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## Regents name Huckaby finalist

By John Millsaps

Board of Regents Chair Willis Potts announced Friday that Henry "Hank" M. Huckaby is the finalist for the position of chancellor of the University System of Georgia (USG).

The Board of Regents selected Huckaby, a Georgia native who has a long association with the University System and who currently serves as a state representative, to be the finalist for the job of leading the USG's 35 colleges and universities, the Skidaway Institute of Oceanography and the Georgia Public Library System.

In Nov. 2010, the regents launched a national search to replace Chancellor Erroll B. Davis Jr., who announced last fall his plans to retire as of June 30, 2011.

The Board will conduct a meeting to formally act on its recommenda-

tion at a date on or after the 14-day period as required by law from today's announcement.

Huckaby was born in Spalding County, Georgia and grew up in Hapeville. His career has focused on a long record of public service to the state of Georgia in many areas of government.

He has a particularly long association with the University System he has been nominated to head. Huckaby was a student in the University System, earning both a bachelor's degree in political science and an MBA in International Business from Georgia State University, as well as pursuing additional graduate studies at the University of Georgia. He earned an associate's degree in Liberal Arts from Young Harris College.

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## Barcus named Senior Vice President for Advancement

By Christine Hurley Deriso

Susan L. Barcus, Chief Development Officer at Shands Healthcare in Gainesville, Fla., has been appointed Senior Vice President for Advancement and Community Relations/Chief Development Officer at Georgia Health Sciences University. She will begin June 13.

Barcus will oversee philanthropic and community relations activities for GHSU, the MCG Health System and the Physicians Practice Group,

working closely with GHSU's two foundations. She also will oversee alumni affairs.

She oversaw a \$75 million facility and research capital campaign for Shands Hospital for Children and Women and increased overall funds raised from a historic average of \$2 million to \$12 million annually within the eight-hospital system. Shands, affiliated with the University of Florida Health Science Center, is one of the Southeast's premier health systems.

Before joining Shands, Barcus was Vice President of Development for St. Joseph's Healthcare in Clinton Township, Mich., and Vice President for Philanthropy and Development for Hospital Sisters Health System in Springfield, Ill.

Barcus, a Fellow of the Association of Healthcare Philanthropy, earned a bachelor's degree in education from Indiana University and a master's degree in corporate

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## Senator tours campus



**Senator Saxby Chambliss (R-Ga.) visited with GHSU leadership April 26. Chambliss (left) toured the campus, and Dr. Connie Drisko, Dean of the College of Dental Medicine, highlighted the impact of the new dental school building. Chambliss is a member and former Chair of the Committee on Agriculture, Nutrition, and Forestry and is a member of the Juvenile Diabetes and Rural Health caucuses.**

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## News, events and more

### Extra hours

The Internal Medicine Faculty Practice Clinic now offers extended hours for acute visits by GHSU and MCGHealth employees. In addition to regular hours, the clinic will open at 7 a.m. Tuesdays and Thursdays, and will be open from 1-4 p.m. Fridays. Call 706-724-2911.

### Annual inventory

GHSU equipment worth more than \$3,000 will be inventoried May 2-31. For more information, call Asset Management at 706-721-2619.

### Risk factors

MCGHealth will host "Understanding Hemorrhagic Stroke" May 3 from 10:30-11:30 a.m. in the Patient and Family Resource Library. Call 706-721-6932.

### Online publishing

Training sessions for OU Campus, the new Web publishing tool, will be May 3, June 7 and July 5 at 3 p.m. in Room 163, Greenblatt Library. Register at [georgiahealth.edu/training](http://georgiahealth.edu/training). For more information, contact Allison Brown or Channing Sherman at 706-721-9322, 706-721-5929 or [webcontent@georgiahealth.edu](mailto:webcontent@georgiahealth.edu).

### Give all

MCGHealth will host an information session on organ donation May 5 from 5:30-6:30 p.m. in the Patient and Family Resource Library. Call 706-721-6932.

### Promotion workshops

Full-time faculty members are invited to attend workshops on professional promotion. Clinical faculty workshops will be May 6 from noon to 1 p.m. and May 26 from 4-5 p.m. One hour of continuing education credit available per session. Contact Cora Harper at [charper@georgiahealth.edu](mailto:charper@georgiahealth.edu) to register.

### Community celebration

Blocks are Beautiful, the first annual Laney-Walker/Bethlehem neighborhood celebration, will take place Saturday, May 7 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Pine Street, between Laney-Walker Boulevard and Florence Street. Events include a Southern Soul Food Cook-Off, live entertainment, a raffle and tours of the Heritage Pine development. Admission is \$1. Proceeds benefit pediatric cancer research at GHSU.

### Perfect pitch

Buy tickets to the May 7 GreenJackets game and \$4 will go to Heart & Sole, a

supporter of the MCGHealth Children's Medical Center. GHSU President Ricardo Azziz will pitch the first ball of the game, and the night will feature children's activities and fireworks. Tickets are \$12. Contact Catherine Stewart at 706-721-4004, 7060-832-1804 or [castewart@georgiahealth.edu](mailto:castewart@georgiahealth.edu).

### Parking registration

Online parking registration will run May 9-20. For more information, contact the GHSU Parking Office at 706-721-2953 or [parkingoffice@georgiahealth.edu](mailto:parkingoffice@georgiahealth.edu).

### Breastfeeding class

MCGHealth will host a class on breastfeeding for expecting parents May 10 from 7-9 p.m. in the Patient and Family Resource Library. Call 706-721-6932.

### Weight Watchers

Weight Watchers at Work begins at noon May 10 in Terrace Dining Magnolia Room. The 17-week program is \$186. Payment plans available. Join the first or second week and receive Weight Watchers e-Tools free. For more information, contact Amanda Wright at 706-721-3627 or [amwright@georgiahealth.edu](mailto:amwright@georgiahealth.edu).

### Lunch and learn

The Departmental Administrative Support Staff Training Team will present lunch and learn sessions for business managers and administrative staff. All sessions will run from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m., with lunch provided. The team will cover finance May 10 in a location to be determined; budget and purchasing July 26 and Sept. 13 in locations to be determined and research administration Nov. 8 and Dec. 6 in locations to be determined. Call 706-721-0343 for more information.

### Screenings

The Head & Neck Cancer Alliance will sponsor oral cancer screenings May 12 from 8:30-11:45 a.m. in the MCGHealth Cancer Center. To schedule an appointment, call 706-721-4400.

### State of the college

Dr. Peter Buckley, Dean of the Medical College of Georgia, will deliver his annual State of the College Address May 13 at noon in Lee Auditorium. For more information, call 706-721-2231.

### Asthma event

Kohl's will host the MCGHealth Children's Asthma and Wellness Event May 14 from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Kohl's

parking lot in Evans. For more information, visit [mcghealth.org/kids](http://mcghealth.org/kids).

### Performance appraisals

Today is the deadline for conducting performance appraisals. Submit appraisals to the Division of Human Resources by campus mail to Room 1146, Annex Building, by May 15. For more information, contact Debra Arnold at 706-721-6197 or [darnold@georgiahealth.edu](mailto:darnold@georgiahealth.edu). Appraisal forms are available at [georgiahealth.edu/hr/training/appraisals.html](http://georgiahealth.edu/hr/training/appraisals.html).

### Chaplain chat

MCGHealth will host a Brown Bag Lunch with the hospital chaplain May 17 from noon to 1 p.m. in the Patient and Family Resource Library. Call 706-721-6932.

### Plan to retire

TIAA-CREF will offer free, confidential individual retirement counseling with a senior consultant May 17, June 14 and July 19 from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. Call 800-732-8353 to schedule an appointment.

### Elder care

MCGHealth will host a two-part educational series, Parenting Mom & Dad, on May 18 and 24 from 5:30-7:30 p.m. in the Patient and Family Resource Library. Call 706-721-6932.

### Parkinson's seminar

MCGHealth Movement Disorders Program will host the 10th Annual Parkinson's Disease Seminar May 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Doubletree Hotel Augusta. Dr. Jay Albert from the Cleveland Clinic will discuss the role of exercise and activity in Parkinson's disease. Continental breakfast provided. To register, contact 706-721-4895 or [stefanakos@georgiahealth.edu](mailto:stefanakos@georgiahealth.edu).

### Tech fair

GHSU will host the Ninth Annual Tech Fair May 26 in Greenblatt Library. Harvard Medical School's Dr. Alex Green will discuss technological aspects of culturally competent health care. Lunch is included for those who register by May 15. CME and CEU credits available. Visit [georgiahealth.edu/techfair](http://georgiahealth.edu/techfair).

### Wellness special

Through May 30, two employees may join the GHSU Wellness Center for three months for \$150. For more information, call 706-721-6800.



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for June 1 issue - May 23 at noon

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Dr. Laura Mulloy



Dr. Lori Bolgla



Dr. Jill Lewis



Dr. Sharon Bennett



Dr. David H. Pashley



Dr. Jennifer Sullivan



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# Outstanding faculty, researchers honored by University Faculty Senate/MCG Research Institute

## Staff Reports

Dr. Laura Mulloy, Glover/Mealing Eminent Scholar Chair in Immunology at Georgia Health Sciences University, received the 2011 Outstanding Faculty Award for the Medical College of Georgia during the Spring Assembly of the University Faculty Senate and GHSU Research Institute.

Mulloy, President of the MCG Faculty Senate since 2009, is incoming Vice Chairwoman of the University Faculty Senate. She is Vice Chairwoman of Clinical Affairs and Faculty Development and Professor and Chief of the Section of Nephrology, Hypertension and Transplant Medicine in the Department of Medicine.

She joined the faculty in 1990 and was promoted to Associate Professor in 1995, Section Chief in 1998 and Professor in 2001. As Interim Chairwoman of the Department of Medicine from 2006-08, she created a mentoring program for junior faculty to encourage academic and research pursuits. She also initiated a faculty development series, which covered topics such as being a better teacher and handling stress, and has received numerous teaching awards. Mulloy is a principal investigator on a federally funded study to determine if lower blood pressure reduces the progression of kidney disease.

"In spite of her busy schedule, she has maintained a very busy practice, and at heart, remains an excellent clinician, dedicated to her patients," a nominator wrote. "She has provided excellent leadership and has led by personal example. I am impressed with her passion, commitment, loyalty and her delivery of the best care to her patients."

Dr. Lori Bolgla, Assistant Professor of Physical Therapy and Graduate Studies, received the 2011 Outstanding Faculty Award from the College of Allied Health Sciences.

Bolgla serves on the Department of Physical Therapy research, student affairs, musculoskeletal content and faculty search committees. She is a member of the College of Graduate Studies Alumni Association Board of Directors and the College

of Allied Health Sciences Faculty Council Promotion and Tenure and University Faculty Council Student Affairs subcommittees.

She is a manuscript reviewer for several journals, serves on the editorial board of the Journal of Sport Rehabilitation and co-chairs the Knee Special Interest Group of the American Physical Therapy Association. She is a grant reviewer for the National Athletic Trainers' Association Research and Education Foundation and a member of the GHSU chapter of Alpha Eta honor society. She has participated in numerous grants, presentations, abstracts, book chapters and publications in refereed journals.

Bolgla received her Ph.D. in rehabilitation services from the University of Kentucky and a bachelor's degree in physical therapy from GHSU. She also has a master's degree in accounting and a bachelor's degree in business administration from the University of Georgia.

Dr. Jill Lewis received the 2011 Outstanding Faculty Award from the College of Dental Medicine.

This is the second Outstanding Faculty Award for Lewis, an Associate Professor of Oral Biology and Maxillofacial Pathology. She received the award in 2005, as well as the college's Teaching Excellence Award in 2007. Lewis also received the College of Graduate Studies' 2003 Distinguished Teaching Award.

Lewis is Director of the College of Dental Medicine graduate program

in oral biology and Teaching Director of the biochemistry section of the Department of Oral Biology. She serves on the college's student affairs, promotion and tenure, advanced education, graduate education and curriculum committees and is Secretary of its Faculty Senate. She has served on 34 master's and five Ph.D. thesis committees and six thesis defense proceedings.

She is Coordinator and GHSU Liaison for the Atlanta University Center "Bridging the Gap" planning grant from the Macy's Foundation.

She has been principle or co-investigator on numerous national and university research and training grants and has been published in 80 peer-reviewed journals. She is a member of the American Association for the Advancement of Science, the American Association for Dental Research, and Phi Theta Kappa and Beta Beta Beta honor societies.

Lewis received her bachelor's degree in chemistry from Illinois Wesleyan University, graduating cum laude, and a doctorate with distinction in biochemistry from GHSU. She joined the GHSU faculty in 1990.

Dr. Sharon Bennett, Associate Professor of Biobehavioral Nursing, is the College of Nursing Outstanding Faculty Award recipient.

Bennett is a certified specialist in adult psychiatric and mental health nursing, tobacco treatment and basic life support. She serves as Director of Clinical Services for

the GHSU Nursing Faculty Practice Group Tobacco Cessation Clinic and was formerly Program Manager of the Department of Psychiatry and Health Behavior. She serves on the GHSU Southern Association of Colleges and Schools undergraduate programs review, graduate school alumni association and patient- family-centered care committees.

Bennett is a member of the Society for Research on Nicotine and Tobacco, the American Psychiatric Nurses Association and its National Tobacco Dependency Task Force and Council and the Georgia and American Nurses Associations. She is a charter member of the Beta Omicron Chapter of Sigma Theta Tau.

She is a member of the Georgia Tobacco Cessation Plan Education Workgroup and has lectured extensively on tobacco cessation, particularly in the mentally ill.

Bennett has bachelor's degrees in nursing from GHSU and psychology from Augusta State University, a master's degree in family-community health from Emory University and a doctorate of nursing practice from GHSU. She joined the GHSU clinical faculty in 1985 and plans to retire in May.

Dr. William Rainey, Regents Professor and Vice Chairman of the Department of Physiology, received the College of Graduate Studies Outstanding Faculty Award and the 2011 Mahesh Distinguished Research Award from the GHSU Research Institute. The Mahesh award recog-

nizes significant, sustained contributions to research that provide insight into mechanisms of disease prevention, detection or therapy.

As the College's honoree, Rainey was lauded for his high professional standards, work productivity, honesty and compassion as an educator, scientist and colleague. One of his students wrote, "Dr. Rainey has an inherent ability to connect with his students and get them involved with interesting slides, facts and witty quizzes designed more like games."

As a Research Institute honoree he was honored for his collaborative, translational studies of the adrenal gland and the kidney, cardiovascular and other damage that can result from chronically elevated levels of the hormone aldosterone. He received the 2009 Outstanding Basic Science Award from the medical school and received a Visiting Scientist Award from Japan's Tohoku University in 2002, 2007 and 2010.

He is Managing Editor of the Americas for the journal Molecular and Cellular Endocrinology and an editorial board member of Journal of Molecular Endocrinology and Endocrinology. He has twice served as a member of the National Institutes of Health Integrative Clinical Endo and Reproduction Study Section and an abstract reviewer for the Endocrine Society's annual meeting and American Heart Association High

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Blood Pressure Conference. He helped organize the 14<sup>th</sup> International Congress on Hormonal Steroids and Hormones and Cancer in 2010.

Rainey is the founding Scientific Director of the MCG Health Multi-Disciplinary Adrenal Center. He co-directs the Graduate College's Integrative Systems Biology Course and is Endocrine and Physiology Block Director for the first-year medical student course Cellular and Systems Processes.

Dr. David H. Pashley received the Research Institute's Lifetime Achievement Award recognizing fundamental research regarding disease prevention, progression or therapy.

Pashley, Regent's Professor of Oral Biology, Physiology and Endocrinology and Director of Bioengineering Research at the Dental Research Center at GHSU, has pioneered extensive research about dental dentin and the interaction of dental resin materials with tooth structure. During his 40-year tenure at GHSU, his studies have been continuously funded by the National Institutes of Health, including 14 RO1 awards, resulting in 607 publications in peer-reviewed journals. He also has published 42 book chapters, 484 abstracts and 18 manuscripts. He

holds multiple patents.

Pashley retired from GHSU in 2009, but returned as a part-time faculty member. His current research, funded by a \$3 million NIH grant, investigates the degradation of resin-dentin bonds.

"There are some who start their retirement long before they stop working," wrote Dr. Frank Tay, Associate Professor of Endodontics, in his nomination letter. "Yet Dr. Pashley is exactly the opposite; he continues to contribute to GHSU even after his retirement."

Pashley has served as major advisor or thesis committee member for over 65 master's theses and 19 doctorate candidates and hosted nearly 40 visiting international scholars.

His numerous honors include the 2001 IADR Wilmer Souder Award and the 2006 GHSU Research Institute's Distinguished Research Award in 2006.

Dr. Jennifer Sullivan received the Research Institute's Emerging Scientist Award recognizing early, outstanding contributions to science.

Sullivan, an Assistant Professor in the Vascular Biology Center, studies the impact of gender on cardiovascular disease. She organized the university's first Go Red for Women Symposium in 2010 to highlight research regarding cardiovascular

disease in women. Sullivan earned her Ph.D. from Albany Medical College in New York and completed a postdoctoral fellowship with Dr. Jennifer Pollock in the Vascular Biology Center before joining the faculty. Sullivan's work is funded by the NIH and she is a Core Director for Dr. David Pollock's \$11.2 million Program Project grant exploring how the body eliminates excess salt. She is a member of the American Heart Association's Cardioresenal Study Section.

Drs. Carlos Isales and Jin-Xiong She received the Research Institute's Distinguished Research Award for their significant, sustained contributions to understanding the mechanisms of disease prevention, detection or therapy.

Isales is an endocrinologist who treats and researches osteoporosis. A GHSU faculty member for nearly 20 years, Isales is chief of the university's Program of Regenerative Medicine, Vice Chairman for Research and Translational Medicine for the Department of Orthopaedics and Associate Director of the Institute of Molecular Medicine and Genetics.

"The Regenerative Medicine Program, under his leadership, has grown into one of the finest clinical/translational biomedical research units on campus," Dr. Robert Yu

wrote in nominating Isales, also noting Isales' leadership skill in organizing a university-wide Bone Research Group.

Isales has chaired the NIH U54 Health Disparities in Cancer Study Section and served as a member of the NIH's Feasibility Studies for Collaborative Interaction for Minority Institution and Neuroendocrine Regulation of Bone Mass Study Sections and the Pepper Centers for Aging.

Isales' research focuses on bone loss and fracture prevention with an emphasis on why bone-producing stem cells stop working as people age, particularly nutrient-related factors.

She, Director of Center for Biotechnology and Genomic Medicine and Georgia Research Alliance Eminent Scholar in Genomic Medicine, is a principal investigator on a multi-million international study regarding genetic and environmental risk factors for type 1 diabetes. He's also working to identify additional high-risk genes as well as biomarkers that will improve risk assessment, disease prevention and treatment.

In 2010, She and Dr. Richard A. McIndoe, the center's associate director, established Jinfinity Biosciences LLC, housed in GHSU's

Life Sciences Business Development Center, to improve the diagnosis and treatment of diabetes and cancer.

"He is nationally and internationally recognized for his work in genetics/genomics of type 1 diabetes as well as technological developments in genomics and proteomics," McIndoe wrote in nominating She. "His expertise is sought for editorial advice (editorial board of four journals), manuscript reviews (40 journals) and assessment of grants (26 study sections)."

She directs GHSU's Genomics and Proteomics and Mass Spectrometry Core Facilities and is Vice Chairman of the Department of Pathology. He is on the editorial board of Physiological Genomics, Faculty of 1000, International Journal of Clinical and Experimental Medicine and The Open Diabetes Journal and a reviewer for 33 additional journals. He is a Scientific Advisory Board Member for SuperArray Incorporation in Bethesda, Md. and Chairman of the Human Biological Data Interchange Diabetes Genetic Resource Steering Committee. She has chaired the American Diabetes Association Council on Immunology, Immunogenetics and Transplantation and served as President of the Association of Chinese Geneticists of America.

**HUCKABY...from page 1**

During the 1960's and 70's, Huckaby taught at the college level, including DeKalb College (now Georgia Perimeter College) and Emory University. He also has lectured at UGA and Young Harris College.

He also has served in a number of key administrative positions within the USG, including early in his career in the area of admissions at Georgia State University (1967-71) and Gordon College (1972-73). Later, Huckaby was director of the Fiscal Research Program at Georgia State University (1995-97), director of the Carl Vinson Institute of Government at UGA (1997-2000), senior vice president of Finance and Administration at UGA (2000-06), and a special assistant to the president at UGA on a part-time basis (2006-09).

Huckaby's career goes beyond his long association with the University System. He also has extensive experience in state finance, serving in the Governor's Office of Planning and Budget, first as a senior policy coordinator from 1973-75, and then as its director, from 1991-95, where he was responsible for overseeing the state budget on behalf of the governor. He also served as the interim chief financial officer for then Gov. Sonny Perdue during Perdue's transition period.

During his career, Huckaby has been tapped on two occasions to

head other key state agencies. From 1977 to 1980, he was commissioner of the Georgia Department of Community Affairs, and from 1980 to 1991, he was the executive director of the Georgia Residential Finance Authority. During his tenure at both agencies, Huckaby was elected by his peers to serve as president of their respective national organizations.

Huckaby was sworn in this past January to represent Georgia House District 113 as a Republican. His legislative experience also includes a stint as the director of the Georgia State Senate Research Office from 1975-77.

He has written articles related to state and national finance and budgeting and has held membership in a number of higher education and government-related business, housing, health care and financial associations.

As an involved resident of Oconee County, Huckaby has been active in a large number of civic organizations in the community. He is currently a member of the Oconee County Rotary Club, the Oconee County Chamber of Commerce and the Management Committee of the Hard Labor Creek Reservoir and serves as a Trustee of the Ty Cobb Educational Foundation.

As a former resident of Douglas-

ville, Huckaby also was active in the local community and was named the 1995 Douglas County "Man of the Year."

He also is active in the United Methodist Church and has held numerous positions at both the conference and national level.

He maintains ties to Young Harris College, where he serves as a trustee.

Huckaby and his wife, Amy, have two grown children and six grandchildren.

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# Medical College of Georgia faculty honored

By Jennifer Hilliard Scott

Dr. Lois T. Ellison, Medical Historian in Residence, Provost Emeritus and Professor Emeritus in the Departments of Medicine and Surgery, has received the Medical College of Georgia Lifetime Achievement Award.

Ellison was among those honored at the annual MCG Faculty Senate Awards Ceremony April 14.

Dr. Laura Mulloy, Glover/Mealing Eminent Scholar Chair in Immunology at Georgia Health Sciences University, received the 2011 Outstanding Faculty Award. For more on Mulloy, see story on page 3.

Drs. Krishnan Dhandapani and Dorothy Tuan-Lo received the college's Outstanding Basic Science Research Awards.

Dhandapani, Associate Professor of Neurosurgery and Assistant Professor of Graduate Studies, explores new treatments for traumatic brain injuries. Tuan-Lo, Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and Graduate Studies, researches models of gene therapy for hereditary blood cell diseases.

Dr. Anand Jillella, Professor and Chief of the Section of Hematology/Oncology, received the college's Outstanding Clinical Science Research Award.

Jillella researches myeloma, leukemia, bone marrow transplant and lymphoma. He also is the primary investigator on the university's Minority-Based Community Clinical Oncology Program Grant, which aims to enroll more minorities in clinical cancer trials.

Drs. Ryan Harris, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics and Graduate Studies, and Lee Ann Merchen,

Assistant Professor and Chief of the Section of General Internal Medicine, received the Outstanding Young Clinical Science Faculty Award.

Dr. Jennifer Sullivan, Assistant Professor of Pharmacology/Toxicology and Graduate Studies, received the Outstanding Young Basic Science Faculty Award.

## Distinguished Faculty Awards went to:

- Drs. Puttur Prasad, Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and Obstetrics and Gynecology, and Associate Professor of Graduate Studies; and Diane Turnbull, Associate Professor of Pathology, for basic science teaching

- Drs. Paul Dainer, Associate Professor of Medicine; and Michael Rivner, Charbonnier Professor of Neurology, for clinical science teaching.

- Dr. Tony Pearson-Shaver, Professor of Pediatrics and Chief of the Section of Pediatric Critical Care Medicine, for patient care.

- Drs. Joseph Hobbs, Professor and J.W. Tollison, M.D. Distinguished Chairman of Family Medicine and Senior Associate Dean for Primary Care and Community Affairs; and Peter Rissing, Sydenstricker Chairman and Professor of Medicine, and Chief of the Section of Infectious Disease, for institutional service.

The freshman class presented an Educator of the Year Award to Dr. Vadivel Ganapathy, Chairman and Regents Professor of Biochemistry and Molecular Biology and Professor of Physiology, Obstetrics and Gynecology, Surgery and Graduate Studies.

Dr. Cole Giller, Professor of Neu-

rosurgery, was named Educator of the Year by the Class of 2011.

Dr. Walter J. Moore, Senior Associate Dean for Graduate Medical Education and Veterans Affairs, Professor of Medicine and Chief of the Section of Rheumatology, was named Educator of the Year by the Class of 2012.

Dr. John Fisher, Professor of Medicine, received the Educator of the Year Award from the class of 2013.

The Department of Pediatrics, chaired by Dr. Bernard Maria, was honored as the Outstanding Clinical Science Teaching Department by the senior class. The Department of Medicine, chaired by Dr. Michael Madaio, received the Outstanding Basic Science Teaching Award for its Microbiology and Clinical Medicine courses from the Class of 2013.

Dr. Jennifer Malcom, Department of Family Medicine, received the Resident of the Year Award, and Dr. W. Thomas Jenkins, a private-practice OB-GYN from Gainesville, Ga., received the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society Volunteer Clinical Faculty Award.

Retiring faculty members honored and their years of service include Dr. Rashid Akhtar, Departments of Biochemistry & Molecular Biology, and College of Graduate Studies, 1975-2010; Dr. Jerry Allison, Department of Radiology and Colleges of Allied Health Sciences and Graduate Studies, 1978-2011; and Dr. Mohammed Behzadian, Vascular Biology Center, 1985-2010.

Dr. Ronald W. Lewis, Professor of Surgery and Physiology, Allied Health Sciences and Graduate Studies, was recognized as the incoming President of Faculty Senate.



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# Georgia Health Sciences University recognizes distinguished alumni

Georgia Health Sciences University recognized seven distinguished alumni at its annual homecoming activities April 14-17.

The College of Allied Health Sciences honored Sue Ward, Assistant Professor in the Department of Dental Hygiene. Ward earned her bachelor's degree in dental hygiene from GHSU in 1975 and her master's degree in education from Cambridge College in 2003.

Ward joined the GHSU faculty as an instructor in 1989 after working in an Augusta private practice. She is President of the university's Allied Health Sciences Practice Group and is Past President and Alternate Departmental Representative for the College's Alumni Association. She serves on the College of Dental Medicine's Patient and Family Centered Care Committee and is the Facilities Coordinator for the college's Central Regional Dental Testing Service, Inc. She has co-coordinated the college's National Give Kids a Smile Day since 2004 and works with the university's Ryan White Outreach Team to provide dental hygiene screenings to HIV-positive individuals.

The College of Dental Medicine honored Dr. Celia Dunn, a general dentist in Augusta and a 1990 graduate. She has been a part-time Instructor in the college's Department of Oral Rehabilitation since 1992 and was a part-time Instructor in the Department of Prosthodontics from 1990-92.

She is a Past President of the Eastern District of the Georgia Dental Association, the Augusta Dental Society and the College of Dental Medicine Alumni Association. Dunn chairs the Georgia Dental Association's Committee on Constitution

and Bylaws. She is a member of the American Dental Association, the Academy of General Dentistry and the Pierre Fauchard Academy. She is an Honorary Fellow of the International College of Dentists, the American College of Dentists and the Georgia Dental Association.

Honored in the College of Graduate Studies was Dr. Richard E. White, Professor in the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology. A faculty member since 1999, White researches the effects of sex steroids on cardiovascular function.

As a student, White received the Faculty Scholarship for Outstanding Graduate Student and earned his Ph.D. in pharmacology in 1987. He worked as a Senior Staff Fellow at the National Institutes of Environmental Health Sciences Laboratory of Cellular & Molecular Pharmacology until 1992.

He is a past recipient of GHSU's Pharmacology Teacher of the Year Award and Distinguished Faculty Award for Basic Science Teaching.

He serves on the MCG Cardiovascular Discovery Institute Advisory Board and is a member of the MCG Vision Discovery Institute. He is a Fellow of the American Heart Association's Councils for High Blood Pressure Research and Basic Cardiovascular Science.

Dr. William Edgar Mayher III received the Medical College of Georgia's Distinguished Alumnus Award for Loyalty. Mayher chairs the Medical College of Georgia Foundation, Inc. After his 1964 graduation from medical school, he completed a surgery internship at Grady Memorial Hospital in Atlanta and a neurosurgery residency at MCG.

Mayher served as Chief of Staff at

Palmyra Medical Centers in Albany, where he is former Chairman of the Board and currently serves on the Board of Trustees.

He is a Fellow of the American College of Surgeons and a Past President of the Georgia Neurological Society.

Dr. Robert P. Castleberry received the Medical College of Georgia's Distinguished Alumnus Award for Professional Achievement. Castleberry, a 1971 graduate, is a Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Alabama at Birmingham and a Senior Scientist at the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center.

Castleberry completed a pediatrics residency and pediatric hematology/oncology fellowship at UAB. He was Director of the university's Division of Pediatric Hematology/Oncology until 1997.

He has served on the Data Safety and Monitoring Boards for Baylor University's Pediatric Cancer Center and St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. He is a Continuing Medical Education Exam Writer for the Hematology/Oncology Subboard of the American Board of Pediatrics. He served as Vice Chairman of the Children's Oncology Group and has chaired its Informatics Steering Committee, Protocol Development Task Force and Neuroblastoma Disease Committee.

Betty "Jane" Tarrant Lewitinn, the former Lead Nurse at the Georgia Department of Human Resources Office of Aging's Alternative Health Services, received the College of Nursing's E. Louise Grant Award for Excellence in Clinical Practice, Administration and Community Service.

Lewitinn earned her diploma

from Grady School of Nursing in 1945 and worked as Night Supervisor at Grady Memorial Hospital. She was the only supervisor on duty the night of the Winecoff Hotel fire, the deadliest hotel fire in U.S. history. After working for several years in Florida and North Carolina, she returned to Georgia to further her education at GHSU, joining the faculty as a Clinical Nursing Instructor after earning her bachelor's degree in nursing in 1959.

She earned her master's degree in nursing in 1963 and went on to serve as an Associate Professor at the University of Maryland School of Nursing and a Supervisor in the Shock Trauma Unit at the university's hospital in Baltimore. She joined Georgia's health department in 1982 and implemented the statewide Community Care Services for the Elderly program. She retired in 1992.

Susan M. Grant, Chief Nursing Officer of Emory Healthcare and Associate Dean at the Bell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing, received the College of Nursing's Phoebe Kandel Rohrer Founder's Award for Excellence in Research and Education. She earned a bachelor's degree in nursing from GHSU in 1983 and a master's degree in psychiatric mental health nursing from the University of South Carolina.

Grant has served as Chief Nursing Officer and Senior Associate Administrator for Patient Care Services at the University of Washington Medical Center and as Assistant Dean for Clinical Practice at the University of Washington School of Nursing.

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**The College of Allied Health Sciences honored Sue Ward ('75), Assistant Professor in the Department of Dental Hygiene.**



**The College of Dental Medicine honored Dr. Celia Dunn ('90), a general dentist in Augusta and a part-time Instructor in the college.**



**The College of Graduate Studies honored Dr. Richard E. White ('87), Professor in the Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology.**



**The Medical College of Georgia honored Dr. Robert P. Castleberry ('71) with its Distinguished Alumnus Award for Professional Achievement. Castleberry is a Professor of Pediatrics at the University of Alabama at Birmingham and a Senior Scientist at the UAB Comprehensive Cancer Center.**



**The Medical College of Georgia honored Dr. William Edgar Mayher III ('64) with its Distinguished Alumnus Award for Loyalty. Mayher chairs the Medical College of Georgia Foundation, Inc.**



**The College of Nursing honored Susan M. Grant ('83), Chief Nursing Officer of Emory Healthcare and Associate Dean at the Bell Hodgson Woodruff School of Nursing, with its Phoebe Kandel Rohrer Founder's Award for Excellence in Research and Education.**



**The College of Nursing honored Betty "Jane" Tarrant Lewitinn ('45), the former Lead Nurse at the Georgia Department of Human Resources Office of Aging's Alternative Health Services, with its E. Louise Grant Award for Excellence in Clinical Practice, Administration and Community Service.**



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patient- and family-centered care, she helped the Dana Farber Cancer Institute in Boston gain exemplary accreditation status after losing its Centers for Medicare and Medicaid and Joint Commission accreditation.

Grant is a member of the national advisory board of the Institute for Family-Centered Care and of the American Organization of Nurse Executives. She is a Robert Wood Johnson Executive Nurse Fellow and a Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing.

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**Bill Bowes, GHSU Interim Senior Vice President for Administration and Chief Administration Officer.**

# GHSU faces budget cut, tuition increase

## Staff Reports

A recently approved University System of Georgia budget will decrease GHSU's budget by about 9 percent and increase its tuition rates by 3 to 10 percent.

The tuition increases, while regrettable, are lower than expected, and the Financial Aid Office ([www.georgiahealth.edu/students/finaid](http://www.georgiahealth.edu/students/finaid)) stands ready to help students plan next year's expenses, according to Bill Bowes, GHSU Interim Senior Vice President for Administration and Chief Administration Officer.

The budget is based on 2012 state appropriations for the USG. The Board of Regents met April 20 to act on the budget allocations for the system and approve changes in tuition and mandatory fee rates.

A USG-wide undergraduate tuition increase of 3 percent will affect almost all of GHSU's baccalaureate-degree students, Bowes

said, increasing tuition from \$3,535 to \$3,641. Only two GHSU students are still on the board's discontinued Guaranteed Tuition Plan, according to Bursar Bethany Welsh.

The amount of tuition increase for graduate and professional students varies according to program, but the maximum increase for in-state students will not exceed 10 percent, Bowes said.

The board also approved the one mandatory fee increase GHSU requested: a \$7 increase in the health services fee, going from \$143 to \$150 per semester, as approved by the campus' mandatory student fee committee last fall.

The board also voted to increase a special institutional fee that it implemented two years ago. At GHSU, that fee will rise from \$200 per semester to \$450 per semester.

Bowes said funding will be substantially reduced for GHSU's special funding initiatives, including

elimination of state support for the cancer research center, 11 percent reductions for the cardiovascular research initiative and medical education expansion and an 8 percent cut for the nurse anesthesia program. State appropriations to MCGHealth will also be reduced by 7.8 percent, he said.

"This comes at a time of substantial growth for GHSU and the MCG Health System, particularly regarding statewide physician education expansion, an increase in dentistry enrollees when the new facility opens this fall and continued growth of external research funding," he said. "One immediate effect of no new formula funding will be added

pressure on current resources to support increases in health insurance premiums and cover the cost of maintaining and operating the new dental facility."

He said leadership is working to implement options that will ensure GHSU's academic program continuity – and even allow the university to continue to grow.

Bowes said GHSU leadership is optimistic state finances will improve when the recession recedes. "In the meantime, rest assured that we are doing everything possible to advance GHSU's mission during tough economic times while protecting our most valuable resource: our people."

# Grads will walk May 5

By Jennifer Hilliard Scott

Eight-hundred-and-two future health care professionals will be recognized as the newest graduates of Georgia Health Sciences University at 2 p.m. Thursday, May 5, at Augusta's James Brown Arena.

Dr. Louis Wade Sullivan, former U.S. Department Health and Human Services Secretary and a founder of the Morehouse School of Medicine, will be the guest speaker for this year's commencement.

Each of the university's five

colleges also will hold individual year-end ceremonies as follows: College of Allied Health Sciences Honors Convocation, 6 p.m., May 5, Bell Auditorium, 712 Telfair St.; College of Dental Medicine Hooding Ceremony, 10:15 a.m., May 5, First Baptist Church, 3500 Walton Way; College of Graduate Studies Hooding Ceremony, 8 a.m., May 5, Warren Baptist Church, 3203 Washington Rd.; Medical College of Georgia Hooding Ceremony, 2 p.m., May 4, Bell Auditorium; and College of Nursing Convocation, 10:30 a.m., May 5, Bell Auditorium.



# Conference will prepare workers for disasters

By Jennifer Hilliard Scott

If a disaster strikes, will health care workers be prepared to treat the youngest and most vulnerable?

Aiming to make the answer "yes," Georgia Health Sciences University will host the Pediatric Emergency & Disaster Preparedness Conference from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m. May 18 in Room 1204 of the Health Sciences Building.

Keynote speaker Dr. J. Patrick O'Neal, Chief of the Emergency Preparedness and Response Division for the Georgia Division of Public Health, will discuss pediatric disaster preparedness in Georgia. GHSU

faculty will also discuss topics including pediatric clinical skills, mass casualty triage, mental health issues related to disasters and preparedness for children with special health care needs.

The conference is sponsored by the Division of Health's Region VI Emergency Medical Services for Children, MCGHealth Children's Medical Center and the Departments of Pediatrics and Emergency Medicine at Georgia Health Sciences University. Registration is \$20 and is required by May 6.

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# Bingham receives Lazzara Fellowship

By Sharron Walls

Dr. Christopher Bingham, a third-year periodontics resident at Georgia Health Sciences University, has received the American Academy of Periodontology Foundation's 2011 Richard J. Lazzara Fellowship in Advanced Implant Surgery.

The national award, a 12-month fellowship at the student's training institution, provides educational and clinical experiences that reflect current techniques in implant dentistry. Its namesake is an implantology innovator and Clinical Associate Professor at the University of Southern California School of

Dentistry and Associate Clinical Professor at the University of Maryland Periodontal and Implant Regenerative Center.

In addition to receiving a \$50,000 stipend, Bingham will be supported during the fellowship by a grant from Straumann ITI, an international manufacturer and academic

organization focused on implant dentistry and tissue regeneration.

Bingham received his dental degree from the University of Illinois in 2005. He will receive his periodontics certificate and a master's degree from GHSU in June. The fellowship begins July 1.

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and industrial communications from Lindenwood University.

"Her broad experience in fund-raising administration, program redesigns, team-building and philanthropy in general will significantly advance GHSU's goal of becoming a leading academic medical center and top-50 research university while transforming the institution and region into a health care and biomedical research destination," said GHSU President Ricardo Azziz. "I am confident she will be an invaluable member of the university's leadership team."



**Susan L. Barcus will join GHSU as Senior Vice President for Advancement and Community Relations/Chief Development Officer June 13. She comes to the university from Shands Healthcare in Gainesville, Fla., where she has been the Chief Development Officer.**

# Inaugural class inducted into the Gold Humanism Honor Society

By Jennifer Hilliard Scott

Forty-one third- and fourth-year medical students at Georgia Health Sciences University make up the university's inaugural class of the Gold Humanism Honor Society.

The society recognizes individuals practicing patient-centered medical care with integrity, excellence, compassion, altruism, respect and empathy. Students are nominated by their peers and by faculty.

"This year we became the 90th chapter of the society," said Dr. Kathleen McKie, Associate Dean for Student Affairs and the chapter's adviser." Dr. Cheryl Dixon, Campus Associate Dean for Student and Multicultural Affairs, will serve as the adviser for the GHSU/UGA Medical Partnership students.

The students and their hometowns are:

- James M. Hotz, Albany, Ga.
- William Jacobsen, Peachtree City, Ga.
- Charles Adam McCoy, Richmond Hill, Ga.
- Lauren Courtney Mitchell, Alamo, Ga.
- Heather Monitz, Marietta, Ga.
- Amanda E. Redden, Columbus, Ga.
- Jessica K. Reynolds, Cave Spring, Ga.
- Christina Samuel, Lawrenceville, Ga.
- Ashley N. Saucier, Warner Robins, Ga.
- Matthew J. Stewart, Sandy Springs, Ga.
- Evan Sussenbach, Upatoga, Ga.

- Third-year:**
- Ayodeji Aiyejorun, Stone Mountain, Ga.
  - Hugh Cheek, Columbus, Ga.
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  - Phillip Benson Ham, Forsyth, Ga.
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The following Medical College of Georgia faculty members were also inducted into the university's chapter as past recipients of the Leonard Tow Humanism in Medicine Award:

- David C. Hess, Presidential Distinguished Chairman of Neurology
- T. Andy Albritton, Associate Dean for Curriculum
- John F. Fisher, Professor of Medicine
- Ruth-Marie Fincher, Vice Dean for Academic Affairs
- Walter J. Moore, Senior Associate Dean for VA Affairs and Graduate Medical Education and Chief of the Section of Rheumatology
- D. Scott Lind, Jarrell Distinguished Chairman in Surgical Oncology
- Walter L. Pipkin, Assistant Professor of Surgery
- Timothy R. Kinsey Jr., Assistant Professor of Pediatrics

- Fourth-year:**
- Katherine E. Caldwell, Augusta
  - Patrick Chesley, Cartersville, Ga.
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# Hobbs named to Association of Departments of Family Medicine board

By Jennifer Hilliard Scott

Dr. Joseph Hobbs, Professor and Joseph W. Tollison, M.D. Distinguished Chair in Family Medicine, has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Association of Departments of Family Medicine.

The association, comprised of representatives from family medicine academic departments, promotes family medicine research, education and service in medical schools across the country. The association also provides legislative advocacy for physician workforce needs related to primary care.

"The association works collaboratively to advance family medicine education, research and service missions," said Hobbs, a member of the group since he was appointed Chairman of the department in 1998. "This organization offers tremendous resources and mentoring opportunities for leaders in academic family medicine, which ultimately has impact on the academic health center and community."

As a voting member of the association, he will be heavily involved in discussions on public policy, clinical practice transformation, access to services and research related to changes created by health care reform.

"I think there are several really hot-button issues for the association right now," he said. "We must address the impending and expanding deficit of primary care physicians, so that patients have access to health care."

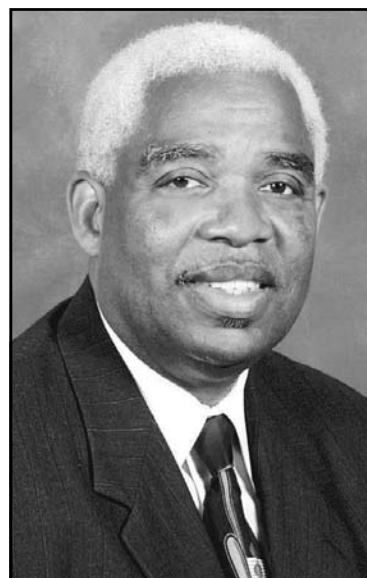
At the root of the problem, he added, are issues of lower reimbursement for primary care services, declining interest in primary care specialties among medical students and facilitating growth of primary care research.

"Creating appropriate learning venues for students and residents in preparation for the changing health care environment represents another challenge," he said.

Hobbs, also the Senior Associate Dean for Primary Care and Community Affairs in the Medical College of Georgia, will serve a two-year term.

A native of Augusta and a graduate of the Medical College of Georgia, Hobbs completed his family medicine residency at MCG and began serving as a part-time Clinical Instructor while he was Chief Resident from 1976-77. He has served the university in many capacities, including as Director of Student Educational Programs, Vice Chairman of Academic Affairs, Associate Dean for Primary Care and Director of the Office of Recruitment and Retention.

He is a member of the Task Force on Health Policy for the Georgia Academy of Family Physicians, serves as a Board Trustee on the Academy's Foundation and as a member of the Board of Directors for the GAFF Educational Foundation. He is a Diplomate of the American Board of Family Medicine and a Fellow of the American Academy of Family Physicians.



Phil Jones photo

**Dr. Joseph Hobbs was elected to the Board of Directors of the Association of Departments of Family Medicine. The Professor and Joseph W. Tollison, M.D. Distinguished Chair in Family Medicine helps shape public policy and clinical practices.**

# Annual Parkinson's Disease seminar slated

By Denise Parrish

Parkinson's Disease often starts with a hand tremor, and as it progresses, it can steal a person's independence. It affects 1.5 million Americans and an additional 60,000 are diagnosed with PD each year.

It's a difficult disease to understand, but patients and families can find some answers surrounding this neurological illness as the MCGHealth Neuroscience Center's Movement Disorders Program presents the 10th annual Parkinson's Disease Seminar May 20 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Doubletree Hotel Augusta, 2651 Perimeter Parkway.

This free seminar is open to patients, families and others affected by Parkinson's Disease, and will include guest speaker Dr.

Jay Alberts of the Cleveland Clinic discussing the "Role of Exercise and Activity in Parkinson's Disease." In addition, MCGHealth professionals will discuss "How Allied Health Therapies Can Help You" and the "Basics of PD and Activities of Daily Living Issues."

A continental breakfast is provided. RSVP to Amanda Stefanakos at 706-721-4895 or to [astefanakos@georgiahealth.edu](mailto:astefanakos@georgiahealth.edu).

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# Inaugural GHSU Earth Day tackles sustainability



Phil Jones photo

**President and Mrs. Ricardo Azziz launched GHSU's first Earth Day celebration April 22. The event featured educational exhibits and demonstrations on energy conservation, recycling at work and at home, greener and cleaner transportation, community gardening, beekeeping and more.**



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**Deborah Sasser, of Sasserfrass Hill Bee Farms, demonstrated beekeeping and the process of making honey. Sasser also educated event attendees on the importance of honeybees to food production.**



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**Kim Hines, of Augusta Locally Grown, shared the value of supporting small farms and gardeners who sell all-natural, locally grown, fresh foods.**



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**Henry Wynn III (from left) and Henry Wynn Jr. performed as part of the Earth Day festivities. The duo performs regularly with guitarist Doug Johnson as Doug & the Henrys.**



# Burritos raise bucks for CMC

## Student leaders try hands at health care



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Kimberly Crews and her son, George Henry, grab a Joey Bag of Donuts burrito as part of Moe's Southwest Grill's Joeys for Juniors charitable giving program. Moe's donated \$1 to MCGHealth Children's Medical Center for every Joey Bag of Donuts burrito purchased April 20.



Wesley Hobbs photo

Members of Youth Leadership Augusta participate in Youth Healthcare Day April 21. Forty-two high school juniors in Richmond County toured facilities and experimented with patient simulators. Here, Anne Hardshell (from left), Calen Duncan, Eric Wilder, Brenda Wilson, Leigh Anna Kilpatrick and Antonio McKinney experiment with a simulator.

# Nursing students learn through service



Phil Jones photo



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Bachelor of Nursing students hosted a senior citizen wellness fair April 19 at Belle Terrace Health and Wellness Center. They provided food, health screenings and competitive events to encourage seniors to pay attention to their health.



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ACROSS

1. Progressive neurodegenerative disease, for short

4. Most common type of heart ailment, familiarly

7. 1/16 of a gallon

10. Deli purchase

11. Monogram for actor Olmos

12. Brewer's tub

13. Bones of the hand

16. Grand mal precursors, often

17. Blood-letting lancet of old

20. Tough fibrous tissue

24. Ignited

25. Tax-deferred acct.

26. Reason to prescribe an H2 blocker

29. \_\_\_ syndrome; one of the mitochondrial cytopathies

31. \_\_\_-Dietz syndrome; autosomal dominant genetic disease

33. Immune system organ
39. Rower's need

40. Classic Pontiac

41. Charged atom

42. Paramedic's employer, often: abbr.

43. Owned

44. Letters on the back of a vitamin bottle
- DOWN

1. Supinator's location

2. Corrosive alkaline

3. Treat a broken bone

4. Beginning of the large intestine

5. Not quite closed

6. Namesakes of TV's cartoon "Explorer"

7. Stroke, for short

8. Suffix for intellect or spirit

9. Half-qts.

14. Battery size

15. Fraternity letter

17. Reason to prescribe Relenza

18. Adjective for Abner of the comics

19. List-shortening abbr.

21. Nada

22. Historical period

23. Existed

27. Shade provider

28. Like skin affected by keratosis pilaris

29. "O \_\_, I am heartily sorry..."; Act of Contrition opener

30. New immigrants' class, for short

32. "¿Cómo \_\_ Usted?"

33. Corn site, often

34. Show-off

35. MMXI and others: abbr.

36. Alveoli contents

37. Silent assent

38. Hereditary material, familiarly

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- Phlebitis

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# Learning Curve

## March training and certification courses

Human Resources will host the following training and certification classes in May. All classes are free and held in Room 1151, Annex I, unless otherwise indicated. For more information, call 706-721-2281 or 706-721-4054. Visit [www.oacs.mcgc.edu/hr/training/](http://www.oacs.mcgc.edu/hr/training/) to register.

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| May 5  | 9-11 a.m.          | Handling Conflict  |
| May 5  | 2-4 p.m.           | The Power of Small   |
| May 10 | 9-10:30 a.m.       | P-Card Orientation   |
| May 10 | 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.  | Departmental Administrative Support Staff Training (Location TBA)    |
| May 11 | 9-11:30 a.m.       | E-Mail Essentials  |
| May 12 | 8:30-11:30 a.m.    | Getting Results Through Individual and Organizational Accountability |
| May 12 | 2-4 p.m.           | Business Etiquette   |
| May 16 | 8:30-10 a.m.       | Welcome to GHSU  |
| May 17 | 9-11:30 a.m.       | People Skills for the First-time Manager                             |
| May 17 | 2-4 p.m.           | HR Policies and Procedures: Managing Employee Performance            |
| May 18 | 8:30-10:30 a.m.    | PeopleSoft Financials: Basic Navigation                              |
| May 18 | 10:30 a.m. to noon | PeopleSoft Financials: Requisition                                   |
| May 18 | 1-2:30 p.m.        | PeopleSoft Financials: Tools for Sponsored Project Management        |
| May 19 | 8:30-11:30 a.m.    | Speed- Reading for Professionals                                     |
| May 20 | 8:30-11:30 a.m.    | HeartSaver CPR and AED (\$35)  |
| May 23 | 2-3 p.m.           | Cost Transfer  |
| May 24 | 9-11:30 a.m.       | Engage and Reconnect Employees                                       |
| May 25 | 9-11:30 a.m.       | Coping With Change: The Change Cycle                                 |
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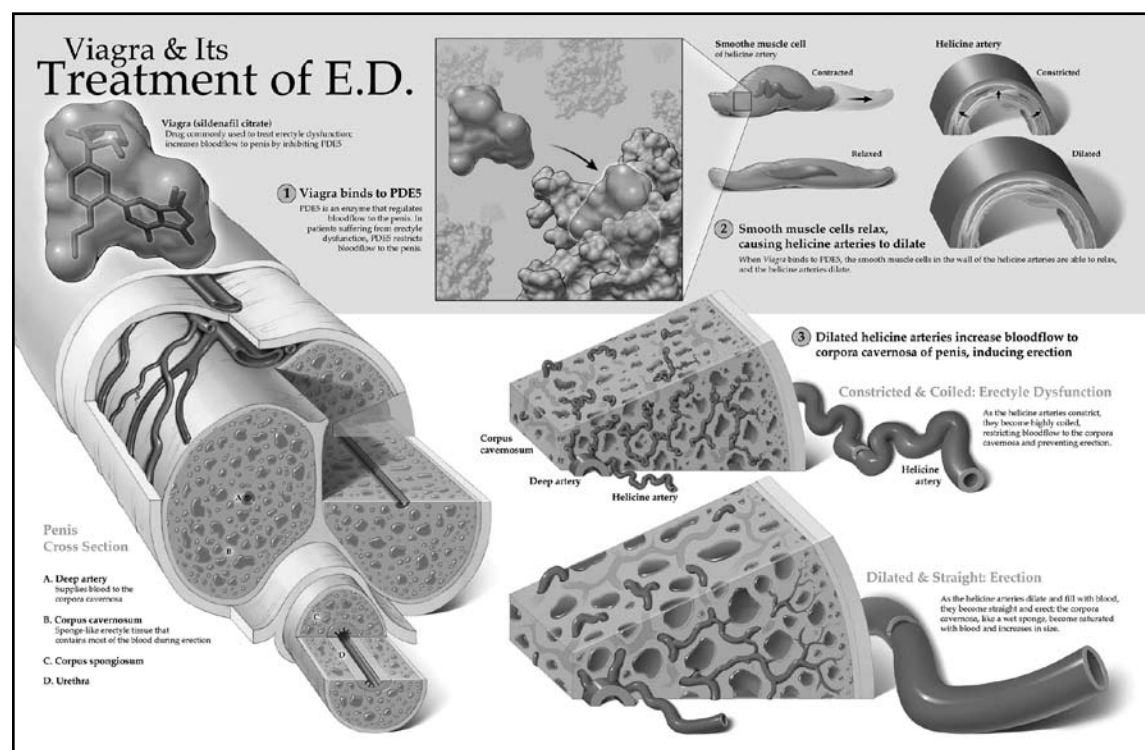
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Paul Kim, Class of 2011, received the prestigious William J. Stenstrom Award of Excellence for this illustration, "Viagra and Its Treatment of E.D."

# Exhibition showcases award-winning medical illustrations

By Stacey Hudson

Three GHSU students brought home Association of Medical Illustrators awards for medical illustration in March. Their work and others from the 2011 UGA/GHSU Student Scientific & Medical Illustration Exhibition are on display in Greenblatt Library.

"This is always the most popular show of the year," said Renee Sharrock, Medical Library Specialist, who coordinates the art shows throughout the year.

Paul Kim, Class of 2011, received the prestigious William J. Stenstrom Award of Excellence for "Viagra and Its Treatment of E.D." Joshua C. Bird, Class of 2011, received an Award of Merit for "Extensor Indicis Proprius to Extensor Pollicis Longus Tendon Transfer." Colby Polonsky, Class of 2011, received an Award of Merit for "Keeping in Touch with Your Heart."

The works are mixtures of traditional and digital media, and showcase the breadth of what medical illustrators do, said Bill Andrews, Associate Professor of Medical

Illustration in the College of Allied Health Sciences.

Each piece is tailored to solve a particular communications problem, whether it is to teach a new technique, to educate a layperson or to inspire action.

Kim's piece, which shows the effect of Viagra on smooth muscle in the blood vessels, is intended to educate patients.

"[Kim] did a really nice job of simplifying what happens to the vascular system when you take Viagra. The trick is to draw that without it being offensive in any way," Andrews said.

Bird was challenged with creating a drawing to teach proper operative repair of torn tendons in the wrist.

"This is a fairly complex procedure, but he has condensed it down to one illustration that shows each incision simultaneously," Andrews said. The labeling draws the eye through each incision, and the specific suturing technique is detailed at the bottom.

Polonsky's work, a cover image for a magazine, was geared toward motivating people to read an article

on heart health.

"She's playing off of a couple of well-known icons – from the Sistine Chapel, the hand of God, and in the background, a fairly subtle use of the Swiss Cross," Andrews said.

Medical illustration students learn a unique combination of science and art techniques.

"You must know the science, you must be creative and you must tailor your work to the needs of the audience," Andrews said. "The fact that these students can take these intense courses in physiology and medicine and turn out great artwork like this is thrilling."

Sharrock, who sits on the GHSU Arts Council in addition to her position in the library, said that exhibits like this enhance the library experience for students.

"It's therapeutic to take a break, walk around and see something visually stimulating," Sharrock said.

The more than 50 artistic works will hang in the library through May 31. For more information on the art exhibitions at Greenblatt Library, call 706-721-3441 or visit [georgia-health.edu/ArtsCouncil/exhibitions](http://georgia-health.edu/ArtsCouncil/exhibitions).



Kohl's donated \$23,547 in 2010 to the MCGHealth Children's Medical Center to fund community educational events, including the Asthma Awareness Event, which will be May 14 at the Evans department store. Accepting the donation check in 2010 are Leslie Ford (back row, from left) and Jennifer Anderson, both in Respiratory Therapy at MCGHealth. Representing Kohl's are Diana Ripkey, store manager, and (front row, from left) Kohl's associates Regina Bee, Semenya McKenzie and Latanya Harris.

# Event focuses on asthma and wellness

By Denise Parrish

MCGHealth Children's Medical Center presents an Asthma and Wellness Event from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. May 14 in the Kohl's parking lot in Evans. The free, fun-filled event for children and families will feature interactive safety topics, including asthma screening and education.

Asthma is on the rise in America, but if well controlled, most children can enjoy a long healthy life.

Kohl's Department Store, through the Kohl's Cares cause merchandise program, will make a \$27,300 donation to MCGHealth Children's Medical Center to un-

derwrite this community children's wellness event. Since 2006, Kohl's has donated more than \$87,868 to MCGHealth Children's Medical Center.

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# Homecoming 2011

## Hardy Golf Tournament funds scholarships



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Scott Johnson (from left) and Susan Whidden watch Tammy Steinmeyer's shot as she putts at Goshen Plantation Golf Course on April 15. Proceeds from the tournament benefited respiratory therapy student education and scholarship funds.

## MCG Dean welcomes alumni and friends



Phil Jones photo

Dr. Peter F. Buckley, Dean of the Medical College of Georgia, greets guests at the MCG Dean's Reception April 15 at the Marriott Hotel & Suites.

## MCG alumni dine at banquet



Phil Jones photo

The Medical College of Georgia Alumni Association Banquet recognized distinguished alumni and recognized the classes of 1946, 1951, 1956, 1961, 1966 and 1971 at the Marriott Hotel & Suites April 15. Members of the classes of 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996 and 2001 also attended.



## Alumni tour a changed campus



Wesley Hobbs photo

Alumni toured the GHSU campus April 15, enjoying a campus that has grown but not lost touch with its historic roots.



## Homecoming 2011

### Alumni celebrate College of Nursing



Phil Jones photo

The College of Nursing Alumni Association Banquet presented awards to distinguished alumni, awarded scholarships and honored the classes of 1961, 1966, 1971, 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2006 at the Marriott Hotel & Suites April 16.



Phil Jones photo

School of Nursing Dean Lucy Marion (left) with E. Louise Grant Award recipient Betty "Jane" Tarrant Lewittin.

### President hosts barbecue cookout



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Phil Jones photo

GHSU President Ricardo Azziz hosted a barbecue at the GHSU Alumni Center April 16. Severe weather moved the celebrations from the grounds of the president's home, but alumni, friends and families enjoyed lunch and activities.



# Allied Health reception features awards, tour

## Homecoming 2011

### Dental classmates reunite at banquet



Wesley Hobbs photo



Wesley Hobbs photo



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The College of Allied Health Sciences hosted a reception in the GHSU Cancer Center April 16. The program included dinner, a tour and the presentation of scholarships and distinguished alumni awards.



Wesley Hobbs photo



Wesley Hobbs photo

Members of the College of Dental Medicine's graduating class of 1976, 1981, 1986, 1991, 1996, 2001 and 2006 reunited April 16 during the College of Dental Medicine's banquet at the Marriott Hotel & Suites.



## Graduate studies honors distinguished alum



Wesley Hobbs photo

The College of Graduate Studies honored 2011 Distinguished Alumnus Dr. Richard White at the MCG Alumni Center April 14. White accepted the award with his wife, Margene.

## Homecoming 2011

### New dental building opened for tours



Wesley Hobbs photo

The College of Dental Medicine hosted "hard hat" tours of the new building April 16.

## Nursing dean hosts brunch facilities tours



Wesley Hobbs photo



Wesley Hobbs photo

Dr. Lucy Marion, Dean of the College of Nursing, hosted alumni for brunch and tours of the Health Sciences Building and Interdisciplinary Simulation Center April 16.



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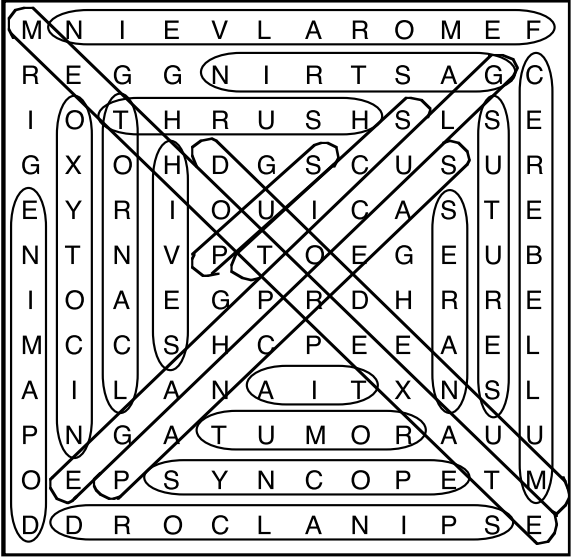
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## Stolen motor vehicle with recovery

GHSU Police responded April 12 at 4:15 p.m. to a report of a stolen Chrysler Sebring in MCGHealth parking lot 50, on Moore Avenue. GHSU Police located the vehicle at 5:32 p.m. on the 1300 block of Swanee Quartet Avenue and pursued the vehicle until the driver ran it into a tree. The driver fled the scene and police could not find him. The vehicle was processed and towed.

# MCGHealth offers free oral cancer screenings

By Denise Parrish

In recognition of Oral, Head and Neck Cancer Awareness Week, the Department of Otolaryngology, Head and Neck Surgery at MCGHealth will offer free oral cancer screenings May 12 from 8:30 to 11:45 a.m. at the MCGHealth Cancer Center, 1411 Laney Walker Blvd.

The screenings are part of a nationwide prevention effort, sponsored by the Head and Neck Cancer Alliance, formerly known as The Yul Brynner Head and Neck Cancer Foundation.

Almost 30,000 Americans are diagnosed each year with oral cancer and about 7,000 of them die because the cancer was discovered

too late. But oral, head and neck cancers are more prevalent in the South than in other areas of the country because of higher rates of tobacco and alcohol use, which are major risk factors.

Oral and throat cancers are usually painless in the early stages and have minor symptoms that mimic other health problems, such as a toothache. Periodic self-examination of the mouth, coupled with regular screenings by a physician or dentist, is the best way to detect oral and throat cancer in its beginning stages when treatment is most successful.

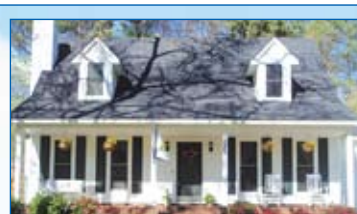
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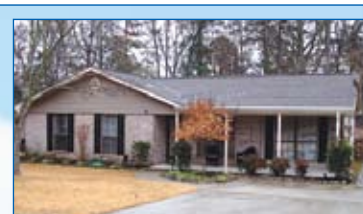
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# Newsmakers



Dr. Ricardo Azziz

**Dr. Ricardo Azziz**, President of Georgia Health Sciences University and CEO of MCG Health System, Inc., discussed the impact of health care reform on academic medicine and research at the Network of Minority Investigators' 9th Annual Workshop April 20-21 in Bethesda, Md.

**Vivian G. Dicks**, Instructor of Diagnostic Medical Sonography, was



Vivian G. Dicks

inducted today into the Delta Omega Honorary Society in Public Health. Delta Omega is a national organization that recognizes excellence in public health scholarship, leadership and practice.

**Rebecca M. Walker**, Assistant Director of the Hospital Epidemiology Program at MCGHealth, has been elected Co-Chair of the Georgia Infection Prevention Network, the



Rebecca M. Walker

statewide organization involved in infection prevention, control and epidemiology activities for Georgia.

**Obituaries**  
The GHSU Community extends condolences to the friends and family of:  
Lorine Brown, spouse of Horace Brown, deceased Cook, died April 10.

# Welcome...

to these new members of the GHSU community

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# Crab and Asiago Bundles

(makes for 12 appetizers)

- |  |                                     |
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| 2 tsp olive oil                        | 1/2 cup shredded asiago cheese      |
| 1/4 cup sliced green onions            | 1/4 cup italian -style bread crumbs |
| 1 garlic clove, minced                 | 2 Tbs chopped fresh basil           |
| 1 – 6 oz can of lump crabmeat, drained | 2 Tbs mayonnaise                    |
| 1 – 2 oz jar pimientos, drained        | 4 sheets of thawed phyllo pastry    |
|  | 3 Tbs melted butter                 |

- Directions**
- 1) Heat oven to 350. Heat oil in medium skillet over medium heat. Add onion and garlic and cook 1 to 2 minutes. Remove skillet from heat and add remaining ingredients, except phyllo sheets and butter. Mix well
  - 2) Unroll phyllo sheets and cover with plastic wrap or damp towel. Place on sheet on a brush with melted butter and then layer two or more sheets on top, brushing each with butter. Finish with top sheet and cut stack into 12 four-inch squares
  - 3) Spoon about 4 tsps filling into center of each square and make a bundle by bringing the two opposites corners to the center to overlap and cover the filling; bring in remaining two corners and press lightly. Place on ungreased cookie sheet and brush top with remaining butter.
  - 4) Bake for 25 mins or until golden brown.

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# Staffer qualifies for Boston Marathon

By Stacey Hudson

The Boston Marathon is the world's oldest marathon, considered one of the most prestigious, along with the London, Berlin, New York City and Chicago races. Most casual runners will never measure up to its rigorous standards.

But GHSU Biostatistician Kelly Miller recently qualified to run in the 2012 event after finishing in the top 25 women runners in the Publix Georgia Marathon March 20 in Atlanta.

"I was really excited," Miller said. "But it was a relief to cross the finish line, because it was such a long race."

She completed the race with a time of 3:28 well under the qualifying requirement of 3:40 for her age group.

Miller was a casual runner in college. But she stepped up her routine about five years ago. And once she did, she surprised herself.

"In May 2008, I ran in a race and I caught up with my sister – I never thought I could do that," Miller said.

The experience taught her that she was better than she thought. And she began to push herself harder.

"It became something I enjoyed more and I started pushing harder for it," Miller said.

So she implemented a well-researched three-day-a-week training schedule, incorporating interval sprints and continuing cross training at the gym.

"It makes a huge difference in your overall ability to go faster in a race," she said.

And she ran. She ran the Providence Heart & Sole in Columbia, S.C. She completed the Augusta half-marathon in October 2010 in an hour and 35 minutes, placing third overall. And she finished first among female runners in the March 5 Heart & Sole 5K run that benefited the MCGHealth Children's Medical Center.

The Atlanta qualifying race was her most grueling, but also the most heartening.

"One of my favorite things about running is how encouraging other runners are," Miller said. "Everyone is excited for each other."

Other runners gave her the thumbs-up. The crowd yelled encouragement. Still, once she hit 20 miles, she had to stop and walk once or twice. Luckily, she had some time to play with.

"But the last 1.2 miles was the hardest I've ever run in my life," she said.

She saw a Bible verse on the back of another runner's shirt that

gave her strength: "For I can do everything through Christ, who gives me strength," from Philippians 4:13.

"That was my mantra through the race and it really helped. It will most likely be a big help during the Boston race," Miller said.

Her husband, Dr. Brian Miller, Assistant Professor of Psychiatry and Health Behavior, is another source of strength, she said, especially when she does long runs on the weekend. She said she wouldn't be able to compete without his help.

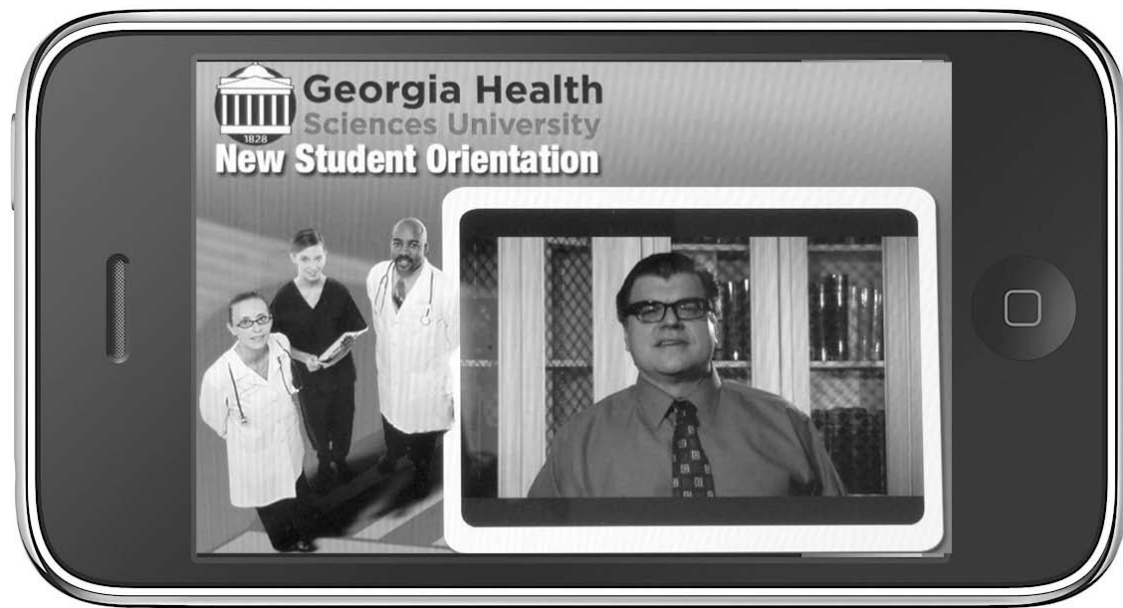
"Obviously, I am quite proud of her," he said, and noted the advances she's made in a relatively short time. "We have three boys – ages 6, 3, and 1 – and she does a tremendous job of balancing work, family and training."

Miller will continue to train. She worries about weakness in her endurance past the 20-mile mark, and wants to have additional longer runs under her belt before the big race.

Miller will compete in the Boston Marathon April 16, 2012.



**Kelly Miller crosses the finish line at the Publix Georgia Marathon March 20.**



Stacey Hudson photo illustration

**With the new update to Georgia Health Mobile, students can access orientation and first-year information anywhere.**

## App update puts orientation in students' hands, phones

By Stacey Hudson

Incoming students have traditionally labored under a crush of paperwork during admission and registration. Now at the request of the Division of Enrollment Management, GHSU's Information Technology Support & Services has developed an update to the Georgia Health Mobile application (formerly MCG Mobile) to potentially eliminate the deluge of paper and offer information in a more accessible manner to incoming students.

"We've tried to identify all the key elements of their initial matriculation experience in a manner that they can download, place on their handheld device and then hopefully navigate," said Dr. Roman Cibirka, Vice President for Instruction and Enrollment Management.

Georgia Health Mobile offers applications specific to the health sciences curricula, giving smartphone users access to tools like a medical calculator and a lipid cholesterol algorithm. The student orientation update to the iScope section within MCG Mobile guides students to and through everything they might need when first entering campus, including enrollment, financial aid and

navigational and first-year experience information.

"I think one of my favorite aspects of the application is the Student-to-Student section. It has current students giving advice to the students coming in," said Michael Casdorff, Director of GHSU Instructional Support and Educational Design. His office spearheads mobile application development and renovation.

Georgia Health Mobile – and its student orientation update – is the university's proactive response to the organic evolution of student mobile media use. According to a 2010 Ball State University study, smartphone use among college students doubled in 2009 and 90 percent of those users access the Internet from their phones. GHSU has evolved its communication with students just as quickly.

"We launched the concept of digitized first-year experience information two years ago, provided on a thumb drive, and mailed it to all incoming students. We followed up last year with a web-based compilation of the information and did not mail students the thumb drive. Now we have the web and the mobile version so that students have con-

stant access," Cibirka said. "Paper they lose; thumb drives aren't updatable. Web and mobiles apps are constantly available, perpetually updatable."

GHSU is considered one of the nation's leaders in mobile educational technology.

"We were the first public academic health center to offer a suite of mobile apps on iTunes with MCG Mobile," Casdorff said.

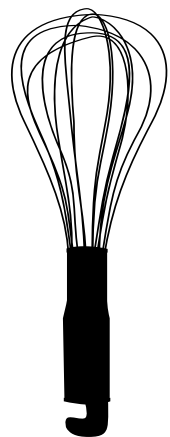
The university followed up with MedLab Tutor, an application that teaches students how to read the results of common blood tests. A recent offering, Dentistry ProConsult, teaches common dental procedures prior to students performing them in the clinic. In its first two weeks, the app was selected by Apple for the New & Noteworthy medical application section and was ranked in the top 200 most downloaded free applications in the medical category.

Casdorff said that future updates applications will release later this month. MCG Mobile will transform officially into Georgia Health Mobile, and the university will release a mobile version of GeorgiaVIEW to enhance student learning.

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