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MG Peter Boylan
President

Bill Craig's leadership of the GMC Foundation was electric, visionary, and untiring. I met Bill almost immediately after coming to GMC almost twenty years ago. It was he who spent days trying to help Kathy and me find a place to live when we first arrived in Milledgeville. He was a cocky youngster back then, albeit possessing the same formidable qualities of wit and intelligence that grew as he aged over the years. He matured into a graceful, articulate, thoughtful, and visionary gentleman and leader who I would follow even in the more dire circumstances I have faced over my own lifetime. He loved this institution and his passing leaves a void in the lives of the many he touched. He was a friend...with all that connotes. The Foundation is fortunate to have an extraordinarily talented individual who is assuming leadership of the Foundation." Dudley Rowe demonstrated his brilliance in the corporate world and, with his work in the Foundation, he has continued to display the same qualities of leadership, vision, and dedication that so identified Bill Craig. We are fortunate to have a person of his competence in all venues continue and expand the initiatives that are underway.

The institution continues to prosper and has undertaken significant steps to improve the curriculum and the way we do our business. The purchase of new software, although costly, will provide a return on investment in recruiting and retention of all students...cadets and commuters...as well as in other areas of management. Too, this investment will allow us to initiate on-line courses which we anticipate will significantly add to our student population. A "First Year Experience" initiative has been created which will have the effect of vastly improving the integration of first-time students into the college...which, too, will have a positive impact on retention and, of course, learning.

We are grateful for the continuing support of alumni and friends and hope to see you at Alumni Weekend. You make a difference!

Peter J. Boylan
Major General, USA (Ret.)
President

PETER J. BOYLAN
ENDOWMENT
for ETHICS

"...nations, like people, are built and flourish based on the strength of their character."

— Peter J. Boylan

An opportunity will be disappearing this fall.

A chance to have your donation to the Peter J. Boylan Endowment for Ethics matched, thereby increasing opportunity and continued success in GMC's mission to develop the character of its students as well as their intellect.



“History has shown us that in a fundamental clash when one’s existence is at stake, the outcome is usually determined by one’s character,” notes GMC President MG Peter Boylan. “That is not to downplay the importance of the intellect, but only to recognize that nations, like people, are built and flourish based on the strength of their character. This is why what GMC does with its students is so very important.”

At GMC we share the sense of urgency felt by many who believe that establishing effective character development programs in our schools is an essential step that must be taken before we can stem the tide of campus crime and student unethical behavior that confronts us nationally.

For ethics education to have a meaningful effect, it cannot be imparted solely through academic classes or codes of behavior. Ethics must be infused into the way students learn, the way they interact with one another and with their environment, and the way they think about themselves.

If you are interested in supporting and strengthening the character of our nation, make your gift online at www.gmcfoundation.org or by mail at GMC Foundation, 201 E. Greene St., Milledgeville, GA 31061.

Gifts of \$100 or more for this purpose are eligible to be matched by Title III grant funds through September 1, 2011 or as long as funds remain available – up to \$90,000.

Alumni and friends continue to make GMC a priority through their gifts to the 2010-2011 Annual Fund Campaign.

Contributions so far this year have enabled us to support programs at GMC such as:

- Peter J. Boylan Ethics Matching Program
- Steinway Concert Series
- Annual Scholarships
- Endowments for Scholarships and Awards
- Unrestricted (wherever needed most)



With the end of the fiscal year (June 30, 2011) approaching, if you have not made a contribution, I ask that you take this time to show your support for GMC by making a gift to the Annual Fund. Giving is easy; visit our website at www.gmcfoundation.org to donate online.

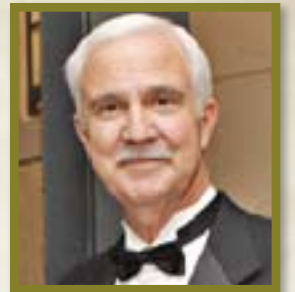
Your gifts make an impact upon our students and programs. Thank you for your every effort to make a difference.

Stephen K. Simpson

Stephen K. Simpson
Annual Fund Chairman, 2010-2011

Loyalty, leadership, and generosity....

In Memory of William R. “Bill” Craig, HS 1971



As French writer and philosopher Denis Diderot penned, “Only passions, great passions, can elevate the soul to great things.”

Georgia Military College lost one of its own: a dear friend, leader and alum, William R. “Bill” Craig (HS 1971). A passionate fighter throughout his life, he lost his battle with cancer, surrounded by loved ones on February 2 of this year.

Bill elevated the souls of many. This is apparent in the achievements of his wife, Patsy and their two sons, Will and Zach; on the baseball field that bears his name on GMC’s main campus; and with the many men and women who are honored to have called Bill family, friend, mentor, and associate.

“I have known Bill for almost twenty years. He made things happen,” said GMC President MG Peter Boylan. “He was a graceful, articulate, thoughtful, visionary gentleman and leader who I would follow even in the more dire circumstances I have faced during my own lifetime because I knew he would always win at whatever he attacked.”

Dr. George L. Echols remarked, “Bill Craig will forever be remembered as a gentleman of the first order. He was truly dedicated to his wife and children, his brothers and sister, and to so many in his community who knew and loved him. Always the faithful servant, he practiced the attributes of his Christian upbringing. Also significant was his loyalty, leadership, and generosity toward Georgia Military College. He made things happen! I am extremely proud to have been his friend, and will always be grateful for that friendship.”

A lifelong resident of Milledgeville and graduate of Georgia College, Bill co-founded Craig-Massee Realty, in business since 1979. His ambition and fortitude, and generosity of time and service, are evident in the numerous positions he held in addition to leading his own company. These included president of the Milledgeville Board of Realtors, president of the Milledgeville Multiple Listing Service, and founder and president of Southern Classic Builders. He also served as a trustee on the board of

Century Bank & Trust and on the Century Bancorp Board.

Bill was unsparing in his support of GMC, serving on the Board of Trustees from 1980-1986.

His ten-year tenure as chairman of the GMC Foundation and as chairman of the Foundation’s Real Property Committee realized a growth of 361% in endowments and over \$9.2 million in total gifts.

His efforts did not go unnoticed. He received many awards throughout his life, including the Outstanding Recent Alumni Award from Georgia College in 1985 and the GMC Service Award in 1998.

“The Georgia Military College Foundation Executive Committee offers its heartfelt sympathy to the Craig family,” noted Elizabeth Sheppard, GMC’s Vice President for Advancement. “We recognize and deeply appreciate the invaluable leadership Bill has given the Foundation for over a decade. His devotion to GMC and his dedicated service on its behalf have done immeasurable good and have positioned the institution for further success.”

As MG Boylan eulogized, “Bill Craig made a difference with his life... something we all hope to accomplish. A difference that will be felt over the many years yet in the future. A difference in his family, his friends, this community, and, of course, at Georgia Military College.”

If you would like to honor the memory of Bill, the family has requested that memorial gifts be made toward the William R. “Bill” Craig Scholarship Fund for the benefit of GMC Prep School students. Make your gift online at www.gmcfoundation.org, or by mail at GMC Foundation, 201 E. Greene Street, Milledgeville, GA 31061.

A Cadet and His Story

Jimmy Williams HS 1945, JC 1946

The gates of GMC have seen many young people arrive and then leave to follow their life's paths, carrying with them the tools to make the decisions that will shape their futures. Jimmy Williams arrived at GMC's gates in 1941. Vinson Hall, where he lived almost his entire time at GMC, and the junior college building (later known as Whitfield Hall) had both recently opened, and the capitol building had recently burned, severely damaging the interior. The current parade ground was a grassy meadow, and Mrs. Roach's (wife of a former GMC President) rock garden and gold fish pond stood at the corner nearest Davenport Field.

His family had left Miami because his father, who was a reservist, had been called to active duty at Camp Wheeler in Macon. The family moved to Macon, and Jimmy attended school there through seventh grade.

COL Muldrow, a professor from GMC who was then the commander at Camp Wheeler, through encouraging Jimmy's dad, got Jimmy into GMC.

However, Jimmy never saw Muldrow again until after the war when he returned to complete his final quarter. When Jimmy got back on campus, he ran into COL Muldrow, who was by then teaching at GMC again. Asked Muldrow, "Jimmy, you still here?"

Jimmy had the one quarter remaining at GMC because he was drafted for WWII. Williams shared, "I was taken in three days because I was a barracks cadet." He was sent first to Ft. McPherson, then on to Ft. Polk. Later from Seattle, he was assigned to a US Army transport, the USAT Hastings Victory Ship, in charge of cargo security. He was the only military person among the ship's personnel. Sailing out of Seattle, Washington, his ship made several crossings of the Pacific, taking care of medical requirements, and was the first ship into the ports of Japan after the war.

*"All of life is a journey -
which paths we take, what we look back on,
and what we look forward to is up to us.
We determine our destination,
what kind of road we will take to get there,
and how happy we are when we get there."*

UNKNOWN

After coming back to Milledgeville and completing the last quarter at GMC, Jimmy returned to Miami. He could have commissioned then but would have had to serve two more years with no guarantee of a regular commission, so instead, he enrolled in college at the University of Miami.

Jimmy's father was still in the service, having also served during WWII, and by 1948 he was the Inspector General of the Berlin Airlift, the largest humanitarian operation ever undertaken by the Air Force. One day Jimmy got a long distance phone call from his dad who told him he wanted to see him in Germany. Williams shared, "If my dad told you to do something, that's what you did - so I went to Germany." He began working for the Army and Air Force Exchange Service (AAFES), at the PX gas station in Wiesbaden, and actually flew several times in the

airlift as the "cookie boy" taking sweets to the Germans in an operation that ultimately came to be known as Operation Little Vittles, which delivered tons of treats to children all over West Berlin.

In 1956, after actually having to resign and be rehired,

Jimmy went to New York and moved into retail as a retail input technician. This position required him to visit every retail location in the country. In 1957, he finally got to Atlanta as a tech rep for the nine state southeastern region after telling a manager, "I'm a real Southern boy!"

Jimmy met his wife of 58 years, Margaret, working at one of the stores in Wiesbaden, Germany. Jimmy and Margaret were married in Germany in 1958, and then after Margaret came over to the U.S., also in 1958, she and Jimmy remarried in January, 1959 in Orlando, Florida. In 1961 things started to really happen quickly.



Jimmy became the General Manager of the Keesler Air Force Base Exchange. Then in 1965 he transferred back to Atlanta as Chief of Region, where he stayed until Christmas of 1967 when he moved to Dallas, Texas as the Executive Director of Personnel. In 1970 he headed back to Munich, Germany as Director of Stores and Merchandising with over 700 outlets in Germany serving over 600,000 service people in Europe. Salted in with the regular duties of his position in Germany, Jimmy also traveled to many other countries - Turkey, Libya, Egypt, Viet Nam, the Dominican Republic, just to name a few - taking in supplies and often traveling with a general.

He stayed in the director's position until the end of 1974 when he retired, and he and Margaret moved back to Miami. With one daughter in college and two school-aged daughters, whose education was a priority, they decided to look for other possible locations to live. While traveling by motor home all over the southeast, they visited Georgia, and after looking around in Atlanta, Jimmy and Margaret decided to move back there to live. Once the children were grown, however, they decided to sell the house, opting for a smaller townhouse instead as home base, and traveled all over the country and the world. Years later, as they slowed down, they landed in



Rome, Georgia, where one of their daughters lives.

Williams' memories of GMC have stayed tucked in tight, like the football in the games he played for Lou Cordell and others. And he has carried these memories with him through all that he has done in life. Friendships, formed "back in the day" during escapades like borrowing a cow one dark night from a local home place and then "encouraging" her to climb the stairs to be "marooned" in the Commandant's office in the Old Capitol Building to then be discovered



the next morning, remain tight, too. Though not in the same towns now, frequent telephone contact keeps the old friends all together.

Williams summed it all up in one simple sentence, "I was a GMC Cadet then, and I still am." For him, what he learned at GMC carried him through all his life's adventures and still does to this day.

When the Eyes of the World Are Upon You

Northern Chile — Rescue of miners trapped 2,000 feet below entrance

Last August, what was on the minds of many of us was the extreme heat, the nearing end of summer, getting kids back to school, the upcoming football season – all the day to day things that make everyday life go ‘round. But, thousands of miles away in another hemisphere, a tragedy and a miracle were about to play themselves out high in the desert mountains of northern Chile.

The collapse of a gold and copper mine trapped 33 miners more than 2,000 feet below the mine entrance, and the watching world held its collective breath for their safety. After an intensive

seventeen-day search effort, when a drill bit chewed a narrow hole from the surface all the way to the roof of the mine, all 33 miners were discovered alive, trapped in an emergency area where they had gathered to prepare for lunch. Then began the monumental task of

rescuing them. This narrow hole would be the miners’ connection to the world above for the next eight weeks, a lifeline rescuers used to lower food and medicine until they could excavate an escape shaft and hoist the 33 to freedom.

Onto this worldwide stage, several days after the miners were located alive, steps NASA, at the request of the Chilean Space Agency, to provide technical advice. The day after the support was requested, the NASA Engineering and Support Center (NESC) personnel supported an agency-wide brainstorming session to identify initial ideas to assist the 33 miners trapped in the San Jose

mine. The ideas and recommendations resulting from this session were based on limited and rapidly changing information. The recommendations were made for miner health and well being concerning their air, water, hygiene, communications, bedding, empowering/informing activities, support devices, and supply chain modeling. They were delivered to the Chilean government as the rescue operation and systems were just beginning to be formulated. The NESC team lead was a member of the four-person NASA team that departed for Chile soon after the initial recommendations were communicated to provide on-site support. Finally, NESC personnel led a team of approximately 22 engineers and scientists who developed and documented the recommended requirements for the design of the Chilean miner rescue system. NESC engineers and NASA medical personnel produced the requirements in less than three days. While NASA does not have significant expertise in mining-related matters, NASA does have extensive experience in defining requirements, designing unique vehicles, and caring for individuals who are exposed to harsh environments. The overall miner rescue system was comprised of several components, including the rescue capsule – dubbed the “Phoenix,” hoist system, communication devices, and miner protective equipment.



Alex Vega, 31, was the 10th miner rescued.

Government of Chile

Thanks to the support and technology provided by the NESC, on October 13, all 33 miners were successfully rescued. They are believed to have survived longer underground than anyone else in the history of mining accidents.

Dr. William “Bill” H. Prosser (HS 1980) was a member of this NESC team, and for his work received a personal letter of commendation, as did all the rescue vehicle team members, from United States Senator Mark R. Warner from Virginia. In the letter, Senator Warner stated, “We in Virginia were proud to hear of your contributions to the rescue capsule and the part you played in a terrific ending to the long and trying ordeal. The successful rescue of the miners was a testament to the American spirit of ingenuity, a spirit exemplified by the NESC team at NASA Langley.” Senator

Warren also made a personal visit to present a flag to the team that worked on the Chilean miner rescue vehicle. The flag had been flown over the capitol on the day that the miner rescue operations started.

In the U.S. House of Representatives, Ms. Eddie Bernice Johnson of Texas submitted a resolution that was passed, which included recognizing “... that the experience and knowledge NASA has acquired through space flight is beneficial to human life on Earth and was critical to the successful rescue of the Chilean miners.”

Dr. Prosser was the GMC Distinguished Alumnus Award recipient in 2009. He and his wife, Karen, live in Poquoson, Virginia with their two children, Drew and Kayla.



Hugo Infante/Chilean Government

Rescue workers practice a dry run with one of the capsules that will be used to rescue the trapped miners.



Dr. William “Bill” Prosser and U.S. Senator Mark R. Warner (Va.)



STEINWAY CONCERT SERIES

Holiday Concert



The mission of the Steinway Society is to provide funding for the Steinway Concert Series as well as for ongoing technical support of the Steinway Concert Grand Piano in the Goldstein Center for the Performing Arts, the purchase of which has been the group's crowning achievement.

If you are interested in becoming a member of the Steinway Society, you may make your gift to the Steinway Concert Series online at www.gmcfoundation.org or mail to the GMC Foundation, 201 E. Greene St., Milledgeville, GA 31061.

On Thursday, December 2, "Jazz for the Holidays" featured the Ted Howe Trio and vocalist Theresa Hightower. Guests were mesmerized as Ted, Theresa and the trio performed favorite holiday music.

Following the concert guests enjoyed a delicious coffee and dessert reception with the artists. The GMC Prep School Jazz Band provided entertainment prior to the concert and during the reception.



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Support the arts through your gift to the Steinway Concert Series. Join the Steinway Society today to ensure the continuation of outstanding musical performances at Georgia Military College.

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- Opportunities to share the joy of great music with other appreciative members

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- Invitation for two for the annual President's Dinner hosted by MG Peter J. Boylan, President of Georgia Military College
- Membership benefits, as listed

Gold Sponsor - \$500-\$999

- Premier reserved seating at Steinway Series concerts upon request
- Two complimentary tickets for all Steinway Series concerts
- Membership benefits, as listed

Silver Sponsor - \$250-\$499

- Two complimentary tickets for the holiday concert
- Membership benefits, as listed

Bronze Sponsor - up to \$249

- Membership benefits, as listed

The Georgia Military College Steinway Concert Series will present "Keys to the Heart" starring The David Osborne Trio on Friday, May 13 at 7:00 p.m. in the Goldstein Center for the Performing Arts.

Miami Oklahoma native David Osborne has been playing the piano since he was five years old. He is a distinguished member of the international roster of Steinway Artists. Osborne's frequency of playing for present and past presidents has earned him the title of "Pianist to the Presidents." He has played in the White House and throughout the country for presidents Carter, Bush, Reagan, Clinton and Obama, as well as a host of dignitaries and celebrities.

Osborne utilizes his classical study and technique to execute flawless performances of Broadway, romantic, classical and ageless standards of the American song book. He combines his technique with his love for the piano and music to unlock the "Keys to the Heart." His touch and feel for romantic love songs has created a style that is unique only to him, and has earned him the title

THE GEORGIA MILITARY COLLEGE Steinway Concert Series

PRESENTS

THE David Osborne TRIO

Keys to the Heart

MAY 13, 2011

"Master of the Romantic Piano."

A few of Osborne's more significant recent events include a concert for the American Breast Cancer Awareness Foundation, an interview and performance on TV's "The 700 Club," a concert for the Steinway and Sons International Convention of Worldwide Dealers at the Beverly Hills Hotel, a benefit concert at the Eastman Scholl of Music in Rochester, N.Y., and a performance in Las Vegas, playing the Steinway pianos of Vladimir Horowitz, Van Cliburn and George Gershwin at Southern Nevada Music as part of Steinway & Sons Legendary Instruments of the Immortals Tour.

Following the concert, guests will be invited to enjoy an outdoor reception on Grant Parade.

Tickets, \$10 for general admission and \$5 for students, may be purchased in advance at the GMC Office of Advancement, 431 South Jefferson Street, or at the door on the evening of the performance. For more information, call the GMC Office of Advancement at (478) 387-4840.

GEORGIA MILITARY COLLEGE FOUNDATION APPOINTS LEADERS



*(Back L-R) Rod Theus, Elizabeth Sheppard, David Grant, Larry Thompson, Patricia Baugh Thompson, Dr. George Echols
(Seated L-R) Dr. John Ferguson, MG Peter J. Boylan, Dudley Rowe, John Williamson*

The Georgia Military College Foundation recently announced its appointment of trustees to serve in roles of leadership for the organization.

The Foundation's trademark in recent years has been incremental success on behalf of Georgia Military College. These leaders have pledged their dedicated service toward ensuring continued excellence and fortifying the institution for a productive future.

Mr. Dudley Rowe has been appointed as Chairman of the Georgia Military College Foundation. He has been instrumental in organizing a grants program for the Foundation and providing invaluable leadership to the organization at a strategic level. Rowe, an Honorary Alumnus, became involved with GMC some 20 years ago and says that the experience has been quite rewarding. He stated, "I am involved with Georgia Military College

because of my deep conviction that the educational experience it offers makes a profound and lasting impact upon the lives of its students."

Born and raised in southwestern England, Rowe enjoyed a 45-year career with ECC. PLC, a large British international minerals and chemicals company. Before his retirement as a senior executive, he was promoted to Executive Vice President and served on the parent company board of directors. He has since served in leadership on many business, professional, and civic boards and committees around the world.

Rowe has served as a director of Century Bank & Trust since 2001 and as a Century Bancorp director since 2002. He is currently Chairman of the Board of Century Bancorp and is a past Senior Warden of Saint Stephens Episcopal Church.

Dr. John Ferguson will serve as 1st Vice Chairman and Chairman of the Development Committee. A graduate of GMC (high school and junior college), Ferguson attended the Emory University School of Dentistry and was accepted at Emory as a resident in orthodontics after serving in the U.S. Army Dental Corp. Upon completing his residency, he began his practice in his hometown of Milledgeville.

Ferguson was inducted as a Fellow of the International College of Dentists and received the John E. MacNamara D.D.S. Meritorious Service Award from Emory University. He has been named Distinguished Alumnus at Georgia Military College.

Ferguson is active in the community and in his church, and holds memberships in a number of civic organizations. His service includes being president of the GMC Alumni Association, GMC Foundation Trustee, and advisor to the GMC Board of Trustees.

Mr. John Williamson will serve as 2nd Vice Chairman. Now retired, Williamson was president of Freeport Kaolin Company and president of IMPEX Corporation, an International Engineering, Consultant, Manufacturing and Sales Corporation servicing the industrial minerals field worldwide. He has performed engineering, consulting, and sales to more than 35 domestic and foreign companies.

Williamson graduated from North Georgia College and, after serving in the U.S. Naval Air Reserve, earned a B.S. degree in Industrial Engineering at Georgia Institute of Technology.

Williamson is a member of the Georgia Tech National Advisory Board (emeritus), the Georgia Mining Association and the Georgia College Foundation Board. He is a past member of the Board of Directors of the Georgia Business Council and the Advisory Boards for the School of Management at the University of Georgia and the School of Business at Georgia College.

Mr. David Grant will hold the office of Secretary-Treasurer. A graduate of GMC (high school and junior college), Grant has served his alma mater not only as a trustee of the GMC Foundation but also as past president of the Alumni Association and past

member of the Board of Trustees. He has a B.B.A. from Georgia College.

Grant has contributed a great deal to numerous civic organizations and has given outstanding service to the community. He has received the GMC Alumni Association's Community Service Award as a result of his vision of what needs to be accomplished and his dedication to improving the lives of others.

Grant is employed with James M. Grant, CPA, in Milledgeville. He is President of Oconee River Greenway Foundation, Inc. and serves on the Board of Directors of the Oconee Area Citizen Advocacy, Inc.

The four officers are members of an Executive Committee elected from the membership of the board which meets monthly to consider policy and management issues and is authorized to act on behalf of the Foundation Board of Trustees between its semi-annual meetings. Executive Committee members, along with additional trustees, also serve on committees to provide guidance and oversight in specific areas.

Executive Committee members are as follows:

- Mr. Dudley Rowe, Chairman
- Dr. John Ferguson, 1st Vice Chairman/Development Chairman
- Mr. John Williamson, 2nd Vice Chairman
- Mr. David Grant, Secretary-Treasurer
- Mr. Rod Theus, Finance Chairman
- Dr. George Echols, Rules and Nominations Chairman
- Mr. Larry Thompson, Real Property Chairman
- Ms. Patricia Baugh Thompson, Development Committee
- MG Peter J. Boylan, USA (Ret.), GMC President
- Ms. Elizabeth Sheppard, Executive Director/VP for Advancement

The mission of the Georgia Military College Foundation is to secure and prudently manage private gifts in support of Georgia Military College and foster a culture that unites philanthropic desires with college priorities. The foundation is a separate, independent organization that is chartered by the State of Georgia as a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit educational corporation.

unforgettable memories *unprecedented* futures



GEORGIA MILITARY COLLEGE
Alumni Weekend
 OCTOBER 22-23, 2010

“Unforgettable memories . . . Unprecedented futures,” the theme of the 2010 event, proved to be an appropriate one as returning alumni shared old memories and made new ones while marveling at the continuing improvements that keep the campus moving positively into the future. Alumni Weekend is also about traditions, which are an important part and parcel of coming back to campus, so, true to that credo, many events are carried

forward year to year so that a sense of constancy is also maintained. This year’s activities got underway with a Thursday evening ribbon cutting at the Old Capital Museum for the new fall exhibit, “King Cotton – The Common Thread.” Museum staff and board members were on hand to visit with alumni and to talk about the new exhibit as well as the museum overall.



3rd Battalion Headquarters Command Staff march onto Grant Parade.



Old Capitol Rotunda “dressed” for the wine and cheese reception

Friday morning brought out the early risers for a friendly competition waged on the greens and fairways of the Milledgeville Country Club as well as in the spirited conversations held in the golf carts as they sped along the way. This year’s winning team, coming in at 12 under par with a score of 59, included Louie Sanders, Royce Sanders, Ryan Stillman, and Charles Wilcher.

During the afternoon alumni could enjoy tours of buildings on campus, the highlight of which this year was the newly-opened Usery Hall, now the home of GMC’s prep school. Each year those returning alumni who have not been back to campus since they left as graduates, or at least for many years, are always amazed at what they see. In fact, one alumnus this year confided that he actually felt lost and had to orient himself with the Old Capitol Building to remind himself of where things had been.



Jimmy Paul, Billy Hargrove, and Jake Goldstein march in the Alumni Platoon.



Calvin and Linda Bobo

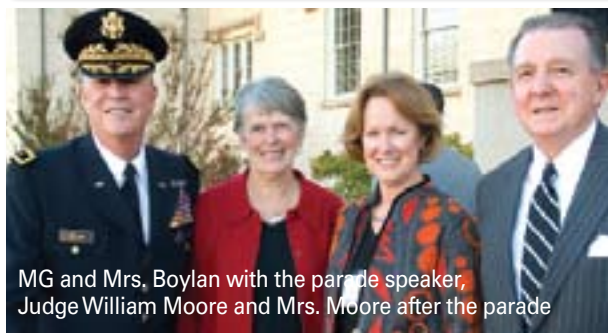


Judge William "Willie" T. Moore, 2010 Alumni Parade speaker

Late afternoon found everyone gathered for the traditional parade, which always includes the formation and march of the alumni platoon. After enjoying the 132nd Corps of Cadets on Grant Parade, musical numbers by the GMC Prep School band, and comments by Judge William Moore, the crowd moved down to South Gate and main tent for a tailgate party. The meal included barbeque and all the fixin's catered by Satterfield's of Macon, musical entertainment by "Duke" Elton, and plenty of reminiscing and storytelling.



Alumni platoon passes in review.



MG and Mrs. Boylan with the parade speaker, Judge William Moore and Mrs. Moore after the parade



Bill Massee and Powell Moore



Main tent ready and waiting for Friday's tailgate crowd



Leigh, Steve, and Cliff Scott - GMC is a "family affair."



"Duke" Elton provides some easy listening background music.



Julie and Mark Strom



Ed, Betty, and Patricia Kenimer



Andrea and John Gable

Make your plans now!!
October 21 and 22
Alumni Weekend 2011



Alumni Association Board member Monte Washburn

Afterward, alumni either attended the GMC Prep School football game against Lakeview Academy or enjoyed Mac Frampton and The Three Penny Symphony in concert. For concert attendees, a "Coffee and Dessert Intermezzo," catered by The Loper Brothers, was provided under main tent to finish out the evening's events.

Saturday morning found new arrivals at registration and those who already had arrived back on campus to enjoy tours that they might have missed on Friday or just to catch up with old friends and classmates before attending the alumni awards reception, lunch, and program. The Willis House of Milledgeville provided a tasty buffet lunch, while the Monty Cole Quintet entertained before the awards program.



Dr. and Mrs. George Echols and Elizabeth Sheppard share a smile for the camera.



Alumni Association Board members Suzanne Ratliff and Devie Archebelle

Saturday afternoon was then open for wandering through campus, visiting buildings not yet seen, reunion groups getting together, or taking in the local Deep Roots Festival activities going on downtown.

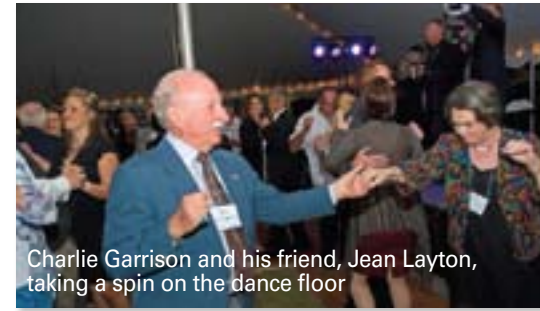
Late afternoon offered a wine and cheese reception in the Old Capitol Building Rotunda, catered by Southern Affairs of Milledgeville,



Myles Golden, Pete May, and Ann Golden



Rodney Mull and his daughter, Bekah



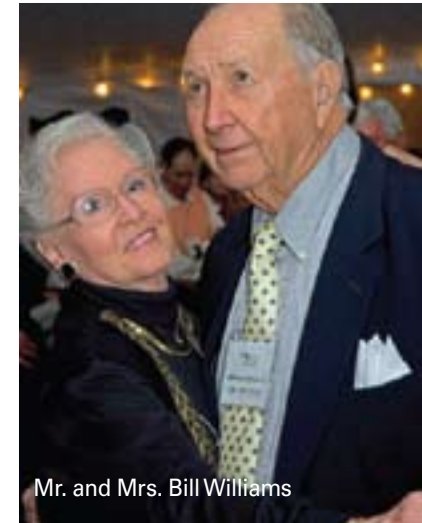
Charlie Garrison and his friend, Jean Layton, taking a spin on the dance floor

The date for Alumni Weekend 2011 has been set for October 21 and 22. For information you may contact Earlene Hamilton at ehamilton@gmc.cc.ga.us or at 478-387-4881. The alumni events section of the GMC web site, www.gmc.cc.ga.us, will be updated as details are finalized.

and the opportunity to get an update on the "State of the School" from MG Peter Boylan before moving back under the tent to enjoy the weekend's finale, the dinner/dance. A delicious steak dinner was provided by Will Jarriel's Catering of Milledgeville before alumni put on their dancing shoes and hit the dance floor to the music of The Grapevine. In between dances, alumni were talking, laughing, and already making plans for next year's event, including who needed to be called for reunions. This night never ends on good-byes but instead on, "We'll see you next year."



Jim Tillman, Larry Stafford, and Steve Parker – "Wonder what mischief they're up to now?"



Mr. and Mrs. Bill Williams



Raymond and Debbie Mitchell and Bob and Cindy Yingling strike a pose.



Brandon and Bethany Williams



The 1879 Team – Shannon New-Diaz, Jimmy Paul, Michelle Dixon



"The Grapevine" in action

2010 – On the Road Again for Band Company

They did it again! Band Company reunion organizers and mainstays, Terry Johnson and Cliff Owdom, struck out last year in advance of the 2010 Alumni Weekend to personally touch the lives of those they knew and remembered from their GMC days and to encourage them to return to this place of special memories and gather with other returning alumni to meet, greet, and reminisce.

This year's trip found them headed north with the first stop planned to be in Hartwell to see Jack Lyle (JC 1962). Part of the success of these trips is to appear unexpectedly, not making appointments ahead, but unfortunately, that approach has its own shortcomings, too. Jack was headed out of town so the "ambassadors" rolled on to Athens and had a great visit with Donald Whitehead (HS 1962) from Band Company, whom neither Cliff nor Terry had seen in 48 years!

They "bunked over" in Gainesville the first night out with plans to meet Al Blackburn (JC 1963) for breakfast, but this was apparently to be the year for misadventures because Al also was unable to keep the "date" - even though they had actually called ahead on this one. Not to be dissuaded from their mission, however, they continued on with spirits high.

The next stop was in a little town called Armuchee where they met with Chip Limbrick (JC 1963), Band Company, whom they also had not seen in 48 years. They spent about two hours visiting with Chip, and though he and his wife were already committed to a trip that conflicted with the 2010 Alumni Weekend, he told the "ambassadors" he would definitely plan to be at the 2011 reunion. Terry said, "If I had met Chip on the street, I would have never have recognized him--he has less hair than me!" (The traveling ambassadors share the distinction of "balding pates" so comparisons are always made when old friends are found.)



Richard Dee and Cliff "fall in" with the alumni platoon

Traveling the short distance south into Rome, they and the Limbricks joined Mr. and Mrs. Stuart Peebles (GMC friends), Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Williams (HS 1945, JC 1946), Chad Rogers (JC 1999), on leave from a tour in Iraq, and Earlene Hamilton, Alumni Relations Coordinator, for a wonderful evening full of good food, great stories, and warm memories. While in Rome, the ambassadors called Ben Underwood (HS 1962, JC 1964), who lives in Smyrna now, and talked with him but didn't get to go by to see him this time. His work location and their route just didn't match.

After spending the night in Rome, they traveled on, out of the NW Georgia hills, into Griffin where they met Billy Hansell (HS 1961, JC 1963), Band Company, with whom they had a great impromptu visit. Mr. Hansell, whose father also attended GMC, gave the ambassadors a GMC annual before they left to give to the library. Then, continuing just a bit further south, the next stop brought them into Milner where they visited with Clyde Dunn (JC 1963), Band Company, and yet another one whom they had not seen in 48 years.

Last, but most certainly not least in significance for memories and fodder for stories, the ambassadors rolled into Macon, where the last stop on this year's trip, a planned one, was to see Richard Norman Bates "Dee" Taylor (HS 1965), Band Company, and have dinner together. Terry cautioned, "If you ever go to Macon, Georgia and run into a man by the name of Richard Norman Bates Taylor, be sure not to have dinner with him. Cliff and I, along with Norman, were asked to leave one of the nicest restaurants in Macon. Next time we are going to by-pass Macon!" He ended the saga most emphatically, "And I will tell you that story when I see you!"

In parting, he also shared this message to his former classmates: "Cliff and I started our road trips in 2009, and long as our health holds out, we will continue. We have had some good times. One of these days you might just open your door, and we will be there. It took me 20 years to ever go back to a reunion, but as long as my health holds out, I will never miss another one. I want to encourage you to come back. We really have a good time, and the brotherhood we had at GMC still exists today. Hope to see you at the 2011 reunion!"



Bob Seymour "heats up" the BBQ



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- A) The "boys" in their corner under Main Tent: Dess Smith, Bob "Ty" Seymour, George Smith, Dean Mills, Cliff Owdom, Terry Johnson, Sherry Mathis and Charles Grant, seated
- B) Tommy Burnette and his wife, Kim, share a toast with Cliff Owdom.
- C) Richard Dee Taylor and his son, Dee
- D) Dess Smith greets alumni board member, Jimmy Paul, who is "sporting" the 1879 Circle of Friends t-shirt.
- E) Anne and Russ Walden headed to the awards lunch
- F) Ed and Marcia Robinson
- G) Dean Mills, Robin Knight and Leigh Scott share a story - which Band Company is full of!
- H) Dess and Ginny Smith - Let's show them how to really do this.
- I) Dess Smith, Dean Mills, Terry Johnson always having a good time!
- J) Mr. and Mrs. Ed Kenimer

The Gold Brigade – HS & JC Classes of 1960

Alumni from the HS & JC classes of 1960 gathered over the three day weekend to remember days gone by and bring classmates up to date on more recent happenings. But this gathering didn't occur by random chance. Long ago at Alumni Weekend 2009, 1960 classmates who saw and visited with the Gold Brigade of 1959 decided then to enlist the help of Ed Robinson and Larry Stafford, the pair of HS '59ers who instigated the early recruiting for their reunion. The "blog spot" created by Ed Robinson for the 2009 reunion proved to be enormously successful at developing interest in the event and provided a perfect medium for scattered classmates to start sharing news. With that track record for success, it was only natural that one of the first steps for the classes of 1960 was to ask Ed to set up one for them, and Larry agreed to get back on the phone, searching for "lost" class members and encouraging those he found to come back.

Cal Battle agreed to establish and lead the search committee for the HS, enlisting the help of then Senator Ralph Hudgens, Jim Abbott, Tom Cadenhead, Boyd Ellison, and Erle "Butch" Plunkett for the "hunt." With that team in place and Ed putting together the blog, Larry Stafford took on the lead for the JC search, using the techniques he had developed for the '59ers' search, and COL Bob Alford began making the phone calls to reach out to those from JC for whom they had contact information.

Everyone was encouraged to attend all the weekend's events, but a separate get-together time was also established for Saturday afternoon at the Sibley-Cone Library where special stories could be told; memories could be jogged using the newly

digitized 1960 Recall provided by the library staff; and classmates "gone before" would be remembered.

Through the class blog marshaled together by Ed Robinson, the 50th reunion got started even before class members arrived on campus for the weekend's parade, golf, tours, dinners and dance. Then, when Alumni Weekend actually arrived, one of its first events provided the Gold Brigade members on campus the pleasure of seeing one of their own, William "Willie" T. Moore, give the keynote address at the Friday parade and then at Saturday's awards luncheon, and of seeing him receive the 2010 Alumni Achievement Award.

Throughout the weekend class members enjoyed participating in the events, but, most of all, they enjoyed each other. Fifty years is a long time in one sense, but when old friends get back together, those years drop away in the blink of an eye. It's what makes the Gold Brigade reunion a very special time during Alumni Weekend at GMC.



COL Bob Alford getting an update from COL Fred Van Horn



The Gold Brigade members gather at the library for their special reunion.



A) Cal and Joann Battle and Russ and Anne Walden comparing notes after the concert
 B) Suzanne Caskey and Jim Abbott
 C) David Allen and Steve Parker
 D) Suzanne Caskey and Steve Parker take to the dance floor
 E) Lin McKnight and David Allen
 F) Cal Battle and Pete May comparing memories between 1959 and 1960
 G) Rep. Rusty Kidd, Jenny and Sheriff Bill Massee, Judge William T. Moore, his wife Jane, and sister-in-law Julia Hodges strike a pose before the awards ceremony.
 H) Jackie Sentell and Dr. Maidana Nunn enjoy a moment with Tom Horton



HS 1973 Reunion

In spite of the year's not being a typical five-year reunion anniversary date, members of the HS Class of 1973 decided to get together during Alumni Weekend at GMC for a 37th-year reunion. The event was coordinated by LTC Jim Kjer, who arranged for the group to have a private meeting space in the newly-opened Usery Hall and for a special tour of the Prep School facility as well as a presentation about the next big GMC project on the horizon, a Health and Wellness Center. The group also enjoyed getting together at Aubri Lane's after the Friday football game, and they were graciously hosted by Susan Hemphill's parents at their



lake house on Saturday. Classmates from 1973 who were able to attend included Jim and Maggie Kjer, Myles Jones, Dewey and Melissa Scott, Mike and Cathy Perez, Vanderbilt and Gina Edwards, Susan Hemphill, Cathy Hodges Daniel, Annette Little Crawford, Ralph and Susan Parrado, Gerry Cowart, Henry Power, Merel Harrison, Ben and Carol Plexico, Larry and Patricia Thompson, and

Bonnie Waller. Classmates from 1974 who joined them over the weekend included Carolyn Kjer, Tom and Ellen Torrance, Gay Burris Ibbotson, Mervin Greene Rogers, and Bonnie Rice Schubert.

JC 1990 Reunion

Members of the JC Class of 1990 reunited during Alumni Weekend to catch up with each other and to visit GMC once more. Those able to attend included Class Agent, LTC Thomas "Tom" Hanley, who is currently based in Tampa, Florida; Mark Witte, who retired from Active Army as a Special Forces MAJOR and is now a defense contractor living in Northern Virginia; and Ron Fundark, who served as an Infantry Officer in Active Army and is now a policeman living in Pennsylvania – all also part of the ECP commissioning class of 1990. Rodney Mull was "man of the hour" at the Alumni Awards Luncheon on Saturday, making the presentation to Mrs. Brenda Brown, this year's Community Service Award recipient.

Class agent, Tom Hanley, shared these comments, "The 111th

Corps had a low showing, most likely owing to the large number of officers still serving in the Army in assignments around the world...a nice notation to a group 20 years later...but small numbers did not thwart an otherwise fantastic event. We were able to visit with our former MS3 instructor, fellow alumnus Randy Griffin, and regale many fond memories of GMC. It was great to see how much the campus has changed and, more impressive, to see today's corps of cadets."

Tom also identified some particular highlights, "The tailgate party was very nice, and the campus tour was excellent. For us (the JC guys), the college barracks tour was pretty important. Being called out for the parade was special as well."



Rodney Mull



(L - R) Mark Witte, Ron Fundark, and Tom Hanley

HS 2000 Reunion

Diana K. New, HS 2000, commented, "GMC's High School Class of 2000 met at 119 Chops in downtown Milledgeville on the Friday evening of Alumni Weekend, and everyone had a great time! Not only were we able to catch up with everyone about what has happened in our lives over the last ten years, but we also shared a great deal of laughter as we reminisced about stories and events from high school. We made plans to see each other more often and, hopefully, plan a get-together each year."



Back row - Tracy Comer Fathi, Tiffany Hill, Jonathan Quinn, Seth Caldwell, Kenneth Reaves, Walt Langford; Middle row - Alison Tanner Fountain, Lacy Ussery, Samantha Sencindiver Stewart, Allyson Sanders Morton; Front row - Diana New, Christy Couey, Jewell Landers, Brittany Bearden Kendall

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(L to R standing) Terry Johnson, Ellen Limbrick, Chip Limbrick, Earlene Hamilton, Chad Rogers, Stuart Peebles, Cliff Owdom, Jimmy Williams, (L to R seated) Margaret Williams, Sallie Peebles

2011 Alumni Weekend Reunions:

Early Commissioning Program Graduates

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25th - HS & JC "The Silver Brigade"

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50th - HS & JC "The Gold Brigade"

Contact: Earlene Hamilton
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1960's Band Company Reunion

Class Agent: Terry "Falstaff" Johnson
Terry@rockycomfortplantation.com

Other Reunions:

1960's Era Reunion - July 16, 2011

Class agent: Charles Wilcher
478-454-6578/bulldog90@windstream.net

Plan your reunion

The GMC Alumni Office can assist you with planning your reunion. Please contact **Earlene Hamilton** at **478-387-4881** or at **ehamilto@gmc.cc.ga.us** for help with class lists, locations, campus requirements for private on-site events, or other questions. We recommend using Alumni Weekend for your event if possible because so much is already in place for you. Your time can then be spent enjoying visits with classmates and catching up on news of each other and changes here at GMC.

Alumni Awards Recipients 2010

Georgia Military College alumni and friends gathered on October 22 and 23 to celebrate Alumni Weekend 2010 and to recognize the year's alumni award recipients. Prior to the awards presentation, alumni and friends had the opportunity to mix and mingle while enjoying a reception that was then followed by a delicious buffet lunch served under main tent.

The recipients of these prestigious awards are selected annually from submitted nominations.

Dr. Ernest F. Daniel, Jr.
DISTINGUISHED ALUMNUS AWARD

Judge William "Willie" T. Moore, Jr.
ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Mrs. Brenda Scott Brown
GMC SERVICE AWARD

Sheriff Bill Masee
COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Mrs. Frances "Fran" Pardee Usery
HONORARY ALUMNA AWARD

This select group of individuals is representative of the fine character and countless acts of excellence displayed by the alumni and friends of GMC. GMC is fortunate to have been a part of the lives of each of these fine people. Their contributions have, without a doubt, made the world a better place.

Distinguished Alumnus Award

DR. ERNEST F. DANIEL, JR. JC 1937
Augusta, Georgia

The Distinguished Alumnus Award recognizes alumni whose lives have embodied the ideals of Georgia Military College including discipline, moral character, and learning, whose accomplishments have made a conspicuous and positive impression on those who will follow their lead, and whose lives are examples of extraordinary accomplishment.

Dr. Daniel was born in Millen, Georgia, where he attended and graduated from Millen Public Schools. In 1936 he came to GMC and then continued his education at South Georgia Teachers College (now Georgia Southern), UCLA, and Emory University where he obtained his Bachelor of Arts in 1940. Next Daniel attended the University of Georgia School of Medicine (now Medical College of Georgia), where he received his Doctor of Medicine in 1943. He served a rotating internship at the Macon Hospital in Macon, Georgia, during 1944.

With the outbreak of WWII, Daniel served as medical officer at several naval locations stateside before serving in the Pacific as a Beach Party Doctor in two attack transports and with Marines on Hospital Evacuation L.S.T. He then went on to become Port Surgeon of Saipan and ultimately Chief of Surgery at the Saipan Naval Dispensary.

Returning from military service in 1947, Daniel established a General

Practice in Dawson, Georgia, moving on in 1954 to become a resident in neurosurgery at the Medical College of Georgia, which included six months at Yale University. He was actually the first resident in this program. By 1960 Daniel had moved into the practice of neurosurgery and continued in this field until the mid-'80s, though he took time in the '60s to attend and graduate from Augusta Law School with a Juris Doctorate.

In addition to his active medical practice, Daniel was the Chief of Surgery at Humana Hospital in Augusta and Chief of Staff, and in 1982 – 1983 served as president of the Georgia Neurosurgical Society. He is one of six physicians who founded Doctors Hospital in Augusta. Daniel has also served in a leadership role on numerous boards, belongs to a number of professional organizations, and has been published in several medical journals.

Dr. Daniel and Ruby, his wife of 66 years, currently live in Augusta. They have one son, Wayne; one granddaughter, Audra Elizabeth Daniel Tedesco; and three great-grandchildren, Alexandra, Hannah, and Jackson.



Alumni Achievement Award

JUDGE WILLIAM T. MOORE, JR. JC 1960
Savannah, Georgia

Judge Moore attended Chatham County public schools and graduated from Savannah High School in 1958. He holds an Associate Degree in Arts from Georgia Military College, with distinction; a Juris Doctor Degree from the University of Georgia School of Law; and a Master of Law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law.

Moore attended GMC on a football scholarship and lettered in both football and baseball. He was team captain of the 1960 GMC baseball team, which won the conference and state championships. He was awarded the Best Barracks Cadet medal and chosen as the most popular cadet by his classmates. During his sophomore year Moore served as E Company Commander. After graduating from GMC, he then attended the University of Georgia on a baseball scholarship where he was a two-year letterman. In recognition of his athletic accomplishments, he was inducted into the Greater Savannah Athletic Hall of Fame in 2010.

In his professional career, from 1964 until his appointment to the federal bench in 1994, Judge Moore practiced law in Savannah with the exception of

the four years from July 1977 through June 1981, during which he served as United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia. During his tenure as U.S. Attorney, he served on the Advisory Committee for United States Attorney Generals Griffin Bell and Benjamin Civiletti.

Since October 1994, he also has served as a United States District Court judge in the Southern District of Georgia and as the District Chief Judge from March 2004 until May 2010. He served on the Judicial Conference of the United States Committee on Criminal Law for six years, was past president of the Eleventh Circuit District Judges Association, and was a member of the Eleventh Circuit Judicial Council.

He is married to Jane Hodges Moore of Savannah, and they have three children.



GMC Service Award

BRENDA SCOTT BROWN
Milledgeville, Georgia

The GMC Service Award is designated for an alumnus/alumna or friend of Georgia Military College who has rendered special service to the school or to any of its ancillary organizations including the GMC Alumni Association, the Bulldog Club, the Booster Club, or the GMC Foundation, Inc.

Mrs. Brown attended school, married, and had children while living in the southwestern Georgia town of Richland. When their two sons were young teenagers, they moved to Milledgeville and have called it home for nearly thirty years.

Her career at GMC began by working a year in the Business Office. She then transferred to the Office of the Commandant and from there to the Student Activities Office, located in the New Academic Building, where she is the Community Service Coordinator. She has just recently received her twenty-five year service pin from Georgia Military College.

Mrs. Brown organizes the quarterly main campus blood drives and Georgia Day at the Capital and serves as the Voting Registrar for Georgia Military College. One highly visible occasion supervised by Brown is the annual Make-A-Difference Day, sponsored by the Paul Newman Foundation. GMC has been a participant since 1997 and won the competition in 1999. She organizes Super Wednesday, which introduces incoming junior college students to the campus departments as well as local services.

During her time at GMC, Mrs. Brown has seen many students come through her door in need of advice, counsel, and just plain moral support. In this role, she has touched the lives of hundreds of students and is the very first

stop for many of them when they come to visit.

In addition to responsibilities at Georgia Military College, she is a popular columnist with the *Union Recorder* newspaper of Milledgeville/Baldwin County, and her stories are published on various Internet websites and have appeared in other Middle Georgia newspapers including the *Augusta Focus*, the *Macon Telegraph*, the *News Herald*, the *Stewart-Webster Journal* and *The Baldwin Bulletin*. She is currently the advisor of the *Old Capitol News* at Georgia Military College. Sharing her community service mindedness with other local organizations, Mrs. Brown was long-time president of the American Cancer Society and continues as an advocate for Relay for Life. She has served on the board of directors of both The Boys and Girls Club and Habitat for Humanity, and she is an active member of Black Springs Baptist Church.

Mrs. Brown has been married to Otto for 44 years, and they are the parents of Scott and Kimberly Brown and Arlin and Brenda Brown of Baldwin County and the grandparents of Joshua, Caleb, Catherine, and Christen Brown.



Community Service Award

SHERIFF BILL MASSEE, JR. JC 1967

Milledgeville, Georgia

The Community Service Award is given to Georgia Military College alumni who, through leadership, inspiration, teamwork, or hard work in the spirit of volunteerism or in their professional activities, have taken the lessons of GMC's Character Education beyond the classroom and whose actions are characterized by a history of exemplary service resulting in unquestionable improvements within their community.

Bill Massee was born in Milledgeville, where he attended and graduated from Baldwin High School. Massee then received his associate's degree from Georgia Military College and his Bachelor of Business Administration degree from Georgia College. He also graduated from the 208th Session of the FBI National Academy.

He was employed as a GBI Agent for 5 1/2 years before serving 2 1/2 years as the City Police Chief in Milledgeville. Massee is currently serving his sixth term as sheriff of Baldwin County, which is the longest consecutive tenure in the history of the county. He is the past president of the Georgia Sheriffs' Association and the past president of the County Officers' Association of Georgia. He also has served as a member of the Georgia Board of Corrections and on the Peace Officers Standards and Training Council and currently serves on the Georgia Sheriffs' Association Board of Directors and the Ocmulgee Drug Task Force.

Combining his professional career and his community involvement, Massee was instrumental in starting the DARE (Drug Abuse Resistance Education)

Honorary Alumna Award

FRANCES "FRAN" PARDEE USERY

Milledgeville, Georgia

The Honorary Alumni Award is bestowed upon individuals who are not alumni of Georgia Military College, but who have rendered special or exceptional service to the school or to its Alumni Association, and who, by virtue of their service, are worthy of the designation of GMC Alumnus and all that the designation entails.

Frances "Fran" Pardee Usery's love and dedication to Georgia Military College have been strong and persistent since the early '70s when she met W.J. "Bill" Usery. Mr. Usery, a 1940 graduate of GMC, has been an active, dedicated and generous alumnus over the past decades, the most recent evidence of which is a new prep school building, dedicated and opened in August, 2010, which bears his name - W.J. "Bill" Usery Hall. Mrs. Usery has worked diligently, encouraging and supporting the dedication and work of Mr. Usery for his alma mater. From him, she grew to understand his love and vision for GMC and began to share that same commitment with him, the most recent occasion being her donation for furnishing the state-of-the art conference room in the new prep school.

Growing up on a dairy farm, where "if you didn't have it, you made do," taught her to be resourceful and self-reliant, attributes that have served her well all her life. She is proficient in many areas, both professionally and personally, and there are few jobs that she cannot tackle and accomplish in an exemplary fashion, beginning with her becoming an accomplished equestrian as a child and young adult.

In her personal life Mrs. Usery is a gifted artist and sculptor. Her most

program for Baldwin County schools, which began in 1990, and then in 2008 evolved to become the CHAMPS (Choosing Healthy Activities & Methods Promoting Safety) program. The Will Robinson Road Race, begun in honor and memory of Deputy Will Robinson, GMC HS 1987, whose life was lost in the line of duty in 1995, provides funding for this project. Under Sheriff Massee's leadership, the Baldwin County Sheriff's Department co-hosts and coordinates this event each November for an increasing number of community participants.

Massee is also involved in Leadership Baldwin and Youth Leadership Baldwin County. Additionally, he is a Knight Foundation board member and a member of the Benevolent Masonic Lodge. He is a frequent speaker for church groups, civic organizations, and schools - all of which allow him to also keep a finger on the pulse of those he serves. When one attends an event in the community, it is almost a certainty that Sheriff Massee will be among those present. He watches over Baldwin County citizens as if they are family, and the community's recognition of his many contributions is certainly evidenced by a six-year consecutive term elected official who holds such a pivotal position.



recent accomplishment in the field of sculpturing is the bronze bust of her husband, which was placed in the atrium of the new prep school building on August 5, 2010, at the grand opening of Usery Hall.

Her professional career began with working for Chrysler Corporation as Executive Assistant to the Washington Zone Managers. The competent manner in which she performed job assignments won her the opportunity to travel extensively, and she took many trips to Europe, visiting museums and historical sites, broadening her world knowledge and view. After retiring from Chrysler Corporation in 1988, Mrs. Usery began working as a hostess for a Washington, D.C. gourmet club, hosting dinners for VIP's in the Washington area's finer restaurants. It was while she was hosting a VIP event at the Watergate Hotel that she met W.J. Usery. Soon after, she began her own company, providing catering and hosting services for Bill Usery Associates, a Washington, D.C. based firm providing consulting services in matters relating to employee-employer labor relations.

Mrs. Usery and her husband, Bill, now reside mostly in Milledgeville, Georgia, where they recently moved into their new lake-front condo. She is extremely happy to be permanently located in Milledgeville where they can continue their efforts to preserve and extend the GMC legacy into the future.



We invite your nominations for the 2011 GMC Alumni Awards. Alumni, friends of the school, and non-alumni supporters of GMC and its ancillary organizations may qualify. The deadline for nominations is **June 1, 2011**.

If you have any questions, please call the Office of Advancement at (478) 387-4840.

NOMINATION CRITERIA

Alumni Achievement

Awarded to Georgia Military College alumni who have attained notable success in their chosen field or profession at the local, state, or national level, and whose achievements might serve as an inspiration to anyone considering entering their chosen field or profession, or might serve as an inspiration to others to excel in their chosen field or profession because of the example set by the recipients of this award.

Outstanding Recent Alumnus

Awarded to Georgia Military College alumni who, having completed their studies at GMC within the past fifteen years, have demonstrated excellence in academics or in their chosen careers or professions, or who have made great strides in their personal lives, and who show promise of continuing excellence.

Community Service Award

Awarded to Georgia Military College alumni who through leadership, inspiration, teamwork, or hard work in the spirit of volunteerism or in their professional activities, have taken the lessons of GMC's character education beyond the classroom and whose actions are characterized by a history of exemplary service resulting in unquestionable improvements within their community.

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GMC Service Award

Awarded to alumni or friends of Georgia Military College who have rendered special or exceptional service to the school or to any of its ancillary organizations, including, but not limited to, the GMC Alumni Association, the GMC Bulldog Club, the GMC Booster Club, or the GMC Foundation, Inc.

Nominee: _____ GMC Graduate HS _____ and/or JC _____

Nominee's Address: _____

Nominee's Phone #: _____

Award Nomination Category (please check one):

- Alumni Achievement
- Outstanding Recent Alumnus
- Community Service Award
- Distinguished Alumnus
- Honorary Alumnus
- GMC Service Award

Please include supporting documentation for the nomination on a separate sheet of paper. Using no more than 500 words, you may include: career highlights, achievements, community service, letters of recommendation, and newspaper/magazine articles.

Nominator: _____ GMC Graduate HS _____ and/or JC _____

Nominator's Address: _____

Home Phone #: _____ Work Phone #: _____

May we reveal your name? YES NO Is the nominee aware of this nomination? YES NO

MAIL to: **Alumni Relations**
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OAK LEAF SOCIETY

The Oak Leaf Society was established to honor individuals who include Georgia Military College in their estate plan. Alumni and friends who arrange planned gifts create a legacy for the future of Georgia Military College and its students. To those who have done so, we are truly grateful for your loyalty and your desire to make a difference for generations to come.

In October of 2010, during Alumni

Weekend, a luncheon was held in honor of those who have made testamentary gift commitments to GMC through the GMC Foundation. MG Peter J. Boylan, USA (Ret.), GMC President, announced new members of the Oak Leaf Society and presented each with a commemorative plaque and an Oak Leaf Society Pin.



Dr. and Mrs. James Strom have been around higher education since 1971. Jim and Margaret have been at Clemson University where Jim headed the new advancement program and provided the leadership to the Foundation. Jim led the advancement programs at Appalachian State University and California Polytechnic State University and managed and participated in their volunteer Foundations.

Margaret and Jim Strom did not know much about Georgia Military College until their son, Mark, came to work here. Mark was talking with Elizabeth Sheppard and mentioned that his Dad had some experience in fundraising and

capital campaigns. When Elizabeth called Jim to ask if he would serve on the Foundation Board, he accepted and has since become involved in the "Health and Wellness Campaign."

Upon Jim's becoming a board member, both Margaret and Jim put Georgia Military College in their wills and pledged gifts to the new prep school and then to the Health and Wellness Center. They felt that if they volunteered on behalf of the College, they wanted to participate fully and be involved 100 percent.



Dr. and Mrs. James Strom

William Ellison Flake, Sr., at fourteen, was sent to GMC high school by his father and his grandparents, who raised him after his mother passed away. There Bill excelled in his grades but received many demerits and walked many hours in the "bull ring." He was told that if he had not been such a good student, he would have been thrown out of GMC!

Bill received a degree in business and later a Master's Degree in World Economics from the University of Georgia. He served in the Air Force Reserves and, during his career, spent 17 years with Ford Motor Company. He was Assistant Manager in the Sales Division and later was granted a Ford franchise for a dealership in McDonough where he erected a new building.

Bill met Sara, a Macon native, and they married in 1975. Sara had a long, successful

career with the Georgia Power Company, and later was asked by her husband to come and work for him. She often says that this was the hardest work, and the longest hours, she had ever done – but the benefits were wonderful!

The Flakes retired in 1983 and spent the next 25 years in their place in the North Georgia mountains, enjoying frequent travel throughout the United States.

Their bequest will help some less fortunate student to start to college where he will be helped to learn the discipline and knowledge to help him through his personal and work life as it did Bill Flake.



Mrs. William Ellison Flake, Sr.

Dr. George Coletti graduated from GMC high school in 1957 and from the junior college in 1959 with the rank of cadet lieutenant colonel, with honors. Dr. Coletti says he credits his years at GMC with developing many of the life skills and values that have strengthened and enriched his life, citing leadership, trustworthiness, and academic achievement.

Dr. Coletti is semi-retired after working many years as an oral surgeon and dentist in the Stone Mountain and DeKalb communities. He and his wife Susan stay

very involved in their community. He volunteers with several local historical societies and is the recently published author of a Civil War era historical novel, *Stone Mountain: The Granite Sentinel*.

Dr. Coletti maintains strong ties with GMC. He serves as a GMC Foundation board member and has made the commitment of an unrestricted planned gift, hoping to reduce barriers to higher education for GMC's students in the future.



George D. N. Coletti, DMD

Ms. Anne Martin and COL Robert N. Tredway

A few years ago, upon Bob's attending the 45th reunion of the GMC HS Class of '53, his wife Anne commented on the joy she felt as "the years melted away and 'the boys' seemed to pick up where they left off in 1953."

As the next several years passed, the class determined that a lasting legacy would be the hallmark of the Class of '53 – a continuing and growing legacy that would recognize both

students and teachers and provide a living memorial to the values instilled by GMC and embodied in the Class of '53.

Bob and Anne continued to enjoy the fellowship and camaraderie that resulted from reconnecting with old friends . . . and they were touched by the outpouring of love and concern during Bob's battle with cancer. Anne has said that it was important to Bob to "put things in order," to include making a provision for GMC in their will. Anne agreed wholeheartedly and has since commented that she knew what

GMC had meant in Bob's life – his friends, his teachers – the people who cared about the boys who grew into young men before their eyes. For Bob, the impact of GMC included the GMC values, the GMC legacy, and the contribution to society that GMC graduates have made in the past and will make in years to come.

Bob and Anne's bequest will further endow the HS Class of '53 Fund, which will in perpetuity recognize excellence among GMC faculty and students.



Oak Leaf Induction Luncheon

BEHIND THE SCENES - BY SUSAN PROSSER

- She was born on the family farm in South Dakota. Her grandparents moved there when her father was 12. They had to go back to retrieve more items and left her father there by himself (from fall to spring). When asked how he took care of himself, he said he had help from a nearby Sioux Tribe that would leave him food and other items... one of which was the necklace she was wearing...all for his playing his violin.
- She and the other "ladies" were trained in Texas by the FBI in how to deal with top secret material. She explained that while she typed the plans, she really didn't read what she was typing. For over 50 years she never told anyone what she did because she was afraid that the FBI would come after her! Her husband, whom she met in London, never knew, nor did their adopted son. (Both have passed away.)
- While taking a tour of Windsor Castle, she and her roommate were admiring paintings in one of the rooms when the royal family King George VI, Queen Elizabeth and their daughters Princesses Elizabeth and Margaret, walked in. She said they were very nice and cordial.
- She was also at 10 Downing Street having tea when Prime Minister Churchill came into the room, grabbed some scones and left. She said she wrote home to her mother that she had had "tea with Churchill."
- She told about living several stories underground in London during the bombings. Guards would escort her and the other ladies to and from home/place of work. They were concerned that they would be picked up because of the nature of their work. None of the ladies knew what the others were typing or working on.
- She told about the parade in Paris that lasted eight hours... after the liberation of the city. After they passed the reviewing stand, the ladies got out of their vehicle and continued to watch the parade.



Helen Kogel Denton is a retired veteran of World War II, who has a special place in American history.

In June of 1944, Ms. Denton—then known as Corporal Kogel— worked for General Dwight D. Eisenhower, typing battle plans for D-Day, the United States Army's invasion of Normandy, France. Her contributions to our country and her significant role in history earned her the Gold Medal of Merit, which was presented to her by President Obama at the VFW National Convention in August 2010. Mrs. Denton recently visited the GMC Fairburn campus to speak to students about her experiences. She also presented a copy of an extract of the D-Day invasion plans to Library Director Glen Phillips for the archives of the Sibley-Cone Library. The original document is well over 3000 pages, but Mrs. Denton chose 25 pages just to represent the magnitude of the total supplies, equipment and troops that had to be coordinated between countries.



Mrs. Denton signs the extract of the D-Day Invasion Plans



Left to right, SGA Vice President Samuel Sanya, SGA President Anthony Mink, Mrs. Denton, SGA Advisor Prof. Marsha Snyder

First Year Experience Program

GMC will soon launch its brand new First Year Experience program. The program consists of a number of integrated initiatives whose goal is to improve student success and retention during the all-important first year, and especially the first term.

National studies show that if we can keep students on track toward success in their first year, the odds of their persever-

ing to graduation are greatly increased.

GMC has been working for over a year now designing its First Year Experience program. Building on the efforts of campus teams formed to design and vet various initiatives, the FYE Executive Committee, chaired by President Boylan, has concentrated its focus on several key components of the program:

- GMC 101, College Success, will replace the current GMC 100, Preparing for Success. The new course will continue to focus on study skills and other practices designed to help students succeed, but it will be a three-credit-hour requirement for all our students rather than a two-hour requirement only for LSS students.
- Orientation is undergoing a thorough overhaul, including the addition of an online orientation designed to reinforce concepts for students suffering from orientation information overload as well as to reach out to students taking courses online and those who cannot attend a face-to-face orientation.
- Student Passports have been developed to foster campus and community engagement among first-time students at GMC. The passports have been designed to encourage students to participate in social activities as well as study groups, cultural activities, and community service.
- Student Ambassadors will serve each of GMC's campuses. These students will be given the enviable job of being our official "social butterflies" whose jobs include engaging other students to help them feel at home here at GMC.

A pilot of our FYE program begins in spring, 2011, at the Columbus campus. The program will be launched fully at all campuses in fall, 2011.

CHALLENGING CREATIVITY

GMC's junior college Creative Thinking Club emerged from the great success and student interest in the various spontaneous short critical thinking challenges which Ms. Amy Zipperer, GMC Assistant Professor of English, presented during the school year. During this particular challenge, students were divided into teams and given sets of materials (drinking straws and straight pins). Each team's goal was to build the tallest structure possible in a predetermined amount of time (seven minutes). The Creative Thinking Club, with Zipperer serving as faculty advisor, aims to regularly bring these activities to the entire student population.



Seymour Speaks at President's Day Parade

Robert T. "Bob" Seymour, JC 1963, was guest of honor and parade speaker at the recent President's Day Parade. He described the experience as, "a recognition of achievement that made all of life's struggles and hard work worthwhile . . . a small, yet grand, moment in time."

Prior to the parade, Seymour addressed the 132nd Corps of Cadets in an early-morning gathering in the Goldstein Center for the Performing Arts. Afterward he commented, "I am greatly indebted to GMC and have been truly blessed beyond measure. I hope that my visit gave someone the encouragement needed to accomplish their dreams and goals in life."

Seymour was born in Memphis, Tenn., and raised in Orlando and Jacksonville, Fla. He attended GMC 1961-1963 and graduated with distinction (ninth in class). He attended Stetson University 1963-1966 and graduated with a BBA Degree. He went into management with Ford Motor Corporation and later took a job with Mystik Tape Division of Borden Chemical. His third and final job was with Electrical Insulation Suppliers, where he spent 38 years. He was sales/profits leader for 33 consecutive years and saw the com-

pany grow from \$5 million in sales to over \$650 million.

Seymour married his wife, Kathey, in 1965, while still at Stetson. They have been married nearly 47 years and have four children and 14 grandchildren. They have retired to Jacksonville, Fla.



GMC Softball

The junior college softball team at Georgia Military College is geared up and ready to get its season started. Coach Ashley Mayhue commented, "Our girls have been working very hard over the past couple of months, and we are excited to see all of this hard work pay off." This year's team is comprised of six returners from last year's team and eight newcomers. Returning players are Kayla Cooper, Caroline Conn, Mallory Long, Ashley Waites, Alex Johnson, and Korie Wilson. Each of these players brings experience and leadership to a fairly young team.

Among our newcomers are Brittany Newsome and Savannah Waldrop, both of which are transfer students. Newsome will see her fair share of time on the mound and in the outfield, while Waldrop will split time between first and the outfield. Along with Newsome, we have four freshmen pitchers: Erin Gibson, Crystal Ward, Amanda Evans, and Heather Murray. Each of these girls has worked hard and is ready to

play. All four of them will also see playing time at other positions. Our next newcomers are Lindsey Fisher and Anna Ellis. Fisher will be sharing time behind the plate with Waites, while Ellis will see playing time both in the infield and outfield.

Coach Mayhue anticipates a successful season for the team. "I think we have a great group of girls, and I can't wait to see how things turn out this season," she said. "We look forward to seeing everyone out at our games. Go Bulldogs!"



Coach Ashley Mayhue

Georgia Day Proclamation

General James Edward Oglethorpe founded the Colony of Georgia at Yamacraw Bluff, near the present-day Savannah, on February 12, 1733. This event officially began the settlement of the last of the 13 original British colonies in North America. This territory would eventually become the State of Georgia.

To promote greater awareness of this historic moment, for more than 25 years, Georgia Military College has hosted a formal ceremony for the public signing of the Georgia Day Proclamation. This year's ceremony took place on Thursday, February 10, 2011.

Participating in the ceremony were Governor Nathan Deal; MG Peter Boylan, President of Georgia Military College; the GMC

eighth grade class; the GMC High School Marching Band; the GMC Junior College Color Guard; the Junior College Regimental Commander, and Regimental Staff of the 132nd Corps of Cadets.

In 1976, under the administration of Governor George D. Busbee, a 1944 graduate of GMC junior college, Georgia Military College was invited to perform a ceremony in the Statehouse celebrating Georgia Day. Each year since that time GMC has presented an Honor Guard and hosted the ceremony. It has become a well-established tradition and Georgia Military College is honored and proud to be able to provide this service to the State of Georgia.



Governor Deal is pictured with the eighth grade class.

Cooperative Spirit Sportsmanship Award

GMC Prep School was selected by our peer schools in Region 4A to receive the Georgia High School (GHS) Cooperative Spirit Sportsmanship Award which honors our students for exemplary sportsmanship demonstrated during the 2009-2010 school year. This award was sponsored by GHS and Georgia EMC.



Mr. Bill Durden, Tri-County EMC; COL John Thornton, GMC Principal; Coach Garry Couch, GMC Prep Athletic Director; and Coach Steven Simpson



GMC Prep and Junior College students helped pick up 4.56 tons of trash, including over 2,000 bags of litter removed from the community roadsides in the Keep Milledgeville Baldwin Beautiful Campaign.

Georgia Military College is an educational institution that cares for those who need particular attention, and during the 2009-2010 school years we continued that great tradition of assistance to others by serving thousands of hours of community service.

One example of our dedicated service is the presentation of DOSL awards; the **Distinguished Order of Servant Leader Awards** were presented to twenty-one staff, faculty, and students during the year. Each participant represents more than one hundred hours of community service completed during one calendar year.

Countless highlights of the service by members on Main Campus and the Distant Learning Centers are documented during the year and included visiting patients in numerous nursing homes and the resident clients at Georgia War Veteran's Home, and aiding students at various educational institutions.

Our students, staff and faculty work tirelessly supporting projects such as River of Life, Animal Rescue Foundation, and children in foster care, Special Olympics and Relay for Life. We donate to the United Way and support the Boys and Girls Clubs of Baldwin County by assisting with the annual Spaghetti Supper.



GMC Prep student **Geovic Jadol** received the *Distinguished Order of the Servant Leader Award* during the Academic Honors Parade in April.



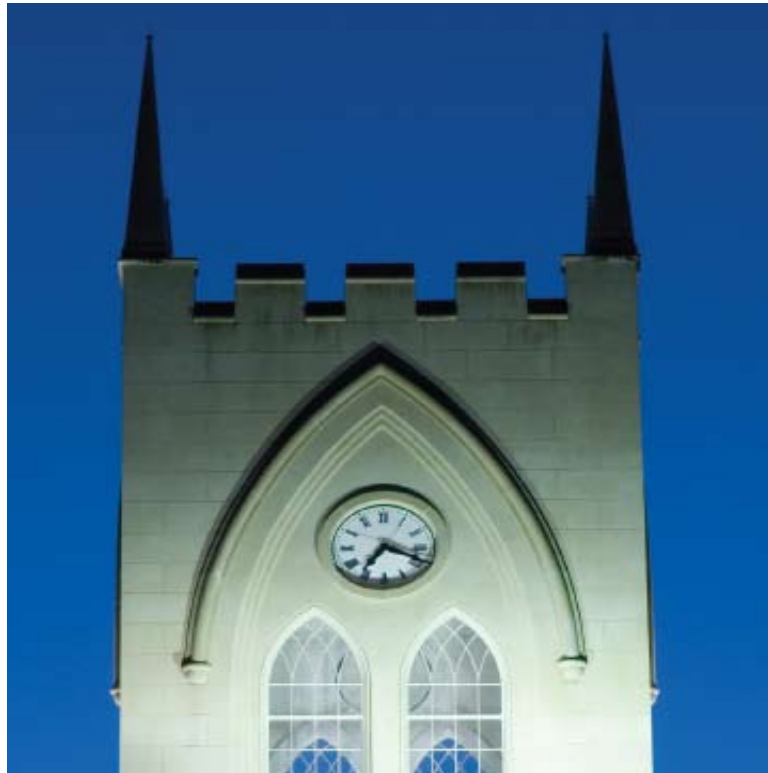
Blood drive program

The **blood drive program** continues to flourish and on main campus the longstanding record of collecting over one hundred pints of blood during one drive was shattered during the winter quarter. When the ending total was received, we had donated over one hundred and twenty units of blood.



Make-A-Difference Day

Georgia Military College has participated in **Make-A-Difference Day** since 1996 and continued that tradition by gathering needed and requested items for the 48th Brigade, currently serving in Iraq. Hundreds of personal care items were donated and also included were paperback books, stationery, snack food, hard candy and popcorn.



Make a difference in the lives that follow.

1879 CIRCLE OF FRIENDS

If you believe it, you can do it!

Obviously, the many alumni who have supported the Alumni Scholarship through their membership in the 1879 Circle of Friends truly believe... and, yes, they have done it!

Their generosity has established, and continues to build, a fund for the future – a perpetual fund to provide scholarships year after year for children and grandchildren of GMC alumni.

The fund, with a market value nearing \$60,000, continues to grow toward the next milestone of \$100,000. And, as the market value increases, so will the ability to impact the lives of young people with assistance in attending GMC.

If you are willing to join the ranks of the 1879 Circle of Friends through your annual gift of \$18.79 or greater, make your gift online at www.gmcfoundation.org or by mail at GMC Foundation, 201 E. Greene St., Milledgeville, GA 31061. Anyone in GMC Advancement at (478) 387-4840 will be happy to answer questions regarding the fund.

2010 Will Robinson Memorial Run

The 15th Annual Will Robinson Road Race, a joint project between the GMC Alumni Association and the Baldwin County Sheriff's Department, was held on November 20, 2010. Suzanne Ratliff, GMC Alumni Board secretary and co-chair of the race committee, felt it was again a great success with about 380 runners turning out



and 28 local sponsors stepping in to help.

There was a large turnout from GMC, as there is each year (over 100 runners), and the school once again won the Spirit Trophy for having the most students there from their school.



This year's race raised around \$5,500, which will be shared among the Will Robinson Scholarship at GMC, the 1879 Circle of Friends Alumni Scholarship, also at GMC, and the C.H.A.M.P.S. (Choosing Healthy Activities and Methods Promoting Safety) program.

The race continues to be a family event and a community event held in memory of fallen deputy and GMC alumnus, Will Robinson.

Next year's race will be held on November 19, 2011.

'62 **Dess Smith** (JC 1962) and his wife **Ginny** shared the news of "the best Christmas present we have ever received." Their oldest son Dessie's daughter, Nicole, and her husband Jacob had just told them that they are expecting on August 2, 2011, which will make Ginny and Dess great-grandparents.

'76 **Tara Peters** (HS 1976), Milledgeville Baldwin County Chamber President and a certified chamber executive, has accepted a position as Baldwin County liaison with the National Children's Study. Peters announced the decision to take the new position Monday and resigned from the Chamber. She will join the study Monday, March 14. Having been involved with the Chamber for 16 years, Peters has seen the business landscape in Milledgeville change drastically. Manufacturing jobs that were once abundant are all but gone while small businesses have grown dramatically, and along with them chamber services. She stated, "I've most enjoyed working with the small business owners. This organization as a whole is made up of hard-working people who not only work hard in their businesses but also work hard to help make the chamber a success. There's nothing like chamber work. It is a different animal – and I love it."

'78 **Ralph N. Lambert** (JC 1978) recently completed a yearlong tour of duty in Iraq. Near the completion of his tour he was promoted to CWO4 (USN) and was awarded the Bronze Star Medal. Lambert remains on active duty with the Navy and is currently serving at Navy Information Operations Command Texas located on Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio.

'80 **Harlan Archer** (HS 1980) was awarded the 2010 Miner of the Year from the Georgia Mining Association (GMA) at their annual convention on July 17. Founded in 1972, the primary purpose of GMA is to protect and promote the mining industry in the state, and



the annual award recognizes individuals who are active in these areas. GMA Executive Vice President, Lee Lemke said, "Each year there are a few individuals who have given extra time and effort to make our trade association stand out in the eyes of the general public. This year we recognize an individual who has given many hours of his time to ensure the success of our association."

Dr. William "Bill" H. Prosser (HS 1980) was part of the NASA Engineering and Safety Center team at NASA Langley that worked on the design of the Chilean miner rescue vehicle that was used to pull thirty-three trapped miners to safety one by one. U.S. Senator Mike R. Warner from Virginia is pictured presenting a flag that had been flown over the capitol on the day that the miner rescue operations started.



'82 **Deborah Simmons-Raley** (HS 1982) e-mailed the news that she is now president/owner of Monkee Dunkees Children Consignment Sale and Refined Ladies Consignment Sale and shared, "I am so very excited to have my dream fulfilled of this new adventure!" Robert L. Carr (JC 1983) was recently promoted to lieutenant colonel and is currently employed through HQ, First Army Surgeon's Office in Forest Park, Ga. In civilian life he is also employed by the Macon Police Department.

'92 **Mick Cancio** (JC 1992) came in first in his category in the most recent Daytona Triathlon and also did well in the Tampa Triathlon.



'98 **Heather Slaton** (HS 1995, JC 1998) and **John Garrard** were married December 5, 2009 at the Federated Garden Club in Macon, Ga. The Garrards reside in Forsyth, Ga.

'97 **Lori Dominy Siegelman** (HS 1997, JC 1999) and her husband, **Jay**, announce the birth of their third child, Ava Nicole. She was born July 21, 2010.

'99 **Valerie Blair Dixon** (HS 1999), husband, Coby, and daughter, Caroline, proudly welcome the newest addition to their family, Madelyn Pate Dixon. Madelyn was born on June 9, 2010 at 3:58 p.m. She weighed 6 lbs. 15 oz. and was 20 in. long.



SGT Chad Rogers (JC 1999) and **CPT**

Jeremiah Jones (JC 2000) "checking in" from Baghdad. CPT Jones is now back from Iraq and stationed at Fort Stewart where he is Bravo Company Commander, 3rd Brigade Support Battalion, 1st Heavy Brigade Combat Team with the 3rd Infantry Division.



'02 **CPT Michael H. Liscano, Jr.** (JC 2002) has completed a second command in the 1st Squadron 7th Cavalry Regiment, "GarryOwen", 1BCT, 1st Cavalry Division. He commanded Hellfighter Troop, then later Comanche Troop, returning the Recon Troop from OIF 09-10. Liscano recently had a change of command ceremony on October 4, 2010 completing the second command. He has now moved with his family to Fort Irwin, Cal. for a new assignment in the National Training Center as an RSTA (Reconnaissance Surveillance Targeting Acquisition) Troop Combat Trainer with the Cobra Team in Operations Group. Liscano has been awarded the Order of St. George Bronze Medallion and his wife, Renae, has been awarded the Order of Joan D'Arc Medallion of the Armor Cavalry Branch.



'04 **CPT Jeremy Haynes** (JC 2004) shared news of a recent chance meeting with another GMC alumnus. Haynes wrote, "While attending the US Army Jumpmaster School in Fort Bragg, North Carolina, I had a conversation with a fellow Captain, Levi D. Zok, concerning pervious colleges we attended. It was with great surprise I learned that he was a graduate of GMC class of '02 while I was class of '04. Although it is rare to find an alumnus, it amazed me that a simple conversation led to discovering a path we once shared. I am extremely blessed to be a graduate of GMC and the Early Commissioning Program."

'05 **Laura L. Jean** (JC 2005) received her B.S. in criminal justice from Clayton State in December, 2009 and began her master's in criminal justice at Albany State in January, 2010.

'07 **Ashley Meredith** (JC 2007) married **Josh Massengale** in Gordon, Ga. on June 19, 2010.

'06 **John Noah Jackson** (HS 2003, JC 2006) has served on the Baldwin County Board of Education in the District 4 Seat since taking office in January, 2009 and now has just been elected board chairman. Jackson will also share responsibility to "head up" the Finance Committee and as one of the board's Head Start program liaisons.

'07 **Jared D. Smith** (JC 2007) graduated from Mercer University on May 14, 2010 with a Bachelor of Science in Middle Grades Education and a minor in history as well as earned a commission as 2LT in the Army National Guard as a field artillery officer on the same date.

Jarius Wynn (JC 2007) had twenty-four very special hours this past February. Wynn, who is a reserve, second-year DE player for the Green



Bay Packers, began the day of Super Bowl XLV with a terrific start when his wife gave birth to a boy on Saturday night at a Texas-area hospital, to then be



Wynn Jr. and that the parents may add "Super" as his middle name.

'08 **Zachary Seagraves** (HS 2008), Auburn University Midshipman Second Class (MIDN 2/C), recently returned from a brief deployment aboard the USS Carl Vinson. "Carl," as the ship is affectionately known, is a Nimitz class aircraft carrier just recently



repositioned to Naval Air Station San Diego after an extensive three-year refueling and overhaul at Northrup-Grumman Shipbuilding in Newport News, Va. Named after Milledgeville native U.S. Congressman Carl Vinson (D, GA), who also attended GMC, she is the first ship in U.S. Navy history to be named after a living person (USS Ronald Reagan and USS George H. W. Bush followed). She was launched on March 15, 1980 and commissioned two years later, and during 12 deployments over that 30-year period

followed by a big win for the Packers on Sunday. ESPN reported the baby's name will be Jarius

she has proudly represented and served the United States in both war and peace. Zachary is the son of **Scott** (HS 1980) and **Karen Seagraves** (HS 1978) of Milledgeville and the grandson of the late Jimmy Williams and Gloria Williams, and Felton and Mary Seagraves. Zachary is pictured on the flight deck of the USS Carl Vinson.

'09 **Cassidy Clayton** (HS 2009), the daughter of Larry and Patricia Thompson and David Clayton, has been extended an invitation to join the prestigious academic honor society of PHI KAPPA PHI at Augusta State University. These students were selected from the top 75% of juniors in all the college divisions at the university. Clayton is a junior majoring in criminal justice and plans to pursue a career in her field working for ATF.

'10 **Barbara Aide Shaheen** (JC 2010) was presented the 2010 Community Service Award by the SukeyHart Chapter of the Daughters of the American Revolution. In presenting her with the award, Sukey Hart cited Shaheen's contributions to the community in the areas of education, health care and small business development. "Sukey Hart Chapter is especially proud to have someone of Mrs. Shaheen's caliber as a citizen of our community," said regent Kathy Hart. "She has given unselfishly for four decades to the growth and prosperity for her community and to many humanitarian causes."

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

Lucius W. Bivins
(HS 1930, JC 1931)

Col. Lonnie Elwyn Martin, USAF (Ret.)
(HS 1934)
November 21, 2010

Dr. James E. Baugh
(HS 1937, JC 1939)
December 18, 2010

James L. Ivey
(HS 1937, JC 1940)
January 12, 2011

Frank J. Stovall
(HS 1937)
November 12, 2010

Jack Cohen
(HS 1939)
January 26, 2010

Montcrief Dupre Schroeder
(HS 1940)
October 25, 2009

Marshall Neal "Pee Wee" Weaver
(JC 1940)
September 23, 2010

Dr. James Crooms
(HS 1941)
February 23, 2011

John Henry Holder, Jr.
(HS 1941, JC 1943)
August 25, 2010

Charles "Charlie" Bonner Jones
(HS 1941, JC 1943)
December 26, 2010

Emanuel Joseph Johnson
(JC 1941)
October 15, 2010

Morris Pounds
(HS 1944, JC 1946)
December 11, 2010

Harold F. Green
(HS 1945)
November 7, 2010

Dr. Marshall M. Parks
(HS 1945)
April 25, 2010

Daniel J. Matthews
(HS 1946)
November 29, 2010

Edwin M. Sitz
(HS 1946)
August, 2009

Charles "Chuck" Wesley Saunders
(JC 1950)
August 31, 2010

Louie H. Grace
(HS 1951)

Aubrey Lee Odom
(HS 1953)
October 17, 2010

John William "Will" Rogers
(HS 1953, JC 1955)
May 4, 2010

William "Bill" Aaron Gibson
(JC 1953)
December 28, 2010

Robert Wayne Harris
(JC 1961)
January 10, 2011

Capt. Richard "Ric" Treanor
(JC 1966)
September 29, 2010

William R. "Bill" Craig
(HS 1971)
February 2, 2011

Karen Dianne Vinson
(HS 1972)
September 27, 2010

Johnny Ott Vallentine
(JC 1974)
August 3, 2010

Richard "Rick" Anderson Warren, Sr.
(HS 1975)
October 9, 2010

Walter James Harris
(HS 1976)
August 26, 2010

Wendell Guy Fulford
(JC 1976)
January 25, 2011

LTC Ronald C. Ward
(JC 1977)
October 8, 2010

Harry O. Glass
(JC 1983)

Thomas W. Guy
(JC 1986)

Oscar M. Marshall
(JC 1986)

Col. Franklin C. Bacon, Sr., USMC (Ret.)
(Friend)
September 28, 2010

COL Joe Wesley Finley, USA (Ret.)
(Friend/GMC Foundation/BOT Emeritus)
December 13, 2010

Bruce H. Simpson
(Friend)
November 22, 2010

Share Your News *The Cadence* would like to keep your classmates up to date with your latest news. We want to hear if you have recently married, had a baby, received a promotion, retired, or accomplished some other noteworthy milestone. We also need to keep our records current, so if you have moved recently or are planning to move, please submit your news online at: www.gmc.cc.ga.us > **Alumni** > **Share Your News**. Or, you may contact Earlene Hamilton, Alumni Relations: (478) 387-4881; fax to: (478) 445-2867 or email: ehamilton@gmc.cc.ga.us. If you include a photograph(s), please be sure to identify all people pictured. We look forward to hearing from you!

**IN MEMORY OF DR. JAMES E. "JIMMY" BAUGH –
Leader, Supporter and Alumnus of Georgia Military College**

James E. Baugh, M.D., graduated from GMC High School in 1937 and GMC Junior College in 1939. He subsequently was awarded an A.B. degree in political science and history and a B.S. in chemistry from the University of Georgia, and later, a medical degree from the Medical College of Georgia. He served during World War II as a charter member of the 82nd Airborne Division and shortly afterward married Betty George "Beegee" Clark.

Dr. Baugh practiced family medicine in Milledgeville for 52 years and served as mayor of the city for 18 years. He demonstrated his appreciation for Georgia Military College through his service as Chairman of the Board of Trustees for over 28 years. He took great pride in the institution, fortifying it with his

exemplary leadership, dedication, and generosity.

Dr. and Mrs. Baugh showed their continued commitment to GMC with a planned gift for the new barracks. Mrs. Baugh also furnished The Baugh Hospitality Room in honor of her husband and the building's namesake, Dr. James E. Baugh, whose vision and belief in Georgia Military College have been unwavering and infallible.





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