GMC Junior College Bulldog Football 2001 NJCAA National Champs!
Randy Jackson Named NJCAA Defensive Player of the Year
The faculty, staff, and students of Georgia Military College join the world in condemnation of those who forever changed our lives with their heinous actions September 11, 2001. On that morning, along with the rest of the nation, our hearts were broken. We have shed tears over the lives that were lost and for the innocence that will be forever gone because of the actions of a few radical extremists.

In this time of national emergency, we continue on with our lives as President George W. Bush has asked of us. As we go about our daily lives, we are mindful that what a handful of individuals has done to citizens of the world is not a reflection on the teachings of any religion, any nation, or any peoples. We know that much will be asked of all of us as measures are taken to rid our world of terrorists and to bring justice to those who harbor them.

We would ask that you join us in prayers for those souls lost—that they be held gently in the arms of eternity and that their memories be lovingly honored. Pray for our leaders—that they might lead with strength and determination. Pray for our men and women in uniform—that they might be courageous in their actions and return to us safely. And pray for our Nation—that we, the people, may continue to be a united and compassionate beacon of freedom and justice to all.

God Bless America.

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A Message From The President

Your school continues to flourish albeit perhaps not as rapidly as we all might like. For those of you who were able to attend the Alumni Weekend, you saw how the campus is changing its face. We are in the middle of designing the next construction effort that will replace Whitfield Hall and, in the process, beginning the establishment of an athletic complex along with the creation of the parade ground on the east side of the Old Capitol. Concurrently, we are making efforts to begin design of a new barracks east of the Cordell Events Center. This latter effort is still very much in the embryonic stage, but the condition of Vinson Hall and Main Barracks makes it a high priority.

We continue to improve our academic curricula at all levels - middle school, high school, and college. Our students perform at a very high level of competence due, not only to their own competence, but equally to the devoted efforts of a highly competent and dedicated faculty. During my many years in and around academia, I have never encountered such a group of people so focused on elevating students to realize their potential. For this, we have much to be thankful for.

All of our athletic teams, middle school, high school, and college, have performed very well this past autumn. The coaching staffs of each team have done a marvelous job of causing the players to recognize the importance of discipline to a team effort. At the time of this writing, the college football team is ranked #1 in the nation and is playing for the national championship at the Golden Isles Bowl in Brunswick, Georgia on December 1. We intend to expand the college athletic programs to include soccer, tennis, and golf at the intercollegiate level - presently they are playing at the club level. These sports will have both men and women's teams. In case you missed it...our men's golf team placed 9th in the nation at the tournament held in New York last Spring.

I am pleased to report that the GMC Foundation, under the leadership of Bill Craig, HS1971, is making significant headway in creating a baseball/softball complex for the school. As always, we can use any assistance you might provide. The Foundation is hoping to have the field completed within the next two years, depending, of course, on how much monetary support our alumni provide.
The next piece of the institution’s Master Plan entails constructing a New Academic Building to adjoin Zell Miller Hall. Consisting of 56,000 square feet of classrooms and labs, a 450-seat auditorium, a 250-seat cafeteria, large bookstore, and a canteen, this new building will also provide a much needed student lounge.
Bill Craig, Bruce Dempster, and Randy New all graduated from GMC High School in '71, and all volunteer their time and considerable talents to the school today. The Cadence staff wanted to see if there might be a common thread that would help explain why each holds GMC so close to their heart, and asked the men to share some memories of their time here.

They shared with us what was most difficult about going to school here, their fondest memories of GMC (we were most gratified that this list far outweighed the difficulties), and, as only friends can do, they "told tales" on the others. They also told us why GMC is special to them and why they think it is important to give back to the school.

The trials and tribulations of maintaining proper military appearance seems to be one aspect that stays with the men as not being one of the easiest while at GMC. As Bruce says, "I had to keep my brass and shoes shined, make sure my gig line was straight, drill, run and exercise in formation, take orders and give orders, learn to follow and also lead my fellow cadets, learn military tactics and still make acceptable grades in my school work." Randy recalls that he "used an entire can of Brasso" during his first year here, but notes that he only used "another can for the next five years". Bill reflects, "The toughest thing about going to GMC was the fact that for the first time YOU are responsible for YOUR actions."

Some of their fondest memories are of the faculty and staff while at school, and during school and after school hours - of the friends they made here. They remember Inez Hawkins, the science teacher (and going on field trips to the mountains with her class), as well as their beloved Betty Farr, the Latin teacher (for whom they stood at attention when she entered the room, "knowing that was what she expected"). They remember MAJ Heymann, the English teacher, (and Bill remembers crawling down the Old Capitol moat after they threw a "smoke bomb" into the Major's classroom). And they all remember CPT John L. Anderson, the math instructor (who seems to have been particularly irritated by the antics of one young Bill Craig who would purposefully not trim his sideburns or get his haircut just to egg the Captain on). Randy says that the faculty and staff "treated us like we were their own family", and he notes that the instructors "not only taught me the subjects, but also demonstrated to all students what character and work ethic was all about."

Bill tells of "driving recklessly out the north gate in reverse in a '53 Chevy—and being busted for the third time (Private Craig forever)" for the caper. Bruce adds to the story with, "...half a dozen old vintage cars were circling the Old Capitol. They were all being driven in reverse, headed up by none other than Bill Craig in his 1953 Chevy known as Juble'. I'm still not sure why we were going backwards, but anyway, it seemed like a good thing to do at the time, especially since we were all going to lunch anyway." Bruce says that they all double-dated from time to time, once, "after I had already picked up my date and Bill's date, we still had to go and find him and pull him and his mother's car out of a well on the State Hospital grounds." Randy notes that "Bruce and his brothers kept several new car dealers in business for many years." Cars and the antics of the young aside, Bill, Bruce, and Randy all graduated from GMC High School on May 31st, 1971.

Left to Right: Randy New, HS1971, Chairman, Board of Trustees; Bill Craig, HS1971, Chairman, GMC Foundation; Bruce Dempster, HS1971, President, Alumni Association.
Why is GMC special to them? Bill feels that it is "because I feel that it was the most significant time of my childhood", and Bruce says, "I look back on Randy's, Bill's, and my life and I see the impact that GMC made in our lives, not just the fun times but all the little extras that GMC added to our growing up". Randy adds, "The rich tradition and the military environment are bonuses to the excellent education available to our students. The ability of this institution to instruct the students beyond book education is unequalled."

Randy, who met his wife (Cynthia Bayne New, HS1972 & JC1973) here, says "I know what this institution has done for me...it is my goal to see that it only gets better in the future." Bill says, "All schools can give you an academic education. Most schools can teach you something about life. GMC teaches you that duty, honor, and country is not just a slogan, but there is more to life than just yourself." Bruce sums up their feelings about GMC and why they volunteer here with, "GMC and all that it stands for are greatly worth our remembering in praise and support. There are very few places that can share the uniqueness that GMC holds. I take great privilege in knowing that Randy, Bill, and I can come back to GMC and give back, with our involvement, just a small portion of what GMC has given us."

Georgia Military College is immeasurably enriched by the dedication of these three fine men—and we are proud that they consider GMC instrumental in the formation of the men they have each become.

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Alumni weekend has come and gone all too quickly and I am very pleased to say everything really went well. It was great to see Alumni who traveled—literally—from coast to coast and from throughout the U.S., who represented classes ranging from as far back as the Class of 1934 to our most recent alumni from the Class of 2000. We also had several classes and groups celebrating special reunions such as the HS & JC Classes of 1976—25th anniversary, HS Class of 1971—30th anniversary, and the HS & JC Classes of 1976—25th anniversary. These were well attended as were the Band Company reunion and the reunion of members of the past JC football teams.

I enjoyed seeing old friends renewing old friendships and making new friends. Some had not returned to GMC in over 50 years, yet as soon as they got together, were able to pick up from where their friendships had been put on hold.

To all of you who attended Alumni Weekend, thank you for making this one of the best weekends so far. To those of you that were not able to come, I would like to briefly you on some of the events that we enjoyed. I mentioned the reunions that went on throughout the weekend. The beautiful weather made Friday’s golf tournament a great success. We met Friday evening for a tasty barbeque dinner, which was highlighted by some spicy stories: from raiding pecan orchards, to going out on dates, to putting out the fire in the Old Capitol Building. Saturday we gathered for the Alumni Awards Luncheon and were entertained by the GMC Choral Ensemble, made up of students, faculty, staff, and alumni, and directed by MAJ. Charlotte Bearden. We were proud to recognize this year’s award recipients whose accomplishments are a tribute to themselves, their families, and GMC. (Their mini-biographies are on pages 16 -18 of this issue) We also inducted the newest members of our Gold and Silver Brigades and recognized new members of our Oak Leaf Society.

Saturday evening we witnessed a Secession Reenactment in the newly refurbished legislative chamber and enjoyed a live and silent auction held in our beautifully remodeled Old Capitol. These auctions are done primarily for your fun and entertainment; however, last year due to the items offered and remarkable participation of all those involved (donors and bidders) your Alumni Association was able to set up ten scholarships for GMC students who have a GMC Alumni parent or grandparent. I am happy to say that because of this year’s auction successes, we will be able to again offer Alumni Association scholarships and will be able to start to build on this fund for the future. (To find out more about these scholarships, contact Lauren Benson, HS1985, Coordinator of Alumni Relations.) This year the auctions raised approximately $9,000. Many thanks to our donors and bidders, and to the skill of our auctioneer, Henry Sheppard. The night concluded with a dance under the stars, with music provided by Fielding Whipple and the Hot Rod Lincolns.

Sunday was another beautiful, sunny and crisp fall day which was ideal for our worship service with Rev. Mark Riley, HS1979, as our speaker. MG Peter J. Boylan, President of GMC, hosted a brunch following the worship service. We later gathered on Davenport Field to witness the remarkable efficiency of your fellow Alumni in the Knockout Drill competition. Some of these former cadets had not practiced or executed close order drill in over 50 years, yet they continued to hang in there until, one by one there was only one left. You cadets still have what it takes! We were also privileged to watch, in awe, the flawless performance of our nationally ranked JC Drill Team. As we were commenting on the smoothness of the drill team, we suddenly found we were under attack by GMC’s Ranger Tactical Squad. They quickly covered their objective and retired from their operation with much professionalism. The 123rd Corps of Cadets then formed on Davenport Field for the Alumni Parade. MG Peter J. Boylan spoke with pride to the current and former GMC Cadets and students. The weekend concluded with the Alumni Platoon, or should I say Company, joining the Junior College, High School, and Middle School Cadets for the Pass & Review. The weekend was “outstanding.”

I would like to encourage you to come by campus any time—you don’t have to wait for Alumni Weekend. This is your school and you are an integral part of what makes GMC what it truly is. I ask for your help in our efforts to find alumni that are not receiving The Cadence. The number one goal of your Alumni Association is to help you stay in contact with your classmates and with GMC. I realize that distance and time impede some returns to campus, so please let us know if you would be interested in hosting an alumni get-together in your area or region. Lauren will be happy to help you set it up.

Thank you again for your encouragement and participation this past year. Please continue to stay in contact, update us on the news in your life, and give us input and suggestions that will allow us to make the alumni programs and events serve you better. I look forward to our next year together in 2002. Please feel free to contact me at (478) 454-1023, or Lauren Benson at (478) 445-2695 or at lbenson@gmc.cc.ga.us.

Bruce Dempster, HS 1971
President, 2001-2003

Alumni Aspects
On behalf of the Georgia Military College Alumni Association Board of Directors, I extend deepest sympathies to the victims, families and friends that were touched by the September 11th crisis.

This past year I have had the opportunity to meet and visit with many alumni who have returned to our alma mater (some for the first time since they have graduated). They remember and reminisce as they walk the halls and grounds of the GMC campus, and one thing runs true, GMC made a positive impact on their lives, and they are where they are today because of GMC.

In this edition of The Alumni Connection, I am including photographs of our GMC alumni who returned for a visit during the year. One of the photos includes Ansley Hall, Jr., HS 1946 from Hastings, Florida. After touring the Old Capitol Building we discovered that we had something in common, besides both being graduates from GMC, we also had the same Latin teacher, Mrs. Betty Farr. In 1942, his class was the first to have Mrs. Farr, and in 1981, mine was the last class to have Mrs. Farr. (See how some members of the high school class of 1971 remember Mrs. Farr, page 6).

It is always a pleasure to have alumni come to see us. Remember you are welcome any time to come back and visit, not just during "Alumni Weekend". If you are planning a visit and need any special accommodations, please give me a call (or email) so that we can make arrangements for you. We take pride in GMC and are honored to have you return.

We continue to add to our alumni database and are excited about increasing the number of alumni we can reach with the Cadence and with information about special events. Since January 2001, we have found approximately 180 "lost alumni", through The Cadence, the website, class reunions, and your phone calls. Thanks for your help in reconnecting our alumni and GMC.

I hope that 2002 will be a great year for you and that you will stay in touch with us. You may call me or email me with any news that you might have (or with changes in your address), and, please, do stop by for a visit if you are in the area. You, our alumni and friends, are the reason we are here. Thank you for your support throughout this year.
W. J. “Bill” Usery, Jr., HS1941 with Jessica Walton, HS2001, the first recipient of the W. J. Usery Award, which was established by Mr. Usery to recognize the highest overall achievement by a GMC graduating high school senior.

Warner Robins Air Force Base graduates wave to thank their families and friends for their support.

Dr. Jack Anderson and a Ft. Benning student demonstrate diploma etiquette to fellow graduates.

Lauren Benson, HS1985, welcomes this Ft. Gordon/Martinez graduate into the Alumni Association with an Alumni pin.

Michael O’Dale Freeland, a Second Lieutenant and a graduate—all in one day at Main Campus in Milledgeville.

Valdosta students pose for a group shot before the graduation ceremony begins.
On June 2, 2001, eight cadets completed Georgia Military College’s Early Commissioning Program, one of only five such programs in the nation. This demanding program forces cadets to develop the skills necessary to be leaders in the United States Army within a period of two years. MAJ Thomas K. Hall, JC1981, Professor of Military Science, administered the Oath of Office. After the Oath, each Lieutenant was joined by family members who pinned on bars denoting the rank of the new officers. These new Second Lieutenants are: Bert L. Lattaker, Clinton W. Brown, Patrick S. Sotherland, Christopher J. Bradley, Michael O’Dale Freeland, Jr., Mathew Ryan Kirkland, Sean P. Christopher, and Trevor E. Lake (front).

2LT Trevor Lake with his parents Mr. & Mrs. Everet Lake.

“IT’S A SMALL WORLD!”

In 1996, I enlisted in the Army, and was stationed at Schofield Barraks, Hawaii with the 25th ID(L). One day, while walking back to my barracks, I saw a car in the parking lot with a Georgia Military College sticker on the back. At first I thought, “Hmmm, someone from GMC all the way over here in Hawaii.” For days I would pass the car, not knowing who it belonged to. I thought maybe it was an officer’s car, so occasionally when I would see an officer, I would ask where he received his commission. One day, I was looking at the car and a soldier came up to me, so I asked him who the car belonged to. He said it was his car, and I learned that he was enlisted just as I was. His name was James. As we talked, I discovered that he graduated from GMC in 1992. I graduated in 1988, and was in Milledgeville attending GC&SU in ’92, so we had just missed each other. We eventually became very good friends. We were in the same Battalion, but different companies. He showed me around Hawaii, since he had been there a year prior to my arrival. James left a year before me to attend OCS. He is currently a First Lieutenant at Ft. Benning and getting ready to go to the Infantry Officer Advanced Course. I am no longer on active duty, but have joined the Georgia Army National Guard, and attended OCS. I am currently a Second Lieutenant deployed to Bosnia.

I’m CPT Charles Bennett, Commander, Company A, 2-121 IN. I command Forward Operating Base Connor in Bosnia. I am a 1985 graduate of GMC (Moody AFB Extension), and I also have the Smith Brothers, Shawn & Corey, in my unit. We are having the time of our lives and serving our country at the same time. Corey and Shawn are working hard. When we return, A Company will have conducted in excess of 900 patrols and will have driven over 300,000 miles in war-torn terrain. Our Forward Operating Base is located over two hours (65 miles) south of Eagle Base and Camp Comanche. We are in the the Republic of Sprska. Saw the article in the Cadence, very nice.

CPT Charles “Buck” Bennett, JC1985

At Right: GMC’s Yellow Ribbon Campaign concluded during an Alumni Weekend ceremony to celebrate the safe return of our alumni from Bosnia. Each GMC family member was given a certificate of appreciation. The Yellow Ribbon Board that was on display during their deployment remains in the Sibley-Cone Library.
As it did for all Americans, September 11th stunned and horrified us beyond belief. We spent the first two days in tears and in shock, and the next three days calling our sources in the Pentagon and NYC to check on our alumni and friends. As far as we know they are all safe, however we realize this tragedy affected many of you more than we will ever know. For that, we are deeply saddened.

Now, more than ever, we need you to support your school that has produced American statesman, soldiers, leaders, and heroes. GMC alumni are currently stationed around the world guarding the freedoms we value so greatly. We must have the resources to continue to educate our young men and women in the traditional American values that GMC has held with such conviction since 1879.

The generosity of the American people has never been more evident, as shown by the $1 billion given for relief efforts. The American spirit cannot, and will not, be broken. We have contributed to that undertaking, as I am sure have many of you. We realize there are numerous causes and organizations that compete for your charitable interest, and this makes us all the more grateful for your support.

We have stepped back from our daily lives to determine what is truly important to each of us. We recognize the vital work to which GMC is committed and hope you feel GMC is a significant and worthy recipient of your generosity. If you are a current or past donor, thank you. We encourage you to increase the size of your gift this year to support the many urgent needs of GMC. We currently have over 8,000 alumni non-donors. If you have not yet contributed to your alma mater, let this be this the year to do so. It will make all the difference.

In other developments:

• Whitfield Hall is to be demolished to make way for a new academic facility. This new building includes classrooms and labs, dining hall, bookstore, student center, and a 450-seat auditorium. The approximate cost is $16 million.

• In an independent study, the Econometric Center at Kennesaw (GA) State University determined that Georgia Military College has an impact of more than $61 million on Georgia’s economy.

• Enrollment is at a ten-year high with 426 students enrolled at the middle school/high school, and students in the junior college number more than 1,000 at main campus and more than 2,200 at the distant learning centers around the state.

• Construction of new barracks is critical. Main Barracks (1897) is more than 100 years old and Vinson Hall (1939) more than 60 years old. They are no longer able to simply be "repaired." We must have adequate facilities for student recruitment and retention to continue to attract a high caliber of student. The estimated cost is $10 million and funding must come from private sources.

• New members continue to join The Oak Leaf Society through bequests and other estate planning opportunities. These gifts ensure the permanence of Georgia Military College, and the donors exemplify the Greek Proverb that "A civilization flourishes when people plant trees under which they will never sit." We are ever appreciative for the foresight of our alumni and friends.

• We have had many alumni visitors since we moved our office to South Jefferson Street. Please continue to stop by as we enjoy seeing you and having the opportunity to show you the wonderful progress and improvements taking place at GMC.
A Time To Remember...

Alumni Weekend 2001

Left: Alumni and friends link up for a four-man scramble at the Milledgeville Country Club. Keith Davis, JC2002, and member of the GMC golf team; Sean Ellerbee, HS1990; David Dyer; and William Thompson, HS1990.

Above: John R. Ferguson, JC1975 and Rick Cook, JC1975, congratulate each other during the tournament.

Herb Meyer, HS1959, shares a story and memory of his days at GMC during the Annual Storytelling Contest.


Above: King Moss, JC1939, and Wendell Little at the Old Fashioned Barbeque and Annual Storytelling Contest.

Above: Ned Owens, HS1959, and his wife, Janice, enjoy a laugh as they listen to alumni share their stories.


Above: Alumni prepare to begin the golf tournament as they talk with Lauren Benson, HS1985.

MG Peter Boylan, GMC President, discusses the plan for the New Academic Building during the Alumni Board Meeting.

Participants of the “Then and Now” Junior College Football Scrimmage are introduced: Steven Simpson, JC2000; Rob Rogers, JC1995; Richard Hicks, JC1996; Allen Williams, JC1993; Max Bunn, JC1998; and Tim Hardaway, JC1995.

John H. Ferguson, HS1961 & JC1963, and his wife, Janet, bid on a print (held by Edward Shelor, Director of GMC Extension Programs) during the live auction in the legislative chamber.

Alumni and friends enjoy fabulous food and listen to the GMC Choral Ensemble, directed by Charlotte Bearden, perform during the Alumni Luncheon and Awards Ceremony.

Hugh M. Gillis, Sr., JC1936, talks with Alling Jones, HS1959, current instructor at GMC high school.

JC Football players of yesteryear are introduced before the scrimmage: Johnny Martin, HS1951 & JC1953; Frank Beckum, JC1952; Joseph “Joe” Uliano, HS1951; Lou Williams, HS1956 & JC1958; King Moss, JC1939; and Billy Lott, JC1957.

Right: A silent auction was held in Georgia’s Antebellum Capitol Museum on the ground floor of the Old Capitol.

Alumni Platoon Passes in Review.

MG Peter Boylan updates the GMC Foundation Board on the Master Plan.

Lou Williams, HS1956 & JC1958, his wife, Sharon, and his daughter Sheri-Lou (current student at GMC) talk with Jere Moore, JC1951.

Bruce Dempster, HS1971 and president of GMC Alumni Association, accepts the trophy at the Alumni Knock-Out Drill Competition from Major Tom Hall, GMC Professor of Military Science and JC 1981.

Members of the high school and junior college class of 1951 pose for a picture in front of Whitfield Hall. Harmon Proctor, JC1951; Aubrey Odom, HS1951; Jere Moore, JC1951; Wallace Harrell, JC1951, Joseph Stubbs, HS1951; Jim Giddings, HS1951; and Johnny Martin, HS1951 & JC1953.

Dancing the night away to the sounds of the “Hot Rod Lincolns.”

GMC cadets participate in a tactics demonstration held before the parade.
DISTINGUISHED ALUMNI AWARD
Hugh M. Gillis, Sr., JC 1936

In January of this year, the National Conference of State Legislatures honored Senator Gillis for serving the State of Georgia in the General Assembly—Senate and House combined—for 52 legislative sessions. Of the 7,424 men and women serving as state legislators, Senator Gillis is currently the senior serving state legislator. When asked to what he attributed his longevity, he said "I couldn't have been up here without my good constituents". As evidenced by his long and distinguished career, he works hard and fairly for every one in his 20th Senatorial District. Georgia's LT Governor Mark Taylor echoed our sentiments when he called Hugh "a Georgia treasure".

Born in Soperton, Georgia, Senator Hugh Gillis studied at GMC's Junior College during the 1936 academic year. Upon completion of his studies here, he went on the University of Georgia where he earned a degree in Agriculture. Fresh out of school, he entered the political arena at the tender age of twenty-two. As the son and grandson of politicians, he had "politics in his blood," but it is what he did with that legacy that so distinguishes him.

With loyalty, honesty, and commitment to purpose, he has served—and continues to serve—our State well. Senator Gillis has held a number of influential positions while in the Senate, to include leading or being a member of numerous committees, study panels, and sub-committees. In addition to his several standing committee posts, he is currently the Chairperson of the Senate Natural Resources committee and a member of the Appropriations committee.

Not only is he a devoted family man serving in government, but Senator Gillis' leadership, enthusiasm, and wisdom are also prized in the many civic organizations to which he volunteers his time and efforts and to which he is a guiding force. Married to Montez Champion Gillis, he is the father of Hugh Jr., Donald, and Jean Marie.

He is a man of utmost integrity who has forged relationships born of respect and trust among his fellow legislators and with those who have met him. As a senator, the word, "Honorable" precedes his name, and he is truly deserving of the word and all it represents. Senator Gillis' exemplary daily conduct—in all matters—is an inspiration to all past, present, and future members of the GMC family. The Honorable Hugh M. Gillis, Sr. is most deserving of the 2001 Distinguished Alumni Award.

ALUMNI ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Dr. E. Paul Torrance, HS 1934 & JC 1936

What do you do with a farm boy who cannot plow a straight furrow? You send him in to town to get an education at Georgia Military College, and then watch him grow into a man who changes the lives of countless people through his ground-breaking work in the field of Creativity.

Dr. E. Paul Torrance entered GMC High School at the age of thirteen and graduated in 1934, then continued on at the junior college from which he graduated in 1936. Fresh out of school, he began teaching at GMC. He says he "had no business teaching", but we are certain the students...
to whom he devoted his time and energy—among them a former Secretary of Labor, a school superintendent, and numerous highly successful business owners—would beg to differ with him. It was while a counselor, administrator, and teacher at Georgia Military College that he devised the first of the creativity tests which would revolutionize, shock, and for ever change the way that intelligence is measured.

It was Paul Torrance's contention that standard IQ tests were not an accurate sole measure of the intellect. His belief that Einstein's imagination and Cezanne's vision could not possibly be measured by those tests alone has changed the way in which we identify and mentor "giftedness". The potential genius of many thousands of people has been measured through the "Torrance Tests of Creativity" and the opportunities for growth of the entire intellect have been opened to nurture and assure their full potential. His tests are without cultural or linguistic bias and have been used in over 50 countries throughout the world. The Future Problem Solving Program that he founded is just one more way in which his over-60 years in the field of Creativity has remodeled all aspects of education and in our way of thinking about the human intellect and its manifestations of greatness.

He earned his AB (summa cum laude) from Mercer University, his MA from the University of Minnesota, and his Ph.D. from the University of Michigan. Dr. Torrance has worked for the US Army, the US Air Force, and as a counselor not only at GMC, but also at the University of Minnesota and at Kansas State University. He joined the faculty of the University of Georgia in 1966 and taught students and coworkers alike until his "retirement" from the classroom in 1984. As Professor Emeritus at UGA, and as the acclaimed peerless "Father of Creativity", he is the author of dozens of books, published studies, and articles on creativity.

Living in Athens, Georgia, he continues his amazing journey and continues to inspire and motivate. This soft-spoken man who still cannot draw a straight line or plow a straight furrow has instead prepared the field in which the seeds of creativity flourish. It is with deep respect that we name Dr. E. Paul Torrance as the recipient of the 2001 Alumni Achievement Award.

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**GMC SERVICE AWARD**

**Bobby Eugene Parham, HS 1959 & JC 1960**

Attending Georgia Military College at both the High School and Junior College levels, Bobby continued his education at the University of Georgia and was graduated from the School of Pharmacy in 1963. In 1969, he was elected to his first of two four-year terms as a Baldwin County Commissioner, and in 1975 began serving the citizens of the 122nd District as their legislator in the Georgia State House of Representatives. As a Pharmacist, he has received numerous awards, and as a man of public service, he has been recognized for his leadership abilities and civic dedication with appointments to, and memberships on, vital Committees. Parham's role in public service was recently recognized with the prestigious Hubert Humphrey National Leadership Award.

Bobby's adult life has been marked by the tireless way in which he has devoted himself to public service. His diligent efforts have been towards the betterment of Milledgeville and Baldwin County and to the improvement of the entire state. His drive to advance the communities in Georgia—through his private and professional associations—is an unparallel gift to Georgia Military College and to all who are the beneficiaries of his unflattering drive and dedication.

His more than thirty-two years of participation in public life has resulted in incredible gains for GMC and for our community as a whole. His uncompromising support of our school is one of the aspects about him for which we are extremely grateful, and one without which, our school would be a lesser place. Over the years, he has been completely supportive of the activities and growth of Georgia Military College, and sharing the vision of what his Alma Mater's role will be in the twenty-first century, Bobby Parham has done everything possible to ensure that the vision comes to fruition.

Making their home in Milledgeville, Representative Bobby Eugene Parham and his wife, Juanita Norris Parham, are mainstays of the community and are treasured by all who know them. They have three children, Alisa Dennis, Audra Butler, and Robbie Parham. His loyalty and service to Georgia Military College are truly admirable, and it is with great appreciation and honor that we recognize, in small part, his devotion to GMC with the 2001 Service Award.
OUTSTANDING YOUNG ALUMNI AWARD

Ben L. Harbin, JC 1993

Ben Harbin was graduated cum laude from the Fort Gordon campus of the Junior College division of Georgia Military College in 1993 and he has continued to do everything "with distinction" ever since. He is Vice President of Select Benefits Consultants, Inc., an employee benefits and marketing communications firm, is a partner in Harbin Land Surveyors, a surveying and mapping firm, and since 1994, has been a member of the Georgia House of Representatives from the 113th District. As a State Legislator, he is a member of the Appropriations Committee, the ranking minority member of the Insurance Committee, and a member of the Legislative and Congressional Reapportionment Committee.

Representative Harbin's many contributions have been recognized with well-deserved honors and awards. In 1993, Ben participated in the Leadership Augusta program. Four years later, he was named to Georgia Trend's "Forty under 40 - 1997 Rising Stars", the following year, he was named the Life Underwriters Legislator of the Year, and in 1999 he was awarded the distinction of Friend of Medicine. In 2000, he was named Georgia Pediatrics Society Legislator of the Year and the Medical Association of Georgia Legislator of the Year.

Continually exhibiting outstanding effort, leadership, and capability, he was selected for the Leadership Georgia Class of 2000—a program which selects only the best and brightest for intensive seminars and workshops in ways to enhance their already evident talents.

Ben is a member of the Augusta Kiwanis Club and of the Martinez-Evans Optimist Club. He is a member of the Baker Woods Baptist Church and serves on the board of The Safe House of Augusta. The time and effort he gives to these and other civic organizations is another manifestation of his abilities, character, and caring.

Married to Hope Whitfield Harbin since 1989, Ben is father to eight-year old daughter Caitlin and four-year old son Hampton. His devotion to them is shown in the advice he unselfishly gives to those just starting in their chosen fields, "Always be willing to work hard, but never forget your family and friends." For everything that he has already accomplished, and with no doubts whatever that he will continue in this life path, we are pleased to recognize his excellence with the 2001 Outstanding Young Alumni Award.

HONORARY ALUMNI AWARD

BeeGee Clark Baugh

If one is fortunate enough, they will have an incredible person come into their life and change it forever. If an organization is fortunate enough, it will have an incredible person put forth effort on its behalf. If you know BeeGee Baugh, you will know immediately what we mean by those two statements, for she is truly an incredible and remarkable person.

Earning her Bachelor of Arts degree from Georgia State College for Women, she taught art at both Baldwin High School and at her alma mater. She has taught art to children in the Summer Arts Program and worked with clients at Central State Hospital in Art Therapy and Garden Therapy.

BeeGee is a member of over a dozen clubs and organizations in Milledgeville, and like as not, she is serving as President, Chairperson, on the Board of Directors, as a Trustee, or helping to steer the activities as a crucial and vital member in each. Her involvement in civic affairs, which range from garden clubs to the Altar Guild to being a docent at Lockerly Hall and Georgia's Antebellum Capitol Museum, is more than enough to create a mild whirlwind in her wake. But around BeeGee, one never gets the feeling of being rushed, flustered, or stressed. She has a calming effect on people as she quietly goes about making things beautiful and seemingly effortless. Her involvement in any endeavor is a sure-fire guarantee that every one will benefit tremendously.

As gracious and giving as the day is long, BeeGee Clark Baugh is the type of person who makes every chore a work of love and who has the ability to inspire the very best in people. She has been married to Dr. James Baugh (HS '37 and JC '39) for 51 years and they make their home in Milledgeville. Their daughter, Patricia Ann Baugh Thompson, (HS '73) and grandchildren are all associated with Georgia Military College—either as alumni or as current students. For over 50 years, she has supported GMC in every way possible; giving financial support, attending events, volunteering for anything that needed to be done, and being an ambassador for all our school stands for. It is with great admiration for an incredible, warm-hearted, and encouraging lady—one who has given so much of herself to GMC—that we officially recognize her as a part of our Georgia Military College Family. It is our privilege to present her with the 2001 Honorary Alumni Award.
Georgia Military College High School and Middle School classes began this fall with the largest group of sixth graders in the school's history. Eighty-eight new sixth graders joined the 123rd Corps of Cadets promptly at 7:45 AM for their first morning formation on August 13. Total enrollment for GMC High School and Middle School is approximately 430 students, which is the largest enrollment in the past ten years. To assist with the additional scholars, GMC welcomes three new instructors: Jon Deen, Instructor of History; Ronnie Hammock, HS1976, Military Instructor for the 3rd Battalion; and Duane Kitchens, a former GMC teacher returning to teach Chemistry, Physics and Biology.

Two outstanding 2002 GMC seniors, Shelby Nicole Wilson and Gerald William Coffee, will be vying for top honors in the eighth annual Wendy's High School Heisman Program. This program recognizes high school seniors nationwide who have learned to collaborate and appreciate the interrelation of academics, athletics and community service. Miss Shelby Wilson and Mr. Gerald Coffee have enhanced the quality of life, inspired others, and embody the ideal characteristics of today's leading youth. Miss Wilson and Mr. Coffee were nominated based on the following accomplishments:

Miss Wilson maintains an 'A' average while actively participating in basketball, track, and the color guard. She also volunteers her time to help with a youth soccer team and tutors other GMC students. Miss Wilson received the 2000 MVP Award in track, and the 2001 High Points Award, for obtaining the most points in track for the season. Miss Wilson plans to attend Spellman College next year to study biology and prepare for medical school, and would like to become an emergency room doctor.

Mr. Coffee is active in football, baseball, and track, while also maintaining an "A" average. He is a member of Boy Scout Troup #316 and a 2001 graduate of Youth Leadership Baldwin. Mr. Coffee received the Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award, the Presbyterian College Junior Achievement Award, the University of Georgia Certificate of Merit Award, the Principal’s Five Year Award, the American Legion Scholastic Excellence Award, and he is the first recipient of the W. J. “Bill” Usery Scholarship. Mr. Coffee plans to attend Georgia Tech, and will "walk on" in hopes of participating in the football and track programs.

Check out the GMC Middle School/High School Website
http://launchpad.gmc.cc.ga.us/highschool
Georgia Military College held fall Convocation Thursday, September 20, 11:00 AM, in the Cordell Events Center. The guest speaker was Dr. Anne Gormly, Vice President of Academic Affairs and Dean of Faculties, Georgia College & State University. Dr. Gormly addressed the crowd, stating, "if ever we needed graduates who understand and live with integrity, we need them now." She further reminded the assembled students, "today you stand on the threshold of a life-changing experience," and urged them to take advantage of the opportunity by preparing for future leadership roles. Following the convocation address, academic honor students Brandy Kennedy and Veronique Wright were recognized. Ms. Brandy Kennedy, a GMC-GC&SU Gateway Student, received the Coca-Cola FIRST GENERATION Scholarship. A national initiative of The Coca-Cola Foundation, FIRST GENERATION Scholarships help expand opportunities for the first member of a family to pursue higher education. Ms. Veronique Wright was selected for the Georgia Foundation for Independent Colleges / Georgia-Pacific Scholars Program, and was awarded a scholarship for the 2001-2002 academic year.

Enrollment Increase

Enrollment in Fall 2001 courses was 8.5% greater than at the same time in 2000. With over 900 students attending classes, (a 7% increase on Main Campus from last Fall) the campus was brimming with excitement over the prospect of increasing knowledge in a vast array of subjects. As a result of the increased number of scholars, the JC faculty also increased. New full-time teachers in the GMC JC classrooms include: Dr. Elizabeth Youngblood, Department Coordinator, Early Childhood Education and Associate Professor of Education; Charles Farmer, Instructor of English, Learning Support Services (LSS), and Testing Coordinator; Ray Markwalter, Assistant Professor of Biology; Laurel Koehler, Instructor of English, LSS; Judy Parks, Instructor of English, LSS, and English and Reading Coordinator; Ellen Fischer, Associate Professor of Mathematics; and Karim Ladha, Associate Professor of Mathematics.

Faculty & Staff Joint Venture

In an incredible show of support for the students and mission of GMC, 98.4% of the main campus faculty and staff contributed to the 2001 Annual Fund. This high level of employee giving is unheard of in education. It is our hope that alumni will share the same interest in, and excitement over, what is taking place at their alma mater and fill out and return the envelope enclosed in the center of The Cadence.
ROTC BASIC CAMP

Georgia Military College sent its largest contingent of cadets in school history to the ROTC Basic Camp at Ft. Knox, KY this past summer. Fifty-nine cadets from GMC participated in the five-week camp, which qualified them to enter GMC’s Early Commissioning Program.

The cadets learned basic soldiering skills such as land navigation, basic rifle marksmanship, water survival, first aid, and patrolling. They also gained confidence in themselves by taking part in the challenging obstacle course, the confidence course, and the tear gas chamber.

Upon graduating from GMC these cadets will become Second Lieutenants in the US Army Reserve or the National Guard. Some will go on active duty after they complete their bachelor’s degree. Below are some photographs from this year’s ROTC Basic Camp.

RANGER CHALLENGE TEAM DOES IT AGAIN!

GMC’s Ranger Challenge Team finished 5th out of 21 schools in the 6th Brigade ROTC Ranger Challenge Competition. For the 5th year in a row, the team finished in the top third of all schools. GMC is one of only two schools in Florida and Georgia to hold that distinction.

Events included: an Army Physical Fitness test, construction of a one-rope bridge, hand grenade assault course, rifle marksmanship, weapon assembly and disassembly, and completing a 6 km march with a full pack.
GMC Junior College Football Ends Regular Season #1
Crowned NJCAA National Champions at Golden Isles Bowl

By Coach Bert Williams, GMC Athletics Director

The Junior College Football program at Georgia Military College enjoyed a successful and historic year in 2001. In route to defeating five top-fifteen ranked teams, (two in the top five), the Bulldogs finished a perfect regular season at 10-0 and atop the national polls. Statistically, the Bulldogs were no less than dominant in every aspect.

The Bulldogs special teams contributed early and often in the 2001 season. In the opening game against #4 ranked Middle Georgia, special teams scored the tying touchdown and gave the offense the ball inside the 10 yard line for the go-ahead score on the way to a 14-7 victory. Sophomore kicker Scott Campbell ended the regular season as the third leading kick scorer nationwide. Freshman punter Clay Crisp ended the season as the leading punter in the nation, averaging 41.6 yards per punt with less than a yard per return. Notwithstanding these superlatives, the team’s special teams MVP award went to freshman Brian Staley, who accounted for several blocked kicks and returns for touchdowns on the year.

The Bulldog Offense started a little slow, but picked up steam very quickly. GMC outscored opponents 374 to 49 on the year on the shoulders of a strong rushing attack and a developing passing game. The GMC Offense ended the season ranked #6 nationally in total offense, #2 in rushing offense, and #14 in passing offense. Sophomore running back Derrick Wimbush was awarded the teams Offensive MVP and the Team MVP award after becoming the first GMC running back since 1995 to go over a thousand yards (with 1126) for the year. He finished in the top ten in several individual categories offensively as well as placing third nationally in scoring with 16 touchdowns.

The star unit of the 2001 Bulldogs, however, had to be the dominating Dog “D” which set a NJCAA all-time record for Total Defense. On the year, the Dog “D” allowed only 67.6 yards per game, including negative yards allowed rushing. Returning eleven sophomores from last year’s squad, the defense gave up only five touchdowns and no field goals on the year. Sophomore linebacker Sam Evans was tabbed as the Defensive MVP. After coming to GMC as a walk-on player last year, Sam earned a scholarship and led the defense in tackles in 2001.

The Bulldogs earned a rank never before achieved at GMC—National Champions. GMC played in the Sea Island Company Golden Isles Bowl on December 1 against #4 ranked Butler County (KS) Community College. The 31-19 win gave the Bulldogs the national title and a place in GMC history.

2001 SEASON RESULTS

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The GMC Junior College Golf Team finished its first season ranked 9th in the nation. The team held an awards banquet to recognize the success of each player and formally present the first annual Mason Cup award. The Mason Cup is named for Mr. and Mrs. Harold D. Mason, Sr. of Milledgeville, who generously established an endowment fund to support the GMC Junior College golf program. Mr. and Mrs. Mason are pictured above with the 2001 recipient of the Mason Cup, Mr. Josh Holloway.

GMC’s JC Cross Country

GMC’s JC Cross Country Team participated in the NJCAA National Competition in San Antonio, TX, in November. Three GMC runners qualified, with each running their best times of the year. Mindy McCart ran the women’s 5K and finished 17th in the nation. Daniel Cape and Jeremy Hartman ran the men’s 8K and finished 49th and 77th, respectively.

The Lady Assassins

Under the direction of Coach Art Silsby and Assistant Coach Braxton Cotton, history was made at GMC. The first female sports team was formed, The Lady Assassins, GMC’s female soccer team. These young ladies, many of whom had never played soccer before, came out to be a part of history and had some fun in the process.
Help us find these classmates who will celebrate their 25th and 50th reunions in 2002. If you have an address or phone number of anyone listed below, please provide that information to the Alumni Office at (478) 445-2695.

**JUNIOR COLLEGE 1952**
William Ernest Black  
Bobby Norris Bonner  
Don F. Hancock  
John Robert Hires  
Leslie Al Hix  
Billy Hodges  
William Wallace Keefe  
Fred Nelson Long  
David McIntyre  
Eugene A. Murphey, Jr.  
Glenn Patterson  
Rocco Principi  
Joe Rivers  
Bob Roberts  
Wayne Sheppard  
Anthony A. Smith  
Harold M. Smith  
Henry Arliss Stewart, Jr.  
Tom Wheeler

**JUNIOR COLLEGE 1977**
Charles Marion Ayock  
Gerevine Ragin Bell  
Murray M. Berkley  
James R. Boggess  
Billy Marvin Bonner  
Barbara Bridges  
Patricia K. Brill  
James A. Causey  
Ann Juanita Chambliss  
Robert A. Dare, Jr.  
Jerry H. Davidson  
Oscar Davis, Jr.  
Donna D. Dowd  
Joyce G. Dowdy  
James E. Edmondson  
James Ford, Jr.  
James B. Hearn  
Darryl Hendry  
Thomas Bennett Ivey  
Willie J. Jackson  
Robert T. Jackson  
Gregory L. Jenkins  
Larry R. Johnson  
Edward Johnson  
Nancy Hughes King  
Randolph David Largeman  
Timothy Steve Lawing  
Elaine M. Loonam  
Charles Dwight Mason

**HIGH SCHOOL 1952**
H. Langdon Aikins  
Eugene Paul Alexander  
Billy Albert Baldwin  
Jere Vaughn Brantley  
Tom Mills Braswell  
James Dickson Cammack  
Frank Colston  
James Vance Daly, Jr.  
Sumner J. Denmark, Jr.  
Charles H. Fowler  
Paul Allen Franklin, Jr.  
Gerald L. Harden  
Harry Bird Harden  
John B. Henry  
Raphael Hughet, Jr.  
William Henson Jordan  
Jerry Christopher Kelley  
Hiram Sears Kirkland  
George Elliott Luck

**HIGH SCHOOL 1977**
Thomas R. Black, III  
Ronald Keith Braxley  
Julie Frazier Clayton  
Joe R. Curl  
Margaret Boyer Dorminey  
J. Wayne Hardie  
John F. Hardie  
Brett Headley  
Julie K. Wood Heindel  
Terry A. Hillman  
Bonnie Collins Lawson  
D. Glynn Leverett  
Raymond Neil Niblett  
Gail Wilkinson Pearson  
Beverly Veal Prosser  
Keith Riley  
Gina M. Salter  
Kathleen Austin Spivey  
Leesa M. McCoy Steele  
Gregory Crawford Tyler  
Carrie Oaks Wren
1930s

**Harry M. Hatcher, Jr., HS1936 & JC1938**, and his son **Harry M. Hatcher, III, JC1969**, visited Georgia Military College’s campus. Harry M. Hatcher, Jr. is a retired Army Colonel living in Starke, Florida with his wife, Patricia. Harry M. Hatcher, III is owner of Western Steer in Starke, Florida and also resides there with his wife, JoAnn, and their three children; Christopher, Harry IV, and Holly. Hatcher and his son said they had a lot of great memories and great influences on their lives from GMC.

**Charles W. Ennis, HS1938 & JC1940,** was recently recognized as Conservationist of the Year for Baldwin County by the 40th annual Conservationist of the Year Program, sponsored by the Piedmont Soil and Conservation District and local banks. After a long and distinguished 30-year career in the U.S. Army, Ennis decided to go into farming. Ennis operates a beef cattle and goat farm in Baldwin County, that has been in the family for many generations. Ennis has five children; Charles Ennis, Jr. and Linda Heath of Milledgeville, Emily Gooding and Ann Konefal of Fairbanks, Alaska, and Carolyn Evans of Knoxville, Tennessee. He also has 10 grandchildren.

1940s

**Harold I. Goodrich, HS1943 & JC1947,** and his wife, Nathalie, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary June 24, 2001. Mr. Goodrich is the owner of Harrold's Ladies Ready-to-Wear in Milledgeville, Georgia. He and his wife reside in Milledgeville.

**Ernest E. Bayne, HS1944,** and his wife, Anne, celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary November 8, 2001 at a reception held at The Willis House in Milledgeville, Georgia, given by their children; **Cynthia Bayne New, HS1972 & JC1974,** and her husband, **Randall New, HS1971 & JC1973,** **Victor D. Bayne, HS1975,** and his wife, Dianne, all of Milledgeville, Georgia, and **Milton L. Bayne, HS1981,** of Macon, Georgia.

**Dan Moses, HS1940 & JC1951,** and his wife, Addye, live in Fayetteville, North Carolina. They have four children, six grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren. Moses works part-time with TRW Corporation - Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC), Ft. Polk, Louisiana. Moses enjoys running, golfing and going to see the University of North Carolina Basketball and Football teams.

1950s

**Powell A. Moore, HS1955 & JC1957,** married Pamela Prochnow, September 29, 2001 at Christ Church in Georgetown, Washington, D.C.

**Lou Williams, HS1956 & JC1958,** and his wife, Sharon, celebrated their 20th anniversary with a week-long Bahamas Cruise. Lou is the owner of Lou Williams Contracting Co. in Milledgeville, Georgia. He and his wife have one daughter, Sheri Lou, who attends GMC.

**Isaac Goodrich, M.D., HS1957 & JC1959,** was recently elected President-Elect of the Connecticut State Medical Society for 2001 - 2002. He will be representing 7,100 physicians in Connecticut.
William T. "Willie" Moore, Jr., JC1960, received the Georgia Letterman's Club Distinguished Letterman's Award on Saturday, April 21st as the SEC champion University of Georgia baseball team celebrated Letterman's Day at Foley Field in Athens, Georgia. Judge Moore attended Savannah High School where he was a football and baseball letterman. In 1958 he was selected to play in the North-South high school all-star game in Atlanta, Georgia. That same year he signed a football scholarship to Georgia Military College where he also played baseball. In 1960 he was the captain of the GMC baseball team and won the JC conference championship. (The GMC baseball coach was Parnell Ruark, HS1942 & JC1949.) Judge Moore received his law degree from the UGA School of Law in 1964. He served as United States Attorney for the Southern District of Georgia from 1977-1981, and in 1994 he was appointed a United States District Judge. In May, 2001, he graduated from University of Virginia School of Law with a Master of Law.

Austin M. "Mac" Griffith, JC1965, is a chef and was conferred the honor of Maitre Grillardin Traiteur by the Chaine des Rotisseurs. He has also been featured several times in his local paper for original recipes. He resides in Rossville, Georgia.

Brett L. Grayson, JC1967, is working for the Office of the U.S. Attorney, Western District, Louisiana. He and his wife, Son-Hui Grayson, have four children; Dionne, Elizabeth, Joel, and Judah. They reside in Lafayette, Louisiana.

Forrest J. "Jack" Crocker, Jr., JC1968, lives in Savannah, Georgia with his wife, Mary. They have two sons, Forrest J. "Jay" Crocker, III and Christopher "Chris" Jason Crocker. He currently works with the Savannah Police Department (where he has over 21 years of experience), as an auto-theft detective. He also works part-time with The City of Savannah Leisure Services Organization coordinating the 5 & 6 and 7 & 8 year-old baseball program. He mentioned in a recent note to the Alumni Office that during his time at GMC, he enjoyed weightlifting and spent many hours in the gym. GMC’s president at that time was COL Ren Thorne and the SGM was SGM Suther. Crocker and Suther were the only two students that could dead-lift the cannon in front of the main barracks (that was their claim to fame). "Those were the real old days," said Jack.

Stephen K. Simpson, HS1968, recently joined Synovus Wealth Management in Macon, Georgia, as Senior Vice President. Prior to joining the Synovus team, Simpson was with Bank of America in Macon where he served as the Market Executive for their private bank. Simpson is married to Susan Rogers Simpson and they have two sons; Stephen K. Simpson, Jr., who attends Georgia State University, and Scott Simpson, who attends Georgia Tech.

Jimmy Smith, HS1971 and his wife Patricia Reid Smith, HS 1971, celebrated their 28th wedding anniversary July 8, 2001. Jimmy and Patricia have two daughters, Mandy Smith, JC 1994, and Jamey Smith, both of Milledgeville, Georgia. Jimmy is employed by Central State Hospital where he works in the Engineering Department and Patricia is the Registrar at GMC.

E. Yancey Walker, III, HS1972, recently was pinned full bird Colonel at Sheppard Air Force Base in Texas. COL Daniel Degracia, Deputy Commander of Surgery at Randolph Air Force Base in Texas and friend, conducted the pinning ceremony for Walker. Walker is stationed in Wichita Falls, Texas at Sheppard Air Force Base as Deputy Commander-Administrator of 82nd Medical Group.

COL Gary Emory, JC1975, recently participated in his son’s commissioning ceremony at Clemson University. He is pictured below with his son, LT Jonathan Emory.

Don't hallucinate.

Gary and Jonathan Emory.

Donald T. Howard, JC1975, is currently assigned as the TRADOC Systems Manager for Satellite Communications at U.S. Army Signal Center, Fort Gordon, Georgia. Howard and his wife Barbara have two children; Don, Jr. and Laura.

Ginger Collins Lasseter, HS1976, and her husband, Clint, celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary June 12, 2001. Ginger and her husband have two children; Amanda (age 14) and Clint (age 11). They reside in Milledgeville, Georgia.

Phillips W. Scott, JC1977, graduated cum laude from Tennessee State University May 12, 2001 with a Bachelor of Science in chemistry. Scott and his wife, Helen, were married May 19th the following week. He plans to return to Georgia where he will continue his studies in the Doctor of Chiropractic program at Life University.

Franklin W. Baugh, HS1979, married Patricia Boyle of Los Gatos, California, January 13, 2001 at Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. LTC Baugh is a Readiness Division Chief at HQ Air Mobility Command, Directorate of Civil Engineering.

Craig J. Wiser, JC1986, retired as a Police Officer after 18 years of service. He is currently working with Century 21 Alpha Ventures selling real estate and is three classes shy of completing his BA in Criminal Justice at Park College. He resides in Lee’s Summit, Missouri.

Shawn C. Mercer, HS1987 & JC1989, has joined the Milledgeville office of A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc. as financial consultant. He resides in Milledgeville, Georgia with his wife, Amanda, and their daughter, Emma.

Marian Maxey Smith, HS1987, and her husband, Kip, announce the birth of their second child, Abigail Elizabeth Smith, born May 16, 2000. They also have a son, Daniel Gerhardt Smith. Marian and her family reside in Watkinsville, Georgia.

John David Latham, HS1988, married Dr. Nadine Noel, November 10, 2001 at The Willis House in Milledgeville, Georgia. Latham received his Bachelor of Science degree from Clemson University and his Master of Forest Resources from the University of Georgia. He is employed by International Paper Company.

Gary Wright Meier, Jr., HS1988, married Holly Ann Booth of Newnan June 23, 2001. Meier received a Bachelor of Science degree in Exercise Physiology from Georgia College & State University, and is employed with the Peachtree City Police in Fayette County.


Barry Butcher, HS1991, graduated from Mercer University in May 2001 with Bachelor of Science in Business. Barry, his wife, Tara Clarke Butcher, HS 1989,
and their son, Baylor, reside in Milledgeville, Georgia.

Sheila Denise McCullough, HS1991, married John Ashby Maddox, July 14, 2001 in Helen, Georgia. Shelia is employed by Holloway and Associates in Eatonton, Georgia.

Zoie Hodges Park, HS1991, is a stay-at-home mom and writer. Zoie is married to Lanny Park. They have one son, William Anderson Park, and twins due in February 2002. Zoie and her family reside in Roanoke, Virginia.

Edward A. Ivey, HS1992 & JC1994, has been decorated with the Meritorious Service Medal, which is awarded to members of the U.S. Armed Forces who distinguish themselves by outstanding non-combat meritorious achievement in the service of the United States. Ivey is a Supply and Service Officer assigned to the 702nd Main Support Battalion at Camp Casey, Tongduchon, South Korea.


Richard N. Blevins, JC1995, is employed as an Assistant District Attorney for the Cobb Judicial Circuit in Marietta, Georgia. He resides in Kennesaw, Georgia with his wife, Denise Ussery Blevins, HS1992, and daughter Caitlyn Blevins.


Constance Jamie Mills, HS1996, married Richard William Beauchamp of Savannah, Georgia. Connie is employed by Oconee Regional Medical Center in Milledgeville, Georgia.

John Wood, HS1996, married Amanda Dudley, August 4, 2001 at the Ivey Baptist Church in Ivey, Georgia. Wood received a Bachelor's degree in Biology with a minor in Chemistry from Georgia College & State University. He is a second-year student at The Medical College of Georgia where he is studying to be a pediatrician.

Amanda J. Eady, HS1997, graduated from Georgia College & State University with a Bachelor of Arts in Mass Communications in May 2001. Eady was recently hired by the Forsyth-Monroe County Chamber of Commerce as a Public Relations/Tourism Specialist. She resides in McIntyre, Georgia.

Sharon B. Gabe, JC1997, moved to Tucson, Arizona, in June 2001 to accept internship as a U.S. Civil Service Cost Analyst. Sharon and her husband, Robert, have two children, David (age 18) and Matthew (age 14).

Lindsay L. Williams, JC1997, graduated from Ranger School, July 6, 2001, and was promoted to Captain, August 1, 2001.

Sunni Adan Dixon, HS1995, married Jeffery Shawn Hendrix, June 23, 2001 at Gordon United Methodist Church in Gordon, Georgia. Dixon received her associate's degree from Young Harris College and will graduate from Georgia Southern University in May 2002.

Mamye Serena Biggs, JC1999, married Aaron David Fruge, September 22, 2001 at The Willis House in Milledgeville, Georgia. Mamye works at Century Bank & Trust, and she and her husband reside in Milledgeville.

Elizabeth A. Camp, JC1999, and her husband, Mark, announce the birth of their daughter, Meredith Laura Camp, January 15, 2001. Elizabeth is currently working on a degree in Industrial Psychology at Clayton College & State University in Macon, Georgia. Elizabeth and her family reside in Griffin, Georgia.

Gregory Cortez Dubose, JC1999, moved to Atlanta in June 2000 to work for a year as an IRS security officer. Dubose is now working for the Atlanta Police Department and will be attending Police Academy in October or November.

Jose "Joe" E. Garcia, Jr., JC1999, is a financial planner for Edward Jones, and he also writes for the El Paso Inc. newspaper. Joe and his wife, Brenda, have two children; Skye Angelica and Zachary Austin. They reside in El Paso, Texas.

2000s

Tameka Nandell Pettis, JC2000, married Patrick Pettis, February 12, 2001. Tameka works as a tax examiner for the Georgia Department of Revenue. They reside in East Point, Georgia.

Steven A. Simpson, JC2000, is currently coaching middle school football at Georgia Military College. Simpson is a junior math major at Georgia College & State University in Milledgeville, Georgia.

Henry Hunt, JC 2001, was not able to graduate from high school while growing up in Milledgeville, Georgia. Henry was also unable to attend GMC junior college, the place he most wanted to go, because his widowed mother could not afford to send him, and because he did not have a high school diploma or his GED equivalency.

Henry was refused entry into the Army in 1972 during the first All-Volunteer Army year because he did not have his high school diploma or GED. This did not discourage Henry. He joined the Army Reserves and went on to receive his GED. During frequent and varied Army assignments, he spent ten years earning an associates and a bachelors degree in Aeronautical Engineering.

During those years, Henry had kept GMC in mind as an unfulfilled dream. This year he was finally awarded two associates degrees (Pre-Nursing and Criminal Justice) from GMC, and at the age of 47 proves, once again, that it is never too late to follow your dreams. Henry was presented his two diplomas June 19, 2001 by COL Fred Van Horn, executive vice president of GMC. Colonel Van Horn reports “Henry was proud of his GMC accomplishment to the point of tears.” We can hardly blame him.

To fulfill a dream...Our heartiest congratulations to Henry Hunt and to everyone who dares to follow their heart. Henry is now a full-time Paramedic and Army National Guard aviator. He currently resides in Gray, Georgia.

Share Your News

The Cadence would like to keep your classmates up to date with your latest news. So if you have moved recently, or are planning to move, please send in this form to keep our records current. We also want to hear from you if you have recently married, had a baby, received a promotion, retired, or accomplished some other noteworthy milestone.

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Please return this form along with your photo to: Alumni Relations, Georgia Military College, 201 E. Greene Street, Milledgeville, GA. 31061. Fax to (478) 445-2867 or fill out on-line at www.gmc.cc.ga.us/alumni/census.html.
The Georgia Military College and the GMC Alumni Association extend our deepest sympathies to the families of the following alumni and friends:

Mary Boyer Muldrow, HS1915, died May 14, 2001 at the age of 105 in State College, PA. Survivors include her daughter, Blanche Muldrow Shamma of State College, PA.

Alice Marie Ennis Smith, HS1917, died May 23, 2001. Mrs. Smith was a native of Washington County but made her home in Milledgeville, GA for most of her life. She was a graduate of Georgia Normal & Industrial College for Women. She was a retired school teacher and a property owner and manager for many years. She was a member of First Baptist Church in Milledgeville. Survivors include a son, Nathaniel E. Smith, HS1959, and wife, Karin, of Milledgeville; four grandsons; Christopher R. Smith, HS1986, of San Antonio, TX, Kervin B. Smith, HS1990, of Statesboro, GA, Phillip H. Smith, HS1992, of Dahlonega, GA, and Joel A. Smith of Milledgeville, GA; and a granddaughter, Sara S. Brantley, of Milledgeville, GA.

E. Alton Rogers, HS1927, of Milledgeville, GA died June 25, 2001 at the age of 91. Upon graduation from GMC, he attended the Georgia Institute of Technology and graduated with a BS degree in Management. He was a member of the Kappa Alpha Order. After retiring from the US Department of Treasury, he was an officer with All Farms Sales Real Estate and was an independent appraiser. He was a member of the Milledgeville Rotary Club and a recipient of the Paul Harris Fellow Award. He was a member of the Milledgeville Georgia Tech Alumni Club. Active with the state and local Republican Party, he served as chairman of the local republican party and vice chairman of the 10th District. He also served as a Mason and was a member of Benevolent Lodge #3 for 58 years. He was a member of St. Stephens Episcopal Church where he served on the Vestry for many years. Survivors include his son, Emmett Alton Rogers, Jr. of Macon, GA, his daughter Patricia Rogers Tripp of Athens, GA and five grandchildren.

Robert W. Wicker, JC1935, of Jones County, GA died May 12, 2000. A graduate of Jones County High School and the University of Georgia, Mr. Wicker was a retired dairyman and tree farmer. He was a member of the University of Georgia Alumni Association, the Jones County Farm Bureau, and a former Director of Tri-County EMC for 40 years. Mr. Wicker served on the Selective Service Board for 20 years and he was a member of Haddock United Methodist Church where he served on the Administrative Board. He is survived by his wife, Sally Wicker of Jones County, three daughters; Martha Newberry of Savannah, GA, Sally Brown of Houston, TX, and Nancy Ellspermann of Jones County. Five grandchildren and one great-grandchild also survive him.

F. C. Rozier, JC1937, died November 25, 2000. He was native of Bulloch County, a retired farmer, founder of Rozier Ford of Brooklet, GA and former Chairman and Board of Director of Farmer’s and Merchants Bank. He was a charter member of the Brooklet Kiwanis Club, a member of the SEB Booster Club, and a member of the First Baptist Church of Brooklet. Survivors include his wife, Julia Suddath Rozier of Brooklet, GA; one son, Frank C. Rozier of Statesboro, GA; one daughter, Julie Rozier of Brooklet, GA; one sister, Lorena Cordell of Milledgeville, GA; and three granddaughters; Leigh Lynch of Atlanta, GA, Rindi Rozier of Thomson, GA, and Cindi Hart of Brooklet, GA.

Robert Hickok, JC1942, of Paw Paw, MI, died April 24, 2001. Survivors include his wife, Donna Hickok.

James W. Revis, HS1943, of Baldwin County, GA died July 29, 2001. He was a retired U.S. Army Sergeant Major, and a master parachutist, serving in World War II and the Korean War. He was retired from J.P. Stevens and was a member of the Benevolent Lodge #3, Scottish Rite, Al Sihah Shrine, Macon Moose Lodge, American Legion and several airborne associations. Mr. Revis was a member of Montpelier United Methodist Church. Survivors include his wife, Frances Boyd Revis of Milledgeville, GA; four sons, James C. Revis, HS1971, of Marietta, GA, Andrew Kennedy of Lizella, GA, Curtis Kennedy of McIntyre, GA, and Ritchie Kennedy of Irwinton, GA; three daughters, Judy Revis of Orange Park, FL, Mary O’Grady of California and Lynn Ussery of Gordon, GA, and several grandchildren.

Noah R. Jackson, Jr., HS1946 & JC1949, died February 27, 2001. Mr. Jackson was a native and resident of Baldwin County, GA. He received a master’s degree in forestry from the University of Georgia. He spent the majority of his career as a manager of wood procurement for St. Regis Paper Co. He retired from Amcon Forest Products in 1979. Survivors include his wife, Carolyn Underwood Jackson of Milledgeville; two sons, Bob Jackson of Clinton, MS, and John Jackson of Milledgeville, GA; a daughter, Lyn Kruse of Milledgeville, GA; a sister, JoAnn Jackson Peeler of Macon, Georgia, and several grandchildren.

J. Floyd Harrington, HS1945 & JC1949, died July 9, 2001. Mr. Harrington was a native and life-long resident of Baldwin County. He graduated from the University of Georgia with a BBA degree. He served in the United States Army from 1946-1948, and also served in the Georgia National
Guard from 1954-1984, obtaining the rank of Brigadier General. Mr. Harrington was a co-owner and operator of Harrington Milling Co. from 1951-1994, and was CEO of the Milledgeville-Baldwin County Chamber of Commerce from 1995-2000. He was a member of the First United Methodist Church, Past President of the Milledgeville Jaycees and was selected Outstanding Local President of Jaycees, Past District President of Jaycees and was selected Outstanding District President of Jaycees, and Past President of the Milledgeville Country Club. Mr. Harrington was the organizer and Director of First Federal Savings and Loan Association of Milledgeville. He received the 1975 Man of the Year Award from the Piedmont Soil and Water Conversation District. He served in the Georgia State Senate from 1960 - 1961, and the Georgia House of Representatives from 1962-1974. He was Committee Chairman of the House Human Relations Committees (1968-1974), he served on the Appropriations, State Institutions and Properties Committees, he was appointed by the Speaker of the House to serve on the State Properties Commission (1974-1991), he served as Chairman of the Milledgeville Advisory Board of Directors at First Liberty Bank, and was a member of the Board of Directors at Magnolia State Bank in Milledgeville, GA. Survivors include his wife, Nell Lawrence Harrington of Milledgeville, GA; a son, John F. Harrington, Jr., HS1975, of Milledgeville, GA; a daughter, Emily Ann Harrington Hendry of Macon, GA; two brothers, William M. Harrington, JC1937, of Omaha, NE and Ralph A. Harrington, HS1941 & JC1943, of Milledgeville, GA, and three grandchildren, Rachel Anne Harrington and Tyler Bishop Harrington both of Charlotte, NC, and Jackson Lawrence Hendry of Macon, GA.

Roger A. May, JC1947, died July 21, 2001. Mr. May was a native and resident of Baldwin County, GA. He was retired from the Georgia Department of Corrections and was a Navy veteran of World War II. Survivors include two sons, Terry May and Stephen May, both of Atlanta, GA.

Walter “Walt” T. Banks, HS1948 & JC1950, died August 4, 2001. He was retired from the Southeastern Lumber Manufacturers Association. Mr. Banks was a member of The Southernaires band and was a longtime member of the Decatur Civic Chorus. Survivors include three daughters; Nannette Lewis of Forest Park, GA, Kathleen Brooks of McDonough, GA, and Stephanie O’Donnell of West Plains, MO.

Jack Raley English, JC1962, died August 6, 2001. Mr. English was a native of Jefferson County, GA. He was instrumental in developing the commercial truck driving program at Sandersville Technical College in Sandersville, GA. Upon his retirement, the commercial truck driving range was named in his honor. While teaching at Sandersville Technical College, he was awarded the first Commissioners Award of Excellence. He was a farmer and was a member of the First United Methodist Church in Swainsboro, GA. Survivors include his wife, Linda Holloway English of Louisville, GA; and three brothers, Robert Lamar English, Jr. of Duluth, GA, Bill English of Swainsboro, GA, and Don English of Vidalia, GA.

R. Mike Deason, HS1964, died September 10, 2001. Mr. Deason was a native and resident of Baldwin County, GA. He attended Georgia College. He was a U.S. Army ILT, served in Vietnam from 1968-1969, and received the Purple Heart. Survivors include his wife, Susan McDaniel of Milledgeville, GA; and two sons, Michael Scott Deason, JC2001, of Milledgeville, GA and Jeffery Thomas Deason of Atlanta, GA.

David Thomas Bofinger, IV, HS1974, died May 18, 2001. Mr. Bofinger was a native of Englewood, NJ, but had made his home in Milledgeville, GA for many years. He attended Georgia College and was employed with Rheem Manufacturing Company and was a member of the First Presbyterian Church. Survivors include a son and daughter, Michael Bofinger and Madeline Bofinger of Madison, GA; his mother, Betty Bland McMillan of Woodstock, GA; his father, David Thomas Bofinger, III, of Fair Haven, VT, and two sisters, Diana Mummaw of Boca Raton, FL and Maria Caraballo of Woodstock, GA.

Michael J. Brassell, HS1975, died August 20, 2001. Mr. Brassell was a native of Orange, CA, but made his home in Milledgeville, GA for many years. He was a former employee of Piggly Wiggly (Foodmax) and worked at Engelhard in Gordon, GA. Survivors include a sister, Amanda Osburn of Hazlehurst, GA; a brother Daniel Thomas Brassell of Atlanta, GA; and his grandmother, Rhetta Parker of Augusta, GA.


Bess Applebury, former employee of GMC, died August 20, 2001. Mrs. Applebury was a native of New Orleans, LA, but made her home in Baldwin County, GA since 1939. She taught at Georgia Military College, Baldwin High School, and Northside Elementary for 35 years. She was a former director of the Foster Grandparents and Senior Companions Program. She was a member of the Retired Teachers Association and Kappa Kappa Iola. She was a former member of the Georgia Silver-Haired Legislature and was a member of the West View Baptist Church. Survivors include a son, Richard W. Applebury, HS1966, of Milledgeville, GA; a brother, Robert L. Bridges, Jr. of Milledgeville, GA; a sister, Frankie Overman of Macon, GA; and three grandchildren, Sara Applebury, Wesley Applebury, and Will Applebury, all of Milledgeville, GA.
In conjunction with GMC’s Yellow Ribbon Campaign at home, GMC Alumni stationed with the Multinational Division (North) in Bosnia gathered for a dinner and a hometown sense of fellowship August 25, 2001.