

## Geology professor receives great honor

*Jim Reynolds elected to the Board of Directors of the Galapagos Conservancy*

Brevard College Geology Professor Jim Reynolds was elected to the Board of Directors of the Galapagos Conservancy during the board's Nov. 11 meeting in New York City.

Reynolds has led three field trips to the Galapagos Islands, one for Brevard College and two for the Appalachian College Association. The islands, which are a part of Ecuador, straddle the Equator about 600 miles west of the South American mainland.

"The Galapagos Islands are a remarkable natural laboratory for biologists and geologists," said Reynolds, who has taught at Brevard College since 1999. "Every time I go there I feel as though I've been transported to a land that time forgot. I am honored to serve on the Conservancy's Board."

Reynolds plans to lead a second Brevard College trip to the archipelago next summer. A typical visit lasts eight days during which group members live on a yacht that transports them between islands during the night. Daily hikes and snorkeling excursions on the islands and in their surrounding waters introduce the group to a unique flora and fauna as well as volcanoes.

The Galapagos Conservancy is dedicated exclusively to the long-term protection of the Galapagos Islands. This single focus allows the conservancy to maximize the impact of the financial investments of its members, who include individuals and institutions that care deeply about the Galapagos Islands and understand the scientific importance of preserving this extraordinary ecosystem.

Collectively, Conservancy members represent the largest source of private funding for Galapagos conservation. The Conservancy's direct support to on-the-ground research and management has more than doubled since 2004. It is committed to strengthening local institutions and to creating local capacity to ensure long-term protection of the archipelago.

## Concert this Tuesday

Celebrate the holiday season with musical performances, as Brevard College's Department of Music presents its annual Christmas concert on Tuesday, Dec. 11.

The concert, which begins at 7:30 p.m. in the Porter Center for Performing Arts, is a free event for the entire family.

The evening will feature Brevard College's

Symphonic Winds, Jazz Ensemble, Percussion Ensemble, Chamber Chorale and soloists performing favorite holiday tunes as well as other arrangements celebrating peace on earth and goodwill to all.

As a special holiday treat, audience members are invited to a free reception following the concert.



Members of Brevard College's Chamber Chorale will perform during the College's annual Christmas concert on Tuesday, Dec. 11.

### BEAM PRESENTS:

**The Eve of Classes Past  
Holiday Fest**

**When: MONDAY, Dec. 10 at 9 p.m.**

**Where: BEAM LOBBY**

**What: Holiday Festivities!!**

**Who: EVERY member of BC!**

Games with prizes!  
Gingerbread house competition!  
Cookie decorating!  
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**AND MORE!!!**

Don't forget your santa hats and tacky sweaters!