



## FOCUS

### ABAC Begins Social Security Number Conversion

Privacy and security have become big issues in all organizations. In order to prevent identity theft or other privacy issues from taking place, ABAC is beginning a conversion from the use of social security numbers to a generated number for student, faculty, and staff protection.

Dr. Chrystle Ross, ABAC's Executive Director of Information Technology Services, said, "The biggest application the college will undergo during this conversion will involve the stu-

dents' Gold Cards and IDs. Because both are used for so many purposes, we are going to make the conversion of these cards as convenient for the students as possible."

Blackboard, the vendor that is connected with the Gold Card, will need about six weeks to process the conversion to make the change a reality. Numbers will be similar to the generated ones on a driver's license.

"We are taking as much time as needed to make sure things run

smoothly," said Ross.

The conversion completion date has yet to be determined. The transition could possibly be completed as early as the end of May or as late as fall semester.

"This conversion is beneficial because people will no longer have to use a number that needs so much protection. People need to be increasingly aware of protecting their social security numbers," said Ross.



### **BACCHUS: This Could Be You!**

*BACCHUS, ABAC's peer education organization, conducted Spring Alcohol Awareness activities last week to promote safe and responsible behavior before students departed for spring break. One event simulated a drunk driving car accident. ABAC students watched as the BACCHUS members, local EMS, and Campus Police depicted what happens in an actual car accident from the point of impact. The event was designed to educate students through a very realistic portrayal of the results of drinking and driving. Other events during the week included a DUI simulator and seat belt exhibit, as well as a "Ghost Out" where students portrayed people killed as a result of alcohol-related accidents or alcohol poisoning.*



### **Spring Break This Week**

ABAC students will be enjoying their annual spring break this week. The college will remain open as usual on an 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. basis. Classes resume March 14.

### **Field Day Tuesday**

The first annual third grade "ABAC Field Day" will be held on Tuesday.

"The field day is in response to all the requests we get from the community," said Vonda Fenn, Program Coordinator for the Public Service and Business Outreach Center.

Planned activities for this event include a mini-rodeo, an exotic animal collection tour, and other activities at the ABAC Farm. Events begin at 9 a.m. and conclude with a hot dog lunch at Lake Baldwin at noon.

"The Ag Division will help with the activities, as well as the student athletes," said Fenn.

Three schools will be participating in the tour, Funston and Stringfellow Elementary Schools from Colquitt County and Cornerstone Christian Academy from Sparks.



## Baseball Team At Home Tuesday

Coach Steve Janousek's baseball team will host Rend Lake for a 4 p.m. twin-bill at Stallion Field on Tuesday. You can also catch the ABAC squad in action on Friday for a 1 p.m. double-header against John Wood. Support Stallions' baseball!

## Concert Salutes Armed Forces Tonight at TCHS

The Tift County High School Concert and Symphonic bands will present an Armed Forces Salute concert at 7:30 p.m. tonight in the TCHS Performing Arts Center. Local guest musicians, including ABAC's own Don Coates and Eugene Wyles; the TCHS Women's Chorus, and the Georgia 51st AFROTC unit will also be featured during the event.



TCHS Director of Bands Woody Leonard said the evening will conclude with a salute to local veterans and a rousing rendition of *The Stars and Stripes Forever*.

Admission is \$2 for adults and \$1 for students. Veterans and current members of the Armed Forces will be admitted free.

## Reception to Honor Wyles On March 14

A reception will be held to honor Eugene Wyles, Director of Bands at ABAC, from 4-6 p.m. on March 14. The reception celebrates Wyles' induction into the Georgia Band Directors Hall of Fame.



**Eugene Wyles**

The event will take place in the Music Building on the campus. It is open to anyone who would like to attend.

The Georgia Band Directors Hall of Fame's purpose is to acknowledge outstanding performance of band directors, musicians, and teachers of the past and present.

Wyles' 46-year distinguished career in music includes 31 years as director of bands at Worth County High School in Sylvester, where he enjoyed a successful career with many accomplishments, and 15 years as director of bands at ABAC.

## Stained Glass Class March 19

A Stained Glass class will be held at ABAC March 19 and 26 from 10 a.m.-3 p.m. Classes will be held in Conger Hall, Room 325. Pre-registration is required. The cost is \$79 (plus supplies). This class is approved for one Professional Learning Unit (PLU).

In this class, participants will learn cutting, assembly, and soldering techniques while completing stained glass projects. Students will get a list of supplies upon registering.

For information or to sign up, call the PSBOC at 391-5070.



## Brass Quintet at First Tuesday

*The ABAC Brass Quintet was one of the ensembles featured at last week's First Tuesday Concert. Members of the group are Vann Thornton, trumpet; Don Wauchope, French horn; Greg Long, tuba; Woody Leonard, trombone; and Don Coates, trumpet. The final concert in this year's First Tuesday series will be held in the Chapel of All Faiths on April 12.*

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### Celebrating Birthdays March



7 Fran Kinchen  
14 Katrina McCrae  
14 Lori Pearman

### Fillies & Stallions Wind Up Seasons



The ABAC Fillies lost to Middle Georgia 68-52 in the semifinal round of the state tournament Friday to wind up their basketball season. The Fillies had defeated Truett-McConnell 70-46 in the first round. Coach Julie Conner's team wound up with a 7-23 record. Two Fillies, Kelly McMullen and Tamara Petersen, were named first team All-State.

Coach Todd Sheppard's Stallions ended their basketball season in a 74-64 loss to Truett-McConnell in the first round of the state tournament on Tuesday. The Stallions compiled a 17-14 overall record.

### Expression of Appreciation



Words simply can't express my appreciation for all you've done for me and my family during our recent loss.

The many cards, prayers, your thoughtful actions and your presence helped more than you can know. We've come to see the many lives that Chris had touched. Even though he had been with his new job only 5 months, they have made a touching statement of the person he was. His supervisor called two weeks ago to ask our permission to do something to commemorate Chris. He will receive the 'employee of the month' award as had been planned. But, moreover, the award for all future recognitions will be "The Maxwell Award." I know that Chris must simply be amazed and so honored that they would do this for him.

Though we miss him terribly, knowing how he was loved and appreciated by so many does help. And in time, our tears will turn to wonderful memories of our lives together.

In thanks and prayer,  
Chrystle, Mike, Sunny, & Marla

The Baldwin Women's Club Presents:

## PICTURE THIS...

March 14, 7:00 p.m.  
Ag Sciences Building



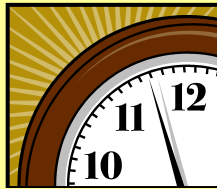
Our speaker will be  
Ms. Merle Baker -Photographs

Door prizes & light refreshments

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Membership is open to all faculty/staff or spouses of faculty/staff. Dues are still one of the best bargains at \$10 a year, especially since they defray the cost of program expenses and are used to fund a scholarship awarded to a deserving ABAC student.

### Library/Computer Lab Spring Break Schedule



The Baldwin Library will be open this week Monday-Friday from 8 a.m.-5 p.m., but will be closed on Saturday for spring

holidays. The Library will resume its regular schedule beginning at 6 p.m. on Sunday.

Computer labs will also be open 8 a.m.-5 p.m., Monday-Friday, but closed on Saturday. Labs will be open on Sunday from 6-10 p.m.

### Relay for Life April 22-23



### Calendar of Events

#### Monday, March 7

Today—Spring Break Begins

#### Tuesday, March 8

Today—ABAC Field Day for 3rd Graders

9 a.m.—Georgia Student Finance Commission  
(Cordell Conf. Rm A)

4 p.m.—Baseball: Stallions vs. Rend Lake \*Doubleheader\*  
(Stallion Field)

#### Friday, March 11

8 a.m.—IAAP Convention  
(Cordell Conf. Room)

1 p.m.—Baseball: Stallions vs. John Wood \*Doubleheader\*  
(Stallion Field)

6 p.m.—Dees/Harris Wedding Rehearsal  
(Chapel)

6:30 p.m.—IAAP Conference Dinner  
(Dining Hall)

#### Saturday, March 12

8 a.m.—IAAP Convention  
(Cordell Conf. Room)

8 a.m.—High School Basketball Players Exposure Camp (Gressette Gym)

Noon—IAAP Convention Luncheon  
(Dining Hall)

#### Monday, March 14

4 p.m.—Eugene Wyles Reception  
(Music Building)

6 p.m.—Tifton-Tift County Arts Council Meeting  
(Cordell Conf. Room A)

6 p.m.—Hunter Safety  
(Cordell Conf. Room C)

7 p.m.—Christian Student Fellowship  
(Chapel)

### ABAC Family

**Dr. Ed Seagle** appeared on WALB Channel 10's *Georgia Farm Monitor* on Feb. 26 as a representative judge of Georgia Farm Bureau's 2005 Scholarship Program. Of the four scholars chosen, three have expressed their intent to attend ABAC. Seagle also attended a meeting of the Georgia Department of Education's Technical and Agriculture Education Task Force on March 3 at Macon State College.

**Dr. Doris Roundtree**, CAMP Coordinator, and former CAMP students Alex and Alma Salazar attended the Georgia Tutoring Association Conference at Mercer University on Feb. 26.

**Diane Kilgore** talked about Public Service and Business Outreach classes, and **Dr. Susan Roe** talked about the First Tuesday concert on the WTIF Morning Show with Chris Beckham on Tuesday.