

Summer 2006



HAVE YOU HEARD?

an update for the division of finance & administration

FACT & FICTION: CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION

Thursday, August 17th:

The Grand Opening of the VSU Archives Museum and the "100 Years of the College at Valdosta" Exhibit, Odum Library

- 4:00 p.m. Reception Music & Refreshments, Lobby
- 4:15 p.m. Program, Lobby Auditorium
- 4:45 p.m. Faculty Art Exhibit, 2nd Floor
- 5:15 p.m. Unveiling of Presidential Portrait, 4th Floor

Friday, August 18th:

- 3:00-9:00 p.m. VSU Archives Museum Open
- 5:00-6:30 p.m. President's Centennial Reception, Magnolia Room

Centennial Birthday Celebration

- 7:00 p.m. Dr. Zaccari's Opening Comments
- 7:05 p.m. Moody Flyover
- 7:15 p.m. Release Centennial Balloons
Swingin' Medallions & all activities begin
- 9:00 p.m. Multimedia Slide Show
Close of Attractions/Return to Front Lawn
- 9:15 p.m. Fireworks Finale

Saturday, August 19th:

Centennial 5K Fun Run/Walk

- 7:30 a.m. Registration
- 8:30 a.m. Race Begins

If you are interested in volunteering during the Centennial Celebration, please contact Mary Gooding, Director & Centennial Manager. Volunteers can work in shifts and opportunities range from cutting cake, pouring drinks to passing out souvenirs. Please email Mary at mbgooding@valdosta.edu or call the Alumni House at 333-5797. Mary will need your name and email address.

Friday, July 21st, 2006



Upcoming Events

Summer Commencement
7/29

Move-In Day
8/9

First Day of Classes
8/14

Centennial Celebration
8/18

NEWS NOW

Employee Completes Book on VSU History

Michael Black recently completed *A Mosaic of People and Events in the History of Valdosta State University's Business Operations, 1906 to 2006*. This reference book is a brief account of the business operations of Valdosta State University, emphasizing past and present employees in the Division of Finance and Administration. Black began this project in September, 2004 and concluded it in July, 2006; its publication coincides with the beginning of VSU's Centennial celebration.

With over 270 pages and 300 pictures, the first section, organized according to the division's current administrative structure concentrates on staff and departmental history. The second section contains many employees' recollections about their experiences, their department, and their coworkers at Valdosta State. Black notes that "these individuals not only have contributed technical and professional expertise, they have given of themselves in ways which have enriched and left lasting impressions on their fellow employees, students, and faculty."

Black deposited three copies at the Odum Library. If you would like pictures of the book's cover or additional information about the book or Michael, you are invited to directly email him mblack@valdosta.edu.

Move-In Day August 9, 2006

Greetings... Can you believe another year will be starting in less than 30 days?! In preparation for the mass amount of arriving students, the Office of Housing is looking to recruit some VOLUNTEERS (students, faculty, and staff).

This volunteer opportunity helps set the tone for new students arriving on campus. VSU frequently gets letters of thanks from parents for their tremendous turnout of administrators and staff on move-in day. It makes quite an impression! Please consider being a part of this piece of campus culture!

In the past we have had the assistance of volunteers which has made Move In Day run smoothly. In the effort to continue this smooth successful project Jason Siniger is asking Volunteers to commit to times that they will be available. Some of the volunteer opportunities include: helping students move personal belongings, opening doors, providing directions, breaking down boxes, monitoring trash being moved to the right place, and delivering water to other volunteers.

Time periods that are available are listed below. Please respond by July 31st, indicating when you and other members of your organization, department, or office would be available to Volunteer.

8:30am - 10:30am

10:30am - 12:30pm (lunch provided only for volunteers of this shift after it is completed)

12:30am - 2:00pm

2:00pm - 3:00pm

3:00pm - 4:00pm

4:00pm - 5:00pm

This is a gigantic undertaking and Jason's staff depends on hearing from you soon so that scheduling and planning may occur to make this day a success. You can email him at jsiniger@valdosta.edu or call the Housing Department at 333-5920.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS & ACCOMPLISHMENTS

Welcome and Congratulations !

The following employees have been hired, promoted (*), or moved to new positions since June/July. The Division of Finance and Administration would like to offer our welcome and congratulations!

<i>Name</i>	<i>Department</i>	<i>Job Title</i>
Karen Breseman	University Police	Administrative Coordinator
Billy Brown	Plant Operations	Trades Helper
Lewis Lynch	Landscaping	Grounds Keeper
William Stephenson	Landscaping	Grounds Keeper
Jamie Tanner	Human Resources	Classification and Pay Analyst



Campus Wellness-Centennial Walkers Program Complete 100 Miles!



During Spring semester, Campus Wellness created the Centennial Walkers Program. Its first goal is in conjunction with the Centennial Celebration. Each walker must complete 100 miles within the first 3 months of joining the program. Those that reach the 100 mile mark will receive a t-shirt and gift certificate. A person can walk by themselves or in a group. The following people have reached the 100 mile mark: Shanika Hezekiah, Lorna Mullis, Denise Montgomery, Lina Wallace, Rosalyn Hatcher, Beverly

Amiot, Christine James, Tomiko Lawrence, Brenda Kelley, Valerie Bayman, Grace Sanders, Yolanda Hood, and Apryl Price. For those that reach the 100 mile mark, a breakfast is being held in their honor on July 31st in the Executive Dining Room from 8:30-9:30 a.m. Congrats!

Employee Spotlight

Jamie Tanner is the Classification and Compensation Analyst housed in Human Resources. He received his AA in Psychology from South Georgia College and a BA in Psychology from Valdosta State University. Tanner also received a Masters in Industrial/Organizational Psychology from VSU.

Jamie began working at VSU in June, but before that he taught full-time at South Georgia College as a Psychology instructor. "Right now my greatest duty at this time is working closely with MGT and Dr. Bogart to ensure the success of the MGT study here on campus," said Tanner. "After this study is completed my other duties will include the maintenance of the job descriptions developed and salary data as a result of the MGT study." What he enjoys the most about his job is the interaction with employees.

A few of Jamie's hobbies includes collecting. His collections range from comic books, antique books, to National Geographic magazines. Jamie's other collections include: Coca-Cola memorabilia, Disney Memorabilia, movies and music. He also enjoys bicycling, walking and reading. "One of my favorite hobbies that most people don't believe is I enjoy singing." Tanner said. "My family has a great tradition of singing in churches and I sing in my local church as well as for weddings and other events."

Jamie is a newlywed. He married Lexi Morgan on May 13, 2006. Lexi is completing her Master's degree in Clinical Social Work at Smith College of Social Work in Northhampton, Massachusetts. We look forward to meeting Lexi when she is able to join Jamie in Valdosta. Welcome Jamie!!

Please Acknowledge Our Outstanding Co-Workers

The following people were recognized with *I Caught You Caring Cards* for their exemplary service in the past month!



Noi Caillier	Auxiliary Facilities	Bill Filtz	Business Services
Annie Ruth Johnson	Auxiliary Facilities	Dining Staff	Dining Services
Tim Murphy	Auxiliary Facilities	Lisa Parrish	One Card
Steve Cline	Auxiliary Services	Tony Wilson	Plant Operations
Gagan Chhatwal	Auxiliary Services	Abe McKinnon	Plant Operations
Shawna Branch	Bookstore	David Surrency	Print Shop

Please wish the following people a happy July birthday!

Christine Able	Craig Cooper	Olivia Hines	Bruce Powers
Patricia Adams	Angela Connole	Nathan Hoag	Rona Rasuleva
Lindsey Albritton	Bradley Cupp	Mack Holloway	Collin Roper
Elizabeth Bartello	Andrea Cushard	Debra K. Ingram	Lindsey Scott
Willie Barter	Robert DeLong	Taqueilla Ivey	Casey Sherman
Nicolas Beamon	Mathew Drollinger	Tanisha Jackson	Frank Turner
Michael Black	Joseph Dyal	Shuntina Johnson	Hayley Rich
Twila Boykin	Grady Everett	Jeremy Kobus	Sharonica Richardson
Otis Braddy	James Farmer	Grace Lane	Heather Roberts
Dana Breedlove	Brenda Faulkner	Anthony Mapp	Kathy Rogers
Sharon Butcher	Tiffany Felton	Ashley Mallard	Tandrea Singleton
Adolphus Butler	Ryan Forouzanheh	Barbara Marcikova	Niajee Smith
Hunter Casey	Ryan Frost	Shelia Muse	Betty Tooley
Jason Cast	Anna Garrison	Chandra Nichols	Eric Walker
Mwita Chacha	Jason Gaskins	Stephen Palmer	Jennifer Webster
Komsorn Charusorn	Dennis Green	Nelam Patel	Panmecia Winston
Gagan Chhatwal	Hunter Harper	Dorothy Peacock	Lisa Williams
Steve Cline	LaShantae Harris	Erin Penamon	Adrienne Woodham
Ashley M. Cobb	Lyndsey Herring	Christopher Porter	Antonie Yarbrough
Yolanda Coley			



happy birthday to you...