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2007-2008 PRESIDENT'S REPORT

OUR TRADITION OF EXCELLENCE

The publication you have before you will focus primarily on the accomplishments of Vance-Granville Community College during the preceding year. But as VGCC prepares to celebrate its fortieth anniversary, it is also an appropriate time to take stock of how far we have come and to imagine what we might accomplish in the next forty years.

Since the college's establishment in 1969, its growth has been truly impressive. That growth is not only due to the hard work of students, faculty and staff, but is also a credit to numerous trustees, state legislators, county commissioners and citizens who have supported VGCC through the years. The people of our region — and countless generations of students to come — are indebted to these leaders.

VGCC has also been fortunate to have visionary leaders serving as president. Their record of accomplishment reminds us, as Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. put it, that progress "is neither automatic nor inevitable." Instead, leadership has been an essential ingredient to moving the college forward. Because of the foundation established by such leaders, students continue to look to Vance-Granville to start a new career, advance on the job or make any number of dreams come true. Businesses continue to turn to Vance-Granville to train employees and to promote a healthy economy.

The challenge for our generation is to continue and to enhance the tradition of excellence that has developed at VGCC. During the 2007-2008 year, VGCC recorded the high-



est curriculum enrollment in the history of the college. But that is no reason to stand still, satisfied with our success. Instead, we will continue to be future-oriented and innovative. With our new mascot leading the way, Vance-Granville will be in the *vanguard* of education.

Randy Parker, VGCC President

On behalf of the Board of Trustees, I want to commend President Parker and all our faculty, staff and students on adding another excellent year to the college's proud heritage.

VGCC has come to be recognized as a jewel of the region and an engine of economic growth. I have had the honor and privilege of serving as a trustee since 1996 and as chairman of the board since 2003. In that time, I have worked with numerous trustees, three college presidents and many other excellent college employees. They helped create a legacy of success upon which we must build. In this report, I think you will see why my

fellow trustees and I are not only delighted by the progress we have seen over the years, but also excited about the future of Vance-Granville Community College.

Donald C. Seifert, Sr. Chairman, VGCC Board of Trustees



VGCC's Board of Trustees in 2008; seated, clockwise from left: secretary Henrietta H. Clark, student trustee Ed Lyons, VGCC president Randy Parker, chair Donald C. Seifert, Sr., L. Opie Frazier, Jr. and Sara C. Wester; Standing, from left: trustee emeritus John K. Nelms, D. Bernard Alston, Ronald E. Gregory, John M. Foster, Abdul Sm Rasheed, vice chair David Brooks and Stanley H. Fox. Unavailable for photo: Ernest Thompson, Grace W. Vickery, Franklin County liaison Ralph S. Knott and Warren County liaison Clinton G. Alston.

HIGHLIGHTS OF 2007 - 2008

Go Vanguards!

The VGCC Board of Trustees approved the college's participation in intercollegiate athletics for the 2008-2009 season, by voting on May 19, 2008 to join the National Junior College Athletic Association (NJCAA). VGCC teams will be known as the Vanguards.



The college's first official mascot was also unveiled in 2008. After the Board of Trustees approved the Vanguards concept in 2007, artist and Oxford native Grey Blackwell worked with VGCC staff to develop the logo. Blackwell's award-winning work has been featured in major newspapers, national magazines, television and online.

Graduation Speakers Inspire Students

N.C. Senator Doug Berger called the 228 members of VGCC's summer graduating class "the hope of our region"



during his remarks at the college's commencement exercises, held in the Civic Center on August 8, 2007.

The commencement speaker for the college's May 15, 2008 graduation exercises was Dr. Scott Ralls,



SEN. DOUG BERGER

president of the N.C. Community

DR. SCOTT RALLS

College System. Over 400 graduates received diplomas and degrees at the ceremony.

Board Approves Early College Programs

The VGCC Board of Trustees voted on Jan. 28, 2008 to offer Early College high school programs in conjunction with Vance County and Warren County public schools. The Early College program will allow high school students to take both high school and college-level credit classes. At the end of a five-year period, students will graduate with both a high school diploma and either a two-year college degree or two years of college-transfer credit.

International Speakers Series

On Oct. 24, 2007, the college kicked off an International Speakers Series, co-sponsored by the VGCC Global Awareness Committee and the University of North Carolina's World View program, with a presentation by North Carolina State University professor Dr. Roland F. Stephen. The series continued on April 16, 2008 with T. Frank Crigler, who has served as the United States ambassador to both Rwanda and Somalia.

Freedom Shrine Dedicated at VGCC South Campus

From left, N.C. Rep. Jim Crawford, former South Granville Exchange Club president and Butner Public Safety director Wayne



Hobgood and President Randy Parker celebrate the dedication of the Freedom Shrine on the college's South Campus. The Freedom Shrine is a permanently mounted collection of reproductions of many historic American documents, including the Declaration of Independence, the Constitution of the United States and the Gettysburg Address.

VGCC 2007-2008 PRESIDENT'S REPORT



At VGCC's 2007 fall convocation, President Randy Parker announced several awards to outstanding VGCC employees, collectively known as the Glen Raven Excellence in Teaching and Leadership Awards.

Curtis Tyndall was named VGCC's Staff Member of the Year. As Coordinator of Public Services, Tyndall has been responsible for administering training programs in fire, rescue, Emergency Medical Services and code enforcement since 1996. Tyndall is also a VGCC graduate, having completed his Associate in Arts degree at the college in 2000.

Lydia Powell, head of VGCC's psychology program, was the college's Faculty Member of the Year. A full-time VGCC instructor for the past 25 years, Powell earned bachelor's degrees in psychology and education from Wake Forest University, and a master's degree in Clinical Psychology from North Carolina Central University.

Parker also presented President's Leadership Awards to Dean of Adult Basic Education Leo Kelly, Jr., Vice President of Information Technology Kenneth Lewis, Jr., Senior Systems Administrator Vickie S. Watkins, and Dean of Prison Education Philip White.



From left: Randy Parker, Curtis Tyndall, Lydia Powell and Leo Kelly.



From left: Ken Lewis, Randy Parker and Vickie Watkins.



Philip White

Leo Kelly has worked at VGCC since 1971 and is currently serving as Dean of Adult Basic Education and

in Agronomy and in Curriculum and Instruction at N.C. State University.

head of the English as a Second Language program. He earned a B.A. at North Carolina Central University and a master's degree from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University.

Dr. Ken Lewis came to VGCC in 2000 to serve as Director of Information Technology, and was later named Vice President of Information Technology in 2005. He graduated from Nash Community College in 1991 and holds bachelor's and master's degrees from East Carolina University, and a Ph.D. in Technology Management from Indiana State University.

Vickie Watkins took classes at the college as a high school student through the dual enrollment program and later completed associate's degrees in both Electronic Data Processing and Accounting at VGCC. Watkins worked at the college part-time before becoming a full-time employee in the Information Technology department in 1984.

Philip White oversaw Prison Education, including instructional programs for inmates at federal and state correctional facilities, at VGCC from 1998 through 2008. A United States Army veteran, White earned a bachelor's degree at Western Carolina University in 1974, and degrees

Economic Development

VGCC plays a vital role in the economic development of the four-county area. Among the college's many economic development partnerships is Triangle North (formerly the Kerr-Tar Hub), a regional project that includes an industrial/ business park along both sides of Interstate 85, adjacent to VGCC's main campus.

In addition to the opportunities for instruction offered through VGCC's curriculum programs, Vance-Granville offers specific programs tailored to provide assistance to local businesses and government agencies. The N.C. Department of Correction and VGCC signed a training consortium agreement on Aug. 21, 2007 that brought more than 800 state Division of Prisons employees to the college for training. The VGCC consortium involves Polk Correctional Institution in Butner, Umstead Correctional Center in Butner and Warren Correctional Institution in Manson.

Another VGCC service, Focused Industry Training (FIT), is designed for specific groups of workers who need additional skills and technical knowledge and also for workers who need to update their skills because of technological changes.

Vance-Granville's four campuses provide centralized locations for various gatherings. The busiest facility on Main Campus is the Civic Center, host to a variety of events such as EXPO, which is organized by VGCC's Small Business Center and local chambers of commerce. About 900 people browsed through booths set up by 69 vendors at the 18th annual EXPO, held in October 2007. In 2007-2008, over 35,000 people from outside the college attended activities in the Civic Center.

Small Business Center Activities

Activity Type	Number Events	Number of Participants
Courses, Seminars and Workshops	76	1,756
New Clients	78	

Focused Industrial Training

Companies/Industries Served	17
Number of Trainees	469
Classes/Seminars	243

VGCC Earns High Marks in Annual State Report

Vance-Granville Community College continues to excel by a variety of measures, according to the 2008 Critical Success Factors report from the N.C. Community College System office. The Critical Success Factors report is a compilation of assessments of all 58 community colleges on service provided during the 2006-07 academic year. This annual reporting is part of the strict accountability requirements of the North Carolina General Assembly.

Performance Measure	NCCCS Standard	VGCC Data 2006-2007
Progress of Basic Skills Students	75% demonstrating progress	78% Met Standard
Passing Rate on Licensure/Certification Exams	80% aggregate institutional passing rate for first time test takers	89% Met Standard
Performance of College Transfer Students	83% of students who transfer to a 4-year institution will have a GPA of 2.0 or higher after two semesters	91% Met Standard
Passing Rates in Developmental Courses	75% of students who take a developmental English, mathematics, and/or reading course will pass the course with a grade of "C" or better	84% Met Standard
Success Rate of Developmental Students in Subsequent College-Level Courses	80% of students who took developmental courses will pass the "gatekeeper" English and/or mathematics course for which the developmental course serves as a prerequisite	84% Met Standard
Student Satisfaction of Completers and Non- completers	90% of survey respondents satisfied with college programs and services	98% Met Standard
Curriculum Student Retention, Transfer and Graduation	65% of Fall degree seeking students will either re-enroll, transfer or graduate by the subsequent Fall.	64%
Business/Industry Satisfaction with Services Provided	90% of respondents will rate services provided as "Very Good" or "Excellent"	97% Met Standard

2007-08 VGCC



Graduates _____

Degrees and Diplomas	478
Adult High School and GED Diplomas	601
Total	1,079

Class Offerings & Enrollment _____

		Vance	Granville	Franklin	Warren	Total
	No. of Curriculum Locations	4	12	4	4	24
	No. of Comm. & Eco. Dev. Locations	36	42	29	17	124
	No. of Curriculum Classes	1,176	509	289	90	2,064
	No. of Comm. & Eco. Dev. Classes	1,149	572	266	205	2,192
	Curriculum Headcount	4,752	1,073	676	352	6,853
-	Comm. & Eco. Dev. Headcount	6,641	3,127	2,911	1,212	13,891

Community & Economic Development Enrollment

Adult Basic Skills	2,736
Occupational and Industry Training, Small Business Center and Personal Enrichment	10,432
Total	13,168

Student Body _____ Curriculum ____ Community & Eco. De

Curriculum	Community & Eco. Dev.
6,000	12,081
29.2	38.3
63%	45%
37%	55%
43%	44%
49%	48%
8%	8%
	6,000 29.2 63% 37% 43% 49%

Faculty & Staff

	Full-Time	Part-Time	Total
Instructors	194	438	632
Other Staff	142	159	301
Total Employees			933





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Home Counties of Curriculum Students —

195

38

34

16

Granville	1,579	Durham
Vance	1,406	Person
Franklin	1,052	Halifax
Warren	574	Orange
Wake	350	

Nash 11 Other Counties 118 Out-of State 14

Financial Aid Awards -

	# of Recipients	Dollars Awarded	
Pell Grants	1,851	\$	4,406,091
VGCC Scholarships	430	\$	210,471
Institutional Grants	287	\$	73,754
N.C. Community College Grants	540	\$	283,024
N.C. Education Lottery Scholarsh	ips 313	\$	300,275
Work-Study Grants	57	\$	101,686
Other Financial Aid		\$	2,460,047
Total (Unduplicated)	4,500	\$7	7,835,349

Expenditures -

	Amount	Percentage
Instruction	\$ 14,800,517	43.9%
Public Service	\$ 18,391	0.1%
Academic Support	\$ 1,844,337	5.5%
Student Services	\$ 2,070,109	6.2%
Institutional Support	\$ 5,161,440	15.3%
Operations & Maintenance	\$ 2,231,857	6.6%
Student Financial Aid	\$ 5,160,611	15.3%
Auxiliary Enterprises	\$ 1,878,979	5.6%
Equipment	\$ 245,174	0.7%
Construction	\$ 270,300	0.8%
Total Operating Expenditures	\$ 33,681,715	100%

Total VGCC Employee Payroll \$18,017,077

Vance-Granville Offered **41 Curriculum Programs** in 2007-2008

Accounting Air Conditioning, Heating & Refrigeration Technology Associate in Arts/Associate in Science Associate Degree Nursing Associate in General Education Automotive Systems Technology Basic Law Enforcement Training **Bioprocess Technology Business Administration** Business Administration/E-Commerce Business Administration/ **Operations Management** Carpentry Computer Information Technology Computed Tomography/ Magnetic Resonance Imaging Technology Cosmetology Cosmetology Instructor Criminal Justice Technology Culinary Technology Early Childhood Associate Early Childhood Associate/ Teacher Associate Electrical/Electronics Technology Electronics Engineering Technology General Occupational Technology Global Logistics Technology Human Services Technology Human Services Technology/ Mental Health Human Services Technology/ Substance Abuse Industrial Systems Technology Information Systems Security Manicuring/Nail Technology Medical Assisting Medical Office Administration Networking Technology Office Systems Technology Office Systems Technology/Legal Pharmacy Technology Practical Nursing Radiography Recreation and Leisure Studies Web Technologies

Welding Technology

TRAVELING Abroad





The mosque at Touba is the burial place of religious leader Cheik Amadou Bamba.



Fishermen shake out their nets on the beach.



At a reception held at the West African Research Center in Senegal, Nikole Zidar met Baidy Boucoum (left), an English instructor at the middle school she and her colleagues visited.

Nikole Zidar enjoys the bougainvillea flowers at the University Cheikh Anta Diop West African Research Center in Senegal.

For the fourth consecutive summer, Vance-Granville Community College sent an instructor overseas in 2008. In June, Biology instructor Nikole Jorgensen Zidar traveled to the west African nation of Senegal. She was one of 35 educators on an expedition organized by World View, an international program for educators based at UNC-Chapel Hill.

One of the primary goals of each World View trip is for North Carolina educators to learn about different educational systems and methods around the world. Zidar visited educational programs for children from age 3 through high school, a business college and the University Cheikh Anta Diop (in the capital, Dakar), where the group was housed.

While the primary focus of the

educators was Senegal's education system, Zidar also enjoyed examining local animal life (including an African spurred tortoise) and plants (such as the Baobab, the national tree). In addition, the group visited mosques, markets and the so-called "Serpent Island," which, Zidar was disappointed to learn, did not actually have many snakes.

Zidar reflected that she was "awed by the intelligence, the dedication, the hospitality, and the overall feeling of respect the Senegalese show for themselves and for other people and cultures." She found that Senegal and the United States have more in common than she had expected. "This has been an exceptional trip, and I feel that I have grown tremendously as a person, as a teacher, and as an American!" she said. During the 2007-08 year, Vance-Granville Community College looked to the future and made plans for growth.

The VGCC Board of Trustees gave its final approval to a Facilities Master Plan on March 17, 2008. This document outlines the college's space needs and possibilities for expansion over the next ten years. The plan envisions new construction on each of the college's four campuses, as well as the possible construction of two new facilities apart from the current campuses.

"This is a very exciting time for Vance-Granville," President Randy Parker said. "Through our planning process, we are studying the needs of our area and considering the opportunities that the col-



lege may have to meet those needs in the future."

The master plan is the result of a process that began in 2006. In October 2006, VGCC contracted with MBAJ Architecture of Raleigh to prepare a facilities utilization study and campus master plan for the college. Working with MBAJ Architecture on the project was Barnhardt & Associates, Inc.

The Board of Trustees deter-

mined in May that the top three priorities for the college's growth would be construction of a new Allied Health classroom/lab building and the renovation of Buildings 5 and 6 on Main Campus; construction of a Corporate Education Center at a location to be determined; and renovations of Building 1 and construction of a new classroom/library building, both at the Franklin County Campus.





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Since 1969, Vance-Granville Community College has grown from a handful of employees working in renovated quarters of a Henderson hospital and other community locations into a four-campus institution that serves thousands of students and supports economic development in Vance, Granville, Warren and Franklin counties. While the success of the college is the result of the work of countless students, faculty and staff members, leadership from the presidents of VGCC has been essential.

Dr. Donald R. Mohorn became the first permanent president of Vance County Technical Institute in August of 1969, almost five years after community leaders first began advocating for the creation of a technical college in Henderson. Mohorn, a Halifax County native and former agriculture teacher, was a graduate of a North Carolina State University program

designed to prepare new community college leaders. Mohorn led the new institution as it faced numerous

The mission of Vance-Granville Community College is to enhance the intellectual, economic, social and cultural development of students and the community through excellent educational and training programs.

challenges: cultivating public support, developing the first curriculum programs, hiring the first employees and moving into its first permanent quarters, the old Maria Parham Hospital building in Henderson. In 1972, Mohorn, along with college trustees and others, successfully convinced voters in Vance and Granville counties to support a \$2 million bond referendum for a larger, more permanent facility to educate citizens of both counties. Meanwhile, the institution worked to gain community college status. The result was the construction and subsequent opening of the new Vance-Granville Community College campus in 1976. In 1977, VGCC was fully accredited by the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools for the first time. When Mohorn left VGCC in 1979, the school's annual budget had grown from \$120,000 to more than \$2.5 million. He also laid the foundation for the college's successful Endowment Fund when he established a fund to receive gifts to the college from H. Dermont Hedrick of Oxford. Mohorn served as chairman of the Endowment Fund's first Board of Directors.

Dr. Thomas B. Carroll was selected by the Board of Trustees to succeed Mohorn, and he assumed his duties on Sept. 4, 1979. A Raleigh native, Carroll had worked at five community colleges before coming to Vance-Granville, and at the time of his hiring was the executive dean and executive vice president of Daytona Beach Community College in Florida. Carroll resigned after nine months in office.

Dr. Ben F. Currin, a Granville County native, assumed the VGCC presidency on Feb. 1, 1981 after having served as a public school administrator, including 11 years as superintendent of Rocky Mount City Schools. Under Currin's lengthy tenure, new curriculum programs, including Associate Degree Nursing, were added to meet the changing demands of the workplace, and partnerships with area high schools were established. Three new campuses extended the college's reach: South

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Excellence



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Campus in Granville County (1982), the Warren County Campus (1988) and the Franklin County Campus (1991). Meanwhile, Main Campus was significantly enhanced by the construction of the Student Admissions-Skills Training Center (Building 8), the Small Business/Civic Center (Building 9) and a classroom/day care facility (Building 6). The college's enrollment increased, even when VGCC switched from the quarter system to the semester system in 1997. Other North Carolina colleges had experienced declining enrollment when they made that change. To make college more affordable for students, Currin reinvigorated the Endowment Fund, which grew by leaps and bounds during his presidency. The fund contained \$12,000 in 1982, and passed the \$1 million mark in 1994. An annual golf tournament to benefit the Endowment Fund and Scholarship Program began in 1985. In 1989, Currin was named one of the 18 "best of the best" community college presidents in the nation.

Robert A. Miller worked as a teacher and administrator under Ben Currin in Halifax County and Rocky Mount, and when Currin became president of VGCC, Miller was not far behind. He was eventually promoted to vice president in 1995, and when Currin announced his retirement in 1998, Miller was chosen from more than 50 applicants to succeed his mentor. With his intimate knowledge of VGCC, Miller continued to move the college forward as enrollment grew and new programs were added in technology and health sciences. Technological improvements were also seen in the first online classes and in state-of-the-art college facilities. The college embarked on a series of major construction and renovation projects on all four campuses after state voters approved a bond in 2000. The Endowment Fund continued to grow, topping the \$5 million mark during Miller's presidency. Miller retired in 2004, after 35 years in North Carolina education, 21 of them at Vance-Granville.

Randy Parker became President of VGCC on September 1, 2004. A product of the North Carolina Community College System, Parker began his higher education at Lenoir Community College in Kinston, where he would one day serve as a vice president. In 1972, Parker earned an associate in applied science degree in Drafting & Design from LCC. He then earned a bachelor's degree in Engineering Technology from the University of North Carolina at Charlotte and a master's degree in Mechanical Engineering from N.C. State University. Parker began his career at LCC as an instructor in Engineering Technology in 1981. During his long career in community colleges, Parker has received National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development Excellence in Teaching and Leadership Awards in 2003 and 2004. Since becoming president, Parker has reorganized the college, completed the series of construction projects that began under President Miller, initiated a male mentoring program and strengthened partnerships with businesses, educational institutions and other organizations. He has also been active in community organizations, including the Henderson/Vance Economic Partnership; Franklin County Committee of 100; Chambers of Commerce in Vance, Granville, Franklin and Warren counties; the Henderson Kiwanis Club; and the Oxford Rotary Club.

OUTSTANDING







Academic Excellence Awards

Each year, the North Carolina Community College System honors students from each of the state's 58 colleges with Academic Excellence Awards. Award recipients from VGCC in 2008 were Adrian E. Davis of Henderson and Phillip K. Spriggs of Stem. Both graduated in May 2008, Davis with degrees in Business Administration and Accounting, and Spriggs with an associate degree in Networking Technology. Pictured, from left, are VGCC Director of Human Resources Katherine Williamson, President Randy Parker, Phillip K. Spriggs, Adrian E. Davis, Dean of Business and Applied Technologies Bobby Van Brunt and Vice President of Student Affairs Gene Purvis.

Ryan Casady

College Transfer student and VGCC ambassador Ryan Casady of Louisburg was one of just 30 students accepted into the North Carolina Community College Student Leadership Institute (SLI) in 2008. The SLI was founded to enhance the leadership quality of student participants and to better prepare them for professional and civic responsibilities.

Male Mentoring Program

VGCC's "Men-on-a-Mission" (M2) male mentoring program sent four mentees and two mentors to the state community college system's fourth Minority Male Mentoring Conference, held April 7-9, 2008 in Research Triangle Park. There, VGCC students (from left, Dedrick Williams, Jamelle Harris, Joseph Cooper and Ray Massey) met Dr. Tyrone Bledsoe (center), founder and executive director of the national Student African-American Brotherhood (SAAB). M2 is designed to assist firstyear ethnically diverse students in acquiring the confidence, resources and skills needed to succeed academically and socially at VGCC.

J'Maine Richardson

In January 2008, VGCC Recreation and Leisure Studies student and ambassador J'Maine Richardson of Henderson was recognized at a celebration of National Mentoring Month. At the event, Richardson and others were presented with certificates signed by Gov. Mike Easley in appreciation for providing volunteer service to the people of North Carolina as a mentor. Richardson, who graduated in May 2008, participated in VGCC's M2 program and became a mentor for middle-schoolage children through the Vance County Friends of Youth program. Above, VGCC Director of Counseling Daniel Alvarado (left) and Student Activities coordinator Peyton Boyd (right) congratulate Richardson (center) on his recognition.

Students

2007-2008 Ambassadors

VGCC selected a diverse group of eleven outstanding students to serve as ambassadors during the 2007-2008 school year. Ambassadors represent the college at special campus and community functions, among other duties. Ambassadors included, seated, from left: Joyce Long, Faye Orr, Gabrielle Julius, Raven Latta, LeAnn Ray and Sneha Cherian; standing, from left: Rob Barton, J'Maine Richardson, Ryan Casady, Adrian Davis and Dawn Tom.



Quiz Bowl Champs

A team from VGCC won the inaugural "World Whiz" Quiz Bowl at Johnston Community College in Smithfield on March 29, 2008. The purpose of the event was to build greater awareness of world geography and culture in a fun, competitive way. Supported by the college's Student Government Association, four students — pictured above (from left), Katy Chalmers of Oxford, Justin Such of Creedmoor, Craig Bailey of Henderson and Zeb McGill of Oxford — represented VGCC, with two others — Larry D. Burwell of Henderson and Russell Creech of Oxford — as alternates.

Students Receive ETSU Transfer Scholarships

VGCC College Transfer students (from left) Amber B. Adcock of Creedmoor and Noah K. Wall of Oxford both received 2008 Midway Honors Scholars Program scholarships from East Tennessee State University. The scholarship is specifically designed for outstanding students transferring from a two-year college. The South Granville High School graduates play together in a band (Wall on fiddle, Adcock on bass), and were attracted to ETSU by its unique minor in Bluegrass, Old Time, and Country Music. They performed on stage at the annual VGCC Cultural Fair in 2007 and 2008. At VGCC, the two were also recipients of endowed scholarships and made the Dean's List.







Thanks to various resources and contributions to Vance-Granville Community College's Endowment and Scholarship Fund, financial support is available to many of our students with financial need.

As of June 30, 2008, the college Endowment Fund had 313 endowed scholarships for full-time students, as listed in three categories on the following pages. One of the largest community college scholarship funds in the state, VGCCs Endowment and Scholarship Fund now exceeds \$6 million in assets, including funds in trusts naming the college as beneficiary. Over 5,000 scholarships have been awarded to deserving students through the fund since its reactivation in 1982. lege awards endowed scholarships to fulltime students in three levels: Presidential Scholar, Presidential Merit and Academic Achievement. Part-time students also receive scholarships to assist with tuition. Non-endowed corporate and private scholarships are also awarded annually through separate gifts. All 2007-2008 scholarships are listed on the following pages.

Vance-Granville Community Col-

430 Students Received Scholarships Totaling \$210,471

10 New Scholarships Endowed in 2007-2008:

ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT Jerry Ellington Memorial

Friends of Hospice

PRESIDENTIAL MERIT Frank & Ruth Askins Nursing Friends of Hospice (2)

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R.B. "Bob" Butler Nannie A. Crowder GlaxoSmithKline Glen Raven, Inc. VGCC Faculty and Staff

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Lloyd Gabriel

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VGCC faculty and staff contributed \$30,883 to the Endowment Fund in 2007. Above, from left, VGCC Board of Trustees chair Donald C. Seifert, Sr. thanks employee Endowment Fund drive leaders South Campus Director Jason Snelling, Director of Career Services Linda Fletcher and Director of Economic and Workforce Development Garland Elliott, with President Randy Parker.



VGCC's 24th annual Endowment Fund Benefit Golf Tournament raised \$23,000 to help fund scholarships for students. A total of 131 players on 33 teams played in either the morning or the afternoon round on May 13, 2008 at Henderson Country Club. Players seen above, from left, are John Norwood, Buddy Thomas, Donald Seifert, Sr. and Charles (Buddy) Finch.

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Presidential Scholar Awards-

18 Scholarships ACS R.B. "Bob" Butler Memorial John T. Church, Sr. John T. Church, Sr. Memorial

Presidential Merit Awards –

88 Scholarships

Air Control, Inc. Linda Aleshire Memorial Americal Corporation Frank and Ruth Askins (3) Bandag, Inc. R.B. "Bob" Butler Memorial (7) CareFocus Nursing Church of the Holy Innocents (2) Emma Rose Church John T. Church, Sr. Marion Lee Johnson Church Coca-Cola Bottlers' Foundation Marshall Young Cooper, Sr. Mishew C. Cooper Nursing Harriet & Henderson Yarns, Inc. Rudolph Corbitt Memorial Miss Nannie Crowder Memorial (7) Thurman & Fannie Crumpler Scouting Dr. Ben F. Currin Ferguson Family Foundation Flextronics International

Academic Achievement Awards — Established with gift of \$10,000 —

207 Scholarships

Lucy West Abbott Memorial Sam Alford Memorial/ Henderson Lions Club AMVETS - Vance County Chapter 730 (2) Hayden C. Bailey Family Memorial Bank of America (2) Julius and Harriet Banzet The Barnabus Fund James R. Barnes/Vance County Unit N.C. **Retired School Personnel**

Miss Nannie A. Crowder Memorial Dove, Knight & Whitehurst, Architects GlaxoSmithKline Scholar Glen Raven, Inc. (5) Patricia P. Graham Guild Gift Gallery Maria Parham Hospital

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Above, VGCC President Randy Parker (left) and Jo Anna Jones, Vice President of Institutional Advancement and director of the college's Endowment Fund, congratulate Kathy Judd Wolford (center) of Oxford, a Web Technologies student at VGCC, on being awarded a \$1,000 scholarship by the Coca-Cola Scholars Foundation.



VGCC President Randy Parker (left) congratulates Leon Turner on having a college scholarship established in his honor by the Granville Industrial and Business Club. Parker announced the scholarship on June 20, 2008 at a reception in honor of Turner's retirement as executive director of the Granville County Economic Development Commission. Under Turner's leadership, the Granville Industrial and Business Club contributed \$75,000 to the VGCC Endowment Fund and Scholarship Program.

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