The music program at ABAC will usher in the holiday season with a concert on Tuesday at 5 p.m. in the Chapel of All Faiths as part of the First Tuesday Concert Series. Dr. Susan Roe, Head of the Department of Fine Arts and a professor of voice, said the holiday concert has been held annually at ABAC for 14 years. This event is open to the public at no charge.

The concert will feature the ABAC Jazz Choir and the ABAC Singers, directed by Roe, and the ABAC Percussion Ensemble under the direction of Johnny Folsom. The accompanist will be Calah Ellis, an ABAC graduate with an Associate of Arts degree in Music, and Rachel Jones, mother of Arts Connection Director Wayne Jones.

The ABAC Singers will open the performance with Rosephanye Powell’s “In the Beginning was The Word.” Wayne Jones will then sing “The Wexford Carol,” a traditional Irish carol, accompanied by his mother. Jones’ father, Robert Jones, will perform Robert MacGimsey’s “Sweet Little Jesus Boy,” accompanied by his wife. Jones’ parents both served on the faculty of Shorter College.

Dr. Brian Ray, professor of English and Theatre, will be on stage for a special reading during the event. The audience will join in the singing on “The First Noel,” “Hark the Herald Angels Sing,” “O Come All Ye Faithful,” and “Silent Night.” Roe will then sing Adolphe Adam’s “O Holy Night” followed by the ABAC Singers’ performance of Powell’s “Christmas Memories.” The performance will conclude with the ABAC Jazz Choir and the ABAC Percussion Ensemble singing Powell’s arrangement of “Hallelujah, Christ is Born.”

The entire community is invited to join ABAC faculty, staff, and students for an afternoon of holiday cheer. For more information, interested persons can contact Roe at (229) 391-4943.

President and Mrs. David Bridges cordially invite you to a Holiday Open House
Tuesday
6:30-8:30 p.m. • Tift Hall

*Valet parking available on ABAC Circle and shuttles will run from parking lot behind the Health Sciences Building. All tips will be go to the Suitcases for Kids project at The Patticake House.

*Pictured: President David Bridges and his wife, Kim, with the ABAC Ambassadors at the new Laboratory Sciences Building construction site

Alumni Award Nominations Due December 15
Many ABAC alumni have set themselves apart through their professional achievement, community service and service to the College. We love to celebrate those people during Homecoming, and now is the time for the nomination process to begin. The process is simple and easy. Step one is to fill out the nomination form found at www.abac.edu/alumni. All applications are due by Dec. 15. Here are a few important things to remember while racking your brain for nominees: you can nominate more than one person, you personally don’t have to be an ABAC alumnus to nominate, the nominee did not have to officially graduate to receive the award, and nominations stay on file for two years. If you have questions about the nomination process, contact the Office of College Advancement at 229.391.4900.
Tickets Still Available for Holiday Events at Museum

The Georgia Museum of Agriculture and Historic Village at ABAC still have slots open for the Victorian Village by Candlelight and North Pole Express events this holiday season. Tickets for both events are available for sale at the GMA Country Store.

Tickets are still available for the time slots of 6:30, 7, and 7:30 p.m. for the Victorian Village event on Dec. 6 and the North Pole Express has available openings on Dec. 16-17. The North Pole Express event of Dec. 18 is sold out.

Tickets for the Victorian Village are $15 per person, and tickets for the North Pole Express are $7 per person. Tickets can be purchased Monday – Saturday from 9 a.m.-5 p.m. All tickets must be purchased in advance and will not be available on the day of the event.

The Victorian Village by Candlelight will take place from 5:30-7:30 p.m. on Dec. 6. Only 125 visitor slots are available for the Victorian Village tours. Groups will meet at the Country Store to leave on the Museum train every 30 minutes beginning at 5:30 p.m., with the last group leaving the train station at 7:30 p.m.

The North Pole Express will ride the Museum’s 1917 Vulcan steam locomotive to depart for the North Pole every 20 minutes. The North Pole Express will run in all kinds of weather.

For ticket information on this event, interested persons can contact the Country Store at (229) 391-5205.

Admission to the Georgia Museum of Agriculture and Historic Village on Tuesday-Friday is $7 for adults, $6 for seniors (age 55 and over), $4 for children 5-16 years of age, and free for children four and under. Saturday admission is $10 for adults, $8 for seniors (age 55 and over), $5 for children 5-16 years of age, and free for children four and under.

Don’t miss the Annual ABAC Staff Christmas Luncheon!

Wednesday, Dec. 16 at 12 p.m. in the Nickelodeon

Please contact Sue Mastrario at smastrario@abac.edu for find out what your department should bring.

Don’t forget a toy donation for Toys for Tots!

Pegasus Launches Special Online Edition

ABAC's award-winning literary magazine, Pegasus, is proud to announce the release of their 2015 online issue, which is a kind of sampler of the best of our 2015 issue. Please have a read and share it with others. Pegasus has a new staff this year and a new office: managing editor Remington Miller, Kevin Joachin, Abigail Towns, Amy Jo Davis, Rachel Lord, Taylor Bowden, and Lauren Ryland. These students have worked very hard this term, bringing you events such as our very first Halloween/Spooky Stories Bonfire and Writers Harvest (which boasted over 125 attendees). Thanks for your support, and for reading Pegasus. You'll find the issue on our ABAC page: http://www.abac.edu/academics/schools/liberal-arts/outreach/the-pegasus

HPA Visits Graduate School

Students from the Helping Professions Association (HPA) went on a tour of the Family Works Clinic and attended a prospective graduate student orientation for the Valdosta State University Marriage and Family Therapy program. Pictured (l-r): President of HPA Marithza Jimenez, Myesha Richardson, HPA co-advisor Suzanne Smith, Laura Starnes, Rural Studies Graduate Jessica Van DeVelde, Brittany Fronebarger, Shealy Smith, HPA co-advisor Dr. Jewrell Rivers, and Keri Feole.
Holiday Open House

GMA Country Store
25% OFF EVERYTHING IN THE STORE
Not Valid On Clearance Merchandise
Thursday, December 3rd
2:00 P.M. - 6:00 P.M.
*Gift Wrapping
*Refreshments
*Door Prizes

You are cordially invited to our 10th annual Holiday Open House.
Receive a 25% Discount on all Gift and Clothing Items
Free Gift Wrapping available
Refreshments will be served
Tuesday—10 a.m. to 6 p.m.

ABAC BOOKSTORE
Located in the Student Center
Happy Holidays!!

Rural Studies Students Present in Jekyll Island
Three ABAC Rural Studies Students accompanied Dr. Jewrell Rivers to the 2015 Georgia Sociological Association Conference October 15 - 17 in Jekyll Island. Student conferees were Mary Davis, Matthew Daniel and Brandon McDaniel. The students presented research on various problems and issues related to the rural experience. Davis presented research on the Impact of the Early Intervention Program on students in rural poverty. Matthew Daniel presented research on the public attitudes and perceptions of human trafficking based on a rural South Georgia perspective. Dr. Rivers also presented research on the role of Faith-Based Organizations in the criminal justice system. Student conferees were sponsored by the Helping Professions Association. Pictured (l-r): Rivers, Davis and Daniel.

Turf Students Represent ABAC in South Carolina
Eleven Turfgrass and Golf Course Management students represented ABAC at the Carolinas Superintendents Conference and Trade Show in Myrtle Beach November 16-19. The students participated in the turf bowl jeopardy competition, visited with numerous alumni, and gained experience networking with golf course superintendents.

Birthdays
2 Lynda Fisher   2 Ryan Myers   3 Brenda Doss
4 Kay Powell   5 Martha Moen   5 Mickie Tompkins