is an advanced simplified system that, might be easier to use than the traditional book stacks.

With digital copies quickly becoming as available as their hardback predecessors, students have the option to forgo the hassle of digging, flipping and lugging around the heavy informational references of the past.

While some might see the lack of those catalogued library corridors as a shortcoming, others may see it as an eco friendly, resourceful innovation of the modern educational system.



Photo by Holly Chaney

The Douglasville campus library provides computers for student research.

Poll: What are your plans for spring break?

Poll by Tatiana Smithson
and David Martinez



Charles Kane
Paulding
Pharmacy

"I plan on going to Detroit with my brother."



Rico Ramirez
Cartersville
Psychology

"The plans so far are to either meet a buddy in Italy or head to Daytona. Either way I'm definitely stoked for SB14!"



Halie Hicks
Paulding
Biology

"I'm going to see Miley Cyrus!"



John Barnett
Cartersville
Business

"Going with a bunch of friends to Destin, Florida. I'm ready to relax on the beach for a week!"



'Risk of Rain' gives gamers a challenging experience

By Johnny Barnes
Guest Reviewer

Game review

Steam is a platform of a variety of great games, and one of these great games is "Risk of Rain."

In "Risk of Rain," the player chooses from a list of characters to take on the challenges of an alien planet in order to return to their ship. The player starts with only one character, but he or she can unlock more by completing certain objectives.

The mechanics are pretty simple. It is a 2D action platformer, and every character



Contributed

The community rating for "Risk of Rain" is 8.9 out of 10 on ign.com.

has his or her own unique set of skills to use. The player's character must travel to a portal to warp to the next area. Once the player gets through about five areas,

then he or she has the option to return to the ship and take on the main boss of the game.

Be warned, though. This game is incredibly difficult.

Even on the easiest difficulty setting, it is possible to be swarmed by a screen full of enemies. The longer the player spends in an area, the more difficult the game gets. So he or she must decide to kill hordes of enemies to level up and gain more items or speed through it and risk dying because the character is under-leveled or has not picked up enough items.

Once the player's character dies, he or she must start all over again. This game is designed to kill the character, but if he or she prevails and conquers the alien planet, the player will be rewarded with new items that will drop and sometimes new characters to use. There are a total of 10 characters,

and they all are completely different. Also, if the player needs a little help, he or she can invite friends due to the game's multiplayer function.

One of the most satisfying feelings a person will experience is beating "Risk of Rain" for the first time.

For a person who has experience with 2D action-platformers, it might take a few hours to beat the game, but for people who are new or inexperienced, it may take significantly longer.

Those interested in a wonderful, challenging 2D platformer can get "Risk of Rain" on Steam.

"Risk of Rain" is available on Steam for \$10, or cheaper if on sale.

The new CW show 'Star-Crossed' mixes romance with science fiction

By Ashlee Gilley
Staff Writer

TV review

Combining Shakespeare's classic idea of star-crossed lovers with an alien invasion may seem a little out there, but "Star-Crossed" combines them perfectly.

This new series follows the lives of Emery, a human girl, and Roman, an alien boy, and the struggles that surround their intertwined lives.

The first few minutes do a great job of explaining not only how the aliens came to be where they are but also the past between the two main characters.

Ten years after crash landing on earth the aliens, who are called Atrians, are forced to live in an area called the Sector.

Although they are aliens, the Atrians look exactly like humans except for the tattoos they have primarily on their faces and arms.

The government wants to test out integrating the aliens in society and decide to start with a group of teenagers being allowed to attend a local high school, although they are under heavy guard.

There are open and closed minds on both sides of the fence and this leads to clashes and sets itself up to be the biggest conflict of the show so far.

The two main characters seem to be instantly drawn to each other and this only adds to fuel the intensity as well as the conflict.

The music chosen does a lot to add to the scenes whether they are sweet, sad or intense.

A show like this could easily become cheesy but it does a good job of staying away from the clichés that surround alien lore.

The show's combination of science fiction, romance and drama will draw viewers in and have them impatiently awaiting the next episode. "Star-Crossed" airs on Monday nights at 8 p.m. on the CW.

Quotes from the Oscars

"Between all the nominees here tonight, you've made over 1,400 films, 1,400 films, and you've only gone a total of six years of college."

- Ellen DeGeneres to the audience of stars.

Information from theguardian.com

"There are three things, to my account, that I need each day. One of them is something to look up to, another something to look forward to and another is someone to chase."

- Matthew McConaughey



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New golf team putts its way into Cartersville

**By Brooke Govin
Staff Writer**

"I'm excited to initiate the GHC club golf team sponsored by the intramurals at the Cartersville campus," said Melissa Wood, GHC intramurals coordinator.

She was originally approached by a member of the National Collegiate Club Golf Association (NCCGA) who urged her to establish a golf team at her college.

The NCCGA helps colleges build recreational and competitive golf teams for students to participate in.

Invested in helping promote fundraising for the Wounded Warriors project, sophomore John Chandler was unexpectedly given the opportunity of his dreams.

Wood approached Chandler at the fundraiser and asked if he would be willing to help start a golf team at GHC and be the captain.

Chandler has played golf for years and jumped at the chance to put together a team.

"While in high school, I never had the opportunity to play on a golf team. Having this opportunity presented to me was rather exciting and I knew right away I wanted to do it," said Chandler.

The minimum for a college school golf team is five, and so far Chandler has built a team of seven. Chance Childers and Patrick Davis are the most skilled players on the team.

The golf team currently has practice as a group on



Photo by Tatiana Smithson

John Chandler, captain of the new GHC golf team swings his way out of a sand trap.

Sundays and uses public courses like Cobblestone Golf Course in Acworth. The team plans to join a golf tournament in April. The members are all current golf

enthusiasts and are encouraged to practice in between team meetings.

Chandler expects the team to be an outlet for students to participate in and

an opportunity to network with other like-minded individuals.

College level golf teams are put into regions, and Georgia Highlands falls into the Southeast division. The team will play against both two-year and four-year colleges.

Teams from the University of Georgia, Kennesaw State University and the University of South Carolina will play alongside the GHC Chargers.

Wood said, "I think John has put together a great co-ed squad, and the more we can get GHC's name out the better."

The club golf team is still open for new members and can be contacted through the Facebook page, Georgia Highlands Golf Club.

Intramurals spring into action

**By Pedro Zavala
Editor-in-Chief**

Georgia Highlands intramural basketball started March 10, on the Floyd campus.

The Ping-Pong tourna-

ment, co-hosted by the Six Mile Post and intramurals, has also already began on the Floyd campus.

Jonathan Merritt, Floyd campus intramural director, also plans to have beach volleyball as well as ultimate

frisbee and a pool tournament.

Championship week for intramurals at the Floyd campus will be the week of April 7.

For more information check out sixmilepost.com.



Photo by Pedro Zavala

Giezi Ramos (left) and RJ Williams compete in the Six Mile Post/Intramurals Ping-Pong Tournament on the Floyd campus.

Bolt's Back!



Photo by Pedro Zavala

In response to an appeal in "Karlee's Corner," Georgia Highlands' beloved mascot has returned. Bolt dances with young GHC fans on Feb. 25.

GHC baseball is in full swing

By Pedro Zavala
Editor-in-Chief

The Charger baseball team defeated local rival Shorter University's JV team 9-2 at Shorter on Feb. 26.

Khari Anderson and Chap Lindstrom both scored in the first inning to put the Chargers ahead. The Shorter Hawks later tied it up,

scoring two runs in the fifth inning.

The Chargers answered back in the sixth inning with a run scored by Alec Arnsdorff.

The Chargers then took off in the ninth with five runs scored.

Head Baseball Coach Mike Marra said, "I'm happy with how we've been performing. We've gotten

better over time." He stated that the team is working to cut down on errors. "We're coming together as a team," Marra said.

Player Camden McGill stated, "I've enjoyed the season so far, and we're just getting started."

The win gave the Chargers a 6-9 record.

The Chargers started conference play last week.

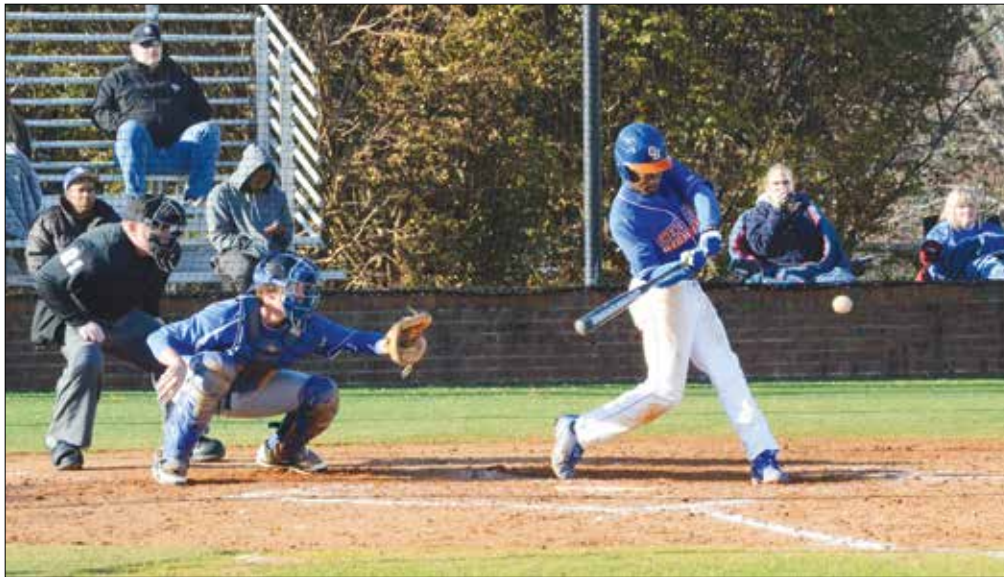


Photo by Pedro Zavala

At bat, Khari Anderson swings for the GHC Chargers.

Lady Chargers softball team splits doubleheader with USC-Sumpter

By Mary Howard
Staff Writer

The Georgia Highlands' softball team split a doubleheader at home against USC-Sumpter on March 2.

The first game was close with USC-Sumpter winning 4-2. However, the Lady Chargers' softball team came back in game two, winning 5-3.

The second of the doubleheader game was the first for pitcher Jerica Littlejohn, who pitched the entire game.

The Lady Chargers were down 2-0 into the bottom of the sixth inning. After some hard hits and great running, the Lady Chargers brought the score to 3-2.

In the seventh inning, the USC-Sumpter Fire Ants tied up the game. In the bottom of the seventh inning the Lady Chargers came back with a huge hit bringing the final score to 4-3.

Melissa Wood, head softball coach, said, "In between games we had to really focus on picking that energy up once you get tired."

Also, the Lady Chargers brought in a new pitching coach, Christie Hamilton, who played with both Wood and Assistant Coach Victoria Sanders at the University of Georgia. Hamilton was even named Pitcher of the Week by the SEC.

The GHC softball team now has seven wins this inaugural season.



Photo by Georgianne Carpenter

In a previous win, Liz Prance guards third base against Cleveland State, Feb. 26.

New sports await approval

By Karlee Helms
Managing Ed., Sports

Over the past two years the Georgia Highlands athletics program has grown tremendously. With basketball ending its second season and softball and baseball just starting, the question arises as to what might be next.

As new intercollegiate sports are being proposed, one obstacle standing in the way is the need for additional funding.

The GHC athletic fee, which is currently \$50, would have to be at least minimally increased to support additional sports offerings. For the students who are currently not gaining any benefits from the athletic fee, this may sound like an issue, but the athletics department is working to eventually extend the athletics program to other GHC campuses.

GHC Interim President Renva Watterson stated, "It is important that as many of our students as possible across all campus-

es can participate in and attend sports events, and that will be a signal goal for GHC."

The sports that are under debate will indeed be spread farther than just the Floyd and Cartersville campuses. Phil Gaffney, GHC athletics director, stated, "We do want to reach out to other campuses." Plans are to provide intercollegiate sports opportunities at the Marietta, Douglasville and Paulding campuses.

"It's an ongoing process," stated David Mathis, assistant director of athletics. "We want to make it inclusive for everyone."

The current sports being mentioned as possible additions to the GHC offerings are cross-country, volleyball, tennis, soccer and track.

No dates have been announced as to when these new intercollegiate sports might be available to Georgia Highlands. There is a chance that GHC could see these in the near future, but there is no guarantee.

Lady Chargers finish second in GCAA conference

**By Karlee Helms
Managing Ed., Sports**

Losing by one point, the Lady Chargers of Georgia Highlands ended their second season as number two in their state conference.

GHC won the first round of playoffs against Atlanta Metro at the Floyd campus with a score of 72-59.

This win put the Lady Chargers in the final-four tournament of the GCAA playoffs.

The Lady Chargers traveled to Americus, Ga., to play in round two of the playoffs.

In the second round of the playoffs, GHC defeated Central Georgia Technical

College with a score of 74-68, putting the Lady Chargers in the championship game against South Georgia Technical College (SGTC) on March 1.

The SGTC Lady Jets' basketball team has held the number one seed in the GCAA standings throughout the 2013-14 season.

In the championship game, the Lady Chargers were defeated by the Lady Jets with a final score of 59-58.

The leading scorers for the Lady Chargers were Aujuana Dawkins and Amber Curtis, who scored 16 points each, and Shakierya McClendon with 13.



Photo by Karlee Helms

Shakierya McClendon fights to keep the ball in the Lady Chargers' first game of the GCAA playoffs against Atlanta Metro, Feb. 25.

A parking lot apology I will never forget



Karlee's Corner

**Karlee Helms
Managing Ed., Sports**

On Feb. 15, Georgia Highlands hosted the last game of the Lady Chargers' regular season. Unfortunately, Darton defeated the Lady Chargers.

After the game had ended and everyone was leaving, I was stopped by one of the Lady Chargers in the gym parking lot. She said, "Thank you for coming. I'm sorry we lost the game."

When this happened, I was completely caught off guard. I wasn't shocked when she thanked me for coming to support her and her teammates, but I did not expect her to apologize for losing the game.

This example of concern shows that the GHC athletes genuinely care about the fans that attend their games. Sure the players are paying attention to what is happening on the court, but

that doesn't mean that they are oblivious to who is in the stands and what is going on around them.

Everyone on the court—including the coaches, announcers, scorekeepers and yes, the players—is fully aware of who has attended a basketball game and who is a regular supporter of the GHC athletics program.

If the athletes and coaches care about the fans, then why shouldn't the fans care about what the sports teams are doing? It's a give-give situation, not a give-take as it has been.

We should all show that we care about our athletes and how amazing they are doing. If not, one day they may stop caring about their student fans, and that's when the school spirit for GHC is at its end.

Chargers win first round of playoffs

**By Karlee Helms
Managing Ed., Sports**

Ending the game with a final score of 88-74, the Chargers defeated the Chattahoochee Tech Eagles on March 4.

With this win, the Chargers advanced into round two of the GCAA playoffs and participated in the Final Four Tournament. The Chargers took on Central Georgia Tech in Americus, Ga., on Friday, March 7, at 5:30 p.m.



Photo by Karlee Helms

Donovan Harris attempts a rebound in the first GCAA playoff game against Chattahoochee Tech, March 4.

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