Reflecting on September 11
I am very grateful to students of the College of Arts and Sciences for leading the community in a very appropriate remembrance on September 11. If you have opportunity you may wish to express your appreciation to Ms. Shelina Gwaduri, a political science major, who organized the event; Kristan Ferguson, a chemistry major, who provided thoughtful commentary on both the event and the theme of leadership; and the many students in the wind ensemble and choir who arguably made the most eloquent statements of the day. Special thanks also go to the faculty leaders behind these student leaders, Professors Dennis Murphy, David Brown, and Mark Johnson.

Good News from September 11, 2002 (BFA)
Even as the campus paused to remember the terrible events of September 11, 2001, the Board of Regents completed their September meeting and presented the campus and the College of Arts and Sciences with some good news. The Board of Regents approved the Armstrong proposal to offer a Bachelor of Fine Arts in the visual arts. This proposal has endured a long (eight year) gestation period, but its birth is warmly greeted by art faculty and students alike. Given the prominent role that the visual arts play in the City of Savannah, it is both timely and appropriate that this professional degree be offered at a public university. Congratulations to the College, to the Department of Art, Music, and Theater and to the art faculty.

Meals Related to Off-Campus Teaching
According to a memo dated 30 July 1998, it has long been College of Arts and Sciences policy that faculty who teach at off-campus sites do not receive compensation for meals as part of the reimbursement for their travel expenses. Although a limited number of exceptions to this have occurred in the past, it is our intention to adhere consistently to this policy in the future.

New Director of Continuing Ed
The new director of professional and continuing education, Bob Dibella, started working at AASU at the beginning of September. Bob comes to Armstrong from Indiana State University where during the past 13 years he was director of conferences and non-credit programs, director of independent study, and assistant director of continuing education. Prior to that he was a program manager in the office of conferences and institutes at The Ohio State University.

Over the next weeks and months, department heads will receive a call from Bob to set a time to meet to discuss goals relating to continuing education programming. In the meantime, dept. heads and faculty members who need to contact him, call at ext. 5215 or email him at dibellbo@mail.armstrong.edu.

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Children and AASU Day
Faculty members with young children are encouraged to come out to AASU Day. Face painters and balloon artists will be on hand from 4 pm to 6 pm to entertain the little ones, and we will try to congregate around the grill during this same time period as the dean promises to be dishing out hot dogs.

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**AASU Day/ArmstrongFest**

The assistant dean's duties include attending the meetings of committees that he had never even heard of. One is the AASU/ArmstrongFest Committee. The main points to relay are: 1) All departments, organizations, and individuals are encouraged to participate in AASU Day, which is Wednesday, October 9. There is special emphasis on the importance of keeping booths open until 6 pm, and keeping enough food on hand to cater to the evening student clientele. 2) The event formerly known as Homecoming will now be known as ArmstrongFest. It is scheduled for March 24-30, 2003. A large number of activities are already on the schedule, thanks especially to the Department of Art, Music, and Theater. If your department has an event planned for the spring, it might be suitable to include it into the ArmstrongFest calendar. Contact me or Al Harris for more information.

**Fulbright Scholar from Argentina**
Alejandro Gomez of Argentina is a Fulbright scholar who will be in residence for the entire year at Coastal Georgia Community College. He is anxious to develop mutually beneficial ties with AASU as well, and he is willing to come to Savannah for public lectures, classroom presentations, and the like. He specializes in Latin American economic history, including the current economic situation in Argentina. He indicated on his Fulbright application that he also would lecture on "history and globalization; the evolution of civilization..., focusing on ideas, property rights, freedom, and economic development." He has a travel allowance that will aid with the associated expenses. For more information, contact me or Dr. Gene Barber of the Brunswick Center.

As part of Hispanic Heritage Month, Professor Gomez will deliver a lecture on the "Socio-Economic Structure of Argentina" on Monday, Sept 23, in room 137 of Ashmore Hall at 12 noon.

**Post-Tenure Review**
Reminder that faculty who are scheduled for post-tenure review should be apprised of this so that they can prepare their materials. Those up for review include: Olavi Arens, Ron Beumer, Keith Douglass, Larry Guillou, Karen Hollinger, Robert Kolodny, Richard Munson, Elliot Palefsky, Steve Rhee, John Schmidt, Lucinda Schultz, Janet Stone, Steve Taylor, Francis Thorne and Pete Zipperer.

Department heads should submit any changes in current peer review procedures to the dean’s office by October 14.

**Honors Program Update**
The Honors Program Orientation held August 17 & 18 on St. Simon's Island was a success with 35 participants. Thanks to Jill Miller, Melanie Mirande, student leaders Becky Braunstein, Sara Beth Link, Melissa Flummerfelt, Jarrett Walsh, Mary Thornton, Jessica Tuten, Rob White, and especially, especially, to Gretchen Stewart for putting this together.

Also, the Honors Program has launched a series of "What I Did Last Summer" luncheons. The first two speakers were Mary Thornton, a senior computer science major, who presented "Data Mining by Wavelet Fractal Analysis" and Jarrett Walsh, a senior chemistry and mathematics major, who presented a summary of his "honors abroad" and other experiences in Haiti, Austria, Romania, and New Zealand.

**UPCOMING DEADLINES AND EVENTS**
- **Oct. 4:** Send in materials for Oct. 11 Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee meeting
- **Oct. 8:** Promotion & Tenure recommendations due
- **Oct. 9:** AASU Day
- **Oct. 9:** Study Abroad Fair
- **Oct. 9:** Arts & Sciences department heads meeting
- **Oct. 10:** Last day to withdraw without penalty
- **Oct. 11:** Arts and Sciences Curriculum Committee Meeting
- **Oct. 14:** Retention recommendations due for 2nd year faculty
- **Oct. 15:** Workload Reports due

**THOUGHT FOR THE DAY**
"To learn and never be filled---is wisdom. To teach and never be weary---is love.”

*Author Unknown*