

1986 Trident



A birthday bouquet . . .



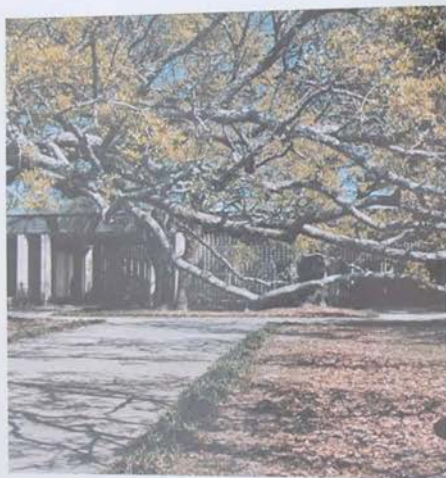
Images
in
retrospect . . .



Jefferson
Davis
Campus
comes
of
age



The Beauvoir



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COMING OF AGE

Twenty-one years old! Light the candles!
Jefferson Davis comes of age!

We arrived in the turbulent sixties,
the year that Hurricane Betsy was spawned,
a time of riots, marches, and rallies
for peace, the destructive winds of Camille.
It was a time for man to walk on the moon,
to know the shock of assassination.
The sixties were headbands, hippies, and *Hair*.

With the seventies came a challenge:
Watergate and *All the President's Men*.
If our faith in the nation was shaken,
our faith in the future grew stronger.
We built an olympic-size pool and a gym,
designed a showplace for drama and art,
introduced computers to registration.

In the eighties the headlines were bold
with "hostages," "hijacks," "Khomeini."
Our country renewed its pride in the flag
that waved at political conventions,
Bruce Springsteen concerts, and Summer Olympics.
We saw Elena snap power lines and pines,
and felt the spirit of friendship prevail.

Twenty-one years old and still growing!
Jefferson Davis comes of age.

Elaine McDermott





People . . .
places . . .
events . . .



A
Sampling
of the
J.D. story

Unwelcome
visitors . . .



And
they called
the winds
Camille -
Betsy -
Elena



The
Mirror ball
danced for
some . . .





Only
yesterday . . .

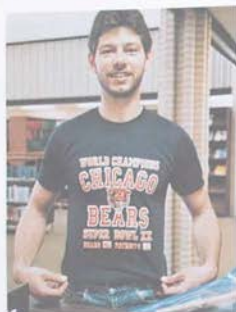


Since
yesterday . . .
smiles from
today's people
on campus . . .



. . . and on the
Spring travel
circuit





New names in the J.D. annals . . .



Tom Ashbire
Belene Azavedo
Denise Acord
Gabriel Adams
Beverly Allen
William Anderson



Willis Anderson
Dennis Anuszewski
Suzanne Arche
Dominic Avery
Jennifer Ballus
Mary Ball



Vickie Barlow
Willie Barnes
Robin Barnett
Yvette Barnett
Jim Bass
Earlene Bates



Sherri Bates
Beverly Beaver
Rickey Beaver
Cynthia Bell
Anthony Bellamy
Gloria Bellamy



Ronald Bellamy
Joey Bentz
Andrea Berry
Roxane Berry
Joy Biddle
Suzanne Blatvenue



Suzanne Blatvenue
Cheryl Bigelow
Tina Bishop
Ginger Blancher
Wanda Bodenheimer
Kevin Bonner

Robin Boone
Pamela Boulton
Lillian Broadland
Dorothy Breland
Teresa Brewer
Diana Brooks



Alice Broussard
Michelle Broussard
Roberta Brown
Betsy Brunsing
Cathy Bryant
John Bullen



Eileen Burns
Deon Burt
Angela Businelle
Dianne Butler
Dorothy Byrd
Kenneth Calvo



R.I. Campbell
Karen Cannette
Vu Thanh Cao
Brian Capehart
Gina Carnes
Teresa Carnes



Linda Carroll
Karen Carson
Mike Caylor
Mary Chevelier
David Chian
Glenda Cieslat



Wendy Cieslat
John Clark
Paula Colfield
E. Collins
M. Collins
Wavelynn Collingues



Clifford Corder
Louise Cornett
Victoria Corso
James Craft
Ursula Creeghe
Barbara Creech



Kearn Crockett
Tracy Cruse
Hans Cross
Jeff Crowninshield
Stephanie Cuervo
Phuc Dao



Karen Davis
Sally Davis
Todd Delk
Jaime Demorelle
Darryl Deschamps
Helen Dickens



John Dietefano
Ann Dodd
Rosewale Dodd
Amy Donnet
Ricki Doucet
Natalie Dryden



Sue Dunigan
Steve Dunivent
Michelle Durr
Carol Eighmey
Karen Eley
Wanda Elliott



Lisa Ellis
Sheliah Elmer
Leslie Etheridge
Juanita Euerle
Angela Evans
Donna Evans



Robin Evans
Janice Fairley
Steve Fara
Krystal Feyard
Jenny Fernandez
Todd Fields



Kimmelle Flowers
Arlen Fountain
Carrie Freeman
Teresa French
Alison Frisica
Larry Frye





Of time and signs



Marlo Garrell
Charlotte Garriga
Robert Gaudet
Lacy Gay
Michael Geter
Brenda Gibbs



Laverne Glassnap
Shelia Goepel
Thomas Goepel
Brenda Gossage
James Graves
Normandie Gruta



Yvonne Guidroz
Tony Guidry
Roland Guillotte
Kim Hammons
Patty Hammons
Lana Hancock



Mimi Hamshaw
Pamela Hanson
Linda Hapes
Misty Harbin
Sherida Harden
Anita Harris



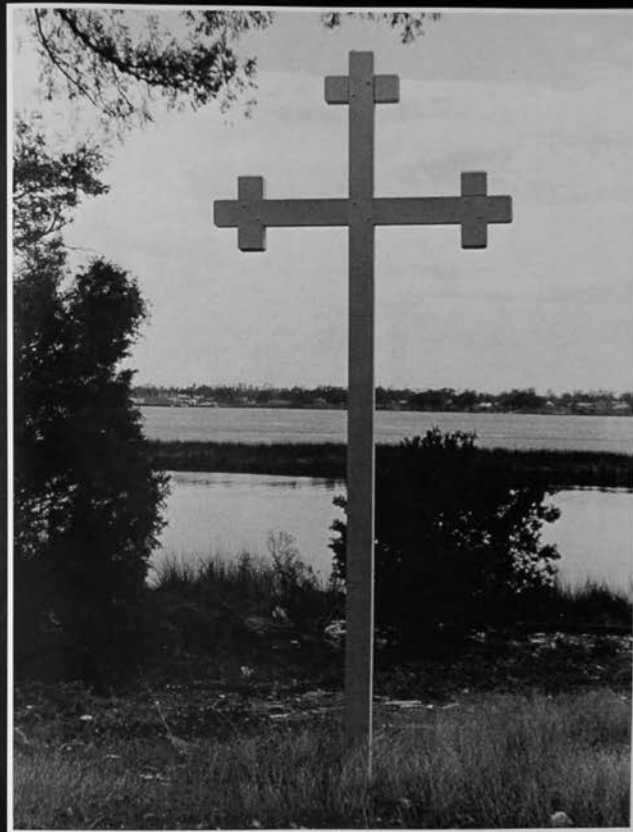
Ken Harris
Michael Harris
Deborah Harrison
Ronda Haydel
Angela Hayes
Jeff Hayes



Diane Herman
Janet Herman
Barbara Harring
Dara Hester
Petra Hicks
Greg Higgenbotham



Barton Hill
Leigh Hilton
James Hogland
Debra Hoda
Mary Hodge
Robert Hodge





Campus collages of the seventies

Janie Holliman
Chiffon Holmes
Carrie Hooker
Glen Hopkins
Linda Hopkins
Patty Hopkins



Carla Hopper
Elaine Hopper
Hannah Huddleston
Laurie Huddleston
Hung Hurley
Sherry Hutson



Glenn Ibele
Susan Igleharte
Pamela Jackson
Richard Jackson
Colleen Jenkins
Alton Johnson



Kathy Johnson
Lila Johnson
Reachel Johnson
Ted Johnson
Yvonne Johnson
Ada Jones



Evelyn Jones
John Jones
Leander Jones
Tracy Jones
Nichelle Jordan
Robins Justice



David Kaiser
Rodney Keel
Christopher Kibler
Lori Kinabrew
Sonia King
Martha Koon



G. Krohn
K. Krohn
Garrett Krug
Craig Kuhn
Crystal Labat



Lorraine Lachance
Bridget Ladner
Derrick Ladner
Kristie Ladner
Lisa Ladner
Matt Ladner



Jimmy Lamas
Lisa Lambert
James Larrison
Frank Lassere
Jerry Lawrence
Shaliye Layton



George Lechner
Tisha Lechner
Tammy Lelaux
Keith Levine
Sharon Lewis
Belinda Liles



Michelle Lindsey
Troy Lipscomb
Alan Lipski
Valerie Lizana
Edward Long
Katherlyna Luke



Brenda Lutz
My-Hanh Ly
My-Le Ly
My-Xuan Ly
Loretta Lynch
Dottie Lyons



Andrew McCabe
Mary McCabe
Randy McClellan
Mandy McConnell
Deborah McDonald
Marisa McDonald



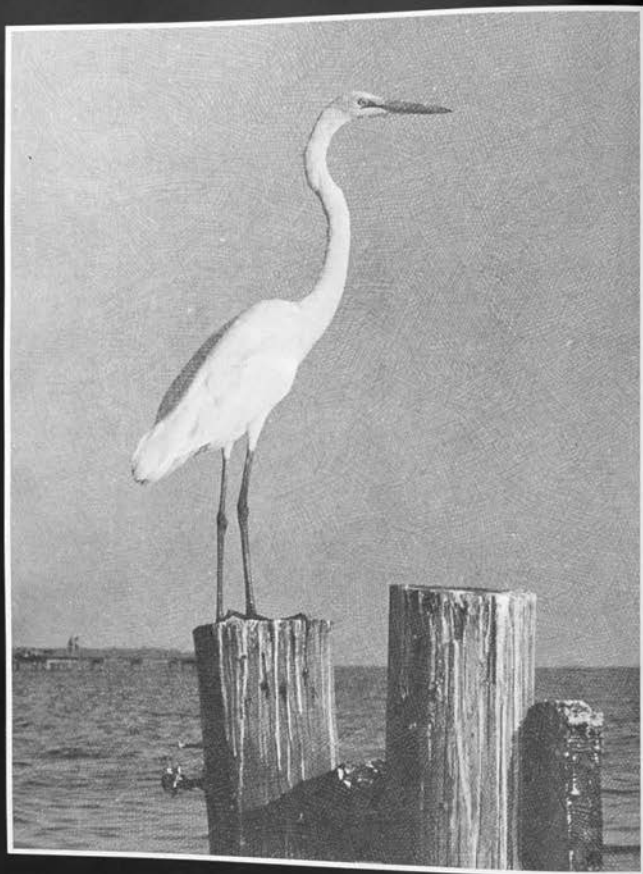
Melanie McElveen
Wendy McGill
Melinda McGoey
Deborah McKay
Robbie McLean
Teri McMullen





The Snow of '73





Ken McNeal
James Madison
David Malley
Janet Malley
Donna Mannion
Debbie Marinucci



Chris Marro
Jennifer Martin
Connie Mason
Charlotte Matthews
Maxine May
Rebecca May



Gino Mayberry
David Melhuish
Alina Militello
Michael Miller
John Mills
Barbara Monteleone



Lora Montgomery
Amy Monti
Merry Moody
Clifton Moore
Alonzo Moran
Gayle Morgan



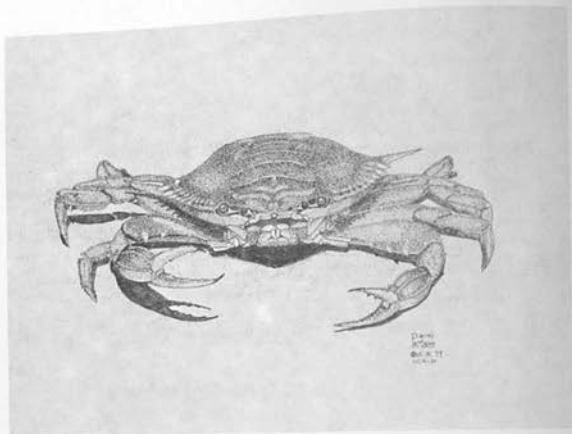
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Kerry Murphy
Phyllis Myers
Steven Myers
Toshiko Nakajima
Ann Nameth



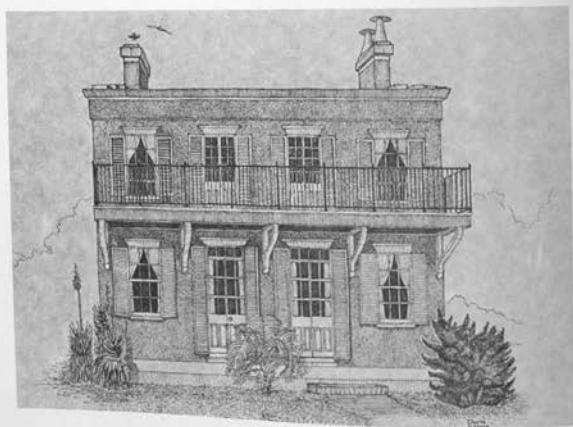
Crystal Ncaise
Tina Ncaise
April Nelson
Jaqueline Nelson
Randall Nieves
Kim Nightingale



Tracey Noble
William Nyary
Andrea Orlovsky
Jacqueline Osgood
Jacquelyn Owens
Tammy Page



Art of David LeMaire, Class of '80



Brenda Palmer
John Palmer
John Parker
Ronald Parker
Michael Partridge
Melissa Pate



Arnette Payne
John Peck
Margaret Peresich
Thomas Peresich
Francis Perfetto
Judith Peters



Nhom Pham
Stephanie Pickett
Laura Pickick
Michael Pierce
Sonya Pienas
Derek Pinkerton



Sharla Pinkston
Louis Pollio
Elizabeth Poole
Corina Pope
Claudette Puckett
Melany Puckett



Greg Puz
Ronnie Ralley
Scott Ramay
Marlene Rayome
David Reader
Melissa Reed



Charles Rahman
Tammy Rexroad
Jennifer Rice
Tammy Richard
Frank Richmond
Bonnie Rinehart



Robin Robbins
Dana Robinson
Danna Robinson
Jeffrey Robinson
Lee Robinson
Charles Rodgers



Anthony Rushing
Lisha Rushing
Diane Rutland
Missy Slavas
Augustine Samarripa
Rita Sanders



Heidi Savage
Frank Schievo
Laura Schmidt
Howard Schneider
Beth Schroeder
Janice Schwallie



Sharon Seichahayndre
Cheryl Sellers
Marshall Seymour
Sandra Seymour
Nam Shelton
Lisa Sherrod



Debra Short
David Slade
Danna Smith
Donnette Smith
Lynne Smith
Pat Smith



Steve Smith
Steve Smith
Vickie Smith
Mary Sprague
Mark Stafford
Jeanette Starr



Bryan Stein
Brian Stephens
Greg Stevens
Cindy Strain
Penny Sturtevant
Sharon Summerlin



Debbie Susky
Jody Sutherland
Patricia Tanay
Eleanor Tarbell
George Tate
James Tate



A Beauvoir visit

Elizabeth Taylor
Robert Taylor
Ed Teale
Rebecca Teale
Elson Thadison
Michelle Theall

Phakie Thurtot
Jamin Thomas
Chris Thornton
Sylvia Tiansello
Lisa Triggs
Sandra Trigg

Betty Trubette
Roseanne Turner
Carolyn Ulrich
Melissa Usatt
Marinda Uzoff
Donna Vaughn

Marie Vuale
Arturo Vigil
Maria Vigil
Mary Vincannon
Jeannie Wahiduzzaman
Casey Waites

Richard Wain
Thalino Walker
Donna Wallace
Dwayne Ward
Monique Ward
Edna Washington

Angela Waters
Leon Watson
Lane Watts
Rebecca Webster
Sherry West
James White

Jo Ann White
Tim White
David Williams
Donald Wilson
Patricia Wilson
Renae Wilson



Richard Wynn
Denise Wootton
Lori Woodard
Jerome Woodberry

Pamela Woodberry
April Woodcock
Edwin Wright
Miriam Wright

Lani Yackayzn
Henry Yap
Tim York
Kirk Zarske



MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST JUNIOR COLLEGE WILL DELAY OPENING ONE WEEK

New Registration And Testing Schedule
JACKSON COUNTY, JEFFERSON DAVIS
AND PERKINSTON CAMPUS

and end at 2:30
it be served
committee
back.

Teachers Will Benefit Under Storm Program

will be this Wednesday evening,
beginning with supper in Hotel
Berg Hall at 4:30.
The three campuses set
to sustain some roof damage
particularly at Perkinston
where both the roof of the
gymnasium and the main
building were damaged. All lost
some trees and other as well
as undetermined damages.

The administrators also an-
nounced postponement of the
scheduled post-school workshop for
faculty pre-school workshop for
one week. On Wednesday, Sept.
9, the new faculty orientation will
begin at 9 a.m. to noon on the
new campus, followed by
the college cafeteria
at Dr. Hayden.

Teachers Asked To Help In Storm Struck Areas

Schools To Get
Damage Funds,
Colmer Declares

The White House today advised
that a statement that federal

Coast Junior Colleges Will Start Week Late

Administrators of Mississippi
Gulf Coast Junior College
day announced.

Junior Colleges in Need of Help After Hurricane

Apparently Left Out of
Emergency Aid

MISSISSIPPI, Miss. (AP)—
Junior college administrators in
their institutions left out of ap-
proval for emergency assist-
ance for rebuilding after Hurricane
Camille.

Surveys of damage at both
Pearl River Junior College and
as campuses of the Mississippi
Gulf Coast Junior College have
been completed but the Office of
Emergency Planning advised it
has not yet received the needed
assistance.

J. J. Hayden Jr., president
of the coastal colleges, said
he has been unable to obtain
the needed assistance.



Camille Clippings

We honor a retiring President



Dr. J. J. Hayden, Jr.



... and greet his successor



Dr. Barry Mellinger





Administration



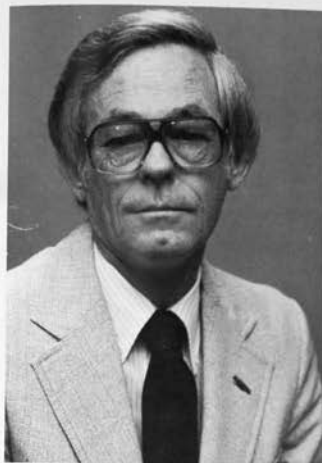
Glen Cadle
Vice President
Jefferson Davis Campus



Dr. C. D. Taylor
Dean of Business Services



William Vierling
Dean of Student Services



First Row: W. M. Thornton, Dean of Vocational Instruction; Sam Kirsch, Dean of West Harrison County Occupational Training Center. Second Row: S. J. D'Aquila, Administrative Dean of the Keesler Center



Quincy Long
Dean of Academic and General Instruction





Left to right: Jack Rogers, Associate Dean, Evening College; Ralph McBroom, Assistant Dean, Vocational Instruction; Gerald Gartman, Assistant Dean, Harrison County Occupational Training Center; David Drye, Director of Admissions; T. J. Smith, Director of Financial Aid

Administration



Left to right: Tommy Adkins, Counselor, Keesler Center; Veta Griffith, Counselor; Patti Holloway, Counselor; Gene Rester, Placement-Recruitment Counselor; Michael Romeo, Veterans Counselor

Counselors



Through
the
years . . .





Charles Shows
Jefferson Davis Campus
Instructor of the Year
1986

THE RELEVANCY OF EDUCATION TO THE CONTEMPORARY WORLD

Whether man lives in the Stone Age or in the Nuclear Age, his most important responsibility is always the creation and the transmission of culture, knowledge, wisdom, and technology to succeeding generations. Without this educational transmission progress is impossible and stagnation is inevitable. Fortunately, man has been successful in transmitting a vast river of accumulating achievements to posterity. This success has enabled man to rise from the awesome darkness of the cave to the bright exhilarating adventures of the space age. Thus, our age has become a time of limitless potential for progress, but also a time of deadly peril. For as President Kennedy somberly declared, "Man holds in his hands the power to abolish all forms of human poverty or all forms of human life."

Surely it has been constructive education that has made it possible to harness the primeval forces of nature, to mitigate deadly disease, to alleviate poverty, to broaden our knowledge of nature and the universe, and to create the inspiring ideals of freedom and democracy.

Nevertheless, we still face enormous unsolved problems. Civilization, like all the works of man, is at best imperfect. And certainly a century like ours that has witnessed the wholesale genocide of people, the rampant increase of crime, the increase of agonizing mental illness, the diminution of individualism, the earth-shaking convulsions of war, and the constant fear of nuclear holocaust is a poignant indication of the degree of our peril. Indeed, this century has a rendezvous with destiny. It will probably either witness the first real steps toward peace and a better world, or that final plunge into the nuclear abyss.

Probably, ignorance of some kind or another is the root source of most of our basic human problems. It causes poverty, hate, violence, ethnocentrism, injustice and war.

Our last best hope then is enlightened education that broadens the perspectives, opens the mind, and leads to tolerance, cooperation and compassion.

Thus, there is no greater social responsibility than the education of our people. For it is only through enlightened education that we can approach the democratic, Christian ideal of providing an opportunity for every individual to develop to the maximum of his or her intellectual, personal, social and economic abilities.

And, finally, remember it is better to light one candle than to curse the darkness.

Charles Shows

[Acceptance speech presented by Mr. Shows when he received the Jefferson Davis Instructor of the Year Award, April 23, 1986.]



Laurie Drago
Jefferson Davis
Campus
Instructor
of the
Year
1985



A GULFPORT HISTORY . . .

Of much interest to the Campus and to the Coast was the 1986 publication, *Gulfport: Beginnings and Growth*, by Dr. Henry W. Black, Jefferson Davis history instructor.





William Therrell



Harry Stamps



Dr. Henry Black

Social Studies



David Dedeaux



Laurie Drago



Christine Melton



Charles Shows



Dr. James Pat Smith

The Fulbright Connection



Dr. Joan Fitch

This year Dr. Fitch was awarded a prestigious Fulbright scholarship for study and teaching in Italy. She also was a 1984 Fulbright recipient for an assignment in India.



Evelyn Webb

Language Arts



June Bailey



Margaret Andresen



Kay Bankston



Betty Malone



Elaine Duncan



Joyce Hathaway



Alma Shull



Millie Collins



Kathy McCall

Learning Skills Center



Elaine McDermott

Developmental Studies



Joseph Goforth



Dorothy Knight



Susan Pagano



Dianne Hurlbert



Fine Arts



James Mathis



Tony Herring



Cheryl Larsen



Donald Moore



Adam Ortiz



Mathematics



Larry Miller



Gwendolyn Jones



Paul McKay



Al Mixon



Dr. Wayne Wadington



Dr. Sheila Brown



Walton Pigott



Stephen Roberts



Denise Roper



Dr. David Waldorf



Dr. Elizabeth Waldorf



James Knight



Edward Decker



Dr. Janie Languirand



Ronald Marcy



Science

Associate Degree Nursing



Wanda Brignac



Judith Benvenuti



Bonnie Davis



Patricia Howorth



Susan Kallas



Sheila Kavanaugh



Judith Kreckler



Anne Mead



Michael Papania



Norma Jane Richards



Lynne Rutter



Elaine Schmidting



Betty Stafford



Library



James Burford



Mary Benbow



Louise Ward



Media Services



Ray Landry

Physical Education



Randall Anastasio



Winston Beacham



Steve Burns





Carole Meadows



Elaine Graves

Business and Office Administration



Ouida White



Glenn Endris



Kay Gollotte



Betty June Lee



Judy Ownbey



Larry Stephens



Terry Thompson



Sarah Williams



Vocational Trade Program



Bob Acuff



Edna Boone



Robert Abbenante



Horace Breland
HCOTC



Rodney Cuevas



Floyd Curtis



Bobby Davis
HCOTC



Diane Greene



Dr. Sarah Harrison



Billy Johnson



Phillip Levine



Alton McDaniel
HCOTC



James Sanders



Carlisle Scofield



Sidney Sellers
HCOTC



Pam Skinner



Glenn Slote



Desmond Walker



William Brewer



Himbert Sinopoli

Technical Programs



Leon Christodoulou



Doug Hendon



Ronnie Lee



Anna Martin



Donald Moran



Marilyn Van Court



Vocational Health Occupations



Jane Hickman



June Krohn



Verne Lamas



Martha Marion

West Harrison County Occupational Training Center





Sammie Baxter



Rita Wales

Campus Staff



June Bounds



Frances Boutwell



Linda Burns



Betty Conn



John Dempsey



Dorothy Edge



Barbara French



Bernice Gates



Anne Kempkes



Pat Lanning



Maria McNally



Dorothy Miller



Sarah Mulvaney



Gina Sessums



Joy Smith



Nancy Sneed



Teresa Wales



Buildings and Grounds



R. L. Stafford

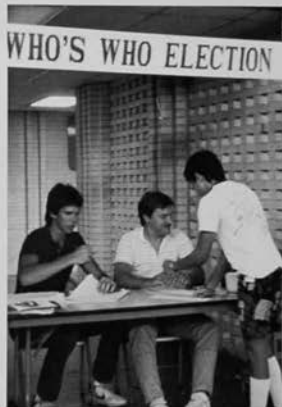


Mike Gentile





Student Council



Student Council Executive Officers: Rocky Brewer, President; Suzie Fagan, Vice-President; Sherry Hutson, Secretary; Damon Reynolds, Treasurer. Sophomore Class Officers: Gary Keel, President; Mark Stafford, Vice-President; Michelle Johnson, Secretary. Sophomore Representatives: Deon Burt, Roslyn Kemp, Marc Micele, David Morrison, Greg Stevens. Freshman Class Officers: Phillip Embuldo, President; Sally Davis, Vice-President; Bridget Ladner, Secretary. Freshman Representatives: Tammy Rickford, Russell Clark, Beth Ellmer, Lori Hutzler, Rachel Johnson, Michelle Jordan, Tammy Richards, Diane Starks. Sponsor: David Drye





Jefferson Davis tours via . . .



The Beauvoir



Editors: Suzie Fagan and Pam Hanson



Officers: Dianne Broom, President; Dorothy Byrd, Vice-President; Margaret Caruso, Secretary; Suzette Bienvenue, Historian; Suzanne Bienvenue, Reporter. Sponsors: June Bailey and Alma Shull

Phi Theta Kappa



Jefferson Davis Players



The Jefferson Davis Players presented two major productions in 1985-86 — *Tummy Tell Me True* and *The Diary of Anne Frank*. Sponsors: Cheryl Larsen and Donald Moore





Jefferson Davis Singers



Christmas Concert . . . State Choral Festival in February . . . Spring Concert. Director: Adam Ortiz

Science Club

The Jefferson Davis Science Association Officers: Ted Johnson, President; Cathy Tine, Vice-President; Ann Garood, Secretary; Jodi Sutherland, Treasurer; Margaret Albrecht, Newsletter Editor. Sponsors: James Knight, Dr. Shelia Brown, Denise Roper.





Hotel, Motel, Restaurant Club



HMR Officers: Maxine May, President; Thomas Vaughan, Vice-President; Debbie Dale, Treasurer; Lydette Sebe, Secretary. Sponsors: Anna Martin and Himbert Sinopoli.



DECA

Competition in marketing, merchandising and management decision making events at state and national conferences. Advisors: Ronnie Lee, Marilyn Van Court, Anna Martin.

Baptist Student Union



BSU Director: Jimmy Davis; Campus Advisor: Elaine Duncan



Mississippi Sound



Staff: Michael Miller, Tammy Page, Pat Page, Robin Robbins, Alton Johnson, Pam Mulkey. Sponsor: Elaine Duncan

Phi Beta Lambda

Officers: Eddie Lang, President; Mike Digaicomo, Vice-President; Debbie Susky, Secretary; Pam Hanson, Treasurer; Bridget Ladner, Reporter. Sponsor: Ouida White.



. . . yesteryear's members



Student Nursing Association



SNA Officers: Dorothy Fabie, President; Sharon Henderson, Vice-President; Ann Turner, Second Vice-President; Simone Sherlock, Secretary; Jane Luckett, Corresponding Secretary; Karen Kaczor, Treasurer. Advisors: Judith Benvenutti, Elaine Schmidling, Lily Barron, Joan Tilghman.



Jefferson Davis Young Democrats



Officers: Al Johnson, President; Julie Vernett, Vice-President; Missy Livaccari, Secretary; Arlen Fountain, Treasurer. Sponsors: Dr. Pat Smith and David Dedeaux

SMAE Sponsors rally



In February the Jefferson Davis Chapter of Student Mississippi Association of Educators sponsored a well-attended "Save Our Schools Rally." The event was organized by Leslie Moringo and directed by Marie Veale. Joseph Goforth is SMAE advisor.





The Art Club
prepares us
for
Halloween
and
Homecoming



Memories of
Homecomings
past . . .



1985 Homecoming — the Queen and her Court



Jefferson Davis Queen Deon Burt
Sophomore Maids Suzie Fagan
Donna Stallone
Freshman Maids Andrea Berry
Diane Rutland

Two
decades
of
good
J.D. Sports





... and each year we have sports for
Very Special People





Coliseum Smorgasbord



*Concerts . . .
plays . . .
pageants*

Moments
to remember
in the
Dome



... and days to forget



Mr. and Miss Jefferson Davis



Jeff
Crowninshield



Deon Burt



Sophomore Beauties



Delores Stallone
Marianna Whittingham



Freshman Beauties



Charlotte Davis
Bridget Ladner





Friendliest



Stacy Corso
Phillip Embuido



Most
Likely
to
Succeed



John Bosarge
Suzie Fagan



Best Dressed



Diane Rutland
Gary Keel



Sophomore Favorites

Mike Hodge
Polly Hanzalik

Freshman Favorites

Deryl Hill
Nichelle Jordan

Jefferson Davis Campus Hall of Fame 1985-1986

Kathy Alley	Lynn Jermyn
Annette Barrett	Gary Keel
Oscar Brewer	My-Hanh Ly
Dianna Broome	My-Le Ly
Dorothy Byrd	My-Xuan Ly
Kathy Dupre	Melissa McDonald
John Heamoter	Peggy Stewart
Michael Eter	Charles Strange
Brenda Gibbs	Richard Woodfield
Troy Humes	Connie Jackoyn

Who's Who among Students in American Junior Colleges

Jefferson Davis Campus
1985-1986

Annette Adams	Gary Keel
Kathy Alley	Jeannine Landaiche
William Anderson	Vicki Lawrence
Battie Ball	Samuel Lindsey
Shelley Bentz	My-Hanh Ly
Suzanne Bienvenue	My-Le Ly
Oscar Brewer	My-Xuan Ly
Carolyn Brinson	Melissa McDonald
Dianna Broome	Wendy McGill
Dorothy Byrd	Sonia Murray
Margaret Crawford	Jeffery Perriatt
Robin Dolph	Ngoc Pham
Ann Dodd	Marilee Rayome
Kenny Dubuisson	Robert Reynolds
Suzanne Hagan	Jodi Rogers
John Heamoter	Oris Slivon
Michael Eter	Peggy Stewart
Vickey Guess	Charles Strange
Pamela Hanson	Jody Sutherland
Brenda Herman	Celia Ware
Virginia Hutchins	Richard Woodfield
Theodore Johnson	Connie Jackoyn



Scholarship



Personality



Leadership



Citizenship



Kay Eckert
Miss Jefferson Davis Campus, 1985



Pageant '86



Suzie Fagan
Miss Jefferson Davis Campus, 1986



The
Road
to
Vicksburg



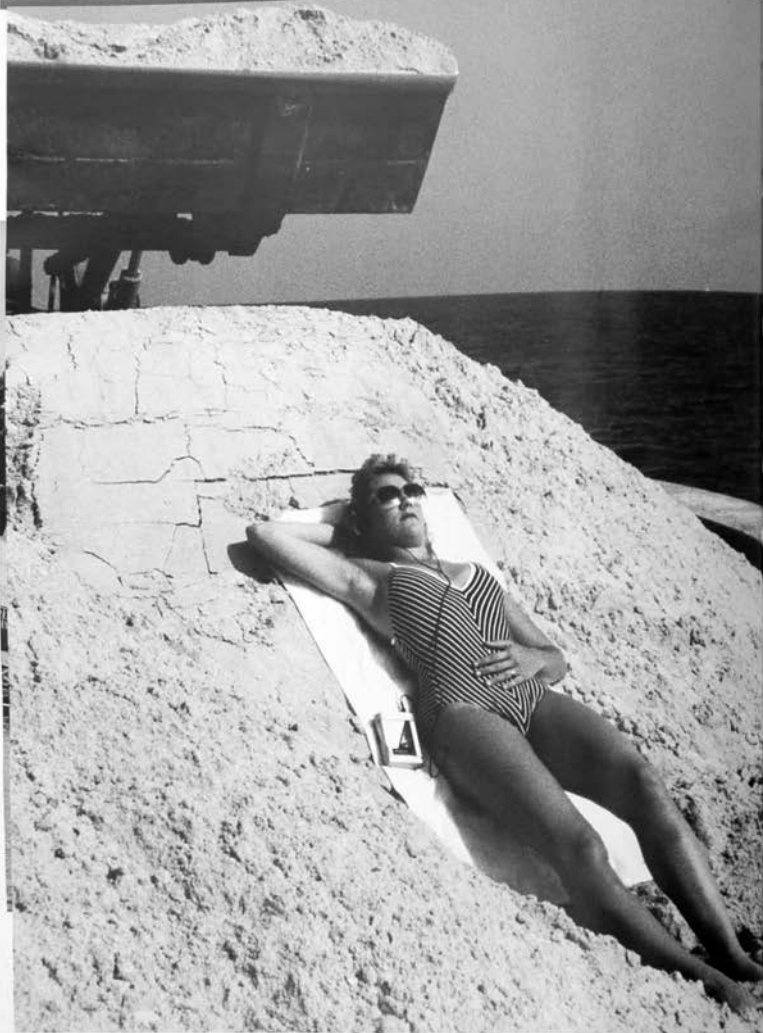


*Freedom
and
friends*





Sailing toward summer . . .



Diplomas in sight



Parties and practice



That day —
at last!



GRADUATION DAY

I watched with pride
and I loved you so
As I carried you
and I watched you grow.

You're an adult now,
and a source of pride
Words can't express
what I feel inside.

A dream comes true
for me today
You're all grown up now
and you're on your way.

I feel emotions
down deep inside
I'm filled with love
as I watch with pride

You stand among classmates
the short and the tall
Within my heart
you outshine them all.

You've done so well
and I knew you would
For your mind is open
and your heart is good.

As I see you there
in your cap and gown
I remember your birth
and the joy I found.

You've made me proud
in every way.
On this
your Graduation Day.

Anna Marlene Clemens





Gentle readers:

A note of explanation is in order. Betwixt here (J.D.) and there (the publisher) a funny thing happened to our last deadline — it was lost. We do not know the reason, but we apologize for the delay in this edition. And we regret, too, that some photographs originally used could not be replaced. See opposite page — perhaps our mail went via Hiller Park.

The Editors



The College



James E. Bryan



Warner Peterson



Wilbur Ward



Jean Peden

Trustees reelect Bryan to Chair Board

James E. Bryan, of Wiggins, semi-retired forester, was elected to a second term as the chairman of the Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College Board of Trustees.

Other officers are Warner Peterson of Pascagoula, Pascagoula-Moss Point Bank, first vice chairman; Wilbur Ward of Lucedale, George County circuit clerk, second vice chairman; Jean Peden of Gulfport, principal of East Ward Elementary School, secretary; and Alton Bankston of Biloxi, Bankston's Paint Store, treasurer.

Three new appointments were made to the board.

John R. Dedeaux of Perkinston replaced William Mauldin. Dedeaux represents Stone County, Beat 3 and is employed by Perkinston Sand and Gravel.

Albert Necaice of Gulfport, attorney and former district attorney, represents Harrison County, Beat 4. He replaced Toffe Owen.

Delores Sumrall of Ocean Springs replaced J.K. Lemon. She is principal of St. Martin Junior High School and represents Jackson County, Beat 4.



Alton Bankston

Seated from left: J.B. George, Jean Peden, Mary Alfred, Faye Switzer and Delores Sumrall. *Standing from left:* Albert Necaice, J.H. Sligher, Alton Bankston, Frank Handson, Warner Peterson, Larry Berg, Wilbur G. Ward, Henry Alving, C.G. Dalton, John R. Dedeaux, Joseph H.

D'Anagni, Jimmy Serrano, Pamela Anderson, Merrill Hillman, James E. Bryan, Charles Jones, Russell Givens and Dr. Barry L. Mellinger, college president. *Not pictured:* Eddie J. Aronson, Gordon Bond, Richard Owen, Charles F. Dancy, Dr. Barbara P. Mims and M.G. Murray.



Dr. J.J. Hayden Retires



The End of an Era . . .

The final chapter of Dr. J.J. Hayden Jr.'s presidency of Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College was written last year, and he closed the book with his retirement in December.

When Hayden enrolled in 1938 as a student, with the help of a six-dollar-a-month football scholarship, at what was then Perkinston Junior College, he never envisioned that one day he would become president of the institution.

Without that scholarship, Hayden said that he might not have been able to go to college.

Now, 47 years later, the Pass Christian native looks with pride on how Perkinston changed his life and how he, in the years past, was instrumental in helping change the college.

But he refuses to take credit for what happened. He says that "hundreds of others were involved and the idea of the multi-campus operation was the brainchild of Dr. C.C. Colvert, an educational consultant from the University of Texas at Austin."

Hayden says that he considers himself "just fortunate to have been on the scene at the time when everything was just right to develop."

But he reached that point in his career via a roundabout route which included service in the U.S. Coast

Guard during World War II, followed by a job working on freight boats in Maine.

"I went to Maine to seek my fortune," but after two years of smelling sardines and other fish and freezing in the winter, I decided there had to be a better way to earn a living."

Seeking that better way, he enrolled at Mississippi State University, where he received a bachelor's degree in secondary education and a master's in history. He earned the doctorate at the University of Southern Mississippi.

After teaching in Louisiana for a while, he returned to Perkinston in 1950 as instructor of history and in 1952 was appointed dean of men. A year later, he became president. He was 33 — the youngest man ever named to the office.

Now Hayden says he plans to "take it easy for a while," with his wife Lillian in the new home they built at Pass Christian.

"I plan to putter around the place, spend time on my boat and travel. Later, I'd like to work part-time as a junior college consultant."

Hayden will be missed. With him go our best wishes for a long and happy retirement.

Our memories of the past



Top: Dr. J. J. Hagler Jr. willingly submits to a water balloon challenge by a student. **Middle left:** Looking like a character out of the western movie *Hombre*, Hagler enjoys a baseball game. **Middle right:** The Draper. **Bottom:** A fond farewell.



..... Our hopes for the future



Top: Waiting for more than two hours while the "water-in" election session selects the person to succeed President Hagler, proven to be a tough test for candidate Dr. J. J. Hagler. **Middle left:** Relaxed and happy after being elected. Hagler receives approval. **Middle right:** Friend, Compton, now president for administration and finance, congratulates Hagler on his selection for the presidency of MGCAC.



Performing one of the more pleasant responsibilities of his office, Dr. Mellinger presents a diploma to Perkinson Campus special honor graduate Kathy Lynn Woodard. In the background are student council president David O'Neal and BSU president Elizabeth Ann Sellers. Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College this year graduated 628 students in exercises at its three campuses.

The President

Dr. Barry L. Mellinger

When Dr. Barry L. Mellinger in January assumed the presidency of Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College, he knew he was facing some trying times ahead.

The Legislature had made severe cuts in the appropriations to Mississippi's state colleges and universities — with more cuts still to come.

But the 46-year-old Harrison County native, a veteran of 23 years in junior college education, is a hard worker and is tough and unrelenting in dealing with problems.

It's a reputation that belies an outward appearance of an easy-going fellow who smiles easily and seems relaxed, even when he isn't.

Mellinger tackled the college budget head on — making the necessary cuts — and in May presented a balanced budget to the board of trustees.



A product of the college he now heads, Mellinger, fresh out of Lyman Consolidated High School near Gulfport, showed up one day in 1957 at what then was Perkinson Junior College.

He was not there as a student but as an apprentice plumber, working for a contractor on a renovation project.

The following year Mellinger enrolled as a student at Perkinson. After graduating, he attended Mississippi State University and earned a bachelor's degree in trade and industrial education. He also holds a master's from MSU and a doctorate from Purdue.

He returned to Perkinson again in 1963 as assistant director of vocational-technical education. Two years later, he became director, succeeding Curtis Davis, now vice president of MGJC's Jackson County Campus.

Mellinger, recalling how he "grew up with the college," said it is especially meaningful to him that he was "in on some of the planning that led to building campuses in Harrison and Jackson counties.

After four years with MGJC, Mellinger moved to Atlanta to become assistant executive secretary for the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools. He was promoted to associate executive secretary two years later.

Before returning to MGJC in 1979 as vice president for instructional affairs, Mellinger was director of the DeKalb Area Vocational-Technical School and dean for occupational education at DeKalb Junior College, both near Atlanta.

In his new position, Mellinger is aware of the tremendous responsibility and increased pressures he faces. And to do the job well, he will need the support of us all.



Everett Compton, Vice President,
Administration & Finance

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Ed Evans, Adm. Assistant,
Vocational Instruction
Mark Haley, Adm. Assistant,
Internal Audit / Human Resources
Neil Murray, Adm. Assistant,
Inst. Research Resource Development

James Reese, Adm. Assistant,
Institutional Relations
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Jeanette Wells, Finance Clerk
James Willis, Supervisor,
Transportation/Special Projects

Mauldin joins Alumni Hall of Fame

Retired postmaster Dolores M. Mauldin of McHenry was inducted into the Gulf Coast Junior College Alumni Hall of Fame on Nov. 2, 1985.

A 1941 alumna of what is now GCJC's Perkinston Campus, she became the 16th recipient of the award, presented to her by then college president Dr. J.J. Hayden Jr. at a homecoming luncheon at Perkinston.

Mauldin, a 39-year veteran of the U.S. Postal Service, began her civil service career in 1945 when she was appointed postmaster in McHenry where she remained for 29 years before being transferred to the Perkinston Post Office.

She remained at Perkinston until her retirement in 1984, except for two brief periods when she was officer-in-charge at the Long Beach and Gautier Post Offices. The year before her retirement, she was selected Postmaster of the Year.

Active in civic affairs, Mauldin served on the Library Board and helped in getting a new library building for Wiggins. She has been the board's secretary-treasurer since its formation in 1958.

Mauldin, who said her life has been "entwined in the events of this college for a period of 54 years", in 1976 received the Sam Owen Trophy for distinguished service to the college.



Mrs. Dolores McHenry Mauldin

"It is well to remember all these, blurred shadows of another day, lest you forget the ones who led you down the path toward this place."

.....Conversations with Giants.



Dr. J. J. Hayden Jr., then president of MGC-JC, presents a Joe Moran painting to Dolores Mauldin as a permanent memento of her induction into the Hall of Fame.

Bradley receives Owen Award



Mrs. Horace A. Bradley

The Sam Owen Trophy for distinguished service to the Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College Alumni Association was awarded to Mrs. Horace A. Bradley of Lucedale during homecoming pregame ceremonies.

Mrs. Bradley, a 1945 alumna of what is now GCJC's Perkinston Campus, was presented the trophy by Father George John Owen of Gulfport, youngest brother of the late Sam Owen. Owen was killed in Hurricane Camille.

Mrs. Bradley, known to everyone as Jimmie, is the second vice president of the district alumni association. She has been scholarship chairman for the George County chapter since 1982 and is a member of the GCJC Foundation Board.

In September of 1983, she established a scholarship in memory of her husband.

Instructors of the Year



L.A. Drago



Dr. Nelda Lott



Bennie VanCourt

Instructors recognized in 1985 by the Gulf Coast Junior College Alumni Association for their professional excellence were L.A. Drago, Dr. Nelda Lott, and Bennie VanCourt.

Drago has been teaching history and government at the Jefferson Davis Campus for 15 years. A student said of him, "He is a teacher who is interesting and makes learning fun. Class time breezes by."

Drago's memberships include the Mississippi Historical Society; Louisiana-Mississippi Political Science Association; State Junior College Faculty Association; and the Jefferson Davis Faculty Association.

He is past president of the St. James PTA, Bayou View Junior High PTA, and Gulfport High School PTA. He lives in Gulfport with his wife Patricia and son, L.A. Jr.

Dr. Lott, who teaches English and literature, is a 25-year veteran at Perkinson Campus. Her students say of her, "She is concerned about students learning and attempts to see that they do... She makes the class interesting and lively... She offers individual help when needed... She has taught me how to truly appreciate English literature."

Dr. Lott is a member and past secretary of the Advisory Board of Mississippi Committee for the Humanities; Wiggins Music Club; Piney Woods Historical Society; Mississippi Association of English Teachers; and twice served as president of the Perkinson Faculty Association.

"She and her husband Woodley are the parents of

four sons, Ronald, Roger, Bruce, and Bryan. They attend the Wiggins Presbyterian Church where Dr. Lott has served as organist since 1972.

VanCourt, who has been teaching drafting and design at the Jackson County Campus for 15 years, is the only instructor to receive this honor twice. She was selected Instructor of the Year in 1979.

Her students said of her, "She is a teacher who helps each individual student according to his personal needs... she communicates well with the students... I didn't know anything about drafting, but she explained it step by step and helped me to understand what I am doing."

Selected to Outstanding Young Women of America in 1976, VanCourt's membership in organizations are numerous. She is chairman of the Jackson County Planning Commission; charter member and vice president of Beta Xi Chapter of Epsilon Sigma Alpha; and member of Mississippi Association of Technical Education; American Technical Education Association; Mississippi Association of Vocational Education; and American Vocational Association.

VanCourt and her husband Gerald have one son, Jay. They live in Ocean Springs.

The instructors, who are nominated by their peers, administrators, and students, were recognized at a Hawaiian luau held on the Jackson County Campus.

Plaques were presented to the honorees by Vice President Glen Cadle of Jefferson Davis; Vice President Clyde Strickland of Perkinson; and Vice President Curtis Davis of Jackson County Campus.

..cited for outstanding contributions



Teresa Griffin Heidelberg



Dr. David C. Schwab



Charles Shows

Instructors of the Year for 1986 at Gulf Coast Junior College were recognized at an Alumni Association steak dinner held on the Perkinson Campus.

The instructors, cited for their outstanding contributions to education and their community were Teresa Griffin Heidelberg, English, Jackson County Campus; Dr. David Schwab, biology, Perkinson Campus; and Charles R. Shows, social studies, Jefferson Davis Campus.

Heidelberg, who lives in Pascagoula, has taught at Gulf Coast three and one-half years.

Her students said of her, "She is a master teacher and her love for the profession is apparent... She has a special regard for those whom she instructs, challenging and inspiring them to achieve and reach their full potential."

Heidelberg's memberships include Alpha Delta Pi; USM Alumni; Alpha Delta Kappa; Mississippi Faculty Association; and National Council of Teachers of English.

Schwab has taught at Perkinson 13 years. One of his peers said of him, "He is extremely knowledgeable in biology and possesses the ability to get that knowledge across to his students in a stimulating way. He makes even the 'less ambitious' student want to learn."

Another said, "He has the rare ability to be mentor and friend to his students and still retain the proper respect from them."

Schwab was selected in 1978 to Outstanding Young Men of America.

His memberships include the National Audubon Society; Theta Xi National Fraternity; Regional Director; Early American Society; National Wildlife Federation; Mississippi Academy of Sciences; Mississippi Junior College Faculty Association; and Mid-America Antique Appraisers Association.

Shows, a resident of Biloxi, is a 33-year veteran teacher. 21 of those years have been at Jefferson Davis.

Said a student of him, "He not only teaches the academic material, but he adds a touch of life and reality to the lesson to make one interested in learning. His personality and attitude are remarkably beautiful."

His memberships include Mississippi Historical Society; National Geographic Society; Jacques Cousteau Society; and the Audubon Society.

Plaques were presented to the instructors by Vice President Glen Cadle of Jefferson Davis; Vice President Clyde Strickland of Perkinson; and Vice President Curtis Davis of Jackson County Campus.

1985

1986

Defensive back **Danny Henry** sees the state championship slipping away when a 24-yard field goal kicked by Co-Lin in the last minutes of the fourth quarter went between the uprights.

Apaches scalp 'dogs in Texas bowl game

Gulf Coast's defending national champion Bulldogs rode the aftermath of Hurricane Elena into the eye of a stormy football season that ended ignominiously in a whirlwind of Texas Apaches on the warpath.

The resounding 31-0 defeat Dec. 7 at the hands of Tyler Junior College in the Texas Junior College Bowl at Tyler added insult to earlier injuries. The tomahawking also dashed the Bulldogs' hopes of salvaging their already threadbare national reputation.

Ranked first in the nation at one point and riding a 19-game winning streak, the possibility of a crack at a third national title seemed real.

But that was before the Indian Wars began. And begin they did. On a rain-drenched field Oct. 17 at Fulton. Against the Itawamba Indians who won the skirmish 14-10.

Although troubled by the loss, the Bulldogs bounced back to beat Copiah-Lincoln 24-7 and win 20-0 over Hinds to claim the South Division championship.

In a playoff match with North Division runner-up Northwest, the Bulldogs prevailed 17-13 and moved to the state championship game.

The opponent was Co-Lin, the South Division runner-up that had knocked off North Division leader Itawamba. At stake for the Bulldogs was the chance to play for the national crown they won in 1984 by beating Harford of Maryland.

But that chance faded rapidly as the mistake-prone Bulldogs literally handed the game and the state title to the Wolves from Wesson, who won the game 24-23 in the waning minutes of the final quarter.

The winning points came when Co-Lin, trailing 21-23, booted a 24-yard field goal with 4:25 left on the clock. The score was set up when the Wolves blocked a Norman Hance punt on the Bulldogs' 24-yard-line.

With only one defeat to blemish their regular season record, the Bulldogs were considered qualified to play in the inaugural bowl game at Tyler. What happened in Rose Stadium on a crisp, sunny Texas afternoon is history.

Only once did Gulf Coast's vaunted offense move the ball inside Tyler's 25-yard-line, this late in the fourth quarter. The Bulldogs attempted only one score all day — a 42-yard field goal try early in the



first period by kicker John McNeil. It was blocked.

Gulf Coast's defense fared no better. It gave up all the points scored by the Apaches, whose aggressive offense kept the Bulldogs off balance throughout the game.

If there was a bright spot for Gulf Coast and its handful of faithful fans, it was the Band of Gold and the dance team. They drew a standing ovation from the 6,000 spectators.

After the game, sitting alone and sad on the team bus, Bulldog Coach George Sekul summed up what had happened:

"It looks like the kids came to have a good time and were not too much worried about the ballgame."

In retrospect, the 1985 season was a good one for the Bulldogs. A 9-3 won-loss slate is nothing to sneer at. And team and individual performances were outstanding in several categories.

On team passing and scoring defense, Gulf Coast was ranked No. 1 in the nation by the National Junior College Athletic Association. Total team defense and team rushing offense were good enough for fourth place rankings.

Individuals cited by the NJCAA included center Frank Skinner, first team All-American; linebacker Joe Jackson, second team All-American; linebacker Lanny Prestly, honorable mention All-American; and punter Norman Hance, ranked ninth.

Skinner and Jackson also were named to the NJCAA's All-Region XXIII, as were tight end Harold Tillman, guard Steve Evans and tackle Mike Blakney. In addition, all were selected for the Mississippi Junior College All-State first team, along with defensive back Daren Thomas.



TOP LEFT: Quarterbacks Steve Vinner (kneeling), Philip McMillan (back left), and Jeff Renshaw. TOP MIDDLE: Kickers and punters John McNeil (kneeling), Norman Hance (back left), and David Hardison. TOP RIGHT: Tight ends (kneeling L-R) Norman Hance, Tyrone Jones and Garba Brumby; (standing) David Picard and Harold Tillman. MIDDLE LEFT: Offensive linemen (kneeling L-R) Connie Daniels, Charles Danvers, Thomas Duggan, Jahmal Tillman, and Joe Cox; (standing) Bob Waldrup, Duayne Scott, Frank Skinner, Steven Evans and Robert Parker. BOTTOM: Offensive backs (kneeling L-R) Carl Cross, Tim Galloway, John McNeil, Gary Jones and Terry Kimbrough; (standing) Patterson Lowery, Karl Jones, James Evans, Tony Johnson and Steve Jones.



ABOVE RIGHT: Managers Alfred Darden (kneeling), Chris James (back left) and Kernele McNeil. ABOVE LEFT: Defensive backs (kneeling L-R) Bobby Ogil, Durren Thomas and Steve Jones, (standing) Edmond Poindester, Lee Perkins, Ken Willis and Danny Henry. MIDDLE: Defensive linemen (kneeling L-R) George Bethco, Alan Deleons, Willie Fairley and David Hardison; (standing) Linny Prestly, Curtis Pettigrew, Joe Jackson and Rodney Thompson. BOTTOM: Defensive linemen (kneeling L-R) Casey Jones, Bryan Crayton, Jonathan Hamilton, Charlie Williamson and Mitch Harlow; (standing) Mike Blakney, Reginald Trudaville, LaMonte Brown and David Mills.



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Frank Skinner



Joe Jackson



Linny Prestly

Frank Skinner — NJCAA All-American, 1st team, All Region XXIII, Miss. Junior College All-State, 1st team (signed with Mississippi College).
Joe Jackson — NJCAA All-American, 2nd team, All Region XXIII, Miss. Junior College All-State, 1st team and MVP.
Linny Prestly — NJCAA All-American, honorable mention, Miss. Junior College All-State, 1st team.



Harold Tillman



Steve Evans



Mike Blakney

Harold Tillman — All Region XXIII, Miss. Junior College All-State, 1st team.
Steve Evans — All Region XXIII, Miss. Junior College All-State, 1st team.
Mike Blakney — All Region XX-III, Miss. Junior College All-State, 1st team (signed with Mississippi College).



Daren Thomas

Daren Thomas — Mississippi Junior College All-State, 1st team.

Oh! somewhere in this favored land
the sun is shining bright;
A band is playing somewhere, and
somewhere hearts are light;
And somewhere men are laughing and
somewhere children shout,
But there's no joy at Gulf Coast — our
mighty Bulldogs lost their clout.

First row from left: Jerome Weathersby, Anthony Johnson, George Wicks, Nate Peavy Jr. Second row: Tim Holland, Robert Abney III, Earl Watkins, Glenn Harris, Trent McLaurin. Back row: Brent Cannon, Kevin Miller. Not pictured: Frank Cooper.



BASKETBALL —the men

The Bulldog basketball team wound up the 1985-86 season with a 14-12 overall record that included nine conference wins against five losses.

It was a good enough showing for a second-place spot in the South Division, but the team's performance fell far short of veteran Coach Bob Weathers' expectations.

Four players were singled out for special recognition for their achievements. They were Kevin Miller, Earl Watkins, Brent Cannon and Trent McLaurin.

Miller, a 6'6" sophomore center, was named to the First Team All-State, All-Region 23

team, and Mississippi Junior College All-Star Team. He averaged 17 points and nine rebounds a game.

Also named to the First Team All-State was Watkins. The 6'2" freshman guard also made the Region 23 All-Tournament Team. He averaged 20 points, 5 assists and 4 rebounds a game.

Cannon and McLaurin were named Honorable Mention All-State. Forward Cannon, a 6'4" sophomore, averaged 14 points and 12 rebounds a game. McLaurin, 6'4" freshman forward, averaged 10 points and 10 rebounds a game.

Kevin Miller



Earl Watkins



Brent Cannon



Trent McLaurin



First row from left: Dianne Troubler, Audriana Scott, Patricia Troubler, Pam Miller, Rhonda Hickman, Betty Simpson, Anne White, Gina Smith. Back row: Annette Armstrong, Elise Densfield, Kenneth Small, Shari Cowan, Alice Lawrence, Michelle Loftis, Joyce Bradley, Gerianna Mims, Coach Doris Smith.



Basketball cheerleaders are (from left) Connie Conn, Sharon Eley, Cathy Ladner, Pat Ferrell, Lisa Abbott, Brian Cooper, Melita Tala, captain. Not pictured: Nick Karno, mascot Gene Stanley.

—the women

It was a break-even basketball season for the Lady Bulldogs of Coach Doris Smith. They were 11-11 overall and 7-7 in the conference, and placed fourth in the South Division.

Two players made the state All-Star team. They were Rhonda Hickman of Wiggins and Shari Cowan of Biloxi.

Hickman, a 5'8" guard, averaged 25 points, 3 assists and 6 rebounds a game. Forward Shari Cowan, 5'9", had a 15-2-11 season record.



Rhonda Hickman



Shari Cowan

BASEBALL

KEN FARRIS
Baseball Coach

'85 state championship eludes Farris, Gulf Coast Bulldogs

The state championship in 1985 again eluded Coach Ken Farris and his diamond dogs. Their dreams of winning the 14th state title were shattered by East Mississippi which, in the last game of the best-of-three series, managed to score nine runs to Gulf Coast's eight. The season ended for Gulf Coast with 45 wins and 11 losses.

Several members of the team received special recognition for outstanding play during the 1985 season.

Center fielder Roger Moore and pitchers Mike Thomas and Kevin Aguilar were named to the All-State team and participated in the junior college All-Star game. Aguilar and Moore also were named to the All-Region 23 team.

Moore set a school record in stolen bases with 67 out of 69 thefts and compiled a batting average of .323. Thomas pitched 96 and one-third innings, had an earned run average of 2.54 and finished with a 10-4 record. Aguilar tossed 90 and one-third innings, with an ERA of 1.32 and ended at 14-2.

Right fielder Wayne Davis was drafted by the Toronto Blue Jays. He led the team in hitting at .399, including 14 home runs and had 43 runs batted in. He was selected as the team's most valuable player.

Left fielder Marty Gomez was named the team's top defensive player and Aguilar was given the team pitching award.



Ken Farris

Baseball team wins 50 games, sets new school record

The Gulf Coast Bulldogs, playing their best baseball schedule ever, finished the 1986 season with a school record of 50 victories.

But Coach Ken Farris has suggested that the team's 70-game 1986 schedule (largely consisting of double-headers) was probably too lengthy. "Next year, we might play around 50. That's enough."

The 'dogs completed the regular

season with a 49-16 worksheet and the No. 17 ranking in the NJCAA poll.

But in the postseason they were defeated four times in five tries—including a campaign-ending 11-8 loss to the East Mississippi Lions in the Region 23 playoffs at Meridian.

At the end of the season the Bulldogs had an overall batting average of .300. Seven regulars batted .310 or better. Shortstop David Boys led the way with

a .400 clip and 47 runs batted in. Third baseman Darryl Lavigne was top home run producer with 10.

Pitching was another Gulf Coast strength. The club finished with an earned run average of 2.66.

Ken Miller was the No. 1 starter, leading in innings (104 and one-third), victories (he had a 9-5 record) and strikeouts (86).



1986 BULLDOGS (front row L-R): Dennis Barker, Winston Simon, Lupo Compton, David Chambliss, Steve Yates, Glen Clark, Bryan Plattsance, Chip Sarver, Carl Croson, Brent West. Second row: David Allen, Doug Rackley, Mike Seaman, Darryl Lavigne, David Wintstead, David Smith, Vincent Ross, Eamie Cole, Ken Miller, Barry Wilson, Mitch Peters, Kevin Stewart, Darren Duffil, Keith Domino, Darren Vogt, Mark Ruffin, Carol Howell (batgirl) and Tanya Devers (batgirl).

DORIS SMITH
Softball Coach

SOFTBALL

Lady Bulldogs capture '86 state title

The Lady Bulldog softball team won the elusive state championship title in 1986, an honor that was denied them in 1985 when the best they could manage was a third place in the tough Mississippi Junior College Conference.

Both years they placed fifth in the nation in the National Junior College Athletic Association tournament.

And in 1986, Coach Doris

Smith's charges were champions in the NJCAA's Region 23 tournament.

The team's overall record in 1986 was 13-10 and the 1985 squad posted 25 wins against 8 losses.

Individual players cited for their performances in 1986 included Stephanie Seymour, who was named All-National Tournament, All-Region 23, and All-

State.

Rhonda Hickman also won All-Region and All-State honors. Other All-Staters were Stephanie Seymour and Jennie White.

Standouts in 1985 were Melinda Webb and Denise McDonald, both selected to the All-State and All-Region teams. In addition, Webb was an All-Star in the national tournament and Seymour made All-State.



STATE CHAMPIONSHIP LADY BULLDOGS (kneeling L-R): Dianne Treadler, Pam Miller, Jacqueline Miller, Jean Webb, Jane Webb, Patricia Trouiller, Renalda Martin. Standing: Rhonda Hickman, Jennie White, Eliza Stringfield, Michele Loftus, Wendy Ford, Stephanie Seymour, Terri Carpenter, Gela Lawrence and Genis Smith.

LEFT: Doris Smith keeps watchful eye on players and applauds successful play.

TENNIS, GOLF, TRACK

Gulf Coast receives team, individual recognition

Coach Jon Lewis steered his 1986 women's tennis team to a third place in the state and saw Norman White of the men's team take first place in the No. 2 singles division.

Members of the women's team were Carol Schmidt and Michelle Cook, both of the Perkinson Campus; Pam Bright of the Jackson County Campus; and Allison Frisca of the Jefferson Davis Campus.

On the men's team were Matt Lansford, Larry Cifra and Mark Peterson, all of Jackson County; Norman White of Jefferson Davis and Richard Moore of Perkinson.

Two members of Gulf Coast's state champion golf team were to compete June 3-6 in the National Junior College tournament at San Jacinto (Texas) Junior College.

The event, scheduled after the yearbook deadline had passed, culminated a year that saw Coach Charles Cooper's Bulldogs win three of five tournaments in regular season play.

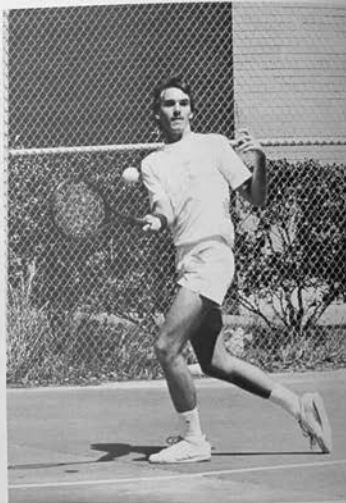
Selected to participate in the Texas tournament were Stan Gill of the Perkinson Campus and Richard Smith of the Jackson County Campus. Gill also was named to the Mississippi Junior College All-Star team.

In addition to copping the state title, the team, composed of members from all three campuses, placed second in regional play.

The Gulf Coast Junior College track team placed fifth in the state at an April 30 meet that saw Nick Franklin break the triple jump record.

Bulldog Coach George Sokul said seven teams competed in the meet at Copiah-Lincoln Junior College at Wesson.

Other members of the 1986 squad included: sprinters—Willie Fairley, Jonathan Hamilton, Danny Kelley, Karl Jones, Don McCorvey, Lee Perkins and Ken Willis; hurdlers—Norman Hance and Tyrone Jones; shot-put and discus—Wayne Rodollich, Andre Oatis, Charles Dunomes, Calvin Cuthbert and Richard Bullard; high jump—Ben Steele; long and triple jumps—David Joseph and Terry Kimbrough; distance runner—Sean Eley.



PHOTOS:

OPPOSITE PAGE — JC tennis team member Larry Cifra (top) concentrates on court action. Tennis team (bottom): Front row (L-R) — Matt Lansford (JC), Larry Cifra (JC), Mark Peterson (JC), Coach Jon Lewis; Standing — Carol Schmidt (Perk), Michelle Cook (Perk), Norman White (JD), Pam Bright (JC), Richard Moore (Perk) and Allison Frisca (JD).

LEFT: Golf team (L-R) — Mitch McDowell (JD), Bob Campbell (JD), Mike McMahon (JD), Stan Gill (Perk) and Richard Smith (JC).

BELOW: Track team (front row L-R) — Terry Kimbrough, David Joseph, Alfred Durden, Kerner McNeil; Standing — Charles Dunomes, Tyrone Jones, Donald McCorvey, Lee Perkins and Willie Fairley.

NOT PICTURED: Richard Bullard, Calvin Cuthbert, Sean Eley, Jonathan Hamilton, Norman Hance, Karl Jones, Danny Kelley, Andre Oatis, Wayne Rodollich, Ben Steele and Ken Willis.



Making the headlines . . .

TENNIS . . . Norman White takes first place in No. 2 singles.

GOLF . . . Team captures state title, two compete in nationals.

TRACK . . . Nick Franklin breaks triple jump record.

The Band of Gold

The Band of Gold, under the direction of Virgel Fulcher, is comprised of students from all three campuses. The 138-member group includes a 32-member dance team and a 22-member guard. Choreographer for the dance team is Delta De LaFuenta.

A coast concert band was formed this year for the first time. Composed entirely of students from the Jackson County and Jefferson Davis campuses, the group performed in concert at both of the campuses.

In addition to performing at all 1985 home football games, the band and dance team participated in Mardi Gras and Christmas parades.

A special performance was given by the band at half-time of the Pearl River game. The group staged a pre-game show to honor Dr. J.J. Hayden Jr. upon his retirement. They recapped the music, dress and special events in the life of President Hayden over the 37 years he was at Gulf Coast.

The band traveled to Tyler, Texas to perform in the Texas Junior College Bowl where the Bulldogs met their Waterloo at the hands of the Tyler Apaches. Their performance was the one bright spot of the day and they received two standing ovations from approximately 6,000 fans.



Top and middle photos: The Perkettes and band make an impressive appearance during the homecoming parade on campus. **Bottom photo:** A small group of band members get the spirits high at home basketball game.

