Dear Friends…

It was great to see everyone at our annual meeting in St. Simons. I think we had very productive committee meetings and accomplished a great deal during our full board session. I am confident that we are fulfilling the foundation’s mission of supporting development efforts and providing fiduciary care of donor funds for the purpose of enhancing academics at the University of Georgia.

This annual meeting (as all annual meetings seem to be) was bittersweet for all of us. We had the opportunity to celebrate the accomplishments of President Adams as he enters his final year leading the university. We also had a chance to thank a wonderful group of outgoing trustees who have given so much of themselves personally and professionally to the university and this foundation.

Fortunately, we have another 12 months to work with President Adams on the board and to sharing time with Mary Adams whose many and continuing contributions are greatly appreciated. I look forward to reporting on the good news of our last year with President and Mrs. Adams in newsletters to come.

For those trustees who rotated off the board, you will be missed. Your contributions to the university have been tremendous and, on behalf of the foundation, I offer my heartfelt thanks.

Tempering the sadness of saying goodbye to such good friends is the fact that we also have the opportunity to bring new trustees onto the board. To those individuals, I welcome you and look forward to your active participation in the years ahead.

Thanks again to all of you for your thoughtful, professional collaboration during our time together at the annual meeting. I look forward to seeing everyone at our next session in Athens on September 27 and 28. The fall meeting is always an exciting time as Athens and our beautiful campus are alive with activities and students are back in class working toward degrees at the greatest institution of higher learning in the world. I hope that you will able to join us!

Sincerely,

Bill Young, Jr.
Chairman
UGA Foundation Says Goodbye to Old Friends …

The University of Georgia Foundation’s annual meeting in St. Simons marked the last official duties fulfilled by a tremendous group of trustees whose terms concluded on June 30, 2012. I could write an entire newsletter devoted to these great folks. They have all given generously of their time, resources and personal finances, and the foundation is better today as a result of their efforts.

Thank you to our outgoing trustees: Garry Bridgeman, Bob Bishop, David Boyd, Otis Brumby, Maxine Burton, Jim Butler, David Chatham, Chet Davenport, Bob Edge, Don Edwards, Ben Hall, Julie Hunt, Tommy Lawhorne, Steve Selig, Bub Way and Jane Willson.

We owe you all a deep debt of gratitude and I encourage each of you to stay in touch with us and to join any and all upcoming UGA Foundation events in your new roles as emeritus trustees.

I would be remiss if I also didn’t acknowledge Mallory Davis and Scott Shamp, ex-officio trustees, and Betty Hudson and Betty King, advisory trustees. These are four outstanding individuals whose terms on the board also have concluded. Their hard work and dedication to advancing the foundation’s mission is sincerely appreciated and we wish you all the very best in your future endeavors!

It was my great privilege to present each of our outgoing trustees with custom paintings of the arch at the board’s recent annual meeting. Jane Willson, who has been one of the foundation’s most active trustees and one of the university’s most generous benefactors, used the occasion to bid a fond farewell to her many friends on the board. Jane, you will be greatly missed by all of us and we are hopeful you will remain active in foundation activities as an emeritus trustee.

… and the UGA Foundation welcomes new trustees

One of the great joys of being part of this foundation is having the opportunity to bring new trustees into our organization each year and it is my honor to welcome the following individuals:

- **Neal Quirk** - Elected trustee. Neal is a partner in the Atlanta-based law firm of Quirk & Quirk, LLC.
• **Vic Corrigan, MD** – Advisory trustee. Vic is a physician in Atlanta Cardiology Group, PC.
• **Barry Storey** – Advisory Trustee. Barry is co-owner of Hull Storey Gibson Companies, an Augusta-based commercial real estate enterprise.
• **Brenda Thompson, PhD** – Advisory trustee. Brenda is a longtime and well-known patron of the arts in Georgia who serves on the board of advisors for the Georgia Museum of Art.
• **Nelson Hilton** – Ex-officio trustee. Nelson is chairman of the executive committee of the University Council.
• **Will Burgess** – Ex-officio trustee. Will is president of the UGA Student Government Association.

In addition, four outstanding individuals who have served the foundation ably as advisory trustees, have begun their first terms as elected trustees:

• **Kathryn Ash** – Kathryn is an interior designer and owner of Kathryn Ash Interiors in Charlotte, North Carolina. In addition to her service to the foundation, she is a member of the advisory board for the UGA Honors Program.
• **Greg Gregory** – Greg is the retired founder, president and CEO of Industrial Developments International one of the largest real estate developers in North America.
• **Rusty Lindner** – Rusty is the chairman and CEO of The Forge Company, a Washington, DC-based commercial real estate company that specializes in large scale parking enterprises.
• **Robert Stolz** – Robert is CEO of Charlotte, North Carolina-based Wurth Group North America, a world leading distributor of products serving the cabinet and woodworking industry.

We are honored to have each of you on the board and look forward to working with you and sharing in great accomplishments!

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**UGA Costa Rica awarded funding by National Science Foundation**

The National Science Foundation (NSF) recently informed the university that it has chosen to award UGA Costa Rica a Field Stations and Marine Laboratories (FSML) facilities grant of approximately $120,000.

The NSF funds are designated for renovation and improvements to the laboratory on campus *(left)*. This is an immediate and critical need which can be addressed after a few details are worked out with the NSF and the final funding amount is determined and awarded.

Our sincere thanks to the NSF for their careful consideration of UGA Costa Rica’s request and for fulfilling a major funding need that will go a long way toward keeping the Central American campus as one of UGA’s top travel-study destinations.
Foundation Fellows and Ramsey Scholars continue to impress

Associate Provost and Director of the Honors Program at UGA, Dr. David Williams, reported at the UGA Foundation’s recently concluded annual meeting that 2012 has been one of the best years ever for attracting some of America’s very best students to Athens. Twenty-six high-achieving scholars accepted Foundation Fellowships and nine more were awarded Ramsey Honors Scholarships, two of the most prestigious academic awards in higher education. The incoming fall class of fellows boasts an average GPA of 4.16, an average SAT score of 1,540 and all who took the ACT exam scored a perfect 36. The Ramsey Scholars have equally eye-popping academic credentials, with an average GPA of 4.15, an average SAT score of 1,543 and an average ACT score of 35.

Being chosen for a Foundation Fellowship or a Ramsey Honors Scholarship is not only based on outstanding academic records but also on a student’s scholastic and civic leadership, and achievements in extra-curricular activities. This year’s class includes 18 Foundation Fellows and five Ramsey Scholars from Georgia with eleven states represented by the other scholarship winners. Many apply, but few are chosen. We are truly honored to have this outstanding group of students coming to Athens this fall!

A note about our outgoing Foundation Fellows and Ramsey Scholars….

Of the 2012 graduates, students have moved on to such prestigious destinations as University of Chicago School of Medicine, Vanderbilt University School of Medicine, University of Virginia School of Medicine, Emory University, UCLA, Harvard and international study opportunities in China, Great Britain, France and the Middle East, among many. Other students have chosen to enter the workforce and have accepted positions on Wall Street, in Washington, D.C. and in other destinations from Atlanta to Boston.
Emeritus Trustee is proud grandfather of an Emmy awarding winning actor

We always like to hear good news about our kids and grandkids and I’m sure Abit and Kayanne Massey are extraordinarily proud of their grandson Chandler Massey. He’s one of Hollywood’s rising young stars who is now an Emmy award winner. Chandler, who plays the role of "Will Horton" on the long-running daytime television show Days of our Lives, was honored recently as the Best Younger Actor in a Drama Series. Grandfather Abit, of course, is a former head of the UGA Alumni Association and one of our most active emeritus trustees.

UGA Foundation Trustees adopt formal giving plan for board members

I was extremely gratified at our annual meeting (below) that a formal trustee giving plan was adopted by unanimous vote of the board. It is a privilege to be a trustee of the University of Georgia Foundation and that honor comes with a number of important responsibilities, not the least of which is providing financial support for the university. Our board members, past and present, have been extremely generous in offering gifts to the university, but until now, we had no formal giving policy with regard to what is expected of our elected trustees.

Special thanks to John Spalding, our vice chairman, who also chairs the Fundraising sub-committee of the Development and Public Affairs Committee. He and the sub-committee developed a concise plan that provides clear guidelines for trustee support in three areas; annual giving, planned gifts and major or campaign gifts. A handout with details on the giving plan and frequently asked questions was provided to all trustees at the meeting.

Highlights of the points in the proposal include:

- **Annual giving** – A trustee is expected to make an annual gift every year. The suggested annual amount is $10,000; the minimum required is $5,000.
- **Planned gift** – A trustee who does not already have a planned gift documented with the UGA Foundation should consider committing to establishing one during his or her term of service. The suggested minimum for trustee planned gifts is $25,000.
- **Major campaign gift** – During their term of service, a trustee should offer a major gift or make a pledge to be paid over no more than five years. The suggested minimum is $100,000.

If you need a copy of the aforementioned handout which provides additional details, please contact Chip Stewart chips@uga.edu or Karin Usry kursy@uga.edu and they will be happy to email it to you.
A fine example of trustee giving

With the board giving unanimous approval to a formal giving plan at the June annual meeting, it is certainly worth noting that many of our trustees have long been generous benefactors of the university and have set fine examples we all should seek to emulate. Most recently, our dear friends Harriet (right) and Edus Warren made a planned gift of $1 million to the university. The gift is to endow two distinguished professorships, one in French and the second in Modern European History. Harriet, of course, is a trustee of the foundation and believes private support is essential for the university.

“We’re living in an era of lean years in the U.S. economy, which has resulted in a decline in government funding for higher education, therefore, I think it is very important for those of us who are graduates to give back to the University of Georgia,” Harriet said. “If we want UGA to remain among the top public universities in America, private support is essential to helping attract and retain outstanding faculty, which will help bring the best and brightest students to Athens.”

Thank you Harriet and Edus, we are truly grateful for your generosity!

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February 21-22, 2013: UGA Foundation winter board meeting
Various campus sites in Athens

February 22-23, 2013: Foundation Fellows interview weekend
Various campus sites in Athens

February 28, 2013: UGA Board of Visitors meeting
Atlanta History Center
Atlanta
11:30 AM – 1:00 PM

May 10, 2013: Spring semester commencement
Graduate ceremony – 10:00 AM Stegeman Coliseum
Undergraduate ceremony – 7:00 PM Sanford Stadium (rain or shine)

May 16, 2013 UGA Board of Visitors meeting
Visual & Performing Arts Center on the UGA Campus in Athens
10:00 AM – 1:00 PM

June 20-21, 2013: UGA Foundation spring/summer board meeting
St. Simons Island, Georgia

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