

## Welcome to Campus Weekly



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## Enjoy Holiday Open House tomorrow, noon to 3 p.m.



Delicious treats. Great camaraderie.

Faculty and staff are invited to the Chancellor's Holiday Open House Thursday, Nov. 29, in the Alumni House, Virginia Dare Room. It will be open noon-3 p.m., with the Chancellor's holiday greeting at 1 p.m.

At dusk, enjoyed the annual luminaires lighting. The luminaires will be placed at Moran Commons and along College Avenue. The event is sponsored by Alpha Phi Omega, the Fraternity and Sorority Association and UNCG Grounds.

And while you're enjoying the luminaires, stop at the Vacc Bell Tower to enjoy some holiday refreshments in the early evening.

## UNCG Pop Up Shop in heart of downtown



There's a new place to get your favorite Spartan gear. And it's for a limited time.

The UNCG Pop Up Shop on Elm Street has, well, popped up downtown.

Located in the heart of downtown Greensboro between the Wrangler Store and Scuppernon Bookstore near the Washington and Elm intersection, its Grand Opening will be Friday, Nov. 30, at the Festival of Lights celebration. UNCG is a sponsor of Greensboro's Festival of Lights.

The UNCG Pop Up Shop will sell Spartan gear, books, and other items. It will open Wednesdays through Saturdays through December 22, ideal for shoppers purchasing gift items for the holidays.

UNCG employees can get a 20 percent discount on most merchandise by showing their Spartan ID.

Additionally, at check-out, just show that you follow UNCG on Twitter or Instagram and you'll be shown how to get a Barnes and Noble app so you can also receive an even bigger 25 percent discount on one of your items.

The pop up shop is excellent exposure for UNCG as we reach out to prospective students and the community. Plus it offers a convenient new way to pick up some Spartan items.

UNCG and the city are deeply connected, says Jeff Shafer, vice chancellor for strategic communications. "Even more, we know 35,000 Spartan alumni live within 25 miles of campus and certainly many of them shop downtown during the holidays."

"The Pop Up shop will help the University reach former or future Spartans and UNCG friends and fans in our community who we may miss because they do not make it to campus," adds Scott Milman, assistant vice chancellor for campus enterprises and real estate.

And, Shafer points out, "It gives us a really powerful presence to showcase the best of UNCG and celebrate Spartan pride in one of the coolest parts of our hometown."

When you're downtown during the holiday season, stop in and check it out. For more

information, check out our social media channels under #UNCGWay.

*By Mike Harris*

## Spot Spartan musicians at Festival of Lights



Greensboro's Festival of Lights has been a holiday tradition for more than 25 years, and Spartans are always part of that tradition, in a number of ways.

At this year's festival, you'll see at least four UNCG musical groups, and many alumni performers, up and down Elm Street and in LeBauer Park, alongside other local musicians, touring musicians, and musical groups from NC A&T.

UNCG Horn Choir will play at 6 p.m. with Associate Professor Abigail Pack, and the UNCG Tuba Band will play at 7:30 p.m. with Director of Athletic Bands Justin Worley. Both ensembles will perform in LeBauer Park. The UNCG Choir will sing with local musician Abigail Dowd at 325 Elm St, and the women's a cappella group, the UNCG Sapphires, will also perform as a strolling group.

Old-time music fans can catch kickin' fiddle tunes from The Zinc Kings and The Gate City Railbenders, both formed by UNCG Old Time Ensemble alumni. The Zinc Kings, which includes director of UNCG's Old Time Ensemble, Christen Blanton-Mack, will perform at 308 Elm St. near the new pop-up Spartan Shop, and the Railbenders will be farther south, at 602 Elm St., near Lewis St.

In search of Spartan singer/songwriters? Near Washington St, you'll find Laura Jane Vincent who writes ballads of strength, loss, and triumph and near Gate City Blvd, Jessica Mashburn (seen in visual at last year's festival), whose repertoire spans from jazz standards to pop classics.

The Radials will play by February One Place, offering their Americana roots music with a modern twist. The band includes UNCG alumni Shawn Patch and Lisa Dames.

UNCG is a sponsor of this year's Festival of Lights.

Check out locations of performers, and find more information here:

<https://downtownindecember.org/festival-of-lights-event-information>

*By Susan Kirby-Smith*

## Donate gifts for Spartans through Angel Tree



Five Spartan families have been selected for the UNCG Angel Tree, sponsored by Staff Senate. The donations through the Angel Tree will make the families' holiday season a brighter one.

The families are all affiliated with UNCG either as students or staff.

Visit [www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d4da4a69-angel](http://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d4da4a69-angel) to learn more and see needed items for each family.

At that site, find a particular item/items you would like to purchase, sign up, and shop. Then contact one of the listed volunteers to arrange a time to drop off your donation.

The deadline to bring in the items is Dec. 7.

Donations of gift cards are also welcome. The organizers ask that if they are meant for a specific family that they be clearly marked.

Those who'd like to volunteer for the The Angel Tree wrapping party may contact [ksstamey@uncg.edu](mailto:ksstamey@uncg.edu).

Again, the sign-up for particular items for family members is at <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/70a0d4da4a69-angel>.

(See also item in early Campus Weekly: How can individuals at UNCG help some Moss Street families have a brighter holiday season? Moss Street Partnership School Angel Tree Sign-Up is [here](#).)

## Dr. Sherine Obare will be dean of JSNN



Dr. Sherine O. Obare, a recognized leader in nanoscience and materials chemistry research and STEM education, has been selected to lead the Joint School of Nanoscience and Nanoengineering (JSNN), the prestigious academic collaboration

Currently the associate vice president for research and a professor of chemistry at Western Michigan University, Obare will become the school's second permanent dean, succeeding founding Dean James Ryan, who stepped down over the summer. Obare will begin in her new role on Jan. 14, 2019. Obare will also serve as a tenured professor of Nanoscience at UNCG.

"JSNN offers innovative, cross-disciplinary graduate programs and Dr. Obare's experience in research gives her the knowledge to continue our growth in education and research excellence," said N.C. A&T Provost and Executive Vice Chancellor Beryl McEwen.

"There is tremendous opportunity for innovation at the JSNN, and Dr. Obare brings the academic experience, research expertise and creative vision required to help our universities and our region maximize the potential of this unique School," said UNCG Provost Dr. Dana Dunn.

Obare has established an internationally recognized and externally funded research program that has fostered successful collaborations in chemistry and environmental engineering globally. She has received many awards and accomplishments including the National Science Foundation CAREER award, the Mary McLeod Bethune Award for Science and Technology, and the American Competitiveness and Innovation Fellowship of the National Science Foundation. She has also been named one of the top 25 women professors in the state of Michigan by Online Schools Michigan. Her research work lies in the area of designing nanoscale materials for drug delivery, environmental remediation, improved healthcare, alternative energy, and in developing strategies to improve STEM education.

In addition to her work as associate vice president for research, Obare serves as a research leader fellow at the American Public and Land-Grant University Council on Research. She's served previously as associate chair of chemistry and graduate advisor at Western Michigan.

She earned her B.S. in chemistry with a minor in biology from West Virginia State University

and her Ph.D. in inorganic/analytical chemistry from University of South Carolina. Her postdoctoral education in chemistry and environmental engineering was completed at The Johns Hopkins University.

## Starfish updates for December 2018

With the fall semester coming to a close, the Students First Office would like to wish students, staff, and faculty a productive and restorative winter break. As the University prepares for a new term, we would like to remind the campus community of important information about the Starfish early alert and scheduling technology.

### Starfish Features & Winter Break Schedule

- **November 28:** Last day of Fall 2018 classes; instructors may continue issuing flags, *kudos*, and referrals through December 6 (final day of exams)
- **December 7:** December Commencement; all Fall 2018 flags, *kudos*, and referrals will be cleared (*Note: Cleared tracking items will remain available for historical viewing until the start of spring term*)
- **December 8:** Winter term courses begin; flags, *kudos*, and select referrals will remain available for instructors to issue to students enrolled in Winter Term courses
- **December 22-January 1:** UNCG Closed for Winter Break, reopens on January 2, 2019

Online appointment scheduling will remain available over the winter break to all faculty and staff who post availability on their Starfish calendars. Faculty and staff who will be away from campus during this time should remove all calendar availability prior to leaving to prevent scheduling conflicts.

### Starfish Support & Training

For Starfish assistance, please email [starfish@uncg.edu](mailto:starfish@uncg.edu). Please note that Starfish support will be unavailable when the University is closed December 22, 2018- January 1, 2019. Individuals, groups, or departments who would like to request a Starfish training session should send an email request to [starfish@uncg.edu](mailto:starfish@uncg.edu)

Students, staff, and instructors are encouraged to explore UNCG's [Starfish website](#) for additional information about Starfish and available training guides.

## Innovative STAMPS program builds STEM Community

It can be a misleading name: [The Science, Technology and Math Preparation Scholarships Program](#), known on campus as “STAMPS.”

Yes, the program offers scholarships to UNC Greensboro students in the sciences with financial need. But there’s more – the [nationally-recognized program](#) provides faculty and peer mentorship, first-year seminars, undergraduate research opportunities, field trips, guest speakers, and an engaged, interdisciplinary community of current and future leaders in STEM.

The program, supported by the National Science Foundation (NSF) and University funds, has proven to be well worth the investment since its launch in 2010. The first cohort had, approximately, a 90% four-year graduation rate in the sciences. The remaining 10% of students in the program also graduated in four years, just in other disciplines.

“The whole point is to build a community where students feel a part of something,” said Dr. Jeff Patton, professor of geography and co-director of the program along with Dr. Lynn Sametz. “That leads to success.”

Patton explains that if you look at retention and graduation rates for STEM disciplines, they are, somewhat surprisingly, lower than overall University rates.

“A lot of students leave the sciences after their first year,” he said. “I think a lot of them come in with one single idea of what science is, and one goal in mind – perhaps to be a doctor or a veterinarian. When they discover that’s not really what they want to do, they leave the sciences all together. This program shows them all the other things they can do with science.”

See full story and great visuals [at UNCG Now](#).

## Alumni gift \$1 million to School of Education and Bryan School

UNC Greensboro has received a \$1 million planned gift from Celia Gomedela Jolley '71 and David Styles Jolley '76 MA to fund two scholarship endowments – one in business and one in education. The donation is in addition to a planned gift already in place by the alumni couple.

“David and Celia have been strong supporters of the Bryan School, and this gift demonstrates that to the world,” said Dr. McRae Banks, dean of the [UNCG Bryan School of Business and](#)

**Economics.** “Their commitment will be transformative for the school and students as we strive to have an even greater impact on the world.”

David also gifted an additional \$26,000 to the [UNCG School of Education \(SOE\)](#) in honor of his wife’s birthday: \$1,000 to the [Inspirational Educators](#) endowment and \$25,000 to the Celia Gomedela Jolley and David Styles Jolley Scholarship in Education, which was established in 2016.

“This is an amazing gift, as it will provide critical support for recruiting highly talented students into the teaching profession and advancing the field of education,” said SOE Dean Randy Penfield. “We are grateful to the Jolleys for their leadership at UNCG.”

The SOE launched the Inspirational Educators initiative this fall to recognize the significant impact educators have made in the lives of students. The goal is to honor 1,000 educators and create an endowment of \$1 million. Each year, annual interest from the new endowment will fund merit-based scholarships and awards for SOE students.

## Applying for Faculty First Awards

Applications for Faculty First Awards are due February 28. Learn more about the [awards](#) and successful applications at workshops today or tomorrow (November 28th or November 29th [workshops](#).)

Learn more :

Wed., 11/28, 9:00-10:30 AM, 1607 MHRA OR

Thurs., 11/29, 2:00-3:30 PM, 1607 MHRA

Register at <https://workshops.uncg.edu>.

Application deadline is Tuesday, February 28. Faculty First Awards are offered to tenure-track and tenured faculty in the form of “Tenure-Track Faculty First Awards” and “Tenured Faculty First Awards.” Faculty may apply for Faculty First Awards from January 1, 2018, through February 28, 2019, at 5 pm. Faculty First Awards typically fund summer scholarship and require participation in a Spring 2020 presentation event. See more at <http://research.uncg.edu/internal-grants-and-awards>.

## Do you know what can be recycled at UNCG?



Electronic waste includes batteries, ink toner cartridges, CDs/floppy discs, electronics, and cell phones. Locations for electronic waste recycling are located on the second floor of the EUC by the ATMs, the lobby of the Mossman building, outside of the Office of Sustainability in the Moran Commons, and near the entrance Kaplan Athletic Center. The recycling of these materials is especially helpful in reducing the amount of

hazardous chemicals that are placed in landfills.

There are also many locations for commingled recycling at different locations around the campus. Items that can be placed within the commingled recycling bins include glass, aluminum, paper, cardboard, plastics, and steel. These bins are in every building. Some are divided into two sides with indication of what waste goes where. Need help sorting out what can and can't be recycled in UNCG's commingled collection? Check out the City of Greensboro's Waste Wizard! UNCG and the City collect the same materials.

A new and exciting component of the waste-reducing efforts on campus has recently made its debut! Plastic bag recycling bins have been placed in Kaplan, Moran Commons, and EUC!

Last year, thanks to your efforts, UNCG diverted 45% of our waste from the landfill! Want to keep up with sustainability on campus? Follow us on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram: @SustainableUNCG

Link for Greensboro's Waste Wizard:

<https://www.greensboro-nc.gov/departments/field-operations/recycle>

Social media links:

<https://twitter.com/SustainableUNCG>

<https://www.facebook.com/SustainableUNCG/>

<https://www.instagram.com/sustainableuncg/>

## Staff Senate's Habitat for Humanity volunteer opportunity

On Friday, December 14, Staff Senate will be helping families build and improve places to call

home. The work will be indoors on a vinyl floor installation. No experience is necessary. Lunch will be provided.

Contact Katherine Stamey at [ksstamey@uncg.edu](mailto:ksstamey@uncg.edu) if interested in volunteering.

## **In memoriam: Doris Hulbert**

Doris Hulbert, University Librarian at UNCG from 1989-2004, died on November 11, 2018. She received her BA and MA in English from Montclair State University and her MLS from Indiana University. Prior to her appointment as University Librarian she served as Associate Director and Head of Circulation at the UNCG Libraries. Before coming to UNCG in 1980, she worked at the University of Delaware and Indiana University after a teaching career.

Hulbert oversaw significant accomplishments during her tenure as University Librarian. The Libraries acquired its one-millionth volume in 2001. In 2002, Jackson Library was named a Literary Landmark by Friends of Libraries USA. She was particularly proud of the establishment of the Women Veterans Historical Project in 1998. And, the Libraries qualified to join the Association of Southeastern Research Libraries (ASERL) which provided expanded resource sharing opportunities.

The Libraries underwent numerous changes under Hulbert's leadership. The first online catalog was unveiled in 1994 and an instructional computer lab constructed in 1995. The Libraries moved from being entirely print-based to incorporating a wide variety of online databases, journals and e-books. Services expanded to include distance learners as well as on-campus students. The Harold Schiffman Music Library was established in 1999 when the Music Building was completed and the Connector between Jackson Library and the Elliott University Center planned and opened in 2005 just after her retirement in 2004.

[See the obituary.](#)

[See archival article from 2004.](#)

## **Next Coffee with Veterans Wednesday, Nov. 28**

On Nov. 28th at 8:30 a.m., the UNCG Alumni Association's Military and Veteran Alumni Society will host a Coffee with Veterans in the Jackson Library. Curator Beth Ann Koelsch will present the Women Veterans Historical Project to attendees. Alumni, students, faculty, and staff are all invited, but must RSVP [here](#).

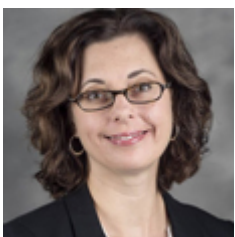
This event is co-sponsored by the University Libraries.

## Newsmakers: Late November 2018

Whether researchers with timely insights or students with outstanding stories, members of the UNCG community appear in print, web and broadcast media every day. Here is a sampling of UNCG-related stories in the news and media over the past weeks:

- UNCG was featured in [this report](#) on the PBS Newshour web site. Prospective students in rural areas far from UNCG can take a virtual reality tour of campus through a GEAR UP initiative.
- UNCG is the top university in [this story](#) on Universities.com for our intriguing online course Major Concepts in Biology. The course takes its inspiration from the television show “Lost.”
- Fox8 featured UNCG’s relationship with Moss Street School, with comments from Chancellor Gilliam, co-director Christina O’Connor and others. [The article.](#)
- The News & Record wrote a feature about the School of Education’s new Inspirational Educators program. [The piece.](#)
- UNCG Police Dog Tink is back in action after lung surgery, Fox8 reported [here](#).
- Higher Ed Works Foundation published a feature on the Moss Street school, with commentary from Christina O’Connor, Chancellor Gilliam and attendees and employees of the school. [The piece.](#)
- Spectrum News covered the opening of the new Bestway Marketplace in Spartan Village and its impact on the surrounding Glenwood community. [The piece.](#)

## Dr. Nancy Hodges gets international honor



Dr. Nancy Hodges (CARS) received the 2018 Distinguished Scholar Award from the International Textile and Apparel Association (ITAA) on November 8. ITAA is the primary academic association for faculty in the textiles and apparel field.

Hodges gave the keynote address titled “Research as a Magnificent Obsession: Encouraging Textile and Apparel Scholarship within a Culture of Mentoring” at the annual conference in Cleveland, Ohio.

She has published more than 50 peer-reviewed journal articles, more than 90 proceedings, and given more than 150 presentations at national and international conferences. She was the 2010 UNCG recipient of the UNC Board of Governors Award for Teaching Excellence and the 2013 recipient of the Graduate School’s Outstanding Faculty Mentor Award.

She has been on the faculty at UNCG since 1998 and is currently the Department Head and Burlington Industries Professor in the Department of Consumer, Apparel, and Retail Studies (CARS).

## Dr. Tyreasa Washington



**Dr. Tyreasa Washington (Department of Social Work)** lectured on “Examining Maternal and Paternal Involvement as Promotive Factors of Competence in African American Children in Informal Kinship Care” at The University of KwaZulu-Natal (UKZN) in South Africa.

Addressing social work staff and students, Washington said: “Grandparents or other relatives are raising over 2.7 million children in the United States and research suggests that the birth parents of these children maintain varying levels of involvement with them and their relative caregivers. However, the impact of birth parental involvement on children’s developmental outcomes remains largely unexplored.”

She discussed the role of maternal and paternal involvement – each birth parent’s contact with the caregiver, contact with the child, friendliness to the caregiver, and quality of relationship with the child – on competence levels of African American children in informal kinship care. “Exploring these relationships is pivotal, especially given the various psychosocial benefits associated with social and academic competence,” said Washington.

She is associate professor in Social Work and principal investigator of the Kinship Care Pilot Study.

See full story [here](#).

## Erin Lawrimore



**Erin Lawrimore (University Libraries)** received two awards from Archive-It as part of the first “Pitch a Collection” contest. Each award consists of 100GB of storage to build collections on topics that are interesting, unique and underrepresented, and fall outside of the University’s current web archive collection development policy. The two projects that will make use of the storage are related to UNCG University Libraries’ Well Crafted NC and the nationwide [Brewing History Consortium](#). “Archives of Beer and Brewing” will focus on documenting websites of breweries across the U.S. “Beer Bloggers Archive” will focus on prominent national beer blogs. Next year, Lawrimore will write a post for the Archive-It blog about these collections and how they tie into other University Libraries collections.

## Erin Ellis Harrison

**Erin Ellis Harrison**, University Speaking Center assistant director and Communication Studies faculty member, is the 2018-19 chair of the Communication Centers Section of the National Communication Association (NCA). The NCA is the largest professional organization of the communication discipline.

The Communication Centers Section of the National Communication Association () encourages and facilitates the exchange of scholarly and professional knowledge about issues related to communication centers, including communication theory and methodology, speech communication, and other disciplines related to the study of human communication.

She has worked at the University Speaking Center since 2007 and has served as assistant director of the Speaking Center since 2011.

## Looking ahead: Nov. 28, 2018

### UNCG Old Time Ensemble Concert

Wednesday, November 28, 7:30 p.m., Organ Hall

### Reading Day

Thursday, November 29

### Chancellor's Holiday Open House

Thursday, November 29, noon, Alumni House (remarks at 1:00 p.m.)

### Exams begin

Friday, November 30

### Festival of Lights with UNCG Pop Up Shop

Friday, November 30, 6 p.m., downtown Greensboro

### UNCG Indian Ensemble Concert

Friday, November 30, 7:30 p.m. Recital Hall