

Congress, Representative Carter is serving his first term in the United States House of Representatives. He is a member of the Education and the Workforce Committee, as well as the committees on Homeland Security and Oversight and Government Reform.

John R. Potts III, MD, spoke at the afternoon ceremony. A Fellow of the American College of Surgeons, the Southern Surgical Association, the American Surgical Association and the Southeastern Surgical Congress, Dr. Potts became the Senior Vice President for Surgical Accreditation at the Accreditation Council for Graduate Medical Education in 2012.

In honor of the graduating students, the College hosted a Commencement Dinner Dance at the Infinite Energy Center on May 24.

Public funding entity names Joe Allen of Gwinnett Place as president



The Partnership Gwinnett Public Funding Entity (PFE) has elected Gwinnett Place Community Improvement District Executive Director Joe Allen, pictured at right, as president of the PFE's Board of Directors. Allen was also selected by the Gwinnett County Board of Commissioners to represent the Gwinnett Place CID on the Gwinnett County Redevelopment Agency as the Community Improvement District (CID) appointment.

Two students from Gwinnett get nominations to Naval Academy

Senator David Perdue has announced the appointments of 19 Georgia students nominated by his office to the United States Service Academies. On Monday, June 6, Senator Perdue will be holding a breakfast in honor of the young women and men who have been nominated and offered an appointment to one of the United States Service Academies. Two students from Gwinnett are his nominees to the U.S. Naval Academy in Annapolis. They are Andrew Murphy from Lawrenceville and Christopher Lumley of Buford.

Brenau University begins new class at School of Nursing

Sixty-three students from four countries and 10 states began work May 16 toward Bachelor of Science in Nursing degrees in what a Brenau University School of Nursing professor described as one of the most experienced classes in the program's history.



This is the first group to enroll in the Brenau nursing program since the Georgia Board of Nursing, which licenses all nurses that practice in the state, in March extended full approval of the program through 2021. All members pursue the same degree on virtually the same schedule. Brenau nursing programs also operates with full approval of the Washington, D.C.-based Commission on Collegiate Nursing Education, the federal government-sanctioned national accrediting agency.

More than half of the prospective nurses in the May cohort came from the Brenau undergraduate pre-nursing program. However, several others have bachelor's or master's degrees in other fields.

School of Nursing Director Dina Hewett said Brenau attracts nontraditional students because of the experienced faculty, robust curriculum, ample opportunities for clinical educational experiences and the university's investment in health care technology, including its innovative patient simulation center.