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Employees take on the Ganaraska trail to raise funds for Oxfam Canada

Pushing themselves to the limit over 100 kilometres along the Ganaraska hiking trail over two days, four Georgian College employees will test their stamina and endurance in one of the most challenging team events in the world, **Oxfam Trailwalker**, to raise money for **Oxfam Canada**.

Sandra Kurt, Mareka Martin, Debbie-Jane Stansfield and Catherine Woods, dubbed the *Four Fabulous Flying Moons*, will walk the trail the weekend of July 23.

“After reading about Trailwalker, I thought what a great opportunity to support a charity, to achieve this personal challenge along with friends, and make a difference in the world,” says Stansfield, the team’s spokeswoman.

Oxfam Trailwalker began in 1981 in Hong Kong, and has grown into one of the world’s leading sporting challenges.

Trailwalker’s North American debut took place last July on the Ganaraska hiking trail with 200 hikers starting at historic Fort Willow and finishing at Wasaga Beach. Teams go through eight checkpoints and must finish the course together.

Oxfam Trailwalker is fast becoming a global phenomenon with nine events in eight different countries, and counting.

As well as the challenge to finish the course on time, the *Four Fabulous Flying Moons* must raise at least \$2,500 in sponsorship. The funds will support Oxfam’s work in relieving poverty and suffering around the world.

The group will host a variety night on Saturday, April 17 at the Downtown Community Theatre in Barrie to raise funds for the cause.

The event will include an evening of entertainment with the *Mad Cap Players* and featured artists from around the Simcoe County region. It will also feature a silent auction with items donated by local merchants.



The *Four Fabulous Flying Moons* Debbie-Jane Stansfield (front), Mareka Martin (middle), Sandra Kurt and Catherine Woods (back row) will take part in Oxfam Trailwalker the weekend of July 23 to raise money for Oxfam Canada.

For more information

For further details on Oxfam Trailwalker, visit www.oxfam.ca (search: Oxfam Trailwalker 2010). For specific details on the *Four Fabulous Flying Moons* fundraiser, phone (705) 727-1014.

O'Farrell-Bowers raises more than \$4,000 for local organizations

When dozens of brave (some would say crazy) souls hit the water in Lake Couchiching last weekend, the Dean of Georgian's Orillia Campus was the first to take the plunge. Mary O'Farrell-Bowers represented the Campus and its students as the "celebrity dipper" for this year's Polar Bear Dip.

She has also worked hard to fundraise, because while it's an extremely fun event, supporting the two worthy charities that will benefit is also serious work. O'Farrell-Bowers raised more than \$4,000 for **Telecare Orillia** and the **Orillia Youth Ladies Slo-Pitch League**.

"I'm sure there would be warmer ways to make this contribution," says O'Farrell-Bowers. "Still, I am very proud to represent our Campus in the Polar Bear Dip. This is one opportunity for Georgian to give back because we recognize that the community supports us in numerous ways."

In particular, she refers to more than 1,100 work placements created for Georgian students every year. Almost all of these are located in Orillia and area, and wouldn't happen without the ongoing partnership of businesses and employers across the region.

The Orillia Campus has a long tradition of supporting worthy community causes. A few years ago, someone on Campus tried to make a list detailing the community involvement of all staff and students. It went on for seven pages.

"I think it's great that our Dean is leading the Polar Bear Dip, because she's supporting two charities," says **Emily Charron**. As a current member of the **Orillia Students' Administrative Council (SAC)**, and incoming president, Charron has been involved in numerous campus fundraising events. "Just last week, we hosted our annual charity gala and raised almost a thousand dollars for the **Orillia Youth Centre**. Last year, the proceeds went to **Jubilee House**," she says.

O'Farrell-Bowers herself is no stranger to community fundraising. Last May, after only a few months in the Dean's position, she shaved her head to raise money for **Cops for Cancer**. That effort raised several thousand dollars.



Career and job fairs at Barrie and Orillia campuses March 10 and 11

Georgian will host a College-wide career and job fair at the **Orillia Campus** on Wednesday, March 10, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. and at the **Barrie Campus** on Thursday, March 11, from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.

The Barrie event gets underway in the main gymnasium, located in the **Student Life Centre**. The Orillia event takes place in the gymnasium.

Students attending the events will have the opportunity to network with employers who will be recruiting for full-time, summer, part-time and co-op employment. Students are reminded to have their resumés ready to submit to potential employers.

Those who need help drafting their resumés are encouraged to visit the **Centre for Co-operative Education, Internship and Career Services**, located at the Barrie Campus in room B110. Students at the Orillia Campus may visit the **Career Development Centre** in room A200.

Cast your vote for UPC's Bruce Meyer as TVOntario's Best Lecturer

Ten professors have emerged to compete in the final climb to reach the academic summit in TVOntario's 2010 Big Ideas Best Lecturer Competition. University Partnership Centre Professor Dr. Bruce Meyer is out to make Laurentian at Georgian first to the peak . . . and he's counting on your vote.

Meyer's lecture will be broadcast on TVO on March 27 at 5 p.m.

Viewers are invited to cast their votes at www.tvo.org/bigideas or by calling toll-free 1-877-792-VOTE (8683).

The voting period gets underway Tuesday, April 6 and goes to Sunday, April 11.

Vote online and you'll be eligible for a draw to win a \$5,000 digital prize pack. Plus, the winning school takes home a \$10,000 TD Insurance Meloche Monnex scholarship.

Your vote could make the difference.

Pow Wow at Barrie Campus March 13

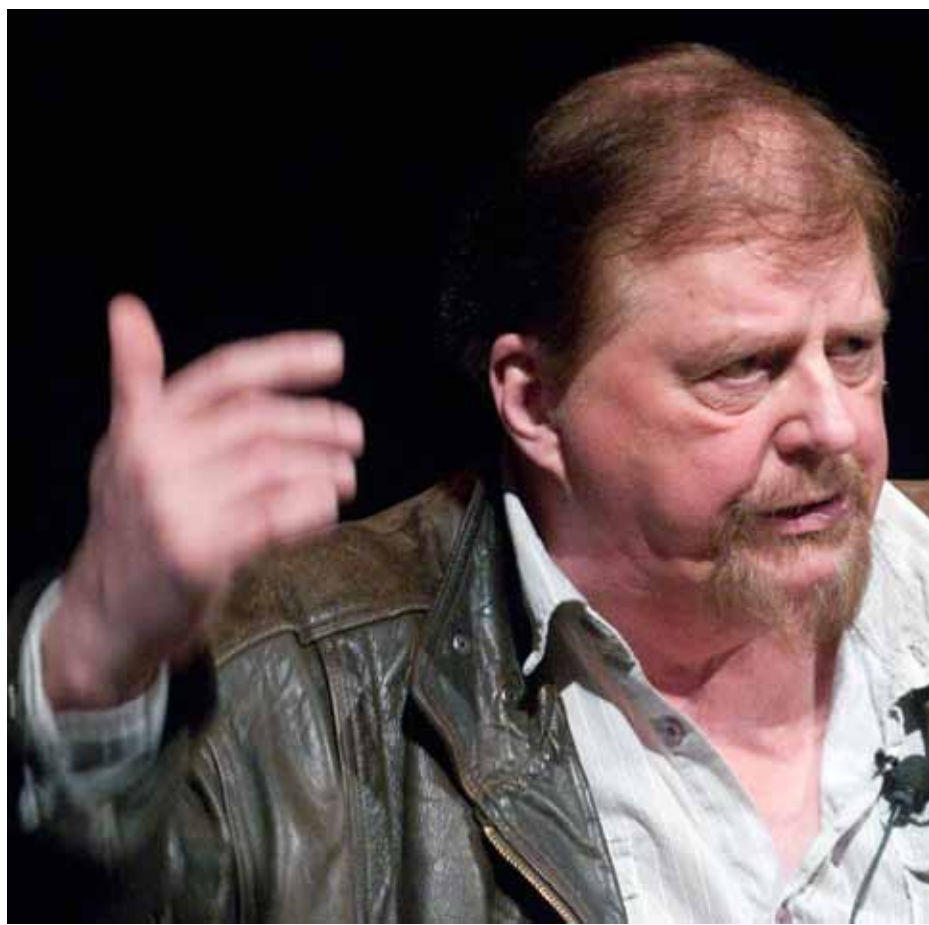
The Anishnabe Education and Training Circle presents the fifth annual Traditional Pow Wow, *Celebrating Our Future Generations*, at Georgian's Barrie Campus on Saturday, March 13.

The event takes place in the Athletic Centre. Doors open at 10:30 a.m. Grand entry is at noon.

Note: This is a drug- and alcohol-free event. No pets please. Admission: \$3. Parking: \$4.

For more information

For further information, or to register as a vendor, contact **Christina Ruddy** at ext. 1369 or cruddy@georgianc.on.ca.



Author Gwynne Dyer speaks at Barrie Campus

The Georgian College University Partnership Centre (UPC) Speaker Series presented author Gwynne Dyer in the Georgian College Theatre, Barrie Campus, on Feb. 1. Dyer talked about what should be done about Iran and what may happen to the Arab world after American troops pull out of Iraq. The UPC, which has been partnering with universities since 1997, offers a stimulating university environment, with a Speaker Series, social clubs, and student committees operating throughout the year.

Fundraiser for Gilda's Club Simcoe Muskoka at Georgian Feb. 27

Gilda's Club Red Door Variety presents *The Fab Four* with special guests *Code Blue* and *Barrie Dancing with the Stars* on Saturday, Feb. 27, at the Georgian College Theatre, Barrie Campus.

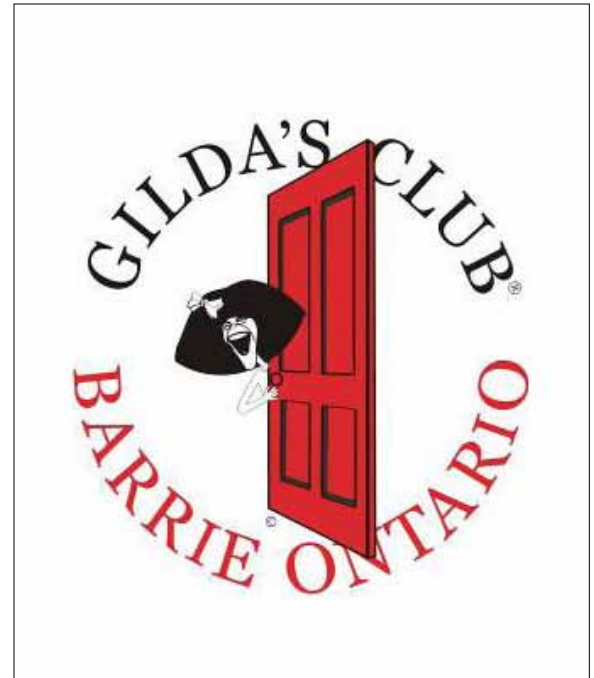
The event will include an evening of music, dance, comedy, delicious food and raffle and live auction. Three-course pre-show dinner in the Georgian Dining Room (GDR), Barrie, starts at 5 p.m. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. for hors d'oeuvres, cocktails and a meet-and-mingle. The show starts at 7:30 p.m., with an intermission for further refreshments, hors d'oeuvres and socializing.

Ticket information

- \$150 per ticket includes concert ticket, three-course pre-show dinner in the GDR, Barrie, with entertainment, front-of-house seating, and hors d'oeuvres and dessert at intermission.
- \$75 per ticket includes concert ticket and hors d'oeuvres and dessert at intermission.
- \$50 per ticket includes pod seating and hors d'oeuvres and dessert at intermission.

Tickets can be purchased at www.ticketbreak.com/gildasclub or by calling toll-free 1-866-9-GET-TIX.

Gilda's Club creates welcoming communities of free support for those living with cancer, along with their families and friends. The innovative program is an essential component to medical care, providing networking and support groups, workshops, education and social activities. **Gilda's Club Simcoe Muskoka** will serve all of Simcoe County, Muskoka-Parry Sound and area, Grey-Bruce and Dufferin countries. For more information on Gilda's Club Simcoe Muskoka, visit www.gildasclubbarrie.org/.



Nominations for Board awards close Feb. 26

Nominations will be accepted through Feb. 26 at 4 p.m. for the next round of Board of Governors' Awards of Distinction.

Award categories include: Award of Excellence, Innovation Award, Professional Development Award, Team Award, Distinguished Alumni Award, Distinguished Partnership Award, Board of Governors' Award, Honourary Diploma and Honourary Bachelor of Applied Studies Degree.

Please note the criteria for some awards have changed.

For more information

Contact Lori McPhee at ext. 1252 or lmcphee@georgianc.on.ca for details or visit www.georgianc.on.ca/president/board-of-governors/awards/.

Sue Johanson at Barrie Feb. 22

Sue Johanson, one of Canada's foremost sex educators and counsellors, will be at Georgian's Barrie Campus on Monday, Feb. 22. The event will get underway in the Georgian College Theatre at 6:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.georgianc.on.ca/news (search: Sue Johanson).

Wine and Design fundraiser Feb. 18

Everyone is invited to Wine and Design 2010, which will take place Thursday, Feb. 18, at 7 p.m. in the Georgian College Theatre, Barrie Campus.

All proceeds from the event will go toward the Simcoe Muskoka Regional Cancer Centre.

The event's keynote speaker is Jane Lockhart, interior designer and star of the popular television program *Colour Confidential*.

This event is presented by Royal Victoria Hospital in partnership with Georgian College's Interior Design and Interior Decorating programs.

For more information

Visit www.rvh.on.ca and click on Calendar/Events under the Quick Links on the left-hand side of the Web page.

AODA training

All Georgian employees, including full-time, part-time and contract staffers, are required to complete training for the Accessibility Standards for Customer Service by March 31. For more information, visit, www.georgianc.on.ca/news (search: AODA customer service).



SAC student elections Feb. 16, 17 and 18

Student elections for the 2010/2011 Students' Administrative Council will take place on Feb. 16, 17 and 18, from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. at <https://mycampus.georgianc.on.ca>. All Georgian College students are eligible to vote.

Georgian Chef and Wine Series starts Feb. 19

Culinary enthusiasts and wine connoisseurs can once again take part in a unique dining and wine tasting experience at Georgian's 2010 Chef and Wine Series at the Barrie Campus.

The series, now in its sixth year, starts Feb. 19, and runs once a month until June in the Georgian Dining Room, Barrie Campus.

For more information

For further details, visit www.georgianc.on.ca/news (search: Chef and Wine Series starts Feb. 19).

Staffing changes in Georgian's Barrie and Orillia Bookstores

The Barrie and Orillia Bookstores have undergone some staffing changes in the past month.

Donna Shirley

Donna Shirley was recently named Customer Service Representative. She took over the position from **Caryll Howard**, who retired in December. Donna is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the customer service team at the **Barrie Bookstore**. She will also act as the contact for donations, special events such as convocation and student buy-back, and service of the College's various ATM machines.

Donna's hours are Monday and Tuesday, from noon to 8 p.m., and Wednesday through Friday, from 7:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. She can be reached at ext. 1771.



Donna Shirley

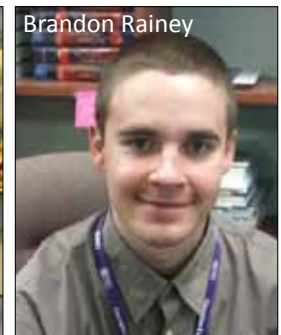
Cheryl Wight

Taking over Donna Shirley's previous role as full-time Customer Service Representative at the **Orillia Campus** is **Cheryl Wight**.

Cheryl's hours at the **Orillia Bookstore** are Monday to Thursday, from 9:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., and Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. She can be reached at ext. 3013.



Cheryl Wight



Brandon Rainey

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The Barrie Bookstore also welcomes **Brandon Rainey**, who will be working at the Barrie Bookstore Textbook Inquiry Desk. Brandon will be responsible for taking special orders for students, expediting orders from publishers, handling textbook returns, assisting textbook buyers, as well as offering customer service on the sales floor.

Brandon's hours are Monday to Friday, from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. He can be reached at ext. 1202.

March 26 deadline for Professor Emeritus nominations

Nominations for the designation of **Professor Emeritus** are now being accepted. The designation of Professor Emeritus builds on Georgian's reputation for delivering quality learning experiences to students by recognizing the academic leadership and outstanding contributions of retired faculty members. The honorary designation is granted to retired faculty members who have demonstrated exemplary service to the College and its communities, as recognized by the President and CEO of Georgian and the Board of Governors.

Previous recipients include: **Doris Grant, David Gray, Dale Lovering, Bruce Macmillan, David Mair, Don Stuart, Vern Telford, Judith Thomson, Judy Watson, Michael Wolfe** and **Regis Yaworski**. For further information, contact **Lori McPhee** at lmcphee@georgianc.on.ca or ext. 1252. The deadline to submit nominations is March 26. Remember to include supporting letters and documentation. Award criteria is available at www.georgianc.on.ca/president/board-of-governors/professor-emeritus/.



Steel rising on Georgian's Centre for Health and Wellness

Construction on the new Georgian Centre for Health and Wellness at the Barrie Campus has become much more visible in the past few weeks, with steel rising from the ground and impressive excavations into the earth below. Physical Resources reports the project is progressing well. Workers are currently tackling the initial phase of the overall project. This phase will see completion of the footings/foundations and the steel frame for the building. The current phase is to be completed by March. A second phase tender will be going out around the end of February. This will be for the building envelope and interiors, as well as completion of landscaping, roads and other outside elements. The building is expected to be completed by March 31, 2011.

Tickets on sale for Gord Bastian Variety Show

The Gord Bastian Variety Show, an annual presentation of music and comedy, will unleash its unique brand of fun in March with two special shows March 24 and 25.

Ticket information

Tickets are now available at the following locations:

- **Barrie Campus:** Students' Administrative Council office, Athletics, Bear Essentials and the Bookstore.
- **Orillia Campus:** the Bookstore.

Visit www.georgianc.on.ca/news (search: Variety Show goes to the movies) for more information.

Dan Mallory event

Local Simcoe County resident Dan Mallory will bring his incredible story of conquering Mount Everest with his family to the Georgian College Theatre at the Barrie Campus on Thursday, March 11.

Tickets are \$10 for students and \$20 for the public. They're available in the Barrie Students' Administrative Council office in A building or at <http://www.ticketbreak.com/>.

March 24 Administrative Professionals Week event

The International Association of Administrative Professionals (IAAP) Barrie and District Chapter will host an Administrative Professionals Week event at Fendley's Banquet Hall in Barrie on Wednesday, March 24.

The event includes a dinner and a presentation by motivational speaker Rosita Hall. It also includes a 50/50 draw and a variety of silent auction items.

Event details

- Registration and silent auction: 5:30 to 6 p.m.
- Dinner: 6 to 7 p.m.
- Break/end of silent auction: 7 to 7:15 p.m.
- Presentation by Rosita Hall: 7:15 to 8:15 p.m.
- Wrap-up/silent auction finale: 8:15 to 9 p.m.

The IAAP offers administrative professionals training and information on developments in the industry, leadership summits, monthly guest speakers, discounted Certified Administrative Professional (CAP) and Certified Professional Secretary (CPS) registration and the opportunity to connect with other administrative professionals through networking events.

For more information

For further details, e-mail iaap.barrie@gmail.com.

The registration form is available on page 12.

J.P. Amaral second in OCAA career scoring

Despite an 80-74 loss to the George Brown Huskies on Feb. 10, Georgian's J.P. Amaral became the second leading scorer in Ontario College Athletic Association (OCAA) men's basketball history.

Amaral scored 18 points against the Huskies and surpassed Fanshawe College's Emilio Rocca to move into second place among career points leaders.

The Barrie native currently has 1,452 points with five games remaining in the regular season. Durham College's Anthony Batchelor holds the all-time record with 1,833.

Five Georgian Grizzlies advance to provincial badminton championships

The Georgian Grizzlies Badminton Team finished in third place in the team competition at the Ontario College Athletic Association (OCAA) Regional Badminton Championships, held recently in Sudbury.

Five players from the Georgian team advanced to the OCAA Provincial Championships.

The mixed doubles team of Jamie Paterson and Bradley McNeice took first place and will be one of the favourites at the provincials, which will take place at St. Clair College in Windsor Feb. 19 and 20.

Also advancing to the provincials are the men's doubles team of Dan Leonhardt and Elliott de Jong and men's singles player Gurkirandeep Singh.



Five members of the Georgian Grizzlies Badminton Team advanced to the OCAA Provincial Championships. They include (l-r): Jamie Paterson, Bradley McNeice, Elliott de Jong, Dan Leonhardt and Gurkirandeep Singh.

Outlook lunch-and-learn sessions Feb. 23 and 24

Organizational Planning and Development is hosting two lunch-and-learn sessions on Microsoft Outlook at the Barrie Campus next week.

Session dates

- Tuesday, Feb. 23, noon to 1 p.m., room E014
- Wednesday, Feb. 24, 11 a.m. to noon, room B215

The one-hour Microsoft Outlook training sessions will help participants find shortcuts and discover new features that will help them manage Outlook items better.

Course topics

- Customizing the Outlook Environment
- Utilizing the To-Do Bar
- Working with Message Options
- Handling Messages and Folders
- Adding Contacts from Messages
- Finding and Managing Contacts
- Scheduling Appointments, Meetings and Events

To register, contact Heather Baird at ext. 1321. Space is limited.

College making the move from VHS to DVD format

VHS videotapes are quickly becoming obsolete. Accordingly, VHS technology will be phased out at Georgian according to the following schedule: **Barrie Campus** (Summer 2012), **Orillia Campus** (Summer 2011), **Owen Sound Campus** (January 2011). For more information, visit www.georgianc.on.ca/news (search: Georgian College making the move from VHS to DVD format).

Stars Come Out to Georgian April 26

Theatre by the Bay's (TBTB) *Stars Come Out* fundraising event will be held April 26 at the **Georgian College Theatre, Barrie Campus**.

The variety show, packed with stars from major musicals, raises funds for TBTB initiatives. Tickets: \$20 for POD seating, \$40 for orchestra seating, and \$75 for a VIP package.

Call 735-9243 or visit <http://www.theatrebythebay.com/seethestars.html> for more information.



Local high school students hosting fundraiser for Haiti

A group of students from Eastview Secondary School is hosting a fundraiser to raise money for victims of the recent earthquake in Haiti.

The event, at **St. Mary's Church** in Barrie on Friday, April 16, will feature music, plays and performance art by local youths.

Cost is \$15. Tickets are on sale at Eastview Secondary School. They can also be reserved by e-mailing frank.john.li1994@gmail.com.

"This event will give teens and young adults a chance to reach out and help those in need," said event organizer **Frank John Li**. "At the same time, the fundraiser will showcase some of the talents of our local youths and give them a chance to shine."

Submission guidelines

Articles

When submitting articles for consideration, be sure to include the five Ws: who, what, where, when and why. Maximum length of submission is 500 words. **NOTE:** Submissions may be edited for length, grammar, flow and clarity. Originators will receive a draft to approve before going to print.

Pictures

Submit photos in jpeg or tiff formats and be sure to include captions (including the names of people who appear in the photo from left to right).

Deadline

Deadline is 4 p.m. the Friday before publication. The College Capsule is published weekly on Wednesdays during the fall/winter semesters and bi-weekly during the spring/summer semester. Please note articles that appear in Capsule may also be posted online. Contact **Melissa Scanlan Smith** at mscanlan@georgianc.on.ca or ext. 1007 for more information.



Georgian hosts University Transfer and Degree Fair

Georgian’s first-ever University Transfer and Degree Fair was held Jan. 28 at the Barrie Campus. In total, 23 Canadian and international universities, 11 Ontario colleges, three agencies and five Georgian departments attended and spoke with students about their future study options. Many Georgian and Laurentian at Georgian students took part in the event.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb. 18

Textbook Fair

Barrie Campus
10 a.m. to 3 p.m.
Gymnasium, Student Life Centre

Feb. 19

Chef and Wine Series gets underway

Barrie Campus
Georgian Dining Room
See page 5 for details

Feb. 22

Talk Sex with Sue Johanson

Barrie Campus
Georgian College Theatre, 6:30 p.m.
See page 4 for details

Feb. 23

Outlook lunch-and-learn

Feb. 23 and 24
Barrie Campus
See page 9 for details

Feb. 26

Deadline for Board award nominations

Feb. 26

March 2 convocation ceremony at Georgian's Barrie Campus

Georgian's **Barrie Campus** will host a winter convocation ceremony on March 2 at 2 p.m. Members of the platform party, associate deans, program co-ordinators, faculty members and co-op consultants are invited to gown and assemble in room K218 30 minutes prior to the ceremony.

Black gowns and Georgian College hoods will be available. Participants who wish to wear the hoods of their alma mater must supply their own. Due to the great variety involved, the College cannot be responsible for securing hoods for individuals.

Students are asked to assemble in rooms K220/222 for gowning and are encouraged to arrive one hour prior to the start of the ceremony to secure a gown.

For more information, contact **Jenifer Neilson**, convocation co-ordinator, at ext. 1669, or **Lorraine Alcombrack**, ceremony co-ordinator, at ext. 1001.

View the full convocation schedule at www.georgianc.on.ca/academics/graduation/.

The convocation ceremony will include the following programs:

- Advertising
- Aviation Management
- Business
- Business (co-op)
- Business Administration
- Business Administration – Automotive Marketing
- Business Administration – Professional Golf Management
- Business Administration – Accounting
- Business – Accounting
- Business – Accounting (co-op)
- Business Administration – Marketing
- Business – Marketing (co-op)
- Business Foundations
- Business Studies – Logistics
- Computer Programmer
- Computer Programmer Analyst
- Computer Systems Technician – Networking
- Culinary Management
- Design Arts – Interior Design
- Early Childhood Education
- Electrical Engineering Technology – Automated Systems
- Environmental Techniques
- Environmental Technology
- Fine Arts Advanced
- Food Service Worker
- General Arts and Science
- General Arts and Science (1 year)
- Graphic Design
- Graphic Design Production
- Hospitality Administration – Hotel Resort
- Hospitality Management – Hotel and Resort
- Hotel and Resort Administration
- Human Resource Studies
- Human Resource Management
- Massage Therapy
- Mechanical Engineering Technology – Automotive Manufacturing
- Mechanical Engineering Technology – Automotive Products Design
- Mechanical Technician – CNC
- Mechanical Technician – Mould Maker
- Mechanical Technician – Tool and Die
- Office Administration – Legal
- Practical Nursing
- Pre-Service Firefighter Education and Training
- Teaching and Training Adults
- Tourism and Travel
- Tourism Management
- Web Animation and Design



Presenting diplomas to family members

Staff and faculty members with relatives scheduled to graduate at the convocation ceremony may have the honour of presenting the diplomas to their family members.

Those wishing to participate should contact Jenifer Neilson at jneilson@georgianc.on.ca or ext. 1669 to provide the details.

For more information, or to view the convocation schedule: www.georgianc.on.ca/academics/graduation/

Administrative Professionals Week Event

Wednesday, March 24, 2010



International Association of
Administrative Professionals®

REGISTRATION FORM

Name: _____ Home Tel.: _____

Address: _____

Company: _____

Work Tel.: _____ Email: _____

Special Dietary Requirements:

Vegetarian Vegan Kosher Other: _____

Registration deadline is Friday, March 15th, 2010.

The full amount of \$40.00 is due and payable at the time of Registration.

Please enclose a cheque made payable to:

IAAP Barrie & District Chapter (602110)

Mail Registration and Cheque/Money Order to:

Ms. Betty Akers, Treasurer

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