

KAREN SHETTERLEY RECEIVES NATIONAL RECOGNITION

Karen Shetterley, Ph.D., Department of Grants & Contracts, was recently selected as one of 24 individuals nationally to participate in the 2006 Supporting Teachers, Strengthening Families National Leadership Program. The program is funded by the Doris Duke Charitable Foundation and is sponsored by the National Association for the Education of Young Children (NAEYC).



In addition, Karen was appointed to the NAEYC Professional Education Review Panel. The panel advises NAEYC professional development staff and evaluates materials prepared for four-year and graduate-degree higher education institutions submitting Early Childhood Program Reports for accreditation review. Karen will begin her three-year term of service by attending three days of training in Washington, D.C. this month.

This year's initiative is to engage the early childhood community in preventing child abuse and neglect, promoting children's healthy social and emotional development, and supporting families. Karen will participate in professional development opportunities in Florida and Texas and will receive \$1,000 to support the development of an action plan to be implemented in Georgia.

GIFT SHOP HOLIDAY SALE

The Georgia Center Gift Shop Sale will begin Dec. 12. Selected items will be available for 25% off.

Department Profile... Professional & Personal Development

Did you know the Department of Professional & Personal Development (PPD) offers more than 400 educational programs each year? All year, the department is busy coordinating hundreds of program details in order to offer popular courses in real estate pre-licensing, workplace Spanish, computer applications, teacher education, customized language and test-prep training for individuals and corporations, cardio fitness, ballroom dancing, digital photography, art and music and literature, just to name a few! The department also develops and administers the SAUGA (Summer Academy at the University of

Georgia) educational camps for youth, ages 10 -14 years old.

Did you also know the department now offers a variety of instructor-facilitated online programs? These Web courses are content rich, very convenient and reasonably priced. There are many course topics – everything from Introduction to Flash MX to Luscious, Low-Fat, and Lightning-Quick Meals.

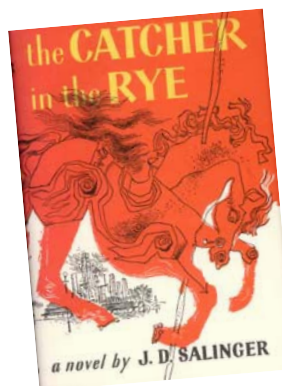
Most recently, Professional & Personal Development staff launched several very successful English language training programs for the Georgia Center housekeeping staff and (“P.P.D.” continued on p. 2)

SIGUEME: LATINO SHADOW DAY AT UGA

Chris Burgoyne, Department of Grants & Contracts, joined with Students for Latino Empowerment (SLE), a University of Georgia student service organization, to offer Sigueme: Latino Shadow Day at UGA on Fri., Nov. 18. The event brought Latino juniors and seniors from the Clarke County School District to campus to shadow Latino UGA students as they attended classes and ate in Snelling Dining Commons. The visiting students also learned about university admissions.

The event was funded by the Office of the Vice President for Public Service and Outreach as part of the Latino Initiative. Based on the success of Sigueme, a much larger Latino campus visit is being planned for spring that will involve many of the Latino/Hispanic organizations on campus.

Book Club in the Works



Attention all avid readers or those who want to be! The Georgia Center is starting a book club and wants you to join. Members of the book club will meet once a month to discuss a book selection and to decide what to read for the following month. If you are interested in being a member of this exciting and fun book club, please e-mail Beth Lowery, Department of Payroll & Personnel, at beth.lowery@georgiacenter.uga.edu

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Pictured above: (from L to R) Third Row: Brittany Pittman, Kathleen McDermott, Kate Pavich Second Row: Bridget French, Teresa Nunn First Row: Amber Brock, Denise Logan, Carolyn Hatfield

for the local area international population who represent more than 20 countries! Three of the department's staff members are bilingual. At any moment in time, one is apt to hear departmental staff conversing in Spanish and English, whether assisting a participant with a course registration or simply giving directions to an inquiring Center visitor. With programs offered morning, noon and night, the department is always interacting with the general public, numerous instructors and Georgia Center employees.

When you have a moment, stop by Room 191 to meet the friendly and talented Professional & Personal Development staff:

- Amber Brock, program coordinator (employed with the department six months)
- Bridget French (UGA student assistant)
- Carolyn Hatfield, program coordinator (employed with the department 12 years)
- Denise Logan, department head (employed with the department seven years)
- Kathleen (Katie) McDermott, administrative assistant (employed with the department six months)
- Teresa Nunn, program coordinator (employed with the department 13 years)
- Kassia (Kate) Pavich, administrative assistant (employed with the department one month)
- Brittany Pittman (UGA student assistant)

For your holiday shopping, consider a "gift of lifelong learning." Gift certificates are available in the Department of Professional & Personal Development. New classes start in Jan. 2006! ¡Feliz Navidad!

-Denise Logan

GEORGIA CENTER'S ANNUAL FOOD DRIVE

On behalf of the Northeast Georgia Food Bank and all those they serve, Joseph Allen, Mike Healy and Guillermo Alzuru would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Georgia Center's Annual Food Drive. The drive was very successful; we collected 540 food items and \$110 in monetary donations.

-Guillermo Alzuru



WELCOME NEW EMPLOYEES!

Certificate Programs

- Nell Cady

Food Services

- Jordan Hamm
- Robert Hicks
- William Stephens

Grants & Contracts

- John Mattox

Hotel

- Shira Hersonsky

Professional & Personal Development

- Kate Pavich
- Brittany Pittman

FAREWELL

Food Services

- Brian Bradford

Hotel

- Dennis Blumenfeld

Housekeeping

- Norma Pinto

Maintenance

- Phil Usher

Meeting Services

- Christopher Foley

December Birthdays

- 1..... Allison Arnold, James Braselton, Andre Hardy
- 2..... Julie Small, Scott Zinsmeister
- 3..... Harsha Deshmukh, Mark Gibson, David Noah
- 4..... Harriette Austin
- 5 Brad Cahoon
- 6..... Donald Emmeluth
- 7..... Olga Amigo-Horcajo, Jason Boggus
- 8..... Concepcion Castellon, Shannon Cohen,
Barry Shiver
- 9..... David Oates
- 10.... Cassandra Barnard, Mark Dellinger
- 11.... Marie Brame, Patrick Davis
- 12 ... Randy Turner
- 13.... Duncan Elkins, Katelin St. Peter-Blair
- 14.... Patricia Arroyo
- 15.... Pamela Simpson, Erik Tate
- 16.... Murphy Wolford
- 17.... Sean Matthews
- 18.... Melina Baetti, Laura Campbell
- 19.... Kay Brooks
- 20.... Joan Evans, Sara Kim
- 21.... Brendel King, Betty B. Strong, Larry Welborn
- 22.... Kelly Knox
- 23 ... Karen Shetterley, Linda Stewart
- 24.... Ken Bone
- 25.... Judith Dejoy, Richard Jones
- 26.... Tim Holcomb, Dagmar Nelson, Andy Puckett
- 27.... Charles Hemard, Amberlee Nairn
- 28.... Jason Vincent
- 31.... Melinda Hawley, Suzanne Lindenau,
Elizabeth Roy, Jessie Williams

