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Glynn Academy Alumni receives donation from "Class of 1963"



(Photo and article
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Brunswick News)

At its 50th reunion event at the King and Prince Beach & Golf Resort on St. Simons in April, the Glynn Academy Class of 1963 auctioned a framed original placemat from the historic Oglethorpe Hotel.

Proceeds were donated to the restoration project for the historic Glynn Academy building now located on the GA campus. Plans call for the two-story building to provide space for public functions as well as archives for the Glynn Academy Alumni Association.

(Pictured with the historic building in the background are Glynn Academy Assistant Principal *Diann Meeks*, from left, Glynn Academy Alumni Association President *Ruby Robinson*, *JoAnn German Jordan*, who coordinated the auction, *Phyllis Youmans Strange*, who donated the placemat, and *Diana Cason*, Class of 1963 representative.)

Glynn Grad a Winner



2013 Glynn Academy graduate Katy Harris won the Georgia Junior PGA Championship on Tuesday at Cusowilla Golf Resort in Eatonton. Harris, a resident of St. Simons Island, shot 3-under 141 in the 36-hole event to claim the overall girls championship by one shot. The win qualifies Harris for the 38th Junior PGA Championship held July 30-Aug. 2 at Trump National Golf Club - Washington D.C. in Potomac Falls, Va.

(Courtesy of Brunswick News)

Glynn students win award



Pictured are *Will Snyder*, Social Studies, from back row left, *Will Scott*, Latin, *Scott Spencer*, Glynn Academy principal, *Skye Pullen*, fine arts, from front row left, *Ignacio Sanchez*, modern foreign language, *Korie McQueen*, technical/career, and *John Morrison*, mathematics. Not pictured are *Valeria Vega*, English, and *Dominique Weston*, Science.

Eight members of the Glynn Academy Class of 2014 recently received Kinion-Davis Awards, given annually by the school's academic departments to the juniors who rank at the top of each subject. Each award - worth \$100 - is given by the great grandchildren of Adelyn Harris Davis and Eleanor Weber Kinion, two former public school teachers in Georgia and California.

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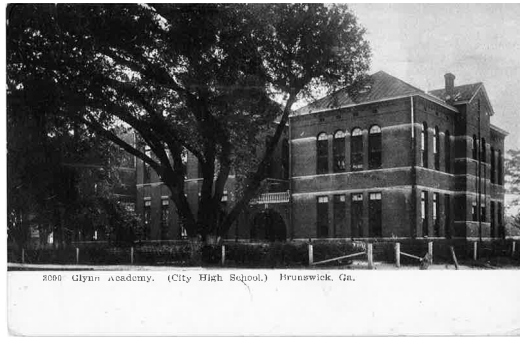
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Glynn Academy 1906
(City High School at that time)



Glynn Academy 1909
(Now the Prep Building)

CLASS of 1954

60th CLASS REUNION

March 28-29, 2014

Friday Night - Mud Cat Charlies

Saturday - Lunch at Twin Oaks

Saturday Night - The King & Prince

WALL PLAQUE PRICE REDUCTION

The Alumni Wall in front of the main building already contains several plaques that have been sponsored by various classes, listing their members and date of graduation. GAAA treasurer Ken Trobaugh recommended to the board that, since we have repaid the school for construction of the wall, we can reduce the price of space on the wall. The board approved the reduced fee of \$700 per foot of width. (This does not include the cost of the plaque.) We hope other classes will participate in this lasting commemoration – and perhaps families who have had multiple generations graduate from our alma mater.

The wall construction also included a section running down the east side of the main building, as part of Memorial Plaza. For those who wish to sponsor a plaque as a lasting remembrance of a student or staff member who died while at Glynn Academy, space on this Memorial Wall is available for a fixed fee of \$1000 for a space 15” high by 12” wide.

If you're interested, contact Ken at ktrobaugh@comcast.net or 638-2142 for more information, including suggestions for where to purchase your plaque, and cost estimates.

Glynn Academy senior named county STAR student

Jonah Driggers, a senior at Glynn Academy, was named the STAR student for Glynn County by the Professional Association of Georgia Educators (PAGE) Foundation. The Student Teacher Achievement Recognition (STAR) program honors Georgia’s outstanding high school seniors and the teachers who have been most instrumental in their academic development. Every accredited high school in Georgia is eligible to participate in the STAR program. To obtain the STAR nomination for his or her school system, a high school senior must have the highest score on the three-part SAT and be in the top 10 percent or top 10 students of their class based on grade point average. Each high school STAR Student is asked to name his or her STAR Teacher. Jonah selected Andrea Walters, his 10th-grade honors American literature teacher. The Glynn County Board of Education recognized Jonah and Ms. Walters at its April 16 board meeting.



From left: Andrea Walters, Glynn County Schools Superintendent Howard Mann, Jonah Driggers and Glynn Academy Principal Scott Spence.
(Photo courtesy Jim Weidhaas GC School System)

Congratulations to the faculty, administration and students

ACT Score Trends for Glynn County, Georgia and the United States, 2005-2013

<u>Year</u>	<u>United States</u>	<u>Georgia</u>	<u>Glynn County</u>	<u>BHS</u>	<u>Glynn Academy</u>
2005	20.9	20.0	20.1	18.4	21.0
2006	21.1	20.2	20.3	19.3	20.8
2007	21.2	20.3	20.6	20.3	20.8
2008	21.1	20.6	20.7	20.5	20.8
2009	21.1	20.3	20.6	19.5	21.3
2010	21.0	20.7	20.0	19.1	20.8
2011	21.1	20.6	19.8	18.6	20.8
2012	21.1	20.7	19.2	18.2	20.3
2013	20.9	20.7	19.4	18.6	20.1

Glynn Academy Alumni Website

The newly revamped Glynn Academy Alumni website is up and running on www.gaalumni.org. Among it’s new features are:

- The current newsletter is now available on the website.
- You can download a membership application and a “Buy A Brick” form, as well as make a donation online securely thru Paypal.
- A private Glynn Academy Alumni only social network where alumni can interact with each other without outside spammer solicitations.
- A link to Glynn Academy Alumni Association newsletters and archives.
- A link to the Glynn Academy Store where G.A. souvenirs and memorabilia may be purchased with the proceeds actually going to support Glynn Academy instead of enriching the hucksters who sell similar items on the shill website that is posing as a Glynn Academy Alumni web site currently running on Alumni.com.

www.gaalumni.org

THE SPOTLIGHT



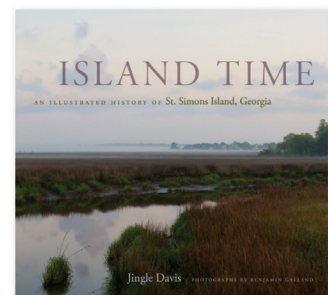
Top Row - Left to right - Coach C.M. Page, Mitchell Mavromat, Archie Fields, Bobby Torras, Laurence Snelling, Mike Reu, Joe Counts, John Sinkhorn, Walter Pittman, Eddie McLain, Jack Jarriell, Tex Woods, Cecil Phillips, Assistant Coach Chuck Palmer. Second Row - Left to right - Linwood Roberts, Jimmy Maddison, Hillman Rhodes, Eddie Dykes, Robert Miller, Jimmie Peerson, John Law, George Ashmore, Carl Croft, Guerry Stribbling. Third Row - Left to right - James Engle, Janitor, Dan Spell, Roy Spores, Malcolm Flanders, Lee Owens, Bob Sherman, Elton Hinson, Bill Brigman, Bill Moss, Noel Green, Quinton Slaughter, Sonny George.

AUTHOR BIO

Jingle Davis is the author of *Island Time: An Illustrated History of St. Simons Island, Georgia*. Featuring more than two hundred contemporary photographs, historical images, and maps, *Island Time* is an essential book for people interested in the Georgia coast. Jingle Davis, a Glynn Academy Class of 1960 graduate, is a retired journalist who worked for the Atlanta Journal-Constitution, often covering south Georgia and the coast. *Photographs by Benjamin Galland, Glynn Academy Class of 2000 graduate.*



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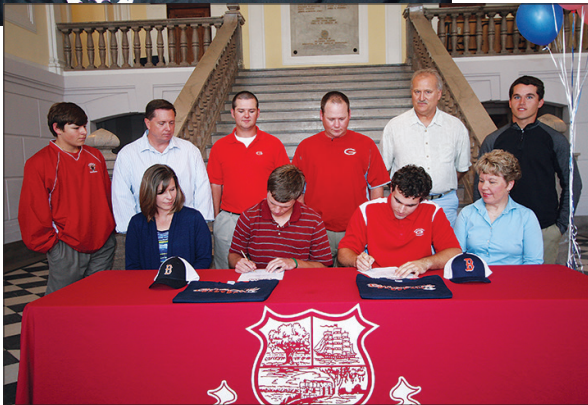


Red Terrors sign to play



Surrounded by family and friends, Glynn Academy senior Elizabeth Burns (seated third from left) signed a letter of intent to play golf for Oglethorpe University in Atlanta on a Presidential Academic Scholarship with Recognition. She is also one of 10 female state finalists for the Vincent J. Dooley Award. Elizabeth has played on two GA Lady Terrors state championship golf teams in 2010 and 2011. She has lettered in golf all four years at Glynn Academy. She carries a 4.2 academic average. With her during the signing (seated from left): her father, Alan Burns, the Glynn Academy Golf Coach John Bennett, and her mother Gloria Burns. Standing from left are: Beau Edenfield, her Sea Palms instructor, Diana Cason, who coached GA ladies golf in 2009, her brother, Al Burns, and Glynn County School System Athletic Director, Steve Waters. Waters coached the GA Ladies golf team until 2010.

Above:
Islander Staff
photo -
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Right:
Islander
Staff photo -
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Also with family and friends, Noah Norton (seated, left center) and Caleb Robinson (right center) are flanked by their mothers, Brenda Norton and JoAnne Robinson, as they both sign letters on intent to play baseball for Brewton-Parker College, Mt. Vernon, Georgia. BPC is in the NAIA's Southern States Athletic Conference. Standing from left: Cody Norton, Noah's brother, his father Mark Norton, Glynn Academy baseball coaches Raynor Nelson and Landon Nelson, Caleb's father Phillip Robinson and his brother, Joshua Robinson. Noah, a right handed pitcher, leads Red Terror pitchers with five wins and one loss. His ERA is 2.17. He plans to study pre-medicine. Caleb plays outfield and is Glynn Academy's DH. He is batting .333 this year and leads the team in doubles with six.

Glynn Academy football signing class grows by four

Four more Glynn Academy football players put pen to paper and signed letters of intent to play college football at the schools of their choice in a ceremony in the school's auditorium.

The moment was especially big for Glynn linebacker Cannon Thomas, who signed to play at University of Pikeville in Kentucky.

"I'm the first one out of my mom's children to go to college, so it feels real good," Thomas said. "It's a big step for my family. It's a blessing."

Thomas was joined on stage by defensive lineman E.J. Booker, who will join his teammate at Pikeville, C.J. Welch, who signed to play at Mississippi Delta Community College and quarterback Preston Delaney, who is headed to play at Huntington College in Montgomery, Ala. The group joins Jonathan Alford and Roby Jernigan, who signed with Fort Scott Community College and Berry College, respectively, on National Signing Day in February.

Booker said having Thomas join him in Pikeville, and NAIA school, adds to the excitement of going to college. "That's even better because most college players don't get their teammates to go to college with them," Booker said. "I'm blessed by that, too."

Thomas led the Glynn Academy defense with 93 tackles, including 83 solo tackles, with one sack, on forced fumble and one fumble recovery in his final season. Booker had 70 total tackles, including 48 solo tackles, to go with four sacks, two forced fumbles, two fumble recoveries and an interception.

"It feels good," Booker said of signing his letter of intent. "It's a dream come true."

Both said they are expecting to deal with some cold weather when fall rolls around. Booker hasn't decided on a major course of study yet, but Thomas is already eyeing his future career.



Glynn Academy seniors C.J. Welch, seated from left, Preston Delaney, Roby Jernigan and standing from left, E.J. Booker, Cannon Thomas and Jonathan Alford pose for a photo during a signing ceremony Tuesday at the school. All six GA football players have signed to play in college.

Vassa Cate

Glynn Academy Class of 1937

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Glynn Academy
Sports Hall of Fame

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VASSA CATE

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BULLDOG CAREER

A dangerous punt returner, Vassa was the star of Georgia's 1937 game with Tulane as a sophomore, returning a punt for a TD that gave UGA the victory. His longest return was for 83 yards vs. Mercer that year, when he was the second leading scorer in the Southeastern Conference. Team captain as a senior, he had a 95-yard kickoff return against South Carolina. Vassa also was SEC champion in the 100-yard dash (9.8) in '38, 220 low hurdles (23.8) in '39 and '40 (24.6). He set a conference low-hurdle record of 23.1 in the '40 trials. Inducted into the Georgia Sports Hall of Fame in 1962.

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'Mong the lordly oaks of Brunswick
Glorious to our view,
Stands our own beloved high school
Basking 'neath the blue

Glynn Academy we will honor
May we never fail!
For thy fame shall never perish
Red and white all hail.

Through the years your loving children
We will always be...
Always to the halls returning
Glynn Academy.

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By Miss Jane Macon



Where Have All The Dollars Gone

Since the Glynn Academy Alumni Association was founded in November 1996, our major expenditures in support of our Alma Mater, (through December 2012) not counting expenses related to annual meetings, newsletters, or fundraisers such as memorial bricks and Evenings of Entertainment:

College Scholarships	\$30,500.00
Gymnasium trophy case and sign	\$19,643.00
Alumni Wall	\$16,500.00
Library Improvements	\$15,739.00
Drama Department	\$2,000.00
Archives	\$3,003.00
Rifle Team	\$1,500.00
State Champ Banners/Gym	\$1,000.00
Monument in Memorial Plaza	\$1,000.00
Hall of Fame plaques	\$717.00
Freshmen T-shirts	\$700.00
G.A. Vietnam Memorial	\$521.00
Band	\$500.00
Debate Team	\$500.00
Star Student	\$500.00
Alumni Hall	<u>\$15,898.20</u>
TOTAL	\$108,221.20

Thanks to your continued support of our Association, we have been able to return to our Alma Mater and average of \$6,365.95 per year.

Thank you,
Ruby Robinson
President

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Continue the legacy...

All former Glynn Academy students are automatically members of the Association. Current and former faculty and other staff members are eligible upon request. Members who provide contact information, such as on this form, will be considered active and will receive periodic newsletters and other communications by email (preferably) or regular mail (if you prefer). A contribution to assist your Association in supporting Glynn Academy's programs and heritage is not required, but would, of course, be helpful and appreciated.

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A Letter From The President...

Dear Fellow Alumni and Friends,

Our rich tradition and history at Glynn Academy continues stronger than ever. Glynn Academy holds the distinction of being the second oldest state chartered high school in Georgia and the fifth oldest in the nation. Founded in 1778, Glynn Academy predates both the oath of office of our first President, George Washington, and the ratification of the United States Constitution. In recognition of its state and national historic significance, Glynn Academy was successfully nominated and placed on the National Register of Historic Places by the Georgia National Register Review Board. An official marker was unveiled in February 2013.

The Glynn Academy Alumni Association has been an active part of this tradition since 1996 and now numbers more than 20,000 strong. For more than 15 years, the GA Alumni Association has generously supported projects that contribute to the continued success of Glynn Academy and its graduates. Among these efforts are the annual award of two \$500 college scholarships to outstanding GA graduates, library improvements, and contributions to athletic teams and the band, as well as to academic field trips that enhance the high school experience of GA students. An ambitious goal of the Association is the completion of the restoration of the white-columned 1840 school building that was relocated to the Glynn Academy campus in 2009. Over the past year, our fundraising efforts have focused, on initiating the interior restoration work needed to complete the historic Alumni Hall. Once open, the stately Alumni Hall will stand as a testament to the more than 230 years of dedication and pride of Glynn Academy alumni and faculty. Details on how to support the Alumni Hall restoration project and our many other efforts are profiled on the pages that follow.

I have spoken with Howard Mann, Superintendent of Schools, and Al Bordreau, Executive Director of Operations and they have assured me that the renovations of the Glynn Academy projects will be completed. I will continue to meet with them and keep everyone informed.

Thank you all for your continued support and interests in our beloved Alma Mater. A special thanks goes to the Class of 1963 for their contribution of \$630.00 to the Alumni Association for the restoration of Alumni Hall. I challenge each class to follow their lead. We will continue to raise money for that project, and hope you will be part of this effort.

If any of you have suggestions or input in the newsletter, please contact me or any other board member.

The Glynn Academy Alumni Association invites all our classmates and faculty who have walked these historic halls to join in this unique legacy. Please contact an Alumni Association Board member or visit our official website at www.gaalumni.org to find out more on how to get connected and opportunities to become involved. Membership in the Alumni Association is free and open to any former Glynn Academy student or teacher. If you are already a member, we thank you for your continued support. If you are not a member yet, we invite you to join our growing legacy of Red Terror pride.

Sincerely,



Ruby Robinson, President, Class of '53