Dr. James Meindl To Speak In Gambrell Center on November 7, 2006.

Dr. James Meindl, Director of the Joseph M. Pettit Microelectronics Research Center and the Pettit Chair Professor of Microelectronics at Georgia Institute of Technology, will speak at East Georgia College on November 7, 2006 at 11 a.m. in the auditorium of the Luck Flanders Gambrell Center. Sponsored by the EGC Vision Series, the presentation is free and open to the public.

Dr. Meindl has had a long and distinguished career in electrical engineering. He is an expert in the emerging field of nano-technology.

Mrs. Lara Norton, assistant professor of physical education and education, and Dr. Jimmy Wedincamp, chair of mathematics and science division and assistant professor of biology, recently presented at the Academy for Learning through Performance Standards and Assessment. Lara is developing resources for the Board of Regents learning repository to be used with the new area F education courses.

Mrs. Lara Norton & Dr. Jimmy Wedincamp Present at Academy in Marietta, Georgia

ON THE MOVE

Janet Stracher, Linda Connolly, and Wilder Coleman attended a 3-day training workshop in Athens, sponsored by OIIT concerning XML Training (electronic exchange of transcripts between USG institutions).

April Womack attended the Georgia Summit meeting in Savannah representing our EGC Registrar’s Office.

Linda Attebery, Becky Foskey, Janet Stracher, Linda Connolly, and Becky Warren recently attended the Banner 7 Highlights Workshop at Macon State to learn about the changes to the newest Banner release.

Dr. Stracher’s Nomination To GSA

Dr. Glenn Stracher was recently nominated by his colleagues to serve as first vice chair of the Coal Geology Division of the Geological Society of America. Approval of his nomination was made by the management board of GSA.

Dr. Stracher officially begins his position this month. His duties include organizing and chairing coal-geology sessions and field trips at national meetings. He will also participate at GSA national business meetings around the U.S.

In addition, Dr. Stracher recently published three papers with GSA, two of which he will present in Philadelphia at the national meeting.

Congratulations to Dr. Stracher on these outstanding accomplishments.
STATE CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTIONS PROGRAM
The State Charitable Contributions Program fund-drive is underway. This is our opportunity as an entity to make a significant impact on the lives of those less fortunate. Please remember to make your pledge or donation by November 20th; any amount will be appreciated. Contact human resources at 289-2035 for additional information.

NEWS FROM CIRCLE K CLUB
The East Georgia College Circle K Club is once again sponsoring its annual “Koats for Kids” drive! For the next several weeks, Circle K will be collecting used coats. The coats will be cleaned for free by Southern Laundry & Dry Cleaners of Swainsboro, then distributed to children in need. Collection boxes are located in the academic building by the elevator and in the lobby outside the social science offices, as well as outside of the library entrance in the LFG Center. Please help with this important drive by contributing a used coat.

BIRTHDAYS AT EGC
Welcome aboard new employees! Both individuals bring valuable experience to the East Georgia College family.

Anna Marie Reich, Counselor for Student Services
Jennifer Fields, Admissions Specialist

We extend best wishes to those celebrating
November Birthdays:
11/2    David Gribbin
11/4    Ed Bolton (retiree)
11/4    Tommy Upchurch
11/8    Neji Hajji
11/17   Michael Manuel (retiree)
11/18   Mary Smith
11/23   Jimmy Wedincamp
11/25   Jason Brannen
11/25   Suella McRimmon

Open Enrollment is November 13 - December 15!
During this time you can elect to make changes to any of your benefits. These revisions will become effective for the 2007 Plan Year beginning 1/1/07. Additional information regarding upcoming changes will be distributed via e-mail and handouts prior to November 13th.

Desmal Purcell, instructor of art at EGC, recently took a group of his art students, EGC Art Club, and community guests to tour the High Museum of Art in Atlanta. The group traveled to the High Museum to view the Lourvre Exhibit and the High’s permanent collection. This is the first time that many of the works in the Lourvre have been exhibited in the U.S. and for Georgia’s High Museum to be chosen as the location is such an honor. The Exhibit will be a three-year revolving exhibit.

Pictured left to right are EGC students, Jonathon Gay, Brittany McCullough, artist and guest speaker Luis Santana, Lynette Long, and Portia Pitts of Desmal Purcell’s Introduction to Art class. The students in the art class were assigned group presentations on various artists. The students mentioned above went above and beyond by inviting the artist to attend their presentation. Mr. Luis Santana, an artist from Orlando, drove up for the group’s 15-minute presentation. He also presented the class with an original work of art that featured the students’ names in honor of their hard work. Art Instructor Desmal Purcell added, “I thought it was a great presentation and a real honor to have the artist not only show up and speak to the art class, but also create a work of art.”