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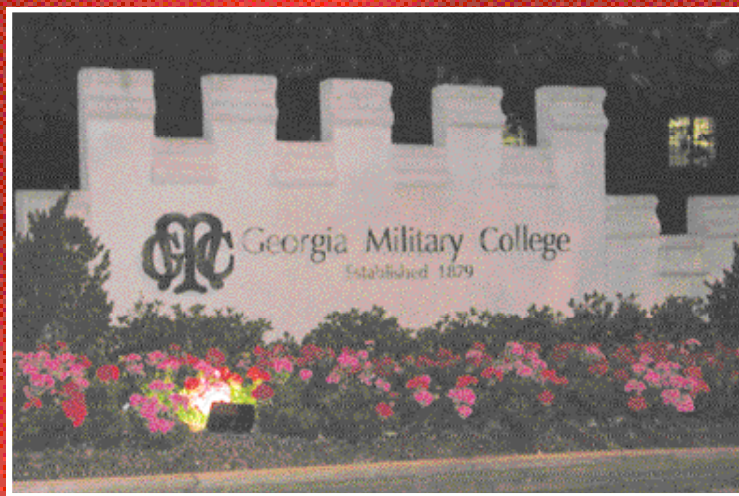
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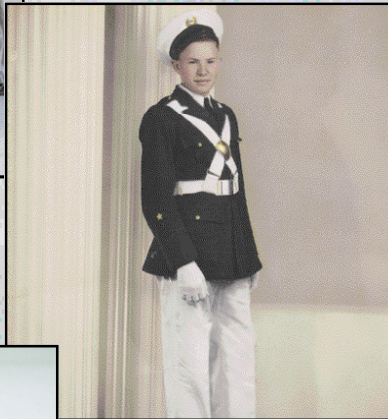
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President's Perspective



MG Peter J. Boylan, USA (Ret.)
GMC President

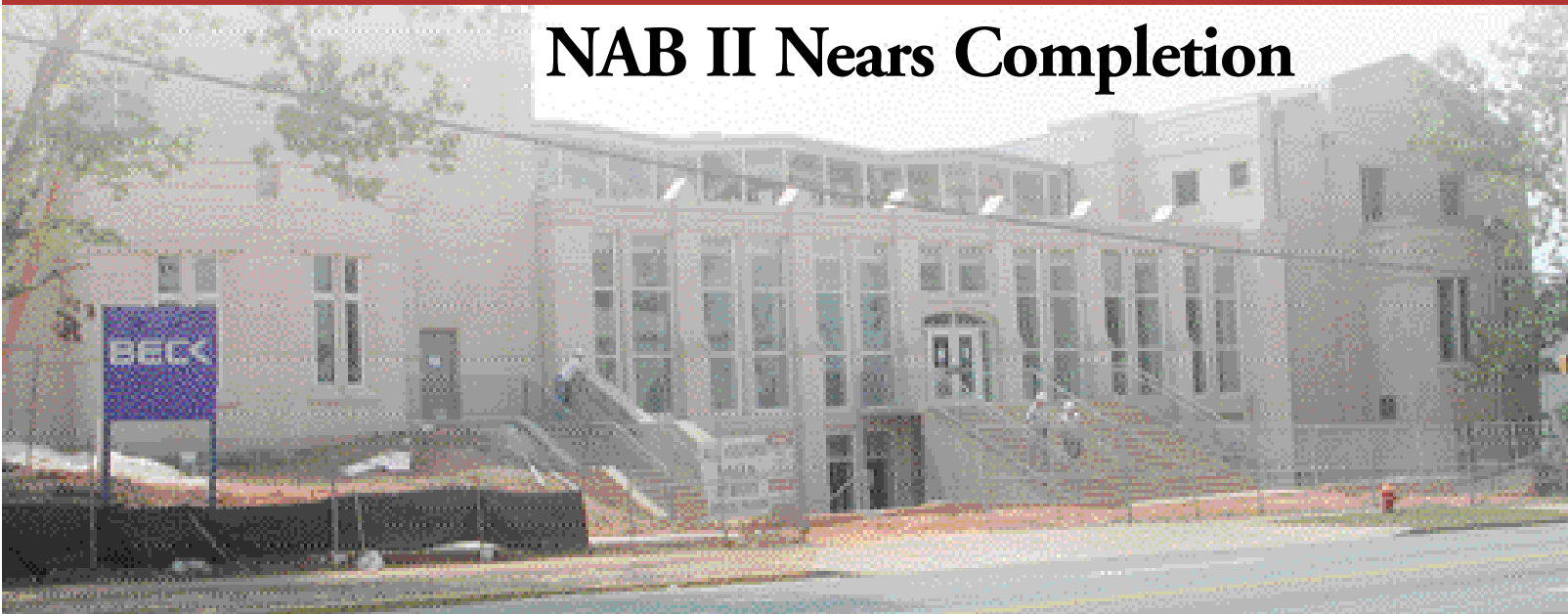
Georgia Military College continues its endeavor to challenge minds and inspire character in our students, preparing them for success. When students leave this place, our goal is that they will be prepared to make a difference, for the world needs people of strong character and leadership. As we work to follow our vital mission, our students are the best evidence we can offer as to the success of our endeavor. In the final analysis, they offer the best hope for all of us.

With the commitment and the unwavering support of alumni and friends, Georgia Military College will continue to provide its students with a quality education and will remain one of the premier educational institutions in the state of Georgia. Clearly, our donors play a critical role in strengthening and expanding the tradition of excellence that has made the school a leader in academics, character development, and athletics.

If ever there was a time to step up and become involved, now is the time. We are in the midst of unprecedented growth. More students than ever are enrolled, with record numbers on our main campus as well as at our distant learning centers throughout the state. The school's growth also encompasses new facilities, for excellent facilities go hand in hand with excellent students, faculty, and staff.

Even as we experience such a "renaissance," we remain an institution of individuals united by our values and dedicated to our student-centered teaching mission. I invite you to join us in our quest to improve lives through a quality education. Your generous gifts to the GMC Foundation will help provide the critical margin of excellence that makes Georgia Military College the hope for the present and the promise for the future.

NAB II Nears Completion

A wide-angle photograph of a large, modern academic building under construction. The building is a multi-story structure with a light-colored facade and numerous windows. In the foreground, there is a construction site with a blue sign that says "BECK". The building is surrounded by trees and a paved area.

GMC's new academic complex includes both the first academic building, Zell Miller Hall, and the new structure, affectionately referred to as NABII. Together, these two buildings comprise one of the finest academic complexes in the state and a noble addition to the Georgia Military College main campus. Ribbon cutting and dedication for NABII is scheduled for early 2005.

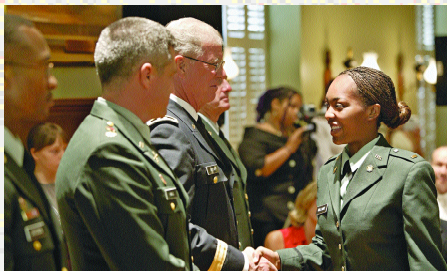
Naming Opportunities *Leave a Legacy*



A naming gift is a highly visible and lasting tribute to someone whose extraordinary contributions deserve recognition.

What's in a name?

There are a variety of methods available for making a significant and lasting contribution to our project. A number of spaces inside the New Academic Building remain open for dedication. A naming gift is a highly visible and lasting tribute to someone whose extraordinary contributions deserve recognition. Each dedication will be recognized in the appropriate locale.



New Academic Building Complex (\$1,000,000)



The Academic Complex includes both the first academic building, Zell Miller Hall, and the new structure. Together, these two buildings comprise one of the finest academic complexes to be found and a noble addition to the Georgia Military College main campus.

Auditorium (\$500,000)

The 6,500 square foot Auditorium is a formal presentation space with seating for more than 400 people. The room is equipped for musical performances, films, slide lectures and other presentations. An impressive Steinway grand piano will grace the stage and will allow the opportunity for our audiences to enjoy performances of the grandest quality.



Music Room (\$30,000)

The 850 square foot Music Room will provide an instructional facility for the Georgia Military College Chorus along with Music Appreciation for students. It will house a state-of-the-art sound system and will offer an extensive recorded collection of the Masters, both past and present. A set of performance risers, music stands, director's podium and a Yamaha baby grand piano will enhance this new facility.

Art Room (\$15,000)

The 1,300 square foot Art Room will house instruction in drawing, painting and multimedia. New, updated art tables and easels will be available to students as well as new computers with the latest software and color printers.

Computer Instruction (\$30,000)

The Computer Instruction Lab will feature twenty-five state-of-the-art computers and printers, using the most updated software. The instructor's master computer with software will enable "over the shoulder" student work. In the new state-of-the-art learning labs, students will be actively engaged in technology-driven learning activities, preparing them for the transition into tomorrow's modern-day workforce.



Chemistry Lab (\$40,000)



This 1,250 square foot College-level chemistry instruction area will be enhanced by lab tables equipped with perm guard tops impervious to chemicals and heat. A ceiling-mounted projector, computers for student experiments, and chemicals and glassware necessary for top-quality instruction will complete the room's furnishings.

Technology-Based Lecture Classrooms (\$10,000)

Eight Technology-Based Lecture Classrooms dominate this facility. Each is to contain a Smart Board and a ceiling-mounted LED projection system, along with a Smart Podium that allows faculty members to control the learning environment and best utilize the technology in the room.

Parade Grounds (\$100,000)

It is in the plan to have the historic Parade Grounds—where soldiers passed in review just before leaving for military service—restored to their original state, creating an area for reminiscing and remembering their legacy.



The Latest Developments



Elizabeth Sheppard
Vice President for Advancement

The 2003-2004 fiscal year was a significant one for the Georgia Military College Foundation. The Foundation experienced a high level of charitable giving with gifts, pledges, planned gifts, and bequests nearing a total of \$700,000. The number of donors lending their financial support grew to 600, reflecting a 10% increase over the previous year. Such a level of support reflects both an appreciation for GMC's proud history and a commitment to excellence in the years ahead.

Because of visionary leadership, a dedicated faculty and staff, and literally hundreds of alumni and friends, Georgia Military College is positioning itself for a promising future. We are very grateful for the generosity of so many loyal supporters, for private support from alumni and friends provides the margin of excellence for continuing the commitment to outstanding service in education. A full giving report will appear in the next issue of *The Cadence*.

The 2004-2005 fiscal year holds many opportunities. A great Alumni Weekend is planned, an occasion for meeting old friends, recognizing outstanding alumni, and commemorating the 125th anniversary of our school's founding. Already, we have held naming ceremonies for T. W. Couch Field and the Reverend Horace Ray Field House as well as the fine new Parnell Ruark Athletic Complex. Early in 2005, we will dedicate a signature \$20 million New Academic Facility. Many will leave a legacy through their gifts toward the naming of portions of this beautiful venue.

I encourage you to look for ways to become involved in advancing the vision of Georgia Military College. In just a few weeks, we will be launching our Annual Fund Drive. Please take the time to carefully consider your role in this effort and respond accordingly. In honoring GMC with your gift, you will be recognizing the heritage and ensuring the future of a fine institution.

With warmest regards,

Elizabeth A. Sheppard
Vice President for Advancement

Celebrating 125 Years of Excellence

1868

February 28
Seat of government moved to Atlanta. Capitol building left vacant.

1872

Bill to establish a college in Milledgeville passes Georgia House but dies because Legislature adjourns before Senate can vote on it.

1878

Legislature petitioned to establish a college to be a unit of the University of Georgia in the old statehouse buildings.

1879

July 31
A bill to establish Middle Georgia Military and Agricultural College passes General Assembly.





The Oak Leaf Society

The Oak Leaf Society was established to honor individuals who include Georgia Military College in their estate plan or in a planned gift arrangement. Some of these legacy gifts are unrestricted, while some are designated for a particular purpose such as providing scholarships or vital support for programs and services.

Alumni and friends who make such planned gifts are creating a legacy for the future of Georgia Military College and its students. We are truly grateful for their loyalty and their desire to make a difference for generations to come.

Members of the Oak Leaf Society

- Mrs. Alma Sims Adams*
- Dr. and Mrs. James E. Baugh
- MAJ (USA, Ret.) Myrtle L. Baugh, RN*
- Dr. Stephen W. Brown
- Mrs. Mary Bell Cantrell
- Mrs. Maxa Osterman Carr*
- Mr. Lew Cordell*
- Dr. and Mrs. George L. Echols, Jr.
- COL Charles W. Ennis
- Mr. O. T. "Tommy" Fulghum, Jr.
- Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Giddens, Sr.
- Mr. and Mrs. I. M. "Sonny"* Goldstein
- Mr. and Mrs. J. L. "Jake" Goldstein
- Mr. Dean H. Grant
- Mr. Robert Hunter Greene, Jr.*
- Dr. and Mrs. Erwin R. "Burl" Jennings
- The Honorable Powell A. Moore
- Mr. William Davidson Morrison
- Mrs. Ruth Sims Page*
- Mr. and Mrs. James T. Paul, Jr.
- Mr. Hubert Folks "Bert" Rawls
- Mr. Parnell Ruark
- Mr. and Mrs. Alan B. Sibley
- Mr. and Mrs. Winston H. Sibley
- Mr. and Mrs. W. Asbury Stembridge
- Mr. and Mrs. Randy Stewart
- Mr. Walter C. Troutman
- Mr. and Mrs. Russell E. Walden
- Mr. and Mrs. Goodloe H. Yancey, III

**In Memory*

Duty Honor Country-125-Character Above All

1879
Dr. W. S. Dudley becomes first President of Middle Georgia Military and Agricultural College. O.T. Kennan is the first Commandant of Cadets.

1879
October 14
Legislature approves establishment of MGM&AC as a unit of the University of Georgia and provides for loan of statehouse and square for use of MGM&AC.

1879
October 22
Local Board of Trustees assumes control of buildings and grounds and begins the process of establishing a school.

1880
January 19
Middle Georgia Military and Agricultural College opens to students for the first time. 219 students and 9 faculty members present on opening day.

1880
Tuition is free, but there is a \$10 matriculation fee.



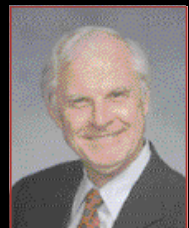
Planned giving is a technique that helps our donors maximize the personal benefits of their charitable giving. It allows them to make gifts they might have thought impossible through advantageous tax treatment under both state and federal law. With careful planning, it is possible to reduce or eliminate income taxes, estate taxes, and/or gift taxes. For this reason, planned giving is a tool that helps many donors achieve their goals for Georgia Military College while

enhancing their financial plans and security.

Often charitable giving seems to indicate only an outright gift of cash, or possibly stocks and bonds. However, a future gift - one that is effected through a will or trust - or a gift of a unique asset or a life insurance policy may enable donors to maximize their gifts to the college and, at the same time, meet their financial, tax, and estate planning goals.



Dean Grant recently established a planned gift in the amount of \$250,000 for Georgia Military College. He said he was inspired to do this because of his daughter, Bailey, who is currently in the 7th grade at GMC. He wanted to make a difference in the lives of future students, the way GMC is making a difference in Bailey's life today.



Asbury Stembbridge
HS1948 & JC1951
Chairman

Memorial Giving Campaign

"You may ask yourself why I wrote the letter dated May 12, 2004. It's because Georgia Military College provided me with a strong foundation to build on. Giving back to GMC through the Memorial Giving Campaign is a wonderful way to help future students also build this strong foundation. Our gifts help to fund scholarships, to purchase necessary equipment, and to provide for special programs that might not otherwise be available to the students without our support."

GIVING BACK



Melvin Charles, JC1954 of Clayton, GA; Earl Slappey, HS1951 of Alpharetta, GA; Loy Waters, JC1953 of Statesboro, GA; and Billy Alexander HS1950 & JC1953 of Lyons, GA, recently paid a visit to the Office of Advancement to discuss their desire to "give back" to Georgia Military College, the institution that has meant so much in their lives. General Boylan joined them to share his Master Plan for growth of the

school and relate the most recent developments.

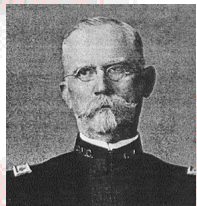
All former athletes, the gentlemen plan to spearhead an effort to involve other former athletes from classes in the early fifties at GMC to build the Low Cordell (Athletic) Scholarship to endowed status (\$25,000) so that athletic scholarships can be awarded to deserving students for generations to come.

Celebrating 125 Years of Excellence

1880
First Commencement. Governor Colquitt reviews cadets in a military parade.

1880
Total College income for first year of operation: \$8100.

1882
O.M. Cone, Mathematics Professor, is Interim President.



1882
Dr. W. F. Cook becomes President.

1884
Enrollment 420.

1884
Male students not from Milledgeville required to board in Governor's Mansion.

Class of 1953 Establishes Endowment



Graduates of the high school class of 1953 are joining forces to establish a perpetual (endowed) fund with the GMC Foundation. As the fund builds, it will award an academic scholarship to a GMC high school student and, in time, an additional award to an outstanding GMC high school faculty member for teaching excellence.

L-R, standing, William (Bill) Moody, Macamie (Mack) Davis, William (Bill) Ferguson, John (Will) Rogers, Robert (Bob) Tredway, Daniel (Brezzy) Grimes, James Vinson, Richard Hudson, Harold Freeman.; sitting, William (Bill) Curry, Samuel (Sam) Goodrich, Melton (Mel) Bonner, James (Jim) Patterson, Marion Kitchens, Charles Cheeves, Samuel (Sam) Fowler.



Mr. and Mrs. Robert Jaworski provide a \$2,000 college scholarship each year to a member of the soccer team who is a graduating senior at GMC High School. They are pictured above with their children, Bobby, HS2005, and Kaila, HS2004, class salutatorian.

GMC High School graduate Jimmy Sandrel Reeves was named the recipient of the *W.J. Usery, Jr., Award for Excellence* during commencement ceremonies on May 28, 2004. This award recognizes exceptional overall achievement in academic and community efforts by a high school senior graduating from Georgia Military College. Mr. Reeves, who plans on attending The Citadel this fall, received a financial gift and will have his name listed on a plaque in the Old Capitol. This annual award was made possible by an endowment from its namesake, former U.S. Secretary of Labor, W. J. "Bill" Usery, Jr., who is a 1940 graduate of GMC Junior College.

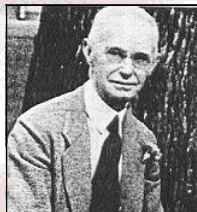


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1884

Chemist Charles Holmes Herty graduates.



1886

Tuition is free, but there is a \$10 matriculation fee.

1886

General Daniel Harvey Hill becomes President of MGM&AC.



Accolades...



Dear Alumni and Friends,

This spring has been busy at GMC. Events such as the Spring Business Roundtable Luncheon and the Fish Fry for the area Kaolin companies helped support our efforts to reach out to the business community. Our goal is to forge closer relationships with the business community and also show appreciation for the support we get from area businesses.

The Spring Concert was a wonderful event, another way to say "thank you" to the generous donors and friends of GMC. We were very fortunate in our weather this year. Spring is so beautiful, and it's wonderful to be able to host elegant outdoor events.

As our event season winds down, we are looking forward to the fall. We're planning some exciting events for the year ahead and will keep you informed as plans progress.

Hope to see you Alumni Weekend!

Sally

Sally C. Thrower
Director of Development

...making a difference for GMC.

WHY GIVE TO GMC?



"Exchange Bank and Georgia Military College have a lot in common. Exchange Bank has been providing quality banking service to the Milledgeville community for over 100 years, just as GMC has been providing quality education for well over a century. For years, Exchange Bank has supported Georgia Military College through donations to the Foundation, as well as by participating in numerous fund-raising activities sponsored by the college to provide scholarship opportunities for the students. We are proud that many of our employees have attended Georgia Military College and now have children and grandchildren attending this outstanding educational institution."

-Brad Serff, President, Exchange Bank

"As we grow older and look back, we begin to realize what a remarkable opportunity it was to be able to attend GMC. Most of us probably didn't appreciate it at the time, but the values and qualities we developed there - integrity, discipline, self-confidence, leadership -

became part of the fabric of our lives. I can think of no better way to leave a legacy than by contributing to an organization that helps young people develop these important skills and attributes. That's the primary reason I allocate part of my giving to GMC.

It is also important to remember that many of the companies we work for offer matching contributions for charitable donations to schools such as GMC. Even as a retiree, my former employer offers up to \$3,500 based on dollar for dollar match."

-Russ and Anne Walden



Dr. Rose Baugh Bacon recently began a fund to purchase a Steinway grand piano for the auditorium in the new academic building at GMC.

Dr. Bacon stated, "A school as grand as GMC should have a first rate instrument on stage." She credits her love for reading to music. An avid reader since the first grade, Dr. Bacon says she learned to read through music.

Dr. Bacon began her relationship with GMC through her late husband, LTC Marvin Baugh, HS1934 & JC1944. Over the years, Dr. Bacon has watched all four of her children earn degrees from GMC.

Dr. Bacon appeals to anyone inspired by music to touch a GMC student by giving to this fund. Summarizing, Dr. Bacon states, "There is noise and there is music. Those who appreciate great music realize there is a need for a fine instrument to interpret and emphasize great music."

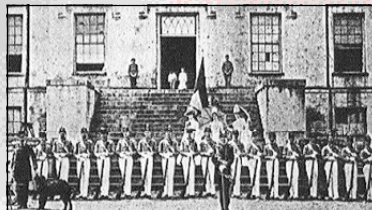
-Dr. Rose Baugh Bacon



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1887

Drill team wins first place award of \$1000 at Macon Drill Meet.



1889

Colton Lynes becomes President.

1890

Alumni Society organized. Charles Herty is society President.

1892

YMCA formed on campus.

1892

Cadets begin to play football.

MG and Mrs. Peter Boylan hosted a fish fry for area Kaolin companies and suppliers to thank them for support shown over the years to GMC.



Guests enjoyed a spectacular view from the Boylan home on Lake Sinclair.



Flat Rock Bluegrass Band entertained guests with a variety of bluegrass melodies.

(L-R) Ted Smith, owner of Arcilla Mining and Land Company, John Williamson, GMC Foundation & Executive Board Member, and Horace Chambers, owner of Chambers Oil Company, enjoy a visit.



MG Peter Boylan talks with Barry J. Sellars of Wilkinson Kaolin Associates, LTD, and Rader Sellars of Sellars Construction, along with John Williamson.



Mike McCoy, Operations Manager for C.T. Harris, Inc., and his wife, Katye, enjoyed the fresh fish that was provided by John Williamson, Randy New and Buford New.

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1892

North wing of Statehouse converted to student housing.

1892

J. C. Woodward becomes President.

1893

UGA withdraws financial support of \$2,000 per year for MGM&AC. City of Milledgeville passes bond issue to raise funds to support school.

1893

Legislature approved building of a barracks on the capital grounds. Building completed in 1895.

1894

Lieut. A. B. Scott becomes first Commandant of Cadets to be appointed by the Army.



Military Tattoo

Major General Peter J. Boylan, President, and the Board of Trustees of Georgia Military College hosted the school's third annual Military Tattoo on Friday, April 16, 2004 at 6:00 PM. A Military Tattoo is an outdoor military exercise given by troops as evening entertainment and is a program steeped in history and tradition. Georgia Military College's third annual Military Tattoo featured the John Mohr MacKintosh Pipes and Drums Band, a solo bagpiper, and precision, solemn performances by the Georgia Military College Color Guard and Drill Team. The deeply moving ceremony included the formal retirement of the Nation's Colors by a

fourteen-member flag detail to mark the end of the day.

The word Tattoo is derived from the Dutch idiom "doe den tap toe" which means, literally, "turn off the taps." The signal, which indicated that beer taps in the taverns should be turned off and that soldiers should return to their quarters, was transmitted by drumbeat each evening. Over time, this tradition has developed into a ceremonial performance of military music followed by formal retirement of the Nation's Colors to mark the end of the day. The most famous is the Edinburgh Military Tattoo, which has taken place since 1950 in Edinburgh, Scotland.



Cadets and band members are "at ease" before the ceremonial performance begins.



John Mohr MacKintosh Pipes and Drums play for the honored guests.



GMC Color Guard formally retires the Nation's Colors.

BUSINESS ROUNDTABLE

The GMC Foundation Development Committee hosted their second Business Roundtable Luncheon in March, with the goal of establishing a closer relationship with the business community in order to strengthen communication and charitable support.

Bill Craig, Chairman of the GMC Foundation, welcomes area business leaders.

MG Boylan's presentation includes the Mission Statement of the school.

MG Boylan speaks with Jeff Settle of Georgia Power before the luncheon begins.

MG Boylan greets Linda Kerce, owner of Serenity Wellness Spa.

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1894

January 1
Old Capitol burns.
Reconstruction of
building completed
June 26th.



1896

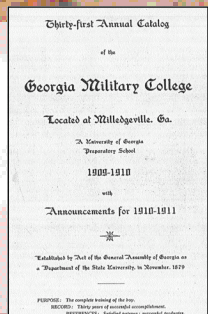
W. E. Reynolds
becomes
President.

1897

New barracks
built by
Milledgeville
bond issue.

1900

Middle Georgia
Military and
Agricultural College is
renamed Georgia
Military College.



Spring Concert

The west lawn was the scene of a Spring Soiree in April. Donors and friends of Georgia Military College enjoyed the music of Elton Parks and James Helms. The concert was sponsored in part by the Peter J. Boylan Concert Series.

MG Boylan introduces Mr. & Mrs. Winston Sibley to the guests before the concert. Through Winston's & Dot's generosity, the Peter J. Boylan Concert Series was established.



Elton Parks & James Helms played a variety of old southern classical tunes.



Elizabeth Sheppard, VP for Advancement, with Mr. & Mrs. Jake Goldstein, HS1940 & JC1942.



Brenda Mason & Kathy Inliucci



(L-R) Asbury Stembridge, HS1948 & JC1951, and wife, Charlotte, visit with guest of honor, William J. Usery, Jr., JC1940.



Cadets greet Mr. Gus Pursley, Jr., JC1942.



Dr. & Mrs. John Ferguson, HS1961 & JC1963, sign the guest book.



Dr. Floride Gardner & Ms. Emily Garner

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1900

Students quarantined for two weeks because of chicken pox epidemic.

1900

First scholarship awarded at GMC to Chandler Brooks by Benevolent Lodge Number 3 of the Masons.

1900

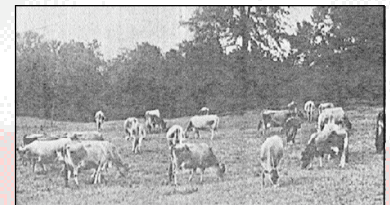
GMC graduates certified to teach in Georgia public schools.

1902

Commencement speaker is Wu Ting Fang, the Chinese Ambassador to the United States.

1905

Cattle banned from campus.



Alumni Connection



Tiffany Oliver
Coordinator of Alumni Relations

I am extremely pleased and excited to be nearing my sixth month anniversary here at GMC. As the Coordinator of Alumni Relations, it is my sincerest desire to represent you, the Georgia Military College family. Since moving to Milledgeville just a few years ago, I have admired the pride and spirit displayed by the students at GMC. With over 10,000 alumni worldwide, the GMC Alumni Association serves as a conduit for graduates to reconnect with their alma mater. The mission of the GMC Alumni Association is to cultivate and influence the alumni, to provide for their lifelong support, and to foster the continued future growth of the institution.

What can you do to help fulfill our mission?

- Refer prospective students to GMC.
- Talk about GMC to your friends.
- Join the 1879 Circle.
- Send your news to us.

Tiffany Oliver of LaGrange, Georgia, is a 2003 graduate from Georgia College & State University where she received her degree in Business Management.

Share your ideas with us, and let us know what you would like alumni relations to do for you. As your representative, I want to serve you. Just in the last few months, we have had a number of alumni stop by the Office of Advancement to visit and to share a few of their stories from their days at GMC. Some have been most entertaining!!



BAND REUNION

Members of the GMC Band Company held their third annual reunion during the weekend of May 15-16. They began their weekend with a dinner at the home of Jimmy Garland, HS1965 & JC1969, in Eatonton.

The next morning members of the group were given a tour of the Old Capitol Museum, which included stories, along with original artifacts, from the days when Milledgeville was Georgia's state capital. After the tour, everyone gathered at the GMC Lake Lot to enjoy hamburgers and hot dogs cooked by fellow alum and Drum Major for the band, Charles Wilcher, HS1969. Later that evening the group met back at the Milledgeville Country Club to enjoy food, music and fellowship around the pool, where the tales got longer and longer!



1906

Millard Little, MGM&AC class of 1897, returns as Commandant of Cadets and Professor of Military Science.

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1906

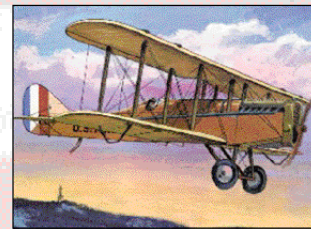
First Alumni Scholarships awarded to Charles M. Hamilton of South Carolina and Robert D. Duke of Milledgeville. Alumni did not contribute and Society President, Dr. Thomas M. Hall, paid the full cost.

1906

Tuition, uniforms and board are now \$121.90 per year.

1906

Aviation Pioneer, Bert Atkinson, graduates.



ONCE AGAIN WE ARE GEARING UP
FOR ALUMNI WEEKEND 2004
"A SALUTE TO GMC."
WE HAVE A WEEKEND PACKED
FULL OF ACTIVITIES AND HOPE
YOU WILL BE ABLE TO JOIN US IN
CELEBRATING THE 125TH
ANNIVERSARY
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OR BY EMAIL AT
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AND I WILL SEND YOU ONE AS
SOON AS POSSIBLE!
DON'T MISS OUT ON THIS ONCE
IN A LIFETIME EVENT!



Francis Fowler, HS1933 & JC1936, is pictured with Tiffany Oliver and his high school and junior college diplomas. His junior college diploma was one of the first that GMC awarded to the cadets.

SENIOR BREAKFAST

On May 19, the Alumni Association Board of Directors and the Advancement Office hosted the third annual Senior Breakfast, honoring the graduating high school seniors. After enjoying a wonderful meal provided by Robert Ritchotte and hearing a few words of wisdom from President Peter J. Boylan and Executive Vice President Fred Van Horn, the seniors were tested on their knowledge of GMC with a "trivia game." Winners were given gift certificates from local businesses. Before the soon-to-be alumni left, the GMC Alumni Association gave each student a "Class of 2004" lapel pin and a GMC Alumni car decal.



THE CLASS OF 2004 AND WHERE THEY PLAN TO ATTEND COLLEGE:

- | | |
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| Stacy Arnold - Georgia Military College | Amanda Johnson - Georgia Military College |
| Leslie Avant - Georgia College & State Univ. | Keely Kitchings - Georgia Military College |
| Bryan Beall - Georgia Military College | Iesha Liggins - Georgia Military College |
| Drake Benton - Georgia Military College | Will McComb - Georgia Military College |
| Paul Bernichon - US Air Force | Cliff McGhee - Georgia College & State Univ. |
| Adrianne Blount - Central Georgia Tech. | Calvin McMullen - Univ. of Minnesota
at Crookston |
| Josh Brown - Southern Polytechnic Inst. | Sara Meeks - Georgia Military College |
| Aundria Collins - US Air Force Reserves | Jennifer Mixon - Georgia Military College |
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| Sam Downer - Southern Polytechnic Inst. | Katie Rackley - Univ. of Georgia |
| Erin Fair - Georgia Military College | Gavin Ray - Georgia Military College |
| Susan Fessler - Taccoa Falls College | Jimmy Reeves - The Citadel |
| Josh Gilley - Georgia Military College | Hollie Salter - Georgia Military College |
| Maggie Goss - Georgia Military College | Carmen Simpson - Georgia Southern Univ. |
| Sara Graham - Georgia Military College | Joshua Smith - Georgia Military College |
| Casey Griggs - Georgia Military College | Emily Vance - Abraham Baldwin
Agricultural College |
| Whitney Harmon - Georgia Military College | Brooks Vinson - Georgia College & State Univ. |
| Kevin Hendrix - Central Georgia Tech. | |
| Morgan Hogan - Georgia Military College | |
| Trey Jackson - Georgia Military College | |
| Kaila Jaworski - Furman University | |

Duty Honor Country-125-Character Above All

1907
 Graduating class was all male for the first time.

1908
 Band and orchestra and football are organized.



1909
 School of Telegraphy opened.

Alumni Aspects



Cynthia Chipman
HS1975
President, 2003-2005

Dear Fellow Alumni:

We enter into the fall of 2004 with a celebration upon us - the anniversary of Georgia Military College. Throughout the 2004-2005 school year, there will be many opportunities calling you back - we hope you will accept this as an open invitation to participate!

As the landscape of Georgia Military College transforms through the vision of great leadership provided by General Peter J. Boylan and his staff, we, as alumni, are asked to meet these new challenges created by such change. Continuing the traditions handed down to us is important.

A new tradition at Georgia Military College is to get involved by joining the 1879 Circle. A yearly gift of \$18.79 or more will ensure children and grandchildren of alumni the opportunity to apply for a scholarship in the middle school, high school, and junior college. This is a great way to continue your connection with Georgia Military College. Your Alumni Association Board of Directors is participating in this important initiative with 100% giving. Not only is annual giving important, but also your participation in events offered by the school. Each time I have the opportunity to attend a parade, I am reminded of the cadets who marched before those currently gathered on the parade grounds, hearing the same Cadet's Prayer and honoring the same colors.

Alumni Weekend is another tradition in which your participation is vital -- we want you back to share in the camaraderie and spirit of Georgia Military College! Make plans with your classmates and friends to attend Friday, October 22nd, and Saturday, October 23rd, and create a new tradition for yourself. Contact Tiffany Oliver in the Office of Alumni Relations for further information.

Come celebrate with us!

Cynthia Patrick Chipman, HS1975
President, Alumni Association

1879 Circle

Each gift of \$18.79, an amount corresponding to the year of GMC's establishment, qualifies the donor for annual membership in the 1879 Alumni Circle of Friends. Members of this special club will be recognized in our annual Honor Roll of Donors as well as during 2004 Alumni Weekend festivities. To be a part of this exciting new initiative, enclose your gift of \$18.79 in the return envelope in this issue of *The Cadence*. Be sure to check "Alumni Scholarship" to designate your gift. Every gift will make a difference. Just think...the response each year of only 1,000 of GMC's alumni will result in \$18,790.00 annually in scholarship support!

Celebrating 125 Years of Excellence

1909

For good reason, no football is played this year.

1910

Commencement activities last six days with drills, speakers, debates, sermons, band music and parades.

1912

O. R. Horton becomes President.

1912

Enrollment is now 571.

1913

Cadets take on Ty Cobb's All-Star team in exhibition game. Cobb tagged out at second base by a GMC cadet. (GMC loses 9-5.)



GMC Old Capitol Throw



Perfect for the fall evening Bulldog football games!

The GMC Alumni Association has purchased beautiful cotton throws which feature the GMC Old Capitol Building logo and incorporate our school's colors of red and black. The proceeds from the throws will help fund the middle school, high school, and junior college Alumni Scholarship Fund. You may view these throws and receive more information by visiting the GMC Alumni website under the Alumni & Friends section, or you may contact Tiffany Oliver in Alumni Relations at (478) 445-2695.

I-r: Mark Culberson, HS1990, Scott Seagraves, HS1980, Cynthia Patrick Chipman, HS1975, Monica Wood, JC1999, Merel Harrison, HS1973 & JC1974, Suzanne Martin, HS1989, Jimmy Paul, HS1943 & JC1945, seated: Shannon New, HS1975 & JC1976



Order your GMC throw today and celebrate your school pride while supporting the Alumni Scholarship Fund!

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email _____

Make check payable to: Georgia Military College Alumni Association
 # of Throws _____
 Cost of throw: \$45.00 (plus shipping and handling)

Payment method: Mastercard, Visa, Check or Money Order
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Duty Honor Country-125-Character Above All

1915
 Pioneering pediatric surgeon, Dr. Alfred Blalock, graduates.



1915
 Total yearly cost is now \$278.50.

1916
 President Wilson designates GMC an Infantry Unit of the Junior Division of the Reserve Officers Training Corps (ROTC).

1916
 President Horton granted leave of absence to serve with his unit which has been mobilized to patrol the Mexican border against Pancho Villa.

1916
 J. H. Marshburn appointed to serve as President in Horton's absence.

Class Reunion Contacts

50 YEAR

Tiffany Oliver
478-445-2695 or toliver@gmc.cc.ga.us
Location: Legislative Chamber, Old Capitol

40 YEAR

David Giddens, Jr.
dgid@communicomm.com

30 YEAR

Carolyn Kjer
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25 YEAR

Claire Duke Garrett
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Location: Advancement Office

20 YEAR

Mary Will Davidson Black
cmwblack@bellsouth.net

15 YEAR

Bill Kenndey
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Location: Sibley-Cone Library

10 YEAR

Chris Holland
chris@quinnpestcontrol.com

Brandon Williams
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For additional information, please check the website, www.gmc.cc.ga.us, or contact Tiffany Oliver, Alumni Relations, 478-445-2695, email toliver@gmc.cc.ga.us.



Members of the high school Class of 1979 met in July to start discussing plans for their 25th high school reunion that will be held October 23rd. Pictured l-r: Claire Duke Garrett, Walter Green, Marsha McRee Jones, and Russell Harding.



The Milledgeville A Cappella Choir Alumni will be having a reunion at Epworth By The Sea in St. Simons, GA, during the weekend of Oct. 1-3. The choir was made up of GMC Cadets and Georgia State College for Women students and was active through 1965. Throughout the year, the group would travel to various towns in Georgia giving concerts. And once a year, in the spring, the group traveled to New York, Miami or even Chicago singing at various locations enroute. All former members of the group are invited to participate. For information, contact Charles Garrison, HS1952 & JC1953, at 800-438-2974 or e-mail charbaysp@aol.com.

Celebrating 125 Years of Excellence

1919

Barracks burns on January 10th.

1919

New barracks (Main Barracks) opens to students December 19th.



1919

President Horton returns. Horton and Marshburn serve as Associate Presidents until both resign in 1920.

1920

Kyle T. Alfriend becomes President.

1921

With assistance of elementary school students and cadets, Nancy Hart Chapter, National Society, Daughters of the American Revolution, plants Liberty Tree on campus with soil from all 48 states.

"A SALUTE to GMC"

Alumni Weekend 2004 - Celebrating 125 Years

Friday, October 22, 2004

11:00 a.m.

Golf Tournament
Milledgeville Country Club

4:00 p.m.

Campus Tour
Historic Presentation of GMC's First 125 Years
by COL Jane Simpson

5:00 p.m.

Social Hour

6:00 p.m.

"Bluegrass and Barbeque" *



Saturday, October 23, 2004

9:00 a.m.

Breakfast with the President
Induction of New Members of Oak Leaf Society

10:15 a.m.

Campus Tour
Historic Presentation of GMC's First 125 Years
by COL Jane Simpson

11:30 a.m.

Alumni Luncheon

1:00 p.m.

High School Choral Ensemble
GMC 125th Birthday Celebration

2:00 p.m.

New Academic Building Tours

3:00 p.m.

Alumni Parade
Davenport Field

5:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.

Class Reunions

8:00 p.m.

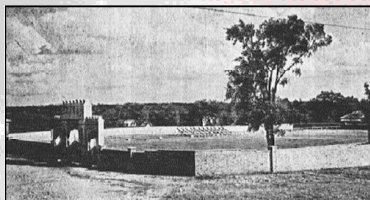
Alumni Dance - "Reunion"
Heavy hors d'oeuvres *

* Cash Bar Provided

Duty Honor Country-125-Character Above All

1922

Athletic field renamed Davenport Field in memory of Michael Davenport, a cadet killed in an accident during a baseball game.



1922

J. H. Haddock assumes Presidency.

1923

E. T. Holmes named President.

1924

Georgia Supreme Court rules GMC public school.

1924

Wally Butts graduates.



BILL USERY - AN EXTRAORDINARY CITIZEN

In 1956, the young Bill Usery was a newly installed representative of the International Association of Machinists, assigned to investigate the potential for the organization at the then-unknown but growing missile test site of Cape Canaveral, Florida. Although he was initially skeptical, Usery's military and civilian contacts convinced him that the future of the Cape was extremely bright. The Russian launch of Sputnik 1 the following year confirmed Usery's judgment, as the United States was plunged into a space race that would make the Cape a center of the nation's commitment to ballistic missile and space technology.

President Kennedy accelerated that race with his commitment to land a man on the moon and return him safely to the earth. In furtherance of that goal, Kennedy issued an executive order creating a national Missile Sites Commission, which had separate committees at various space-related facilities around the country, and whose mission was to minimize conflicts and settle labor disputes. Usery's work on behalf of the Machinists led to his appointment as Chairman of the Cape Canaveral Missile Sites Committee. The Committee worked to find ways for all the parties working at the Cape - the employees, the unions, the various contractors, and the government - to find ways to work together to resolve disputes and prevent work stoppages. The Committee's work was critical to the success of the Cape's mission.

Usery's appointment to the Committee was also a defining moment in his life, as it was the first of many opportunities

Usery would later receive to work at the highest levels of government, on behalf of the working people of America. He would go on to receive five presidential appointments, three of which required confirmation by the Senate, including Secretary of Labor under President Ford, and to become known as the nation's top industrial mediator. His career in

government, the private sector, and the academic world has (so far) spanned five decades, and shows no sign of slowing down.

Born in Hardwick, Georgia, during the lean Depression years, young W. J. "Bill" Usery, Jr., understood the power of resourcefulness and tenacity at an early age. Usery attributes much of his patriotism and love of freedom to his experiences at GMC, which he attended from 1938 to 1941, and to his time in the U. S. Navy, which he joined shortly after graduation. Usery served in the Pacific Fleet during World War II, and saw firsthand the devastating effects on working people of repressive regimes.

After leaving the Navy in 1946, Usery found employment as a

machinist, but also found that employees' rights were sometimes threatened or denied even in a free society such as ours. He quickly assumed a leadership position in the local union, and his ability led to an eventual position as a Grand Lodge Representative for the International Association of Machinists. It was in that connection that he found himself at Cape Canaveral.

Above all, Usery believed that freedom and responsibility go

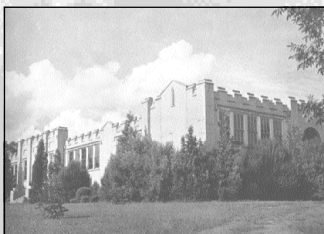


W. J. Usery, Jr.

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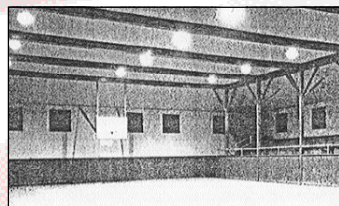
1925

A Junior School building now known as Jenkins Hall erected.



1926

A gymnasium named for Judge John Allen, chairman of Board of Trustees, built with funds donated by alumni.



1928

George S. Roach becomes President.

1929

General Assembly approves adding two years of college instruction at GMC. College classes begin with 1931-32 school term.

together, and that unionism and responsible collective bargaining must also go together. These principles, which served him so well at the Cape, also led to his recognition by the incoming Nixon Administration in 1969. Usery was appointed by President Nixon as Assistant Secretary of Labor and, in addition thereto, was later appointed Special Assistant to the President.

Usery quickly became one of the country's most important actors in the field of labor-management relations and dispute resolution, becoming involved in virtually every significant national industrial dispute from 1969 to 1977. His success as a mediator led to his appointment in 1973 by President Nixon as National Director of the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, and in 1976 by President Ford as Secretary of Labor.

When President Ford left office in 1977, Usery formed his own company, Bill Usery Associates, Inc., based in Washington, DC. He is still very much in demand, and continues to be available as a consultant and special mediator when U.S. presidents and others seek help in resolving labor conflicts. He was called upon by President Clinton to serve on the Commission on the Future of Worker-Management Relations from 1993 to 1995, and also served as special mediator for the Major League Baseball dispute in 1994.

Usery's impact on American collective bargaining and labor-management relations has been tremendous. As former President George Bush remarked:

"Collective bargaining is recognized as the cornerstone of American labor relations, thanks to the hard work and decisive leadership of people like Bill. By promoting cooperation and dialogue between management and labor, Bill Usery has helped to strengthen our entire nation."

But Bill Usery's work has also extended beyond our own shores, to the sphere of international labor relations. Such international involvement actually began more than thirty years ago. He had just begun his federal service in 1969 as Assistant Secretary of Labor, when he was selected by Secretary of Labor George Shultz to represent the Department of Labor at a Ministerial Meeting of the Paris-



Pictured in GMC dress uniform, Mr. Usery was a member of the Class of 1940.

based Organization for Economic Cooperation and Development (OECD). The ministers decided they needed an Industrial Relations Working Party, to share information, establish standards, and promote free and responsible collective bargaining in OECD countries. Usery was nominated by then-Secretary of State William Rogers as chairman of the new Working Party, and was approved by the OECD governing body. He continued for several years in that important position, helping advise the world's leading industrial nations on their labor-management policies.

Usery's interest and involvement in the international realm continued after his departure from government service. Two examples stand out.

In 1983, Usery was called upon by General Motors and Toyota to help work out an unprecedented labor agreement for a proposed Joint Venture between the two giant international automakers. The plan called for the re-

Duty Honor Country-125-Character Above All

1931

American Legion erects a memorial gate and builds a wall around Davenport Field in memory of those who died in World War I.

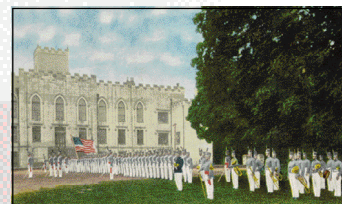


1931

GMC eliminated from State budget.

1932

Ranking of Distinguished Honor School achieved by ROTC.



1934

Female students excluded from Georgia Military College.

opening of an old GM plant in Fremont, California, using American workers and Japanese management to manufacture a high-quality compact car. One of the biggest obstacles, however, was the reluctance of Toyota to hire the plant's former employees, who had a terrible reputation, as part of the new work force, and to operate under an American-style collective bargaining agreement.

Usery was called upon to work out a new understanding among the parties regarding hiring, training, work organization, and union recognition. After grueling negotiations and numerous setbacks, a Memorandum of Understanding was worked out which allowed for a highly innovative approach to labor-management relations, based on mutual trust, at the new Joint Venture, which was officially named New United Motor Manufacturing, Inc. (NUMMI). NUMMI became enormously successful, producing some of the country's highest quality vehicles, and becoming a model for collaborative labor-management relations in other plants in the U.S. and in other countries.

Toyota's former president and chairman, Eiji Toyoda, praised Usery's finesse and professionalism in a letter written 15 years later, after the success of NUMMI was firmly established:

"I personally believe you [were] the first person in the U.S. who understood and vigorously advocated the concept of mutual trust and respect between labor and management."

While the NUMMI experiment was being successfully implemented in the late 1980's and early 90's, Usery turned his attention to another part of the world: the former Soviet Union and, in particular, Russia and Ukraine. The coal industry in these countries was in big trouble. Once the world's fourth largest coal producer, Russia and her mining companies were plagued by a high rate of work-related accidents and deaths. Workers were striking for decent wages and better conditions, continually bringing operations to a paralyzing halt. Labor reform and a complete restructuring of the industry were essential to positioning the New Independent States of Russia as a viable contender in the global free market economy.

In June 1991, Bill Usery led a high-level tripartite group from the U.S. coal industry, labor, and government in visiting

Moscow and the coal fields of Siberia and Ukraine. From that visit, the group concluded that, even with widespread support for change and economic reform, the problems facing Russia's coal industry were monumental. Massive infusions of technology, managerial expertise, and capital would be required to convert the industry into a modern, self-sustaining enterprise.

As a result of Usery's initiative, the group established Partners in Economic Reform (PIER), a non-profit entity that worked tirelessly over a two-year period to secure the participation of the U.S. Departments of State, Labor, and Commerce for its main initiative, the "Coal Project." The Bill Usery Labor Management Relations Foundation pitched in with a much-needed \$50,000 initial grant. PIER then successfully solicited the help of the U.S. Agency for International Development, the World Bank and various corporations and other entities to help fund the project.

The eventual result: a thriving coal industry in Russia, and an opportunity to boost American involvement and assistance in Russia's new government. When reform in the Russian coalfields was well underway, then-President Bill Clinton penned a letter to Usery, thanking him for PIER's efforts:

"A productive and prosperous Russia can add billions of dollars in new growth to the global economy. We are investing not only in the future of Russia, but in the future of America."

Today, Usery concentrates most of his effort on the Usery Center for the Workplace, which was established in his honor at Georgia State University in 1997. The Center promotes innovative approaches to worker-management relations and dispute resolution. Its recent projects have focused on workforce development, productivity and quality improvement, research on trade and outsourcing, labor law, and global leadership training. Usery has also donated the official papers that chronicle his illustrious career to the Southern Labor Archives at Georgia State.

Although Usery has received numerous accolades and awards in the course of his career, including five honorary doctorates, he considers it his highest honor to have received from Georgia Military College not only the Distinguished Alumni

1934

J. H. Jenkins becomes President.

1935

GMC men allowed to sing with world famous A Cappella Choir from the Georgia State College for Women.



1935

The Campus Theater debuted a "moving picture with sound" outlining the activities of GMC that would be shown in Martin Theaters in Georgia and Alabama.

1938

Enrollment in Junior College is 139 students, 62 from foreign countries.

Award in 1971 but also GMC's greatest tribute, the Carl Vinson Public Service Award, in 1990.

At GMC, Usery experienced an extraordinary level of national pride and self-discipline, and was able to observe and practice the exemplary leadership skills that would serve him well throughout his life. The student body's ethnic and economic diversity also gave him the opportunity to experience life from a perspective outside his own rural south.

GMC reinforced the upbringing Usery had already been given by parents who wholeheartedly believed in their nation and in community service. Usery came from a town which one of Georgia's most famous congressional representatives, Carl Vinson, called home. He knew from an early age that the GMC experience was a special one, that he should not take for granted.

Of Usery's contributions to the school, Major General Peter J. Boylan, USA (Ret.), GMC President, has written:

"Every educational institution in this land has alumni to whom it can point with pride as exemplifying those qualities which identify the school and the ethic which underpins the education it provides. In the case of Bill Usery, these [qualities] are gifts to our country of an extraordinary sort from an extraordinary citizen."

Perhaps the most succinct and fitting tribute to the life and successes of Bill Usery was published more than 25 years ago in the Congressional Record, by Congressman John Erlenborn of Illinois, on the occasion of Usery's stepping down from the position of Secretary of Labor. The Congressman wrote:

"Mr. Speaker, let us consider this remarkable story.

"In the 1930's, we have a young man in a small town in Georgia - a boy without political connections, without family influence, with

nothing but the opportunity to do as well as he was able.

"Forty years later we find the same boy, long since a man, in the Cabinet of the President of the United States, a position he has earned by his own extraordinary abilities; a position he received although he had always been a member of the opposing political party and made no secret about it.

"Mr. Speaker, I wish that the simple, unadorned story of W. J. Usery, Jr. could be told, without dramatics or moralistic trimmings, to every schoolchild in America.

"It is truly the American story, as true now as it was 200 years ago, and an inspiration to us all. For that alone we should wish Bill Usery good wishes and godspeed."

As is evident in his accomplishments and the admiration of those who have known and worked with him, Bill Usery has truly maintained "Character Above All."



In 1944, Mr. Usery (right) with friend, Tony Ruthland, was stationed in Tallaga Bay aboard the U.S.S. Tutuila.

Duty, Honor Country-125-Character Above All

1939

With help from the Works Progress Administration (WPA) Whitfield Hall is constructed and a classroom building attached to front of the Allen Gym.



1939

Civilian pilot training added to curriculum. GMC is only school in nation to have 100% enrolled students pass ground and flight testing.



1939

Total school income is \$29,456 and total expense is \$28,555 for the fiscal year.

PARNELL RUARK ATHLETIC COMPLEX DEDICATION

Georgia Military College held a dedication ceremony for its new 25,000 square-foot Athletic Complex on Saturday, April 17th, naming the building to honor one of Georgia Military College's outstanding sons, Parnell Ruark.

Parnell Ruark came to Georgia Military College from Bostwick, GA, in 1940 to attend the high school. After graduating from Georgia Military College High School in 1942, Ruark joined the United States Navy and served for three years during World War II. After his discharge in 1946, Ruark went through spring training with the New York Giants before deciding to enroll in college at GMC. While earning his associate's degree at Georgia Military College, he was an outstanding athlete in all sports. Ruark later earned a bachelor's degree from the University of Georgia and a master's degree from Georgia College.

Parnell Ruark served as the Athletic Director at Georgia Military College and coached several teams at both the junior college and high school. In addition to his many years of service to Georgia Military College, Parnell Ruark is widely known for two outstanding athletic achievements. In 1947, he became the first junior college football player east of the Mississippi River to be named as a first team All-American. Ruark was also an outstanding professional baseball player from 1949-54, earning a career batting average of .324, 125 homeruns, a .563 slugging percentage, and a league batting championship in 1953.

The Parnell Ruark Athletic Complex houses a state-of-the-art weight room and rifle range (with 12 stations), a training room (with two whirlpools and two electrostim/ultrasound stations), 12 offices, two meeting rooms, two classrooms, men's junior college locker room, women's junior college locker room, boys' high school locker room, girls' high school locker room, coaches' conference and video room, and a spacious reception area.



Parnell Ruark Athletic Complex Dedication Ceremony



Parnell Ruark has "made his mark" at Georgia Military College, impacting athletics with his contributions and shaping the lives of other athletes. Coach Ruark shared with us some of those experiences in his own words:

"No, I'm not Paul Harvey but feel you should know at least some of 'the rest of the story...."

1941 - "At times I've admitted to a closer relationship to the 1941 team than to the 1947 and 1948 teams and for that, you deserve an explanation. In 1941 we were all cadets, thus had a closer relationship. The 1941 team consisted of L.E. Melvin Gibbs, L.T. Ray Nickens, L.G. Dexter Pass, C.

Pinkey Cantrell, R.G. B.B. Clary, R.T. Joe Uler, R.E. Manley Hines, Q.B. Gene Alexander and Parnell Ruark, L.H. Al Pearl, F.B. John Canady and Russ Hoffman, and R.H. Tommy Caram. We lost George Whitaker and Jesse Bowles early to injuries. Others included "Big Boy" Prosser, Billy Bafoon, and Bobby Franklin. We were all cadets, and a close-knit group."

1947 - "In a championship mixture of veterans and cadets, I was much too late named the first junior college All-American east of the Mississippi. Enough has already been said about that. Remer Brady, Floyd Hoard, Lewis Williams, and I were named to the Georgia Junior College football team. There were others just as worthy such as Jack Cordell, John Vislosky, Ted Parks, Terry Vining, and Cooter Allen, all Lew Cordell-type players. Others with special athletic ability that was not utilized to the fullest were Freddy Layton and Bill Yoast, who did a great job later as Recreation Director and Coach."

1948 - "Coach Cordell added Hubbard Smith and Eli Sanders, both from Beauford, South Carolina, assuring us another great team in 1948."

1958 - "After I returned to assist Coach Cordell with the football team, we had two junior college All-Americans, Larry Lasseter and Leon Estes. Others were David Sullivan, John Prince, Bill Murphy, Jim Sims, Mutt Davis, Don Taylor, Jere Wilkcoxon, Larry Bargemon, Lanier Gunby, Doug Williams, Alton Westbrooks, Robert Hornia, and Wilbur Webb."

1960 - "In 1960 I worked with a young man who was, I believe, the only GMC student athlete who was on two championship teams in the same year, Fred Sims, Jr. He was my regular center fielder on the college baseball team and the quarterback of an undefeated high school football team in the fall."

"Having been the director of the intramural program, I am pleased in thinking back on it to recall there was never a complaint or protest. For the companies, I'd have three round robins, then 1 versus 4 and 2 versus 3, to determine first, second, third, and fourth places. In individual competition, I'd take the "sweet 16" and play it out."

"I spent thirteen years of total dedication to activities at GMC and enjoyed them all."

Parnell Ruark / GMC Coach
Retired



Parnell stands beside the plaque naming the building in his honor.



Parnell with his family and friends.

Celebrating 125 Years of Excellence

1940
A new barracks, Vinson Hall, is dedicated.



1940
Future U.S. Secretary of Labor, William Uesry, graduates.



1940
The Southern Association of Colleges and Schools accredits the junior college.

1941
Wilder Hall, the Military Science Building, is constructed.



DEDICATION CEREMONY Couch Field and Rev. Horace Ray Field House



Above, the Ray family stands in front of the new Rev. Horace Ray Field House, which was dedicated on March 25, 2004. MG Peter Boylan, President of GMC, spoke with great respect about the man he called a "guiding light on matters relating to building trusting relations with the community and our students." "He was a man with soul who saw all of us as humans striving for the same goal. This house will remind our students of human goodness."

Below, Mrs. Ray stands beside the sign which names the field house in her husband's memory.



On March 25, GMC's new softball field was named in honor of Tillman Windall Couch for his dedicated service in the construction and maintenance of the GMC baseball and softball complex and in memory of his wife, Ouida A. Couch, for being such a devoted wife and mother. Windall's sons, Garry, HS1974, and GMC Head Softball and Baseball Coach, and Mike, HS1971 & JC1973, both spoke of their love for their father and his love for GMC.

Windall was born September 7, 1923, in Baldwin County. He is the son of the late Tillman C. and Rena Couch. He attended Midway Vocational School where he graduated in June 1940. He entered the service in 1941 where he served in the armed forces until discharge in October 1941. He was married to Ouida Elizabeth Andrews of Sandersville, August 4, 1946, until her death, August 8, 1991. T. W. has two sons, Mike and Garry, and five grandchildren. Mike and his wife, Sherri, have three children, Marcia, Scott and Michelle. Garry and his wife, Marilu, have two children, Ross and Chris.

T. W. worked as Store Manager for Palace Market, in Milledgeville, for thirteen years. In 1962, he became the Superintendent of Roads for Baldwin County and Warden of the Baldwin County Prison where he served with distinction until his retirement in 1988. He served on the Baldwin County Board of Commissioners from 1956-1960. He is a member of Hardwick Baptist Church, where he has served as a deacon. T.W. has been a member of the Free Masons since 1962.

"Pa" enjoys softball and baseball, hardly ever missing a game that his son, Garry, coaches or his grandson, Ross, plays. In the fall, he dedicates his time to GMC football to watch grandson, Chris, a member of the varsity team.



Windall Couch with his grandchildren, Chris Couch, HS2007, Ross Couch, HS2004, and Marcia Couch Morris.



Windall Couch throws out the first pitch.



COUCH FIELD THIS FIELD IS DEDICATED

IN HONOR OF
T. W. COUCH
FOR HIS DEDICATED SERVICE IN THE
CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE OF THE GMC
BASEBALL/SOFTBALL COMPLEX

IN MEMORY OF
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DEVOTED WIFE AND MOTHER

BY
MIKE COUCH, HS1971 & JC1973 AND SHERRI COUCH
MARCIA, SCOTT, AND MICHELLE COUCH

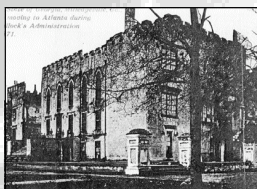
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1941

March 23
The Old Capitol
building burns.

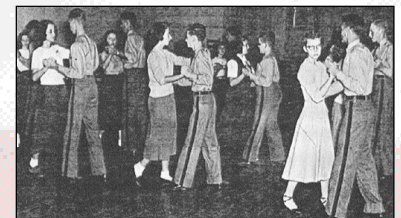


1943

Boy Scout Troup
organized on
campus with 16
charter members.

1943

Cadets granted opportunity to date
young women from the Georgia
State College for Women for the
first time, provided they conducted
themselves as "gentlemen."



GEORGIA MILITARY COLLEGE FOOTBALL SEASON OUTLOOK

By Head Coach Bert Williams

The coming season for Georgia Military College is filled with promise and opportunity for the Bulldogs. For once, GMC will not have to spend the season on the road from start to finish, but will enjoy six home games on the schedule to only four on the road. A strong group of sophomores returns from a solid 8-3 season in 2003, and they are poised to improve on their #9 pre-season NJCAA national ranking in 2004.

GMC's opponents have other things in mind. While the Bulldogs only hit the road four times, two of those are in Texas - the first two. GMC opens the season with Kilgore College and then makes a return trip the next week to play Navarro College in two games that can set the tone for the entire season. Kilgore, ranked #25 in the pre-season NJCAA poll, was young in 2003, and will have an abundance of seasoned Texas talent. They are hungry to take on the Bulldogs after they went unbeaten in 2001, but were beaten out in the polls by GMC for the national championship. The Navarro College Bulldogs are also hungry to get a win against GMC after dropping the last three close games they have played against their Georgia cousins. They also were very young in 2003 and will have a very strong unit to face GMC. All in all, GMC will face four opponents who are ranked in the pre-season poll: Kilgore (#25), Snow College (#6), Nassau Community College (#11), and Erie Community College (#17).

The GMC Bulldog Defense has finished the last three seasons ranked #1, #1, and #3 respectively in the country in total defense, and this year's unit should be able to keep up the pace. The Bulldogs

have an extremely talented linebacker corps, anchored by pre-season All-American J. K. Sabb (6'1, 240). He will be joined by twin freshmen Jasper and Casper Brinkly (6'3, 235), Fred Wilson (6'2, 245), and UGA transfer Dayna Graydon (6'1, 220) among others. The secondary is also extremely strong, returning starters from 2003 at every position except one. Brandon Isaac (6'3, 200), Second Team pre-season All-American and MVP from the 2003 Golden Isles Bowl, will occupy one of the safety spots and will be paired on the other side by either Michael Sturgis or Travon Duhart, both of whom started and played significantly in 2003, and Michael Larmond, who returns after a severely broken leg in Spring of 2003. Derrick Pendergrass (6'0, 205) returns to start at the free safety position, and Shaun Strickland returns to start at one of the corners. Several freshmen will compete for the other corner spot, including newcomers Vander Thompkins, Calvin Pugh, Travis Cannon, James Mosely, and Clintrez Webb. Up front, sophomores Larry Brown (6'3, 300) and redshirt freshmen Tim Kirk (6'1, 280) had the most impressive spring drills, and they will compete with several newcomers to firm up the defensive line.

Offensively, the Bulldogs return a strong receiving corps and experienced offensive line that should help the Bulldogs get off to a quicker start in 2004. Quarterback is again an issue in 2004. Quarterback Justin Tyler is hoping to be healthy and ready to go by the start of the season, and the Bulldogs have signed local favorite Diego Dixon, who had a solid spring session. GMC also went to the cradle of quarterbacks in western Pennsylvania

and signed Dennis Sellman (6'4, 220) who is expected to compete quickly for time. Jarvis Williams (5'9, 190) and Bryan Wallace (6'0, 225) return to the running back slots, but they will find stiff competition from several freshmen, including Ricky Hill (6'0, 170), Antroun McDaniel (6'1, 190), and Corey Smalls (6'0, 240). Second Team All-American Aundrae Allison (6'2, 180) and Terio Stewart (5'9, 170) return as the leading receivers for the Bulldogs after excellent freshman seasons, and they welcome newcomers Phillip Morris (6'4, 190), Tremel Kline (6'2, 180), and Philanzee Lawson (6'4, 180) to the position. Up front, the Bulldog offensive line will return several talented players, including Honorable Mention All-American Alex Joyner (6'3, 310), Jeff Hardy (6'5, 285), and Calvin Huggins (6'1, 275). Freshmen Montrell Neal (6'4, 335) and Chris Huffman (6'1, 275) were on hand for spring drills and performed well. Several newcomers such as Terry Freeman (6'5, 330), Ricardo Rollins (6'3, 310), and Willie Barton (6'5, 340) will add great competition and depth to the unit.

The Bulldog Special Teams are in good hands again in 2004 with the return of Durant Brooks, who was named Second Team All-American on the pre-season list as a punter. Several newcomers will compete for the kicking duties, including Brady Ackerman and Adam Smith.

The 2004 football season will be an exciting one for fans and players alike, so make sure to come out and see what the GMC Bulldogs have to offer!

2004 GEORGIA MILITARY JC FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME	LOCATION
August 28	Kilgore College	7:00 PM	Kilgore, TX
September 4	Navarro College	1:00 PM	Corsicana, TX
September 11	Snow College	1:00 PM	Milledgeville, GA
September 16	West Georgia JV	7:00 PM	Milledgeville, GA
September 25	Florida Tropics	1:00 PM	Milledgeville, GA
September 30	VSU JV	7:00 PM	Milledgeville, GA
October 9	Ranger College	1:00PM	Milledgeville, GA
October 16	Nassau Community College	1:00 PM	New York
October 24	University of South Carolina JV	TBA	Columbia, SC
October 30	TBA		
November 6	Erie Community College	1:00 PM	Milledgeville, GA
November 13	OPEN		
December 4	BOWL GAME		

Game times are local.

Celebrating 125 Years of Excellence

1944

Future Georgia Governor, George Busbee, graduates.



1946

GMC designated a Military Institute, thus allowing establishment of a senior division of the ROTC.

1949

Parnell Ruark graduates from junior college.



1950

Ren A. Thorpe appointed President.

1950

War Department designates GMC a Military Junior College.

1958

Main Barracks renovated.

GMC GOLF TEAM'S UNITY HELPED BRING HOME NATIONAL TITLE

By Keich Whicker - The Union-Recorder

On Sunday morning, the morning of the final round of NJCAA Division III national golf tournament at Chautauqua Golf Course in Chautauqua, N.Y., Georgia Military College's Brendan O'Connell told his teammates at the hotel, "Let's go and get it done." O'Connell knew that although GMC still led the tournament by 10 strokes heading into the final round, the Bulldogs had failed to put away second-place Madison Area Technical College and surrendered three shots off their lead on Saturday. "There weren't really any nerves," O'Connell recalled on Monday. "We just wanted to get the job done."

For all their enthusiasm, GMC started poorly on Sunday and looked to be floundering until Scott Anthony knocked down a birdie on the 11th hole. "The moment for us came when Scott Anthony birdied the 11th and the kid he was playing with bogeyed," said Sonny Harmon, GMC's head coach. "As soon as word of that got around, it was like a shot of adrenaline. All the boys picked up on that and their confidence shot up."

Sunday wasn't the first time Anthony, whose rounds of 80, 76, 74 and 78 were good enough to earn him an All-American honorable mention, seemed to be the yardstick for GMC. His game, which started off slow on Thursday, peaked in the middle rounds on Friday and Saturday and was good enough for the win on Sunday, mirrored the Bulldogs' march to their

first-ever golf championship almost exactly. "However I played against the Madison guy I was paired up with seemed to be the way the tournament went for us overall," Anthony said.

GMC's historic victory capped an impressive turnaround that saw the Bulldogs rebound from a three-stroke deficit on Thursday. "At the end of day one, we were down three strokes," Harmon said. "We went back to the hotel, and I said to them, 'Look, this is no big deal. We can do better than this.'"

O'Connell, who garnered All-American honors after shooting a four-day score of 291 for the best individual score at the tournament, remembers he and the team understood their coach and knew what they had to do when they teed-off on Friday. "We knew we had to come out strong in the second round," he said. "We knew that it had to be our best round of the tournament." And it was. Thanks in part to O'Connell's round of 69 and Ballard Shearer's round of 74, GMC stormed to a 13-stroke lead over Madison with a 295 in the second round.

Saturday saw the Bulldogs stumble, but any memory of that hiccup went out the window when Anthony, Kyle Dickey, Andrew Keel, O'Connell and Shearer lifted the trophy on Sunday. "The last day we shot a 317, which is horrible for this team," Harmon said, "but we held on for the win."

"Sure, you can always play better," Anthony said. "There's always something you can work on, something you can improve, but we played well enough to win, so I'm happy with how we did." There's a bit of disparity between the players and the coach about how well the Bulldogs believed they would do heading into the tournament. "We knew we could get in the top five teams," Harmon said.

"I guess Coach said that to sound modest," Anthony said with a chuckle. "For myself, and for every other member of the team, we went up there to win it. There was no other way. We looked at scores from the past and the records, so we felt real confident about our goal to win. There was no other goal. Not a single person on the team would have been happy with second place." "I thought we had the best talent out there," O'Connell echoed. "I honestly expected us to play better than we did."

If nothing else, the players' unity of opinion shows how much they thought alike all season, something Anthony and O'Connell believe helped them lift the national trophy. "What won it for us, plain and simple, was team unity," O'Connell said.



Brendan O'Connell

"Everybody got along so well together that everyone ended up best friends." "We meshed really well, both in our golfing talents and in our personalities," Anthony said. "There was never any arguing, never any debate on the team. We all genuinely supported each other. I've never been on a team where there was that kind of camaraderie." Harmon also spoke about his team's character and praised the players as competitors and people. "Their demeanor on the course was fantastic," he said. "They were gentleman the whole week. They represented our school (GMC) the way in which we expect our school to be represented. When we send our teams out, we expect them to behave a certain way, and these boys did that. They gave a good accounting of themselves on the golf course and in the community up there. I think everyone there liked the fact they won the tournament. What does that tell you?"

Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Mason, Sr., of Milledgeville established an endowment fund to support the GMC junior college golf program. This year's national championship is all the more special, thanks to the Masons' commitment to GMC.

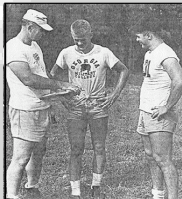


Ballard Shearer

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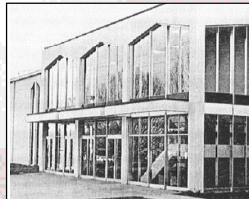
1960

Collegiate football discontinued at GMC. Coach Cordell retires.



1962

A new gym and a student center are built.



1962

Band appears in the Masters Golf Tournament Parade in Augusta.

1965

GMC's crest is accepted by the Army Department of Heraldry.



1965

First African-American cadet is admitted to Georgia Military College.



Above, left to right: Diane Dorsett, McKel Cox, Isaac Simmons, Anna Hall, and Deborah Condon.

All-Georgia Academic Team Honors for the GMC-Atlanta Students

Two exceptional students from the GMC Atlanta Campus were nominated to the 2004 All-Georgia Academic Team. The outstanding students who were nominated are Ms. Anna Hall and Ms. McKel Cox. Both of these ladies achieved a GPA of 4.0, held office in the Atlanta Campus Student Government Association, organized many community service projects at the campus such as blood and food drives, and were part-time lab assistants to campus professors, just to list a few of their achievements and activities while enrolled at GMC. Medical school is the educational goal for both of these fine students!

The All-Georgia Academic Team program is sponsored annually by the Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society of Two Year Colleges, USA Today, and the American Association of Community Colleges. The program is designed to recognize the academic and leadership accomplishments of students enrolled in community and junior colleges. Last year, 800 community and technical colleges participated in this program nominating 1,500 outstanding students to the All-USA Academic Team.

Ms. Cox and Ms. Hall were honored on April 16, 2004, along with other 2004 All-Georgia Academic Team Members at an awards luncheon held at the State of Georgia Sloppy Floyd Twin Towers. The luncheon was also attended by the honorees' parents, PTK faculty advisors, Isaac T. Simmons and Diane Dorsett, and the Atlanta Campus Dean, Deborah E. Condon.



In April, student leaders from GMC's campuses attended a Student Leadership Summit at Kennesaw State University. The Summit's theme was to challenge students to be agents for change on their campuses. Pictured left to right are: **Charlie Bryant**-SGA President, Milledgeville **Andrew Shaw**-SGA President, Robins **Anna Hall** and **Celia Cox**-Student leaders, Union City

Dr. Betty Siegel-President of Kennesaw State University

Patrick Beer-Dean of Students of GMC

David Delgado-Regimental Commander, 125th Corps of Cadets

Rocio Young (not pictured)-Student Leader, Columbus, attended and took this photo.

Jim Price - Board Member of the Year

GMC-Union City DLC Director, Jim Price, was recently honored as the Board Member of the Year for the South Fulton Chamber of Commerce. He was recognized with appreciation for his work as Education Committee Chairman and for his exceptional support of chamber activities.

Survey Shows Success of Character Development Education

Georgia Military College is a recognized leader in character development education. The goal of GMC's Character Education Program is to insure that each student leaves GMC better prepared to meet future ethical challenges and better prepared to be leaders and participating citizens in their communities. We are delighted when we discover our efforts in elevating character are working. Recently, we received such news.

In the spring of 2003, 352 GMC students taking the Contemporary Ethics Course* participated in a Student Academic Integrity Survey designed by the Center for Academic Integrity. Our results were compared to a 'national norm' of 23 schools that also participated in the survey. Of these schools, three were two-year colleges and 20 were four-year public universities. The results showed that GMC students rated the severity of penalties for cheating to be very high, exceeding the national norm by 34%. GMC students' understanding of policies concerning academic integrity (i.e. cheating, plagiarism) was also very high, exceeding the national norm by 57%. GMC

students rated their support of these policies to be very high, exceeding the national norm by 19%, and rated the effectiveness of these policies to be very high, exceeding the national norm by 28%.

Ms. Beatriz Joseph, GMC Vice President for Institutional Research and Planning, said, "The results of the survey show that GMC students understand the academic integrity policies and are knowledgeable that there are consequences for their actions. It is evident that the faculty supports the policies and that the students respect these policies and are abiding by them."

*The Contemporary Ethics Course is a critical part of GMC's Character Education Program. All junior college students must successfully complete this course as a prerequisite for graduation. The course enables students to further develop critical thinking and ethical decision-making skills and to examine the foundations of ethical reasoning. For more information about GMC's Character Education Program, please visit our website: www.gmc.cc.ga.us.

Celebrating 125 Years of Excellence

1968
The Sibley-Cone Library opens.



1968
William Rodimon becomes President.

1968
A campus opens at Fort Gordon in Augusta.

1969
Female students once again allowed to enroll at GMC.

1971
David Black named President.

1973
MG Eugene Salet becomes President of GMC.

1975
Female students allowed to participate in the ROTC program.

1979
A campus opens at Moody Air Force Base in Valdosta.



Left, Governor Sonny Perdue held "Saturday with Sonny" on Saturday, March 27th, at GMC in the Old Capitol. Members of the Corps of Cadets welcomed the governor as he arrived. Above, left, Cadet Captain Trey Jackson greets Governor Perdue. Above, the governor poses with Johnny Grant, Chair of the GMC Foundation Governmental Affairs Committee, Emily Vance, HS2004, and John Austin Vance, GMC 7th grade.

Excerpts of a letter from Congressman Jim Marshall to Students, Staff, Graduates and Friends of Georgia Military College

Being a Member of the Armed Services Committee has a special significance for me since I grew up as an "Army brat" and served in the infantry during Vietnam. Those experiences taught me a great deal and had an immeasurably positive impact upon my character. Part of me wishes that every American could have a similar military education.

Georgia Military College not only helps secure our nation, it provides its students an exceptional opportunity to grow in character and judgment. When "drafted" to play for charity in the annual Congressional baseball game, I proudly picked GMC's uniform to wear. Call it bragging if you like. Only a handful of Members of Congress represent a military institution like GMC.

You may also know that, working with Representative Ike Skelton of Missouri, last year we increased the number of federally funded scholarships available to GMC cadets by seven, increasing the annual limit from ten to seventeen. This year we inserted language in the National Defense Authorization Act that permits the Army to provide federal financial assistance to GMC graduates who receive their commissions and then pursue their 4-year baccalaureate degree while earning time in grade as an Army officer.

Each of these initiatives will help Georgia Military College attract and retain top-flight students who will one day be top-flight professionals leading our national security.

It's a pleasure and honor to help Georgia Military College - and to wear its baseball uniform!

Very truly yours,

Jim

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1979

Roxanne Renner becomes the first female Cadet Battalion Executive Officer.



1982

Coach Lew Cordell inducted into the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame.



1984

Gymnasium renamed Cordell Events Center.

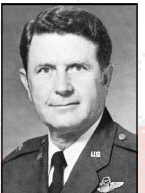
1984

Kathy Durden becomes the first female High School Battalion Commander.



1985

MG William P. Acker, GMC Class of 1949, becomes President.



BULLRING: *Not Only Walking the Walk*

The decades-old tradition of "walking the bullring" has changed significantly in the past two years. Today, instead of junior college cadets walking around in a large circle for a specified amount of time, they spend that time engaged in service projects for the betterment of the community.

COL Patrick Beer, Commandant of Cadets, recently explained the idea behind the community service emphasis. "When cadets are merely walking around in a circle, there is nothing which associates a virtue of behavior to the punishment. The intent is to focus on the deficient virtue itself and tie it to the corrective training, allowing more of an opportunity for the student to experience personal growth." The cadet chain of command now helps the bullring cadets to learn methods to correct what they've done wrong, and they must participate in projects of community service as part of their punishment. COL Beer said, "This way of doing things is more beneficial to the cadets and to the community. It still uses their time, but it also gives them time to ponder about their behavior and improve it, in addition to doing a good deed."

According to MG Peter J. Boylan, President of GMC, the disciplinary maneuver, which consists of a cadet marching back and forth for an hour to work off demerits, has ceased to serve its purpose. He stated, "There is an old adage that served me well during my days in the army: 'From an old man you take his money; from a young man you take his time.' Clearly, the bullring as some of you knew it accomplished the latter. It took the time of the young person and made it very uncomfortable for him/her. It served as a punishment and did so very effectively. What it did not do was to aim the punishment at the crime so to speak. Walking the bullring produced sweat and weariness but did not produce any reflection on why the person was there nor did it restructure behavior, except to the degree that the person walking would decide that the punishment was not something that he or she wanted to again endure. The purpose of changing the manner in which punishment for infractions is administered has much to do with ensuring that it is onerous, takes time, allows the youngster to accomplish something positive, and, to the degree possible, relates to the infraction that caused the youngster to incur punishment. My years in the infantry did not soften my recognition of the need for discipline to ensure a quality existence; indeed, if anything, the understanding became more acute. I believe that the system we have in place now is more effective than the one under which many alumni learned. Times change, and the manner in which our youth is educated must change as well. We certainly want today's students to learn the basic lessons of character that you, our alumni, were provided; but that does not necessarily mean that the manner in which that learning is accomplished must be the same."



Alvin Huff, GMC 9th grade, kisses his mother, Pecola Huff, during the Mother's Day Parade.



MAJ Ellen Kirkland, MAJ Wynnette Samper, and MAJ Jody Hatcher were recognized for their service to GMC during the Memorial Day Parade, and MG Boylan presented each a saber to honor their retirement.

Below, MG Boylan presents Ms. Samper with her saber.



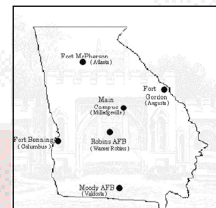
Celebrating 125 Years of Excellence

1987	1988	1989	1989	1992
A campus is opened at King's Bay Naval Submarine Base.	A campus is established at Fort McPherson in Atlanta.	A campus opens at Robins Air Force Base in Warner Robins.	An extension center opens in Sandersville.	MG Peter Boylan assumes the Presidency of Georgia Military College.



1995
An extension center opens in Madison.

1996
A campus opens at Fort Benning in Columbus.



GMC STUDENTS HONORED by Exceptional Adult Georgian in Literacy Education Program

Celebrating its tenth year, the Exceptional Adult Georgian in Literacy Education (EAGLE) program recognizes and honors students who have demonstrated exceptional achievement in statewide adult literacy classes. The EAGLE program is designed to create a greater awareness of the educational opportunities that are available in local communities across the state and to foster involvement in lifelong learning pursuits. Three Georgia Military College students were honored during the 2004 awards ceremony.

Anna Hall (GMC-Union City) was honored as an EAGLE winner, as a GED Graduate from West Georgia Technical College's adult literacy program. Cortez Scott (GMC-Milledgeville) was recognized as the 2003 Literacy Ambassador (Current Student Category), and Keith Jones (GMC-Milledgeville) was honored as the 2004 GED Graduate Literacy Ambassador.

In restructured local and state-level program design, local teachers in public, private and volunteer agencies nominate students in two categories of competition. These students compete at local service delivery area and state levels. The competition is open to all students who enter at the county level. The two declared winners, one in each category at the state level of final competition, become "Ambassadors for Literacy" and serve their local communities and the state for one year by promoting lifelong learning. Since its inception in 1993, the EAGLE Awards Program has recognized more than 1500 outstanding students with 65 exceptional adult students voluntarily serving as Literacy Ambassadors.



Cortez Scott, Dr. Kenneth Breeden, Commissioner of the Department of Technical and Adult Education, and Keith Jones

Dr. Ramona Rice, Georgia Military College, Milledgeville Campus, Chair of the Division of Natural Sciences, was recently offered an appointment to the Chautauqua Short Course, The Molecular Basis of Disease. Chautauqua Short Courses are an annual series of forums to provide an opportunity for invited scholars to communicate new knowledge, concepts, and techniques directly to college teachers in ways which are immediately beneficial to their teaching.

The director of the three-day course, Dr. David Dressler, a lecturer on Biochemistry at Oxford University, led the group in discussions of several diseases, each representing an important area of molecular medicine, including AIDS, cardiovascular disease, Alzheimer's disease, schizophrenia and cancer. Dr. Rice was one of only 31 individuals from colleges across the nation invited to attend.

Dr. Rice also recently authored the test bank that accompanies the biology book, *Inquiry Into Life*, by Sylvia Mader.



Mr. Leverett Butts' (Union City Faculty) short story, "Negative Space," was recently published in the Fall 2003 issue of *The GSU Review*, a student publication of the English Department at Georgia State University, where Mr. Butts is pursuing a Ph.D. His story was selected from over 250 submissions from all over the country and the world. Mr. Butts has also had four other short stories and a couple of poems published in *Eclectic*, the literary and arts magazine for the State University of West Georgia, where he received his B.A. and M.A. Three of these stories ("Blindness and the Fall," "Hell's Ditch," and "Icarus Fell") won the first prizes for fiction in their issues (1997, 1998, 2000, respectively).

Mr. Butts also recently delivered his paper entitled, "Reconciling All the King's Men: The Search for Self in Robert Penn Warren's Early Novels," for the Robert Penn Warren Panel at the South Atlantic Modern Language Association (SAMLMA) Convention in Atlanta. His paper was received so well that he has been asked to be the secretary of the 2004 panel in Roanoke, VA, and to chair the panel when SAMLMA returns to Atlanta in 2005. SAMLMA is an organization of teachers, scholars, and graduate students dedicated to the advancement of teaching and to literary and linguistic scholarship in the modern languages.

Mr. Butts teaches composition and literature courses at GMC-Union City, along with Ethics, LSS English, LSS Reading, and GMC 100. Lev is married to Tina, and has one son, Jake, and a cat, Steve.

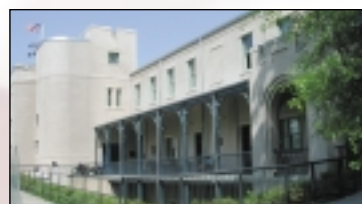
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1996
Sibley-Cone Library is renovated.



1996
Olympic torch passes through campus on its way to the Atlanta Olympic Games.

1996
Zell Miller Hall opens, housing classrooms, biology, chemistry and computer labs.



1997
Campus at King's Bay closes.

2004 HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION



Katie Rackley delivers her valedictorian speech.



Ross Couch receives his diploma from COL Jim LeBrun.

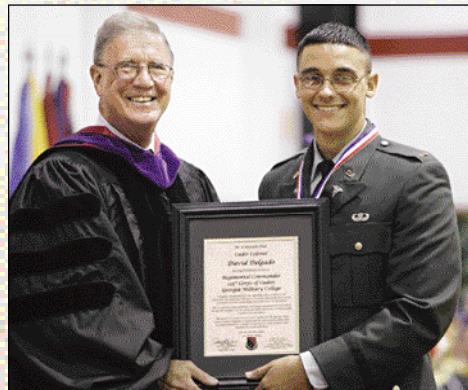


Graduate Susan Fessler hugs Shannon Harper, GMC junior.

2004 JUNIOR COLLEGE GRADUATION



Junior college graduate Nancy Ritchotte receives a hug from Dr. Ramona Rice.



MG Peter Boylan recognizes 2LT David Delgado for his service as Regimental Commander of the 125th Corps of Cadets.



Robert Davenport receives his diploma from Dean Anderson.



Brittany Shepherd is congratulated by BG John J. Costa, commencement speaker.



Governor Sonny Perdue delivers the commencement address to the high school class of 2004.

1998
Student Services Building, Parham Hall, opens.

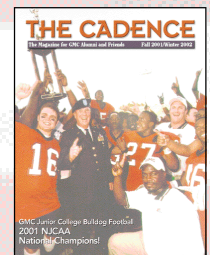


Celebrating 125 Years of Excellence

2000
Completely restored Old State House reopens.



2001
Junior College Bulldog Football Team wins National Junior College Athletic Association National Championship.



2004 COMMISSIONING CEREMONY



(Top Left) LT David Delgado, LT Burke Vinulan, and LT Anibal Wagner following the commissioning ceremony. Their desired branches of service are medical service, infantry, and engineering, respectively.

(Top Center) LT Felicia Williams is congratulated by MG Peter J. Boylan, President of GMC. Her desired branch is transportation.

(Top Right) LT Ibriham Tantawi receives his 2LT bars from his family. His desired branch of service is transportation.

(Left Center) LTG Dan McNeill, Deputy Commanding General/Chief of State, United States Army Forces Command, is the distinguished speaker.

(Bottom Left) LT Jennifer Bergst recites the Oath of Office. Her desired branch of service is aviation.

(Bottom Center) MAJ Tom Hall, JC1981, Professor of Military Science, presents LT Jamal Winn with his Commissioning Certificate. His desired branch is quartermaster.

(Bottom Right) LT Ed Gianarrias receives his 2LT bars from his family. His desired branch is infantry.



Duty. Honor. Country. 125. Character. Above All.

2004

GMC opens Craig Field for baseball, Couch Field for softball, and the Horace Ray Field House. These are GMC's first "real" ball fields.



2004

Parnell Ruark Athletic Complex opens with offices, weight room, and classrooms for the physical education and athletic programs at GMC.



2004

An extension center opens in Gray.

2005

New Academic Building to open in January 2005.

Lost Alumni

Help us find these classmates who will celebrate their 25th and 50th reunions in 2004. If you have an address or phone number of anyone listed below, please provide that information to the Alumni Office at (478) 445-2695.

HS 1954

Mr. Niel Rolly Brown
Mr. Wilbur L. Cason, Jr.
Mr. Joseph William Cunningham
Mr. George DuPree
Mr. Charles T. Elliot
Mr. Robert L. Farris
Mr. Henry E. Ford
Mr. Ronald G. Fountain
Mr. Donald R. Gibbs
Mr. B. K. Henry
Mr. A. L. Herrin
Mr. Joseph C. Hester
Mr. George Holmes
Mr. Karl M. Johnson, Jr.
Mr. Charles Edward Kemp, Jr.
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Mr. William Dolton Knox
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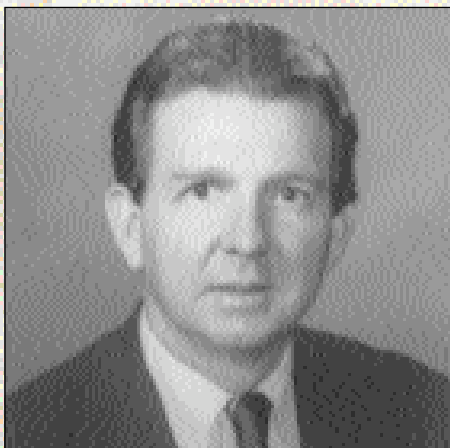
Class Notes

1950

Mr. and Mrs. Carroll McDade, HS1956, and Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Simpson, HS1945 and JC1946, announce the birth of their granddaughter, MaKayla Grace, born March 24, 2004. MaKayla Grace has an older sister, Miranda Morgan, age 8 and an older brother Mark Cole, age 6. Mark and Kay McDade are the proud parents of all three children.

1960

William T. Moore, Jr., JC1960, assumed the office of Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of Georgia on March 25, 2004.



The Honorable William T. Moore, Jr.

1980

Wayne Herrell, JC1989, is currently working on his family history from areas of Virginia down into Georgia.

Bill Kennedy, HS1989, married Heather Hatcher Daniel on June 12th in a garden wedding. The best man and three groomsmen were all GMC graduates: **Jimmy Kennedy, JC1975, Bucky Kennedy, HS1994, Frank Robinson, HS1988, and Darden Moore, HS1965 & JC1967.** The couple honeymooned in St. Croix and currently resides in Milledgeville, GA,

where Bill works for Fowler Flemister and Heather is employed by the Milledgeville Convention and Visitors Bureau.



Mr. & Mrs. Bill Kennedy

Jeff and Anita Prosser Gilbert, HS1990, announce the birth of their daughter Gracie Rae Gilbert on November 29, 2003. Gracie has one older sister, Katie, age 5. Anita is an RN at Oconee Regional Medical Center, and Jeff is employed at Vought. Jeff and Anita also own J & A Processing for deer and hogs.

1990

MAJ Bernard Warrington, Jr., JC1990, currently serving with the 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), has returned from Operation Iraqi Freedom (OIF). During OIF, he was on the Division Battlestaff as an Operations Plans Officer and Assistant S3 for the 101st Corps Support Group. Currently, he is the Brigade S3 (Operations Officer) for the 101st Corps Support Group. Prior to going to 101st Airborne Division (Air Assault), he was attending the Command and General Staff College in 2002-2003.

Robert Scott McKee, JC1991, graduated with honors from Texas Wesleyan School of Law and passed the February 2004 Texas Bar Exam. He is

now employed as the Assistant District Attorney for Smith County, TX. He currently resides in Eustace, TX, with his fiancée, Ashley Adams, and son, Stuart.

Denise Ussery Blevins, HS1992, gave birth to triplets (Jacob Nolan, Lynsey Marie, and Anna Louise) on June 16, 2004. She and her husband, **Richie Blevins, JC1995,** reside in Kennesaw, GA. Richie works as an attorney in Marietta, GA.

Fenton Morris, HS1994 & JC1997, received his bachelor's degree in Outdoor Education from Georgia College & State University. He is currently working as a graduate assistant at Pittsburgh State University in Pittsburgh, KS, while working towards his master's degree in Physical Education.

Bucky Kennedy, HS1994, is a legislative assistant with Georgia Farm Bureau in Macon, GA.

Jason Hardage, HS1994, and wife, Meredith, announce the birth of their first son, Hayden Charleston, born March 22, weighing 6 lbs. 5 oz. and measuring 18.5" long.



Hayden Charleston Hardage

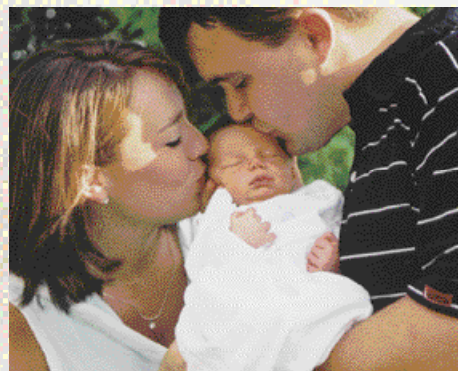
2000

Gracie Prosser, HS1995, married **Scott Gignillat, JC1999**, May 15, 2004, at the First United Methodist Church in Milledgeville. The reception was held at the Sibley Farm.



Mr. & Mrs. Scott Gignillat

Courtney Collins Cawley, HS1995, and **Christopher Jackson Cawley, HS1993**, announce the birth of a son Chandler Davis Cawley, born May 27, 2004. Courtney is a speech pathologist in Macon and Chris is in his senior year at Mercer Medical School in Macon, GA, where he is planning to specialize in pediatrics. The proud grandparents are Jack and Cindy Cawley (GMC middle school teacher) and John and Kay Collins.



Courtney, Chandler Davis, and Christopher Cawley

Tiffany Wharton, HS1995, married Andrew James Rogers of Eatonton, GA. The couple spent their honeymoon on St. Simon's Island and currently resides in Milledgeville, GA.

Kimberly Beck Cooper, JC1996, is currently teaching second grade at Putnam County Elementary School

after teaching for a few years in Baldwin County. In March, she graduated from AIU in Atlanta where she received a Master's Degree in Education. In the fall, she plans to attend GC&SU to pursue an Educational Specialist degree.

Lori Dominy Siegelman, HS1997 & JC1999, and husband Jay announce the birth of their daughter, Avery Brooke, born March 23, 2004.

Amanda Joyce Eady, HS1997, married Jason Ashley Peterson, June 5, 2004, at First Baptist Church in Milledgeville, GA. After

honeymooning on a cruise in the Western Caribbean, the couple resides in Milledgeville. Members of the wedding party included GMC alumni:

Jennifer Chambers Claxton, HS1997; Jennifer Weiland Elie; **Kyle Collins Hitchcock, HS1997**; **Jamie Eady Knowles, HS1999**; **Donna Lynn McCullough, HS1997**; **Michael Twilley Weiland, HS1992**; and **Melissa Rogers Wheeles, HS1997**.



Joy and Jason Peterson

Brandi Deese Strickland, HS1997, and husband, Mike, announce the birth of their first child, born June 15, 2004. Gracy Claire weighed 6 lbs. 1 oz. and was 20" long.

Timothy Wayne Perren, Jr., JC1999, recently signed a contract to play Arena Football for the Albany Conquest in New York City.

William Figueroa, JC2001, graduated from Valdosta State University with a Bachelor of Science in Secondary Education and Mathematics. He has been commissioned as a Second Lieutenant in the U.S. Air Force and will be a personnel officer stationed at Maxwell AFB, Montgomery, AL.

John Stapleton, HS2002, has received a recording arts degree for Audio Engineering and Studio Techniques from The Dallas Sound Lab in Dallas, TX. He has recently moved back to Milledgeville, GA, to conduct his job search from home.

Klein Brown, HS2003, is currently completing Basic Training with the U.S. Coast Guard at their training station in Cape May, NJ. He was selected to serve in the Honor Guard and participated in the funeral procession for former President Ronald Reagan in Washington, D. C. Klein graduated on June 18 and is stationed out of Portsmouth, VA, on the U. S. Coast Guard Cutter Harriet Lane, a 270-foot cutter that provides a first responder line of defense for the east coast.



Klein Brown

Joan Lindsey, JC2003, reports that her husband, **Ray Lindsey, JC1977**, is working in Kuwait this year, and their son, Brian, who attended GMC, is in the Air Force taking his AIT training, soon to be stationed in Kansas.



Georgia Military College and the GMC Alumni Association extend our deepest sympathies to the families of the following alumni and friends.

Charles William Turbyville, Sr., HS1930, age 86, of Madison, GA, passed away on April 3, 2004. He attended GMC and was a member of the 1929 state champion football team. Charles also attended the University of Georgia and was elected captain of the 1934 football team. Following his years at GMC and University of Georgia, Charles was a 30-year employee of Coca Cola Bottling Company where he held a variety of management positions in the U.S. and overseas. During World War II, he set up and ran bottling plants for American troops as they advanced through North Africa and up the Italian peninsula. Mr. Turbyville's survivors include sons, Charles W. Turbyville, Jr., of Madison, GA, and James Rogers of Birmingham, MI; siblings, Dorothy

Franks, Virginia McKissick, and John Turbyville, all of Chattanooga, TN; and four grandchildren.

Billy Baumgartel, JC1957, passed away May 18, 2004, after breathing the toxic fumes of a burning PVC pipe located in a fire he extinguished next to a utility pole. Angie Conley, Baumgartel's daughter, said, "He was doing for others as he always did." Billy Baumgartel will be remembered as a loving father, friend, and businessman.

Johnny Vallentine passed away on May 20, 2004. Mr. Vallentine was a native of Orangeburg, SC, and made his home in Milledgeville for the past 14 years. He was employed by Allgood Pest Control Company. and was a student at Georgia

Military College. He was a member of Bethel United Methodist Church.

Mrs. Irene Taylor Salet died in December 2004. A native of Buffalo, NY, Mrs. Salet had lived in Augusta, GA, for the past 15 years. She was preceded in death by her husband of 56 years Major General Eugene A. Salet, former President of Georgia Military College, and her grandson, Russell Taylor Cook. She is survived by her daughter, Suzette Salet Cook, son-in-law, Russell J. Cook and her son, Eugene "Gene" Michael Salet and daughter-in-law, Joy House Salet. Grandchildren include John Eugene Cook and Michael Reid Cook of Maple Shade, NJ, and Eugene M. "Mike" Salet and Irene Joy Salet of Augusta.

Scholarship Fund in Memory of Amanda Cagle Smith

A scholarship fund has been created in memory of Amanda Irene Cagle Smith, who died Saturday, May 29, 2004, in Richmond Hill due to injuries sustained in an automobile accident. Survivors include her husband, Phillip H. Smith, a 1992 graduate of GMC High School; her parents, Earl and Paulette Cagle of Lumpkin County; two sisters, Abbey Speak and Mary Cagle; three brothers, Brooks Cagle, Joshua Cagle, and Paul Cagle; her grandparents, Dr. and Mrs. Don Zeigler; her father-in-law and mother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel E. Smith, GMC HS1959; and several aunts, uncles, and cousins.

Memorial contributions may be sent to the Amanda C. Smith Scholarship Fund, c/o Georgia Military College Office of Advancement, 201 East Greene Street, Milledgeville, GA 31061.

The Dan Watkins Memorial Scholarship

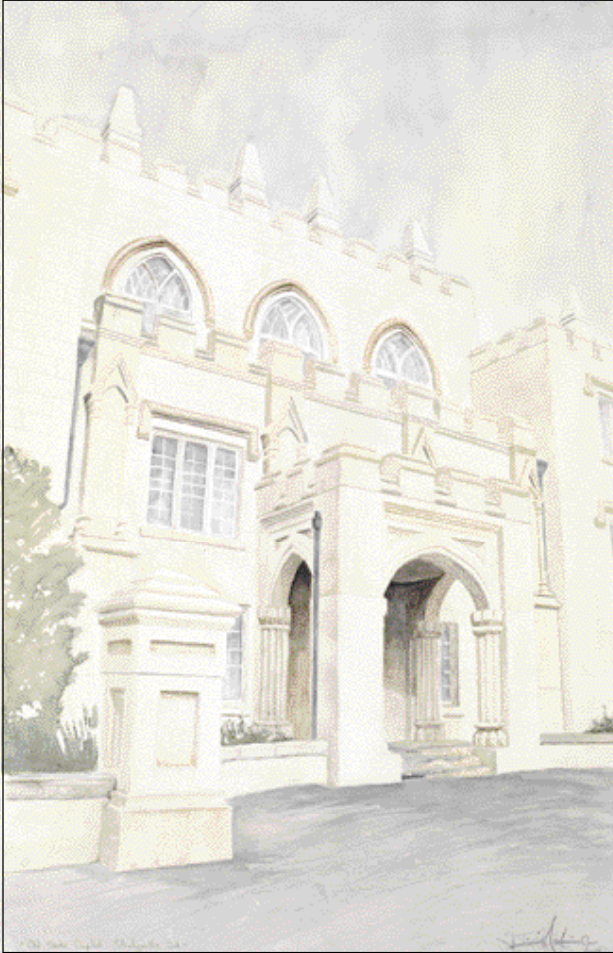


The Dan Watkins Memorial Scholarship, established by family and friends, honors the memory of Dan Watkins, a dedicated member of the GMC Valdosta Campus faculty who passed away on February 23, 2004. Mr. Watkins served as the faculty adviser for the Student Government Association and the Honor Council.

According to Valdosta Campus Director Leslie Hafer, "The high level of success in his classes was a testimony to both his skill and passion for teaching. He possessed the ability to inspire his students to achieve their goals by focusing on what they could be and what they could do. Countless numbers of students have commented on the lasting positive impact he has had in their lives."

The fund in Mr. Watkins' memory will provide scholarships for deserving students on the Valdosta campus. Donations may be sent to the Georgia Military College Office of Advancement, 201 East Greene Street, Milledgeville, GA 31061.

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Will Craig, HS1998, recently received awards at the Allied Arts' Annual Juried Exhibition for his painting of the Old Capitol Building. Will graduated from GMC in 1998 and continued his education at the Savannah College of Art and Design where he received his Bachelor of Architecture and his Master of Architecture degrees. Since graduation, Will has interned at Nicholas Dickinson & Associates in Augusta, GA. He has exhibited artwork in New York, Savannah, Augusta, Athens, and Milledgeville.

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