What insight the renowned writer, Herman Melville, revealed when he said, “We cannot live for ourselves alone. Our lives are connected by a thousand invisible threads, and along these sympathetic fibers, our actions run as causes and return to us as results.” As I read this recently, I became acutely aware that Georgia Military College is experiencing the gratifying results that derive from the actions of many who make up the fabric of the institution’s history….

There are the alumni who filled the classrooms of GMC, different faces and different voices year after year, but all connected by the intricate threads and fibers of their common experiences here…by the ideals of responsibility and leadership and loyalty instilled in this place. And we must never forget the teachers who shaped the lives of hundreds of students who came their way, forging bonds that would last for a lifetime, inspiring excellence and strength of character and service to community and country.

The tradition continues…and each new year is filled with its own stories of success. For many who have been part of the “GMC family,” the connection remains…and the bond is strong.

I am compelled to thank those of you who honor that bond by “giving back” to GMC. Through your service, your leadership, your financial support, you are honoring the past by helping prepare the institution for an even better future. Your generosity of spirit does not go unnoticed.

We also owe a debt of gratitude to the many friends of this school who have joined the “GMC family” because you believe in the mission being accomplished here and its impact upon lives. Your support, along with that of our alumni, is undergirding the GMC Foundation with the resources needed to impact the institution immediately, while keeping an eye on securing the future through a more robust endowment.

Victor Hugo said, “There is nothing like a dream to create the future.” Thank you for helping us keep the dream alive and well at Georgia Military College. Generations to come will thank you, too.

Elizabeth Sheppard
Vice President for Advancement
ON THE COVER:

(L to R) G. Conley Ingram (HS'45, JC'46) - Marietta, Ga., former Justice, Georgia State Supreme Court; Tommy Fulghum (HS'47, JC'49) - Augusta, Ga., President, Fulghum Industries and Fulghum Fibres; Levi Hill, III (JC'46) - Augusta, Ga., Chairman, Richmond Supply Company; and Al Hatcher (JC'49) - Dublin, Ga., Developer, Hatcher Square Mall and Hatcher Point Mall

For the first time in 60 years, the four cadets who occupied the Big Four corner room on the second floor east of Vinson Hall Barracks in 1946 and 1947 recently gathered for a reunion at the home of Mr. O.T. “Tommy” Fulghum in Augusta, Georgia.

In reflecting upon the visit, Levi Hill said, “During the continuous conversation about the old days at GMC, there was mutual agreement that the education (at GMC) was superb, but even more valuable was the character gained, self-respect, discipline, honor and ethics…and, of course, the life-long friends made, all very important and never forgotten.”

Georgia Military College is accredited by the Commission on Colleges of the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools to award Associate Degrees.
Another dream became a reality on the main campus of Georgia Military College (GMC) on December 8, 2006 with the official dedication of the new barracks, named for James E. Baugh, M.D. (HS 1937/JC 1939).

Designed collaboratively by Lord, Aeck & Sargent architectural and design firm of Atlanta and the executive office of GMC, the James E. Baugh Barracks will provide a much needed residence for the cadet population.

The new three-level, 57,465 square foot facility will provide 62 suites comprised of two rooms with four beds and desks, and one bathroom. The rooms are slightly larger than the rooms in Main Barracks and Vinson Hall and are wired for computers and have central heating and air conditioning. One resident advisor suite and two common areas for group studies and interaction are included on each floor.

The first floor features a hospitality room for cadets, their parents, and other visitors. A conference room will accommodate staff meetings, cadet training/command meetings, and other gatherings. Tactical and security offices and an administrative area are also located on this floor. An all-purpose recreation room is located on the second floor. On the third floor, a state-of-the-art technology center will enhance learning opportunities.

At a cost of $8.8 million, this facility further strengthens GMC’s commitment to excellence through providing a comprehensive quality educational experience for our cadet population.
Dr. James E. Baugh graduated from GMC High School in 1937 and earned an Associate’s Degree from GMC Junior College in 1939. He subsequently was awarded an A.B. degree in political science and history and a B.S. degree in chemistry from the University of Georgia, and later, a medical degree from the Medical College of Georgia. He served during World War II as a charter member of the 82nd Airborne Division and shortly afterward married Betty George “Beegee” Clark, with whom he has shared a lifelong commitment.

Dr. Baugh practiced family medicine in Milledgeville for 52 years and served as mayor of the city for 18 years. He demonstrated his appreciation for Georgia Military College through his service as Chairman of the Board of Trustees for over 28 years. He took great pride in the institution, fortifying it with his exemplary leadership, dedication and generosity.

“Dr. Baugh would never take a negative look at things. He would say “How do we accomplish what needs to be done?” The main reason GMC is here today is because Dr. Baugh would not quit.”

~GMC Foundation chairman Bill Craig, who was appointed to the Foundation by Baugh in 1979
Through the years, alumni and friends of Georgia Military College have epitomized the spirit of giving through their generosity. In August of 2002, many received a letter from GMC President, MG Peter J. Boylan, USA (Ret.), requesting their assistance with funding for a new barracks. While the new facility was still little more than a dream, several “answered the call” by pledging their support. Upon the dedication of the James E. Baugh Barracks, Georgia Military College gratefully acknowledges the generosity of those who have helped make the dream a reality.

Mrs. Louis H. Andrews
Dr. Rose Baugh Bacon
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MAJ and Mrs. Joseph R. Baugh, USA (Ret.)
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Mr. W. J. Usery, Jr.
Mr. W. Cannon Williams
Mr. and Mrs. John T. Williamson
Mr. and Mrs. Goodloe H. Yancey, III
There were a total of 74 naming opportunities in the James E. Baugh Barracks.

- 62 Suites/Rooms
- 4 Tac Offices
- 2 Security Offices
- 3 Resident Advisor Suites
- Computer Lab
- Conference Room
- Hospitality Room

A total of $214,000 has been raised in naming opportunities for the barracks. Over $414,000 has been donated through special initiatives since 2002. Dr. and Mrs. James E. Baugh have committed $1 million toward this project.

Of the 82 donors that participated in naming opportunities, 60 were alumni.

Baugh Hospitality Room

On the first floor, Mrs. Beegee Baugh has furnished the Baugh Hospitality Room in honor of her husband and the building’s namesake, Dr. James E. Baugh, whose vision and belief in Georgia Military College have been unwavering and infallible.

Mrs. Baugh said, “When the new barracks presented us an opportunity to leave a legacy, I was pleased that future students would have the opportunity to live in a first-class facility with amenities that would make their college experiences more desirable and enjoyable. I know that Jimmy would want to provide an atmosphere that contributes to learning and ensuring positive experiences for the cadets within the gates of GMC.”

The Usery Technology Center

The Usery Technology Center, a state-of-the-art computer lab, is sponsored by one of the school’s most distinguished alumni, W. J. “Bill” Usery, Jr. A 1940 graduate of GMC Junior College and former U.S. Secretary of Labor, Mr. Usery generously provided funding to appoint the new computer lab in the James E. Baugh Barracks.

Mr. Usery’s generosity ensures continued success among GMC’s cadet population. The center’s 18 computers, recessed monitors, and laser printer give cadets the ability to conduct research via the Internet, type research papers, develop multi-media presentations, and correspond with their professors and classmates when they login to their student e-mail accounts.

Although Mr. Usery has received numerous accolades and awards in the course of his career, including five honorary doctorates, he considers it among his highest honors to have received from Georgia Military College not only the Distinguished Alumnus Award in 1971 but also GMC’s greatest tribute, the Carl Vinson Public Service Award, in 1990.

Of Usery’s contributions to the school, Major General Peter J. Boylan, USA (Ret.), GMC President, has written, “Every educational institution in this land has alumni to whom it can point with pride as exemplifying those qualities which identify the school and the ethic which underpins the education it provides. In the case of Bill Usery, these qualities are gifts to our country of an extraordinary sort from an extraordinary citizen.”
Members of the Goodrich family have generously appointed the new conference room in the James E. Baugh Barracks. The conference room will be used for staff meetings, cadet training/command meetings and group counseling sessions.

Contributors include Dr. and Mrs. Samuel Goodrich, Mr. and Mrs. Harold Goodrich, Dr. and Mrs. Isaac Goodrich, Dr. and Mrs. Allan Goodrich, Drs. Charles and Vickie Brown, Dr. and Mrs. Stuart Padove, Dr. and Mrs. Robert Goodrich, Ms. Ashley Ann Goodrich, Mr. David and Mrs. Harriet Goodrich Workman, and Ms. Rachel Leigh Goodrich.

The Goodrich Family Conference Room is dedicated in honor of the family members who have walked through the gates as alumni of Georgia Military College.

The Goodrich Family Conference Room is named in honor of:

Harold Isaac Goodrich, HS 1943, JC 1947
Samuel Melvin Goodrich, M.D., HS 1953, JC 1955
Isaac Goodrich, M.D., HS 1957
Stuart Jay Padove, M.D., JC 1965-1966
Jacob Allan Goodrich, M.D., HS 1969
Martha Wright Goodrich, HS 1970
Robert Joseph Goodrich, M.D., HS 1971
Charles Frederick Brown, M.D., HS 1974
Michael Lee Goodrich, HS 1976
Lee Brian Padove, M.D., HS 1976
Beth Goodrich Goldstein, M.D., HS 1978
Harriet Goodrich Workman, HS 1993
Ashley Ann Goodrich, HS 1998
Rachel Leigh Goodrich HS 2000

“My entrance into the halls of GMC as a cadet in September of 1939 began the tradition of educating all the Goodrich cousins, sons, and daughters for decades to come. The benefits of the training I received while at GMC and my commitment to the school have lasted through my entire lifetime.”

Mr. Harold Isaac Goodrich, HS 1943, JC 1947

“I had the good fortune to have outstanding teachers at GMC. They prepared me to be successful in my academic career. I am still guided by the principles I learned in my seven years at GMC.”

Dr. Samuel Melvin Goodrich, HS 1953, JC 1955
Rooms, suites and offices in the James E. Baugh Barracks were sponsored through the generosity of:

COL and Mrs. Robert M. Alford - 1 Suite
Dr. Rose Baugh Bacon - 4 Suites
LTC Franklin W. Baugh, USAF - 1 Suite
MAJ and Mrs. Joseph R. Baugh, USA (Ret.) - 1 Suite
MAJ Marvin T. Baugh - 1 Suite
Dr. Wilbur Baugh - 1 Suite
The Ernest Bayne Family - 1 Suite
LTC and Mrs. Patrick Beer, USA (Ret.) - 3 Offices
Mrs. J. C. Bell - 1 Suite
BG and Mrs. Doyle D. Broome, Jr. - 1 Resident Advisor Suite
Dr. George Coletti - 1 Suite
Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Copelan - 2 Suites
Chris R. Sheridan & Co. - 1 Suite
Mr. Barnie Collins - 1 Room
Mr. and Mrs. Bill Craig - 1 Suite
Dr. Ernest Daniel - 1 Suite
COL and Mrs. Frank Davis - 1 Room
Dr. Therry Deal - 1 Room
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Dr. and Mrs. George echols - 1 Office
Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Copelan - 1 Room
Dr. and Mrs. John Ferguson - 1 Suite
Mr. and Mrs. Tommy Fulghum - 1 Suite
The Honorable Hugh Gillis, Sr. - 1 Suite
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Mr. and Mrs. Jeff Gray - 1 Room
Ms. Merel Harrison - 1 Room
Mrs. James Helton - 1 Room
Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hendrix - 1 Suite
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Mr. Charles B. Hodges, Jr. - Regimental Commander Suite
Mr. Earl Hunter - 1 Suite
Mrs. Evelyn Hunter - 1 Room
JC Class of 1976 - America's Bicentennial Suite
Ms. Linda Kerce - 1 Suite
Mr. Eugene Key - 1 Room
Mr. Robert Klarer - 1 Suite
Mr. Stan Locke - 1 Resident Advisor Suite
Lord, Aeck and Sargent - 1 Suite
BG and Mrs. Rick McCabe - 1 Suite
COL Lonnie Elwyn Martin - 1 Suite
Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mason - 1 Room
Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mobley - 1 Suite
Mr. Neil Mooney - 1 Suite
COL and Mrs. Jere N. Moore, Jr. - 1 Suite
Ms. Shannon New - 1 Room
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Dr. Maidana Nunn - 1 Suite
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COL and Mrs. John Riley - 1 Room
Dudley and Jenny Rowe - 1 Suite
Mr. Parnell Ruark - 1 Suite
Mr. W. Bruce Salter - 1 Room
Mr. Edward Sanders - 1 Resident Advisor Suite
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Mr. Monte C. Washburn - 1 Suite
Mr. and Mrs. James Wilkinson, Sr. - 1 Suite
Mr. and Mrs. John Williamson - 1 Office
Mr. and Mrs. Robert B. Wise - 1 Suite
Mrs. Otis C. Woods - 1 Room
Mr. and Mrs. Goodloe Yancey - 1 Suite
Mr. William "Bill" Yoast - 1 Resident Advisor Suite
The New Academic Complex Atrium at GMC’s main campus in Milledgeville became a sea of gold and red, with soft white lights twinkling in spruce trees and interlaced in holiday garland of greenery and ribbon draped along the railings and staircase. The tables were islands of deep red velvet and gold organza and silk, ready to host the special guests soon to arrive with the setting of the sun.

The occasion for this transformation was a celebration of the holiday spirit, the spirit of giving and the spirit of commitment to a greater good. Hosted by GMC President MG Peter Boylan and his wife, Kathy, the Gala Reception and Dinner was in honor of members of the 2006 President’s Circle, Oak Leaf Society and distinguished donors toward the James E. Baugh Barracks.

“The President’s Dinner is our means of thanking those persons whose continuing belief in GMC and its mission, and, whose generosity have allowed this institution to continue to improve in all dimensions,” noted MG Boylan. “The dinner has another, less obvious, purpose... that of bringing this group of believers together so that they might better understand how we go about the process of making a difference in the lives of our students. They have made a significant difference in the college, and it is important that they understand what that difference is. The dinner held late last year was the largest in the history of the school and provided mute testament to all in attendance of the increasing number of persons who believe in GMC and its mission.”

The festivities began with cocktails and hors d’oeuvres and progressed into a sit down dinner where guests feasted on mixed greens with champagne vinaigrette and pear goat cheese tartlets, followed by beef tenderloin fillets and crab stuffed lobster tail with new potatoes stuffed with aged cheddar cheese and accompanied by fresh green beans. The meal concluded with an assortment of sweets, pies, cakes and trifles.
Jake Goldstein (JC 1960) and his wife, Kaye, with GMC Foundation Chair, Bill Craig (HS 1971) and his wife, Patsy

Jake Goldstein (HS 1940/JC 1942) and COL Lonnie Martin (HS 1934)

Dr. John Ferguson (HS 1961/JC 1963) and his wife, Janet
The occasion for this transformation was a celebration of the holiday spirit, the spirit of giving and the spirit of commitment to a greater good.
INSPIRED
by the past . . .
EAGER
for the future

HONORING THE SPIRIT OF GIVING

Annual Giving Report

July 1, 2005 to June 30, 2006
The GMC Foundation was established in 1955 as the official fundraising arm of Georgia Military College. The foundation helps to support the mission of GMC by generating private funds to financially support the educational and development activities of the school.

A volunteer board of trustees serves as the governing body. All board members provide their services to the GMC Foundation without compensation and have otherwise invested philanthropically in the foundation. A nine-member executive committee elected from the membership of the board meets monthly and is authorized to act on the trustees’ behalf.

The foundation is a separate, independent organization that is chartered by the State of Georgia as a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit educational corporation, and gifts to the foundation are tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

2005-2006 Georgia Military College Foundation, Inc.

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Peter Boylan, GMC President presents Mr. William J. Usery, Jr. (JC 1940) with a plaque in recognition of his commitment to GMC and his induction into the Oak Leaf Society.

Trustee Emeriti

Wilbur Baugh
Milledgeville, GA

Joe Finley
Milledgeville, GA
The Oak Leaf Society was established to honor individuals who include Georgia Military College in their estate plan or in a planned gift arrangement. Some of these legacy gifts are unrestricted, while some are designated for a particular purpose such as providing scholarships or vital support for programs and services.

Alumni and friends who make such planned gifts create a legacy for the future of Georgia Military College and its students. We are truly grateful for their loyalty and their desire to make a difference for generations to come.

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Mr. and Mrs. Goodloe H. Yancey, III

* In Memory

"I have found that among its other benefits, giving liberates the soul of the giver." - Maya Angelou
The President’s Circle

Membership in the President’s Circle is extended to those who make a gift of $1,000 or more annually to the GMC Foundation. Members are special guests of the president of Georgia Military College at an annual dinner in their honor.

The GMC Foundation President’s Circle was established during the 2004 fiscal year to honor an exceptional group of donors who have earned a place of distinction through their commitment to the school’s vital need for private support. It is the singular goal of the President’s Circle to recognize those donors whose remarkable generosity enhances the school’s mission.

Lafayette Society

Lafayette Society members are contributors of $25,000 or more during the fiscal year. As leadership donors, their gifts are vital to the education of Georgia Military College students.

The Estate of Mr. Lew Cordell
Mr. W. J. Usery, Jr.

1879 Club

Donations to the GMC Foundation in the amount of $10,000 to $24,999 qualify the giver for honorary listing in the 1879 Club. Membership at this level helps to ensure opportunities for student achievement.

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Old Capitol Club

The Old Capitol Club includes those who contribute $5,000 to $9,999, giving valuable support to the many programs of Georgia Military College and setting the College apart as a leader among community colleges.

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Generals

Broad-based financial support is a key to GMC’s continued growth and development. Generals, those who contribute $1,000 to $4,999, acknowledge their desire to assist the College in its never-ending pursuit of excellence.

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Mrs. Otis C. Woods

“The habit of giving only enhances the desire to give.” - Walt Whitman
Stephen K. Simpson of Macon, Georgia, has generously established a fund for an endowed Chair of Ethics through the Georgia Military College Foundation. The first of such initiatives at Georgia Military College, this endowment will further excellence at the college in an unprecedented way.

Without exception, great colleges and universities have great faculty. The Ethics Chair for which Simpson is providing support will assist GMC in being able to attract and retain the finest professors for leadership roles in the ethics program. The endowment, with a minimum target goal of $500,000, will reward experience and potential and will enable the holders to build and enhance the ethics program in ways that can make a real difference at GMC and in the world community.

Simpson declined the opportunity to have the chair named for him, but is in discussion with General Boylan and other GMC executives about an appropriate individual for whom the honor is truly fitting.

Simpson says that GMC is a family tradition for him, with his dad and numerous uncles and cousins all graduating from the institution. He thinks of his gift as “a way to honor the institution.” In reminiscing upon his days at GMC, he said, with a twinkle in his eyes, that when he attended, although he and fellow students indulged in a few pranks from time to time, GMC graduates “could do drills and ceremonies with West Pointers.” He takes pride in the fact that the school imparted to him not only a good education but values as well. In his words, “The school becomes an important part of who you are.”

After graduating from GMC High School, Simpson subsequently earned a BBA in Management from Georgia College and State University, MS in Systems Management from University of Southern California, and MBA in Finance from Mercer University.

A native of Milledgeville, he served in the United States Army for twenty years, retiring as a Lieutenant Colonel. His final six years were in the Pentagon. He served with the Defense Intelligence Agency and later in the office of Secretary of the Army. Simpson was liaison to Congress for the Army’s portion of the annual Defense Authorization Bill. After a twelve-year banking career, he established Simpson-Jones Construction (SJC) with his long-time friend, Thomas P. Jones. SJC manages a variety of business activities including M. Buckland Asphalt Paving and Main Street Landscapes.

In addition to his military service and his distinguished business career, Simpson has been actively involved in the community through leadership in such organizations as Kiwanis Club of Macon, Leadership Macon, Macon Heritage Foundation, Goodwill Industries, United Way, Ronald McDonald House, and Central Georgia Alzheimer’s Association. He is married to the former Susan Rogers, Ed.D. of Statesboro, who is principal at Rosa Taylor Elementary School in Macon. They have two sons, Stephen, Jr. and Scott.

COL Fred Van Horn, Executive Vice President of GMC has said, “The vision of Steve Simpson reflects the experience of a career Army officer and successful businessman who knows with certainty that the ‘best generations’ are filled with common and uncommon men and women who possess great character. As a GMC graduate, he knows that students who pass through the GMC gates have access to an unparalleled character development opportunity. Steve Simpson and other benefactors are determined to significantly enhance this opportunity through creation of a Chair of Ethics. In doing so, they make it possible for the college to engage experienced academic leaders who passionately share the college’s guiding belief, which is captured in the accolade, “Character Above All!” This distinguishing sentiment expresses our desire that students leave Georgia Military College as educated and contributing citizens who understand that there is a higher purpose to living than self-interest alone. The men and women who occupy this GMC Chair of Ethics will lead in our quest to holistically and concurrently develop the intellect and character of every GMC student - out into future generations.”

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Please notify the Office of Advancement at (478) 445-2692 or email esheppar@gmc.cc.ga.us if you have included GMC in your will or if you wish to request more information.
Jim Kjer, a 1973 graduate of GMC High School, and his wife, Maggie, have generously provided $30,000 to name the computer lab in the New Academic Building. “I saw the naming opportunities in the New Academic Building at GMC as a wonderful way to honor my parents, Angie and Ed Kjer. They were my first and most important teachers. The lessons they taught me - honesty, follow through, persistence, taking responsibility for my actions - were reinforced at Georgia Military College,” stated Jim Kjer. “The naming of the computer lab in honor of my parents is a way for me to thank them. And it is a way to thank those at GMC who shaped my life. But, perhaps most importantly, this gift will help many more young men and women be shaped by the principles of this great institution: Duty, Honor and Country.”

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French author and philosopher Denis Diderot penned that “Only passions, great passions, can elevate the soul to great things.” If one were to describe Jacob and Maxine Goldstein with the symbolic gesture of one word, passion would certainly suffice.

Throughout their lives, they have demonstrated a commitment to family, community, and country, and, without question, to Georgia Military College. In 2005, the Jacob L. and Maxine S. Goldstein Center for the Performing Arts was dedicated at GMC’s New Academic Complex. This year, they continue their commitment to GMC with a generous donation toward the purchase of an additional black background curtain for the Center along with much needed microphone systems selected to enhance choral and band performances as well as theatrical performances. The equipment includes a new podium with dedicated microphone; professional unidirectional handheld microphones; suspended and floor stand stage microphones; and wireless body pack microphones with supportive head gear.

According to GMC Choral Instructor Amedeo Tritto, the new microphones will enhance the performances at the Center. “We are excited about the upgrades and additions to the sound system. Not only will they improve the sound quality of our performances, they will provide more performers the ability to demonstrate their talent, be it singing or acting, without the distraction of a handheld microphone or the challenge of being clearly heard.”

The Goldsteins feel this gift is a way for them to express their love of the community and of GMC.

“These are two individuals whose belief in GMC and whose continuing generosity to this institution have made a significant difference,” stated MG Peter Boylan, president of GMC. “Their efforts to help this college have gone well beyond a single gesture. Their interest in GMC is manifested in the myriad ways in which they continue to provide support that allows us to produce a first class education...in all dimensions.”

Said Mr. Goldstein, “If we had more schools like GMC we would have a better world. Mainly in part to the values it instills of duty, honor and country.”

GMC has been a part of his life since the age of five, when he began his nearly 14 years of education within the historic gates of main campus, back when GMC had an elementary school in addition to its current middle/high school preparatory and junior college programs.

According to Mr. Goldstein, GMC prepared him for the reality of life and, upon his early graduation from the junior college in 1942, for the challenges of leading fellow soldiers into war. “I truly believe GMC saved my life. It prepared and trained me for my duties as an officer,” said Mr. Goldstein. “I was taught how to give orders but, more importantly, how to take orders. This served me well both in my military and civilian life.”

For the Goldsteins, the friendships and bonds formed at GMC are also very meaningful. “They have lasted throughout my life,” said Mr. Goldstein. “Maxine and I have experienced these bonds across the country. When we were in Texas with our daughter, Harriet, who was undergoing cancer treatment at the time, we had a network of support from GMC friends there.”

To Mr. Goldstein, the gifts he and Maxine have received from GMC total a debt they have yet to truly repay. “It is a debt I believe can never truly be paid in full.”

"If we had more schools like GMC we would have a better world.”
- Jacob Goldstein (HS 40 and JC 42)
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**Georgia Power Scholarship**

**Recipient:** Ashkea J. Askew

**Criteria:** This fund is available for non-traditional students attending school at one of the Georgia Military College campuses. Applicants must have a 2.0 GPA.
The beginning of this century generated excitement across the globe, hopes and dreams ignited at the prospect of what was to come over the next 100 years. For Georgia Military College, progress was to come in many forms from all directions, including the plush fairways of good citizenship.

With generosity of spirit and monies, Harold and Brenda Mason established a fund to establish and promote the sport of golf at GMC in 2000. Since that time, GMC’s golf program has generated three golf All-Americans, one national championship, one low medalist at the National Tournament, a third and ninth place finish nationally, one professional golfer currently playing on the mini-tour and one teaching professional at Idle Hour Country Club in Macon, GA. “Harold and Brenda Mason have, by the examples of their lives, demonstrated that giving back to the community is the first requirement of a good citizen,” said MG Peter Boylan, president of GMC. “Our golf team would not exist except for their generosity and involvement with this institution. It is through the deeds of persons like the Masons that GMC is able to continue to advance in its mission of developing the intellect and elevating the character of our students.”

Each year, the Mason Cup is presented to a member of the golf team who best represents the qualities associated with the game of golf and with the school. Its inscription, written by Harold Mason, poignantly reads…”Golf and life will put your character to the test. Smile at the lie, have faith, achieve by effort, be determined and surpass the test.”


Josh Holloway, the first of the Mason Cup recipients recently stated, “Mr. and Mrs. Mason are responsible for my employment at Idle Hour as a teaching professional. I had decided to give golf up in 2000 and when the opportunity to play for GMC came along it renewed my commitment to the game I love.”

Currently the golf team has two returning lettermen and three outstanding freshmen ready to compete for the national title in June at Chautauqua Golf Club in Jamestown, NY. This year’s play begins in February with the “ABAC Open” in Tifton, GA. GMC will be hosting a one day event March 26th at Little Fishing Creek. Other events include the “Spring Fling” in Scottsboro, Alabama, the “Andrew College Invitational” in Cuthbert, GA and the “Orchard Spring Invitational” in Clarksville, GA.

“The golf program at GMC as we know it would not exist without the resourcefulness and generosity of the Masons,” explained Sonny Harmon, coach of the GMC golf team. “They provide not only funding for the program but leadership in ways that cannot be measured. Their dedication to character in life and fair play on the golf course is an example for all to follow.”

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- Inscription on The Mason Cup trophy written by Harold Mason
Inspired by their interest in promoting the fine arts in the Milledgeville community and their love for Georgia Military College, the Steinway Committee - Beegee Baugh, Rose Baugh Bacon, Polly Echols, Ann Caldwell, Louise Helton, and Dorrie Neligan - have graciously led the Steinway Society in transforming impossibilities into possibilities.

The crowning achievement was providing GMC faculty and students with the piano by which all others are judged - a nine foot Steinway Concert Grand! Then the vision continued as the concept of a Steinway Concert Series at Georgia Military College became a reality. Through the generosity of donors who were committed to the cause, performances that are educational and enjoyable for the community are filling the Goldstein Center for the Performing Arts with the sound of music!

The 2006 Steinway Concert Series began with a smashing success, a two pianos/eight hands extravaganza in April. It continued in July with the performance of New York City violinist, Xuan Ngo, accompanied by Dr. Ann Caldwell of Milledgeville. The final concert of the year, “A Holiday Musical Celebration,” featured the outstanding talent of GMC faculty and students. On November 30, the Georgia Military College Prep School Jazz Band and the Prep School Chorus ignited the holiday season with excellent renditions of both classical and holiday selections by Moona Yu, pianist, and Amedeo Tritto, vocalist, both GMC music instructors.

Inviting Your Support

While a number of Steinway Society supporters have attained permanent recognition as charter members, beginning with the current fiscal year (July 1, 2006-June 30, 2007), membership will be awarded on an annual basis. Recognition levels will include platinum ($1,000 or more), gold ($500 - $999), silver ($250 - $499), and bronze (up to $249).
The 2007 Steinway Concert Series promises to be an exciting one. The season opener will be an acclaimed performance by our guests, the Florence Camerata, under the direction of conductor, Dr. Ian Loepky, who also serves as professor of choral music at University of North Alabama. The group, composed primarily of vocal music professionals, will present “A Night at the Theater: Our Favorites from Opera, Operetta, Broadway, and the Movies,” on the evening of Friday, April 27, at 7:00 p.m. in the Goldstein Center for the Performing Arts.
Instituted in 2004 to commemorate the 125th anniversary of GMC's founding, the 1879 Circle of Friends provides scholarships for deserving GMC prep school students as well as active members of the junior college.

One hundred percent of every donation goes toward providing GMC scholarships for children and/or grandchildren of GMC alumni. The scholarships are awarded each year to students who have the potential for academic success and wish to attend GMC, but require financial assistance in order to do so.

Membership is awarded with a tax-deductible donation of $18.79 or more annually to the Alumni Scholarship Fund. Donors who are so inclined may give $18.79 monthly as an automatic checking account deduction.

At the close of our charter membership drive on June 30, 2006, this initiative had raised $16,302 toward the endowment goal of $25,000. The 140 charter members are alumni and friends who made this accomplishment possible. Now, as we move forward, membership will be on an annual, fiscal year basis and will be published as such. We ask our charter members to continue their support through renewing their memberships, and we encourage alumni and friends who have not yet joined to become a part of this worthwhile initiative.

You can make a difference! The Alumni Association’s 1879 Circle of Friends Committee asks for your help in providing the GMC experience for current and future students. Make your check payable to the GMC Foundation and be sure to note “1879 Circle of Friends.”

For further information regarding the 1879 Circle of Friends, contact Earlene Hamilton, Coordinator of Alumni Relations, at (478) 445-2695 or via e-mail at ehamilto@gmc.cc.ga.us.

Forrest “Scott” Brown, JC 1984
1879 Circle of Friends Committee Chairman

“This fund, when fully endowed, will ensure future generations of deserving students will be able to receive financial assistance in attending Georgia Military College.”

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Remembering our days at GMC and reuniting with those whom we came to know during this special time in our lives was once again the highlight of this past year’s Alumni Weekend. It was a time for reminiscing and a time for looking forward, too. The campus has become a wonderful blend of that which we knew and that which is new, just as meeting old friends again is not only a window on the past but also a peek into the future.

This past year was highlighted by the dedication of the new James E. Baugh Barracks, followed by its immediate occupancy in January of this year. Alumni Weekend attendees got a first-hand view, in hard hats, of what went on behind the scenes to create this wonderful new facility. It is truly exciting to be able to see the school’s Master Plan evolving before one’s eyes. It is even more exciting to know that of the 82 donors that participated in naming opportunities, 60 were alumni!

Alumni weekend was full of activities, as always, providing many different opportunities for entertainment or just talking with old friends. Our traditional parade kicked off the weekend on Friday, to be followed by a tailgate party and HS football game. On Saturday returning alumni toured main campus, the now officially open Georgia’s Old Capital Museum, the barracks, and the athletic complex; enjoyed a delicious buffet lunch followed by the alumni awards program; attended a wine and cheese reception and heard President Boylan present his “State of the School” address; and finished the day dancing “in the cool of the evening.”

Alumni Weekend 2006 is now a memory of a fun-filled time of looking back and being “home” with some of those special folks who will always be a part of your life. But, life is always about moving forward too, so - mark your calendars and come make memories during Alumni Weekend 2007, October 12-13.

Merel Harrison
HS 1973, JC 1974
President, GMC Alumni Association
LT Timothy Nix and his wife, Christie, after Friday’s parade.

Mr. Bobby Bonner, MG and Mrs. Boylan enjoying Pig in a Pit’s BBQ at Friday’s tailgate.

Richard Hicks and Senator Johnny Grant

Chad Rogers, Calvin Hill and Jaun Aquero

Des Smith and Cliff Owdom reminiscing during Friday afternoon’s Tailgate Party.

LTC Marvin R. Farmer and Ron Braxley visiting before the Awards Ceremony.
Guests enjoying Saturday’s lunch provided by The Willis House.

George and Polly Echols; Monte and Irina Washburn; Don Broome, Merel Harrison, and John Ferguson enjoying the music of the Lamplighters Friday night.

Jerry Wilcoxon, Don Taylor, Dave Sullivan, & Jim Abbot in a “KODAK moment.”

Jimmy Acosta, Toney Dardi, Bob Yingling, and Ray Mitchell celebrating a Class of ’76 reunion moment with Elizabeth Sheppard, VP for Advancement.

Bill Usery, MG and Mrs. Boylan after the Oak Leaf Society presentations.
Parnell Ruark receives a congratulatory hug from Mrs. Boylan.

Edward Shelor, Randy New, and his wife, Cynthia, enjoy hors d’oeuvres before the State of the School presentation.

Dave Bill leading a hard hat tour in the new James E. Baugh Barracks.

MG Boylan during his State of the School presentation.

Grady Torrence, Bill Yoast and Bobby Mercer.

Alumni Executive Board ladies, Suzanne Martin Ratliff, Michelle Dixon, Merel Harrison, and Shannon New with Alumni Board member, Phil Peevy.
Linton and Linda McKnight are all smiles at the Saturday Wine and Cheese Reception.

Steve Wiley and his wife, Sharon, hit the dance floor.

Don and Jane Braxley dance to the music of "The Grapevine."

Shannon New, Diego Diaz, Michelle and Joe Dixon “lean in” for the camera during Saturday evening’s dance.

Sammy Fowler, Mark Culberson, Alumni Association Executive Board and his wife, Jennifer.

"They all got rhythm!"

Charlie Jenkins and Marie Morgan enjoying the music Saturday night.

The Saturday night crowd “dancing in the cool of the evening.”
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We are proud of each of our alumni and are particularly honored to be able to present the recipients of the 2006 Alumni Awards on the following pages. These six extraordinary people are representative of the fine character and countless acts of excellence displayed by the alumni and friends of Georgia Military College.

GMC is fortunate to have been a part of the lives of each of these fine people. The contributions of the 2006 Alumni Award recipients have, without a doubt, made the world a better place. We admire them and honor them for their extraordinary contributions.

It is not possible to list all that these recipients have done, or their many accomplishments and good deeds, but we hope that the following brief biographies will provide you with an idea of why they have been selected for special recognition this year.

**Senator Ralph Hudgens HS 1960**  
Hull, Georgia

The Distinguished Alumni Award recognizes alumni whose lives have embodied the ideals of Georgia Military College including discipline, moral character, and learning, whose accomplishments have made a conspicuous and positive impression on those who will follow their lead, and whose lives are examples of extraordinary accomplishment.

Senator Ralph Hudgens, Senate District 47, graduated from high school at Georgia Military College in Milledgeville and then received a B.S. in Agriculture from the University of Florida. For eighteen years he worked for the Agricultural Chemical Division of Shell Chemical Company. In 1983, he founded Quality Propane, Inc. which he sold in 1987. Currently, he is President of Hudgens Enterprises, Inc., an investment company with holdings in real estate.

Senator Hudgens, a former political appointee in the first Bush administration, was the State Representative for the 24th District from 1996-2002. In 2002, he was elected as the State Senator for the 47th District, where he serves as Chairman of the Insurance and Labor Committee, Vice Chairman of Agriculture, Secretary of Banking, and Secretary of Natural Resources. He also serves on Reapportionment and Redistricting, and is Ex-Officio on Retirement.

Senator Hudgens married the former Suzanne Morgan in 1963 and they have four children and ten grandchildren. He is a member of the Madison County Rotary Club, Madison County Chamber of Commerce, Madison County Farm Bureau, National Rifle Association and Prince Avenue Baptist Church.
Alumni Achievement Award

DR. GEORGE L. ECHOLS HS 1948, JC 1950
Milledgeville, Georgia

The Alumni Achievement Award is designated for an alumnus who has attained notable success in his chosen field or profession, and whose achievement might serve as an inspiration to anyone considering entering that chosen field or profession, or might serve as inspiration to anyone to excel in his chosen field or profession because of the example set by the recipient of this award.

Dr. Echols attended GMC from first grade through junior college. After graduating from Emory University with a Bachelor of Arts degree, he entered the military as an infantry officer during the Korean War. He served for three years as a weapons instructor. “GMC prepared me well for my future career, and gave me essential military training,” George said. His career path took a significant turn when he entered the Medical College of Georgia for his doctorate in medicine, followed by a 45-year career practicing medicine.

Dr. Echols’ career as a pediatrician began as an intern in Ashville, North Carolina. He later returned to Milledgeville to practice for five years and then returned to Augusta, Georgia for additional training. There he established a thriving private practice. He served as chairman of pediatrics at University and St. Joseph’s hospitals and was appointed Associate Clinical Professor of Pediatrics at the Medical College of Georgia.

He and his wife, Polly, returned to Milledgeville in 1991 where he served as a medical director at Central State Hospital. After retirement he continued to work with children and adolescents. He is a recipient of the President’s Award from the Medical College of Georgia and a member of the Alpha Omega Alpha Honor Medical Society. He is a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics and Diplomate of the American Board of Pediatrics.

At home in Milledgeville, Dr. Echols is very active in community affairs, particularly those involving GMC. He has served as president of the GMC Alumni Association, as a trustee and Executive Committee member of the GMC Foundation, and as the chairperson for GMC’s Annual Giving Campaign for 2004 -2005. He loves gardening, travel, and music, but we here know him best for his love of GMC, evidenced by his unfailing support and allegiance to accomplishing the school’s mission.

Dr. George Echols and Ms. Inez Hawkins, Presenter

Outstanding Recent Alumnus

DR. CHRIS J. CAWLEY HS 1993
Macon, Georgia

The Outstanding Recent Alumni Award recognizes alumni who, having completed their studies at GMC within the past fifteen years, have demonstrated excellence in academics or in their chosen professions, or who have made great strides in their personal life, and who show promise of continuing excellence.

Chris started his journey to become a physician when he committed himself to that calling in high school. He began then to prepare accordingly, knowing that he had to build his work ethic and mental toughness to withstand that journey.

He tells of himself that he learned at an early age perseverance and determination were an integral part of every facet of life. “Whether in the classroom or on the football field, I found that if I always performed to the best of my ability, I would always be satisfied with my end result.”

That life rule has stood Chris in good stead through high school, college and into his medical career. During his years at GMC, he was the Delta CO commander - Sabre Company, in the National Honor Society, Beta Club, and received several awards and recognitions, including being given the MacArthur Award and being selected in his senior year as “Best All Around” and “Most Athletic.” At Georgia College and State University (GC&SU) Chris was in both the Gamma Beta Phi and the Phi Kappa Phi National Honor Societies and was the Outstanding Departmental Major, Biology. He received the Ty Cobb Educational Scholarship for several years at Mercer, where he entered Medical School in 2000. Chris was awarded a Doctor of Medicine degree from Mercer University in May of 2005 and is now doing his residency in pediatrics at the Children’s Hospital of the Medical Center of Central Georgia.

Chris is married to the former Courtney Collins (GMC HS 1995) and is the proud father of two boys, Chandler and Kip. Even with all the professional and personal time commitments, Chris is also active in his community, currently serving as a preschool worker at Ingleside Baptist Church and has been a mentor for the Hephzibah Children’s Home as well as doing other volunteer work in his community.

Dr. Chris Cawley and COL John Thornton, Presenter
Honorary Alumnus Award

MG PETER J. BOYLAN, USA (RET.)  
Milledgeville, Georgia

The Honorary Alumni Award is bestowed upon individuals who are not alumni of Georgia Military College, but who have rendered special or exceptional service to the school or to its Alumni Association, and who, by virtue of their service, are worthy of the designation of GMC Alumnus and all that the designation entails. MG Peter Boylan was appointed the 20th President of Georgia Military College in 1992 following his retirement from the military. Under his leadership GMC has continued to weave its place into the fabric of Milledgeville, Baldwin County, and the state of Georgia. His tenure at this institution has been marked by a focus on character building as an integral part of education.

Boylan brought with him the experience and wisdom gained from an illustrious and decorated career with the United States Army, including assignments at the U.S. Military Academy, with the Joint Chiefs of Staff at the Pentagon, as commander of the 10th Mountain Division in Fort Drum, New York, and as Deputy - The Inspector General of the Army. He holds multiple academic degrees as well, including a doctorate of law.

During his years at GMC, the school has witnessed the accomplishments of many milestones and continues its journey toward MG Boylan’s vision to be the best so as to produce the best: the best student, the best citizen, the best leader.

Some key accomplishments include GMC’s expanded presence in the state of Georgia, with new extension centers and a new DLC campus at Fort Benning in Columbus. On the main campus in Milledgeville, the transformation of the spirit of the school took physical form with the renovation of the Sibley-Cone Library; construction of Parham Hall and Zell Miller Hall, a much-needed academic building housing classrooms and biology, chemistry, and computer labs; and the complete restoration of the jewel in the center of campus and the city of Milledgeville, the Old Capitol Building and its historic parade ground, Grant Parade.

MG Boylan did not stop there. The vision was just underway. The second New Academic Building became realized last year, connected with Zell Miller Hall by a magnificent atrium, an area of opportunity for student interaction. Within its walls is the Goldstein Center for the Performing Arts, classrooms, labs and much needed faculty offices, as well as the student cafeteria.

On the playing field, emerged the first “real” ball fields - Craig Field for baseball, Couch Field for softball, and the Horace Ray Field House. In addition, the Parnell Ruark Athletic Complex, a modern athletic facility with offices, weight room, and classrooms for the physical education and athletic programs at GMC.

MG Boylan is now working on a new phase with the construction of the James E. Baugh Barracks, its dedication and opening just a few short months away. With this shift in location from Vinson Hall and Main Barracks, the path is cleared for the new Preparatory School to sit opposite the restored Grant Parade. Ultimately, the school’s Master Plan has “blueprints” to connect the school to new football stadium facilities nearer the river and to the Oconee Greenway along the river itself.

For MG Boylan, he considers his greatest achievement to be that of his family - his wife, Kathy, a partner in the truest sense, with a spirit of kindness, encouragement and support, and his five children (Peter, Terri, Heather, Greg, and Emily) and their spouses, and 12 grandchildren. As for his GMC family, we are proud of his many accomplishments - particularly, his perseverance for change and respect for the history and essence of the institution in its continued quest to provide excellent education and instill values. MG Peter Boylan is a leader and visionary - someone we are proud to know, respect, and claim as an honorary alumnus.
GMC Service Award

MR. PARNELL RUARK HS 1942, JC 1949
Milledgeville, Georgia

The GMC Service Award is designated for an alumnus or friend of Georgia Military College who has rendered special service to the school or to any of its ancillary organizations including the GMC Alumni Association, the Bulldog Club, the Booster Club, or the GMC Foundation, Inc.

Parnell Ruark came to GMC as a cadet in 1941 and graduated HS in 1942. After a few years in the Naval Reserves, Parnell returned to GMC in 1947 as a WWII veteran, resuming his civilian life. He played JC football for GMC in 1947 & 1948 and in 1948 was the first JC All American east of the Mississippi to be so recognized.

1948 saw another significant event in Parnell’s life - he got married on April 11, 1948 to his wife, Lynette. In his own words, “she was with me the rest of the way - college, minor league baseball, coaching and teaching for the next 42 years.”

After graduating from GMC, Parnell chose a different path however, spurning a scholarship to play for Frank Howard at Clemson University in order to embark on a professional baseball career that spanned 6 years in the minor league system in Georgia. As life is prone to do, it circled and led Parnell back to GMC. During his coaching career here, Parnell was involved in both football and baseball, with 1960 seeing him chosen as the 1960 HS Football Coach of the Year, and the JC Baseball Team winning the State Championship. In 1969 he was the president of the Junior College Athletic Association.

Coach Ruark, as almost everyone thinks and speaks of him, is still a resident of Milledgeville and still an active and dedicated alumnus of GMC. His service to the school includes financial support in the form of a legacy benefiting the athletic program and enabling our athletic facility to be named in his honor. He attends most of the school’s functions - always, always carrying the school’s message that his GMC experience gave him the foundation upon which to build a successful life - “pretty much!” And he shared that belief with all those whose lives he touched. Bo Whaley, one of his former teammates and players, said, “A lot of youngsters are better men today for having been under the guidance of a man like Parnell Ruark.”

Ms. Sherri Faith, accepting posthumously for her father, COL Lovett Briggs and Dr. George Echols, Presenter

Community Service Award

COL LOVETT LAFAYETTE BRIGGS HS 1949, JC 1951
Awarded Posthumously

The Community Service Award is given to Georgia Military College alumni who through leadership, inspiration, teamwork, or hard work in the spirit of volunteerism or in their professional activities, have taken the lessons of GMC’s Character Education beyond the classroom and whose actions are characterized by a history of exemplary service resulting in unquestionable improvements within their community.

COL Briggs was a native of Thunderbolt, Georgia and a graduate of Emory University. He served first in the Navy, then the Army, for thirty-three years of combined service including World War II, Korea, and two tours in Vietnam. In 1944 he enlisted in the Navy. After leaving the Navy, he moved to Milledgeville and joined the Corps of Cadets in 1949. Upon graduation in 1951, he returned to the military, this time in the US Army. In 1956 he was sent to Vietnam and then returned on a second tour in 1968 as a public relations officer. He retired as a full colonel and returned once again to Milledgeville.

COL Briggs’ many services to the community included Briggs Realty, Deacon and Sunday School Teacher at First Presbyterian Church, and President of American Legion Post #6. He served on the GMC Alumni Board, was a member of the Learning in Retirement Writing and Book Club, and a member of the Kiwanis Club. He remained an active military reservist. Lovett and his wife, Mary, organized a group of former GMC, Peabody High School, and Georgia State College for Women alumni who meet faithfully as “Friends of Yesteryear.” Just before Lovett became ill, he was working on an idea for a Public Relations Committee for the GMC Alumni Association.

Always busy, always dedicated to his projects, Lovett will be missed but always remembered.

Ms. Sherri Faith, accepting posthumously for her father, COL Lovett Briggs and Dr. George Echols, Presenter
We invite your nominations for the 2007 GMC Alumni Awards. Alumni, friends of the school, and non-alumni supporters of GMC and its ancillary organizations may qualify. The deadline for nominations is June 1, 2007. If you have any questions, please call the Alumni Office at (478) 445-2695.

Nomination Criteria

Alumni Achievement
Awarded to Georgia Military College alumni who have attained notable success in their chosen field or profession at the local, state, or national level, and whose achievements might serve as an inspiration to anyone considering entering their chosen field or profession, or might serve as an inspiration to others to excel in their chosen field or profession because of the example set by the recipients of this award.

Outstanding Recent Alumnus
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Awarded to Georgia Military College alumni who through leadership, inspiration, teamwork, or hard work in the spirit of volunteerism or in their professional activities, have taken the lessons of GMC’s character education beyond the classroom and whose actions are characterized by a history of exemplary service resulting in unquestionable improvements within their community.

Distinguished Alumnus
Awarded to Georgia Military College alumni whose lives have embodied the ideals of GMC: discipline, leadership, moral character, and learning, and whose accomplishments have made a significant impact or fundamental change within a specific profession, career, or endeavor, or whose accomplishments have made a conspicuous and positive impression on those who will follow their lead in the field or endeavor, and whose lives are examples of extraordinary accomplishment.

Honorary Alumnus
Awarded to individuals who are not alumni of Georgia Military College, but who have rendered special or exceptional service to the school or to its Alumni Association, and who, by virtue of their service, are worthy of the designation of GMC alumnus and all that the designation entails.

GMC Service Award
Awarded to alumni or friends of Georgia Military College who have rendered special or exceptional service to the school or to any of its ancillary organizations, including, but not limited to, the GMC Alumni Association, the GMC Bulldog Club, the GMC Booster Club, or the GMC Foundation, Inc.

Nominee’s Address:
Nominee’s Phone #:

AWARD NOMINATION CATEGORY (please check one):
- Alumni Achievement
- Outstanding Recent Alumnus
- Community Service Award
- Distinguished Alumnus
- Honorary Alumnus
- GMC Service Award

Please include supporting documentation for the nomination on a separate sheet of paper. Using no more than 500 words, you may include: career highlights, achievements, community service, letters of recommendation, and newspaper/magazine articles.

Nominator’s Address:
Nominator’s Phone #: Work Phone #:

May we reveal your name? YES NO Is the nominee aware of this nomination? YES NO

Mail to: Alumni Relations, Georgia Military College, 201 East Greene Street, Milledgeville, GA 31061
-OR- FAX to: (478) 445-2867
Share Your News

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

Name: ________________________________________________ Class Year: HS________ JC________
Advanced Degree(s): ________________________________________________________________________
College or University: _________________________________________________________________________
Address: _____________________________________________________________________________________
City: __________________________________________ State: __________ Zip Code: ________________
Home Phone: _______________________________ Business Phone: _______________________________
Email: ___________________________________________________________________________________

Please print below your recent news (i.e., birth, death, marriage, promotion, unusual vacation, seen a classmate, new job, back to school, recently moved, etc.) Attach an additional sheet if needed. If you include a photograph(s), please be sure to identify all people pictured on the back of the photo.

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Please return this form along with your photo(s) to:
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Fax to (478) 445-2867 or complete on-line at www.gmc.cc.ga.us/alumni/html.

GMC 30 Year Reunion for the America’s Bicentennial Junior College Class of 1976

I suppose it sounds trivial to some how descriptions used for an event such as this might include: very special, wonderful, emotional, sadness over our losses, too short, and long overdue. Well, in the case of our recent gathering at our GMC these are the words perfectly written to capture that Reunion Weekend. Thirty years seemed a lifetime when we shared our experiences of careers, families, and just life with each other. We gathered at the Antebellum Inn, the College campus, the lake lot, and finally breakfast at the Cornbread Café. At each of these gatherings, those 30 years seemed to rapidly shrink and yet time until next year’s reunion weekend seemed to grow so far away. I do not know if this class was more special than others, but it was so obvious the closeness we all felt was real...very real. Georgia Military College is a special experience. We all know it and with the continued improvements, so will generations to come. Time marches on and we who carry GMC close to our hearts march with it. That time is marked by singular events in our lives, events such as this. To the Class of 1976, thanks for the taking this opportunity to make new memories…yes, it was indeed long over due.

~ Robert Yingling

Seated left to right: Cindy Yingling, Dena (Garrett) Brett, Jan Trawick, Liz Willingham, Debbie Mitchell
Standing left to right: Kent Walker, Jimmy Acosta, Toney Dardi, Art Chaiyaperm, Bob Yingling, Sid Harris, Ray Mitchell, Roger Armstrong, Frank Willingham
The GMC High School Class of 1986 celebrated their 20-year reunion with the classes of ’85, ’87 and ’88. The reunion was held the weekend of September 8-9, with a variety of fun events planned for classmates and their families. Friday’s events began with a golf tournament and the option to tour some of Milledgeville’s historical sites. The night was full of excitement for those who attended the GMC football game and a gathering at the Velvet Elvis. Saturday’s events began with a picnic at the GMC lake lot and ended with a dinner and dance at the Milledgeville Country Club. The reunion was a wonderful opportunity to spend quality time with each other, build new memories together and most importantly, to rekindle old friendships with classmates who were such an integral part of our high school years. ~ Lori Williams

The Class of 1996 held their 10-year reunion September 22-23, 2006. The weekend was kicked off at the GMC football game, where our beloved Bulldogs defeated Athens Christian Academy, and a night at The Brick. On Saturday, the class met at the GMC Lake Lot for a BBQ lunch. This was a great opportunity to meet the families and catch up with some of our teachers. We ended the weekend with a dance in the beautifully renovated Legislative Chamber in the Old Capitol Building. We all had such a wonderful time that we decided to do it again in 5 years! ~ Nan Ruffo

1960’s Reunion

All alumni who attended GMC during the 1960’s are invited back once again for the 2007 reunion on JUNE 8TH AND 9TH, 2007. If you have questions or are interested in coming, please contact:

TIM MILNER
Home Phone 706-376-8205
Cell Phone 706-436-3300
email: tmilner@hartcom.net
Francis Fowler, (HS 33, JC 36) celebrated his 90th birthday on December 12th at Milledgeville’s Southside McDonald’s, with a group of his closest friends.

Dr. John H. Ferguson (HS 61, JC 63) was inducted as a Fellow of the International College of Dentists, an honorary organization for the recognition of outstanding and meritorious service to the profession and community, at its 77th Annual Convocation in Las Vegas, Nevada, on October 16, 2006. A native of Milledgeville, he has practiced orthodontics in Milledgeville since 1972, in Dublin since 1979, and in Sandersville since 1987. Among many other civic and professional roles, Dr. Ferguson has been a member of the GMC Foundation and currently serves as an advisory member to the GMC Board of Trustees.

Tim Milner (HS 66, JC 68) has completed his new book entitled Coming of Age. The book is about growing up in Middle Georgia and contains interesting and humorous stories that detail what life was like in the 1950’s and the 1960’s. The book is written for all ages and will enlighten some young people as to what it was really like growing up in those years on a farm with three brothers and one sister. For those who grew up during that time, it will definitely bring back many wonderful memories. Tim asked that we all wish him luck on his new venture. If anyone wants more information about the book, his number is 706-376-8205 (home) and 706-436-3300 (cell). His email is milner@hartcom.net.

Alan C. Tigner (HS 66, JC 68) has retired after 31 years with Allstate Insurance Company. His entire career was involved with Information Technology where he reached the level of director and functioned as a technology architect at the corporate headquarters.

William E. Deason (HS 67), vice president for business affairs at Waycross College, assumed the interim presidency on August 1, 2006 following the retirement of Waycross College President Dr. Barbara Losty on July 31, 2006. “We are fortunate to have so many talented individuals on our campuses,” said University System of Georgia Chief of Staff Robert E. Watts. “William Deason has the expertise, the background, and the leadership abilities to continue Dr. Losty’s excellent work. His leadership will ensure that Waycross College is in great condition for the next president.” Deason had held his position at Waycross College since 1990. Prior to joining Waycross, Deason held a number of business operations positions in both the private sector and higher education. He was director of accounting for the Bibb County Board of Education, in Macon, from 1989 to 1990; controller and office manager at George Dempsey Buick, Olds, and Toyota, Inc., in Waycross, from 1987-1989; and comptroller at both Waycross College (1976-1983) and Dalton College in Dalton, Ga. (1983-1987). He also has worked in business operations at Middle Georgia College in Cochran, Ga., and at Georgia Military College in Milledgeville, Ga.

BG Don Broome (JC 75), Deputy Commanding General, U.S Army Cadet Command and soldier of 30 years, gave the Oath of Enlistment on August 17, 2006, to 21 enlistees in all branches of service including his son, David. BG Broome said, “It’s an overwhelming sense of pride that he has chosen the Army as a profession and that he has chosen to enlist to serve our nation during this time of need.” The Cadet Command is charged with recruiting and training men and women for the Army’s officer corps.

Britt Owen Byrd (HS 76) and Dwight Byrd were married on August 31, 2006 at Crescent Beach, Florida. The Byrd’s live in Milledgeville.

Buddy Scott (JC 77) graduated June 16, 2006 from Life University in Marietta, Ga., with a Doctor of Chiropractic degree. He plans to go into practice at the Harlow Chiropractic Clinic in Dickson, Tenn.

Timothy J. Collins (JC 78) has been chosen to lead the Precision Engagement Business Area at Johns Hopkins Applied Physics Laboratory. APL’s Precision Engagement Strategic Business Area draws on lab wide capabilities to help warfighters quickly and decisively sense, respond to, and eliminate threats. “The objective is to integrate all weapons, radars, sensors, targeting and tracking systems and navigation and guidance capabilities of the sensor-to-shooter engagement chain so that the military can precisely detect, track and destroy a target,” explained Collins, recently named the PE Business Area Executive. Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and Operation Iraqi Freedom demonstrated the advances made in precision engagement over the last decade. According to the Department of Defense, more than 70 percent of all munitions used were precision-guided compared to less than 10 percent in the 1991 Gulf War; and
advanced communications and satellite technologies provided U.S.
soldiers and Marines in Iraq nearly instant access to precision air
support and critical battlefield information.

Prior to joining APL, Collins served for 23 years in the U.S. Air Force
in a variety of operational and staff positions in the United States,
Europe, and Asia, commanding in peace, armistice, and war at the
flight, squadron, group, and wing levels. He has more than 3,500
flying hours as a command pilot with combat flight time in fighter
and tanker aircraft. He has also flown unmanned vehicles and the
E-3 Airborne Warning and Control System weapon system.

A resident of Clarksville, Md., Collins graduated from the U.S. Air
Force Academy in 1982. He subsequently earned master’s degrees
from Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Florida and the
National War College in Washington, D.C.

Patrick M. Russell (JC 78) served on active duty from 1980 -
1992. He is currently still serving as a LTC in the Military Police
Corps. He has a full-time civilian job as the 8th Brigade (ROTC)
Recruiting Operations Officer with 21 ROTC Bn’s located at
universities in a four-state area (AL, MS, LA, and the western tip of
FL). Russell is also serving as a Military Academy Liaison Officer
(MALO) for the northern AL area.

Robert W. Jones (JC 85) has recently moved from New York to
Florida but is still serving in the United States Army Reserve as a LT
COL in 353rd Civil Affairs Command, Ft. Wadsworth, New York.

Gary W. Floyd (JC 86) was recently promoted to Lieutenant in the
Madison County, Georgia Sheriff’s Office and assumed the position
of Jail Administrator. He has been in law enforcement since 1998 and has
served in both the uniform patrol division and courthouse security division.

Anthony L. Webb (JC 89) is opening a new optometric practice in
San Antonio, Texas this spring.

Marc Maynor (HS 91) and his wife, Marcy, have a baby boy,
Malachi David, born September 13, 2006. He weighed 10 lbs., 12 oz.
and was 22 inches long upon arrival.

Robert McWhorter, Jr. (HS 93) and his wife, Henrietta, have a
new baby girl, Katherine Hope, born September 13. She weighed 7
lbs., 15 oz. upon arrival.

Yamasheka Z. Young (HS 93) is currently a lieutenant in the
Coast Guard serving as a Marine Vessel Inspector in the Preventions
Department of one of the country’s busiest ports, The Port of Los
Angeles-Long Beach. Now that the Coast Guard spearheads the efforts
and missions set forth by the Department of Homeland Security, its
members have increased responsibility to the nation, and with this
comes continuous training and many long hours. Young has been in
this position for about a year, and intends to reside in the Los
Angeles area for at least three more years.

Leslie Judith Jones (HS 94) became the bride of David Michael
Simmons on November 12, 2006 at The Breakers in Palm Beach,
Fla. The couple honeymooned at Atlantis in the Bahamas and now
reside in Dalton, Ga.

SFC Keith A. Ramsey (JC 95) left Ft.
Gordon, GA (Augusta, GA) in July, 1995 for
Mannheim, Germany where he stayed until
December, 1999. During that time he was
deployed to Sarajevo, Bosnia in support of
IFOR & SFOR. (IFOR - Initial Force ---> Operation Joint Endeavor 04 Dec 1995 - 12
Dec 1996; SFOR - Sustainment Force ---> Operation Joint Guard 13
Dec 1996 - 17 March 1997). These were the two main campaigns
during the conflict in Bosnia/Herzegovina - Operation Joint
Endeavor and Operation Joint Guard.

Following this assignment, SFC Ramsey did a move (Permanent
Change of Station) to Ft. Hood,
TX serving as a Platoon Sergeant,
an Equal Opportunity Adviser,
and a Unit Movement Officer as
well as continuing to mentor
soldiers. In January, 2000 right
after being stationed at Ft. Hood,
TX, eight personnel were selected to report for a prestigious assignment
at the White House Communications Agency (WHCA). Ramsey said,
“I decided then that I might have what it took to serve at such a
rigorous assignment. The selection process takes around two years
to complete from the time of initiation to report time. Your finances,
past history, driving and criminal records must be squeaky clean
and stay that way.” In July, 2002 Ramsey officially reported to his
present duty assignment, the White House Communication Agency,
which is located in Washington, DC. He and the soldiers of whom he
is in charge provide a vital service to the President, Vice President
and Senior Staff. Since being stationed in Washington, Ramsey has
also completed three Marine Corps Marathons, two Army 10 Milers,
several charity runs and has become a grandfather of two wonderful
grandsons. He has been there now for 4 1/2 years and plans on
retiring from there in March, 2008 after 26 years of military service.

Jerry Vincent (JC 96) married Susan Weaver on April 22, 2006.
The University of Georgia (UGA) Police Department, which is a full service law enforcement agency complete with uniformed patrol officers, detectives, dispatchers, specialized units, and support staff, has 76 sworn officers, three of whom are GMC alumni. They are Sgt. J. Lee Weems, Sgt. Rusty Williams, and Detective Barkley D. Howard, Jr.

**Sgt. J. Lee Weems (JC 96)** attended GMC Main Campus where he earned an associate of science degree with honors in general studies. Upon graduating from GMC, he attended Valdosta State University, earning a bachelor of arts degree in political science with a minor in history in 1998, followed by a master of public administration degree from UGA in 2004. Sgt. Weems started with the UGA Police in January, 1999 as a patrol officer and was promoted to corporal in June, 2001. In May, 2005 he was assigned to the Criminal Investigative Division as a detective corporal; promoted to sergeant in January, 2006; and is currently assigned to administrative duties overseeing the applicant process and providing logistical support. He is a team leader and munitions specialist on the department’s Crowd Control Team, a team leader and accident reconstruction specialist on the department’s Collision and Incident Reconstruction Team, and also serves as a firearms instructor and armorer. Sgt. Weems recently returned to GMC as an instructor of political science and criminal justice at the Madison Extension Center. He and his wife Jessica live in Statham, Ga. with their daughter, Katie Beth.

**Sgt. Rusty Williams (JC 98)** attended the Fort McPherson/Atlanta Campus, earning an associate of science degree in general studies. He joined the UGA Police in January of 1999 as a patrol officer, coming there from the United States Army where he was an MP and canine handler. Williams was promoted to corporal in September, 1999 and to sergeant in January, 2006. He is currently assigned as a patrol supervisor and also serves as a canine handler on the department’s Explosive Ordinance Disposal team. He and his wife, Amy, live in Athens, Ga. with their children Caleb, Andrew, Anna, and David.

**Detective Barkley Howard (JC 02)** attended GMC Main Campus, earning an associate of science degree in general studies. He was a state service scholarship recipient and played wide receiver on the 2001 national championship football team. He was also the cadet first sergeant for Company B, First Battalion, 123rd Regiment, which was the Saber Company for 2002. Howard is currently a sports business major at UGA. He is also a member of the 1/171 Aviation Regiment of the Georgia Army National Guard where he serves as a petroleum supply specialist. Howard was deployed to Kuwait for Operation Iraqi Freedom II, to assist with relief efforts following Hurricane Katrina, and to the Dominican Republic on a humanitarian mission. He started with the UGA Police in April, 2005 as a patrol officer and was assigned to the Criminal Investigative Division as a detective in May, 2006. He is a member of the department’s Special Response Team and the Collision and Incident Reconstruction Team. Howard currently lives in Athens, Ga.

**Michael Chad Brooks (HS 97, JC 06)** has served four years active duty in the United States Military with the 1st Ranger Battalion and 101st Airborne Division. He is a veteran of Operation Enduring Freedom in Afghanistan and Operation Iraqi Freedom in Iraq. Chad is currently majoring in forestry at the University of Georgia.

**Tiffini N. Brooks (HS 99, JC 02)** graduated from GCSU in May of 2006 and is currently employed at the Medical Center of Central Georgia as a nephrology nurse.

**Chris Leighty (JC 00)** graduated from GMC’s Atlanta Police Academy Class. He is currently enrolled at Columbus State University and will graduate May 12, 2007 with a Master’s Degree in Public Administration/Justice Administration. Leighty received the honor of being inducted into the PHI KAPPA PHI Honor Society December 3, 2006. He states, “Whatever academic success I have enjoyed can be directly related to the foundation I received while a student at GMC. Thanks for the job you do because it does make a difference.” Leighty is currently the Bomb Squad/SWAT Team Supervisor.

**Josh (HS 01) and Sherry Shrewsbury** welcomed the arrival of their son, Joshua Taylor Shrewsbury, on October 24 at 3:58 AM. Taylor weighed 6 lbs., 11 ozs., and was 20 inches long when he arrived.

**Charlie R. Smith (HS 01)** was commissioned an ensign in the United States Navy. He is a graduate of Auburn University with a bachelor of arts in political science/pre-law degree. ENS Smith has been designated a Student Naval Aviator and will be begin flight training in Pensacola, Florida. He is engaged to Sharon N. Batchelor (HS 03).

**Michael H. Liscano, Jr. (JC 02)** deployed to Iraq, OIF 05 - 07, with the 1st BN 12th IN Regiment, 4BDE, 4ID in Bagdad. His branch is Armor. He returned home on the 2nd of November and is looking
Tabb McGill, (HS 03) recently received a scholarship from Georgia Power Company. He was one of 22 students who were awarded scholarships from a group of 178 applicants. McGill is pursuing degrees in electrical engineering, wireless engineering, and political science at Auburn University. In addition to being a member of numerous national and international honor societies as well as the Eta Kappa Nu Electrical and Computer Engineering Honor Society and the Pi Sigma Alpha Political Science Honor Society, he has received a Vodafone scholarship; is on Auburn University's Dean's List; and is a volunteer leader in Young Life, a high school mentoring program.

Charlie Moore (HS 03) was recently selected to attend Mercer University Medical School in August 2007. In May, Charlie will complete an undergraduate degree in biomedical engineering from Mercer University and receive a commission as a 2nd Lieutenant in the US Army. His goal is to become an Army doctor.

Leslie Avant, (HS 04) was named to the Dean's List at Valdosta State University for the first semester. Avant is studying communication disorders.

Charles E. Crowder (JC 04), a member of the Army National Guard for the last six years, helped save the life of a wounded British officer last year while on an overseas mission in Iraq. He earned an army commendation metal with a valor device for his heroic actions. Crowder currently works as a liaison between GMC and the National Guard, in which he re-enlisted while serving overseas.

Jeremy H. Hartman, (attended JC 2000 - 2001) a former State Service Scholarship cadet and a cadet Battalion Commander as well, was one of the three Georgia Army Guardsmen among six soldiers honored with the Atlanta Journal-Constitution's annual Army Reserve Component Achievement Award. They, and three members of the Army Reserve, received the award during a ceremony held at Army Reserve Headquarters, Fort McPherson. Ron Martz, military correspondent for the AJC, made the presentation assisted by Lt. Gen. David B. Poythress, Georgia's Adjutant General. Hartman, who hails from Nahunta, is the assistant battalion supply sergeant for Headquarters Service Battery, 1st Battalion, 118th Field Artillery in Savannah. He has worked with the battalion’s supply section for most of his military career and has held the position of noncommissioned officer-in-charge of the battalion Supply Operations Center. He has also worked in the 118th's Administrative-Logistics Center on several occasions. Hartman was recently recommended by the battalion to receive the Savannah 2006 Chamber of Commerce Award. The AJC's Reserve Component Award was established to recognize outstanding enlisted Soldiers from the Georgia Army Guard and Georgia-based Army Reserve units. Eligibility for the award includes exemplary conduct and attendance at scheduled drills and annual training and consideration of leadership instructional ability. The Reserve Component Award honors one soldier in grades E-1 to E-9.
Edmund James Solomon (HS 1932) - July 12, 2002
Dr. Burton Thomas Meadows (HS 1933, JC 1934)
Howard E. Hendrickson (HS 1937, JC 1938) - July 30, 2006
CDR James M. Salter, Jr. (HS 1938) - January 6, 2007
Allen B. Chappell, Jr. (HS 1943, JC 1948) - 2002
Eugene F. Blasingame (JC 1943) - 1996
J. W. "Jimmy" Morgan (HS 1945, JC 1949) - August 28, 2006
Charles O. Tucker (HS 1945)
Walker W. "Bo" Whaley (JC 1945) - July 22, 2006
Charles Ira Hester (HS 1946) - November 24, 2005
Dr. Kenneth W. Hyatt (HS 1946) - April 8, 2006
Leslie E. Thompson (JC 1946) - February 9, 2006
George William Tanner (HS 1948) - 2005
Thomas Howard Tanner, Jr. (JC 1949) - September 9, 2006
Lamar Herrin (HS 1951) - January 22, 2007
Benjamin Franklin "B.F." Sikes (JC 1952) - November 14, 2006
Ennis Lee McDade (HS 1956, JC 1958) - September 23, 2006
Charlie J. Hollingsworth (JC 1957) - April 29, 2003
Ronald Phillip Gowan (HS 1959) - October 24, 2006
Thaddeus S. Oxford (HS 1960)
Ronnie W. Sachsenhaier (JC 1961) - August 25, 2005
Charles Parker Payne (HS 1964, JC 1966)
Vicky Byrd Tinsley (HS 1974) - November 4, 2006
Gay Roberson Cowan (JC 1975) - November 20, 2006
Richard Durden (HS 1978)
Roy E. Kinder (JC 1979) - October, 1999
Willie J. Streeter (JC 1985)
Bobby Deante Warren (HS 1999) - November 22, 2006
Nicholas Michael Francis Mungavin (JC 2001)
Sheryl Denise Smith (JC 2002)
Elizabeth Caroline Herman (JC 2003)
Vernon Eugene Carne, Former Commandant of Georgia Military College - October 6, 2006

Lt. Colonel James Jerry Woods, Ret. (48) died Sunday, June 26, 2006, in Doha, Qatar. Jim served in the Army for 21 years and wore the Parachutist Badge, Ranger Tab, Pathfinder Badge, and the Expert Infantryman’s Badge. He earned his Combat Infantryman’s Badge during Operation Just Cause in Panama. His top tier medals included the Legion of Merit, Defense Meritorious Service, Army Commendation, and the Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal. He served in many stateside and overseas assignments including Italy, Panama, and Germany.

"Jim was our Battalion Commander for the Class of '76. He earned the honor of that leadership position and wore it well for GMC. He was our "Mate," and his loss leaves a big hole in our hearts and memories.
On a personal note, he was my Ranger buddy. We laughed and struggled to succeed together, and we did. He is still my Ranger buddy and as long as our Class of '76 gathers, so will he.”

~ CTR Robert “Bob” Yingling

Major David Michael Braddock (47) died on October 12, 2006 at his residence. MAJ Braddock was the GMC Assistant Professor of Military Science from 2001-2004. His 22 years of honorable military service included assignments to Fort Ord, Fort Bragg, Fort Campbell, Fort Sherman, and Fort Benning, and a tour in Desert Storm. He completed the Special Forces Qualification Course; Ranger School; Jumpmaster; Airborne; Pathfinder Course; and Air Assault School. Major Braddock was a member of the Special Forces Group Association. His decorations include the Combat Infantryman Badge; two Meritorious Service Medals; four Army Commendation Medals; plus numerous national service awards.

"My fondest memory of MAJ Braddock was how approachable and kind he was. An asset to GMC and a friend and mentor to those who knew him, he will truly be missed.”

~ LaToya M. Davidson (formerly Cotton) JC 02

"He was someone we could relate to and look up to. Whenever there was a cadet event, you could always see him standing quietly in the background, aware of the smallest details. His quiet confidence said everything. When it was time to lead, he did it with grace that surpassed all others. I believe we all left G. MC as better people because of him.”

~ Jacklyn Coats JC 02
First Service Academy Prep Students Call GMC Home

Brian Girouard, Brett Bartlett, Michael Dolan, and Andrew Johnson

Georgia Military College has reached a new milestone. In March of 2006, GMC was selected by the U.S. Military Academy to participate in the Service Academy Preparatory Program. The program is designed to provide partial scholarships for an additional year of post-secondary school education at preparatory schools and military junior colleges for carefully selected and highly motivated young people seeking admission to the United States Military Academy. This Fall quarter four students, Brett Bartlett, Michael Dolan, Bryan Girouard, and Andrew Johnson, chose to attend GMC on a scholarship provided by the Association of Graduates of the U.S. Military Academy. The students represent a wide geographical region, with two from Illinois, one from New York, and one from North Carolina. They are outstanding students who will spend a year improving their academics at GMC with the hopes of entering the U.S. Military Academy next fall.

All four now consider Milledgeville and GMC their new home, albeit temporary. Mr. Bryan Girouard, from Lemont, Ill., said, “I chose to attend GMC because it seemed like a place where I could feel at home and really expand as a person, both socially and academically.” Mr. Brett Bartlett, from Fayetteville, N.C., commented, “Growing up I knew I wanted to be in the U.S. Army. My father was a Major for Special Forces and, in fact, graduated from GMC thirty years ago. I first heard of West Point from my brother, who is a senior there now. I have a sense of pride in being able to attend both GMC and West Point, colleges of the two people that I look up to the most.” Furthermore, Mr. Andrew Johnson, from Byron, Ill., admirably represents the whole-person concept by excelling at academics and his extracurricular activities. He said, “During my senior year in high school, I was captain of my football team and wrestling squad and attended several national leadership conventions. I am an active member of my church and a dedicated volunteer for my community.” Mr. Michael Dolan, from Smithtown, N.Y., a member of the GMC Football Team, said, “I see this year as a great opportunity for me to grow intellectually and socially. I believe GMC will further improve the skills that I will need for the rigorous workload at West Point.”

LTC Edward Shelor, USMC (Ret.), GMC’s Service Academy Preparatory Program Coordinator, said of the students, “It’s been a real pleasure watching these four young men excel academically at GMC. As members of the corps of cadets, their responsibilities go far beyond academics. They have to be physically fit, disciplined, and maintain exemplary character in all that they do. Michael (Dolan), Brian (Girouard), Andrew (Johnson) and Brett (Bartlett) are setting themselves up for a lifetime of success and opening up career opportunities by their stellar performances. We are proud of their accomplishments and are very pleased they chose GMC to further their academic careers.”

Georgia Military College Receives $1.9 Million Grant

Georgia Military College has been awarded a Title III Planning Grant in the amount of $1.9 million. The grant, funded by the U.S. Department of Education, will be dispersed over a five-year period beginning this school year in the amount of $398,700.

Georgia Military College’s proposal, entitled, “Strengthening Learning Support Services,” was submitted in the spring of 2006 and was chosen as one of only 35 in the nation to receive this funding. Dr. Paula Harms Payne, GMC Vice President for Institutional Research and Planning, said, “The money from this grant will be used to develop a Teaching and Learning Resource Center for faculty development and student support services. A facility on the GMC Milledgeville campus will be remodeled to house the center which will include two classrooms dedicated for developmental math students and teachers and two classrooms dedicated for developmental reading and writing students and teachers. The center will also include a math lab and a reading and writing learning lab.”

GMC’s new Teaching and Learning Resource Center will provide students, faculty, and staff access to automated systems, giving all stakeholders information needed to improve student learning. Payne said, “As a result of the services provided by the center, students enrolled in developmental English, reading, and math classes will succeed at a higher rate, and faculty will have increased knowledge and best use practices in their classes.”

In 2004-2005, Georgia Military College received a Title III Planning Grant from the U.S. Department of Education in the amount of $21,878.
MC and the Milledgeville-Baldwin County Chamber of Commerce hosted a community celebration on September 22, 2006 to honor the return of the 48th Brigade and in remembrance of our fallen heroes. The celebration began with a downtown parade, followed by a Command Retreat on Grant Parade. The term “Retreat” is taken from the French word “Retraite” and refers to the evening assembly —usually held at sunset— when units took a final roll call of their number. The word “Retraite” means “retirement.” After this assembly, members of the units would retire to a place of safety, and would remain secure until reveille the following morning. The custom of conducting a “Command Retreat” dates back to the 18th century. During a Command Retreat, a final roll is taken of members of the units, and in their assembled presence, the National Flag is retired for the evening.

The purpose of the September 22nd Command Retreat ceremony was twofold; to celebrate the signing of one of the greatest documents of all time - the Constitution of our United States of America and to recognize our soldiers of the 48th Brigade Combat Team who have served proudly and defended our Constitution against foreign enemies and served with honor and integrity. The Constitution was drafted in secret by delegates to the Constitutional Convention during the summer of 1787, this four-page document, signed on September 17, 1787, established the government of the United States. Since that time, soldiers of every generation have pledged to uphold and defend this great document and the ideas it encompasses. Georgia Military College will happily welcome home our cadets who have recently returned from Operation Iraqi Freedom.

Immediately following the Command Retreat, the event moved to the west side of the Old Capitol for remarks by Chamber President Tara Peters, GMC President MG Peter J. Boylan, 48th Brigade Representative MAJ Marshall Rich, Mayor Richard Bentley, Commissioner Bobby Blizzard, Representative Bobby Parham, and Senator Johnny Grant. The celebration continued with a picnic, ice cream, children’s activities and live entertainment.
Red-shirt freshman OL Vince Vance (6’7, 315) was named 1st Team All-American by the NJCAA. Second Team All-American awards were given to sophomore defensive lineman Jarius Wynn (6’4, 275) and freshman tight end Patrick Wilkinson (6’7, 245). Honorable Mention All-American was awarded to sophomore defensive back Daniel Wilcox (6’1, 205). Wilcox was also named as GMC’s MVP in the Golden Isles Bowl.

Four former GMC Bulldogs have excelled as well at their follow on institutions. Topping the list is Durant Brooks, who received First Team All-ACC and 2nd Team All-American as a punter for Georgia Tech. Jasper Brinkley was named First Team AP All-SEC at South Carolina in his first season since graduating from GMC. J.K. Sabb, linebacker at Middle Tennessee State, was named First Team All-Sun Belt Conference. Wide receiver Aundrae Allison and linebacker Fred Wilson from East Carolina University were named as Second Team All-Conference USA and Honorable Mention All Conference USA respectively. Allison was also featured in a bowl season story on junior college players recently.

All told, 14 former GMC players on 8 different NCAA DI teams participated in bowl games this season.
2006 Junior College Football Season Recap

By: Bert Williams, Head Coach and Athletic Director

The GMC Bulldogs came into the 2006 season with lots of hope and expectations in the wake of a #2 finish in 2005. They hit the road early with two trips to TX losing the season opener to Navarro College, but rebounding the following week to defeat pre-season #2 ranked Trinity Valley College, 28-21. The Bulldogs continued their success throughout the season despite numerous injuries resulting in the loss of many players, on offensive especially. The Bulldogs dropped one more game during the regular season to a top-ten ranked Nassau Community College on the road in Long Island, NY, but rebounded to win the rest of the season finishing in the top ten in the nation and qualifying again in 2006 for the Sea Island Company Golden Isles Bowl. Although they came up short in the bowl game, the Bulldogs finished the season #10 in the country with an 8-3 record in another successful season.

Women’s Soccer Season Review

The 2006 Georgia Military College women’s soccer season was a year of firsts as they introduced new Head Women’s Soccer Coach Kelly Zeilstra, and her assistant, Dianna Baruffa.

The Lady Bulldogs soccer team was led by returning sophomores Nikki Taylor, Holly Deese and Katrina Fedd. With so few returnees this was a rebuilding year for the women’s team and a year of improvement. The welcomed freshmen brought energy, enthusiasm and a great excitement for the game of soccer which combined well with the experience of the sophomores.

Women’s Soccer Head Coach

Head Women’s Soccer and Softball Coach Kelly Zeilstra is excited about beginning her first season at Georgia Military College.

Kelly returns to Milledgeville after a short stint at Troy University. She was the assistant softball coach at Georgia College and State University from 2001-2004 where she coached two All-Americans, including a first-team All-America pitcher.

Prior to her coaching career, Kelly was All-American at Lake City Community College in Lake City, Florida. She was also awarded All Conference, All-State and Florida Softball Player of the year as a pitcher and hitter.

Sports Illustrated Calls Former Bulldog “NFL Prospect To Watch This Bowl Season”

Former Georgia Military College wide receiver Aundrae Allison (East Carolina University) was identified by Sports Illustrated football writer Tony Pauline as a player NFL teams would be watching during the 2006 bowl season. The full SI article, “Deep sleepers: Ten NFL prospects to keep an eye on in bowl season,” can be read at the following link: http://sportsillustrated.cnn.com/2006/football/nfl/12/13/sleepers/index.html

Allison, whose East Carolina Pirates faced South Florida in the Papa John’s Bowl on December 23, became the first ECU wide receiver to amass 1,000 receiving yards in a season last year. During his two seasons with Georgia Military he totaled 70 catches for 865 yards (12.4 yards per catch) and earned NJCAA All-America honors. He was named first-team All-Conference USA selection last year and a second-team this year.