More funds for football

The fund to build a stadium at the University of West Georgia continues to grow thanks to a generous gift of $250,000 from CB&T and the Synovus Foundation. Ted Edgar (r), president and CEO of CB&T, and Jim Gill (l), board chair for CB&T and member of the Stadium Development Committee, presented the check to Acting President Hynes.

For information on how to contribute to the stadium campaign, contact David Parkman, chair of the Stadium Development Committee, at x9-3962 or via e-mail at dparkman@westga.edu.

Yokogawa oscilloscopes donation to benefit research in physics, chemistry

The Yokogawa Corp. of America has given UWG an in-kind gift of two digital oscilloscopes, test instruments that allow users to look at the ‘shape’ of electrical signals on a graph. The equipment is valued at $36,180.

The oscilloscopes will be used by the departments of Physics and Chemistry for various research projects and will be important to the university’s emerging research in nanotechnology.

The Yokogawa Corp., which has its U.S. headquarters in Newnan, is a leading manufacturer and supplier of test, measurement, field instrumentation, process control and information products for North America. Its parent company, Yokogawa Electric Corp., is dedicated to developing advanced control and instrumentation products and systems.

Health Services receives $15,000 safety grant for fourth year in a row

Health Services has received a Governor’s Office of Highway Safety Collaborative Safety Initiatives Grant for the fourth consecutive year.

Health Services uses the $15,000 grant to present education programs on the dangers of alcohol poisoning and impaired driving, train peer educators and bring guest speakers to campus. Peer educators help coordinate the annual Health and Safety Week, which will bring guest speaker and alumna Caroline Cornelison to UWG this spring to discuss alcohol usage on campuses.

Debra Dugan, health educator, also offers free classes to West Georgia students and organizations and to local high schools. The classes, which cover the dangers of alcohol poisoning and alcohol-related crimes, may be requested online at www.westga.edu/~health.

On hand for the presentation of two digital oscilloscopes for nanotechnology research at UWG from the Yokogawa Corp. of America were (l-r) Dr. Andy Leavitt, professor of chemistry and associate vice president for development and alumni relations; Ernie Henderson, director of planned giving; Dr. David White, assistant to the vice president for special projects; Richard Westerfield, vice president of Yokogawa manufacturing; Bill Gatheridge, product manager, Yokogawa Test and Measurement Division; and Jeff Rainey, product specialist, Yokogawa TMI Division.
Committee seeks proposals for Faculty Research Grants

The Learning Resources Committee is accepting proposals for 2007-08 Faculty Research Grants through Friday, March 2. Current full-time faculty whose research will not be used toward completion of a degree are eligible to apply. For proposal guidelines and evaluation criteria, e-mail Dr. Donna Harkins, associate professor of reading, at dharkins@westga.edu.

Centennial lecturers to discuss nanotubes and tapestry

The next Centennial Lecture sponsored by the Center for Teaching and Learning will be Friday, Feb. 16, in Cashen Hall. Dr. James Espinosa, assistant professor of physics, will discuss Nanotubes: Arcing Expensive Dreams into Affordable Reality. Dr. Micheal Crafton, professor of English and acting vice president for academic affairs, will speak on The Warp and Woof of Time: the Bayeux Tapestry’s Symbolic Representation of Temporality. The event will begin with a reception at 3:30 p.m., followed by the lectures at 4 p.m.

Dress Down Days to benefit cancer relay

The university will sponsor Dress Down Days for faculty and staff on Feb. 22, March 15 and April 26 to benefit the Carroll County American Cancer Relay for Life. A dollar donation per Dress Down Day is requested to receive a sticker to dress casually that day. Donors who give $5 or more per day will receive a different Relay for Life pin for each day.

Contributions may be sent to Jill Wright Davidson (budget services/asset management, Aycock Hall), Greta Kirby (campus mail, UCC), Vicki Rogers (College of Arts and Sciences, Humanities) or Alexandra Young (computer science, TLC).

Women’s Caucus meeting to focus on gender equity

Faculty and staff interested in gender equity issues at UWG are invited to a meeting to discuss the currently inactive Women’s Caucus and its possible role on campus on Friday, Feb. 23, at 3:30 p.m. in the Writing Center.

The meeting has been called in response to recent findings by the 2006 UWG Campus Culture and Climate Survey and by the AAUP Faculty Gender Equity Indicators for Georgia. For more information, e-mail Dr. Jane Hill, chair of the Department of English and Philosophy, at jhill@westga.edu.

Concert to feature more than 100 performers

The Armed Man – A Mass for Peace will make its southeastern debut at the annual UWG Choral Orchestral Concert with more than 100 performers from the Collegium Vocale, the Carroll Symphony Orchestra and the UWG Concert Choir.

Dr. Kevin Hibbard, professor and chair of the Department of Music and director of the UWG Concert Choir and Collegium Vocale, will conduct the most ambitious event of the Department of Music’s season on Tuesday, Feb. 20, at 8:15 p.m. in the TCPA.

The Armed Man – A Mass for Peace is a collage of a traditional celebration of mass; generations of prose written by Malory, Dryden, Swift, Tennyson and Kipling; and texts from the Koran and the Hindu Mahabharata. Together they blend into an orchestral and choral voice of passion in a composition of traditional and contemporary music that explores war and peace in our time. Created by world-renowned contemporary British composer Karl Jenkins, the composition received a standing ovation at its 2000 debut in London.

The Collegium Vocale is a select community chorus founded in 1955 by faculty members of Emory University. The chorus performs a variety of secular and sacred choral literature from the Renaissance to the 21st century. The UWG Concert Choir performs major works as part of its repertoire of traditional classical choral music and multicultural music. Members of the Carroll Symphony Orchestra performing in the concert play at venues throughout Carroll County under the direction of Terry Lowry.

Tickets are $10 for adults, $7 for seniors, $3 for children and free for UWG students with ID. They can be purchased Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., at the TCPA or by calling x9-4722.

Student-written plays tell the stories of UWG

Experience a blast from the past and a quirky taste of the present when West Georgia Stories: From Rural Roots to Global Reach takes the stage in the TCPA Black Box from Wednesday, Feb. 21, through Saturday, Feb. 24, at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday, Feb. 25, at 2:30 p.m.

As a tribute to UWG’s centennial, student playwrights from the West Georgia Theatre Company have written a series of 10-minute plays that capture 100 years of the university’s history. The hilarious antics and playful story lines present life at West Georgia through the eyes of students.

Directed and designed exclusively by students, West Georgia Stories explores a wide range of issues faced by the institution through the years, including student diversity, political tension and turbulent social conditions, as well as such historical events as campus visits by Franklin D. Roosevelt and Robert F. Kennedy. It also touches on the lighter aspects of college life, including cross-country road trips and sunbathing.

Tickets are $10 for adults, $7 for seniors, $5 for UWG students and $3 for children. For more information, contact the TCPA at x9-4722.
Gaytan wins regional teaching award in business education

Dr. Jorge Gaytan, associate professor of business administration and director of business education, has received the 2006 Southern Business Education Association (SBEA) Collegiate Teacher of the Year Award. Criteria for the regional award include exceptional teaching, research and service and receipt of the association’s state teaching award.

Gaytan, who teaches courses in business communication, web page design and technology support systems, won the Georgia Business Education Association College Teacher of the Year Award in 2004. During his 15-year teaching career, he has received 13 teaching, two research and two service awards, including the 2003 Richards College of Business Teaching Award and the 2005 RCOB Service Award.

“As an enthusiastic leader and teacher, this talented and remarkable individual is ensuring that the future of business education is a vital part of school life in our country,” said Janice Harder, chair of the SBEA Leadership Awards Administrative Committee.

Nazzal recognized for online course quality

Dr. Allison Nazzal, assistant professor of middle grades education, is the first UWG instructor to gain recognition for developing a Five-Star Online Course. To qualify, Nazzal’s course, Instructional Design, Management and Technology in the Middle School (MGED 4265), passed several reviews and met rigorous standards of excellence related to student information, interaction, assessment and technology.

The Five-Star Online Course Review program was developed by Dr. Melanie Clay, director of special programs and coordinator of distance and distributed education, as a way to promote online course quality. Faculty whose courses are designated as Five-Star become eligible for the annual Apollo Awards for Excellence in Distance Teaching and Mentoring.

Water experts on tap

Dr. Curtis Hollabaugh, professor of geology and chair of the Department of Geosciences, presents research at the first UWG Water Resources Conference. Held in response to local concerns regarding the politics and physical health of water supplies in west Georgia and the state, “Tapping into the Flow: Water in West Georgia” drew an audience of more than 200 scientists, public officials and conservationists from around the country. It was sponsored by the UWG Murphy Center for Public Service, the Department of Geosciences and the Southwire Company.

In addition to Hollabaugh and a wide range of other experts, Dr. Randy Kath, professor of geology, and Dr. Thomas Crawford, professor of geology emeritus, also presented research at the conference. Hollabaugh, the founder and president of the Upper Tallapoosa Watershed Group and a member of the UWG Center for Water Resources, has been testing the region’s water supplies with his students for years and uses a 50-acre flood plain on campus to conduct research on water quality. He and his students also coordinate cleanup crews along the waterways. Crawford and Kath presented research on the advantages of using ground water rather than the surface water that much of the state uses. For more information on regional water issues, contact the Department of Geosciences at x9-6479. To obtain a DVD of the conference, e-mail Connie Williams, general manager of University TV, at conniew@westga.edu.
February

16 Friday
▷ Mixed-Media Exhibit: What Are You Looking At?, through 2/28, Linda Mitchell, Main Gallery
▷ Regalia ordering deadline for Honors Convocation
▷ Softball: Wolves Invitational; Oil Park; Wolves vs. Missouri-St. Louis, 1 p.m.; Wolves vs. Lewis, 3 p.m.; Wolves vs. Siu-Edwardsville, 7 p.m.
▷ Centennial Lecture, Cashen Hall, 4 p.m. Reception, 3:30 p.m. See Bulletins/p2.

17 Saturday
▷ Baseball: Wolves vs. Kentucky Wesleyan (2), Cole Field, 1 p.m.
▷ Softball: Wolves Invitational; Oil Park; Wolves vs. Siu-Edwardsville, 2 p.m.; Wolves vs. Augusta State, 4 p.m.

18 Sunday
▷ Baseball: Wolves vs. Kentucky Wesleyan (2), Cole Field, 1 p.m.

19 Monday
▷ NAAOP Week, through 2/23
▷ Univ. Club Lunch, Exec. Dining Rm., 11 a.m.-2 p.m. $4.50.
▷ The Vagina Monologues, through 2/21, Campus Center Ballroom, 8 p.m. Tickets: $5, UWG students: $10, general admission

20 Tuesday
▷ Acrobat, C.Ed., 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
▷ EXCEL Center Mardi Gras of Majors, TLC Atrium, noon-3 p.m.
▷ Softball: Wolves vs. GCSU (2), Oil Park, 2 p.m.
▷ Basic Conversational Spanish, C.Ed., through 3/15, 6-8 p.m.

21 Wednesday
▷ Ingram Library Lunch & Learn, 2006 Campus Culture & Climate Survey, Dr. Denise Overfield & Dianne Smith, Library conference room, noon
▷ French Conversation Group: Pause Café, UCC Centre Café, 2 p.m.
▷ Baseball: Wolves vs. Georgia College, Cole Field, 2 p.m.
▷ French Film Series: Le Grand Voyage, TLC, Rm. 1-303, 7 p.m.
▷ UWG Theatre: West Georgia Stories: From Rural Roots to Global Reach, through 2/24, TOPA Black Box, 7:30 p.m. Also 2/25, 2:30 p.m. See Student-written/p2.

22 Thursday
▷ Dress Down Day to benefit Carroll County American Cancer Relay for Life. See Bulletins/p2.
▷ Univ. Club Lunch, Exec. Dining Rm., 11 a.m.-2 p.m. $4.50.
▷ Concert: UWG Wind Symphony & Symphonic Band, TOPA, 8:15 p.m.

23 Friday
▷ Deadline to register for Regents’ Test, Strozier, Rm. 114, 8 a.m.-5 p.m.
▷ Motivation for the Workplace, C.Ed., 9 a.m.-noon
▷ Women’s Caucus Meeting, Writing Center (TLC, Rm. 1-201), 3:30 p.m. See Bulletins/p2.

24 Saturday
▷ Spanish 2, C.Ed., through 4/7, 9:30-11:30 a.m.
▷ Baseball: Wolves vs. Clark-Atlanta (2), Cole Field, 1 p.m.
▷ Men’s Basketball: Wolves vs. Allen, Campus Center, 7:30 p.m.

March

1 Thursday
▷ Last day to withdraw with grade of W
▷ Powerpoint, C.Ed., 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
▷ Univ. Club Lunch, Exec. Dining Rm., 11 a.m.-2 p.m. $4.50.
▷ Baseball: Wolves vs. Minn. St.-Mankato (2), Cole Field, 1 p.m.

26 Monday
▷ Zeta Phi Beta Week, through 3/1
▷ Intramural Basketball Playoffs, through 3/2
▷ Registration/Deadline for Softball, Frisbee & Kayak Trip, through 3/7
▷ Publisher, C.Ed., 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
▷ Univ. Club Lunch, Exec. Dining Rm., 11 a.m.-2 p.m. $4.50.
▷ Observatory open for stargazing, 7-8 p.m.

28 Wednesday
▷ Advanced Excel, C.Ed., 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.
▷ Graduate Educ. Forum, Hubbard Dining Rm., noon
▷ French Conversation Group: Pause Café, UCC Centre Café, 2 p.m.
▷ German Film Series: Sophie Scholl: The Final Days, TLC, Rm. 1-303, 7 p.m.

UPDATE 2007 Georgia General Assembly
The Board of Regents is monitoring key pieces of legislation of special interest to the University System of Georgia, either because they directly impact students, faculty and staff or because they affect the way the system interacts with other agencies and keeps its records. For a list of these bills, see the Feb. 5 issue of the USG Legislative Update at www.usg.edu/pubs/lu.