The campaign to build a University of West Georgia stadium recently got another boost with a gift of $100,000 from West Georgia National Bank (WGNB).

Alumnus Rocky Lipham, president and CEO of WGNB, believes the stadium will benefit not only the university, but the community as well. “We believe the new stadium is vital to the continued growth of the university,” Lipham said. “As we push toward Division 1-AA, the local economy will receive dramatic increases in dollars spent by students, the university and fans. The stadium will create another cornerstone of ownership for the alumni and friends of the university. It will also be a great venue for events in our community.”

Acting President Hynes said this type of support from the community is crucial for the success of the campaign. “More than five years ago, the university-wide strategic planning committee urged the campus community to explore the feasibility of a stadium as a part of advancing the broader nature of the university experience,” Hynes explained. “The support of West Georgia National Bank and other generous university friends brings us closer to this part of the long-term vision for the university our colleagues had already advanced.”

“This gift recognizes the key role that the university and our supporters play in the life of the region,” he continued. “We are incredibly grateful for this support.”

A private fundraising effort for the $10 million stadium complex was launched in 2005, and more than $3 million in leadership gifts has been secured. The multi-sport complex will include a 9,500-seat football stadium, a soccer stadium, a softball field, football and soccer practice fields, and other fields for intramural sports usage.

For information about donations, call David Parkman, chief development officer for the stadium project, at x9-3962 or e-mail him at dparkman@westga.edu.
**BULLETINS**

**Staff invited to holiday luncheon**

A Staff Candlelight Luncheon will be offered on Tuesday, Dec. 5, at noon in the Hubbard Dining Room for $14.95. The menu will include grilled shrimp scampi, herb-crusted New York strip, micro greens with heirloom tomatoes, toasted rice pilaf, duchess potatoes, fall vegetable medley, desserts and beverages. Reservations are required by Dec. 3 at x9-6496.

**First-year instructors sought**

Instructors are being sought for programs for first-year students, including UWG 1101 classes and learning communities. Information sessions will be offered in the Callaway Building, Room 120, on Monday, Dec. 4, 1-2 p.m., and Tuesday, Dec. 5, 10-11 a.m. For information, contact Dr. Julie Bartley, coordinator of first-year programs, at x9-4054.

**Photo and journal exhibit to focus on Asian travels**

Sangwon Sohn, assistant professor of art, and Dr. Randy Hendricks, professor of English, will share their experiences traveling in Singapore and Malaysia through a photo and journal exhibit titled Living Between the New and the Old. Images from Southeast Asia in the Main Gallery, Humanities Building, Dec. 7-16. The show will open on Dec. 7 with a journal reading by Hendricks at 5 p.m., followed by a catered reception. It will later be displayed in Gallery Row, Adamson Square, Dec. 18-Jan. 6.

Sohn and Hendricks received a Fulbright-Hays grant to travel in southeast Asia with other educators for four weeks last summer.

**Human Resources introduces online self-service program**

UWG is implementing an online self-service application, known as E-Apps, to the Human Resources/Payroll system to allow employees to update their personal information, view paycheck and benefit information, and print their pay stubs. The program is available on the UWG portal at http://myuwg.westga.edu through the Employee Self Service link.

One-hour E-Apps training sessions will be offered on Dec. 5, 7, 12, 14, 19 and 21 at 10 a.m. and 1 p.m. in Adamson Hall, Room 126. Participants should ensure they are able to log in to the UWG portal before attending training. Employees unable to log in should click the Lost Your Password link to have their password reset, a process which takes about two hours.

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**Lazer Vaudeville returns for Rudolph to Rescue**

The popular Lazer Vaudeville show will return to the TCPA as the headline for the seventh annual Rudolph to the Rescue Toy Drive and Holiday Show on Thursday, Dec. 7.

Lazer Vaudeville combines high-tech laser animation and an original soundtrack with such traditional arts of vaudeville as juggling to create a whimsical family extravaganza. Against a glittering back drop of lasers and black lights, a seven-foot-tall fluorescent fire-breathing dragon leads the audience on a magical holiday journey with a cast of such fantastical characters as a mystical wizard, a neon cowboy who kicks up a luminescent rope-spinning display and a Santa who pulls a holiday tree out of thin air.

The evening will begin at 6:30 p.m. with its traditional toy drive and catered reception of desserts and hors d’oeuvres. Earlier in the day, a brunch in the Black Box for faculty, staff and students will also benefit the toy drive from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m. Admission to the brunch and evening reception is an unwrapped gift for children ages infancy to 18 years, which will be distributed through the Carroll County Department of Family and Children Services.

**Basketball teams face busy December**

Though the academic semester is coming to a close, December will be a busy month for the UWG basketball teams. The men will play five times before the New Year, and the women will take the floor for nine contests.

Only one home game is set for the women’s team this month: a visit from Clayton State on Wednesday, Dec. 6. The remainder of their December schedule includes trips to invitational classics at Valdosta State, Dec. 1-2; Flagler College (Fla.), Dec. 15-16; and Clayton State, Dec. 30-31.

The less-hectic men’s schedule includes more home games. On Dec. 6, the team will travel to Morrow to take on nationally ranked Clayton State. Following that, the men will play four visitors to Carrollton: North Georgia on Dec. 11, Delta State on Dec. 13, Clayton State on Dec. 16 and Arkansas-Monticello on Dec. 30.

**Flag football takes state**

The University Suites Co-Ed Flag Football Team recently won the State Intramurals Championship sponsored by the National Intramural-Recreational Sports Association (NIRSA) in Statesboro. It was the first UWG co-ed team to win a state championship in any sport.

Five of the team’s 15 members were selected to the All-State Tournament Flag Football Team. They were: Marcia Cole of Peachtree City, Stephen Delaney of Woodstock, Jonathan Robinson of Fayetteville, Angela Rodriguez of Woodstock and Martha Vital of Flowery Branch. The team plans to compete in the NIRSA National Flag Football Championships in Dallas, Texas, in January.

**Football players win honors**

Despite a tough season, seven members of the Wolves football team have earned berths on the 2006 All-Gulf South Conference Football Team.

First Team selections to the squad were senior linebacker John Perkins of Rome, senior defensive end Odell Willis of Lisman, Ala., and freshman tailback James Kennehrew of Columbus.

Earning All-GSC Second Team selections were four seniors: offensive tackle Barron Hamlin of Jackson, defensive back Adam Carter of Carrollton and LaRico Stevenson of Olive Branch, Miss., and defensive end Andre Culpepper of Thomson, who was chosen as a special teams member for his kick-blocking prowess.
Booster Honor Athletics Hall of Fame inductees

The UWG Booster Club presented its annual Athletics Hall of Fame Awards to inductees Russ Sharp, Clarence Murphy, Jeremy Clements and Mickey Henderson at the recent annual meeting of the UWG National Alumni Association.

Sharp's contributions to West Georgia athletics began as a student trainer and continued in the positions of head athletics trainer and director of sports medicine, athletics program business manager, head golf coach and Booster Club executive director. He was instrumental in reviving the football program in 1981. Sharp is now associate director of athletics for administration and finance at West Virginia University.

Murphy, a talented right-hander from Thomasville, was known as "Mr. Consistency" on the mound in the 1960s and is the only UWG pitcher to throw two no-hitters in a season. He was named All-Georgia Intercollegiate Athletic Conference while helping his team win two GIAC titles.

No quarterback in UWG history has ever posted a better record than Clements. Beginning with his first game in the 1998 season opener, Clements posted a three-year record of 28-7, more victories than any other UWG quarterback, and he was a three-time All-Gulf South Conference selection and 1998 GSC Offensive Player of the Year. He went on to play professionally in Europe and with U.S. arena teams. He resides in Atlanta.

Henderson was the anchor of an offensive line that powered a UWG attack ranked among the best in the GSC and Division II. His two seasons at West Georgia were the program's two most successful in Division II. Henderson was twice named All-GSC First Team and was awarded a berth on the All-South Region Team during his senior season. He resides in Columbus.

Conference focuses on region’s water quality, quantity

The Department of Geosciences and the Center for Water Resources will host their first conference on water supply issues at UWG on Friday, Dec. 1. Coordinated by Drs. Curtis Hollabaugh and Randal Kath, professors of geology; Michael Aldrich, librarian associate professor; and other Department of Geosciences faculty, the event will feature a diverse mix of speakers with a wide range of expertise in water quality and quantity issues in west Georgia.

Hollabaugh, who is initiating a community awareness campaign, said he hopes the conference will raise awareness of the challenges of supplying water to a region ripe for development.

Students to speak at two commencement ceremonies

About 425 degrees will be awarded during the fall commencement ceremonies on Saturday, Dec. 9, in the Campus Center Gym. Students from the Graduate School and undergraduates from the Richards College of Business will march at 9:30 a.m., and undergraduates from the College of Arts and Sciences and the College of Education will march at 1 p.m.

Acting President Hynes will preside, and students representing each of the academic divisions will present commencement addresses.

At the morning ceremony, Katherine Brantly of Carrollton and William Willey of Villa Rica will speak for the Graduate School. Jennifer Allen of Newnan and Varanessa Dixon of Smith Station, Ala., will represent the Richards College of Business.

In the afternoon, Phillip Fowler of Douglasville and Ashley Turner of Tallapoosa will represent the College of Arts and Sciences. Kandi Fania of Newnan and Amanda Perez of Villa Rica will speak for the College of Education.

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Faculty and staff recognition

Dr. Daniel Helminiak (psychology) presented a five-hour workshop titled “Prayer, Meditation, Contemplation: The Theology and Psychology of Spiritual Practices” at the 2006 Call to Action National Convention for liberal lay Catholics in Milwaukee on Nov. 3.

Dr. Joseph Huff (biology) was elected to the board of the Georgia Nutrition Council (GNC) on Nov. 14. He will also chair the scholarship committee, which awards funds for meritorious research projects to GNC student members majoring in nutrition. Huff was invited to the 2006 GNC meeting to speak about his courses in nutrition.

Dr. Bruce Landman (mathematics) has had his co-written article “On the Degree of Regularity of Generalized van der Waerden Triples” (with N. Frantzikinakis and A. Robertson) published in Advances in Applied Mathematics, Vol. 37 (2006).

Dr. Andrew Leavitt (chemistry) chaired an Atmospheric Chemistry Symposium at the Southeastern Regional Meeting of the American Chemical Society in Augusta, Nov. 1-2.

Drs. John Ponder and Ron Reigner (curriculum/instruction) presented “Reflecting on Tutoring: Undergrad Clinicians Gain Confidence and Expertise” at the College Reading Association’s 50th annual conference in Pittsburgh, Nov. 27.

Awe-inspiring conference

Distinguished Spanish poet Jaime Siles (second from right) was the guest speaker at the 21st annual literature conference sponsored by the Department of Foreign Languages and Literatures in Atlanta in November. About 80 scholars presented their research on the topic “Fear and Awe,” and Dr. Ricardo Gutierrez-Mouat of Emory presented the keynote address. Pictured with Siles, who was interviewed by CNN during the conference, are (l-r) Enrique Ruiz Fornells, a professor emeritus at the University of Alabama; Dr. Cecilia Lee, professor of Spanish; and Acting President Hynes.

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### December

#### 1 Friday
- Reading Day
- West Georgia Young Artists Exhibition, Education Center
- Department of Geosciences & Center for Water Resources Conference. See Conference/p3.
- Institutional SAT, Strozier, Rm. 120, 8-11:30 a.m.
- Univ. Club Happy Hour, The Border, 5-7 p.m.
- UWG Middle School Honor Band Concert, TCPA, 7 p.m.

#### 2 Saturday
- Exams, Saturday classes
- National SAT; Pafford, Humanities & Business bldgs. & Bonner LH; 7:30 a.m.-1 p.m.
- UWG High School Honor Band Concert, TCPA, 7 p.m.

#### 4 Monday
- Exams, through 12/8

#### 5 Tuesday
- Undergraduate application & document deadline
- Staff Candlelight Luncheon, Hubbard Dining Rm., noon. $14.95. Reservations required by 12/3 at x9-6496. See Bulletins/p2.

#### 6 Wednesday
- Women's Basketball: Wolves vs. Clayton State, HPE, 6 p.m.

#### 7 Thursday
- Rudolph to the Rescue Toy Drive & Lazer Vaudeville Holiday Show, TCPA. Faculty & Staff Brunch, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. Reception & Toy Drive, 6:30 p.m. Holiday Show, 7:30 p.m. Brunch & reception admission is unwrapped gift for children ages infancy to 18 years. Holiday Show is $10. adults; $7, seniors; $5, UWG students; $3, children. See Lazer/p2.
- Photo & Journal Exhibit: Living Between the New & the Old—Images from Southeast Asia, Sangwon Sohn & Dr. Randy Hendricks, through 12/16, Main Gallery, Humanities Bldg. Journal reading, 12/7, 5 p.m., followed by opening reception. Also 12/18-1/6, Gallery Row, Adamson Square. See Bulletins/p2.

#### 8 Friday
- Graduation application deadline
- Chester Gibson High School Debate Tournament, through 12/9
- Faculty Senate Meeting, TLC, Rm. 1-303, 3 p.m.
- Continuing Education Centennial Concert & Reception: Brien Engel, glass harp, & UWG Jazz Percussion Group, Cashen Hall, 7:30 p.m. R.S.V.P. requested to phines@westga.edu.

#### 9 Saturday
- Graduation, Campus Center Gym, 9:30 a.m. (Graduate School & business undergraduates) & 1 p.m. (arts & sciences & education undergraduates)

#### 11 Monday
- Winter Recess: no classes through 1/7
- Grades due by 8:30 a.m.
- Observatory open for stargazing, 7-8 p.m.
- Men's Basketball: Wolves vs. North Georgia, HPE, 7:30 p.m.

#### 13 Wednesday
- Miller Analogies Test, also 12/14, Strozier, Rm. 121, 3:30-5 p.m.
- Men's Basketball: Wolves vs. Delta State, HPE, 7:30 p.m.

#### 14 Thursday
- CPE Entrance Exam (for non-traditional students only), Bonner LH, 5:30-9:30 p.m.

#### 16 Saturday
- Men's Basketball: Wolves vs. Clayton State, HPE, 7:30 p.m.

### January

#### 5 Friday
- New student registration

#### 8 Monday
- Classes begin.
- Drop/add & late registration
- Registration for intramural basketball, through 1/17
- Univ. Club Lunch, Exec. Dining Rm., 11 a.m.-2 p.m. $4.50.

#### 10 Wednesday
- Auditions for spring plays, TCPA, 6:30 p.m.

#### 11 Thursday
- Univ. Club Lunch, Exec. Dining Rm., 11 a.m.-2 p.m. $4.50.

#### 13 Saturday
- No Saturday classes
- Basketball: Wolves vs. Montevallo; HPE; Women, 5:30 p.m.; Men, 7:30 p.m.

#### 15 Monday
- Martin Luther King Holiday

#### 16 Tuesday
- CLEP, through 1/18, Strozier, Rm. 121, 8:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
- Basketball: Wolves vs. West Alabama; HPE; Women, 5:30 p.m.; Men, 7:30 p.m.

#### 18 Thursday
- Univ. Club Lunch, Exec. Dining Rm., 11 a.m.-2 p.m. $4.50.
- Ain't Got Long to Stay Here: Barry Scott's Tribute to Martin Luther King Jr., TCPA, 7:30 p.m.