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STATESBORO, Ga. – Jan. 23, 2013 – Georgia Southern University will host three Spring Family Weekends in 2013. The University's Office of Orientation and Parent Programs has events scheduled for February 23 and March 9 in Statesboro and April 20 in Atlanta.

On February 23, families are invited to attend the men's basketball game as the Eagles take on Furman at Hanner Fieldhouse. Family Weekend attendees can buy tickets for \$5 per person, and Georgia Southern students will receive free admission with a valid student ID. The deadline to register is February 15 at 5 p.m.

On March 9, families can see a Georgia Southern baseball game as the Eagles take on Wofford at J.I. Clements Stadium.

These packages cost \$10 each for parents

and guests. It includes a game ticket and a concession pass. University students receive free admission with a valid student ID. The deadline to register is March 1 at 5 p.m.

The third Spring Family Weekend will be April 20 at Stone Mountain Park in Atlanta where families and students can watch the "Lasershow Spectacular in Mountainvision." They will also enjoy a catered dinner and view the laser show from the private Alabama terrace. Tickets cost \$25 per person which includes park admission, dinner, laser show and parking. Tickets for specific attractions at Stone Mountain Park can be purchased using Georgia Southern parent discount rates. The deadline to register is April 8 at 5 p.m.

"We are very excited to provide three Spring Family Weekends and welcome parents back to campus to visit their student," said Erin Campbell, assistant director of admissions, orientation and parent programs. "We are also looking forward to hosting parents and students in Atlanta at Stone Mountain. This will be our first time at this venue, and we are anticipating a lot of excitement about this opportunity."

Campbell encourages parents to reserve their spot and buy tickets early. For a full list of events including dates, times and locations and to purchase tickets, visit students.georgiasouthern.edu/parent. Reservations can also be made by calling the Office of Orientation and Parent Programs at (912) 478-7627.

Georgia Southern University, a Carnegie Doctoral/Research University founded in 1906, offers more than 120 degree programs serving more than 20,500 students. Through eight colleges, the University offers bachelor's, master's and doctoral degree programs built on more than a century of academic achievement. In 2011, the University was named one of the Top 10 most popular universities in the country by *U.S. News & World Report* and is a top choice of Georgia's HOPE scholars. Georgia Southern is recognized for its student-centered approach to education. Visit: www.georgiasouthern.edu.

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SAVANNAH, Ga. – Jan. 23, 2013 – The Herty Advanced Materials Development Center, a world-leader in materials research and product development, will mark its 75th year anniversary in 2013 by celebrating its achievements, milestones and growth. Through a host of activities, Herty will honor the legacy of Dr. Charles H. Herty, whose pioneering work in process chemistry helped create the modern pulp and paper industry in the Southeastern United States. The Herty Center will recognize its long-standing achievements and its industrial partners; the impact it has had on economic growth; and present its exciting new initiatives.

Established by the State of Georgia in 1938, the Herty Center was created to provide research and development support to the pulp and paper industry. Early work at the Herty Center focused on chemical

pulping and the commercialization potential of southern soft woods, and especially southern pine. This work directly enabled the modern pulp and paper industry to develop in Georgia and throughout the Southeast. This industry has evolved to become a key industry within Georgia, topping \$25 billion in output in 2011, providing over 118,000 jobs and generating \$15.1 billion in revenues, with the majority of this coming from pulp and paper manufacturing.

Today, the Herty Center specializes in biomass conversion technologies, advanced non-woven materials, fibers, and pulp and paper operations. Herty is a "new product accelerator" for its clients by offering technical, market, manufacturing and development services.

"The Herty Center is recognized as a global leader in technology development," said Dr. Alexander Koukoulas, President and CEO. "We validate new process and product concepts for industries in a variety of key market sectors including: pulp and paper, chemicals, non-woven materials, and the emerging biomass-to-energy industry. With a solid tradition and recognized reputation in our contract manufacturing capabilities, we also partner with many of our clients to demonstrate new ideas, develop novel products and de-risk the commercialization of new technologies. We have a great track record and look to continue the legacy of quality service, while developing strong partnerships and cooperative agreements that can accelerate new technology development."

The Herty Center also partners with clients to demonstrate new ideas, develop novel products and de-risk the commercialization of new technologies. Looking ahead, Herty is quickly expanding its scope and capabilities into new markets and industrial products, with a particular focus on "green" processes, biomass and alternative energy solutions. In 2011, Georgia Governor Nathan Deal transferred management of Herty to Georgia Southern University (GSU) to enhance economic and business development in the state of Georgia.

According to Dr. Charles Patterson, GSU's Vice-President of Research and Economic Development, "Georgia Southern University is extremely proud to share a long history with Dr. Charles H. Herty. Mature pine trees, located on what is now Georgia Southern University, were used by Dr. Herty and his associate, Frank Klarpp, to test their newly developed 'cup and gutter' technique of resin collection, forever changing the forestry industry. The alignment of the Herty Center with Georgia Southern University will advance the applied research and development capabilities of both Herty and the University, while also advancing economic development, manufacturing partnerships and workforce development opportunities throughout Georgia."

Some of the Center's accomplishments include:

- Development of the acid sulfite process based on southern pine
- Development of cellulose acetate from southern pine
- New processing technologies for recycling fiber
- Novel wet-laid industrial non-woven products
- Creation of processes to add strength to building and paper products
- Development of synthetic fabrics for the medical industry
- Development of advanced composites for the transportation industry

The Herty Advanced Materials Development Center has evolved, but it continues to hold true to the fundamentals that Dr. Charles H. Herty established: the need to recognize new concepts, encourage innovation and unlock commercial opportunities. Look for several upcoming announcements and events as we celebrate 75 years of our rich history and prepare for the next 75 years.

For more information on the Herty Advanced Materials Development Center, visit: www.herty.com.

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