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## Political candidates invited to speak

By Bryan Lord  
Staff Writer

Roger Kahn, Democratic Party candidate for the 7<sup>th</sup> District Congressional seat, will be visiting the central campus on Oct. 3.

This event is open to students and to the general public and will take place at 7 p.m. in the Lakeview Building. Kahn is expected to explain his position on important issues related to the November elections.

Both Kahn and Bob Barr, the Republican Party candidate, have been invited to Floyd College by the Office of Student Life. Ashley Tull, director of student life, is coordinating these events. He said that because Barr is currently serving in Congress, it is hard to know whether or not he will be able to come at this point.

According to the biography on his web page ([www.kahnforcongress.com](http://www.kahnforcongress.com)), Kahn is well-known in business and civic areas. He is currently the chair of PGA Golf Radio that broadcasts nationwide out of Atlanta. Kahn has also served as the chair of the board of directors of Distributors Computer Corporation, CEO of Empire Distributors, and president of the Kahn Companies, to name a few. He has been a member of the Georgia State Elections Board for the past ten years and five of the ten years served as the vice chair. He is also the father of three children.

Barr is the 7<sup>th</sup> District's current representative in the House. His web page ([www.house.gov/barr/](http://www.house.gov/barr/)) explains that he was first elected in November 1994. Before running for public office, Barr worked for the CIA and in 1986 was appointed by President Reagan as the United States Attorney for the Northern District of Georgia. He is also a life member of the National Rifle

Association and serves on the board of directors. Barr has four children and six grandchildren.

Both Barr and Kahn agree that Georgia schools are not doing a good enough job of educating their pupils. The two men agree that more teachers need to be hired. They also share the view that teachers' qualifications should be monitored more closely.

Barr believes that the paperwork burden on teachers should be decreased. He has further said that more common sense is needed in school administration.

Kahn says that the classroom sizes need to be reduced. He also believes that Congress should help local school systems replace schools that are crumbling around students and help relieve the overcrowding.

On the issue of taxes, Kahn and Barr take two very different positions. Kahn believes the surplus in the budget should be devoted to three main areas: "strengthening Social Security and Medicare, paying down the national debt, and cutting taxes for middle and low-income families."

Barr takes a different stand on the issue of taxes. He believes the current system is not the system the United States should be using. He has made two main proposals: a Flat Tax or a National Retail Sales Tax. According to Barr, either system would be a better system than the current one.

Both Barr and Kahn feel that Social Security should have a "lock box" that prevents the spending of Social Security funds on any non-Social Security program. Kahn also believes that Congress should add a prescription drug benefit to Medicare. Kahn says he will fight to protect and strengthen Medicare and Social Security.



*Roger Kahn*

*Bob Barr*



## Voter registration simplified for Floyd students

By Bonnie Turner  
Staff Writer

Floyd College has made registering to vote easy and convenient. Registration applications are available in the Student Life Office.

Applications are also available on all of the other Floyd College campuses. However, students who are Alabama residents are not able to register on any of the campuses.

Ashley Tull, director of Student Life, says, "Students are encouraged to vote in the 2000 elections."

According to the web site [www.fec.gov](http://www.fec.gov), in the 1996 presidential election, of the 5,400,000 voting age Georgia residents, only

3,811,284 registered to vote. Less than half of the voting age Georgia residents actually voted.

There are a few conditions that must be met in order to be applicable for registration. These conditions are listed on the application itself. Those registering to vote must meet the requirements listed to the right.

According to Norma Murphy, SGA vice president of public relations, the deadline for returning applications to the Student Life Office is Oct. 5. Applicants who are accepted will receive a precinct card telling them where to vote.

### Qualifications for registering to vote

- Be a citizen of the United States
- Be a legal resident of Georgia
- Be at least 17 ½ years of age to register (at least 18 to vote)
- Not be serving a sentence for a conviction of a felony involving moral turpitude
- Have not been found mentally incompetent by a judge.

## News

### Chair of academic support dies during summer semester

By Dixie L. Bowman  
Staff Writer

Over the summer Floyd College lost its first chair of academic support, Carol Callahan, who died of a brain aneurysm.

"It was a big shock and a real tragedy for all of us who knew her. We are trying to carry on as she would have wanted," said Elizabeth Harrison. Harrison is Callahan's temporary replacement and is an associate professor of developmental reading.

Callahan came to Floyd in 1997 from Georgia State University, where she was the tutorial coordinator.

She received her Bachelor of Science in Education at Georgia State in 1972. She went on to receive her master's in Education from the University of Georgia in 1975.

At Georgia State University, Callahan worked for Dr. Joan Lord who is now vice president of academic affairs at Floyd College.

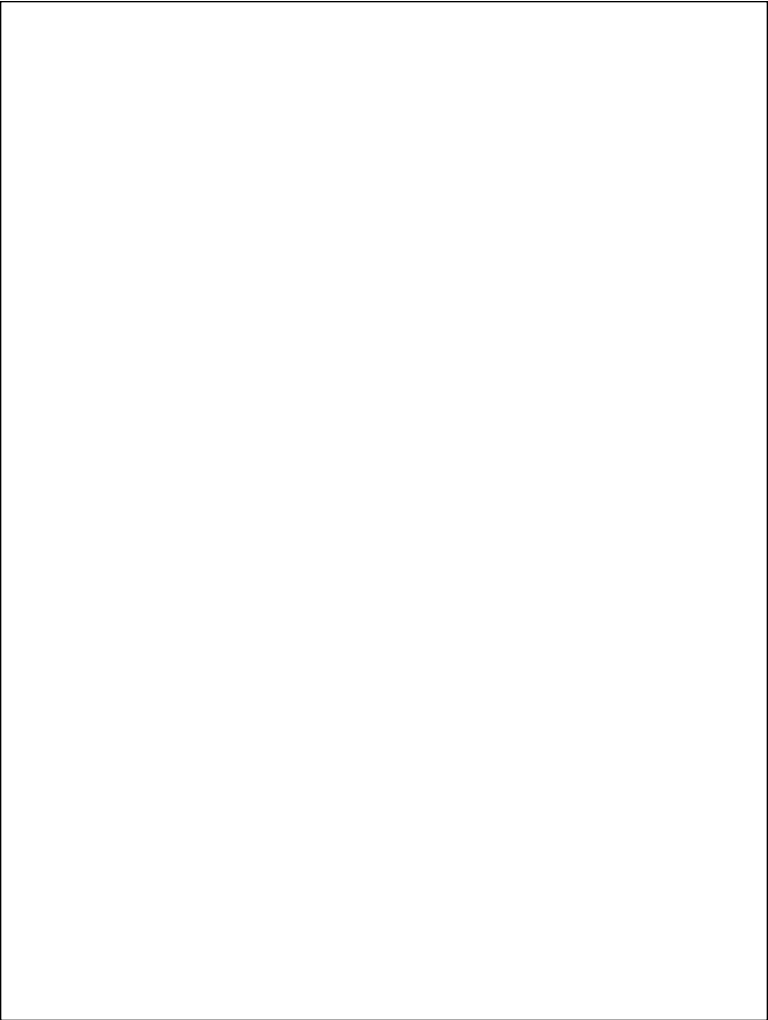
"I have known Carol a long time. I hired her at Georgia State,

and she is one of the very few people I have had the pleasure of hiring twice. She was very good at her job and working with people. It was a shock to lose her so suddenly," said Lord.

As the first chair of the division of academic support, Callahan brought learning support (which offers courses to prepare students for academics at a college level courses), academic advising, the Tutorial Center and the Testing Center under one division.

"Carol got the division off to a wonderful start. She was a great person to work for because she allowed everyone to do what they did best," stated Harrison.

Callahan lived with her husband, Jack, in Marietta, Ga. Jack Callahan works for the Cobb County School District in the transportation department. Callahan had two children, Collen and Kate. Collen is married with one son and lives in Orlando, Fla. Kate is a senior at Princeton University and plans to go to medical school.



Chair of Academic Support Carol Callahan

Guest Photo

### Red Cross needs student blood donors

By Melissa Allen  
Staff Writer

Floyd College along with the American Red Cross is holding a blood drive today, Sept 26, from 8 a.m. until 2 p.m. in the solarium. Everyone from the community is invited to donate.

Appointments are preferred although some drop-ins will be accepted.

Today's drive has a goal of 30 units of blood. This goal is usually met although last April, over 60 units were collected.

Most people, age 17 or older and weighing at least 110 pounds, can donate. Ashley Tull, director of student life, says, "Everyone is encouraged to give. There is a greater need for blood with the holidays approaching."

The blood contributed will be donated to over 200 hospitals and health care facilities in the Southern Region. The Red Cross needs 22,000 people to give blood every day because the blood only lasts 35-42 days.

Those who are unable to give this time will have other chances. The office of Student Life has scheduled drives for Feb. 28 and April 26, 2001.

Anyone who is interested in giving blood may contact the Office of Student Life, 706-295-6363. For other blood drive information contact The American Red Cross at 1-800-GIVE-LIFE.

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Watch for updated results in the Oct. 17 SMP issue. The Poll ends Nov. 6, and the final tally will be compared to the actual national outcome in the Nov. 14 SMP.

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## News

# Rob Watts to give a book review

By Jeremy Stewart  
Staff Writer

The new interim president of Floyd College, Rob Watts, will be reviewing a book on Thursday, Sept. 28 on the central campus as part of a book forum sponsored by the library and Tutorial Center.

Watts will be reviewing *The Power and the Glory* by Graham Greene. He previously read the novel while in college, but was tempted to review it when he noticed it on the banned book list.

In preparation for the review, Watts not only re-read the selection, but also read some of Greene's other titles. These include *The End of the Affair*, which was recently made into a major motion picture.

He chose the book for its statement on the connection between people's public and private lives, a topic, he says, that relates to the current presidential race.

Watts grew up in Gainesville, Fla., where his father was a professor at the University of Florida.

He received his Bachelor of Arts and Master of Arts degrees from Florida State University.

After moving to Atlanta, Watts continued his education at Emory University. He then began working with the State Legislature and General Assembly as a researcher for the Legislature Budget Office.

Watts then became the Chief Financial Officer for Dekalb College, now Georgia Perimeter College.

He became interim president when Dr. Lynn Cundiff, who had been president of Floyd College for almost eight years, left to take over the presidency of Salt Lake City Community College.

Watts also intends to see that the Information Technology Project is updated and that something is done in the near future to acquire new laptops. Academically, he is hoping to talk to faculty and staff frequently and to push for a new language program. With our communities becoming more and more international, Watts feels that students should be bilingual

when they graduate.

Watts' responsibilities are the same as a regular president's. For the time he is here, he is to insure that the policies of the Board of Regents and the state are followed.

In order to obtain a permanent president, a procedure must be followed. First, the chancellor of the University System will appoint a seven-member search committee that will describe what characteristics a college president should have.

The committee will be made up of three faculty members, an administrator, a student, a person from the community, and an alumnus. They will then put out a national advertisement and narrow down the entries to five candidates.

Watts expects this to happen in the next few weeks. Then, a special committee of the Board of Regents will interview each candidate until a decision can be reached on who is to be the new president.

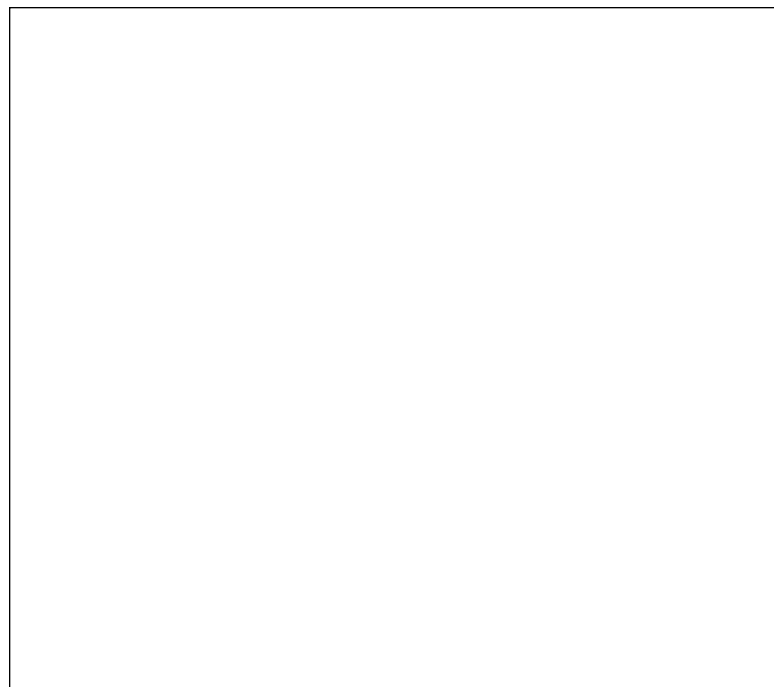


Photo by Heather Koon

### Floyd College Interim President Rob Watts

There will be two other Book Forums this semester. Floyd College student Adam Stanley will review *The Sun Also Rises* by Ernest Hemingway on Thursday, Oct. 26, and Frank Minor, assistant professor of English, will be

reviewing *Lamb in His Bosom* by Caroline Miller on Wednesday, Nov. 15.

All meetings will be held in the Solarium from noon to 1 p.m. and will include an open discussion of the selection.

# PSO students get an early start on college

By Leslie Pledger  
Staff Writer

They are high school students. They are college students. But we refer to them as PSO or Post Secondary Option students. Still enrolled in high school, but also taking college courses, these 16, 17 and 18 year olds are fitting in just fine in college.

The requirements for admissions for PSO students are stricter than those for regularly admitted students. The student must have a minimal high school GPA of 3.0 in college preparatory courses.

The student must also have a total SAT of 970 with 530 verbal and must also have the permission of the high school's guidance counselor or principal and the parents.

Floyd College currently has 91 PSO students, an increase from last year's 75.

There are PSO classes offered on all the Floyd College campuses and also at Chattooga High

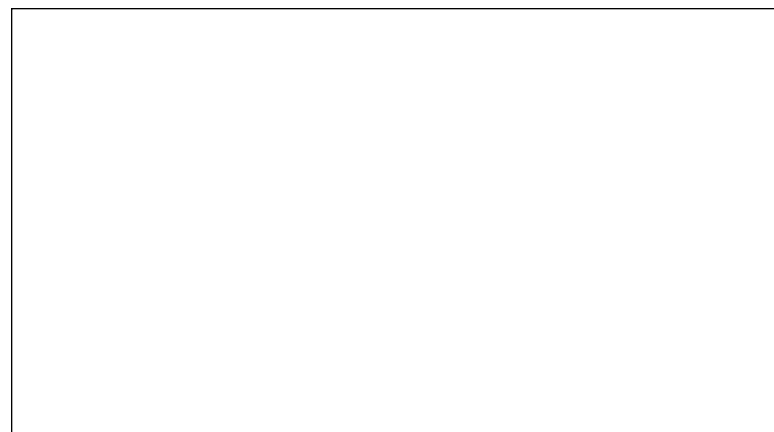


Photo by Heather Koon

### PSO Students (from left) Ashley Williams, Crystal Buckhalter and Allison Floyd get together after English class.

School.

Floyd College recruitment coordinator Amy Mitchell said that Model High School is also being considered as a PSO location for next year.

The program is sponsored by the state Board of Education. The Board pays the students' tuition.

Crystal Burkhalter from Pepperell said the transition from

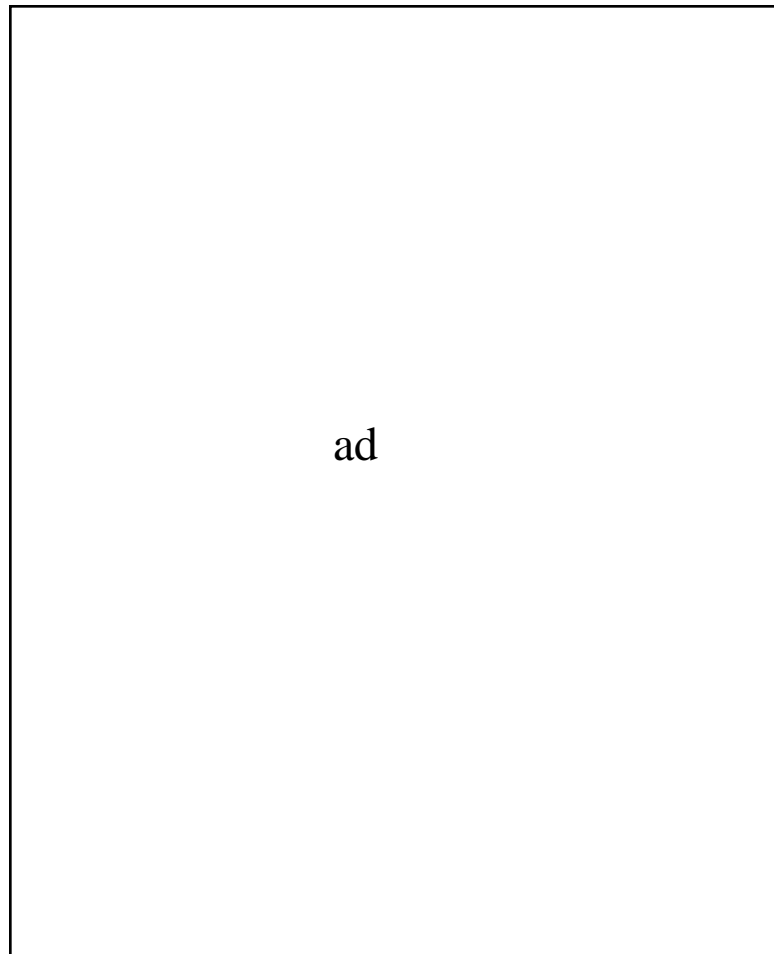
high school to Floyd College was, "a little shocking" but she likes college life a lot better than high school.

Allison Floyd from Armuchee said that she still plays basketball for her high school team and is still very active at Armuchee High.

Ashley Williams from Cedar-town said that she likes the freedom of college.

## Is health service your career choice?

Floyd College will host a health service career day in the student center on Oct. 18 from 11 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Representatives from hospitals, other care services and four-year schools will be there to talk to students and answer their questions.

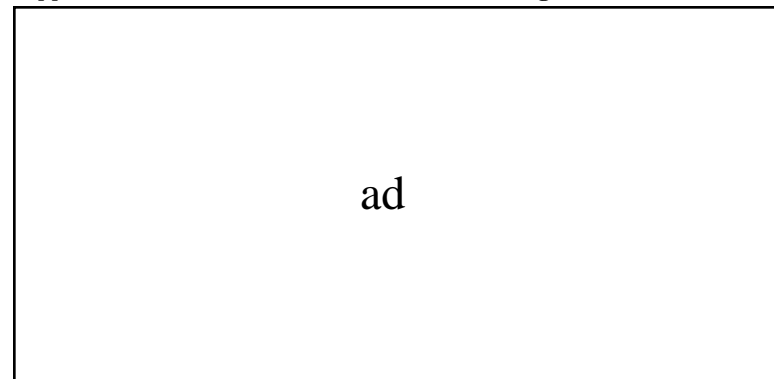


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## Regents' Test

Exam date: Oct. 31  
Application deadline: Oct. 6

Sign-up in the testing center in the Rome campus library. Off-campus students may pick up an application in their campus' main office.

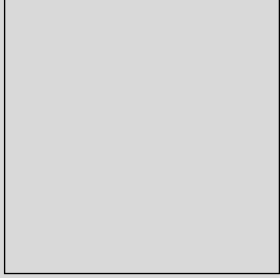


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## Editorials

# Editor's Box

## Hey, Berry has a cross-country team. Where's ours?



**Colter Wallace**  
Assistant Editor

What force on this earth influences people to run? Is it the thought of gaining too much weight? Is it the thought of being an Olympic athlete? Or is it the ambition to stay in shape for the years to come? All of these questions and more are correct responses to why people in the world run day after day.

Today, cross-country and track teams at high schools and colleges have created a more athletically healthy generation of students.

Unfortunately, Floyd College, unlike most colleges and universities, lacks the presence of any organized league of runners. This absence hasn't disabled the col-

lege in any way, but a cross-country team could increase the participation of students on campus.

Frequently, the Floyd College main campus is used as the site of neighboring high schools' cross-country practices and meets. Just two weeks ago there was a meet on campus. E-mails were sent out to everyone notifying him or her of the meet and asking them to be aware. The back gate of the campus was even closed due to this event.

For once I would like to say that I am part of the Floyd College cross-country team and be in the group that practices by running around the campus. I would also like to receive an e-mail stating that the campus back gate would be closed due to a meet in which Floyd College's cross-country team is participating.

There also seems to be a big cross-country meet at Berry College that is tough to enter due to the limited number of openings. Hey, if Berry College can do it, then I believe Floyd College can also do it.

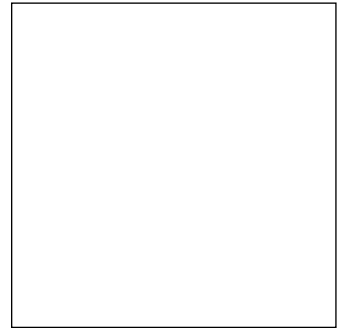
With the overall popularity of running sports rising, Floyd College needs to create its own team. This team would be trained and

would compete in meets. I believe that this idea could also be essentially good for the health of everyone who gets involved.

The creation of a group of runners for a school is not difficult at all. The main ingredients needed are a coach and a group of runners, both not at all hard to find. Floyd College should create a cross-country program to better define the college and increase the participation and inspire the health of student life.

# A letter from the SGA President

By Lisa Berrien  
Guest Writer



Welcome Back to everyone here at Floyd College.

At this time I would like to welcome all of the new students, returning students and all of the faculty and staff. This year is going to be a good year at Floyd College.

Life can get hard sometimes but everyone here will welcome you and make you feel at home. Just think of us as one big happy family who showers with love. One of the things we promote here is unity and togetherness. We want students here at Floyd College to feel like there is no obstacle too great for them to accomplish. We also want you to come to any of us if there are any problems that you are facing this year.

As SGA President, my promise to you is to be here whenever you need me. If there are any problems that you are facing, feel free to contact me. A lot of you don't know, but SGA stands for Student Government Association. Along with my three other officers and senators, we plan to have a fun-filled year for the students here. Our doors will always be open to

you. Feel free to stop by the Student Life Office and visit us. Remember we are here to serve you.

I can be contacted by e-mail at [eberr00@mail.fc.peachnet.edu](mailto:eberr00@mail.fc.peachnet.edu). I will gladly respond to everyone.

In closing, I would like to welcome all of you once again to Floyd College. I hope your experiences here will always be ones that you will remember and think about for the rest of your lives.

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## Can athletes truly be considered role models?

Baseball season is nearing post-season, football season has just begun, and without a doubt, millions of fans tune in to watch their favorite teams and players. For some reason, sports have a way of making us sit on the edge of our couch with crossed fingers, jump up and down like idiots, and yell at inanimate objects, namely the television. Oddly enough, the referees never seem to hear the home viewers' opinions.

Power-packed emotion is delivered with a tenth inning walk-off homerun or a fourth quarter two-point conversion to win the game. So, it is easy to understand how these players easily become role models for youths across the country.

Kids look up to these players. They model themselves after the pros and dream about becoming superstars themselves.

All in all, dreams are great and normally push us to strive for something. Everyone needs a dream, even if it's simply a matter of remaining sane. But when reality crushes these dreams, what effect does it have on the young sports players? Well, in some cases it has a drastic effect on the rest of a young athlete's life.

Everyone knows, or has at least heard of the unkind, insurmountable odds against young athletes making it to the big league. Unfortunately, some young students, whether in high school or college, do not take these odds into consideration. They make sports a lone career

choice, and blow the academics off. This is where the road becomes uneasy. Sports, by themselves, do not provide a solid base for a youngster's future.

There are just so many things that can happen to an athlete that will bring his/her career to a halt. The biggest, and most common, is injury, whether on the field, in a car accident, or any similar unfortunate event.

After the doctor says, "You'll never play sports again," it sure would be nice to know that just 15 more credits earn a degree.

But don't necessarily label sports as bad, unnecessary or a holdback, for sports can provide discipline and enforce teamwork. These characteristics can prove to be very valuable assets in society.

Sports are also a big part of this country's history. Most people don't know who their district representative is or when Congress is in session, but they do know who won last year's Super Bowl.

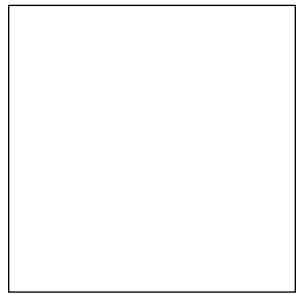
Young athletes shouldn't plan their future around sports; instead they should plan sports around their future.

Basically, academics should be a higher priority than sports. A good college education, rewarded with a degree, is much more valuable than a varsity letter. Playing sports for a school is just the proverbial icing on the cake. So, study hard, and that really applies to all students.

## Features

### Student Poll

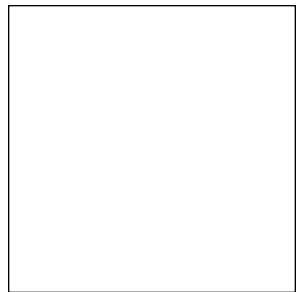
What is your favorite event to watch in the summer Olympics and why?



**Norma Murphy**  
Early Childhood Education

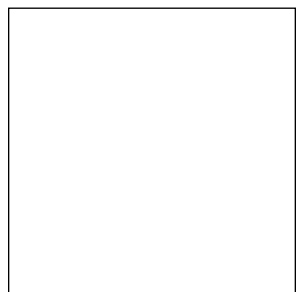
"My favorite event is the gymnastics. It really shows the delicacy of the body. I think it is really neat how flexible they are. This event demonstrates eloquence and physical delight. I wish I could participate in it myself."

**Samantha Pierce**  
General Studies



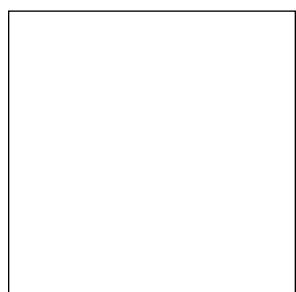
"My favorite event in the summer Olympics is track. I have always loved this sport. I used to run track, so it has been an interest of mine for quite some time."

**April Morris**  
Journalism



"My favorite event is baseball. I love baseball! I think it is a very exciting sport and it has always been of interest to me."

**Martin Gomisich**  
Business



"I really enjoy the gymnastics. I like watching girls run around in tights. The flips are not that bad either."

**Brijesh Patel**  
Computer Studies

"I like gymnastics because of the agility they have. I think it is neat the way they can move their bodies. This event takes a lot of concentration."

## All granny wants is one day a year and her two front teeth

By April Morris  
Staff Writer

Grandparents Day was Sunday, Sept. 10. "What is Grandparents Day?" asked Gene Howper, a freshman computer science major from Lindale.

Like Howper, many students were oblivious to the holiday. Others, such as Julie Sanders, a freshman business administration major from Rome, remembered the holiday and made plans to call her grandparents. Still others had more elaborate plans like flowers

and cards.

Grandparents Day was started by a woman named Marian McQuade, according to [www.grandparents-day.com](http://www.grandparents-day.com). McQuade designed the holiday so that the elderly in nursing homes would not feel so lonely. Her intentions were also to get grandchildren to realize the wisdom that their grandparents possessed.

In 1978, Jimmy Carter proclaimed that National Grandparents Day would be celebrated the first Sunday after Labor Day.

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## Features

# Rock group goes to Wyoming as part of western tour

By Ashley Murray  
Staff Writer

This summer, while many students were enjoying their chance to catch up on some R&R, others were exploring a real "Home on the Range."

From June 7 through June 21, a group of 12 students in the class Geology 1121, traveled to Jackson, Wyo. Their main focus was on the abundance of geology, with the whole state of Wyoming as their personal classroom.

For two weeks, the students had to live together and spend many hours in close quarters while traveling. Although most of them did not know each other in the beginning, everyone left with a new friendship. They formed a family very early on.

The group shared many things, from the excitement of a birthday to the loneliness of missing their loved ones. Everyone left with the experience and the bonds that were formed.

During the trip, there were several long hikes. On the first hike, Amy Baker, amazed at the amount of snow said, "We saw more snow in June than the whole



Guest Photo

The students who went on the June Wyoming trip are (from left to right) Isaac Gardner, Lindsey Oliver, Ashley Murray, assoc. prof. Billy Morris, Cynthia Parker, Amy Baker, Sean McDowell (seated), Paul Awtrey, Jammie Donelson, Jason Stewart, Tamela Tatum Baker, Christy Edins, and Ashley Rakestraw.

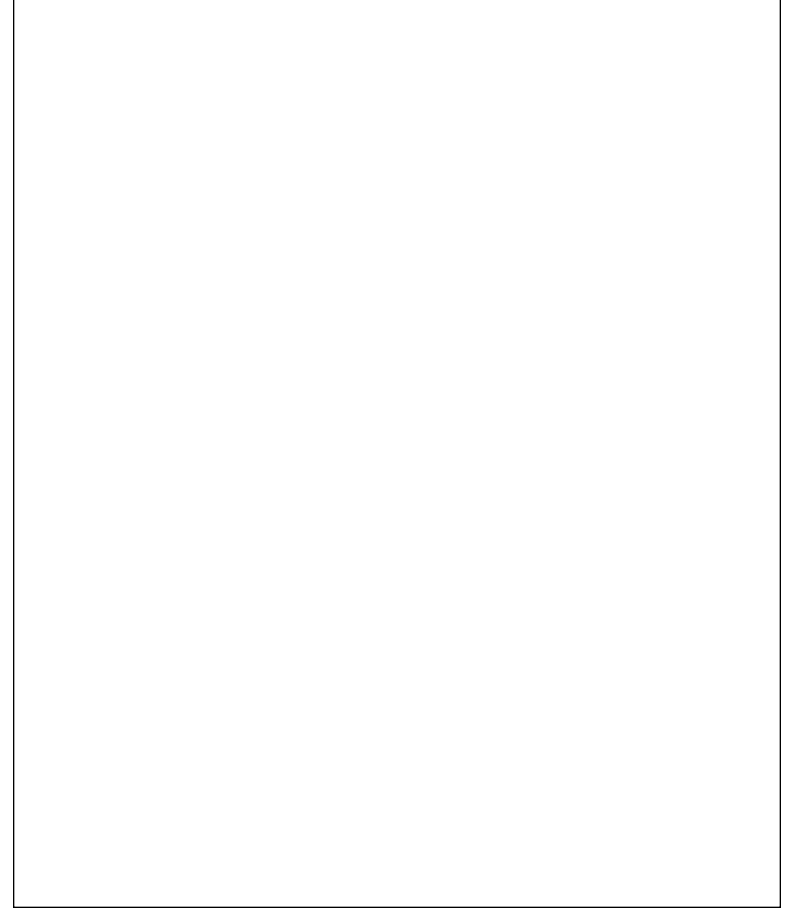
state of Georgia saw all last winter. It was great though."

There was also another class, Geology 1122, that went on the same trip from July 12 through July 26.

Billy Morris, associate professor of geology, who has been head-

ing up this trip for the past four years, knows all of the pros and cons involved.

"The type of students that will get the most out of a course like this are those that are curious, energetic, amiable and flexible," Morris commented.



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Grand Canyon of the Yellowstone River is part of the outdoor classroom that these trips provide.

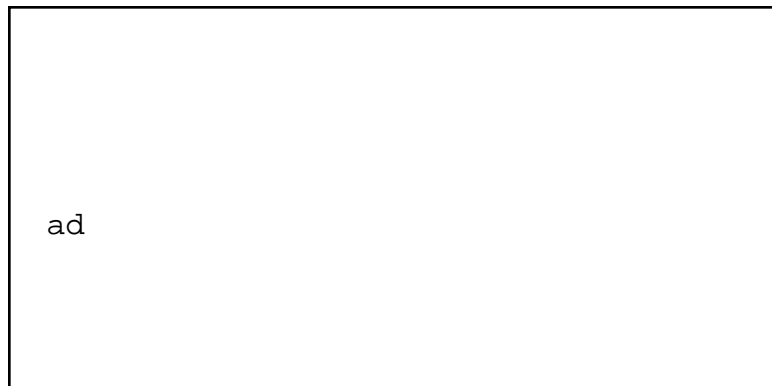
## Mid-term mingle at Waco campus

By Julianna Smith  
Staff Writer

The Floyd College Waco campus will have its first mid-term pizza party Oct. 12. Two sessions will be held to accommodate all students. The first runs from 11:30 a.m. to 1 p.m., and the second from 3 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Susan Claxton, Waco Campus Director, considers the event a mixer. She says it will be a time for students to mingle with each other and with their professors in a relaxed atmosphere.

Claxton encourages all students to attend for an afternoon of food, fun and a few games of pingpong and pool.



## Small student group visits Matisse exhibit at the Birmingham Museum of Art

By M. Adam Stanley  
Staff Writer

*Looking at Life with the Eyes of a Child*, the title of an essay by French artist Henri Matisse (1869-1954), sums up the exhibition of his work which was on display at the Birmingham Museum of Art July 16 through Sept. 10.

The 68 works are drawn from the celebrated Cone Collection at the Baltimore Museum of Art and include paintings, sculptures, drawings and some amazing examples of Matisse's brilliant cut-outs from his illustrated book *Jazz*. The exhibit spans 50 years of his career, featuring 40 paintings and 20 sculptures.

The Matisse Exhibit is part of The Birmingham Museum of Art's 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary celebration.

A small group of art and Spanish students from Floyd College traveled to Birmingham to see the exhibit on Friday, Sept. 8, accompanied by the Spanish and French professor, Sheila McCoy.

The 68 works in this collection

come from Dr. Claribel (1864-1929) and Ms. Etta Cone (1870-1949), who collected a total of almost 500 works by Matisse, supporting the profound 40-year relationship shared by the artist and his patrons.

Many of Matisse's paintings, like *Interior, Flowers and Parakeets* (1924), rife with lavish patterns and flamboyant colors, are influenced by his extensive travels to North Africa.

The centerpiece of the collection is *Blue Nude* (1907). This large painting positively demonstrates Matisse's Modernism. The woman reclines in a primal, natural scene. The contours of her body are muscular and accentuated. The raw, rudimentary style of this painting was perhaps derived from Matisse's growing interest in African and tribal art.

When *Blue Nude* was first exhibited in Paris, it was seen as offensive; many people claimed it was ugly. A reproduction of *Blue Nude* was once burned by a group of students at The Chicago Insti-

tute of Art.

Matisse hoped, by the simplification of form, to free European art from the need to look real. The piece reflects his personal response to an object, a direct translation of his emotion.

Although the Floyd group was small, the trip to the museum went well. It was very educational and informative. On the way out, everyone stopped off in the gift shop to pick up a souvenir.

"I could have spent all day in there," said Jennifer Smith, as she held a plastic bag that contained a rolled-up print of *Blue Nude*. Smith is double majoring in Spanish and art at Floyd College.

Amanda Harden, a non-student, who went along as a guest on the trip, said she "felt inspired. The first thing I'm going to do when I get home is break out the paint."

McCoy said, "The exhibit was wonderful. I just wish more people could have gone."

## Sports

# Students and faculty battle it out in the sand



Photo by Heather Koon

**Student Jon Boe digs the ball out of the sand while Billy Morris, associate professor of geology, hopes for the best.**

**By Laterah Dunham**  
Assistant Editor

It was not exactly the beach. There were no seagulls or salty ocean breezes. However, there were plenty of clouds, as well as yellow sand and a patiently waiting volleyball net when students and faculty members took to the court at noon on Sept. 8.

Six students and six faculty members turned out for the game. A student was placed on the faculty side and one faculty on the student side for fairness. John Boe, a sophomore secondary education major from Haralson County, played on the faculty team.

Despite the threat of rain, three games were played.

The first two games the students pounded the faculty into the sand.

The last game, however, the faculty let it all loose. It seemed as if the faculty had just let the students win the first two games to boost their egos.

Like the calm before the storm, the faculty let the students get ahead just like the last two games. Then, BOOM! All that talent the

faculty had been holding back could not wait any more.

But, the students did not let this surprise them. They kept up with the faculty most of the game and gave them a run for their money.

First the students were ahead; then the faculty took the lead. It was back and forth the entire game.

Then the game and score came down to the students with 16 points and the faculty with 20 points. It was going to be close.

The ball was served. It was hit back and forth, back and forth and then it hit the ground. Now the students had 17 and faculty just needed one more point.

Again the ball was served. Back and forth just like before.

When the ball finally did hit the ground, cheers were heard for miles coming from none other than Floyd College's faculty. They had won.

After the game Boe was worn out with sand in his ear. "I think that our experience and athletic ability helped us to defeat the students," said Boe. This was only the second time he ever played volleyball.

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## Entertainment

# Guest hypnotist entertains Floyd College

By Mike Parker  
Editor

Rich Ames, a professional hypnotherapist, performed on Floyd College's main campus at noon Wednesday, Sept. 13.

Approximately 60 to 70 people turned out to be entertained by the hour-long comedy hypnosis show. The majority of the audience was students; however, there were a few faculty members in attendance as well.

Ames started the show by an explanation of how hypnosis works, accompanied by a few jokes. He then proceeded to ask for 10 volunteers out of the audience to come up on stage to be hypnotized. Ten eager volunteers jumped at the opportunity and quickly filled the seats on stage.

The hypnosis process consisted of soft music along with Ames' soothing voice while the 10 volunteers had their eyes closed and heads down. Ames would say things during this "sleep" stage like "imagine your arms feel like

lead." After a few moments he would get them to imagine their arms as helium balloons. The volunteers' arms then started rising

*"imagine your  
arms feel like  
lead"*

*-- Rich Ames  
Hypnotist*

slowly.

The 10 volunteers went on to do funny things that were suggested to them by Ames during the "sleep" stage. To name a few, each one of the volunteers danced to the song "Twist" imagined they were driving a formula-one racecar at high speeds and pictured everyone in the audience in their underwear. Also, the male volunteers actually danced ballet while imagining themselves naked.

Two of the volunteers were

hypnotized into believing they were famous stars. Lee McDowell, an undecided major who lives in Buchanan, was Madonna. Brijesh Patel, a computer studies major who lives in Rome, was Michael Jackson. Each one had a moment in the spotlight, dancing and lip-synching a tune from the selected artist.

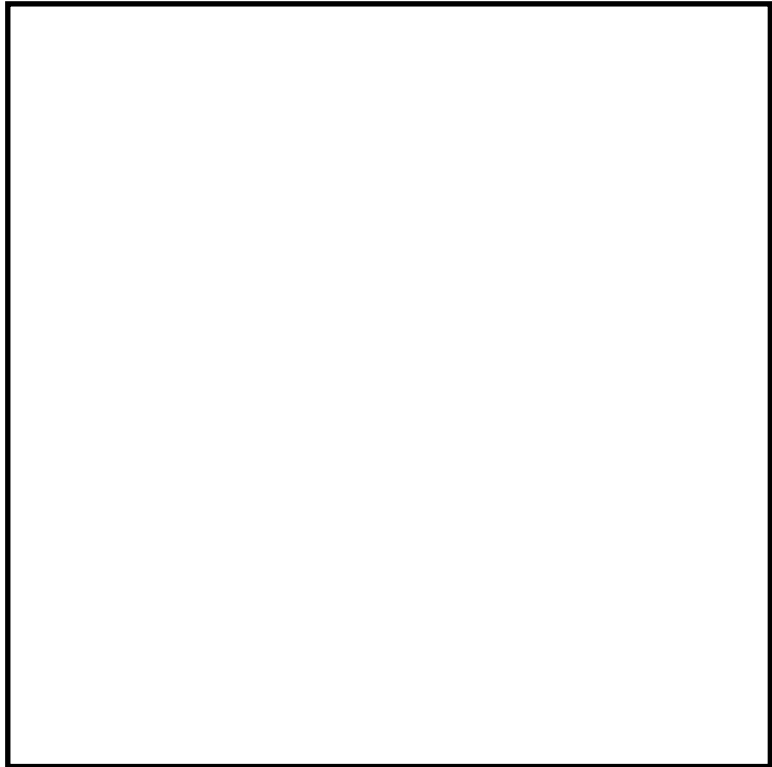
Ames was accompanied and assisted by his wife Marielle Ames, who is also a professional hypnotherapist. She handled the music, sound effects and all of the other technical parts of the show while Rich Ames entertained.

The Ames couple is from Las Vegas, Nev., but performs the comedy hypnosis shows all over the country. According to Rich, they travel about 70,000 miles a year and perform at anywhere from 120 to 150 colleges a year.

The show is strictly for colleges, but they do perform hypnotherapy professionally for anyone who wants to quit a bad habit, lose weight, or anything else along the same line.

The Ames couple has been performing for 10 years now, and this

was the fourth time they had performed at Floyd College.



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