

DEF Sponsors Special Day at the Book Festival for Decatur Students

ach year, the Decatur Book Festival brings more than 250 of the country's best authors to Decatur for a festival celebration of the written word. Having such a wonderful event right in our own backyard provides a unique opportunity for Decatur students and teachers to meet authors who would otherwise be inaccessible to them.

The Decatur Education Foundation recognized the positive impact that exposure to these authors could have in the lives of children and responded by sponsoring a special student day at the Book Festival for all CSD students grades K-12.

Friday morning before the official start of the Book Festival, students from all of Decatur's elementary schools walked to and from the square to hear well-known authors like Doreen Cronin (*Diary of a Fly*), Robert Sabuda and Matthew Reinhart (*The Chronicles of Narnia Pop-Up*).

In the afternoon, students from Renfroe Middle School heard Adam Rex speak about his book, *The True Meaning of Smekday*, and Decatur High School students heard a stellar presentation on *MacBeth* by Alan Gratz, author of *Something Wicked*.

The project had two main goals: to motivate and excite children of all ages about reading and to promote a common instructional focus on literacy throughout the school district. Dr. Thomas Van Soelen, associate superintendent for City Schools of Decatur, worked closely



Glennwood Girls Mentoring Group Meets Pulitzer Prize-Winning Poet

DEF honors school board by hosting luncheon with Natasha Trethewev

n honor of school board appreciation week, the Decatur Education Foundation sponsored a special event for the Glennwood Girls Legacy Group. The support/mentoring group for female students was started by Karen Newton and Laconia Massaguoi, two Glennwood teachers who applied for and received a DEF mini-grant. The group meets regularly and is focused on leadership development, academic achievement, cultural

awareness, and discovery of self.

Dr. Elizabeth Kiss, president of Agnes Scott College, generously offered the President's Dining Room on the ASC campus where the girls enjoyed a luncheon with Pulitzer Prize-winning poet Natasha Trethewey, the Phyllis Wheatley Distinguished Chair and Professor of Poetry at Emory University. Trethewey spoke about her education, her work as a poet and educator, and the experience of winning a Pulitzer Prize. She encouraged the girls to persevere and never give up on their dreams.

Decatur Superintendent Dr. Phyllis Edwards, school board member Bernadette Seals, and Glennwood

Principal Dr. Gloria Lee joined the Legacy girls for this special event.

DEF also donated a copy of Trethewey's recent poetry collection, Native Guard, to the Glennwood Academy library in honor of the five school board members: Valarie Wilson, Marc Wisniewski, John Ahmann, Julie Rhame, and Bernadette Seals.

Girls Legacy Group Glennwood Academy

hildren have the potential to succeed in life and contribute to society. However, not all children get the support they need to thrive. By all estimates, an astounding 17.6 million young people nearly half the population between 10 and 18 years old – live in situations that put them at risk of not living up to their potential. Without immediate intervention by caring adults, they could make choices that undermine their futures.

The presence of caring adults offering support, advice, friendship, reinforcement and constructive examples has proved to be a powerful tool for helping young people fulfill their potential. Therefore, we decided to implement

the Legacy Group at Glennwood Academy to address the needs that we saw evident for a targeted group of young ladies.

Our aim is to engage targeted students in innovative group activities with trained, caring adults who promote change and foster individual

responsibility and respect, while build-

ing confidence before students are met with academic failure. We provide addi-

> tional academic support to ensure success and enriching opportunities and experiences that enhance and inspire.

> The Decatur Education Foundation has assisted us in helping 12 young ladies define individual goals and find ways to

achieve them. Though we've only just

begun, we have witnessed these girls become more confident individuals who have goals that they believe are attainable. It is our hope that through continued partnerships with parents, the Decatur Education Foundation, and other community organizations we can create a Legacy for young African-American females in the City of Decatur school system.

> — Karen Newton , IB Primary Years Programme Coordinator

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Young Ladies!



Book Festival

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with the foundation and festival planning committee to ensure that learning experiences would be meaningful, age-appropriate and linked with the curriculum.

Teachers spent the first three weeks of school preparing their students for the visit with authors. Follow-up instruction was planned with the goal of sustaining the excitement generated around reading.

"We are so thankful for the literally thousands of volunteer hours that go into an event such as the AJC Decatur Book Festival," said Dr. Van Soelen. "It was inspiring to see 2,200 of our students downtown engaging with published authors. Equally as exciting are the numerous family members that were able to attend with their children. Thanks, DEF!"





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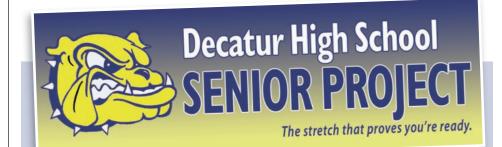
Michele DeHaven

Michele DeHaven is a managing partner at Function Gallery in Decatur. A graphic designer extraordinaire, she designed our last two TOUR deCATUR T-shirts and both have been received with rave reviews. Not only does she create the design but she provides race posters for each of the schools and adaptations of the design for our awards, sponsor plaques, and website.

Michele has played a key role in the success of the TOUR deCATUR. She has helped us establish a reputation with the running community as the 5K with the



coolest shirts! She has set the bar high and helped to position us for what we hope will become a Peachtree-qualifying 10K race that draws a regional crowd. In addition, she designed bookmarks that were distributed on behalf of DEF to 15,000 Decatur Book Festival participants. Thank you, Michele!



hen we began to implement Decatur High's first-ever Senior Project, we realized that we would need to launch a significant recruiting effort to bring in the large numbers of community mentors, paper readers, and senior board judges that the project requires. Reaching out to the community and bringing folks into the building to work with seniors and to see how hard they've worked will be a highlight of the Senior Project's first year. It also supports the school system's fifth strategic goal of strengthening relationships in the community. Hopefully, Decatur's residents will be lining up to participate in some way with future senior classes.

The foundation's mini-grant provides us with financial resources to present an exciting and positive image of the Senior Project to those we hope to recruit. Displaying the banners, portable displays, and color fliers at civic group meetings and large community functions will lend an air of professionalism to the high school's efforts. Providing refreshments and gift cards to mentors and judges at their respective training sessions will let our volunteers know that we value their time and contributions. We are very grateful that the foundation supports the Senior Project committee's goal to "do this right."

— Jon Reese, Senior Project Coordinator, DHS Teacher

mini-grant

From a Kid's Eye View

Clairemont Elementary School

With the seven cameras we purchased from last year's DEF grant, third graders learned to use cameras and took responsibility for documenting learning throughout the school. The students completely exceeded our expectations for the project. They were able to teach the first and second grade students how to use the cameras so that the project was expanded to include all grade levels.

The students took pictures that represented, from their point of view, what they had learned in the three school expeditions:

- Who Cares About Rocks?
- Writing for Real, and
- This Land is Our Land.

The photography projects we completed with our students and the collaboration with different teachers were probably the most exciting, rewarding and gratifying projects I've done as a teacher. Thank you, DEF! You have helped me become a better teacher!

> — Celeste Tibbetts, Media Specialist



Parent Link – Communication for Homeless Families

Districtwide

City Schools of Decatur (CSD) is proud of the services we provide to meet the needs of our homeless children and youth. Last year CSD provided support for 151 homeless students and their families.

In the midst of servicing our homeless families, one consistent barrier remained – *communication*.

Often parents relocate from out of state and are trying to rebuild their lives. Financially, these families are struggling to ensure basic needs; thus having a phone cannot be their priority. This lack of communication only heightens the family's sense of feeling disconnected.

Thanks to the generosity of the Decatur Education Foundation, we are now able to distribute emergency cell phones to our homeless families. This connection provides a sense of security and helps strengthen the parents' relationship with the school system.

On behalf of our homeless families, we would like to thank the Decatur Education Foundation for funding this mini-grant project,

which has touched the lives of so many.

— Joan Fisher, Instructional Services

> Karen Koonce, Social Worker

Patterns In Our World: Whoooo Lives on Each Continent?

Oakhurst Elementary

Our first graders began an in-depth study of patterns in September of 2007. We kicked off our expedition with a study of weather, moved into plants, and ended with an investigation on animals. These investigations hit the majority of our Earth and Life Science standards as well as our Geography standards.

The idea behind creating a calendar as our final product was inspired by the students' exploration of patterns in everyday life. We needed a way to incorporate all the exciting new facts we had learned into a product in which the students would be proud to take ownership.

Students researched owls found on six continents and shared what they learned about their needs, habitats, and life cycles. Each student had input, in some form, into the calendar. Some students produced owl artwork, others created original patterns for each month, while some worked with partners to edit, revise, and publish facts they had learned about their owl.

The calendar is truly an authentic, meaningful product that all of our students can proudly say they helped create. Many thanks to DEF for assisting us with this great project!

— Beverly Beyer, Alvone Scott, 1st Grade Teachers



PATTERNS IN OUR WORLD 2008 Calendar Calendar De Norder

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Big Buddy, Little Buddy Collaboration

Renfroe Middle School and College Heights Early Childhood Learning Center

Students from Mrs. Robyn Tibbett's 8th grade social studies class enjoyed a yearlong mentoring program thanks to a DEF grant. Eighth grade students were big buddies to students from Mrs. Stacey Jones's Pre-K class at College Heights Early Childhood Learning Center (ECLC).

The 8th graders invited Mrs. Jones's class over for a lesson about voting in the fall and later in the year, the Renfroe students visited their little "buddies" and read books that they had written about Georgia. In the spring, students from both schools went on a field trip to Fernbank Science Center, the destination that had won their collective vote back during the fall lesson on voting.



The Big Buddy/Little Buddy program gave Renfroe students an authentic real life opportunity to apply what they were learning in Georgia History. The middle schoolers loved being big buddies to their friends at the ECLC and were motivated to send them letters throughout the year and holiday gift boxes. This was a valuable opportunity for my students, and I hope to provide the opportunity again in the future.

— Robyn Tibbetts, 8th grade teacher Renfroe Middle School

The collaboration that my Pre-K class had with Mrs. Tibbetts 8th grade class was an amazing experience for us. My Pre-K children were so excited to do something with the "big kids." When we visited Renfroe for the first time to meet the students, have lunch and vote on a joint field trip, our class was a little timid. By the end of that trip, they had all become best friends. The 8th graders were all very sweet and nurturing with the younger children. Before the winter break, the Renfroe children even sent our class some special treats that they had made for them. Our joint field trip to Fernbank after winter break was a lot of fun. The older students helped the Pre-K students enjoy the exhibit by holding them up to see, reading to them, and even crawling around on the floor



with them. After the trip, and for the rest of the school year, my students would ask about their Renfroe buddies and wanted to go visit them. This is an experience that we would love to do again with another Renfroe class. Thank you, DEF!

> — Stacey Jones, Pre-K Teacher College Heights Early Childhood Learning Center



Conservation: Water Exchange

Glennwood Academy

The students at Glennwood Academy participated in a water exchange program. They were asked to create a project that would conserve water in our local community as well as throughout the world. Throughout our environmental exploration, students decided to decorate and sell rain barrels. The profit would then be donated to the Emory University Global Water Program. This program assists countries in need of clean water. Without the grant from the Decatur Education Foundation our project would not have been possible. The students benefited greatly by making a difference in the community and the world.

— Theresa Schilling, 5th Grade Teacher

Great Party • Great Food • Great Cause!

5th Annual Low Country Boil

he Low Country Boil, one of DEF's two signature fundraising events, started as a small invitation-only party and has consistently grown in attendance over the past five years. We had our biggest crowd ever in 2007 and raised more than \$10,000. Celebrity Chefs Fred Boykin, Walt Drake, Jon Abercrombie, and Bill Floyd were on hand to prepare and serve a delicious meal while members of the band Whistlin' Rufus entertained guests.

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The 6th annual Low Country Boil (see poster, at right) is moving to a larger venue and for the first time will be open to the public. Mark your calendar for Oct. 23 and join us for this fun event that supports Decatur's children and youth.



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Decatur High School Key Club

Each year for the past six years, the Key Club has provided most of our volunteers for the TOUR deCATUR. The race has grown over the years and requires about 60 volunteers to make it run smoothly. More than 40 of those volunteers come from the Key Club each year.

These teenagers get out of bed on a Saturday morning to report for duty by 7 a.m. We put them to work doing anything from moving tables and chairs, to folding T-shirts, to working registration tables or directing runners. They are and have been a key to our success with the race. Thank you, DHS Key Club! At right, Tony Powers presents the award to Key Club co-presidents Jessica Toomsen-Hall and Babs Bowden.



TOUR deCATUR 2008

5K Road Race Benefit Shines Despite Spring Storms!

he morning after the metro-Atlanta area experienced some of the worst spring storms in years, about 600 people turned out to participate in the 6th annual TOUR deCATUR 5K Road Race and Fun Run in March.

The race was bigger and better than ever with involvement from all of Decatur's schools. Members of the track clubs at each of Decatur's elementary schools ran and students ages 4 and under from the College Heights Early Childhood Learning Center participated in the new "Tot Trot" event. Every tot who made it to the finish line by foot or stroller got a race T-shirt and a blue ribbon.

Members of the Decatur High School Key Club served as volunteers and all of the school PTAs contributed something to the success of the race – food, water, signage, and volunteers.

Congratulations to the overall male and female winners of the 5K race: Neubil Hamid (16:59) and Christine Carlton (19:45).

Many thanks to Michele DeHaven of Function Gallery for designing our 2008 shirt and to our generous sponsors.

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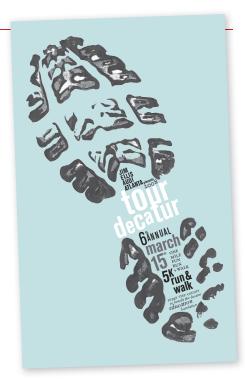
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Save the date: 2009 TOUR deCATUR is March 21!













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2008 Scholarship Awards



The Patrick Family Foundation Scholarship 2008 winner: Rachel Britain, University of California Santa Barbara Pictured with Wink Smith, Jerry Patrick, Hilda Patrick, and Pat Patrick



Bill Mealor, Jr. Memorial Scholarship 2008 winner: Corey Spraggins, Emory University Pictured with Bill Mealor and Stephanie Mealor Corder

The Sarah Lynn Woolf Memorial Scholarship 2008 winner: Rachel Waldron, St. Mary's College of Maryland Pictured with Bill and Donna Woolf





The Thomas Hauk Memorial Scholarship 2008 winner: Jimmy Spearman, Georgia Institute of Technology Pictured with Alexis Hauk, Dr. Gary Hauk, Rev. Kate Hauk, Sara Hauk and John Duke



Carl and Mae Renfroe Memorial Scholarship 2008 winners: Ashlee Esson, Purdue University; Derrick Martin, Merchant Marine Academy Pictured with Frank and Sue Tetterton



The Carriere Family Scholarship for Teachers 2008 winners: Stephen Gathany and Susan Dundee Pictured with Jane and Ed Carriere



The Harry Edwards Class of 1960 Memorial Scholarship 2008 winner: Babs Bowden, Georgia College and State University Pictured with Jim Moore, DHS Class of 1960



Mary Elizabeth Brown Wilson Scholarship

2008 winner: Juan Carlos Cardoza-Oquendo, Foundation Fellow, University of Georgia Pictured with Elizabeth Wilson



Westchester Life Skills Scholarship 2008 winner: Sarah Elizabeth Harber, Mercer University Pictured with Stacy Wisniewski

Kudos to CSD Stars!



2008 STAR Student and STAR Teacher *Robert Nuttall, Georgia Institute of Technology Dr. Cara Cassell, DHS English Department*

2008 Outstanding Teachers of the Year

Mary Alice McMahon, Marcia Bryant-Fowler, Donna Fortenberry, Connie Perry, Francis Johnson, and Yvonne Stroud (not pictured: Patricia Forero)



Decatur Alumni Association Report

he Decatur Alumni Steering Committee, working closely with DEF, has been very busy in the last year. Under the leadership of co-chairs Ellen Phelps King



(Decatur Girls High class of '59) and Louise Thrower (Trinity High class of '61) the committee helped plan the Decatur Stadium "Lights Out" ceremony, held meetings to set its budget, and wrote guidelines for the future mission and structure of the alumni organization.

Over the summer Ellen and Louise ended their terms of office and Jamie Owen (Decatur High class of '83) and Callie Flanigan (Trinity High class of '64) took office. In recent meetings the Steering Committee has decided to develop an official Decatur Alumni directory that will be available to the association sometime next year.

We will work with Harris Connect to verify contact information for all alumni dating back to the mid-1940s. A new website complete with class message boards and chat groups will be developed as part of this project. Please help us succeed by responding when you are contacted by Harris Connect. We're looking forward to a great year of keeping Decatur alums connected!

— Jamie Owen, Callie Flanigan, co-chairs

All Decatur alums can register with the association at www.dhsaa.org

Student EdVentures -Indispensable

Student EdVentures are an indispensable asset to the students of Decatur High School who want to see and study the world. Almost half of the students who attended my last two Spanish language trips, Mexico in 2007 and Costa Rica in 2008, were aided by funds from the Student EdVentures program.

These students might not have been able to have the experiences and adventures that they did if not for the scholarships. In this day of difficult economics, it's possible neither trip would have had the six students required for it to happen without those same scholarships.

Access to Student EdVentures has been and is a key component to the development of DHS students' understanding and appreciation of different cultures and languages. We appreciate that DEF contributes to the growth of our students in this manner.

— Olivia Roller, DHS Spanish Teacher



DEF Supports Exercise and Fitness Class for DHS Students

Thanks to grants from the Atlanta Falcons Youth Foundation and the Constella Group, the Decatur Education Foundation partnered with Crossfit Decatur (formerly Sonz Fitness) to offer a special exercise and weight-loss program for students at Decatur High School.

DHS students were recruited by teachers and coaches to participate in the program where they received instruction, coaching, and encouragement in a small group setting. Students learned about the benefits of good nutrition and regular exercise and were encouraged to make healthy



lifestyle choices that will benefit them for the rest of their lives.

"We observed, repeated, and measured all workouts to compile data that showed that all the students improved in their ability to recover between exercises, which means their respiratory systems improved over the course of the semester," said Eric Willis, manager of Crossfit Decatur.

"On average, student participants improved their overall fitness by 30 percent during the course of the program. Although their improvement levels varied, all of the students saw progress, which improved their self-confidence and self-esteem. It was a huge honor to assist Coach Carter Wilson with this project. A special thanks to the Constella Group and the Atlanta Falcons Youth Foundation for their help in making this possible," he said.



A group of Decatur High students spent a week studying American government and politics in the nation's capital as participants in the Close-Up program. The trip was organized by social studies teacher Mr. Chris Billingsley. Students met with key leaders in government, law, business, and media to gain real-world insights into how Washington, D.C., works. "Washington, D.C. is a living classroom. This trip gives students insights into American government in a way that far exceeds the typical travel experience. It's a very valuable program for our students," said Mr. Billingsley.

Student EdVentures

Princeton Junior Statesman

recently attended the 2008 Junior Statesmen (JS) Summer at Princeton thanks to the wonderful scholarship from the Decatur Education Foundation. It was a monthlong intensive program where we took real college courses taught by college professors.

In the morning (8:30-11:30) I studied foreign policy from an Israeli professor who taught at Princeton and NYU. I learned about the shaping of America's foreign policy from the Cold War and what challenges the United States will face in the future.

In the afternoon (1:30-3:30) I had a

speech communications class where I learned how to properly give a speech as well as all the theories and rhetoric behind speechmaking.

Congressional Workshop

In the evening, the entire JS program had Congressional Workshop, where we were broken up into "houses," which had about 25 people each; then we were each assigned a resolution, such as Resolved, that capital punishment be abolished, and the main negative and affirmative speakers would debate. Then, the rest of the house could chime in

on the side of their choice for subsequent speeches. In the end, after closing speeches were made by the main speakers, the house voted on whether the resolution passed.

On Saturdays we had exams. I was so excited when I got my Princeton Bluebook back and it had a 95 in it for foreign policy. On the final exam in Speech Communication, I was the only one to get a 100! This program really prepared me for college-level classes, and I know now that I can handle them.

Even though we had classes Monday

through Saturday, we had chances to relax, too. On Saturday night we had dances and then Sunday we had time off to relax and catch up on our reading.

Culture Days in New York

On two different occasions we went to New York. In the first half of the day





we heard speakers, and in the second half, we got to explore within a specific area. On the first Culture Day we heard speakers in the New York Public Library, such as a speech writer for George W. Bush, and then my group went around Times Square.

On the second Culture Day we went to the United Nations building and heard people such as the Iranian ambassador speak, and then got to ask questions. After that, we got the grand tour of the building and saw inside all the assembly rooms, and even watched part of a meeting. The second half of the day, my group explored Chinatown, Little Italy, and SoHo.

Fifteen-Page Paper

The Culture Day trips were so exciting, but unfortunately, a 15-page paper was due the day following our last trip. I realized how hard it was to write 15 pages, but I did learn a lot about my topic, which was America's deficit, its causes and how to solve it. After spending all day in the Firestone Library, I was the first to turn in my paper to my professor before the 10 o'clock deadline and as a reward, all of my team got pizza.

I had so much fun on my trip! I met very important people and made a bunch of great friends, but most importantly, I learned a lot. I learned not only things taught in the classroom, but also life lessons. I feel so much more prepared for college now, and who knows, maybe I'll get to see Princeton again – but this time as a college student. Thank you again for making this wonderful experience possible for me.

> —Morgan Irwin-Weyant, DHS 12th grader

Welcoming Chinese Teachers from Chengdu

n 08-08-08, as Beijing was welcoming the world to the 2008 Olympic Games, Decatur welcomed seven teachers from the city of Chengdu in China's Sichuan Province. They came to Decatur as part of a teacher exchange program established between City Schools of Decatur and the Sichuan Normal University Attached Experimental School.

The Decatur Education Foundation partnered with Agnes Scott College and the City of Decatur to host a community-wide Screen on the Green broadcast of the opening ceremonies in their honor. Prior to the broadcast, Chinese guests were welcomed by Agnes Scott President Dr. Elizabeth Kiss and Superintendent Dr. Phyllis Edwards.

Mayor Bill Floyd presented the teachers with a key to the city. In a touching response, the Chinese teachers sang the Olympic theme song for attendees and welcomed all of Decatur to China. The professional exchange will continue in 2009 when Decaut sends a delegation of teachers to Chengdu. DEF would like to thank Blue Cross and Blue Shield representative Eric Burns for the generous donation that made this special evening possible.





Thank You, Alexis!

DEF would like to thank Alexis Bramhall for the many ways she has assisted the foundation with record-keeping over the past two years. Alexis carefully enters information into our database, runs reports, prepares our bank deposits, and assists with a variety of other tasks that help us get the job done. Thank you, Alexis!



Greetings Friends and Neighbors

e are honored to work as partners with the City Schools of Decatur to support our children, youth, and professional educators. Now, more than ever, we must continue to strengthen our ties to school and community.

The Decatur Education Foundation's commitment to Think Big and Act Boldly on behalf of our children and youth will be taken to new heights in the coming year. As the needs of



Decatur's children grow, so must we. Thanks to the generous support of our community, we are continuing to expand the variety of unique programs that serve Decatur teachers and students.

Our 6th annual Low Country Boil fundraiser is scheduled for Oct. 23, and is moving to a new home at the historic Scottish Rite hospital so we can accommodate a big crowd. We also hope to expand our annual TOUR DeCATUR Road Race to include a Peachtree-qualifying 10K course this year. I hope you'll plan to join us for each of these great events.

On behalf of the board of directors, I want to thank all of you who continue to support our initiatives during these tough economic times. Despite soaring fuel costs, high unemployment, and slumping real estate sales, you continue to embrace our work on behalf of Decatur's children and youth. If you have not joined us in our efforts, I sincerely hope that after reading our story, you will be inspired to do so. Our success depends on you. Thank you, Decatur!

> — Anthony Powers Chair, Decatur Education Foundation Board of Directors

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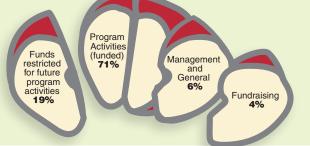
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DEF Welcomes New Board Member Dr. Elizabeth Kiss r. Elizabeth Kiss was installed as the

Lindsay Jones

eighth president of Agnes Scott College in August 2006. Before coming to Agnes Scott, she spent 10 years at Duke University where she was Nannerl O. Keohane Director of the Kenan Institute for Ethics and an associate professor of the Practice of Political Science and Philosophy.



Previously, Dr. Kiss taught at Princeton University for eight years and has also taught at Randolph-Macon College and Deep Springs College. She serves on numerous boards of directors including Duke University, Woodruff Arts Center, Women's College Coalition, SunTrust Atlanta, Association of Practical and Professional Ethics, and Atlanta Council for Higher Education.

She holds a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy from Davidson College and a doctorate in philosophy from Oxford University in England. She is married to Jeff Holzgrefe. Welcome aboard, Dr. Kiss!



Emilie Markert

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