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College Hosts Summer Teaching Academy Sponsored by Honeywell Hometown Solutions, *Plenary session next Tuesday is open to the public, features speaker from Coca-Cola*

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The College is partnering with Honeywell Hometown Solutions in a summer teaching academy for middle grade science, math, and social studies teachers to be held on campus June 11-15.

The campus community and general public are invited to attend the presentation by the plenary speaker, PJ Newcomb, Sustainability Program Manager with Coca-Cola Refreshments, on Tuesday, June 12, 5:30 p.m., in the Stembler Theatre of the Campus Center.

Newcomb will discuss Coca-Cola's work in water stewardship, sustainable packaging and energy conservation. He will offer suggestions on how some of these initiatives can be scaled for use by the local community, small businesses, schools and homes.

A graduate of Georgia Tech and a native Georgian, Newcomb has worked to advance sustainability for most of his 17-year career, including prior service with the Georgia Environmental Finance Authority, the Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Georgia Tech, and the Saturn Corporation. Coca-Cola Refreshments is the sales and distribution division of The Coca-Cola Company.

The objective of the summer program is to provide area teachers content and experiences in the fields of coastal ecology, sustainable development, and environmental education, using the education for sustainability (EfS) approach that stresses a balance between economic prosperity and environmental integrity.

To learn more about the objectives of the program, click [here](#). [Dr. Timothy Goodale](#), Assistant Professor of Education, is the project director.

Reservations Now Available for July Session of Kids in College Summer Day Camp

June session is already filled

Coastal Georgia will offer science camp for ages 8-10 and 11-13 the week of July 9-13 on campus. Designed by College teacher education professors to make science fun and engaging, the curriculum will

[Coastal Georgia grads first in new Jekyll Island Convention Center](#)

[College lauds 400 graduates](#)

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President's List of Scholars and Dean's List for Spring 2012

The Office of the President listed the names of 181 Presidential Scholars for the Spring 2012 term. An additional 163 students were named to the Dean's List by the Office of Academic Affairs.

To be named to the President's List of Scholars, a student must be enrolled for twelve hours or more with a term grade point average (GPA) of 4.00.

A full-time student with a GPA of 3.50 to 3.99 is a Dean's List Student.

Click [here](#) to read the names of the students.

explore the physical world in a combination of classroom exercises and early afternoon field trips. Graduates and students of the School of Education and Teacher Preparation will serve as camp instructors.

There will be a total of 30 spaces, with 15 spaces allotted for each age group. The day camp will run from 8 a.m.-4 p.m. with a late pick-up option available for an additional fee.

The camp tuition is \$165 for the week, including lunch daily. Registration is available [online](#) with a payment deadline by Monday, June 25.

For more information, click [here](#) or contact [Andrew Smith](#), Director of Student Activities (telephone 912.279.5813).

New U.S. Poet Laureate & Pulitzer Prize-Winner Is Keynote Speaker for 2012 Georgia Literary Festival at the Golden Isles



Emory University Professor Natasha Trethewey, newly-appointed U.S. Poet Laureate and recipient of the 2007 Pulitzer Prize in poetry for her book *Native Guard*, will speak on "War and Remembrance" during her keynote presentation for the 2012 Georgia Literary Festival at the Jekyll Island Convention Center on November 10. Trethewey will speak at 10 a.m. in Atlantic Hall, opening a full day of free and varied programs open to the public.

Countering comments she has heard about American poets not engaging with political and social issues, Trethewey will present and discuss a range of poets-including herself-who do just that. "That the festival is taking place on Veterans Day weekend should make the presentation relevant to a wide range of attendees," she noted.

Trethewey's memoir, *Beyond Katrina*, was selected as a common read for two living-learning communities this fall: the African-American Male Initiative and the Women Engaged in Leadership and Learning (WELL) programs, according to Heidi Leming, Vice President for Student Affairs. "Students in these living-learning community participate in a summer pre-College program where they read the book as part of their instructional activities and will engage in an alternative fall break trip the ties to themes in the book," Leming explained. "All participants reside on the same residence hall floor and are enrolled in a common CCGA 1101 course for the fall semester."

The Georgia Literary Festival, sponsored by the Georgia Center for the Book and the Georgia Humanities Council, has celebrated

**"Paving the Way to the Future"
Program Provides Opportunity
for Personal Commemoration in
the Courtyard of the New Correll
Center**

For \$100, you can select a 45-character message to be engraved on one of the pavers to be placed in the courtyard of The Correll Center for Teacher Education and Learning.

To learn more, click [here](#).



June Birthdays



- 02 - Monique Green
- 13 - Jordan Hernandez
- 13 - Paula Porter
- 14 - Kathy Halliwell
- 23 - Jim Fullerton
- 25 - Jeff Huebner
- 29 - Lisa Burns

**Mariners Galley & The
Lighthouse Bookstore
Summer Schedule**

Dining

Brunswick
Mariners Galley
Monday- Thursday
9:00 am - 2:00 pm
Monday - Wednesday
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm
Friday - CLOSED

Dockside Deli in both Brunswick and Camden will be closed

Bookstore Hours

Brunswick
Summer Regular Hours
Monday - Thursday
8:00 am - 5:00 pm

exceptional writing in a different part of the state since 1999. The 2012 festival is hosted by the College of Coastal Georgia, the Golden Isles Convention and Visitors Bureau, and the Jekyll Island Authority, with the Brunswick News as presenting sponsor.

Read more about [Natasha Trethewey](#). For details of the Literary Festival, click [here](#).

Coastal Georgia Monitor Looks at Regional Economy and Tourism

For the first issue of the *Coastal Monitor* in 2012, Dr. Don Mathews, Professor of Economics and Director of the Coastal Georgia Center for Economic Analysis and Student Research, decided to highlight one of the bright spots in the region's economy for the Southeast Georgia Joint Development Authority - the hospitality and tourism industry.



"It is one of the reasons the economy of Southeast Georgia has shifted into a higher gear," Dr. Mathews said. "A natural economic specialization, especially for the coastal counties of McIntosh, Glynn, and Camden and the Okefenokee in Charlton County, the hospitality and tourism sector accounts for 10% of all private sector firms in the six-county region and activity jumped by 8.2% in 2010-2011. The numbers are looking even stronger for 2011-2012."

According to Georgia Department of Labor statistics, Dr. Mathews noted a steady growth of both the labor force and available jobs during first quarter. "The employment growth in this six-county region was more than twice as strong as the labor force growth," he said. "So unemployment is down by almost a full percentage point - a positive sign for a strengthening labor market, which is the most important market in any economy."

"We're drawing a record number of vacationers," he concluded, "and that means a critical bounce back in this region."

To read the report, click [here](#).

**College Receives USG Grant for BSN-to-MSN
Nurse Educators**

As many as 40% of the nursing faculty in the state are nearing retirement age, according to the University System of Georgia's Center for Health Workforce Planning and Analysis. This could impact the system's ability to educate enough nursing students to meet pending shortages of RNs across the state. To address this shortage, the USG Nursing Faculty Initiative (NFI) is funding grants to enable nursing graduates with BSN degrees to fast-track securing a master's degree that will enable them to teach nursing at the college level. The College of Coastal Georgia learned Friday afternoon that they will be

Friday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm

Camden
Summer Regular Hours
Monday - Thursday
9:00 am - 4:00 pm
Friday CLOSED

one of the state schools participating in the grant program.

"The College's School of Nursing and Health Sciences is uniquely positioned to participate in the program," said Dr. Patricia Kraft, Southeast Georgia Health System Distinguished Dean of Nursing and Health Sciences. "We have three nursing programs, including an accelerated RN-to-BSN program that prepares a nurse generalist for leadership in the role of professional nurse and provides the foundation for graduate study. We've been educating nurses for over 30 years and our annual licensure pass rate is consistently above 90 percent. We are experienced in providing mentorship for BSN-prepared nurses as they transition from clinical practice to academics."



According to Dean Kraft, the grant will enable Coastal Georgia to hire two candidates with current clinical experience and previous educational experience who will serve as BSN faculty while completing their MSN-Teacher Education coursework. "In many respects, this will be the chance of a lifetime for two BSN graduates to progress in their profession, earn their master's within two years, and be employed in their chosen field."

To read more, click [here](#).

Dr. Jennifer Gray Awarded Scholarships to Attend National Conferences and Workshops

Expanding the vision for the Writing Center

As the girders of The Correll Center for Teacher Education and Learning frame a campus footprint, Dr. Jennifer Gray, Assistant Professor of English and Director of the Writing Center, is expanding the vision for the Writing Center that will be housed there.

During the fall 2011 term, she attended classes across campus to talk to the program stakeholders, surveying almost 1,000 students, faculty, and administrators. She spent January to March analyzing the data. "Two trends emerged," Dr. Gray said. "There is a strong desire for additional in-depth coaching in writing and there is a strong desire for a physical place for writing - a space dedicated to writing in a nurturing environment."

Dr. Gray is attending two summer institutes to develop and enhance the Writing Center programs. She has been accepted for the Advanced Institute hosted by the UNC Writing Project. And she has received a \$1,000 scholarship to attend the 2012 Summer Institute of the International Writing Centers Association (IWCA).

Participation in the Summer Institute is as prestigious as it is

impactful, according to Dr. Gray. Only 30 people are invited to participate in the international program. Dr. Gray was further honored by receiving the scholarship - one of only five available for baccalaureate and post-graduate writing center directors and professors. College of Coastal Georgia Foundation funding for faculty professional development will assist with her transportation expenses.

"I'll be a sponge," she laughed, "absorbing this amazing experience and the brilliance of the IWCA faculty. But I'll also be able to share our current research in developing our new writing center. Ultimately, my objective is to create a writing center unique and appropriate to the College of Coastal Georgia campus community," she concludes.

Read the full story. Columnist [Dick Yarbrough](#) also writes about the Center.

College Receives Retired Educator's Gift to Establish the Carl Rooks Women's Resource Fund



Left to right: Coastal Georgia students Gabrielle Judy and Ansley Hutchinson, Carl Rooks, President Hepburn, students Logan Brown and Rebecca Buchanan

Carl Rooks considers women's education to be so important, he is establishing a special fund to provide them a little extra opportunity - the Carl Rooks Women's Resource Fund.

The fund will provide resources to Coastal Georgia students who are recent graduates of the Glynn County School System and who need financial assistance with instructional and basic support needs, such as books or supplies, directly related to their college education.

"I tell students that a woman can't depend on a man to make a living

for her," he says. "Women have been taken advantage of throughout history - and even still today."

Rooks retired as principal of Ballard Elementary School in 1983. "For 27 years I worked with women - teachers in the elementary school and mothers of the kids in school. I depended on those PTA mothers to help me get things done. And my mother was such a hard worker," he recalls.

"I've wanted to do this for awhile," he explains, "but I wasn't sure I had enough to make a difference. I'm always telling my two daughters I'm spending their inheritance, but this time, they were tickled to death. In fact, they've promised their Christmas gift to me this year will be to add to the fund."

He adds, "As a retired educator, I hope this will stimulate other retired school administrators to give."

HunterMaclean Helps Support New "Leadership Through Service" Scholarship

HunterMaclean, a leading business law firm with offices in Brunswick and Savannah, has pledged \$12,500 to help fund an innovative new scholarship for undergraduate students. The Leadership Through Service Scholarship will provide support for service-learning participants enrolled in a bachelor's degree program in Business or Psychology at the College of Coastal Georgia.

"We are honored by the commitment of HunterMaclean law firm to support the Leadership Through Service Scholarship program at Coastal Georgia," said President Hepburn. "Service-learning is a key priority for this college and the community. The support from HunterMaclean is impactful and valued."



President Hepburn, second from left, with HunterMaclean attorneys (l-r) Drew Ernst, attorney and Foundation trustee Ben Hartman,

Janet Shirley and Bob Cunningham.

[Read](#) the full article.

Coastal Georgia Student Team Places Second in Spelling Bee



Walter Holmes of Brunswick and Chelsea Holcomb of Kingsland teamed up to tackle the tough words for the 4th annual spelling bee sponsored by the Ferst Foundation for Childhood Literacy of Glynn at Glynn Academy Memorial Auditorium on Friday evening, May 4. The event was a fundraiser for the Ferst Foundation.

The College team finished in second place after the Pediatric Associates of Brunswick successfully spelled the word "otiose" to take first. (Webster's defines the word as meaning idle; ineffective; useless.)

Holcomb, a nursing student, served as team captain. Holmes is dual enrolled at RECA and the College.

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