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"THE GOOD TIMES"



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The Good Times Of The Day

"An average day at Perk was always full of "good times." Like in the mornings when the alarm clock would go off at 7:00 a.m. to wake you up for an 11:00 class! Ugh! That's real "good times."

After managing to pull through your morning classes, what do you get in reward? Lunch in the "cafe." That's another good time," especially when the jerk next to you decides to spill his iced tea all over your tray, food and very important Perk I.D.; not to mention your clothes.

Freshmen, remember trying to explain to your mother how your clothes got all wet and muddy those first weeks of school and trying to insure her that it wouldn't be "like that" all year. Huh, that's what you thought. But then again freshmen initiation was all a part of the "good times."

The afternoons were good times too. Getting together with friends, skateboarding, playing tennis, bike-riding or sight-seeing around Stone County's countryside. Many clubs and organizations on campus used this time to meet.

At night, the activities varied. For some it meant studying in the library; for others it meant "partying" at the Pines Club, shooting pool in the attic or just "mellowing out" in your room. The paper and annual staffs worked into the nights, as the athletes retired for bed check.

Even though we don't appreciate these little things now, we will later. 'Cause they were "good times" at Perk.



"LOST: Yesterday, somewhere between sunrise and sunset two golden hours, each set with sixty diamond minutes. No reward is offered, for they are gone forever."

— Horace Mann



The "Good Times" Shared During The Week

On Sundays we'd all return to the ole campus, of course, not all of us went home but most of us did. If we were caught up with our studies, we might "take it to the trees" (go to the Pines, that is.) But then some of us didn't care about the unfinished work and went anyway. Then again, some of us never went at all.

As the week progressed, trips were made to the coast for those habitual visits to Taco Bell, Li'l Rays, Pizza Hut, and several other favorites in Gulfport. Nothing tasted better than a whopper after one of those "big mac attacks." Donnie's Homeplate Restaurant and the good ole Pinewood Truck Stop up the road always provided that special satisfaction for our munchies. The food hit the spot after a long night of studying or whatever.

On Tuesdays, "Dollar Night" lured many students to coastal theaters. It had to be a good movie to drive 28 miles to see or else a special date. Then it didn't matter whether the flick was good or not. For a dollar, what the heck!

Wednesdays were always reserved for "Pines Night" but all students weren't required to attend. Many chose to stay on campus. No telling what went on there.

There were many trips to Hattiesburg to visit our neighboring college, USM, and her students. Many nights were spent between the coast and the capital in search of a good time.

New Orleans was always a year round favorite for Perk students. It seemed that we were constantly on the road. Sometimes for good reasons like attending MGCJC sports events to support the Bulldog teams.

After the weather began to turn cool, football was in the air. Parties and little get-togethers were on tap all over the countryside. Whether a bonfire at the creek or a BYOB party at the pit; all proved to be relaxing after a hard day of tests, classes, and studying.

By Friday we were ready for a breather. Most weekends were used as a rest period before the start of another week. Well at least an hour or two were. It seemed like no time before we had to return to school for another week.



"If we should live a thousand years . . .

Our time is today, today!"



"To everything there is a season and a time to every purpose under the heaven."

— Ecclesiastes 3:1



The fall of another year meant new and different things to Perk students. To some it meant the beginning of school, the end of summer, new classes, freshmen elections, and football games.

It meant long hard hours of practice for the Bulldogs, Perkettes, and band members. Halloween, Homecoming, and Thanksgiving rolled around as did the cooler weather. The leaves were soon left wilted and brown for the winter winds.

The temperatures dropped lower and the trees shed their dead leaves as winter set in. Those new classes had already grown old and finals were right around the corner. Basketball season had gotten into full

swing.

The long-awaited Christmas break was over faster than expected and a new semester began. Heavy coats, bulky sweaters and new fashions were donned as January kept her pace. We all bundled up, dreaded the cold and hoped for another snow.

And like that; The crack of a bat signified the start of baseball season and spring. The trees were in bloom, new classes were on schedule and everyone shed their winter clothes in high spirits. Intramural sports provided afternoon activities. It was the end of a semester and soon the end of spring. No more work, tests, or classes; It was the beginning of summer and the end of school.



"Yesterdays Are
The Petals From
The Blossoms
Of Today Which
Grow From
The Seeds Of
Tomorrow"



The Good Times" ...

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Living in a dorm with a hundred other people, sitting in classes under "favorite instructors", working in clubs on those special projects, spiriting before and after games, cramming for exams, and just being together made Perk students a close-knit group.

Our hurried, work-and-play-lifestyle was fun because we were ourselves, together. Whether yelling in the dorm, talking in the streets, or sitting quietly by the pond, we were always having "Good Times" at Perk.



THE GOOD TIMES



AS STUDENTS

Campus Life

"Gather ye rosebuds while ye may,
Old time is still a flying,
and this same flower that smiles today
tomorrow will be dying."

— Robert Herrick

Perk Students Stay Busy Right Up To The Last Minute

May 11th marked the long awaited end to the 76-77 school year at Perk. By mid-term most students were making plans for their summer while others were still busy with sports and other activities.

Both basketball teams wrapped up their successful season while the baseball, track, and tennis teams stayed busy until the last weeks of school. The womens basketball team went all the way to the nationals after winning the state and regional tournaments. The girls placed seventh in the nation after national competition.

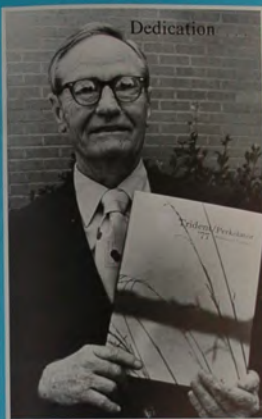
Regina Scott, a freshman from Moss Point, was crowned Miss Perkinson Campus in the Miss Mississippi preliminary pageant held on campus. After its delivery the 76-77 "Perkolator" was dedicated to Colonel Lewis at the annual Awards Day program.

Spring Fever week provided many activities to celebrate the end of school. The week climaxed with the annual Farewell Ball where Valerie Mezan and Henry Johnson reigned as King and Queen from our campus. before we knew it, graduation was here and our busy year had ended with a very busy end.

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Freshmen Find Registration And Moving In A Hassle



TOP: First week of school brought out the best in Dana Parten as demonstrated here. CENTER: Questioning the proper location of a parking permit, Lydia proceeds to place one on the left rear bumper. ABOVE: An excited freshmen smiled with delight as she reached the last station during registration.



One thing every incoming freshmen quickly learned was that the first week of school was a big hassle, yet one of the happiest times of their lives. It began Sunday with the unloading of the cars, meeting old friends from high school, and trying to find their way around Perk.

Registration was mass confusion. It

started with the freshmen testing and ended after a lengthy wait in what seemed to be an endless line of red tape. When Friday came it was evident that every freshmen had overcome their shyness, made new friends, and found their way around Perk by trial and error or by the helpfulness and friendliness of the returning sophomores.



LEFT: It appears that Bonnie Gladney wized through her test as she leaves the freshmen testing room for something more interesting. BELOW: While checking to make sure that Leona McCaughan is doing her job correctly, Dixon Boulware awaits to receive his I.D. card from Johnny Mallette.



ABOVE: "Chin up, shoulders back, knees together, and look this way!" says the photographer as Gabrielle Davis prepared to have her class picture taken. LEFT: Hoping to make her final trip freshmen Susie Capell gathers the last of her belongings to move into Harrison Hall.

School Year Gets Off To A Good Start With Many Planned Activities



ABOVE: Exemplifying the Sophomore spirit, Dwight Doushit shows off his touzle to the photographer as Blaise Marie, Carol Price and Anita Lee witness. RIGHT: Taking part in the wheel-barrow race, Freshmen Donna Johnson and Ingrid Perry don't appear bashful for the field day events. BELOW: Being "watermelon" into a trash can was not what Becky Whitehead had anticipated at the watermelon cut.

At first, the new freshmen at Perk probably wondered how they would ever get to meet everybody and get over their boredom. Well it wasn't long before the shyness wore off and the "ole sophs" began their initiation. One would think that bandannas were the "in" thing the first week, but they were really worn to cover up the vaseline in the girls hair. No telling how many times you may have been drug through the mud in one day. Even at events like the watermelon cut and field day, the freshmen were subject to harassment. After a while, things began to calm down when time for studying was required and people began to get involved in organizations and activities on campus. Pep Rallies, movies and even a powder puff football game were held. By now the new freshmen were finally and officially "in" at Perk.



LEFT: The first pep rallies gave new students a chance to become a part of Perk's activities. BELOW: Practice sessions for the flag girls took up much of their time.



LEFT: Studying was sandwiched in between all the busy activities. Denise Scalfie started her year out right by striving for good grades. ABOVE: The powderpuff football game was exciting but the male cheerleaders stole the show. Here the Freshmen squad displays one of their many stunts.



Pearl River

Goes Down The Drain October 8, 1977



ABOVE AND BELOW: Students help the Harrison Hall girls put up their signs for Pearl River Week at Perk Campus.



After Pearl River had dropped their anti-Perk propaganda over Perk Campus, Al Dedesux began to destroy the "garbage".



Although the week started out slowly, by Wednesday it was apparent that this was the week that the Bulldogs play the Pearl River Junior College Wildcats; better known as the River Rats on Perk campus.

Over the years a rivalry between the River Rats and the Bulldogs had grown to be a very strong one. It was not that Perk considered Pearl River tough competition but because the two colleges are located so close and mischief always prevails near game time.

On Perkinson campus the dorms put up their signs as the week began and by Thursday the campus was covered. An unplanned pep rally got underway Thursday as many students paraded around Perk campus in and on pick-up trucks, cars, and even motorcycles. After circling the Bulldog practice field several times, the spirited crew stopped to cheer on the Bulldogs while they practiced for the game Saturday.

Thursday night a bon fire — pep rally brightened and enlightened the spirit of the student body. A special attraction was in store when a real live river rat was interviewed at the pep rally. Pearl River's coach, Mr. Ed Scarborough in disguise, was greeted with a pie in the face when he visited the pep rally.

A pyramid building contest was held as the dorms competed for the spirit stick. It was announced that Harrison Hall had won the sign competition on campus. Moran Hall won the pyramid building contest and the overall spirit stick at the pep rally.

After Pearl River littered Perk campus with their propaganda, three unidentified Perk students retaliated by dropping leaflets over Pearl River campus from a plane. The eight hundred anti-rat leaflets fortified the Bulldog victory with messages stating: "Perk is #1", "Go to hell River Rats", "Beware Rats", and "Pearl River will go down the drain". That's exactly what happened that Saturday when the mighty Bulldogs defeated the Rats 21-20 to bring the week to a climatic close.



ABOVE: One of the many signs displayed by Moran hall during the Pearl River Week celebration on campus. BELOW: A group of George Hall men prepare the wood for the bonfire at the pep rally that night.





Who's Too Old For Halloween?

Perk students may be too old for trick-or-treating but not for Halloween. Ghosts, goblins, witches, and other strange characters went wild on campus as a full moon set the mood for this Oct. 31st occasion.

Harrison Hall took 1st place for their entry in the Jack-o-lantern contest sponsored by the Student Council. The Perkulator Staff won second place and an individual entry by Blaine Marie and Jeff LaFrance placed third. Costume party winners were Teresa Holmes (Moran Hall) and Judy Puchau (Harrison Hall). The entire night turned out to be a very ghoulish experience.



TOP LEFT: Hoping to win the cutest couple award this ghoulish pair posed for the photographer.
TOP RIGHT: "You think I look funny" says Jolynn Moore to Wanda West.

CENTER: The costume winners from Moran Hall are Regina Hammond, second; Teresa Holmes, first; and Valerie Hertzog, third.

BOTTOM LEFT: Kathy Robinson and Jeanine Bertucci admire the first place award for their Jack-o-lantern.

BOTTOM RIGHT: One could expect almost anything in the halls Halloween night.



While the Taylors decorated their Christmas tree, Lisa realized Tom's height was good for something.

Christmas Time At Perk



Christmas time is always special for everyone, even the college student on campus. When December rolled around, it wasn't long before the Christmas spirit arrived. Dorms were decorated and parties were held. The faculty and students together enjoyed the Holiday cheer. The Choir presented their annual Christmas program and everyone looked forward to the end of the semester. On December 16 everyone left for home and Christmas break — definitely a "good time" of the year.

ABOVE: At the Student Council party, Mr. Scarborough sat back to relax by the tree while Sharon Brune opened her gift. Ingrid Perry assisted in displaying the contents of the package while Sharon and Becky Whitehead pretended to be embarrassed.



Fun, Excitement, And Hardwork

ABOVE: One of the many Harrison Hall decorations in preparation.
BELOW: Moose Hall committee was responsible for the parade on campus.
LEFT CENTER: "Indian Last Stand" was the final Lumber's choice for their display.
RIGHT CENTER: Ken Farris, Kenzie Miller, and Becky Kell worked the booth on their display.



ABOVE: Harrison Hall's entry.
BELOW: Kenzie Miller working on a display.
FAIR RIGHT: Moose Hall was a favorite of the display.



LEFT: Johnny Miller and Lyndee Severson found stuffing chicken legs on the table.
ABOVE: Kenzie Miller, Douglass (center), and Kenzie Miller working on the George Hall display.

Fill Week Before Homecoming



RIGHT: Leading the parade, Grace Miller waves during the parade.
BELOW: Moose Hall's entry in the display competition.
LEFT CENTER: Harrison Hall residents decorated their room to hold the Homecoming party.
RIGHT CENTER: George Hall's four show girls, including Homecoming Queen, are shown here in the final parade.



Helen's Night: Homecoming 1977

Even the rainy weather could not dampen the spirits of Helen Meaut as she was crowned the 1977 Perkinson Campus Homecoming Queen. After bad weather conditions forced the cancellation of pregame ceremonies, Helen was crowned queen at the new Coast Coliseum-Convention Center where the court was presented during the Homecoming dance.

The dance, which was the first scheduled event for the new coliseum complex, climaxed a full day of activities for Perkinson students. The day began with the judging of Homecoming displays, alumni registration, class reunions, and an alumni tea at the President's home. The Gulf Coast Models presented a fashion show and the choirs from each campus performed at the annual Homecoming day program in Malone Hall. Parents and students were able to enjoy "open house" in the campus dormitories that afternoon.

Boyce Holleman, Gulfport attorney, former District Attorney and state representative, was inducted into the MGJC Hall of Fame at the banquet later in the evening. Governor Cliff Finch was on hand as a special guest for Homecoming 1977.

Wet but victorious, the Bulldogs came out on top after defeating the state champion Indians of Itawamba Junior College.



Helen Meaut is the daughter of Mr. & Mrs. H.D. Kirk of Ocean Springs.



ABOVE LEFT: Governor Cliff Finch was a special guest at Perk's 1977 Homecoming.

ABOVE RIGHT: President Hayden presents an original by Joe Moran to Hall of Fame inductor, Boyce Holleman.

LEFT: Court members pose for pictures at the Alumni tea at "Liaison".

1. Kathy Honey, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. W.H. Honey of Ocean Springs, was escorted by her father.
2. Regina Scott, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. C.H. Sharp of Moss Point, was escorted by her father.
3. Brenda Parker, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Wallace Parker of Daisy-Vestry, was escorted by her father.
4. Ingrid Perry, daughter of Dr. & Mrs. A.R. Perry of Long Beach, was escorted by her father.
5. Kim Ferrill, daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Ferrill of Biloxi, was escorted by her father.
6. Lenoria Johnson was escorted by Kevin Antoine.





Mr. And Miss Perkinson Campus



Jim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Vonderhaar. The 19-year old St. Martin High School graduate has served as Student Council President at Perk. He was also elected as Vice-President of the Tri-Campus Student Council. A member of Phi Theta Kappa, Jim has been a Deans list student. As a freshman, he was President of his class and was voted Best Dressed. A MGCJC recruiter, Jim was a member of the Farewell Ball Court his freshman year and this year is listed in Who's Who Among American Jr. Colleges.

While at St. Martin, Jim attained such honors as Senior Class President, Most Handsome, and Best Personality. He was active in the Beta Club and graduated with honors. Active in Intramural softball, some of Jim's other hobbies include tennis and swimming.

Kathy Hosey, the 20-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W.H. Hosey of Ocean Springs is MGCJC's Miss Perk for 1978. A Deans list student,

Kathy was elected as class favorite and Most Beautiful her freshman year. Kathy also served on the Homecoming Court both years. Kathy is a special education major and has participated in many activities at Perk. Some of these include: Dorm President, Harrison Hall; Freshman Class Representative; and member of the Student Council and Food Committee. She is presently serving on the Tri-Campus Committee and was an alternate to Youth Congress. Among her various hobbies, Kathy's include macrame, dancing, and meeting new people. Kathy was elected Miss Ocean Spring High, Friendliest every year and reigned as Homecoming Queen in 1975.



Jim Vonderhaar And Kathy Hosey

Most Beautiful, Most Handsome



Regina Scott

Rocky Ransom



And Beauties



Dianne Ervin



Connie Yingling



Lydia Clark

Donna Johnson



Campus Favorites



Helen Meaut
Matt Jermyn

Freshmen Favorites



Ingrid Perry
Blane Marie

Sophomore Favorites



Connie Yingling
C.E. Sumrall



Friendliest

Susie Hayden
Dwight Douthit

Most Athletic

Edna Purvis
Steve Simpson



Most Talented

Debbie Triplett
Fred Mallett

Most Likely To Succeed

Dianne Ervin
Bruce Lott



Best Dressed

Tami Scarborough
Dwight Douthit

Most Versatile

Susie Hayden
Wendell Weathers



Most School Spirited

Connie Marie
Chris Ferrill

Wittiest

Meg Taylor
Chris Ferrill



Johnny Mallett



A President's list student, Johnny Mallett is the 19-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harrell Mallett of Bilotti. He is a 1976 graduate of St. Martin High School and attends Perk on an academic scholarship where he is majoring in Pre Med. Johnny served as Student Council representative in his freshman year and was elected Vice-President of his class this year. He is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and has served on the Food Committee both years at Perk. Johnny also served as a student representative on the Self-Study Committee at Perk.

Debbie Peyregne



Debbie Peyregne, a 19-year old Pre Med major, is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. V.N. Peyregne of Ocean Springs. A 1976 graduate of Ocean Springs High School, Debbie is a President's list student and took part in the Honors Colloquium program at Perk. She is a student representative on the Self Study Committee, Treasurer of Phi Theta Kappa and a Perketite for the 77-78 MGJC Band.

Jim Vonderhaar



President of the Student Council, Jim is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James R. Vonderhaar of Bilotti. The 19-year old St. Martin graduate serves as Vice-President of the Tri-Campus Council. Jim's peers elected him Mr. Perk. Other honors include Freshman Class President, Dean's list, and Best Dressed his freshman year. A Phi Theta Kappa member, Jim belongs to the Food Committee and is a MGJC recruiter.

Naomi Cobb



An active member of the theater department at Perk, Naomi Cobb is the 20-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Alliston Jr. of Suecic. A graduate of Harrison Central High School, Naomi is the President of Delta Psi Omega and a President's list student. She served as student director for the Childrens Touring Company production, "You, Me and Ecology" and participated in "The Sound of Music". Naomi is majoring in secondary education and plans to teach English and theater.

Who's Who Among

Annette Hunter



A graduate of Moss Point High School, Annette Hunter is a Dean's list student majoring in voice and music education at Perk. The 19-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hunter of Moss Point, Annette was named second alternate in the 1977 Miss Perk Pageant. Being very active in the choir, Annette was a member of the cast to the musical "The Sound of Music" in her freshman year. She was also a member of the tennis team both years at Perk. After graduation, Annette plans to attend William Carey College.

Lela Carol Barlow



The 19-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edue C. Barlow of Gautier, Lela Carol Barlow is a graduate of Pascagoula High School attending Perk on a two year scholarship. Carol is a President's list student majoring in music education with an emphasis on voice. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, the Stage Band, and has been the accompanist for the Perkinston Campus Choir for two years. In her freshman year, Carol also took part in the production of "The Sound of Music". After graduation she plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi.

Regina Hammond



An elementary education major, Regina Hammond is the 19-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Bobby R. Hammond of Gulfport. A graduate of Harrison Central High School, Regina is a President's list student at Perk. She is President of the Baptist Student Union, Secretary of Phi Theta Kappa, and a member of the Christian Council. Regina was a member of the Honors Colloquium program and a student representative on the Self Study Committee.

Roma Reeves



The 18-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Vincent Reeves of Wiggins, Roma Kay is a graduate of Oxford High School in Oxford, Alabama. A member of Honors Colloquium, Phi Theta Kappa, Bulldog Staff, and Collegiate Civitans, Roma is a Dean's list student at Perk. She is also a student representative on the Self Study Committee.

American Jr. Colleges

Lisa Taylor



A business education major, Lisa Taylor serves as President of Phi Beta Lambda on the Perkinson Campus. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Layman of Lowell, Arkansas. Lisa graduated from Bentonville High School in Bentonville, Arkansas and came to Perk with her husband, Tom, a member of the MGCJC faculty. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, Honors Colloquium, and a President's list student.

Dianne Ervin



President of Phi Theta Kappa, Patricia Dianne Ervin, is the 19-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy R. Ervin of Petal. The 1976 graduate of Stone High is a Deans list student majoring in special education. Dianne is also a member of the Rotaract club and is a Gulf Coast Model. Dianne was elected Most Likely to Succeed and named a Campus Beauty in her sophomore year at Perk.

Teresa Holmes



A President's list student, Teresa Holmes is the 19-year old daughter of Dr. and Mrs. James W. Holmes of Wiggins. A '76 graduate of Stone High, Teresa is majoring in Speech and Hearing Science. She is a very active member of the Perk Players. She served as student director for the Childrens Touring Company production, "You, Me and Ecology" and played leading roles in both "The Sound of Music" and "The Miracle Worker". Also a member of Phi Theta Kappa and Delta Psi Omega, Teresa received the American Government and French Awards while at Perk.

Mike Upton



Mike Upton is the 19-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Paul Upton of Gulfport. After graduating from Gulfport East High School, Mike decided to attend Perkinson Campus and become a member of the MGCJC Bulldog football team. Mike, a Dean's list student, is majoring in business.

Who's Who Among

Millie Boykin



Millie Boykin is an electrical engineering major who plans to attend Mississippi State University. The 19-year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alva D. Boykin of Sherri, Texas, Millie is a graduate of Stone High School in Wiggins. She is a member of Phi Theta Kappa, the Band and was captain of the Flag Corps for 1977.

Terry Rogers



The 19-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jim Rogers of Wiggins, Terry Rogers is a graduate of Stone High School. At Perk Terry is a member of the Band, Stage Band, and the Vica Club. Terry is a drafting major and was named to the Dean's list while at Perk.

American Jr. Colleges

Scott Hopper



Scott Hopper is a graduate of Gulfport East High School. He is the 19-year old son of Mr. and Mrs. W.C. Hopper of Gulfport. Scott is a varsity baseball player, participated in intramural football, and is active in the recreational work study program. A Presidents list student, Scott received the Harif Jones History Award. He was on the intramural football championship team and is active in several other sports.



Dianne Ervin



Dwight Douthitt



Kathy Hoesy

'77-'78 Hall of Fame

A graduate of Stone High, DIANNE ERVIN is the President of Perkins County Phi Theta Kappa. She is the 19-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Billy R. Ervin of Pratt. Her activities include being a member of the Business Club and the Girl Scout. Dianne was named Most Likely to Succeed and a Campus Beauty in her Sophomore year. She is a Dean's List student majoring in Special Education.

The '77-'78 Editor of the "Perkinsite" Yearbook, DWIGHT DOUTHITT, is an Honor Collegiate and Dean's List student. He was elected Freshman and Best Dressed in the Campus Who's Who. An Advertising major, Dwight served as Campus Editor of the "Bullseye" newspaper. He also served as Student Council President, Secretary, George Hall Dorm Council President, and was a delegate to the Tenth Mississippi Youth Congress. Dwight is the 20-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob W. Douthitt of Ocean Springs.

Unwed Miss Park this year, KATHY HOESY is the 20-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Hoesy of Ocean Springs. A Spanish Education major, Kathy has served as Freshman Class Representative and Sophomore Class President on the Student Council. She was

elected Most Beautiful and Class Favorite in her Freshman year and has served on the Homecoming Court both years at Park. Kathy is presently majoring in National Sweethearts for Phi Kappa National Fraternity.

JIM VONDERHAAR is a graduate of St. Martin High School and is the 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Jacob R. Vonderhaar of Blinn. He is President of the Student Council and was elected Most Park this year in his Freshman year. He was elected Best Dressed and a Class Favorite. A Phi Theta Kappa member, Jim is a member of Rotaract as a Dean's List student.

EDNA PURVIS, a George County graduate, is the 18-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Purvis of Louisville, Ky. Edna, formerly named as Basketball at Park, is one of the leading "Lady Bulldog". She has received numerous honors in Junior College Basketball such as national Team. She was named Most Athletic Girl by the Student Body. A member of the University of Christian Athletes, she is an Elementary Education major.



Jim Vonderhaar



Edna Purvis



John Mallett



Donald Martino



Teresa Holmes



Glen Dewease

Accounting Park on a two-year Academic Scholarship. JOHNNY MALLETT is the 19-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Mallett of Blinn. Johnny is a President, List Student, Vice President of the Sophomore Class, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa. In his Freshman year he was a representative on the Student Council. He was selected Who's Who Among Students in American Junior College and served as a student representative on the Self Study Committee. A 1976 graduate of St. Martin High School in Blinn, Johnny is a Pre-Med major.

A 20-year-old Drafting and Design major, DONALD "RICHIE" E. MARTINO, Jr., is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Martino Jr. of Blinn. Very active in intramural activities, Richie has participated in football, basketball, and softball at Park. He was named to the Intramural Football All-Stars both years. A member of the Perkins County Campus Student Council, Richie is also Vice President of the George Hall Dorm Council. He is a 1975 graduate of Notre Dame High School in Blinn.

A Speech and Hearing Science Major, TERESA HOLMES is a Stone High graduate. She is a President's list and Honor's Collegiate student. The daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Arvin W. Holmes of Wiggins, Teresa was the recipient of the French and American Government Awards in her Freshman year. She was a member of Phi Theta Kappa and Secretary of Delta Psi Omega.

A graduate of Clarendon High School, GLEN DEWEASE is a Math and Physical Education major at Park. He is a 19-year-old Sophomore and has received Honorable Mention in All-State and Southwestern Intercollegiate. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Dewease of Clarendon.

Head Cheerleader, CONNIE MARIE, is a graduate of Blinn High School in Blinn. A Secondary Science major, Connie was elected Homecoming Maid in her Freshman year. She has served as Vice President of the Freshman Class and the Student Council while at

Park. Having cheered two years for the Bulldogs, Connie was chosen Most School Spirit. She is the 19-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Donald E. Marie Sr., of Blinn.

A Political Science major, ROBERT DAVID TRIPLETT is President of the Black Cultural Society. He has served as a member of the Discipline Committee, the Recreation Committee, and was active in the Perkins County ROTC. Robert is the 23-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Dean of Pampa.

Head Perkin, DEBBIE TRIPLETT, is the 19-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Triplett of Ocean Springs. She is a two-year member of the Mississippi Gulf Coast College and was named in the Phi Beta Lambda. The University-bound Debbie major was elected Most Talented girl this year at Park. Debbie was Ocean Springs Junior Miss for 1976.



Connie Marie



Robert Davis



Debbie Triplett



Several clubs and organizations offer a variety of activities for Perkinson Campus students. Many important aspects of student life are carried out through involvement in these clubs. The paper & Yearbook staffs, band, perkettes, choir, and other service and honorary clubs supplement and enrich students' academic pursuits. Whether selling raffle tickets, sponsoring talent shows, or organizing a dorm meetings; involvement is where "it's at".



THE GOOD TIMES



INVOLVED

"The secret of happiness is not in doing what one likes but in liking what one has to do."

Clubs And Organizations

Student Council

Attending meetings weekly was not enough for the Perkinston Campus Student Council — they kept busy throughout the year. Sponsoring movies and attic parties regularly, holding numerous elections and working toward satisfying the student wants kept the 15 members of the Council on their feet. Mr. Ed Scarborough, Advisor, accompanied the group to tri-campus meetings, board meetings, and the fall and spring conferences of the S.C.A.M. Jim Vonderhaar and Dwight Douthett represented Perk on the Governors Youth Advisory Board during the year.

The main functions of the council included the annual activities such as Back-to-school work, Homecoming, dances, Thanksgiving baskets, Spring Fever Week, and Farewell Ball. This year the Council succeeded in getting the gym painted, a new mascot, a new football table for the attic, and is working toward visitation rights in the dorms.



Sponsor, Mr. Ed Scarborough, President, Jim Vonderhaar, Vice President, Connie Marie, Secretary, Dwight Douthett, Treasurer, Helen Meaux (not shown)



FIRST ROW: Regina Scott, Darrell Seymour, Kathy Husey, Keith Rhodes, Bridgett Helm, Becky Whitehead
SECOND ROW: Richie Martino, Johnny Mallett, Andrea Robbins,

Sharon Brune, Connie Marie, Donna Johnson, Tami Scarborough, Dwight Douthett
THIRD ROW: Mr. Ed Scarborough, Jim Vonderhaar



LEFT: After returning from group session, Blane Marie, President of the Freshman Class, gives a report to the assembly.

BELOW: The Holiday Inn welcomed the delegates of the Student Council Association of Mississippi to the Fall Conference held in Natchez.



CENTER: Student Council members are shown paying more attention to the camera than to the meetings.

LEFT: Upon returning to the hotel room after a full day of sessions and meetings, Ingrid Perry and Becky Whitehead turn to the refreshing side of convention.

ABOVE: Perkinsville delegation stops to pose on a cliff overlooking the Mississippi River.

Perkolator Staff

It seems that not a day passes that we are not exposed to bad news. Prices are going up; gas and food are too expensive; foreign conflicts are still being disputed and murder, rape, and robbery stories are in the papers by the dozen. Times are bad but when we look back to our junior college days we won't remember the bad times. Perk will be remembered as the "Good Times."

We are the generation that grew up with older brothers and sisters that loved the Beatles and parents that loved Elvis. We will be remembered as wearing Levi's, khakis, Painter's pants, earth shoes and harachis. We've watched the price of a coke in vending machines rise from 5¢ to 40¢ in our lifetime alone. There is no such thing as a 10¢ cup of coffee now and the latest music craze is called "Punk Rock". We have changed as the world changed and one day it will be hard to believe that our kids will laugh at this yearbook like we have at our parents!

We have picked the theme, "The Good Times," for the 78 Perkolator. Whether we realize it or not Perk will be considered the "good old days" one day. I believe that we have captured the good times at Perk through our "yesterday, today and tomorrow" type theme. I can only hope now that you will relive them every time you turn through the pages of this book.

Goodbye and Good Luck,

Dwight D. Douthit

Dwight D. Douthit
Editor in Chief

TOP: Many late night hours were spent by Dwight Douthit as Editor of the 78 Perkolator. CENTER: The small but efficient staff was composed of Kathy Horey, Dwight Douthit, Editor in Chief, Theresa Greel, Assistant Editor, and Carla Bragg. (Not shown are Regina Scott and Steve Greenough.) RIGHT: Photographers, Steve Criot, Vernon Gazzo, and Bruce Lott provided the photography for the book.



Perkolator Catalog

Bulldog



Bruce Lott
Editor-
In-Chief



Steve Greenough
Circulation Mgr.



Roma Reeves
Asst. Editor



Dwight Douthit
Campus Editor



David Cronne
Sports Editor

MGCJC Band

RIGHT: Miss Debbie Triplett of Ocean Springs served as Head Perkettes for the 1977-78 year.

1st ROW: Dan Parker, Mary Menasos, Mark Martin, Deborah Elmore, Theresa Arguella, Tanya Howard, Suzanne Soipes, John Palmer, Pat Anderson, Ellen Goff, Bill Ingraffia, Tommy House, Larry Fite, Kelly Stewart, Ellen Lachner, Jodi Myers.
2nd ROW: Gina Clement, Sharon Tillman, Tom Perench, Joy Lohfink, Tim Grierson, Cindy Remond, Mike Loti, Jerome Goff, Rita Gill, Beth Berry, John Burk, Mary Bryan, Kay Patridge, Earlene Willis.
3rd ROW: Sherri Bullard, Sue Parker, Joe Ladnier, Mark Sandbert, Andre Jarreau, Robert Furby, Bruce Hollingsworth, Marshall Copeland.
BACK ROW: Mike May, Jerry Scraggs, Jerry Hilton, Tony Lillis, Matthew Perry, Steve Criot, Mike Eubanks, Gary Thompson, Kathy Prohoda, Ray Murphy, Terry Rogers, Belinda Evans.



And Perkettes



FRONT: Betty Tanner, Lynnette Maples, Denise Taylor, Cindy Cox, Anita Kay Lee, Debbie Triplett, Lisa McKenzie, Rebo Matthews, Rissa Miles, Ruth Schell, Lisa Dees Back: Almarie Rouse, Carol Prime, Debbie Peyregne, Kathy MacInnis, Sherri McCombs, Carol Ramey, Millie Boykin, Robin Burton, Penny Nichols, Robin Davis, Teresa Wales, Robin Williams, Claire Tomlinson

LOWER LEFT: Many hours were spent on the practice field as the band worked hard to perfect their performance.

MIDDLE LEFT: Band director, Sam "Pro" Jones directed his band members during practice for the Christmas parade.

UPPER RIGHT: The band often practiced marching around campus.





Connie Marie — Captain

MGCJC Cheerleaders



Sharon Brune — Sophomore



Andrea Robbins — Freshman



Tammy Bailey — Sophomore

Over 300 cheerleaders from the Coastal area attended cheerleader clinics at Perk this past July to compete for various awards. Perk cheerleaders were awarded four superior ribbons, a superstar ribbon, a spirit stick, and the selection to compete against four other squads for the Excellence Award. The National Cheerleaders Association of Texas instructed the three college-sponsored clinics.



Ellen Burton — Co-Captain



Lou Ann Seymour — Freshman



Lydia Hilton — Freshman



Becky Whitehead — Freshman



Perkinson Campus Choir



FIRST ROW: Earlene Willis, Sherri Bullard, Steve Cirlot, Vicki Bush, Donna Byrum, Joey Lohfink, Carol Barlow, Erna Hatten, Mike May, Tanya Howard, Susan Reynolds, SECOND ROW: Tony Lillis, Mark Dunaway, Martha Byrnes, Eileen Goff, Chris Rogers,

Joyce Walker, Annette Hunter, Matthew Perry, Naomi Cobb, Kathy McInnis, Richard Sheppard, Theresa Wells, Ruth Scholl, Tim Carpenter, Kay Partridge, Mary Manasco, Mary Bryan, Pam Pittman, Gina Clement. THIRD ROW: Clare Tomlinson, John Palmer, Tim Grierson, Dennis Martin, Scooter Copeland, Bill Ingrassia, George Downer, Mark Martin, Gary Thompson, Carol Taylor

The Perkinson Campus Choir, one of the most active organizations on campus, spends many hours perfecting its performances. Along with campus concerts at Homecoming, Christmas, and Spring Concerts, the choir appears in various district and state activities. These activities include participation with the Gulf Coast Opera Theatre, State Choral Festival, and a Spring tour of various schools along the coast. Smaller ensembles are frequently selected from the larger group to perform for special groups and events in the area.



Eugene Clement, Director

Perk Players/Delta Psi Omega



Delta Psi Omega members included Richard Sheppard, Teresa Holmes, Naomi Cobb and Bill Ingrassia.



The officers of Delta Psi Omega were Naomi Cobb, President, and Teresa Holmes, Secretary.



Lynne Strickland, Richard Sheppard, Penny Nichols, Marshall Copeland, Kay Partridge, Valerie Hertzog, Bill Ingrassia, Ruth Scholl,

Ms. Lewis, Margaret Elliott, Teresa Holmes, Tim Carpenter, Chris Rogers, and Naomi Cobb.

Gulf Coast Models

RIGHT: Serving as Chairman was Connie Yingling assisted by Mrs. Mary K. Adams, Sponsor. BELOW: 1st Row; Susie Hayden, Lou Ann Seymour, Tanya Necaine, Robin Williams, Mary D'Angelo, Carol Ramey, Diane Ervin, Connie Yingling, Durell Ashford, Susan Spencer, Donna Johnson. 2nd Row; Rita DeAngelo, Missy Smith, Ginger Cumbest, Gayla Baricev, Brenda Parker, Tami Scarborough.



Robin Williams



ABOVE: Two members of the advisory board are Susie Hayden; Secretary-Treasurer and Lou Ann Seymour, Vice- Chairman.
LEFT: Brenda Parker models during Homecoming Program.

Being a Gulf Coast Model allowed the girls to get a real taste of the fashion world and modeling. Led by Connie Yingling, Chairman; and Mrs. Mary K. Adams, the girls remained busy throughout the year. In addition to shows on Campus at Homecoming and in late November, they modeled holiday fashions for Hewes Brothers Store of Gulfport in the Security Building.

The Homecoming fashion show allowed the models an opportunity to not only modeling, but also to produce and do the commentary for a complete fashion show. A bridal fashion show was presented in late November at "Liaison", the President's home. Bridal gowns and brides maid gowns from the House of Brides were modeled.

Horticulture Club

The officers for the '77-78 year were Angie King, President; Robert Mount, Vice-President; Karen Coleman, Secretary; and Wess Jones Reporter.

The highlight of the year for the Horticulture Club was their annual trip. Last year the club traveled to Callaway Gardens, Ga. Other club activities included selling poinsettias every fall. In the spring the club sold Easter lilies. This years officers were: President — Angie King, Vice-President — Robert Mount, Secretary — Karen Coleman, and Reporter — Wess Jones.



Nancy McGill, Frank Cannon, Pete Papas, Angie King, Cynthia Graham, Karen Lott, Karen Coleman, Robert Mount, Nancy Bree-land,

Mr. Batson, Wess Jones, Danny Batson.

Home Economics Club



ABOVE LEFT: The officers were: L to R. Jolynn Moore, President; Debbie Dickerson, Vice-President; Cathy Vogle, Secretary-Treasurer; Sarah Pittalo, Historian.

ABOVE: Jolynn Moore served as president under the advisorship of Ms. Mary Adams.

LEFT: Jolynn Moore, Debbie Dickerson, Cathy Vogle, Sarah Pittalo, Second row Kim Denorelle, Sherry Stuart, Kim Holem, Elisa Johnson, Ms. Adams.



BSU, Wesley, And Christian Council



RIGHT: The officers for the Perkinson Campus BSU were advised by Mr. Jimmy D. Davis. Officers were Don Nelson, Outreach leader; Regina Hammond, President; and Bill West, Student Missions Leader. (Not pictured are Glen Dewase, Christian Growth Leader)

BELOW: Members of the Baptist Student Union included L to R FRONT ROW: Carol Taylor, David Norwood, Ruth Scholl, Tim Carpenter, Reba Matthews, Regina Hammond, Jimmy D. Davis, Sponsor. SECOND ROW: Mark McClendon, Don Nelson, Greg Haney, Sue Parker, Bruce Hollingsworth, Bill Bennett, Bill West.



ABOVE LEFT: Members of the Wesley foundation included Gayla Baricev, President, Reba Matthews, Sue Reeves, Reverend Earl Greenough, Advisor, Gina Buchanan, Rita D'Angelo, and Ginger Cumbust.

ABOVE: Members of the Christian Council for the '77-78 year were Mr. Jimmy D. Davis, Ginger Cumbust, Regina Hammond, Nell Henderson, Advisor, Gayla Baricev. SECOND ROW: Bennie Warren, Co-Advisor, Bill West, and Glen Dewase. (Not pictured are Father John Izal and Reverend Earl Greenough.)

LEFT: Gayla Baricev served as President for the '77-78 year.

Black Cultural Society



Mr. Cooper advised the President, Vincent Bradley over the year.



The Black Cultural Society 1977-78 officers were Vincent Bradley, President; Kevin Antoine, Vice-President; Cynthia Graham, Secretary; Johnny Footman, Treasurer; Robert Davis, Reporter; Kim Antoine and Michele Johnson, Sgts. at Arms.



Garry Harper, Clarence Bridges, Letitia Husband, Robert Davis, Michele Johnson, Vincent Bradley, Kim Antoine, Ricky Alford, Gina Smith, Deborah Davis, Anita Callahan, Leon Stewart, Eric Bradley,

Charles Harris, Gerald Fowler, Diane Nicholson, Larry Fletcher, Delores Faircuture, Charles Cooper, Michael McLean, Ray Lewis, Johnny Footman.

Food Committee



Connie Marie, Vice-President of the Executive Student Council, acts as Chairman of the Food Committee.

The Food Committee, appointed by the Vice President of Student Council, was organized to help improve the quality of food served on the Parkington Campus. This committee relays student suggestions to the cafeteria manager, Mr. Joe Byrum, and assistant, Mr. James Morrison. Food prepared by the cafeteria staff, is catered to the campus by Morrison Cafeteria of Hattiesburg. Some accomplishments of the efforts of this committee include the availability of a salad bar, music during meals, and the serving of cokes and chocolate milk during lunch and supper.



SITTING: David Miles, James Morrison, Connie Marie, Joe Byrum, Kathy Hoxey, Meg Taylor, Jolyn Covacevich, Chris Ferrill, Julie Fallo, Sarah Pitale, Kim Ferrill. STANDING: C.E. Samrall, Eddie Hanford, Rocky Ramonett, Matt Jernyn, Brian Dubart, Robert

Langston, Norbie Miller, Roxann Gutierrez, Kevin Parker, Theresa Croel, David Martino, Ingrid Perry, Blane Marie, Patti Sablich, Jolynn Moore, Sharon Brune, Andrea Robbins, Helen Meaut, Penny Letori, David Ladnier

Phi Theta Kappa

The Phi Theta Kappa is a national organization promoting scholarship, development of leadership and service, and cultivation of fellowship among students of junior colleges.

To become eligible for membership in Perik's Gamma Nu Chapter, a student must have a 3.4 overall grade point average on at least 15 semester hours. This year's theme "Man Alive: Can He Survive?" has set the stage for lectures on such topics as euthanasia, solar energy, food sources from the sea, etc. Present projects include raffles for money, powder-puff concession stands, and Blood Bank.



Representatives of Phi Theta Kappa attended the Regional Convention at Delta State Univ. November 6, 7, & 8, at which time Parchman Prison was visited. The organization sponsors the attendance of its members to the April National Convention in Orlando, Florida. Two members, April National Convention in Nashville, Tennessee. Last year's representatives were Dianne Ervin and Roma Reeves. Sponsors for the Phi Theta Kappa are Mr. Bonnie Warren & Mrs. Cassie Batson.



Regina Hammon, Dianne Ervin and Saad Elmurt, member, register for Red Cross Blood Drive on the Perikinton Campus.



BOTTOM ROW: Dianne Ervin, Regina Hammon, Debbie Peyregne; 2ND ROW: John Gibbs, Roma Reeves, Sam Roberts, Jolynn Moore 3RD ROW: John Mallett, Sara

Pitalo, Sherri Bullard, Wanda West; TOP ROW: Ron Rhodes, Carol Taylor, Millie Boykin, Elmurt Sadd, Renee Gill

Phi Beta Lambda



The Phi Beta Lambda is a national organization for students at the college level who are preparing for careers in business and industry or business education. The plan of organization includes local chapters, state chapters, and the Phi Beta Lambda National Organization.

During homecoming week Perikinton Campus Phi Beta Lambda sold homecoming corsages and won third place for their entry in the homecoming display contest. They participated in the Jack-o-lantern contest at Halloween and hosted the Mississippi Education Association Fall Conference which was held on Perikinton Campus in October. Other activities included a trip to South Central Bell Telephone Company in New Orleans and attending the Phi Beta Lambda State Convention in March. The sponsors of the Perikinton Chapter were Mrs. Anna Fay Kelly and Mrs. Kay McInnis.



The officers for the 1977-78 year are: Tina Palmer, Treasurer; Cathy Vogle, Secretary; Gayla Baricev, Vice President; Lisa Taylor, President; Debbie Triplett, Historian; Vernon Gazzo, Reporter.



FRONT ROW: Gabrielle Davis, Gayla Baricev, Tina Palmer, Debbie Bond, Kathy Vogle, Alicia Walters, Tammy Bailey, Lisa Taylor, Kari Vanwinkle, Rita Deangelo, Debbie Triplett, Simone Chambers, Leona McCaughan, Ms. Kelley

BACK ROW: Ms. McInnis, Vernon Gazzo, Don Parker, Mrs. Diley, Joe Williams, Jimmy Addison, Rutledge Parker, Ron Rhodes, Bruce Ward, John Gibbs, Not Shown: Ellen Burton.



The officers for the 1977-78 VICA club were Craig Toney, Treasurer; Steve Bolin, President; Mike May, Sgt. at Arms; Terry Rogers, Chaplain; Mike English, Vice-President; and David Spangler, Reporter. The members for the 77-78 year are pictured below.



LEFT: Civitan club officers are Gina Clement, Treasurer; Steve Cirlot, President; Roma Reeves, Secretary; Bill Ingrassia, Sgt. at Arms; and Billy Rogers, Vice-President.

BELOW: With guidance from Mr. James, President Steve Cirlot planned club events.



SECOND ROW: Billy Rogers, Suzanne Snipes, Gina Clement, Roma Reeves, and Bill Ingrassia.

FIRST ROW: Mr. James, Karen Coleman, Steve Cirlot, Tanya Howard, Joe Ladnier.

Rotoract

RIGHT: Rotoract club officers are: Bruce Lott, Vice-President; Donna Johnson, President; Susan Parker, Secretary-Treasurer; Dianne Ervin and Carol Taylor, Board Members.

The first in the district, the Perkins Campus Rotoract Chapter, is the newest club on campus. A service organization affiliated with international Rotary clubs, the Perk Chapter received their charter January 12, 1978. Some of the services sponsored by the club this year included a party at a convalescence center and donating food and money to needy families.



FIRST ROW: Dianne Ervin, Bruce Lott, Donna Johnson, Susan Parker, Carol Taylor.

SECOND ROW: Sue Parker, Saad Elmurt, Ingrid Perry, Joanne Ladner, Judy Williams, Jim Vonderhaar, and Billy Rogers.

Dorm Councils

George Hall

Serving as officers for the George Hall council this year were Dwight Douthit, President and Richie Martino, Vice-President. The Men of George Hall were very active this year in intramural football and basketball, placing second in football on campus after reaching the championship game. They participated in the Jack-o-Lantern Contest at Halloween and won first place for their Homecoming display entry, "The Stars of the Season."



Harrison

Harrison Hall began the year electing Kathy Hoesy as the Dorm President. Darenell Ashford was elected Vice-President; Teresa Creel, Historian; and Penny Letort, Treasurer. At Halloween, Harrison Hall won first place in the Jack-o-Lantern Contest. At Homecoming, first place for Inside Decorations and First Place for sign competition during "Pearl River Week."



Moran Hall

During the 1977 football season Moran Hall became the recipients of many school spirit awards. The spirit stick and pyramid building contest awards were added honors the dorm received during "Pearl River Week". At Homecoming, Moran Hall won the Spirit stick, spark plug, parade and sign competition and received an Honorable Mention for their display. The council consisted of Kim Ferrilli, President; Angie King, Vice-President; Gina Buchanan, Secretary; Mary D'Angelo, Treasurer; Becky Rose, and Donna Ladner, Historian; Almarie Rouse and Julie Daymond, Sgt. at arms.





Perk athletes and coaches have gained the admiration of many as they have built an outstanding reputation — statewide, regional, and national. Not only does the Perkinson Campus offer inter-collegiate competition, but also is expanding its intramural activities and recreational and health instruction.



THE GOOD TIMES



COMPETING

"Winning isn't everything but it sure beats anything that comes in second."

— Paul "Bear" Bryant

Sports



Coach George Sekul

Since coming to Perk in 1961 as assistant coach, George Sekul has been behind every Gulf Coast play for the last 11 years. He has kept the Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College Bulldogs reputation what it is by coaching many successful winning seasons over the years. In 1971 the Bulldogs won the National title. This year Coach Sekul won his 101st win when the Bulldogs defeated the states #1 team, the Itawamba Indians, at Homecoming. It was also released this season that Coach Sekul has the third best coaching record in the nation — something Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College can be proud of.

1977
Schedule

Sept. 3	Coahoma	Home	Won
Sept. 10	Northeast	There	Lost
Sept. 17	East Central	Home	Won
Sept. 24	Southwest	There	Won
Sept. 29	Northwest	There	Tied
Oct. 8	Pearl River	Home	Won
Oct. 15	Jones	Home	Lost
Oct. 22	Co-Lin	There	Won
Oct. 27	Hinds	There	Won
Nov. 5	Itawamba	Home	Won
Nov. 5	Itawamba	Home	Won
(Homecoming)			





ABOVE LEFT: Gulf Coast forward, Stu Serpas watches his lay up.
ABOVE RIGHT: Steve Simpson and Stu Serpas watch Joe Brown's basket add two for Gulf Coast.
BELOW: Joe Brown recovers the rebound and struggles to keep it.



1977-78 Schedule

Nov. 21	Invitational Tournament
Nov. 22	Invitational Tournament
Nov. 29	Delgado
Dec. 1	Pearl River
Dec. 6	Utica
Dec. 8	East Central
Dec. 16-17	Panhandle Double Header
Jan. 5-7	Panhandle Tournament
Jan. 10	East Central
Jan. 12	Hinds
Jan. 14	Utica
Jan. 17	Jones
Jan. 19	Southwest
Jan. 23	Copiagh-Lincoln
Jan. 26	Pearl River
Jan. 31	Jones
Feb. 2	Southwest
Feb. 7	Hinds
Feb. 9	Copiagh-Lincoln
Feb. 13-15	South State
Feb. 20-21	State Finals
Mar. 1-4	Region VII (Ky., Tn., Ms.)



ABOVE LEFT: Craig Martin looks on as Jeff O'Neal lays the ball up for two points. ABOVE CENTER: Gulf Coast's Steve Simpson watches his lay up. ABOVE RIGHT: Jeff O'Neal shoots over defenders for two points. BELOW LEFT: Wendell Weathers outjumps a Pearl River opponent. BELOW RIGHT: A Bulldog defender awaits a rebound.





ABOVE LEFT: Gulf Coast center, Helen Meazut awaits a rebound in the Pearl River game. ABOVE RIGHT: Meg Taylor shoots over Pearl River girls to gain two points. RIGHT: Awaiting a rebound Edna Purvis edges away opponents.



Schedule

Nov. 17	Penacola
Nov. 21-22	Invitational Tournament
Dec. 1	Pearl River
Dec. 6	Utica
Dec. 8	East Central
Dec. 15-17	MUW Christmas Tour
Jan. 10	East Central
Jan. 12	Hinds
Jan. 14	Utica
Jan. 17	Jones
Jan. 19	Southwest
Jan. 21	Penacola
Jan. 23	Copiab-Lincoln
Jan. 26	Pearl River
Jan. 31	Jones
Feb. 2	Southwest
Feb. 7	Hinds
Feb. 9	Copiab-Lincoln
Feb. 16-17-18	South Tournament
Feb. 22-23	State Tournament



After winning the State Championship last year, Edna Purvis clips the net as a souvenir. The Lady Bulldogs went on to win the Region VII title and placed 7th in the nation. Ms. Purvis was named All American at the Nationals.



Sue Ross — Head Coach



Doris Smith — Asst. Coach

The 77-78 Lady Bulldogs



BELOW: Mike Bruno is greeted by his teammates as he comes in home. RIGHT: A Gulf Coast batter prepares to bat. LEFT CENTER: A Bulldog runner sneaks in for a run. RIGHT CENTER: A Hinds runner is out at first base. BOTTOM: Gulf Coast gets runner out and prepares to throw to first.



77 Schedule

Mar. 4 Delgado
Mar. 5 Delgado
Mar. 6 Hinds
Mar. 8 Meramec
Mar. 15 Jones
Mar. 16 East Ms.
Mar. 17 M.S.U. Junior Varsity
Mar. 19 Bishop State
Mar. 22 Meridian
Mar. 26 Jones
Mar. 28 Pearl River
April 2 Bishop State
April 5 Jones
April 9 Delgado
April 14 Hinds
April 16 Pearl River
April 19 Meridian
April 23 U.S.U.
April 25 S.U.I. Junior Varsity
April 29 South Division Playoff
May 3 South Division Playoff
May 3 Utics
May 6 State Playoff
May 7 State Playoff



LEFT: A Gulf Coast batter leans into a swing. BELOW: Another Hinds player is out at first base. BOTTOM: The 1976-77 Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College Baseball Team. (The '77-78 team was not yet picked at deadline time.)

The '76-'77 MGCJC Baseball Team





RIGHT: Members of the Womens Team from Jackson County, Jefferson Davis, and Perkinson Campuses. CENTER: Members of the Mens Team. BOTTOM: Tennis Team from all three Campuses.



LEFT: Tennis Coach Bryan Hoda is shown here with one of the teams trophies at the awards banquet.
BELOW: Members of the 76-77 Tennis team are shown with their awards at the banquet. (The 77-78 was not yet picked at deadline time.)





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It's the real thing. Coke.

GULF COAST BULLDOGS





"Sophomores or Freshmen?" Does it matter? We're all in this together at Perk. The close knit relationship of Perk students make their classification very unimportant. The classes are mixed with both sophomores and freshmen. The sports, band, and organizations involve both. There are no Freshmen dorms and no Sophomore dorms. We all live together. We ARE in this together at Perk."



THE GOOD TIMES



TOGETHER

"Yesterday is experience, tomorrow is hope, today is getting from one to the other as best as we can."

Classes



Class Officers . . .

Representing the Sophomores as class officers for the 77-78 school year are Kathy Hosey, President; Johnny Mallette, Vice-President; and Sharon Brune, Secretary-Treasurer.

Sophomores Sophomores Sophomores

Jimmy Addison
Don Ainsworth
John Alexander
Sandy Alexander
Jim Altman
Rene Altman
Mike Andall

Gayla Baricov
Carol Barlow
Tommy Barlow
Almatine Barnes
Kathley Barrow
Iona Baucum
Danny Benefield

Tim Berry
Frank Bexley
Ernest Blackwood
Pan Bohle
Steven Bolin
Debbie Bond
Millie Boykin

Vincent Bradley
Stephanie Breal
Al Brelan
Frances Bridge
Charlotte Brown
Cynthia Brown
Sharon Brune



Gina Buchanan
Sherri Bullard
Frank Burks
Lonnice Burrus
Robin Burton
Leonard Carrubbia
Steve Clout

Gina Clement
Naomi Cobb
Tony Cole
Pat Coleman
Roy Collier
Everett Compton
Jamie Conn

Angela Couch
Jolyn Covacevich
George Covington
Darwin Crabtree
Theresa Creel
Dorothy Davis
James Davis

Robert Davis
Robin Davis
Mary DeAngelo
Rita DeAngelo
Darin DeLoach
Glen DeWeese
Dwight Douthit

Sophomores Sophomores Sophomores



Brian Dubaz
Frederick Dubon
Ben Duttitt
Billy Ebbertman
Saul Elmar
Mike English
Dianne Ervin

Susan Eubanks
Belinda Evans
Julie Fallo
Chris Ferrill
Kim Ferrill
Melvin Fireash
Paula Flenton

Larry Fletcher
William Ford
Donnie Fremin
Robert Furby
Ida Mae Galloway
Donald Garrett
Vernon Gazzo

Harwell Gex
Renee Gill
John Gibbs
Stephen Greenough
Cynthia Graham
Simon Gray
Roxann Gutierrez

Vince Hamilton
Regina Hammond
Edward Handford
Edward Handy
Gary Hanning
Edward Hanhaw
Timothy Harvard

Bridgette Helm
Louis Hemler
Valerie Hertog
Charles Hilburn
Jerome Hilton
Kim Holem
Evelyn Holley



Sophomores

Sophomores

Sophomores

Teresa Holmes
Scott Hopper
Kathy Hosey
Billy Howard
George Huff
Sandra Huff
Yvonne Huff

Annette Hunter
Leticia Husband
William Ingrassia
Fred Jackson
Gail Jackson
Barbara James
Christine James

Mary Ann James
Andre Jarreau
Matt Jernin
Elsa Johnson
Michelle Johnson
Tommy Johnson
William Johnson

Howard Johnston
Wes Jones
Phil Kelley
Angie King
John Kite
Karen Krebs
Kris Krenzle

Joseph Ladnier
Jeff LaFrance
Gary Landau
Robert Langston
Rhonda Lanier
Tina LeBlanc
Ellen Lechner

Anita Kay Lee
Penay Letori
Lonnie Lerena
Tony Lillis
Edward Lindsey
Ann Luckett
Michael Mailey



Connie Marie
Kim Marshall
David Martino
Richie Martino
Aldon Mason
Michael May
Robert McCausley

Denise McInnis
Lisa McKenzie
Michael McLean
Helen Menat
Louis Meant
David Miles
Norbie Miller

Sophomores

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Sophomores



The Tall And Short Of It

5'6" is not bad for a girl; 6'3" is not bad for a boy; but the reverse has its disadvantages as stated by Helen Menat and David Miles. Being tall, according to Helen, poses problems in buying clothes the right length, having your feet always hanging off the bed, not being asked out on dates because the boy is shorter, and of course, imagining the thoughts behind staring glares of passers-by. Occasional calls for Wilt, Amazon, Jabbar, and others don't matter much though on the basketball court where Helen enjoys a definite advantage of being tall. This scholarship awardee, who considers the ideal height for a girl to be 5'7", also doesn't mind standing out in a crowd and going first since it offers her the opportunity to be seen and remembered by others. Even recalling the time when someone raised her pants leg to see if she was really that tall, Helen states, "I wouldn't want to be any other way".

David, a two-year football and track scholarship awardee, thinks being short gives him a quickness and agility necessary in the sports area. He is often discouraged, however, in asking taller girls for dates, accepting aside remarks such as Halfpint from other boys, always having to show his ID card to prove his age, and having his view blocked at concerts by people sitting in front of him. Sometimes David wishes he were six feet tall. Well David, in the eyes of Perk friends, you are.



Debbie Moore
Jolynn Moore
Sheila Moran
Robert Mount
James Neacise
Skip Negrotto
Donald Nelson

Jimmy Nelson
Engene Nettles
Penny Nichols
Ditt Nguyen
Betty Oakland
Jo Ann O'Neal
Patricia O'Neal

Rick Olney
John Palmer
Dan Parker
Kevin Parker
Melvin Parker
Thomas Parker
Peter Papas

Debbie Pryor
Sarah Pitalo
Pamela Pittman
Wanda Pitts
Debra Powe
Kathy Prehoda
Steve Prescott



Regina Scott, Definitely Perk's Choice!

"Nervous, terrified, shocked" were the feelings of pretty Miss Regina Scott, a transfer student from Ole Miss, who came to Perk to meet new friends and experience new thrills. And that she did, when she entered and won the Miss Perkinson Campus title in the Miss Mississippi Preliminary pageant held April 1977. As Regina answered questions concerning her family, interests, school life, and future plans, performed talents, and modeled in swimsuit and evening gown competition, she became calmer. But that calmness turned into exuberance as she was crowned and chosen to represent her campus in the state pageant. When asked would she encourage others to enter the pageant, Regina replied, "Definitely. There is so much one can get out of just being a part of the pageant. New experiences, new people, and the thrill of being a part of it all would satisfy anyone." Regina Scott was definitely Perk's choice for Miss Mississippi.



Sophomores Sophomores Sophomores

Judy Pacheu
Michael Pagh
Edna Purvis
Bill Rabby
Jimmy Ramer
Bobby Joe Randall
Rocky Ransome

Golman Ray
Sue Reeves
Jimmy Rider
Wesley Riels
Ron Rhoads
Debra Rhodes
Keith Rhodes



Sam Roberts
Terry Rogers
Becky Rose
Almarie Route
Mark Sandberg
Faye Saucier
Regina Scott

Carol Seal
Richard Shepard
Steve Simpson
Jerry Smith
Patty Snowden
David Spangleer
Susan Spencer

Karen Stebbins
Vonnice Stewart
Charles Street
Lynne Strickland
C.E. Sunrall
Nobahku Sugiyama
Mark Strickland

Betty Tanner
Ken Tatum
Carol Taylor
Jeffrey Taylor
Larry Taylor
Meg Taylor
Timin Tench

Debbie Triplett
Paul Uchello
Mike Upton
Kiera Van Winkle
Jeffery Vaughn
Steve Vogle
Jim Vanderhaar

Jean Waites
Teresa Wales
Margaret Waltenburg
Wendell Weathers
Tony Welford
Obie Wells
Bill West

Sophomores Sophomores Sophomores



Wanda West
Jeffrey Weston
Ruthie Wesley
Jay Williams
Joe Williams
Robin Williams
Jacob Wintstead

Riley Wood
Carl Yenger
Connie Yungling



Class Officers . . .

The Freshmen Officers elected by their class to serve for the 77-78 school year are Donna Johnson, Vice-President; Blaine Marie, President; and Ingrid Perry, Secretary-Treasurer.

Freshmen Freshmen Freshmen

Allen Albrecht
Walter Alexander
William Anderson
Kevin Antoine
Teresa Arguelles
Eddie Baggett
Mike Ballard

Darryl Barnes
Deedy Barnett
Danny Batson
Carla Beaugez
Bill Bonetti
Beth Berry
Kevin Berry

Jana Betz
Bobby Billingslea
Paula Black
Scott Bount
Clifford Boggs
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Belinda Bond

James Bond
Leonard Bond
Oran Bond
Patricia Bond
Frank Boone
Dixon Bouleware
Kathy Bouds



Harry Bowes
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Mary Bradley
Steve Brannon
Nancy Breland
Allen Brown
Joe Brown

Keith Brown
Sharon Brown
Jim Bryan
Randie Bryan
John Burke
Vicki Bush
Donna Byrum

Harold Cain
Beverly Caldwell
Anita Callahan
Richard Campbell
Susie Capell
Tim Carpenter
Vickie Carter

Frank Castiglia
Dale Chatham
Simone Chambers
Jim Christy
Raymond Claude
Jerry Clinton
Steve Cobb

Freshmen Freshmen Freshmen

Ramon Cotto
Gregg Coke
Karen Coleman
Marshall Copeland
Donald Corr
Cindy Cox
Sharon Crenshaw

David Croonne
Kevin Cuevas
Ginger Cumbest
Michael Dale
Deborah Davis
Gabrielle Davis
Steve Dawson

Jolie Daymond
Lisa Deas
Victor DeDeaux
Kim Demoruelle
Oliver Diaz
Deborah Dickerson
Sherri Ditch

Sharon D'Oville
David Detry
Mark Dunaway
Kenny Duagan
Margaret Elliott
Ivan Ellis
Betsy Endt



Eugene Eubanks
Michael Eubanks
Johnnie Evans
Peggy Evans
Shelia Evans
Deloris Fairconure
Kent Farris

Larry File
Jonnie Footman
Kenneth Fore
Jeffrey Ford
Michael Ford
Gerald Fowler
Cheryl France



Freshmen Freshmen Freshmen

Caroline Freeman
Joseph Fulghum
Roni Gaines
Richard Garrett
Diane Gartman
Dawn Giddens
Rita Gill

LaVerie Gilliam
Bonnie Gladney
Amelia Goff
Henry Goff
Jerome Goff
Cynthia Graham
Phillip Gray

Robbin Green
Theresa Gregory
Tim Grerson
George Hahn
James Hall
Kenneth Hall
Jim Hamilton

Greg Haney
Helen Harris
Kim Harvey
Erna Hatten
Satie Hayden
Robert Hayes
Gerardo Hegenbarth

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Selma Henderson
Michael Henley
Nettie Herrin
Jody Herring
Lyn Hill
Lydia Hilton

John Hindmarch
Ronald Hinton
Bruce Hollingsworth
Kim Hollis
Tommy House
Tanya Howard
Wanda Howell



Dean Hughes
Glenn Hunt
Stephanie Hubbard
Willie Hubbard
Wade Huston
Ronald Illich
Violet Jacobs

Ahmed Jadaan
Terri James
Keith Jenkins
Mickey Jermy
Brenda Johnson
Calvin Johnson
Donna Johnson

Freshmen Freshmen Freshmen

A Young, Busy, And Happy Family



Being a husband, father, student, and athlete has not posed a problem for John Olsen of Pascagoula. He, his wife, Jill, and their fourteen month old son, Johnny, Jr. became the newest family residents of the apartment dorm on Perkinson Campus this fall.

John, a business administration major, is employed on the work study program here at Perk and is a member of the 1977-78 Bulldog baseball team. Although Jill is not a full-time student, she takes time out from cooking, taking care of Johnny, Jr., and keeping up the apartment to take night-time adult education classes such as typing.

John and Jill enjoy living here on campus even though the facilities are not very good for married students. However, after fixing their apartment to look like home, they feel that the apartment dorm is livable. Still, the Olsens do not regard Perk as their home and return to their hometown of Pascagoula each weekend as do many of the students attending Perk. After all, the grandparents HAVE to see their baby grandson.

John plans to finish his education after two years at Perk but is undecided as to which college he will attend. Until then it looks like Perk is the "home away from home" for this happy family.



Janice Johnson
Steve Johnson
Zanuel Johnson
Teresa Jones
Lesley Keel
Oren Kennedy
Thomas Kennedy

Carol King
Terry Krohn
Doris Ladner
Kevin Ladner
Mark Ladner
Tommy Lamas
Roger Lambert

Jimmy Lamy
Jane Linco
Joseph Lohfink
Bruce Lott
Mike Lott
Renée Lott
Kathryn MacLinn

Fred Mallert
John Mansfield
Blaine Marie
Craig Martin
Dennis Martin
Keith Martin
Alice Mason



There's more to communicating than hearing! Brenda Parker, the vivacious, 18 year old, blond-haired freshman can testify to that. Mr. & Mrs. Wallace Parker first noticed their daughter's hearing problem when her younger brother's cries went unnoticed by Brenda. After several trips to specialists, it was diagnosed that Brenda had nerve damage, irreparable with surgery. So at the age of 6, Brenda left her home to enter the McGary School for Deaf at Jackson, Ms. While receiving therapy and training at MSD, Brenda participated in cheerleading, basketball, and track, and was selected the 1975 Valentine Queen and Junior National Association of Deaf Queen.

Following the 9th grade, Brenda transferred to Vanceville High School. Along with speech therapy, Brenda received special help from cousin, Connie Parker, and friends, one of whom was MGJC student, Carol King. They learned sign language to aid Brenda in communicating with fellow students. Obviously Brenda communicated well, for she was selected Miss Vanceville High by the student body.

Brenda, a graduate of Barbizon School of Modeling, is presently a member of the Gulf Coast Models. She was selected Freshman maid in the MGJC homecoming court. When asked about communication, Brenda states that she talks, uses hand language, and writes as the last resort. "My eyes hear for me."

Her Eyes Hear For Her



Freshmen

Reba Matthews
Dennis May
Lorrie McCaughn
Sherri McComb
Janet McCormick
Pat McCowin
Jane McMurphy

Duane McPeck
Wally Meant
Mary Menaso
Tonya Mergenschroer
Rissa Miles
Bruce Miller
Kimmie Miller



Freshmen



Steven Reed
Andrea Robbins
Kathy Robertson
Mike Roberts
Joey Robertson
Dion Robinson
Tammy Rockwell

Chris Rogers
Billy Rogers
Joe Sam Martin
David Sautier
Pam Sautier
Denise Scafield
Tami Scarborough



Randal Miller
Romona Milson
James Moody
Karen Moody
Doug Morrison
Raymond Murphy
Deade Nation

Tanya Necaie
Diane Nicholson
Charollette Norris
Lisa Norris
John Olsen
Jeff O'Neal
Eunice Orjen

Robert Overstreet
Sue Owens
Tina Palmer
Brenda Parker
Lorie Parker
Misha Parker
Rebecca Parker

Sue Parker
Susan Parker
Dana Partien
Linda Partridge
Mark Patton
Rosa Lee Patton
Richard Payton

Thomas Peresch
Ingrid Perry
Matthew Perry
Gregg Pitts
Debra Pittman
Jim Price
Carol Price

Charlene Rachube
Dean Ramsey
Debra Ramsey
Romina Randsall
Terrell Rawls
Cindy Redmond
Robert Reeves

Freshmen

Freshmen



PERK

adds life...



George County Occupational Training Center

Lucedale, Mississippi 39452

Employees

John Ward Cooley
Director
Ronnie Mizell
Counselor
Brenda Roberts
Secretary
Gwen Bobinger
Health Occupations



Larry Burney
Secretarial
Frieda Davis
Practical Nursing
Jerry Havard
Pipefitting
Wayne Holt
Building Trades



Dennis Klene
Air Conditioning
Melvin Lister
Metal Trades
J.H. Martin
Welding
W.H. Rogers
Pipefitting



Carpentry

Norma Howell
Instructor



L.D. Edwards
Henry Eubanks
W.A. Evans
Thomas J. Jordan
Danny W. Murrah

Pipefitting And Plumbing

Jerry W. Booth
Louis Flurry
W.H. Rogers
Not shown:
James Jackson
Richard McKenzie
Jerry Miller



Air Conditioning And Refrigeration

John Baxter
Billie Dave Brooks
Julian Holland
Ronnie Prentiss
Larry Pierce



Truman Campbell
P.D. Fairley
Florence Taylor

Welding



Edna Brown
Shirley Cowell

Practical Nursing



Donna Davis
Connie Day
Bobbie Floore
Verona Garrett
Katheryn Harvison



Becky Hickman
Lenora Keel
Teresa McLendon
Anne Middleton
Myra Murphy



Myrtis O'Dell
Linda Pierce
Jacqueline Robertson
Terri Shephard
Dawn Smith



Kaye Smith
Anne Strahan
Betty White



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Juana Boren
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Theresia DeHaan
Ernie Estes



Frances Ford
Sharon Hartfield
Denise Hyatt
Shirley Jenkins
Gracie Knight



Denise Nichols
Cindy Smith
Jannie Smith
Antoinette Street
Cathy Tate



Carrie Wells
Teresa Wilburn



Clifton Spivory
Janitor
M.B. Turner
Maintenance



There is more to college than just going to class. Studying when you can, working in the library, doing term papers and special projects, drawing for art, practicing lines for a play, doing lab work, practicing musical instruments, developing your voice or even developing photographs, are all a part of learning. Although most of your time may be spent outside class, most of the learning comes from your instruction in the classroom. It is through the personalized instruction by Park faculty that we are LEARNING.



THE GOOD TIMES



LEARNING

Faculty And Administration

"Faraway there in the sunshine are my highest aspirations. I may not reach them, but I can look up and see their beauty, believe in them, and try to follow where they may lead."

— Louisa May Alcott



Dr. Clyde Strickland
Executive Dean

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Counselor



Danny James
Admissions Counselor



Ed Scarborough
Director, Student Services



Billy Jack Scarborough
Director, Vo-Tec



James Ray Smith
Supervisor, Housing



L.D. Stringfellow
Director, Finance

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Charles Acres
Art



Sandy Acres
General Studies



Mary K. Adams
Home Economics



Sydney Alexander
English



Dr. Word Guild
Foreign Language



Dorothy Hall
English



Lillian Hayden
General Studies



Nell Henderson
English/Speech



Cassie Batson
Mathematics



Wentz Batson
Horticulture



J.B. Brown
Welding



Charlie Cook
Librarian



Maj. Robert Housely
ROTC



Dr. Hugh Hu
Business



Sam Jones
Band



Anna Faye Kelley
Business



Millie Clark
General Studies



Eugene Clement
Music



Clem Dellenger
Coach & PE



Kenneth Farris
Athletic Director



Jon Lewis
Social Studies



Kathryn Lewis
Speech/Drama



Dr. Nelda Lott
English



Dr. Woodley Lott
English



Kay McInnis
Business



John McQuagge
Health & PE



Angelyn Mann
Chemistry



Noel R. Mann
Chemistry



Dr. David Schwab
Biology



George Sekul
Coach & PE



Dale Sellers
Media Specialist



Doris Smith
Health & PE



Dr. Richard Miller
Biology



Charles Morrison
Vo-Tec



Mike Nelson
Coach & PE



Larry O'Neal
Mathematics



Leonard Smith
Vo-Tec



Frank Spring
Printing



Charles Sullivan
Social Studies



Warren Taft
Carpentry



Kinzie Parker
Auto Mechanics



Wesley Riels, Jr.
Vo-Tec



Robert Rominger
Social Studies



Sue Ross
Coach & PE



Tom Taylor
Mathematics



Dr. Tom Walden
Physics



Ronnie Walker
Drafting & Design



Bessie Warren
Psychology



Robert Weathers
Coach & PE



Harper Wilson
Industrial Arts



Jim Wittman
Piano, Music



Gloria Breland
Receptionist



Charlene O'Neal
Bookstore Mgr.



Joyce Rogers
Sec., Dean



Ramona Shattles
Sec., Faculty



Doris Strickland
Clerk, Media Center



Ann Banach
Secretary, Library



Willie Banach
Records Clerk



Clarice Coker
Business Office



Carol Fore
Switchboard



Tommye Weathers
Sec., Veterans Affairs



Glennie White
Bus. Office



Linda Creel
Secretary



Cecil Reeves
Supervisor, Bld. & Gr.



Millie Johnson
Secretary, Media



Sherree Johnson
Sec., Student Services



Nelda Lyons
Sec., Dean



Pat Martin
Sec., Vo-Tec



Joyce Williams
Switchboard



Marie Taylor
Nurse



Billy Finnan
Supervisor, Janitorial

Looking Back On 77



Music

ARTIST

Pezwood Mac
Linda Ronstadt
Bee Gees
Rod Stewart
Rita Coolidge
Emotions
Commodores
Isley Brothers
Sara Evans
Andy Gibb
Player
Donna Summer
Village People
James Taylor
Dolly Parton
Billy Joel
ELO
Alas Parsons
Debbie Boone
Boyz n the City
Jimmy Buffet
Kenny Rogers
Sly & the Family Stone
Pablo Cruise
Fortner
Chic

SONGS

Easy
You Light Up My Life
Baby Come Back
Turn to Stone
Point of No Return
Short People
Come Sail Away
We're All Alone
Back in Love Again
Beat of My Love
I go Crazy
Stayin' Alive

Still Rising

32 oz. Ground Coffee — \$6.45
10 oz. Instant Coffee — \$5.39
Tea (100 bags) — \$2.39
16 oz. Peanut Butter — \$1.25
Milk — \$1.75 a gallon
Bread — \$3.77 a loaf
1 lb. Hamburger — \$1.05
1 lb. Roast — \$1.59
1 lb. Bacon — \$1.39
5 lb. Sugar — \$1.09
5 lb. Flour — \$3.79
Barq's Rootbeer — \$1.65 a 6 pack
Miller Beer — \$1.90 a 6 pack
Cigarettes — \$4.57 a carton
\$7.50 a pack*
Coke — \$4.40*
Lay's Potato Chips — \$3.95 Twin Pack
Eggs — \$7.99 a dozen
Tomatoes — 6 for \$1.04
Head of Lettuce — \$4.49
Apples — 6 for \$1.52
1 lb. M&M's — \$1.69
small bag \$2.20
Albums — from \$4.99 to \$14.99
Lecithin — from \$11.00 to \$21.00 to
Jenny Holm — from \$10.00 to
\$15.00

* In some vending machines



Gulf Coast Colliseum Completed
Superbowl XII held in New Orleans
King Tutankhamun Exhibit comes to New Orleans as Tut-mania spreads across the U.S.
Ed McMahon reigns as King of Bacchus at Mardi Gras

Movies

Star Wars
Close Encounters
Saturday Night Fever
Annie Hall
A Star is Born
Smokey and the Bandit
One on One
Rocky
Looking for Mr. Goodbar
The Goodbye Girl
The Other Side of Midnight
Heroes

Perk 21, Pearl River 20
USM # 1 Football, in Mississippi
Ole Miss beats Notre Dame — #1 team in Nation
New York Yankees win the World Series — defeat Dodgers 4-2
Denver Broncos finally make it to the Super Bowl then lose to Dallas
Portland — NBA Champions
Joe Namath Retires
Hank Stram fired as Coach of the New Orleans Saints

In The State

Mississippi considers the ERA
Teachers want pay raise
\$20 Car tag for Ms.
Carmichael may run again
Possession of Marijuana is reduced to a misdemeanor



National

Jimmy Carter takes office
Billy Carter becomes famous as the beer drinking "First Brother"
The 45 caliber killer, "Son of Sam" is apprehended in New York
The Alaska Pipeline is finished
Anita Bryant launches campaign against Gays — Gay Movement builds.
Peace in the Middle East?
Two 747's collide in the Canary Islands leaving 382 dead
New York has another Blackout
Gary Gilmore goes before the firing squad
New Panama Canal Treaty is disputed
Night Club fire kills 164 in Kentucky
National Womens Conference held in Houston
Queen Elizabeth II — Silver Jubilee
U.S. Farmers strike nationwide

In Memorium

Elvis Presley
Bing Crosby
Hubert Humphrey
Charlie Chaplin
Guy Lombardo
Groucho Marx
Lynard Skynard Band Members
Freddie Prince
Bob Muehl

The College

President Hayden rehired for another four year term
Dean Strickland takes office
Campus improvements made with beautification program
Conflict between Quave and Board of Trustees continue
New girls dormitory still in the planning
Boyce Holleman is inducted into the MGCIC Hall of Fame
Student Council works toward visitation rights in girls dormitories
New cut policy proves to be very unpopular
Jabo, school mascot for years, dies
New Mascot, Hoover, is a gift to the College.



The Tube

Laverne and Shirley #1
Saturday Night Live
When's Happening
Soap
Eight is Enough
Redd Foxx
Family
Three's Company
All My Children
Charlie gets a new "Angel" to replace Farrah
Johnny Carson signs new contract — 1 night a week, three million a year

The Latest

Painter's Pants
Khakkies
Harachies
Levis
Double Pierced Ears
Snake Chains
Stick pins
Boots
Cowl Neck Sweaters
Winter Scarves
C.B. Radios
Tut Mania
Disco Fever



Local News

... It Was Just Yesterday.

"Yesterday's Hurt Is
Today's Understanding
Rewoven Into
Tomorrow's
Love"



"I Am Not Afraid
Of Tomorrow For
I Have Seen Yesterday
And I Love Today"



"The Future Is Not
A Gift; It Is
An Achievement"



"We're Reaching For
That Dream That's
Called Tomorrow"



"It's So Hard To
Say Good-Bye
To Yesterday"

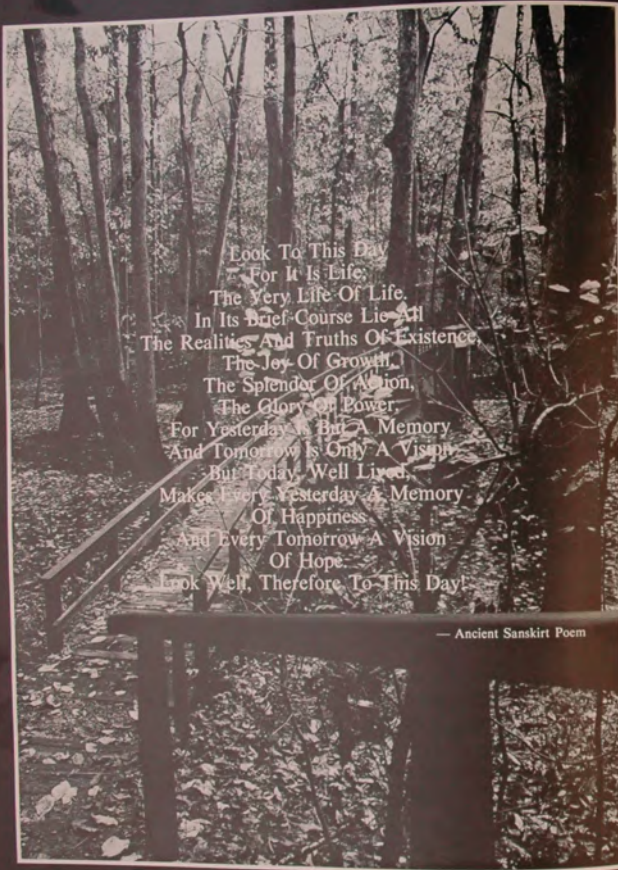
— from the theme song for the
movie "Cooley High"



"Best Of Friends
Never Part . . .
It's Over, It's Over
Now"

— Boz Scaggs





Look To This Day
For It Is Life,
The Very Life Of Life,
In Its Brief Course Lie All
The Realities And Truths Of Existence,
The Joy Of Growth,
The Splendor Of Vision,
The Glory Of Power,
For Yesterday Is But A Memory
And Tomorrow Is Only A Vision
But Today Well Lived,
Makes Every Yesterday A Memory
Of Happiness
And Every Tomorrow A Vision
Of Hope
Look Well, Therefore To This Day!

— Ancient Sanskrit Poem

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Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College

Board Of Trustees



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President



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BUCKLEY
Computer Operator



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FARRIS
Secretary,
Vocational
Technical



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Office Manager



MISS SUSIE
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Systems Guidance
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Secretary,
President's Office

'Liaison' /

A Hospitality Center For The College

Ever since its completion in April of 1976, the president's new home at Perkinson has been a busy place. Designed primarily for entertaining, the house lives up to its name — a link between the college and its public.

In addition to functioning as a home for the president and his family and a place to greet the public, "Liaison" also is used to house official visitors.

Thousands of persons have entered its spacious rooms and savoured the warm hospitality of Dr. and Mrs. J.J. Hayden Jr.



Dr. Hayden (left) welcomes guests to "Liaison"



"LIAISON"

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Homecoming/Holleman Honored

Gulfport attorney Boyce Holleman became the eighth recipient of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College Alumni Hall of Fame award, presented at a homecoming banquet on Nov. 5, 1977, at Perkinston Campus.

Holleman, 53, is a former district attorney for Harrison, Stone and Hancock counties. The Wiggins native attended Perkinston his freshman year before transferring to the University of Mississippi in 1940.

A long-time proponent of junior college education, Holleman, as a state representative from 1947 to 1953, was among the legislators responsible for making state appropriations available to public-supported junior colleges.

During his illustrious career as an attorney, Holleman has served as president of the Mississippi Bar Association, and is a Fellow of the American Bar Association, the American Judicature Society, the American Trial Lawyers Association and the Mississippi Trial Lawyers Association.



BOYCE HOLLEMAN

Sam Owen Trophy/Pitalo Wins It

Another homecoming highlight was the awarding of the Sam Owen Trophy for distinguished service to Dr. Steven Pitalo, Biloxi dentist.

Presenting the trophy to Pitalo was Joe Sam Owen of Gulfport, namesake of his late uncle Sam Owen, a Perkinston alumnus who died in Hurricane Camille.

Mrs. Dolores Mauldin, last year's recipient of the trophy, was presented a permanent plaque.

In other homecoming activities, Dr. Frank Gruich, Biloxi physician, was elected president of the MGJC Alumni Association. Other officers were Joe McDonald, Gulfport, first vice president; Mrs. Myra Levi, Ocean Springs, second vice president; and Cooper Roberts, Pascagoula, re-elected secretary-treasurer.



DR. STEVEN PITALO



DR. FRANK GRUICH

RECEIVES AWARD — Boyce Holleman (left) admires plaque presented to him at homecoming banquet by Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College President J.J. Hayden Jr. The Gulfport attorney was the eighth person to receive the Alumni Association Hall of Fame Award.

REX REXINGER/Something Special At Homecoming

When the 1927 football team was recognized at homecoming, one member was singled out for special recognition.

He is Albert "Rex" Rexinger, now a Natchez businessman, who returned to his alma mater to become head football coach from 1937 to 1942.

Rexinger, along with fellow team members, was introduced at the homecoming banquet at Perkinston Campus.

Rexinger, owner of a sporting goods store in Natchez, is one of the first men to be inducted into the Mississippi Coaches Hall of Fame.

As a player at Perkinston, Rexinger was named to the All-State football team. After graduation, he earned the B.S. degree at Millsaps College, where he coached football and basketball.

His coaching career also included stints at Biloxi and Mississippi City.



RECALL OLD TIMES — Albert "Rex" Rexinger (left) and C.J. Darby hash over old times during MGJC homecoming at Perkinston Campus. Darby, a former Harrison county chancery clerk, was president of Perkinston when Rexinger was football coach.



... New Memories — And Old

For Lydia Hilton (right) of Biloxi, it was the first time to register for a Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College homecoming. Here the Perkinston Campus freshman cheerleader is "signed in" by (from left), Mrs. Shirlee Arkwright, central office secretary, and Mrs. Carolyn Brooks of Wiggins.



But for old-timers like Vernon Brown of Wiggins, homecoming was a time for days past. In Brown's case, it was harking back to 1927 and the football team of that year and finding himself in the team picture ...

INSTRUCTORS of the YEAR/three named

Instructors of the Year from the three campuses of Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College were cited by the MGCJC Alumni Association at its spring dinner in April at Jefferson Davis Campus.

The instructors, chosen by students, faculty and administrators, were Frank Spring, printing, Perkinston Campus; Randall Anastasio, physical education, Jefferson Davis Campus; and Charlie Orman, electronics, Jackson County Campus.

Presenting plaques to the instructors were executive deans C.G. Odom, Perkinston; W.P. Lipscomb Jr., Jefferson Davis; and Curtis Davis, Jackson County.

Spring, employed nine years at MGCJC, is advisor to the Perkinston Campus chapter, Vocational Industrial Clubs of America. He and his wife Patricia are the parents of eight children. The couple lives in Perkinston.

Anastasio, who has taught at MGCJC for four years, is director of the District III Joseph P. Kennedy Foundation Special Olympics for handicapped and retarded children. He is active in the American Association of Health, Physical Education and Recreation, American Cancer Society, American Red Cross and American Heart Association. In addition, he is a member of the American Hong Chun Kung Fu Society International (International Digynov for professional martial arts and karate instructors).

Orman, his wife Kay, and one child live in Gautier. He is a member of the Mississippi Vocational Association and the Mississippi Faculty Association.

Presiding at the meeting, one of two sponsored each year by the MGCJC Alumni Association, was the organization's president, Dr. Frank Gruich, Biloxi physician.



Dean C.G. Odom, (left) Perkinston Campus and Frank Spring, instructor.



Randall Anastasio, (center) instructor at Jefferson Davis Campus.



Charlie Orman, (left) instructor and Dean Curtis Davis, Jackson County Campus.

Creative Writing Workshop/A Way With Words

The seventh annual Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College Creative Writing Workshop in June attracted more than 50 persons to Perkinston Campus for sessions with four professional consultants.

Workshop director Mrs. Nell Henderson said 300 manuscripts were submitted and many of them were evaluated by the consultants. They were Jean Todd Freeman, freelance writer and instructor of creative writing at the University of Southern Mississippi; Thomas Reiter, poet-in-residence at Monmouth College, West Long Branch, N.J.; Dr. Reed Sanderlin, acting director of the Tennessee Poetry Circuit; and Ellen Douglas, prize-winning novelist from Greenville.

The workshop was made possible through the cooperation of the Mississippi Arts Commission and the National Endowment for the Arts, a federal agency headquartered in Washington, D.C.



WORD SESSION — Conferring at Creative Writing Workshop are Dr. Thomas Reiter, consultant, and Karen Kester of Gulfport. Informal sessions like this were common during the three-day affair.



PENPUSHERS ... Consultants of the workshop are shown with the Stone County Penpushers, a Wiggins creative writing class. They are from left: Margaret Mavis, Laura Simpson, Thomas Reiter, consultant; Jean Todd Freeman, consultant; Neil Clement, Miriam Saia, Ellen Douglas, consultant; Nell Henderson, and Reed Sanderlin, consultant.

FOOTBALL/2 points would have put Bulldogs in Bowl

It was the 7-6 loss to Jones that kept Gulf Coast from going to the junior Rose Bowl football classic.

If that wasn't enough, the Bulldogs in their last outing beat North Division champion Itawamba 17-6 in a homecoming game at Perkinson.

And would you believe it? Itawamba edged Jones 13-12 to win the state crown. But it was Jones that won the trip to the Bowl.

"Whacky" is the way Coach George Sekul described the

1977 season. The Bulldog's ended it with a 7-2-1 record.

In the process the Bulldogs, in whipping Itawamba, gave Sekul his 100th win in the 12 years he has coached at MGJC. His teams have lost 24 and tied three. The record earned the veteran mentor a third-place spot on J.C. Grid Wire's list of the nation's leading junior college coaches.

Who's Number One? Well, if ...

Baseball/Bulldogs Win Season, Lose Playoff

It's enough to make a fellow — or a gal for that matter — break a bat. Have a 31-8 won-lost record. Win the South Division baseball championship. Then drop two games to Northwest in the state finale. But that's the way it was for Coach Ken Farris and his 1977 team. Can't fault the season record, though. It was a good one by anybody's measure. Pretty good indication, too, why Farris is considered one of the winningest coaches in the U.S.



FOOTBALL TEAM

From left: First row — Troy Swaney, Tody Creel, Ed Hamshaw, Hilton Ray, David Miles, Louis Meaut, Joe Williams, Billy Ebberman, Mike Pugh, Jeff Weston, Larry Taylor, C.E. Sumrell, Larry Fletcher, Pat McCowin. Second row — Tim Tench, Edward Handford, Gerald Fowler, Mike Upson, Donnie Fremin, Keith Rhodes, Jack Fort, Tony Cole, Terry Krohn, Gary Harper, Donald Nelson, Rick Osley, Victor Williams, Bill Randall, Typos Lindsey, Oren Kennedy. Third row — Greg Pitts, Don Garrett, Obie Wells, Leon McMillan, Matt Jermyn, Brian Duhaz, Kenneth Couch, Vernon Gazzo, Jimmy Nocaie, Mickey Jermyn, Frank Burke, Eugene Nestles, Richard Payton, Rocky Rosanent, James Hall. Fourth row — Ross Gaines, Johnny Rogers, Jay Hindmarch, Lonnie Tilman, Mike Henley, Tommy Barlow, Jake Winstead, Brian Shaw, Davis Stewart, Ricky Thibler, Chris Ferrell.



TEAM — From left: first row — Don Ainsworth, Don Oliver, Glen Dewease, Don Nelson, James Redmond, Gary Landen, Darryl Dilard, Jimmy Rascoe. Second row — Jimmy Addison, Scott Hopper, Louis Meaut, Kym Davis, David Martino, Dan Ford, Mike Brown, Matt Jermyn. Third row — Coach Ken Farris, Monty Eaves, Bill Boarge, Paul Reels, Sammy King, Lester Lanning, Miguel Lawrence, Ricky Hawkins, Jody Leckich.

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Basketball/Off To A Fresh(man) Start In 1977-78



MEN'S TEAM . . . From left — Tony Weathers, Wendell Weathers, Stewart Serpas, Barry Bargasier, Jeff O'Neal, Steve Simpson, Joe Brown, Craig Martin, David Ladner, Eddy Handy, Norbert Miller, Larry Armitstead, Fred Jackson, Jerry Sipp (managers, not pictured, Devin Dedeaux and Leslie Levens).

Coaches Bobby Weathers and Sue Ross both were depending heavily on freshmen as the men's and women's basketball team moved into mid-season.

Weathers, whose team had a 8-5 record, said eight members of the squad were freshmen, three of them starters. Highlighting the men's games were not-so-bad losses to a second-ranked Vincennes, Ind. (66-76) and ninth place Pensacola (76-81).

The women, 4-7 in January, were "doing a good job," Ross said. The team began the year with seven freshmen and six sophomores. As defending state champions, the Lady Bulldogs were "the team to beat".



THE WOMEN . . . From left: First row — Susan Underwood, Eileen Discher, Sharon D'Orville, Nancy Wilson, Meg Hatten, Lynda Clark and Robia Williams. Second row — Coach Sue Ross, Kim Ferrill, manager, Cheryl Clark, Cheryl "B.J." France, Helen Meaut, Pat O'Neal, Edna Purvis, Sissy Freeman, Wanda Pitts, manager, Coach Dora Smith.



TENNIS TEAM — From left: Tom Holder, Perkinston Campus; Rhonda Bliuss, Jackson County Campus; Keith Pope, Jackson County Campus; Tim May, Jackson County Campus; Verla McMillan, Jackson County Campus; Ricky Smith, Jefferson Davis Campus; Kim Ferrill, Perkinston Campus; Russell Miller, Perkinston Campus; Cathy Bettis, Jackson County Campus.

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TRACK TEAM . . . From left: First row — Vincent Bradley, Joe Williams, Ricky Burdine, Gerald Ellis, Mark Langerhach, Pat Richardson, and Tyrone Lindsey. Second row — Coach George Sekut, Rick Osley, Ed Hanshaw, Tommy Barlow, Tim Barron, Roger Washington, and Obie Wells.

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THE BAND — From left: First row — Dan Parker, Mary Menasco, Mark Martin, Deborah Elmore, Teresa Arruente, Tanya Howard, John Palmer, Pat Anderson, Eileen Goff, Bill Ingraffia, Tommy House, LARRY FITE, Kelly Stewart, Ellen Lechner, Jodi Myers. Second row — Gina Clement, Sharon Tillman, Tom Perseich, Joe Lohfink, Tim Grierson, Cindy Redmond, Mike Lott, Jerome Goff, Rita Giff, Beth Berry, John Burk, Mary Bryan, Kay Partridge, Earline Willis. Third row — Sherr Bullard, Sue Parker, Joe Ladtner, Mard Sandberg, Andre Jarreau, Robert Furby, Bruce Hollingsworth, Marshall Copeland. Fourth row — Mike May, Jerry Scruggs, Jerry Hilton, Tony Lili, Matthew Perry, Steve Curlet, Mike Eubanks, Gary Thompson, Kathy Prehoda, Raymond Murphy, Terry Rogers, Belenda Evans.

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THE PERKETTES — From left: First row — Bettie Tanner, Lynette Maples, Deborah Taylor, Cindy Cox, Anita Kay Lee, Debbie Tripplett, Lisa McKenzie, Reba Matthews, Risa Miles, Ruth Shull, Lisa Deas. Second row — Almarie Rose, Carol Prince, Debbie Peyrigne, Kathy McInnis, Pee Wee McCombs, Carol Ramey, Millie Boykin, Robin Burton, Penny Nichols, Robin Davis, Teresa Wales, Robin Williams, Claire Tomlinson

