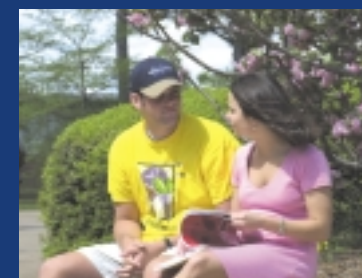
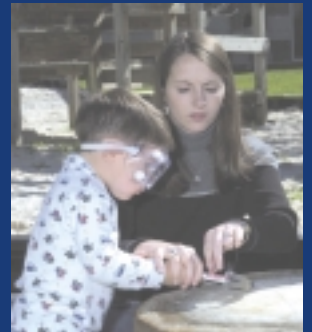


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Pride Day unites campus to beautify GSW



Pitching In—Brenda Davis, GSW benefits manager, joined other faculty, staff and students from across campus Oct. 10 to lay sod and plant flowers near the James Earl Carter Library. Volunteers from 23 organizations and departments united to lay 2,300 square feet of sod, place bedding plants and other trees and shrubs—all in an hour and a half. The Pride Day “team approach” to campus beautification began in 1997, and since then more than 600 members of the campus community have participated.

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HALL OF FAME INDUCTS TRIO OF ACHIEVERS

Three men with long histories of support and achievement at GSW were inducted Sept. 29 into the GSW Athletic Hall of Fame. The newest members are Dr. Greg Hawver, Glynn Mathis and Roy Lee Smith.

Hawver, a 1975 graduate of GSW, had a 149-76 overall record as GSW's women's basketball coach. His teams finished in the top 15 nationally in 1983-84 (14) and 1984-85 (7). He was named NAIA District 25 coach of the year after winning the GIAC and District 25 championships during the 1984-85 season.

Hawver's team was ranked No. 3 in the final NAIA poll following the 1985-86 season, one that included road wins over Florida State, the University of Alabama-Birmingham and Stetson University. He was named NAIA national coach of the year and Atlanta Tip-Off Club coach of the year after the Lady 'Canes finished fourth in the NAIA tournament for 1985-86.

Hawver's teams won the GIAC and District 25 titles in 1986-87 and in 1989-90. He was additionally honored as GIAC coach of the year, NAIA District 25 coach of the year and Atlanta Tip-Off Club coach of the year.

Mathis was the Americus High School football

captain in 1947. He also lettered in baseball, basketball and track at AHS. He was the captain of GSW's baseball team from 1950-51, when he posted a .450 batting average.

After earning his two-year degree at GSW, Mathis served in the U.S. Air Force, where he earned three Air Force achievement awards, good conduct and national defense medals and was a member of the All-Star baseball team.

In 1988, Mathis was named to the listing of Who's Who in Georgia, given a proclamation from Gov. Joe Frank Harris for years of service in education and a letter of commendation from President Ronald Reagan. He is also a charter member of the GSW Legacy Circle.

Smith is a charter member of the GSW Hurricane Club, founded in 1979. He was instrumental in securing funds for the construction of the on-campus baseball and softball fields, has supported GSW national tournament play and launched the Roy Lee Smith Produce Tennis Tournament.

Smith was elected as a GSW Foundation trustee in 1984, and served as treasurer from 1992-94. He received life status with the Foundation board in 1994, and is also a charter member of the GSW Legacy Circle.



Dr. Greg M. Hawver



Glynn Mathis



Roy Lee Smith

STOKES NAMED WOMEN'S HEAD BASKETBALL COACH



Rosa Stokes has been named the new head women's basketball coach for GSW.

Athletic Director Randolph Barksdale said he is "excited to have a person of such experience at the Division I level. Her recruiting ability and knowledge of the game will help us keep our program on the national level. She will be an asset to our university and community."

Stokes comes to the Hurricanes after a five-year stint with Long Beach State University in which the last two

were as the associate head coach. Previously, she served two years with the University of Tennessee-Chattanooga as assistant coach.

Stokes is highly regarded for her recruiting ability.

She recruited a Big West Conference Player of the Year at Long Beach and a Southern Conference Freshman of the Year at UT-Chattanooga.

In Cookeville, Tenn., Stokes served two years as interim coordinator for the Black Cultural Center. From 1990-92, she was the assistant coach at Tennessee Tech University. While there, Stokes was responsible for recruiting both an Ohio Valley Conference player of the year and freshman of the year. The Eagles were also two-time OVC Champions.

Stokes also served as a graduate assistant at the University of Louisville during the 1989-90 season and Murray State University in 1988-89. She played collegiate basketball at Cumberland University in Lebanon, Tenn.(1984-89) scoring more than 1,000 points.

A native of Alexandria, Tenn., Stokes graduated from Cumberland in 1988 with a B.S. in education. She earned her M.A. in educational psychology-counseling from Tennessee Tech in 1993.

BARKSDALE NAMED ATHLETIC DIRECTOR

GSW has chosen one of its own to oversee the evolution of university athletics.

After serving 10 months as interim athletic director, Randolph Barksdale was named to the post officially, effective July 1. He will keep his other job as men's basketball coach through the 2001-02 season, and then a national search for a successor will be conducted.

"We have goals that will move the athletics program forward, and I'm very excited about that," Barksdale said.

Barksdale's five-year plan calls for increasing donations to the Hurricane Club, adding lights and press box facilities for the softball and baseball fields and starting a soccer team. He says program growth will require the support of the community and alumni.

"The biggest pluses we have are our community and alumni supporters—they've always been behind our athletics program," Barksdale said.

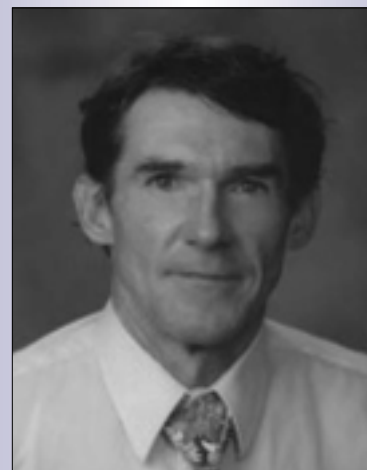
This fall, Barksdale enters the sixth season of his second stint as the head coach of the men's basketball team. He led the Hurricanes to an 18-12 record last season.

Barksdale coached at Dekalb South Junior College from 1987-1995. He graduated from North Georgia College in 1976 with a Bachelor of Science in Health and Physical Education and received his master's degree in Health and Physical Education from Georgia State University in 1981. He and his wife, Gail, have three children—Kathy, Reagen and Jay.



Randolph Barksdale

SEWELL NAMED COACH OF THE YEAR



Brennon Sewell

Brennon Sewell, the GSW men's and women's tennis coach, has been named the Wilson/ITA NAIA Coach of the Year by the Intercollegiate Tennis Association.

"We are pleased that Coach Sewell's talent and hard work have been recognized by the ITA," said GSW President Michael Hanes. "Coach Sewell is an outstanding coach who truly believes in the concept of the student/athlete. He expects each member of the team to perform in the classroom as well as on the court."

Sewell, an alumnus of Georgia Southwestern with a B.S. degree in the class of 1974, began his career at GSW as temporary men's and women's tennis coach in 1995-96 and was officially named to the coaching position in 1996. He had been the head professional of the USTA Junior Development for south Georgia and was named four times a Southern Tennis Association zonal coach prior to taking the GSW position.



Hurricane Force—The GSW men's tennis team competed for the national championship in the NAIA National Tournament at the University of Kentucky in May, finishing as runners-up. Pictured, left to right: Rod Minozzo, Thiago Rodrigues, President Michael Hanes, Luis Bravo, Coach Brennon Sewell, Gustavo Rezende, Paco Paredes, Antonio Candela and Joao Paulo Clementi. The team was 23-4 for 2001.