



**COMMUNITY COMMUNICATION:**

When President David Potter and the university hosted a March 24 breakfast meeting in the Dining Hall, more than 50 officials from the city, county, school system, Chamber of Commerce, development authorities, and

Water and Sewer Authority got together with university administrators. The purpose of the gathering was to share common concerns regarding growth, development and resources. Presentations were made by, l to r, Bill Lewis, city manager; Mac McConnell, NGCSU vice president for Business & Finance and an organizer of the event; Steve Gooch, chairman of the Lumpkin County Commissioners; and Dewey Moye, superintendent of Lumpkin County Schools. Participants questioned the speakers regarding issues affecting the future of the local community and region and thanked North Georgia representatives for arranging the successful event.

## Alumni weekend April 15-17

Reservations are arriving daily for the 2005 Parents-Alumni Weekend, scheduled for April 15-17, says Alumni Director Mark Howarth.



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The weekend includes traditional events: a golf tournament, wine tasting, a Fun Run, the Military Ball, an awards luncheon, the Memorial Retreat ceremony, a reception and banquet, and the Sunday Military Awards Review.

An additional event this year is a site dedication, "Killed in the Line of Duty," at the Drill Plaza of the new Pennington Leadership Center on Saturday at 11 a.m.

At Saturday's luncheon, Dr. Mark Spraker will be recognized as the 2005 Distinguished Professor.

Retired Col. Ben S. Malcom, NG '50, will pay tribute to students and alumni "who sacrificed all" during the Memorial Retreat at 4 p.m. that day.

The Saturday evening banquet will feature Hall of Fame Award recipient Garland F. Pinholster, NG '49, and other alumni award recipients.

For inquiries about the weekend, telephone 706-867-2873. Reservations for events may be made through Alumni Affairs. 🏠

## Honors Day showcases achievement

North Georgia's academic Honors Day turns 10 this year, and students from across the university's academic departments will take part in panels on April 13, sharing their best undergraduate work.

Each department selects student papers or projects to present at panels. The panels run most of the day, from 9 a.m. through 3 p.m., at several locations including the Hoag and Shott auditoriums, the Newton Oakes Center, Dunlap Hall, and the Health & Natural Sciences Building. An updated schedule is available from the Academics section of the campus Web site, www.ngcsu.edu.

In addition to individual student presentations, honor societies and other academic or professional groups will stage activities. Included among these groups are the School of Natural & Health Sciences, which will stage a poster session, and "Mountain Laurels," the university's literary magazine, presenting selected read-

**Student achievement banquets**

**Honor Society Initiation Banquet.** April 13, 6:30 p.m., Dining Hall; students will be initiated into several NGCSU honor societies. Call ext. 1910 for reservations.

**Honors Banquet.** April 19, 7 p.m., Dining Hall; North Georgia's top students in their disciplines are recognized. Call ext. 1871 for reservations.

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