As you may have noticed, the Rosalynn Carter Health Complex is finally finished, and so it is fitting that this old building be christened with a new name! The former Nursing Building will forever more be known as the Academic Center for Excellence, or ACE for short! This is not only an exciting change for the Nursing students who are now completely housed in their new building, but also for those of us who utilize the incredible opportunities that the Academic Center for Excellence has to offer. Not only will this mean more study areas for students, but all the extra space allowed us to bring the Writing Center along with us. Now you won’t have to traipsing around campus if you don’t know where the Writing Center is, because it will be located right down the hall from the rest of the tutoring services. This also means that Dr. Lauren DiPaula’s office will be located in the ACE building as well, room 103. Dr. DiPaula isn’t the only new faculty member who has changed their location either. Dr. J. Kelly McCoy, room 101, the Dean of Arts and Sciences and Ms. Paula Gillis, room 105, the Administrative Assistant of Arts and Sciences have both moved into the ACE building too—along with the Compass testing lab!

Academic Center for Excellence

Welcome Back Edition

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Greetings,

It is with great pleasure that I greet you as the General Education Advisor/Retention Specialist here at Georgia Southwestern State University. I hope that each of you are excited to kick off the Fall 2012 semester. It is my duty as the General Education Advisor to provide academic support to the students on campus who have not declared a major. However, I am also readily available and accessible to any student who may need my personal assistance or who are in need of a point in the right direction. I wish you all the success and best of luck during your tenure here at Georgia Southwestern. As Ralph Waldo Emerson stated, “The only person you are destined to become is the person you decide to be.” Therefore, I ask you, “Who will you become at Southwestern and beyond?” Once again, I am very excited to join the team of professionals in the Academic Skills Center and I look forward to serving you!

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Fall Semester 2012 Facts!

Java City Schedule:
Mon-Thurs: 7:30am-8:30pm
Fridays: 8:00am-2:00pm
Saturdays: 2:00pm-6:00pm
Sundays: 2:00pm-8:00pm

C-Store Schedule:
Mon-Thurs: 10:30am-8:30pm
Fridays: 10:00am-2:00pm
Saturdays: 2:00pm-6:00pm
Sundays: 2:00pm-8:00pm

Bookstore Rush Hours:
8/13/2012 - 8:30am-6:30pm
8/14/2012 - 8:30am-6:00pm
8/15/2012 - 8:30am-5:30pm

Last day to return books is Friday, 8/17/2012.

Regular Bookstore Hours:
Mon-Thurs: 8:30am-5:00pm
Fridays: 8:30am-3:00pm
Saturday-Sunday: CLOSED

Public Safety’s non-emergency number is (229) 928-1390, and their emergency number is (229) 931-2245.

Parking Decals can be picked up in the Public Safety Office from 8am to 5pm on Registration Day—Decals must be on your car within (5) days after classes start each semester.

Library Hours:
Mon-Thurs: 8:00am-10:00pm
Fridays: 8:00am-3:00pm
Saturdays: 9:00am-5:00pm
Sundays: 2:00pm-10:00pm

The Health Center is now located in the new Rosalynn Carter Health Complex on the first floor. Two nurse practitioners and a registered nurse are on duty from 7:30am to 5:00pm, Monday-Thursday and Fridays from 8:00am to 3:00pm. The Health Center is closed for lunch from 12:00pm to 1:00pm every day.

Canes Den Schedule:
Mon-Thurs: 10:30am-10:00pm
Fridays: 12:00pm-5:00pm
Saturday-Sunday: CLOSED

Wear Your College Colors Day

Are you new to GSW and wanting to show your support and love for the school? Or are you a returning student who’s been dying to put back on your Canes hoodie? Well, wait no longer than August 30th, because on that day Georgia Southwestern is going to be hosting College Colors Day! To commemorate, representatives from GSW Athletics and University Relations will be set up in the courtyard of the Marshall Student Center – adjacent to the Dining Hall – from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The following items/activities will be offered: T-shirt swap, Southwestern themed snow cones, Pictures with Surge, and the College Colors Day seeks to celebrate and promote the traditions and spirit that makes college great by encouraging fans, alumni, and students to wear apparel from Georgia Southwestern throughout the day!

If you’re a new student here at GSW, the best advice I can give to you, is to make RAIN, Radar and GeorgiaView your new best friends. RAIN stands for Registration and Academic Information Network. This is the place you will go to pay fees, see your financial aid, and check your schedule. If you have trouble logging into your RAIN account, contact someone in the registrar’s office. They can be contacted by phone at (229) 928-1331 or can be reached by e-mail at gswreg@canes.gsw.edu.

Radar is your school e-mail, where you will receive important reminders and updates about things going on around campus. If you are having trouble logging into your computer, your Radar e-mail, or need more pages added to your print total, contact Beth in the IT department. She can be reached by phone at (229) 931-2074. By e-mail she can be contacted at techsupp@gsw.edu.

GeorgiaView is where you will go to take online quizzes and tests for some classes, and where some of your classes start each semester.

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—Jody Spence, Editor

Lenny’s Market in Downtown Americus shows a new movie every Saturday night in August. FREE Admission and bottomless popcorn and drinks for $1 each. Bring your lawn chair; movie starts 15 minutes after dark. August 18th is the next show, don’t miss it!

Having trouble with RAIN, Radar, or GeorgiaView? Need help with a class? Contact the Academic Skills Center at (229) 931-2724.