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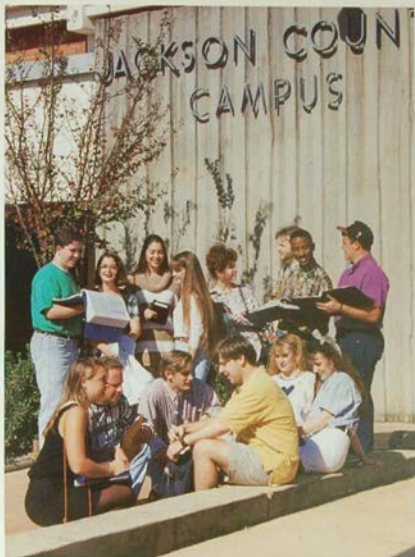
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JUST HAD TO BE THERE. If you weren't, you were sure to miss something this year. Members of the Student Council worked hard to make '94-'95 a year to remember. From left, back, Jay Huffstatler, Bronwyn Blackwell, April Eppstein, Keli Lea Gardner, Ashleigh McCullough, Marty Eatis, Tyres Autrey and Chris Hiestand; front, Kate Fountain, Chris Wiley, Brent Dunaway, Jay Losser, Lucretia Wages and Michelle Manley.

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"Just Had To Be – JC!"

"I wanted to see what JC was all about." Kim Armstrong • Pascagoula

"You can't ever stop learning."

Lisa Burck • Sophomore • Moss Point

"Last year was fun and inspiring. I felt like I was home, even at school, so I said I'll try it again." Brent Dunaway

"Going to school full time – a dream!"

Judith Allin

"A happening place – friends, activities and great teachers." April Eppstein

"JC is the BEST! Our students and faculty are wonderful! Definitely the most spirited campus!" Kate Fountain

"I enjoy being around my friends and learning." Chris Hiestand

"JC is a great beginning and gives people the chance to look at a wide range of possibilities without forking over major cash." Bronwyn Blackwell • Freshman

"JC is the best place this point in time. It's a happening place!" Amanda Blackwell

"This is a second chance to improve my life. JC is where I start." James E. Dunmore "A great place to learn a trade, earn a degree." Reginald Harris

"A great start!" Kel Lea Gardner

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a variety of experiences. This page, clockwise from top left, Amy Williams brought a friend to help her in speech class. Chris Healand's friends spent a bundle to date her at On the Border. VICA members Junior Strickland and Ebb Yare were blue and gold first in bulldog Bash. Student Council's float in the homecoming parade was colorful. VICA held a competition for their own homecoming royalty — with Rob Knowles as Queen. Opposite page, Stephanie Allison, Gerry Anne Partridge and Lee Bousler enjoyed the club cheers at the Building Bash.



Reasons

we just had to be at JC

1. Dedicated faculty went beyond the call of duty.

2. Awesome activities created school spirit unmatched on most community college campuses.

3. Wonderful administrators and staff were supportive and caring.

4. Getting involved with clubs provided expanded friendships and opportunities.

5. Students were the bottom line!

Some came because their parents didn't give them any other choice.

Some came because they wanted to. Some came because it was the best deal going around. But once here, everyone could find at least one good reason why they just had to be at JC this year.

"The opportunity was there and I just had to take advantage of it," said Pascagoula sophomore Dan Menikheim.

Dorothy Buckman, Pascagoula sophomore, who found that JC was her ticket to

a career move, said, "I'm ready to change jobs and I need more education."

"The activities were fun, the people were friendly and the education increased my knowledge," said Michelle Manley, Ocean Springs freshman, summing up why it was good to just be at JC this year.



GETTING INVOLVED

meant more than standing on the sidelines. It meant connecting with others, doing your part. Clockwise from top left: Friends Katie Fountain and April Espinosa shared a ratty moment after the homecoming court presentation. Keri Jones and Wayne Charlton at Oktoberfest. Bryan Bristol and Melanie Martin found time to visit between classes. Terry Dickson figured how to escape from the VCA jail while John Bledsoe looked to see if the coast was clear. Sharon Ely and Annie Carroll enjoyed a lunch break during one of the activities. Monica Cyrus got teased by a clown at the Sept. 29 football game at Pascagoula.



Reasons we just had to be involved

1. Pride in themselves and in JC were obvious characteristics of active students.

2. Excitement was contagious on campus.

3. Opportunities for involvement were everywhere.

4. Possibilities to excel and go beyond the norm were there for the taking.

5. Laughter was natural when people gathered.

6. Enthusiastic students and faculty encouraged participation.

All work and no play was no fun. But there was work in some of the play, too.

Ask any member of a club who sponsored a booth or a skit or an activity or worked on a float. Ask any Student Council member who made signs and signs and more signs to publicize events. Ask club advisors who gave countless overtime hours — at no pay — to make sure things ran smoothly for their organizations.

But ask them all if it was worth it and they would agree, "Yes!"

Worth it in terms of seeing others take that step toward joining in the participation — whether it was in one event or many.

Worth it in terms of enjoying the satisfactions of success — whether success was measured by attendance or substance.

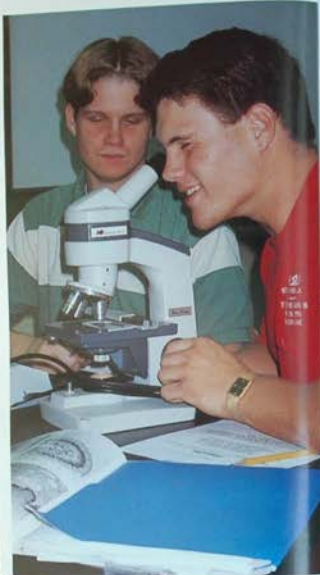
Worth it in terms of building relationships and learning to work with others.

Whether it was sharing common interests at a club meeting or common goals in a campus-wide project or common laughs at an activity, people made the year fun — and interesting!

But you just had to be there for any of that to happen.

THE FIRST STEP

into the future was deciding to go to college. It was kind of like lining up to walk in the Turkey Trot, opposite page. You just had to be there like staffer Georgi Lander and instructor Jeanette Thomas, Wanda Stewart and Debra Mahoney. This page, clockwise from top left: Learning Lab tutor Paul Johnson helped Wanda Stewart with a computer exercise. Brandon Scieszka, Derrick Linton, Kelly Penabazquez, Bromwyn Blackwell and Jennifer Farquhar worked on biology lab assignments. Anabel Perez took advantage of the resources in the Career Development Center. Instructor Dr. Joe Elio held small group discussions with his child development students.



Reasons we just had to go to college

1. Finding out who we were, what we wanted to do was important.
2. Understanding ourselves and our world took commitment.
3. Technical skills opened doors to employment opportunities.
4. University degrees would be stepping stones to success.
5. Relationships made the going easier and richer.
6. Education was the only way to go!

Just when we thought we had it all figured out, something new would come along. That's the way it was with going to college — even a community college.

New experiences, exposure to new ideas, challenging assignments meant that minds got stretched. That could happen in a classroom or a chat when values and ideals were constantly held up to scrutiny — and sometimes attack.

Deciding to go to college was the first step to the future. Then there was decid-

ing which one — or ones. And then there was a major to choose — and change — and change again! But we just had to be here to get started!



Starting the year out right
 Checking out campus life
 Participating in service projects
 Taking advantage of extra-class activities
 Firing up school spirit
 Laughing, cheering, giving, trotting

Plenty of people who go to JCC do just that — go to college, go to work, go home.

But many JC students found out that they just had to be on campus after classes were over to get in on good times with good people and get the most out of college. And it could be done, in spite of studying, jobs and family responsibilities.

Like the Bulldog Bash in September. Didn't cost any money. (The burger lunch was free.) Didn't take more than an hour. (Would have had to grab a bite to eat anyway.) And it was fun seeing teachers and students strut their stuff leading cheers. And winning a great door prize. And just being outside with fellow students on a beautiful day.

It was even fun being a good citizen — like helping JC go over the blood drive goal or giving canned goods for Thanksgiving baskets at the Turkey Trot or filling a stocking with toys for area children. There was usually a bonus like free coupons — or just the good feeling knowing you helped someone. Almost made you feel guilty having so much fun while you were helping.

Students came to realize that whether it was a speaker at an assembly or a cook-out or a fun run/walk, the Student Council ran a class act. But you just had to be there to understand that.



GETTING INVOLVED was easy at JCC. Top, Barbara Hyppolit, Daniel Zeig and Chris Sinek jogged cub cheers while Judith Allen, Karen Englund, Cory Heiland and a HOSEA member cooked burgers, center, Barbara, Debra Matthews helped Jimmy Shaggs get ready for the VICA Women's Homecoming Court coronation.

just had to be ACTIVE



PARTICIPATING IN ACTIVITIES

wasn't all that hard for members of the Vocational Industrial Club of America who gave a rousing cheer at the Bulldog Bash led by Junior Strickland, top left. Automated manufacturing technology instructor Carl Nehring was the first one to get a pie in the face at the JCCA Oktoberfest booth, top right. Ryan Oliver was among the students and faculty who helped JCC go over the 250 pint blood drive goal with a total of 293 pints collected.

REFLECTIONS MEMBERS started the year off with a cook-out at Park. From left, front, Gabe Pinon, Terry McLeod, Anton McVay, Chris Wiley, Kate Fountain, Brent Durner, middle, Anne Farmer, Joy Lachle, Terri Sudbult, April Engstrom, Rochelle Rutting, Michele Marney and Tashia Lyon, back, Marty Esch, Christian Anderson, Jay Huffstader, Judith Allen and Tim Robinson.

THE CROWNING TOUCH. The rain-drenched half-time ceremonies didn't dampen Kate Fountain's excitement when it was announced that she had been chosen JCC's homecoming queen. She was escorted by sophomore Janel Blasius and covered by JCC Vice President Dr. Rosalyn Lake. The performing physical therapy major served as president of both the JCC Student Council and the Tri-Campus Student Council and was chosen MGCCC's honoree at the Legislature's 1995 HEADLINE: Inception. She was also named to the campus Hall of Fame and Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.



"I was so surprised! Being named queen was like a dream, a gift I'll always cherish. It was an honor to represent such an outstanding student body as ours. The school spirit at JC is terrific!"
• Kate Fountain



THE COURT. Presented during egggy half-time ceremonies of the MGCCC-Golfer game Nov. 5 were members of the JCC Court nominated and elected by the student body. Prior to the presentation they were honored at a reception at the home of Dr. and Mrs. Barry Mellingier and the alumni homecoming luncheon. Court's from the Jefferson Davis and Perkinson

campuses were also presented. From left, freshmen Michelle Manley at Ocean Springs, sophomore April Eppstein of Pascagoula, sophomore Ashleigh McCullough of Pascagoula, queen Kate Fountain of Ocean Springs and freshman Pam Walker of Gulfport.

EVEN A HALF-TIME SHOWER OF RAINDROPS COULDN'T PUT A DAMPER ON HOMECOMING '94 AS JC'S QUEEN, KATE FOUNTAIN, WAS CROWNED UNDER A CANOPY OF UMBRELLAS.

KATE CROWNED

Sparking sequined gowns worn by the court contrasted with the gray afternoon that released raindrops only during MGCCC's halftime homecoming ceremonies on the Perkinson Campus Nov. 5. But it would have taken more than rain to dampen the excitement of JC's court.

"Whoa! I was SO surprised!" said a happy Kate Fountain of Ocean Springs who didn't know she was queen until the halftime announcement. "I remember coming to Perk for homecoming when I was young and sitting on the sidelines dreaming, watching the court presentations. Being named queen is like a dream, a gift I'll always cherish. I can't believe I was given this opportunity to represent our campus. I was so proud of our campus's participation in homecoming — the school spirit at JC is terrific."

"It makes me feel very honored that the students here would choose me to represent them," said sophomore maid Ashleigh McCullough of Pascagoula.

"I was very honored to have served as a sophomore maid on the court," echoed April Eppstein of Pascagoula. "It is an experience I will never forget, especially having all of my friends support our campus and show school spirit."

"Representing JC as a freshman homecoming maid was not only thrilling, but an honor I will treasure," said Michelle Manley of Ocean Springs.

"Homecoming was exciting and fun, even though it rained," said freshman maid Pam Walker of Gautier.



APRIL EPPSTEIN
Sophomore Maid
DAVID MURRAY
Escort



ASHLEIGH MCCULLOUGH
Sophomore Maid
GABE PINION
Escort



MICHELLE MANLEY
Freshman Maid
BRENT DUNNAWAY
Escort



PAM WALKER
Freshman Maid
JAY LOSSETT
Escort



ROYALTY RAINS. Umbrellas took the place of canes when maids were escorted onto the field at half-time. It was a good thing the escorts had them because it only rained during the presentations and crowning of the queen. Members of the JC Court huddled beneath umbrellas as the courts from JD and Perk were presented.

JC'S GOT SPIRIT!

Club support of Student Council-sponsored homecoming activities set the pace for the campus as JC had five float entries in the Nov. 3 parade in Higgins, more than any Gulf Coast campus. Nearly 200 students and faculty registered for dress-up days prizes throughout the week and HOSA and VICA sponsored campus-wide assembly programs in honor of homecoming. Clockwise from top left are Student Council members Tami Aubrey, Anne Farmer, Kai Lai Gardner and Jay Lachle in the SC float in the parade; Rob Knowles, VICA Womanless Homecoming Queen; HOSA's alt; singers; homecoming parade entries from Phi Theta Kappa, Health Occupations Students of America and Vocational Industrial Guild of America, respectively.



GULF COAST PRIDE.

Homecoming week proved that JCC students and faculty could be counted on to go the extra mile. Clockwise from top right, sophomores Jay Huffstater and Vice President for Instruction Dr. Willa Lott braved the homecoming halftime rain while people in the stands looked on; juniors Jay Huffstater, Park Student Council President Tami Cleveland, Park Student Council sponsor Tracy Carter, JC Student Council Vice President Chris Hestland and JC Vice President Dr. Bayle Lake prepared for the crowning of the Inscampus queen; ACH instructor Gary Lott "got into" Happy Day; Michelle Rodriguez, Tim Robertson and Terry McLeod put finishing touches on the 2nd place Reflections float; Let Lani Kirkland stole the HOSA show; what Nursing is and what it Ain't.





"Oktoberfest was profitable! It allowed clubs to show cooperation and team work. A perfect opportunity for profit." • Eleanor Douglas, HOSA advisor



YOU JUST HAD TO BE AT OKTOBERFEST TO ENJOY THE FIRST CRISP FALL DAY! WITH CLUBS EARNING OVER \$1000 FOR THREE HOURS OF FUN AND FOOD, THE FAVORITE FALL FEST WAS A SUCCESS.

OKTOBERFEST '94



Fall's first crisp day set the stage for Oktoberfest, one of the most successful cooperative fall semester projects for clubs. Sponsored by the Student Council, Oktoberfest proved to be a top money raiser with clubs taking in over \$1000 for the day. More than that, Oktoberfest was a good break from classes for test-weary students who wanted a change of pace from the routine. Where else could you throw a pie at a professor, dunk the homecoming queen and Student Council officers, do the limbo, win a cake, spend a stint in jail and eat your way from booth to booth?

Jackson County Computing Association's Prof Pies featured a variety of instructors who slipped on plastic coverings, hoping the highest bidder would mess them with a mass of whipped cream. Among the brave volunteers were Rebecca Rutz, Carl Nehlig, Daniel Zwerg, Tom Zito and Charles Egerton. A heavy bidding battle to throw a pie at Julie Bird upped the JCCA bank account.

Another popular activity was the Student Council's dunking booth which featured newspaper editor John Beard, homecoming queen and Student Council President Kate Fountain, freshman homecoming maid and Student Council representative Pam Walker, Student Council Vice President Hilda Hensley, Student Council Treasurer Chris Wiley and Student Council representative Brent Dunnaway.

"I'm a man—I can take it," Beard mumbled as he emerged from the cold tank of water into the chilly air, after being dunked by Brent Dunnaway's direct hit. Vocational Industrial Club of America's jokers kept their jail full. What a deal—for VICA! It took \$1 to put someone away; it took them \$2 to get out of jail early. And they didn't even serve bread and water to their inmates.

But, never mind. There was plenty of food available for good prices. Phi Theta Kappa served barbecue sandwich plates while Phi Beta Lambda offered po-boys and candy apples. Health Occupation Students of America fixed nacho pies and gave away goodies to cake walk winners. Baptist Students Union, Life Christian Group and Health Unit Coordinators sold sweets while International Students brought foods native to their countries. New Horizons sponsored a lemonade shop. You could sip a lemonade and get your picture taken with a friend at the Reflections booth or make a silent bid on one of the many prizes at the Medical Laboratory Technology booth. HOSA sponsor Eleanor Douglas kissed the pig because her jar had more money in it and Samantha Hebert won the limbo contest.



F OR FALL FESTIVAL: Getting involved required little more than showing up at events like Oktoberfest. Over students were there. Fun was abundant. This pig, too, JCCA advisor Tom Zito got hit in the eye by a pie of whipped cream. Bottom: Gene Schlatter and Jennifer Lander listed FNA's candy apples. Opposite: Pig-clicker from top left: Crowds gathered for the three hours of the Student Council sponsored event. Reflectors sponsor Terri Ormes, left: caught a Koda moment with some of her team, Judith Allen, Chris Wiley, Annie Farmer, Terry McLean, Gabe Polan and Jay Hultbatter. Homecoming march. President Pam Walker and sophomore Kate Fountain took their turns at getting dunked in the Student Council booth. HOSA members enjoyed seeing their sponsor. Eleven Dingo has lost the pig because her jar had the most money in it at the end of Oktoberfest. Even the doghouse enjoyed JD Singers Kim Armstrong, Brenda Franklin, Melissa Brown, Lea Orger and Steven Hoffland.



SPINNING AND DUNKING. From a hula hoop contest to getting dunked, Oktoberfest offered plenty of distractions from classroom routines. Clockwise from top left: One creative hula hooper! Newspaper co-editor John Beard of Gaulier lauded dunker-hopeful Brent Durnaway of Ocean Springs just enough to make Beard the first dunkee of the day. Medical Laboratory Tech students were successful in getting a variety of prizes for their brown bag auction. VICA member Rob Knowles provided entertainment.

"I just had to be there to see our instructors taste a pie the hard way—in their face!" • Billie Robinson, Gaulier sophomore

"You just had to be there to understand that all it takes to have a good time are good people!" • Terry Fountain, Student Activities Counselor



OKTOBERFEST OPTIONS. There was plenty to do at Oktoberfest '84. Clockwise, from top left: Sophomore Ashleigh McCullough spent time in VICA's fall. BGA sophomore Matt Jackson and editor Robert Ballus were there all day. Sophomore Billie Robinson took aim at environmental tech instructor Daniel Zwarg. Samantha Hebert won the limbo stick easily as Chris Hartzland and Tynes Aubrey kept lowering the limbo stick and Ray Miller watched in disbelief. Bonnie Sorenson held the pig for HOSA instructor Eleanor Douglas to kiss.



FROM REGISTRATION TO CAMPAIGNING TO A MOTIVATIONAL ASSEMBLY,
FALL SEMESTER GOT A JUMP-START WITH EVENTS DESIGNED
TO ENCOURAGE STUDENTS TO STICK AROUND CAMPUS.

KICKING OFF!

Registration went off with hardly a hitch and got the year off to a great start with an enrollment of 3,287 students, an increase from last year. The year was non-stop from there as classes got underway with the usual note-taking, test-taking, projects and papers. The Student Council tried to change the pace of routine days by spearheading a variety of events designed to get students and faculty involved outside the classroom.

Although the weather didn't cooperate, torrential rains didn't stop some freshmen from braving the elements to attend the Aug. 25 assembly designed to inspire new students to new heights of excellence. After welcoming remarks from Student Council officers and Deans, former Pascagoula Mayor Tom Hewlett spoke on the importance of being at JCC.

"You are here by Divine intervention," Hewlett said. "God puts us here for a reason. We need to take advantage of this opportunity."

"How you treat the circumstances that got you here can bring you great fortune or lead to your demise," the JCC graduate said. "In this audience, I see the nurse who will one day care for my ailing mother, the accountant who will one day manage my books and the lady who will run the daycare center my grandson will attend."

The future, as Hewlett saw it, will not be a bed of roses for today's younger generation and he laid part of the blame on his own generation.

"My generation has left a mess for you," he said. "On behalf of everyone over the age of 40, I apologize."

"Don't dream timid little dreams. Dream big and embrace your dreams. A lot is at stake," he said, encouraging students to build their lives on rock-solid foundations.

Elections for Student Council representatives captured everyone's attention. Banners and signs decorated the campus as 21 students vied for 12 positions and the responsibility of working to sponsor the campus's major activity events.

The first few weeks of classes proved that you just had to hang around campus to get the full benefits from college.



VOTE FOR ME! Among innovative campaigning techniques were these life-sized posters of sophomore Brent Boutwell and freshman Michelle Manley which were placed in the Learning Lab. The last Ocean Springs students were elected to Student Council representative positions in building Sept. 8 and 9. Other favorite campaign ads were huge banners, posters and hand-outs. A Meet the Candidates Rally Sept. 6 had a poor voter turnout.

HANDBOOK HINTS. Student Council treasurer Chris Williams took a turn working at the Student Council table during fall registration, giving out handbooks and distributing student activity literature to students like Sharné Ex. Lines led to the bookstore, the final stop on the registration maze. Although there were no computer break downs, lines were inevitable, especially at the bookstore where early and final registrants had to pick up last year's



STARTING A NEW SEMESTER. Marietta Frederick and Ellen Fraiser, left, were among the students who braved torrential rains to attend the first freshman assembly sponsored by the Student Council executive officers Aug. 25. Student Council secretary April Eggehorn worked the polls while Carlos Johnson signed in to vote.



FRESH STARTS. Fall registration marked an increase in JCC enrollment and a fresh start for everyone. Even though early registrations had been offered by Student Services since April, there was still the first registration rush with fall classes and lines. Kim Wilson and Saville Stubbs, both of Gaudin, bottom left, were in the audience to hear freshman assembly speaker Tom Hewlett.

"I think the freshman assembly went very well, in spite of the rain. We haven't had one before; it was a good idea."

* Jay Hufstaller,
Pascagoula sophomore



WHETHER IT WAS JOINING A CLUB OR BLEEDING FOR POINTS TO HELP EXCEED THE 250 PINT GOAL AT THE FALL BLOOD DRIVE, JC'S STUDENTS FOUND PLENTY OF WAYS TO GET INVOLVED IN CAMPUS LIFE.

PACE SETTERS

Club Day started off hot and sticky, but that didn't keep hundreds of students from checking out campus organizations Sept. 1. Eager students milled about the gazebo, munching on nachos and sipping ice cold Coke served free by the four Student Council executive officers who put on the event. Most were there with friends, laughing and talking. Others came alone, stopping on their way to their next class. A plethora of tables—ranging from Phi Beta Lambda to the Baptist Student Union to the Drama Club—urged students to sign up and get involved. Many enticed prospective members to their tables with free candy, or drawings for prizes.

"We think we had a great turnout. It was an excellent chance for people to get information about campus clubs," said Kate Fountain, Student Council president. "Was the turnout great because there were free nachos? I guess we'll never know!"

Clubs and their members were a key factor in the success of the fall blood drive as the campus set its 253 pints in the Sept. 28 drive in the gym to make JC's drive the largest in the region. In the weeks leading up to the drive, clubs publicized the event and enlisted donors.

"In all of my classes, everyone had either signed up already or was too afraid to give," said PTK member Kristen Hronek, an Ocean Springs sophomore. "It wasn't easy trying to convince people to do it, but most seemed pretty willing."

Of the many reasons students gave for donating, extra credit points topped the list. Cynthia Thornton, a Grand Bay, Ala., sophomore, was one who bled for points.

"Giving blood is a very good and worthwhile cause, but those needles don't seem as bad when there's 10 extra points waiting for you," she said.

"Some of my teachers give extra credit, but I gave because it's a good thing to do, even if you don't get anything in return," said Pascagoula freshman Adam Fagan.

Even if you couldn't give, there was a need for hundreds of volunteers, according to chairperson Rusty Brown.

"I don't really like needles, so I don't give blood," said sophomore Marty Hadden of Pascagoula who worked pre-check. "But just because you don't want to bleed for the Red Cross doesn't mean that they don't need you, too. It takes a lot of people working together to make a blood drive successful and I'm just glad I could help in some way."



SERVING STUDENTS

Fall blood drive co-chairman Rusty Brown, top right, discussed the need for donors with Maria Baumann at Club Day '90. The 250 pint goal was exceeded by 43 pints, thanks to student and faculty donors. Most of JC's clubs took advantage of Club Day to get the word out about their organization's activities and membership requirements. Many students took advantage of the opportunity to find out about extra class activities on campus. Student Council executive officer Chris Wiley, treasurer, and Kate Fountain, president, served free nachos and soft drinks to the steadily growing line. Here, Felicia Bovins waited her turn for the free food.

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OVER THE GOAL!

Hundreds of students and faculty donated blood and volunteered time to make the fall blood drive a big success. The campus went over the 250 pint goal by 43 pints, making it one of the largest drives in JC history. Health occupations student Norman Johnson took the blood pressure of a donor, below left, while human services instructor Tim Boone got ready to donate his pint, below right. The gym was a busy place Sept. 28 as many segments of campus came together to go for the goal.

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LOOKING THINGS

OVER. Kathy White of Pascagoula considered joining the Jackson County Computing Association, far left, while Craig Hankins, center, checked out Phi Beta Lambda at Club Day. Carl Jensen, far right, looked at the Reflections Team scrapbooks. Clubs increased their memberships during the two-hour event as they prepared to "Be There" on campus '90 year.

WHAT A GREAT DAY! WE BASHED A CAR, ATE 800 FREE BURGERS, WORE BLUE AND GOLD, CHEERED THE BULLDOGS, WON PRIZES, DROVE IN A CARAVAN, LAUGHED WITH FRIENDS AND JUST PLAIN OUT HAD A BASH!

BULLDOG BASH

Bulldog Bash proved to be one of the hottest activities of the year as the Student Council and the marketing class teamed up to really give students something to cheer about.

Balloons, free food, cheerleaders, music, blue and gold spirit shakers and door prizes were the main attractions for the school spirit event Sept. 29 to pump JC students up for the campus's only "home game" of the Gulf Coast Bulldogs versus the Mississippi Delta Trojans in Pascagoula that night.

When marketing instructor Joy Mitchell needed a real life event for her class to promote as a term project, getting JC students fired up about the Student Council-sponsored event to encourage attendance at the home game was the perfect match. The Student Council planned the free hamburger cook-out and the marketing class came up with promotions like door prizes, a club cheer contest, a Beautiful Bulldog contest and a spirit caravan to the stadium. The result? One of the best events ever staged on campus.

The weather cooperated and over 800 persons came to eat the free burgers cooked by the Student Council and club volunteers. The crowd was larger than anticipated and there weren't enough burgers to go around. But there was enough fun to go around as Vocational Industrial Clubs of America offered bashes to the red and black Mississippi Delta Trojan Mobile for a small fee. Marketing students gave free blue and gold face paint and gave away dimers, caps, t-shirts, plants and posters in drawings at the end of the event. But the best part of the event was the club cheer contest.

Added incentive for clubs were generous Lofon Points and trophies awarded for everything from helping cook to wearing blue and gold to making banners. Medical Laboratory Technology took first for earning the most overall points, followed by Reflections with second and Phi Beta Lambda and VICA tied for third. Winners of game banners were FBL, first; MLC, second; VICA, third. Cheer winners were Reflections, first; Sunshine Girls, second; MLC, third. Practical nursing instructor Eleanor Douglas won a wreath for giving out the most door prize tickets to students. Beautiful Bulldog Contest winners were Capti owned by Tina Golden, first; Garth owned by James McVay, second; Fiat owned by Michelle Manley, third.

"Events like this create school spirit and give students a chance to be better supporters of their college," said English instructor Marilyn Moss. "It increased student morale as well."



BULLDOG SPIRIT.

September ended with a bash as students geared up for MGC's game against Mississippi Delta Sept. 29. Top, Staci Clegg, Robin Gell and Gwen Morales decorated a car for the spirit caravan from the campus to Pascagoula stadium. Club volunteer

Faye Jackson was among the many who helped! Student Council took 800 burgers for the Bulldog Bash. Many students then expected attended the semester coordinator and there weren't enough burgers to go around. Every student activity should have that kind of disaster!



"I stayed through all the cheer competition through most of the door prize drawings. The event was very successful because everybody laughed and had a lot of fun getting together."

• Katy Clark



ALL IN A DAY'S FUN. The Bulldog Bash was a smash with a variety of activities offered promoting the campus's home game. The Trojan Mobile, top, led the Spirit Caravan from campus to Pascagoula stadium before the game, after it had been bashed at the Bash, center, by the K-9 canine. Top, Staci Clegg, Robin Gell and Gwen Morales decorated a car for the spirit caravan from the campus to Pascagoula stadium. Club volunteer

EVERYONE HAD A CHANCE TO GET IN THE ACT AS CLUBS AND A FACULTY GROUP GOT THE CROWD FIRED UP TO SUPPORT THE MGCCC BULLDOGS BY COMPETING IN A CHEER CONTEST

CHEER CONTEST

Club cheers proved to be the hit of the Bulldog Bash Sept. 29 as students and faculty lingered at the gazebo to see the antics and talents shown off by JC's cheerleaders.

When the MGCCC band and cheerleaders couldn't come for the annual home game rally, the Student Council and marketing class got creative. The result? A club cheer contest. The outcome? One of the best rallies ever to hit campus.

Ask anyone what they thought of the first place Reflections cheer and they'll tell you that Chris Wiley, Terry McLeod and Brent Dunnaway stole the show. The best surprise of the day was VICA's cheer as the club jumped headlong into competition for The Loftin Award. The audience wasn't disappointed. Yells and participation reached an all-time high in response to the clubs who spent time preparing their cheers and coordinating outfits. Watch out MGCCC cheerleaders, here comes JC!

Reflections took first in the cheer contest, followed by a faculty squad, The Sunflower Girls, in second and Medical Laboratory Technology in third. It's a shame everyone couldn't have won a trophy. They were all great. You just had to be there. If you weren't, you missed one of the best events of the year.

GIMME A "B!"

JC found out that there was a lot of talent on campus when the clubs were asked to be in a cheer contest at the Bulldog Bash. Student Council members, top, Michelle Manley, Jay Leiche, Pam Walker, Lucinda Wagner, April Eggleston, Kel Lea Gardner, Kate Fountain, Anne Farmer, and Ashleigh McGilgoush got into their number. HOSA members, center, (not in order) Veronica Seals, Terrika Powell, Jay Medson, Felisha Gomez, Samara Young and Tina Dawson did a couple of cheers for the spirited crowd. VICA's Junior Stockard kicked off the end of his club's cheer as Boyd White, instructor Rick McDonald, Elizabeth Fitzgerald, Charles Wells, Jimmy Slagge and Elia Yates walked away.



WHO DAT CHEERING FOR THE DAWGS?

EVERYONE! Bash cheer judges, top left, Barbara Haggard, Dan Zweig and Dean Shaw watched a group while Wendy Baker, Leslie Martin and MCT instructor Sherry Whitmore enjoyed the show. Center, the Sunflower Girls Barbara Tomici, Marlene Cluff, Jay Mitchell, Sara Langston and Gerry Anne Partridge took second. Bottom, Reflections winners were Billie Rodan, Chris Wiley, April Eggleston, Brent Dunnaway, Michelle Manley, Terry McLeod and Anne Farmer.

ALL LINES LED TO THE GYM SEPT. 30 AS OVER 800 STUDENTS, FACULTY/STAFF RUSHED TO HEAR LT PETE COLLINS TELL THEM THAT ALCOHOL KILLS AND ASK, "HAVE WE ALL GONE CRAZY?"

"HEY, TROOPER!..."

All lines led to the gym Sept. 30 as over 800 people rushed to hear Lt. Pete Collins, a Mississippi State Trooper who has traveled over 2 million miles to bring his message to over 7 million people.

There was no shuffling of feet, no clearing of throats, no other noise but the powerful sound of his voice echoing across the gym. One minute the gym was filled with laughter as Lt. Collins ran from left to right, stood and knelt, raised and lowered his voice. The next minute only his voice was heard as the message became serious.

"I'm not going to tell you how to live. You're grown," he began. "In your life you're going to have 1 million people grab a chair, sit you down and tell you how to live your life. No, I can't tell you how to live your life, but I can tell you how to die."

"Alcohol kills thousands every day either directly or indirectly," said Lt. Collins whose parents abused alcohol. "I've knocked on 169 of your parents' doors to tell them you ain't never coming home again."

"If you want to kill a parent, walk up to their door and tell them their child isn't coming home. That will kill them," he said. "I've knocked on enough doors and heard enough people scream that it's made me senseless. I've done this enough to the point where it's made me crazy."

He told of a student who broke his neck because he got drunk at a party and fell off the hood of a moving Jeep. "I sat in that young man's hospital room and fed him English peas. He looked at me with tears in his eyes and said, 'Mr. Collins, do you know what I'd give if I could scratch my nose, or clean up after myself after I go to the toilet? Now my parents will have to hire somebody to do it,' recalled Collins.

He noted that when the young man was first injured, his room was filled with flowers and all his friends came to visit. But when the flowers died, the visitors stopped coming.

"When you drink, you get drunk with all your friends. But when you die, you die all alone," Collins said. "I won't tell you how to live, but I'll tell you how to die in a heartbeat," he said. "I've been there."

"Every time you turn on the television you see the Colorado Rockies and a crystal stream. Some guy reaches down to an ice chest, pulls out a can and says,

HAVE WE ALL GONE CRAZY? All eyes were on Lt. Pete Collins while he jumped, ran, stood on a chair, waved his hands and arms, made faces and raised and lowered his voice as he pleaded with students to not drink and drive.

"It doesn't get any better than this! None of those guys (in the commercials) has ever stood beside me when I dragged your blood and guts out of a vehicle and said, 'Hey, Trooper, I'll tell their momma they're never coming home,'" Lt. Collins said to the hushed audience.

"Have we all gone crazy?" he asked, his leg draped over the stair railing on the side of the gym stage.

"If you're destroying your life, you are also destroying the lives of the people that love you," Collins said.

"Many women have been abused because men have decided to have something to drink instead of someone to love."

"Children in Mississippi go to school without proper love, without proper nourishment, without proper education and without proper support because of alcohol."

As the audience wiped away their tears, Lt. Collins added, "Mississippi leads the nation in making babies men won't take care of. If you're gonna make 'em, you'd better take care of 'em."

He got a standing ovation.

"I really got the message that he wants to warn as many young adults and teen-agers as he can about the dangers of alcohol and the pain it brings," said sophomore Aretha Randolph.

"Emotional. Informative. I have a son and so it was good for me to hear this," said sophomore Don Newton. Collins' speech was sponsored by the Student Council as part of their total-campus programming emphasis.

"I was moved. The things he said really made you stop and think. It

makes you wonder if we've all gone crazy," Eddie Crocker, Gaudier sophomore

"A lot of stuff he said made me mad because I know people who have suffered at the hands of a drunk driver. You definitely learn that life isn't always fair," Steven Hollifield, Gaudier freshman



"I CAN TELL YOU HOW TO DIE." Lt. Pete Collins claimed that he couldn't tell his audience how to live because just when he thought he had his life all figured out, something new always happened. But he told them how to die: mix alcohol and driving. He also challenged them to take responsibility for their actions—from parenting to responsible citizenship. The gym was full—nearly 900 came to the Sept. 30 assembly.



MAKING THE ROUNDS OF THE CAMPUS WALKING TRACK MIGHT NOT BE YOUR IDEA OF FUN. BUT ON A BRISK NOVEMBER DAY, OVER 225 STUDENTS AND FACULTY FOUND OUT THAT IT WAS!

TURKEY TROT

Competitive juices were flowing as hundreds of men and women utilized their collective energies to reach one common, elusive goal — the finish line.

Maybe it wasn't quite as dramatic as it sounds; but, it certainly was a fun-filled afternoon for the 225 students and faculty members who participated in the ninth annual JCC Turkey Trot fun run/walk Nov. 17 at the campus walking track.

It was also an opportunity to make Thanksgiving a memorable one for some JCC students who would otherwise have had difficulty providing a holiday meal for their families. The entry fee of three canned goods or \$1 provided help for the single parents associated with the New Horizons Program. Set against the background of a magnificent blue sky and brisk weather, the Student Council-sponsored event raised \$110 and seven boxes of food. The Council provided free hot dogs and chips which were quickly gobbled up by the hungry crowd of spectators and participants.

"I think the day was a huge success," smiled sophomore John Beard. "The weather was perfect. The food was good. And everyone involved seemed to have had a good time."

One of this year's innovations was the addition of special forest green t-shirts designed for the occasion. The limited number sold fast and encouraged the Council to offer t-shirts at other JCC activities. And, of course, there was a fully costumed turkey, thanks to Chris Hiestand who endured the sauna-like garb as he went around campus encouraging participation in the event co-chaired by April Epstein and Marty Estis.

Runners rounded the half-mile track twice while walkers only went around once. Most JCC clubs participated, gaining points toward the coveted Lofton Award given for outstanding campus involvement. Club winners for the highest percentage of membership participation were New Horizons and Phi Beta Lambda. First: Health Occupations Students of America, second: Vocational Industrial Clubs of America, third.

Ronnie Bond of Ocean Springs recorded the fastest time of the day as he cruised the finish line first in the running category. His twin brother, Donnie, won the race last year.

Other first place winners were Beth Hammond, student runner; Patty Grady, faculty runner; Robert Balis, faculty runner; Lisa Wolverton, student walker; Georgi Lander, faculty walker; Pee Wee Cole, student walker; and Jason Pugh, faculty walker. Other winners are identified in the photo at the right.



AND THEY'RE OFF! Over 225 JCC students, faculty and staff, participated in the 9th annual Turkey Trot Nov. 17, in addition to spectators. Taking first place honors and receiving trophies and t-shirts were, from left, Lisa Wolverton, student walker; Financial and Secretary Georgi Lander, faculty walker; Beth Hammond, student runner; Gerry Bonifield representing New Horizons, club participation co-winner; Heather Bettelle representing Phi Beta Lambda, club participation co-winner; Learning Lab director Patty

Grady, faculty runner; physics instructor Jason Pugh, faculty walker; Ronnie Bond, student runner; Pee Wee Cole, student walker. Not pictured is BSA volunteer Robert Balis, faculty runner. Other winners were volleyball Vals Leggett, Christen Anderson, Johnny Mortlake, Joel Mouton, industrial electricity instructor Bernard Bonifield, practical nursing instructor Dorian Dugan, social studies instructor Faye Jones, and runners Brent Dornway, Kevin Ryan and Mary Bonds.

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A MOVING EXPERIENCE.

Shake a tail feather, Mr. Turkey Trot! Chris Hiestand, top left, gets his exercise as he tiptoes up the crowd. In the background were Matt Williams, instructor Amy Richmond, runner winner Ronnie Bond and Student Council member Kate Fourteen. Financial and Secretary Georgi Lander, top right, did some stretching before setting a walking record at the Trot. Mr. Turkey Trot, center, tried to tell the crowd how to get going. Anne Farmer, bottom left, released runner winner Ronnie Bond as he crossed the finish line. Academic counselor June Riddum and instructor Stephanie Albus were among the 225 participants in the trot who attended students and their children.



AS SOON AS THE THANKSGIVING TURKEY WAS EATEN, JCC WAS READY FOR THE CHRISTMAS SPIRIT WITH DOOR DECORATING, STOCKING FILLING AND TOY PAINTING — NOT TO MENTION THE HOLIDAY PARTIES HOSTED BY CAMPUS GROUPS.

GENEROUS GIVING

Holidays got off to an early start with the annual door decoration contest. First place winners were Jackson County Computing Association, club; Vocational Industrial Clubs of America, club display; Shirley Holliday and Jay Huffstatter, faculty; Richmond, Morgan, Ruiz, Zito, Schaub, Brown and Whitmore, faculty display. Other winners were Clubs: Reflections, second, New Horizons, third; Phi Theta Kappa, Medical Laboratory Technology and Math Club, honorable mention; Marketing Management and Phi Beta Lambda, second, displays; faculty: Patsy Grady, second; Barbara Haygood and Brenda Helms, third; individual: Vicki Ganite. Jay Laiche was chairperson of the Student Council-sponsored activity.

The annual Fill the Stocking Party in the cafeteria Dec. 7 and 8 filled the giant 9-foot stocking more than twice, thanks to the efforts of the Student Council and faculty support. Raymond Tanner and his entourage of math students brought in more than a truckload of toys, insuring the success of the project which benefited the Salvation Army and families of New Horizons members. The party featured new twists under the direction of chairman Brent Dunsaway. The Ocean Springs High School choir — dressed in tuxedos and formal — performed Christmas selections to a full house during activity period and persons had the chance to guess the identities of baby pictures of faculty and staff.

Clubs came through again as they painted 120 wooden toy cars and trucks which were cut out and donated by Dean of Academic Instruction William Martin. The toys were given to the Salvation Army for distribution to local children at Christmas and the clubs received Lofgren Award points for painting and winning.

Winners of the project chaired by Jay Huffstatter were: Volkswagon Bug — Bernard Brooks, JCCA, first; Kim Nixia, VICA, second; Treva Provant, JCCA, third and honorable mention. Bus — Debra Matthews, VICA, first; Kathy Werner, JCCA, second; Anne Farmer, Reflections, honorable mention. 18-Wheeler — Kate Fountain, Reflections, first; Sherry Sumrall, JCCA, second and honorable mention; Melanie Treher, VICA, third. Car — Charles Wells, VICA, first; MLI, second; Kathy Werner, JCCA, third; Ellen Osborne, New Horizons, honorable mention. Hatchback Car — Tom Zito, JCCA, first; Jimmy Stagg, VICA, second; MLI, third; John Marshall, JCCA, honorable mention. Truck — Carol Egerton, JCCA, first; Tim Haicher, JCCA, second; Connie Green, HOSA, third; Mimi Fountain, Phi Beta Lambda, honorable mention.



HOLIDAY HAPPENINGS. JCC got into the holiday spirit with a variety of activities. Opposite page, top, PTK (top) and PE instructor Ray Bess were impressed with the courtesy of JCC. Bottom, St. Mary's, physics instructor Susan Pugh and automotive instructor Rick McDonald lead a hard time judging the cars. This page, top left, Ray Bess and cheer decoration winners, kneeling from left, party chairman Brent Dunsaway for Reflections, Steven Nugent for Math Club, Colleen Tetric for PTK, Joe Hadden for JCCA, later faculty Amy Richmond, Brenda Helms, Rebecca Ruiz, Vicki Ganite and Debra Matthews for VICA. Bottom: First place car winners Charles Wells for JCCA, Kate Fountain for Reflections, Debra Matthews and Bernard Brooks for VICA. Kicker right, first place blue winners JCCA and VICA.

AN OUT-OF-SEASON HAWAIIAN LUAU GOT SPRING SEMESTER OFF TO A FUN START WITH 10-FOOT PALM TREES FRAMING THE STAGE FOR A RIOTOUSLY ENTERTAINING LIP SYNC CONTEST.

THAW OUT: HOT!

VICA's lip sync act stole the show at the first Mid-Winter-Thaw-Out hosted by the Student Council Jan. 12.

An Hawaiian luau in the middle of winter? It was a gimmick that worked, according to Council members who thought it was a novel idea that might attract new members to participate in clubs during spring semester.

The stage for the spring semester Club Day was set as a steady stream of party-goers was greeted at the student center door in C building with Hawaiian leis and a chance to purchase coral t-shirts sporting the luau logo designed by Brent Dunnaway. But as soon as everyone was decorated for the occasion, it didn't take long to reach the food table! After filling their plates with all the food they could hold, students quickly grabbed seats to watch the main attraction, a lip sync contest among clubs.

VICA's Junior Strickland and Pat Thompson brought down the house with their rendition of Ray Steven's "Help I'm White and I Can't Get Down" which won them first place and 1500 Lofton points for VICA. Brent Dunnaway's version of Vanilla Ice's "Ice Ice Baby" was also a hit and the second place winner for Reflections. Ice made a grand entrance followed by an entourage to hype up the performance. The Lovely Ladies of the Learning Lab-Joanne Stewart, Julie Besancon and Sara Tringle-got into "Fins", wowed the appreciative crowd and took third. Another Reflections entry, "Wouldn't It Be Lovely?", was presented by Rosalie Senteno and Holly Reeves. Rosalie sang the Broadway tune. Student Council couldn't win a prize because they hosted the event for clubs, but their number, "I'm Going Bananas", was a crowd pleaser. Performers Michelle Manley, Anne Farmer, Kate Fountain and April Eppstein donned straw hats decorated with dangling fruits and theme T-shirts for their choreographed number that included Tyres Austrey, Brent Dunnaway, Chris Hiestand, Chris Wiley and Mary Estis.

"We didn't have as much club participation as we had hoped for because it was held so soon after registration, but those who had tables to recruit new members or entered the lip sync contest were rewarded," said one Council member. "I think everyone was surprised at the great decorations. The room was transformed into a real luau setting."

Just went to show that it paid to read publicity posters—you just had to be there to catch the rays at this party.



APPLAUSE! An appreciative audience greet-

ed each of the lip sync acts presented by members of JCC's clubs. A steady stream of students and teachers filled the party rooms in C building for two hours, munching on veggie and fruit trays, listening to island music and enjoying friends.

DILEMMA.

Science instructor Rusty Brown, Learning Lab instructor Evelyn Clark and physical education instructor Kay Bess had a difficult job in placing the lip sync acts because they were a good. Who wouldn't mind being a judge if you could have this much fun and get frost-free now?



ALL IN GOOD FUN.

Let the good times roll! Lip sync acts proved to be the hit of the Mid-Winter-Thaw-Out as club members entertained a big crowd. Clockwise from top left: The Lovely Ladies of the Learning Lab-Julie Besancon, Sara Tringle and Joanne Stewart—took third for their performance of "Fins"; Reflections' Rosalie Senteno sang "Wouldn't It Be Lovely?"; VICA's Junior Strickland and Pat Thompson stole the show and first place with "Help I'm White and I Can't Get Up"; Reflections' Team member Allen Smith talked to international student Kuniko Hall at the Reflections table; Student Council members Michelle Manley, Anne Farmer, Kate Fountain and April Eppstein danced to "I'm Going Bananas"; Reflections' Brent Dunnaway took second with his portrayal of Vanilla Ice's "Ice Ice Baby".





THE MANY FACES OF SEN. HORHN. Black History Month's special program, "The Eyes of Black Folk," revealed Sen. John Horhn's ability to perform a wide variety of characters. Included in his portrayals, clockwise from top left, were the experiences of a post-civil rights revolutionary, an old man during reconstruction reminiscing the

days of slavery, a West Indian discussing the nature of riots and a tortured slave. He also presented a Southern Baptist preacher, the civil rights movement through the eyes of Martin Luther King, Jr., and an everyman expressing his hopes for America. Sen. Horhn not only acted and sang in his presentation. He wrote it, too.

BLACK HISTORY MONTH WAS MARKED BY A CAPTIVATING SPECIAL ARTS PROGRAM BY STATE SEN. JOHN HORHN WHO PACKED THE AUDITORIUM FOR THE FEB. 20 DRAMATIC PRESENTATION.

HISTORY REVIEWED

State Senator John Horhn of Madison presented his critically acclaimed one-man show, *The Eyes of Black Folk*, to JCC students Feb. 20 in celebration of Black History Month. Using only a rocking chair and podium as props, Sen. Horhn showed his versatility as he traced American history from a black perspective—from slavery to the present—using fictional and historical characters.

"His character was so sensitive to the characters he was playing. The transition from one character to the next was fascinating," said Mrs. Wanda Stewart, JCC drama instructor. "He was fabulous. His dialect, whole tenor of character and gesturing were true to what he was doing."

Horhn said his unique show presented a perspective that isn't often heard and seen in regular school curricula—a black perspective. "Black history is something we see on the shelf and only examine at certain times of the year," said Sen. Horhn who started performing the powerful one-man show 10 years ago. "That is why I do the show year-round."

"If eyes are the window to the soul, then black folk are the eyes of America," he told the capacity audience in the auditorium to introduce his performance. "It is through our eyes and their mirror magic that America can come to know and see herself as we have seen her."

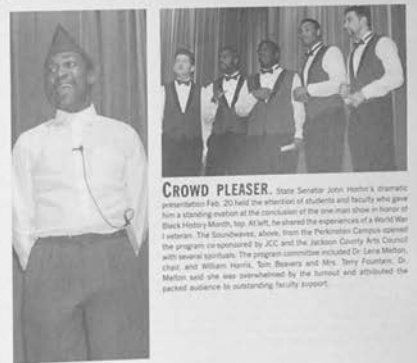
His inspiration for the show was a painting done by a white artist. "There were several black children in the painting. I could see the history in their eyes; but, I wondered if they really know a lot about that history," said the state Senator who has toured the show throughout Mississippi and numerous Southern states.

He hopes that once they see the program, black students will seek to learn more about their heritage and white students will come to a better understanding of that heritage.

"A better understanding of history explains why we are where we are," said Sen. Horhn who received a standing ovation from the captivated audience and added that race relations are not as good as they could be.

"People have re-established comfort zones which include people who come from the same background. We create enclaves from which we very seldom venture," he said. "Until we move forth, relations will stand still. The purpose of this show is to provoke multi-racial discussion in hopes of finding common ground."

"His presentation was unifying because he combined the experiences and lessons of the past with the hope in tomorrow," said Dr. Lena Melton, program coordinator.



CROWD PLEASER. State Senator John Horhn's dramatic presentation Feb. 20 held the attention of students and faculty who gave him a standing ovation at the conclusion of the one-man show in honor of Black History Month. Top: At left, he shared the experiences of a World War I veteran. The Soundwaves, above, from the Parkettes Campus group the program co-sponsored by JCC and the Jackson County Arts Council with several spirituals. The program committee included Dr. Lena Melton, chair, and William Harris, Tom Bowers and Mrs. Tony Fountain. Dr. Melton said she was overwhelmed by the turnout and attributed the packed audience to outstanding faculty support.

SPRING SEMESTER OFFERED A FULL SLATE OF ACTIVITIES THAT INCLUDED PLANNING FOR THE FUTURE, SAVING LIVES, PLAYING THE PART, EXPANDING THE CAMPUS AND BEING HONORED.

WRAPPING IT UP

Spring delivery of a yearbook means that most of second semester's activities are left to memory—not to yearbook pages—because they happen after the final deadline. However, several events happened in time to at least get mentioned in this volume, although they deserved more extensive coverage.

College and University Day, sponsored Feb. 20 by the recruiting office, lured almost 250 students to the gym to check out transfer requirements and scholarship opportunities to senior institutions of higher learning. According to Mrs. Terri Ormes, JCC's recruiting officer and event coordinator, the activity was a service to students who just had to be there to get information about the colleges to which they plan to transfer.

Two days later, the spring blood drive netted 240 pints of blood, making it one of the most successful—and smoothest running—spring drives in the history of the campus and one of the largest drives in the region. According to chairperson Joanne Stewart, although the drive was 10 pints short of the 250 pint goal, over 250 students and faculty came to the drive to donate blood. She said that a variety of reasons—from incomplete pints to medical causes—accounted for some units not being acceptable to the Red Cross.

The state Phi Theta Kappa headquarters, *The Clarion Ledger* newspaper and the Mississippi Association of Junior Colleges honored community college students from around the state at a luncheon in Jackson when they named PTK's 1995 All-Mississippi Academic Teams. Kate Fountain was named to the First Team and Kristen Hronek to the Second Team based on their academic records and extra-curricular participation. They were nominated by JCC's PTK chapter, according to sponsor Mrs. Kay Sims.

"Arsenic and Old Lace", a play about two sweet old ladies who helped solve the homeless problem in Brooklyn in 1940 by poisoning and burying lonely old men in their cellar, was the spring drama production presented April 21 and 22. The cast, directed by JCC drama and speech instructor Wanda Stewart, included Rebecca Ruiz, Gloria Gaines, Chester Delacruz, Andy Kalberg, Kenneth Kerr, Donnell Payne, Darrell Roberts, Udreia Williams, Ray Miller, Jim Lebatard, Samantha Hebert, Thomas Marx, Brian Richardson, Joshua Duncan, Kelly Cole and Bobby Brown. The production crew included Kelly McColm, Ron Leuten, Elihu Carranza and Marilyn Orati.

Construction was a familiar sight on campus all year as crews worked to build a math classroom building and a centrally-located cafeteria.



ALL-MISSISSIPPI ACADEMIC TEAMS. The international headquarters of Phi Theta Kappa honored community college students from around the state when they named the 1995 All-Mississippi Academic Teams based on academic performance and extra-curricular participation March 1 in Jackson. Above, from left, are PTK sponsor Kay Sims, Second Team member Kristen Hronek, First Team member Kate Fountain, and JCC President Dr. Barry Muller. At top, students talked with University of Southern Mississippi recruiters at College and University Day Feb. 20.



SPRING SEMESTER STAND-OUTS. The spring blood drive was a big success with students and faculty giving 240 pints and clubs volunteering time and publicity. Top right, chairperson Joanne Stewart was at the drive. Above, the successful community service project that involved the entire campus. Assisting her were JCC's Phi Theta Kappa chapter members, left, and JCC's Phi Theta Kappa chapter members, right. Cast members of "Arsenic and Old Lace" caught during a rehearsal. Bottom left, from left, Kelly, Ron, Elihu, and Udreia. Bottom right, Rebecca Ruiz, Gloria Gaines and Jim Lebatard. Construction was a familiar sight all year as crews worked to build a math classroom building and a centrally-located cafeteria.

TAKING NIGHT CLASSES EXPANDED OPPORTUNITIES AND FIT THE SCHEDULES OF HUNDREDS OF JCC STUDENTS WHO JUGGLED FULL OR PART-TIME WORK LOADS WITH FULL OR PART-TIME CLASS LOADS.

NIGHTLIFE

Working by day and taking college classes by night, JCC's 283 full-time academic night students had a full schedule. But then, so did the 1207 part-time academic students and the 40 instructors who taught them.

"Well, for me it's like having your cake and eating it, too," said micro-computer specialist major Linda Ventura who works 37 1/2 hours a week and also needs her education. "I have almost gotten my associate's degree and I couldn't have done it without night school."

Jackie Nelson, a 28-year-old freshman majoring in education, found that attending school at night was her only option.

"I have a first grader and a kindergarten," said Ms. Nelson who also works during the day. "I can take my kids to school and get them home. My classes start after the kids are asleep. I'm glad JC is there for me. I can be there for my kids and not miss anything."

Sophomore biology major Leean Stallings had another angle. "You don't have to get up early for night classes. I'm a night person so I can pay attention better," she said.

Some attended night classes because they were in the military and had day duty. Some classes were only offered at night.

Night students interviewed liked meeting class only once a week, liked the smaller classes and liked the openness of night instructors.

"I think it's because they know that night students are serious and are there to learn," said Kristi Ury of her night instructors.

Whatever the reasons for attending, JCC's night classes met the needs of the hundreds of people who just had to be there to continue their education.



ONE NIGHT AT A TIME

Kenneth W. Myers, top, was right on the street, listened and ate supper before his night class. Lucy Chambers and Amy Buckley, above left, chatted on their way to class. McCarren and Jim Dixon, right, took one more look at their notes. Ed class. At left, some of the 1207 part-time and 283 full-time academic JCC's night classes accompanied persons who combined working with going to college and taking care of family responsibilities.



FOR SOME JCC STUDENTS, THE FREEDOM TO GAIN AN EDUCATION THAT MAY NOT HAVE BEEN POSSIBLE BEFORE IS THE BEST PART OF WHAT JCC HAS TO OFFER.

MELTING POT

JCC is internationally known—or rather, international students know the ins and outs of college life at this community college. According to one source, about 15 percent of JCC's students are international from Vietnam, Turkey, Denmark, Japan and Honduras. Many were born in America to parents who came here to make a better life for themselves and their children. JCC's new International Student Club sponsored by psychology instructor Carol Moradmand provided a campus home for many of JCC's international students and others who wanted to learn about other cultures.

According to a discussion at one of the meetings, many families keep the traditions of what they call the "old world" and many students have grown up in bilingual families.

Sophomore Julia Nguyen is a Vietnamese American who was born in Vietnam and moved to America with her family when she was a year old. Her father, a soldier who fought for his children's freedom, died a month before Julia was born. Her mother brought Julia and her brother to America for a new, free beginning. Although she doesn't remember much about Vietnam, Julia can remember her mother stressing the difference between Vietnam and America is the freedom of choice.

"One can achieve his or her goals and dreams in America," said Julia. "That is not possible in the same respect in Vietnam. The culture is the barrier with that."

Turkish born x-ray technology student Gunay A. Ali, who grew up in Italy and came to America several years ago, said that Italy is more family-oriented and shows less discrimination.

"Every person is a wonderful individual, no matter where they came from," said Gunay who has a degree in criminal justice from USM.



DIVERSITY. JCC boasted an enrollment composed of students from around the world who had a common goal: getting an education. Phuong Doan and Julia Nguyen, top, enjoyed a break from classes during an International Student Club fellowship meeting. Karline Maxwell, Linda Miller and Lilli Ha, left, enjoyed visiting during a break between classes. Instructor Carol Moradmand founded the club to foster international relations.

UNIVERSALITY. The atmosphere at JCC, in the heart of the South, offered a home away from home for all its students and many discovered that the more some things were different, the more they were the same. Gunay A. Ali who was born in Turkey and grew up in Italy, above left, and Karline Maxwell, above right, were active members of JCC's new International Student Club that sought to combine the cultures on campus.

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EXCELLENCE was the name of game at JCC. Reflections members Bille Jo Robinson and Paulie Reeves, top left, helped keep score at the South Mississippi Scholars Bowl competition hosted by JCC. JCC Scholars Bowl members Chris Johnson, Dean Wintersheim, Steven Nguyen and Marty Hardin, top right, worked on a prob-

lem during the competition. The Glass Menagerie was presented as a dinner theatre during last semester. Cast members were Mrs. Wanda Stewart, Ray Miller, Pam Jones, and John Beard, bottom right. Honors biology student Gerri Martin, bottom left, worked with a snake used in her internship project at the J.L. Scott Marine Education Center.

just had to be the BEST



CLASS FAVORITES, top, were sophomores (standing) Chris Wiley, Marty Ellis, Gabe Pinion, Brent Dunnaway, Jay Ruffmaster, Terry McLeod, (sitting) Kim Shattles, Kai Lee Gardner, Shirley Shumake, Kate Fountain and (front) Ashleigh McCubough, above, freshmen (standing) Tynes Aubrey, Geoff Borden, Steven Conzen, Jay Lisset, Paul Huddleston, (sitting) Katrina Polk, Joy Lache, Michelle Manney, Anne Farmer and (front) Bronwyn Blackwell.

Striving to be the best they could be, JCC students found themselves studying to make the grades, joining organizations to form friendships and network and competing in a variety of arenas from The Lofton Award to The Bunny Hop. Just what constituted "the best" was up for grabs. Doing the best with what you had. Making it to an 8 o'clock class. Passing Comp I, the second time around. Standing in front of the speech class and...actually speaking! Balancing family and classes and a job. Being accepted into the nursing program. Reaching as high and as far as you could, sacrificing present pleasures for future rewards. Rewards varied. They could have been passing grades—or the highest grades. They could have been keeping your head above water—or getting an award. They could have been pride in a job well done—or sharing that pride with a group who had worked together toward a common goal. One thing was for certain. All of the keys to success were available at JCC, just for the taking. There was the Learning Lab. And study groups. And support groups. And caring teachers. And friends. And clubs. And grants and loans and scholarships. And opportunities. Whatever your definition of "the best"—you just had to be there to take advantage of them.

MR. AND MISS JCC



April Eppstein • Chris Hiestand

MR. AND MISS JCC

April J'Lene Eppstein



April Eppstein, Miss Jackson County Campus, is a pre-medicine major from Pascagoula. This year she served as secretary of the Student Council and was a member of the Reflections Team and Phi Theta Kappa. She was named a sophomore homecoming maid and was selected for the JCC Hall of Fame and Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. Her freshman year she was freshman class president on the Student Council, Reflections Team secretary and member of Phi Theta Kappa. She was a freshman homecoming maid, first place winner of the JCC Speech Competition and represented the campus in the Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo Queen Contest. April plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi to obtain a degree in environmental biology and would like to receive her medical degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham. "Attending JCC has been one of the most rewarding experiences that I have had in my life. I could not have hoped for a better education from any other college. I have made so many friends and learned so many wonderful things, I could not begin to name them. By being involved in clubs and school functions, I know there is a whole lot more to JC than just school. The interaction between supportive teachers and students makes JC a great place to attend."

Christopher Hiestand



Christopher Edward Hiestand, Mr. Jackson County Campus, is a chemical engineering and corporate law major from Moss Point. His sophomore year he served as vice president of Student Council and was a member of the newly formed Math Club. He was named to the JCC Hall of Fame and Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. His freshman year he was elected a freshman class favorite and a freshman representative on the Student Council and was named one of two Outstanding Freshman Representatives by Council members. He has been on the Vice President's List. After he receives his degrees, he wants to marry the right woman and use the talents God gave him to help people make the best out of their lives. "I might even try my hand in politics! Well, we had to be at JCC this year most importantly for the education. We learned from an outstanding faculty and we experienced what life has to offer. We had to be here to meet our new friends and we had to be here to be with each other. Finally, we had to be here to try and make a difference. I hope I have contributed a positive image to JCC and I hope I served my peers well."

Mr. and Miss Jackson County Campus

FRESHMAN FAVORITES

BRONWYN BLACKWELL, Pascagoula. Physical Education. 1995 Editor, Phases, Baptist Student Union. Student Council, Associate Member. "I just had to be at JCC this year because it is a wonderful start for those who are unsure of their future. It was at JCC that I found out what I am interested in and what I hope to do as a career. I have met many new and wonderful friends this year, also. I would have missed out on too much if I had not been at JCC this year. I plan to receive my associates degree in the spring of 1996, then transfer to William Carey and receive my degree in physical education so that I can teach PE in a high school and also be a cross country coach. I would also like to get married and have a family. I hope to lead a Christian and moral life and be a role model to others I come in contact with."

STEPHEN WAYNE ORMON, Gautier. Computer Engineering. Honors Program. Math Club. "I just had to be at JCC this year because I enjoy the small classes and the individual attention a student receives from the instructors. It gives you a great chance to excel academically. I hope to transfer to Mississippi State University and acquire a degree in computer engineering."

ANNE MARIE FARMER, Pascagoula. Undecided major. Freshman President on Student Council. Reflections. "I just had to be at JCC this year because when I graduated from high school I had not decided on a major and JCC was a place to go to get the basic classes behind me. As I have attended JCC, this experience has been very rewarding. I've met new friends that will last a lifetime and activities on and off campus are really fun. In a nutshell, it's the place to be! My goal is to be successful at whatever field I choose to go into. Someday I hope to find someone to marry and have a family."

ANGELA JOY LAICHE, Hurley. Forensic Pathology. Student Council Freshman Representative. Reflections Secretary. Honors blast! There's always something going on. The friends I have made and the times that I have had have been worth everything and much more. I plan to graduate from MGCCC and attend a senior university. After working a few years, I would love to marry and to start a family."

PAUL CLAYTON HUDDLESTON, Pascagoula. Pre-veterinary Medicine. Baptist Student Union. Phi Theta Kappa. Honors Program. "I just had to be at JCC this year because it offers great opportunities and with the Honors scholarship, I couldn't go wrong. Also,

BRONWYN BLACKWELL, STEVEN ORMON



ANNE FARMER



TYRES AUTREY



GEOFFREY BORDEN, MICHELLE MANLEY



I have moved from city to city for my whole life and I could make the decision on my own this time. I stayed at JCC for many reasons. It's great! I want to pursue a degree in veterinary medicine, start my own practice and move to Tennessee."

TYRES FRAJ/AUNT AUTREY, Pascagoula. Public Administration/Communication. Student Council Freshman Representative. "It was not a must to attend JCC. During my senior year, some of my classmates placed a lot of emphasis on which college they were interested in attending. But I chose to attend JCC because it was economical and would be beneficial to my academic foundation. It is my belief that it is not which institution you attend, but how you value your education. My ultimate goal is to be successful. I want to acquire a college degree and be an important figure in my community. I desire very much to implement Christian values into some of the youth programs in an effort to upgrade the moral principles of our younger generation."

GEOFFREY DUANE BORDEN, Gautier. Chemical Engineering. Honors Program. "I just had to be at JCC this year because I like being closer to home and the low teacher to student ratio makes good grades easier to come by. My goal is to do the best I can in and out of school."

MICHELLE MANLEY, Ocean Springs. Nursing. Student Council Freshman Representative. Reflections. Baptist Student Union. Freshman Homecoming Maid. "I just had to be at JCC this year because I love JCC and would rather be here than any other school in the world. The students are friendly, the instructors are fun and the experiences are unforgettable. My goal is to have a successful career as an oral surgeon, and I want to help people overcome abusive lives and love themselves for who they are."

KATRINA JUJUANA POLK, Moss Point. Nursing. "I just had to be at JCC this year because I wanted to attend a junior college to see what college was about before I attended a major university. I plan to be a pediatric nurse working in a major hospital, making lots of money."

JAY LOSSET, Gautier. Microbiology. Student Council Freshman Representative. Honors Program. Phi Theta Kappa. "I just had to be at JCC this year because it seemed like the logical choice—low cost, quality education close to home. I plan to get a degree in microbiology from Mississippi State University, followed by a PhD in genetics from the University of Alabama."



JOY LAICHE, PAUL HUDDLESTON



KATRINA POLK, JAY LOSSET

1995 JCC HALL OF FAME

Eighteen sophomores were named to the Jackson County Campus Hall of Fame by the faculty, staff and administration. This group represented one percent of the fulltime enrollment on campus with selection based on leadership, citizenship, scholarship and personality. These students were also named for inclusion in the 1995 national volume of *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges* based on academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extra-curricular activities and potential for continued success. They represented the cream of the crop at JCC this year because this is the highest honor the faculty bestows on students.



JESSICA ADCOCK

Pascagoula, Microcomputer Specialist, Vice President's List. "I just had to be at JCC this year because I feel that JCC has opened many doors for me. I enjoy the atmosphere and the activities the campus has to offer. I plan to attend JCC until I get my degree. My goal is to lead a happy life."



LOIS ANN BOSARGE

Pascagoula, Business/Accounting, Phi Theta Kappa Service Committee Chairman, Reporter, Mississippi Academy of Science, President's List, Vice President's List, Honors Program. "Through a recent bout with cancer, I found caring, compassionate, faithful friends and teachers. These individuals have changed my outlook on life, people and even myself. I hope I have portrayed what a good student is. I have tried."



CIVENNA M. BURPO

Lucedale, Health Unit Coordinator, Health Unit Coordinator, Class President, Showcase Foundation Scholarship, Selections/Hospitality/Recruiting Team. "I just had to be at JCC this year because it has meant the difference between being somebody or being nobody. I want to be successful in the business field and medical field."



CHRIS HEISTAND

Most Point, Chemical Engineering/Corporate Law, Student Council Vice President, Outstanding Freshman Representative, Math Club, Mr. JCC Freshman Class Favorite. "I just had to be at JCC this year because being a student here has allowed me to gain experience. I believe that by gaining experience you gain knowledge and with knowledge comes a better understanding of the world around us."



KRISTEN A. HRONEK

Gulfport, Business/Phil Law, Phi Theta Kappa Secretary, Mississippi Academy of Science, Vice President's List, Honors Program, PK Academic Team. "Being a JCC student has helped me to set goals and never give up until I reach those goals. It has also helped me realize what my family and friends mean to me. I tried to lend a helping hand in all activities I plan to get BA in business and go on to law school to study corporate law."



JAY HUFFSTATLER

Pascagoula, Business/Public Relations, Student Council Vice President, Outstanding Freshman Representative, Sophomore Representative, Selections Award, Reporter, Student Union Vice President, Phi Theta Kappa Coordinator, Staff, Freshman and Sophomore Class Favorite, Homecoming Team. "Vice President's List, awarded to USA Longmeyer."



KERRI JONES

Hickman, Chemical Engineering, Phi Theta Kappa, Math Club Secretary, President's and Vice President's List. "I just had to be at JCC this year because being here has helped me to get a good beginning foundation with my studies and it helping me become prepared for a senior university. I have helped with a few activities in the community, give recognition to the college and Phi Theta Kappa."



DEANNA JANINE COX

Hurley, Chemical Engineering, Phi Theta Kappa, Co-Chairman and Vice President of Math Club, Honors Program, Learning Labs, Student Council President's List, Showcase Foundation, Freshman and Sophomore Homecoming, Most Vice President's List, Phi Theta Kappa Speech Competition, JCC Representative in Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo. "Confer! I see I have received the best accolade for possible for the past two years."



APRIL EPPSTEIN

Pascagoula, Pre-Medicine, Student Council Secretary, Freshman Representative, Selections Secretary, Honors Program, Phi Theta Kappa, Phi JCC, Honors Program, Class Favorite, Freshman and Sophomore Homecoming, Most Vice President's List, Phi Theta Kappa Speech Competition, JCC Representative in Deep Sea Fishing Rodeo. "Confer! I see I have received the best accolade for possible for the past two years."



KATE M. FOUNTAIN

Ocean Springs, Pediatric Physical Therapy, Student Council President, Outstanding Council Freshman Representative, Award, Homecoming Queen, 1995, Miss JCC-MEANWAVE Award, Freshman and Sophomore, Class Favorite, Freshman Homecoming, Most Phi Theta Kappa President's List, Most Phi Theta Kappa President's List, Two-Year Selections member, Phi Theta Kappa Student Council President, PK Academic Team, Yearbook staff, Anatomy and Physiology Award.



TINA L. FRAME

Ocean Springs, Science, Phi Theta Kappa. "I just had to be at JCC this year because being a JCC student meant the first step on a flight of stairs to me. My plans and goals for the future? School, school, school."



NGOC LE

Pascagoula, Pre-Medicine, Phi Theta Kappa, International Student Council, Honors Program, Math Department, Student Worker, Chevron and Honors Scholarship. "I just had to be at JCC this year because I could be at home. I'm staying at home rather than living in a dorm. I hope to go to medical school at Ole Miss or South Alabama. I would really love to work in a warm country like Thailand as a relief doctor."



DEBRA JOE LEE

Most Point, Accounting. "I just had to be at JCC this year because it has a technical program. I was very interested in it. It has a two-year-two program that makes it very easy to continue my education here in Jackson County to obtain my CPA license. I hope I have set an example for some of the younger students about the achievement and honor that can be accomplished even after being out of school 20 years."



YVETTE LOESCH

Ocean Springs, Fashion, Merchandising and Marketing, Delta Epsilon Chi, Fall Place in Style and Top Ten in National Advertising Campaign, Fashion Show, Vice President's List. "I have truly enjoyed the years I have spent at JCC. These made many new and lasting friendships while attending this great junior college. I thank those who own my own business and to travel to all parts of the world."



JEANNETTE VENABLE

Gulfport, Health Unit Coordinator, Health Unit Coordinator, Ole Miss Volunteer Student Assistant to USA Program, Red Cross Volunteer, President's and Vice President's List. "JCC has given me a chance to meet new people of many different cultures, the experiences have made my transition from military life to civilian life much easier. I have been given an opportunity to expand my mind in many things just books."

1995 JCC HALL OF FAME



EMBER WEST

Gaillard, BS Degree Nursing. "I just had to be at JCC this year because I had attended a university for two years in preparation to enter a school in the medical field. I needed several additional courses to expand my choice of schools. I came home to JCC where I felt a better learning environment and more individual attention existed. It was a good choice and an excellent stepping stone for me."



CHRISTOPHER WILEY

Vanceville, BS Degree Nursing, Student Council Treasurer, Reflections Vice President, Sophomore Class Favorite. "I just had to be at JCC this year because I believe that JCC is one of the finest institutions of higher education at which a student can begin. The faculty and staff are some of the finest people in and out of college. I want to get a masters in anesthesia at the University of Alabama at Birmingham."



DAN WITTERSHEIM

Biloxi, Biomedical Sciences, Phi Theta Kappa Vice President, Scholar's Bowl, President's and Vice President's Lists, Honors Program. "Being a student at JCC has actually made a very positive impression on me. The faculty and staff are excellent and have helped me a great deal. The friends I have made here have had an impact on me that has changed my entire outlook on life. I wouldn't have missed meeting them."

1995 H.E.A.D.W.A.E.



1995 H.E.A.D.W.A.E. RECOGNITION. Kate Fountain, far right, was among 77 students and faculty from Mississippi's institutions of higher education. Instruction William Harris, MGCCC President Dr. Barry Mellinger and Mississippi Governor Kirk Ponder.

Kate Fountain, Ocean Springs sophomore, was chosen to represent the students of Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College's three campuses at the eighth annual *Honors Appreciation Day: Working for Academic Excellence* sponsored by the Mississippi Legislature to honor academically talented students and faculty who have made outstanding contributions in promoting academic excellence. Dr. Sheila Brown, Jefferson Davis Campus science chairperson, was the MGCCC faculty honoree. One student and one faculty member from Mississippi's 38 colleges, universities and community colleges were honored Feb. 14 at the Capitol and at a luncheon. A pediatric physical therapy major, Kate maintained a 4.0 GPA while being involved in campus life as president of the JCC Student Council, member of the Reflections Team and student worker in the Career Center. This year she was elected Homecoming Queen and a sophomore class favorite in addition to being selected for the Hall of Fame and Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. A President's List scholar and member of Phi Theta Kappa, she was named to the 1995 All-Mississippi Academic First Team by Phi Theta Kappa, The Clarion Ledger and the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior Colleges. She was the student representative on the MGCCC Alumni Association Board of Directors and served on the JCC Judicial Committee. As a freshman she was homecoming maid, class favorite and Outstanding Freshman Student Council Representative.

FACULTY HONORS

1994 INSTRUCTOR OF THE YEAR, FAYE JONES



FAYE JONES was honored as Jackson County Campus's 1994 Instructor of the Year by the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College Alumni Association. A sociology instructor in the social studies department since 1989, Mrs. Jones received her B.S. from Mississippi College, her M.A. from Mississippi State University and has additional study from the University of South Alabama. She serves as Professional Development Coordinator for Jackson County Campus and was MGCCC's faculty honoree at the 1994 Higher Education Appreciation Day: Working for Academic Excellence sponsored by the state legislature. She served as president and executive board member of the Mississippi Faculty Association from 1990-1993 and is a past president of Kappa Kappa Iota. She published a curriculum guide for social studies for the Pascagoula School System and has received a Student Council Spirit Award for the past four years. She is the wife of Ralph Jones, JCC math instructor.



LAMPLIGHTER '94, DR. JIM DUNN



LAMPLIGHTER '94, WILLIAM HARRIS

LAMPLIGHTER '94 honorees from Jackson County Campus were science department chairman Dr. Jim Dunn and head welding instructor William Harris. The conference was established by the Mississippi Academic Deans Association to honor and reward effective teaching in Mississippi community/junior colleges and gives outstanding instructors an opportunity to share teaching techniques. Dr. Dunn received his B.S. in biology from Arkansas Technical University and his M.S. and doctorate degrees from the University of Southern Mississippi. He came to JCC in 1989 from Mississippi Valley. A colonel in the Air Force Reserve, he is in charge of disaster preparedness in Louisiana. His first book, *Vendetta*, was published in

May, 1993, and his second, *Right On They Move*, was published this year.

Harris has been at JCC since he received his vocational education degree from the University of Southern Mississippi in 1970. He is faculty advisor for the student chapter of the American Welding Society. He was named 1993 District Educator and Welding Education of the Year for 1992 by the AWS. A member of the AWS executive committee, he has written five computer programs for teaching welding which he uses in his classes. He served first in the state on the National Occupational Competence Test for instructors given nation-wide to all welding educators.

WHO'S WHO

AMONG STUDENTS
IN AMERICAN JUNIOR COLLEGES

Faculty members selected 34 students for inclusion in the 1995 edition of *Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges*. These students were named based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success. They joined an elite group of more than 1400 initiations of higher learning across America.

BONNIE JEAN ANTON, Pascagoula, BS Nursing, Phi Theta Kappa, Nutrition Academic Achievement Award. "JCC has allowed me the opportunity to finish a lifetime dream of obtaining a college degree, and I have enjoyed doing it. As a non-traditional student, I feel I have shown many younger students the importance of a college education."

WENDY ANNE BECKETT, Ocean Springs, Mechanical Engineering, Phi Theta Kappa, Math Club, President's List, National Dean's List. "This year I've contributed time, money and a lot of hard work!"

JEANNETTE LACEY VENABLE, Gulfport, Health Unit Coordinator, President's and Vice President's Lists, Volunteer student assistant for the RPL program, Health Unit Coordinator, Treasurer, Hall of Fame. "I plan to continue speaking on organ transplantation and the need for organ donors. I hope I have infected others with my enthusiasm and love for learning. Life is just one learning situation after another."

JESSICA LEA ADCOCK, Pascagoula, Microcomputer Specialist, Vice President's List, Hall of Fame. "JCC has opened many doors for me. I enjoy the atmosphere and the activities the campus has to offer."

DANIEL ALLEN WITTERSEIM, Biloxi, Biomedical Science and Medical School, Phi Theta Kappa Vice President, Scholar's Bowl, President's and Vice President's List, Hall of Fame, Honors Program. "JCC has made a very positive impression on me. The faculty and staff are excellent and have helped me a great deal. The friends I made here have changed my entire outlook on life. I wouldn't have missed meeting them for the world."

KRISTEN AMBER HRONEK, Gulfport, Business/Pre-law, Phi Theta Kappa, Secretary Hall of Fame, Vice President's List, Honors Program. "JCC has helped me prepare for the world outside: a diverse world full of choices and decisions that I am ready to meet."

YVETTE LOESCHE, Ocean Springs, Fashion Merchandising/Marketing, Hall of Fame, Delta Epsilon Chi, First Place in State, Top Ten in National competition, Department Fashion Shows, Vice President's List. "Being at JCC has been a very rewarding experience. I've made new friendships and have enjoyed my classes. It has given me the opportunity to reach my goals and dreams. I want to own my own boutique and travel all over the world."

MICHELE LYNN MCNALLY, Gulfport, Accounting Technology and Administrative Support Services Technology, President's List. "Attending JCC is an excellent way for me to obtain a technical degree while staying at home and working at an office. The skills are assisting me in tasks that arise at my job. I plan to obtain degrees in both fields and continue to work as a bookkeeper at a law firm."

SANDRA BOSARGE, Pascagoula, BS Nursing, Honors Program. "I plan to continue through a masters degree."

BONNIE ANTON, WENDY BECKETT,
JEANNETTE VENABLE, JESSICA ADCOCK, DANIEL WITTERSEIM



MISTY LINDER, KRISTEN HRONEK

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JANET SHAW, JAY HUFFSTATTER, KATE FOUNTAIN

specializing in surgical nursing or nurse practitioner."

RANDALL HEBERT, Ocean Springs, Microcomputer Specialist, Vice President's List. "JCC has given me the opportunity to get a good education and to give me confidence in everything I do."

JANET LEA SHAW, Ocean Springs, General Mechanic, President's List, New Horizons/Equity Programs, Certificate of Achievement, Diploma in Pipefitting, Occupational Education Programs. "I am enrolled in a four-year course of study through International Paper's apprenticeship program in the multi-craft maintenance field. I plan to receive my master mechanic diploma."

JAMES E. "JAY" HUFFSTATTER, JR., Pascagoula, Business/Public Relations, Hall of Fame, Student Council Vice President, 1993 Outstanding Freshman Member, Reflections, Vice President, Achievement/Management and Organization Award, Baptist Student Union Vice President, Freshman and Sophomore Favorite, Homecoming Escort, Phi Beta Lambda, Coastliner, Phases. "Attending JCC has been the best thing that has ever happened to me. JCC has opened so many different doors for me that I would never have had the chance to experience if I had gone straight to a major university."

KATE M'LOU FOUNTAIN, Ocean Springs, Pediatric Physical Therapy, Student Council President, 1994 Outstanding Freshman Representative, Homecoming Queen, 1995 MGCCC Honoree for Legislature's Higher Education Awareness Day-Working for Academic Excellence, Hall of Fame, Sophomore and Freshman Favorite, Freshman Homecoming Maid, Anatomy and Physiology I Award, President's List, Reflections, Phi Theta Kappa, Phases. "I couldn't have chosen a better place for my first two years of college. I have learned leadership skills and I appreciate the many opportunities to work with others and serve the college. I will always treasure the friendships I have made here. I want to help children overcome physical handicaps."

DEANNA JANINE COX, Hurley, Chemical Engineering, Phi Theta Kappa, Honors Program, 1994 Outstanding Freshman Representative, Hall of Fame, President's List, Summer Chemistry Camp Staff, Honors Program. "Being a JCC student has helped me mature, prepare for senior college and develop good study habits."



DEANNA COX

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APRIL EPPSTEIN, EMBER WEST,
TINA FRAME, CHRIS WILEY



APRIL EPPSTEIN, Pascagoula, Pre-Medicine. Student Council, Secretary, Freshman Class, President, Sophomore and Freshman Homecoming, Most Reflections, Secretary, Phi Theta Kappa, Honors Program, Vice President's List, Freshman Favorite, First Place, JCC Speaker's Forum, JCC Representative in Deep Sea Fishing, Rodeo Queen Contest, Honors Program, Miss JCC. "I have received the best education possible. I will never forget JCC's wonderful staff and all of my friends that have made JCC the most memorable experience I could have asked for."

EMBER WEST, Gautier, Nursing, Hall of Fame. "I had attended a university for two years in preparation to enter a school in the medical field. I needed several additional courses to expand my choice of schools. I chose to 'come home' to JCC where I felt a better learning environment existed because of more individual attention. It was an excellent stepping stone and a good choice for me."

TINA FRAME, Ocean Springs, Science, Phi Theta Kappa, Hall of Fame. "Being a student at JCC has meant having the opportunity to further my education and broaden myself."

CHRISTOPHER M. WILEY, Vancleave, BS Nursing, Student Council, Treasurer, Reflections, Vice President, Sophomore Favorite. "I believe that JCC is one of the finest institutions of higher education a student can attend. The faculty and staff are some of the finest people in and out of college."

DIANE LEA RICHARDSON, Pascagoula, Accounting, Phi Beta Lambda, Reporter. "I'm here at JCC to get a better education... to get a better job and to provide a better life for my family."

DEBRA JOE LEE, Moss Point, Accounting, Hall of Fame. "I wanted to be at JCC because it has a technical program. I was very interested in JCC also has a Two Plus Two Program that allows me to continue my education here in Jackson County at USM."

KERRI JONES, Harleston, Chemical Engineering, Phi Theta Kappa, Math Club Secretary, President's List, Hall of Fame. "Being at JCC has helped me to get a good beginning foundation with my studies and is helping me become prepared for a senior university."

MELISSA A. PONS, North Bluff, Micro-computer Specialist, Vice President's List, Student Support Services. "I decided to further my education at JCC this year because I have enjoyed the experience that my classes have given me. I will obtain my career with a high paying, upstanding job in a reputable company because of the skills I have acquired at JCC."

CIVENNA M. BURPO, Lucedale, Health Unit Coordinator, Class President, Hall of Fame, Showcase Foundation



DIANE RICHARDSON,
DEBRA LEE

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KERRI JONES, MELISSA PONS,
CIVENNA BURPO, RICHARD STAUTER



Scholarship. "I just had to be at JCC this year because it has meant the difference between being somebody or being nobody."

RICHARD LEE STAUTER, Gautier, English and Religion, Baptist Student Union, President, Phi Theta Kappa, Honors Program, Vice President's List. "At first, I didn't enjoy the idea of going to a community college, but this is my second year here, and I don't regret one bit of it. It has given me an opportunity to adjust before moving on to a four-year college and has helped me establish a firm foothold."

MAXINE RAMSAY, Ocean Springs, Latimer, Community, Administrative Support Services, Phi Beta Lambda, Parliamentarian. "I always wanted to get a college education. After I reared my four children, I decided it was time for me. I attend school full time and work as the coordinator of the Adult Literacy Center in Pascagoula. The Center is very congenial in working around my class schedule so I can continue my studies."

GREGORY ROBERT CUNNINGHAM, Pascagoula, Business and Finance. "The environment at the community college is more personal than that of larger universities. Most of the instructors care about the progress of their students and work hard to help them learn."

JENNIFER MICHELE GILLESPIE, Biloxi, Accounting, Phi Theta Kappa, Treasurer, President's List, Honors Program, Third Place, JCC Speaker's Forum. "Making the decision to attend JCC was one of the best decisions I've made in my life. I have made many friendships that I will treasure forever."

LOIS ANN BOSARGE, Pascagoula, Business/Accounting, Phi Theta Kappa, Service Committee Chairman, Reporter, Honors Program, President's List, Hall of Fame, Mississippi Academy of Science. "Being a student at JCC has meant everything. It is here, through a recent bout with cancer, that I found caring, compassionate and faithful friends and teachers. Friends who have changed my outlook on life, people and even myself."

CHRISTOPHER EDWARD HESTAND, Moss Point, Chemical Engineering, Corporate Law, Student Council, Vice President, Outstanding, Freshman Representative, Freshman Favorite, Mr. JCC, Hall of Fame, Math Club. "I just had to be here at JCC this year for the experience of knowing."

NGOC LE, Pascagoula, Pre-Medicine, International Student Club, Phi Theta Kappa, Math Department, Student Worker, Honors Program, Chevron Scholarship, Hall of Fame. "I just had to be at JCC this year so I could live at home instead of a dorm."

MISTY UNDER, (Photo on page 54) All American Scholar, National Collegiate Minority Leadership Award. "I just had to be at JCC to prepare me to reach my goals in teaching and education."



MAXINE RAMSAY, GREGORY CUNNINGHAM,
JENNIFER GILLESPIE

SPRIT AWARDS



DR. LENA MELTON



BARBARA HAYGOOD



RUSTY BROWN



BEAVERS, BEVILL AND KOSKI



TERRY FOUNTAIN



MARTIN AND TANNER



CAFETERIA STAFF



GLORIA YOUNG



MAINTENANCE STAFF

SPRIT AWARDS

DR. LENA HOLLIS MELTON, science instructor and Honors biology director, was always ready with a smile, a word of encouragement or an announcement about campus-wide events. She was chairperson of the Feb. 20 Black History program and spent countless hours overseeing the mentorship program with the J.L. Scott Marine Education Center.

BARBARA HAYGOOD, math instructor and chair of the Developmental Studies Department, was not only a supporter of extra-curricular events, she participated, too. Dawg Daze found her dressed in the style of the day and she never failed to encourage attendance at campus-wide events or to encourage her students in that often-feared subject: math.

RUSTY BROWN, science instructor, is a JCC graduate who served as an officer on the Student Council. Now she's back, teaching science, encouraging students to participate in extra-class events and even sitting at election polls or judging a lip sync contest for the Student Council. She chaired the fall blood drive which went over the goal and never failed to have a friendly greeting or time to help a student.

TOM BEAVERS, Director, Project Adapt, was the founder and always-supporter of the Turkey Trot. His expertise was invaluable in organizing and staging the eighth annual Trot. He has always been willing to share his musical talents and this year published his first album, "Blue Herron Collection", of his original songs of the Gulf Coast.

KAY BEVILL, physical education instructor, was instrumental in encouraging participation in the November Turkey Trot. Because of her support, over 100 of her students showed up for the fun run/walk. She also gave points for bringing a toy for the Fill the Stocking party, sat at election polls and judged the lip sync contest. Always willing to help, her good nature and fun-loving ways made her an asset to the campus.

CHARLES KOSKI, Director of Admissions, was invaluable in staging the Turkey Trot. With his sense of humor and positive attitude, he was always willing to help the Student Council with extra-class activities and continuously showed support for all campus events.

TERRY FOUNTAIN, Student Activities Counselor, was unselfish with her time and talents. She juggled many responsibilities—including sponsoring the Student Council, newspaper and yearbook staffs, campus publicity, teaching journalism and counseling. No matter how big the task or how little time there was to perform it, Mrs. Fountain was forever ready to help those in need with kindness, efficiency and thoroughness. She was a friend, teacher, counselor and sponsor to the constant flow of students who came into her office. Even when her list of duties was never-ending, she was always willing to stop what she was doing to help those in need.

There is no way possible that any of the activities that JCC has had in the past 12 years would have been so successful without her guidance and creativity.

WILLIAM MARTIN, Dean of Academic Instruction, found time to cut out 120 wooden cars and donate them to the Student Council for the Fill the Stocking party. His willingness to share his creative talents made it possible for members of campus clubs to paint the cars which were donated to the Salvation Army for Christmas-giving. He also eagerly sought opportunities to honor JCC students through various awards and scholarships.

RAYMOND TANNER, math instructor, went beyond the job to encourage students to bring toys for the Fill the Stocking party. He quickly began to collect toys for children of all ages and during December his office looked like a playroom because of all the toys—ranging from puzzles to bicycles—that his students brought. On the day of the party, Tanner and his students made a grand entrance with truckloads of toys. He also sponsored the newly-formed Math Club.

CAFETERIA STAFF members, led by Betty Hughes, didn't just cook and serve food. Always ready with smiles, friendly greetings and additional help and expertise for campus functions, they sacrificed time and energy to help JCC to the fullest of their capabilities. In addition to regular duties of cooking, cleaning and managing the vending machines on campus, they cooked for evening gatherings, prepared refreshments for meetings and sought creative ways to make dining in the cafeteria more enjoyable. While the staff agreed that they work long shifts, they said they didn't mind because the rewards were worth it all.

GLORIA YOUNG, custodian of A building, was never without a smile or greeting to students and faculty alike. Because of her long hours of meticulous work, A building was always in tip-top condition. Because of her happy disposition and friendliness, the people who worked and went to classes in A building were always cheered.

MAINTENANCE STAFF members made sure the campus buildings and grounds were beautiful and kept in top condition. But more than that, they served the campus's every need with smiles, courtesy and friendliness. The duties they performed behind the scenes were too innumerable to begin naming them, but everyone was aware of the cleanliness and order of the campus. In addition to their regular duties, they were ever-ready to assist groups sponsoring campus-wide events. And they were ever-ready to do their jobs with cheerfulness.

- Supporting campus-wide activities ●
- Contributing to philanthropic work ●
- Participating in meetings and competitions ●
- Achieving new heights ●
- Competing for The Lofton Award ●
- Creating places to belong ●

Belonging to a campus organization meant that you were probably there at the Bulldog Bash or Turkey Trot or Mid-Winter-Thaw-Out or Lagniappe Day—because JCC's clubs were the primary backbone of campus-wide activities sponsored by the Student Council. Not only did clubs offer a full slate of "in-house" projects, activities, competitions and meetings. They actively supported and participated in the wider range of extra-class events. Was the lure of gaining Lofton Points and the possibility of winning a trophy at Awards Day for being the most outstanding club on campus the reason for all the club activity? It didn't hurt, but JCC's clubs and their sponsors probably would have been there anyway—just because they like to be involved, have fun and contribute to campus life. One of the best moves a student could make was connecting with an organization on campus because it guaranteed a place to belong and meet new friends. This year saw the formation of four new groups, the Math Club, International Student Club, Medical Unit Managers and HERO chapter. That alone testified to the reputation JCC's clubs have for excellence—and expanded the opportunities for membership in curriculum oriented organizations. Whether a student was 18 or 68, it was a smart move to be there . . . in a club!



CAUGHT IN THE ACT. Sandra Martin found herself in the Vocational Industrial Clubs of America jail at Oktoberfest. But she wasn't the only one. VICA did a lively business that day as "friends" paid a dollar to have some unsuspecting person land in jail. But it was all in the name of fun—and raising funds! In fact, if it hadn't been for JCC's clubs there wouldn't have been an Oktoberfest—because it was the clubs that sponsored the booth that attracted the crowds that had the fun on the first crisp day of autumn!

just had to be MEMBERS



ALL TOGETHER!

The Bulldog Bash brought out the best in JCC's clubs as they actively competed for Lofton Points and trophies. There were plenty of happy faces after the awards presentation, from left, front: Terri Sudduth; kneeling: Sunflower Girl Barbara Taconi, Brent Dunnaway and Lois Bosarge; standing: Michelle Manley, Terry McLeod, Billie Robinson, Jay Huffstader, Sunflower Girl and Bash marketing director Jay Mitchell, Wendy Baker, M.L.T. sponsor Sherry Whomore and Golden Tetrack. Turkey Trot was one of the successful Student Council projects of fall semester. Sporting first-ever theme T-shirts offered by the Student Council were members, bottom left, kneeling: Ashleigh McCullough, Lucrilia Wages, Chris Hiestand (as the turkey), Chris Wiley, Jay Huffstader and April Eppstein; standing: Holly Reeves, Anne Farmer, Jay Lassar, Pam Walker, Bronwyn Blackwell, Tyres Autrey, Kate Fountain, Kai Lea Gardner, Marty Estis, Brent Dunnaway and Michelle Manley.



SIGNING IN FOR EXTRA POINTS for participating in the Turkey Trot was sophomore Roy Baker. Taking his name was PE instructor Kay Bevil whose fitness classes turned out for the annual event.



PHI THETA KAPPA: PHI BETA LAMBDA

BEEN THERE ...

... DONE THAT!

JC SINGERS



PHI THETA KAPPA

FROM LEFT, FRONT: Lee Stauter, Alisa Miller, Ashley Rich, Kern Jones, Amanda Blackwell, Marty Harden; BACK: sponsor Kay Sims, Terry McLeod, John Beard, Billie Jo Robinson, Gary Bryant, Karen Bonies, Michelle Rogers, treasurer Jennifer Gillespie, secretary Kristen Hronek, reporter Deanna Cox, vice president Dan Wittersheim, president Colleen Tetrick, sponsor Tara Langston.



PHI BETA LAMBDA

FROM LEFT, FRONT: Courtney Saucier, president Heather Battiste, Melonessie Welle; BACK: Kathy Powell, Patricia Peake, Maxine Ramsay, Linda Booker, Ginger Greshaw, Stasi DeShong; BACK: Aetha Randolph, Barry Wilson, Jay Huffstater.

It's Like This. Christine Hronek, top, put the finishing touches on Phi Theta Kappa's homecoming parade entry. Below, Phi Beta Lambda members Zandra Jammon and Heather Battiste led a cheer in the Bulldog Bash contest.



Phi Theta membership rewarded and encouraged academic excellence while promoting their four hallmarks: scholarship, leadership, fellowship and service. To raise funds for their trip to the annual convention in Chicago in April, members sold Tupperware, barbecue plates, cheese and t-shirts and worked concession stands. They sponsored a tailgate party at the home game, painted toy cars and seriously participated in the Lofton Award challenge. Service projects such as paying expenses for cancer patients to attend camp and assisting with screening tests during National Depression Awareness Week were high on the list of PTK activities. Their theme — Science, Humanity, Technology: Shaping a New Creation — was a focus for programs, conferences and an interactive video conference with other Mississippi PTK chapters on the Human Genome Project. Sponsors Kay Sims and Tara Langston and PTK members just had to be involved to share the fun and friendships of the organization.

Phi Beta Lambda helped students who were preparing for careers in business and industry or for business-related careers. They sold po boys at Oktoberfest to raise money for attend conferences, bowed to raise money for St. Jude's Cancer Research Hospital and hosted a Christmas party at a personal care home. Sponsor Jeanette Thomas and PBL members just had to be involved in campus activities and compete for the Lofton Award because they enjoyed participating and working with others.

JC Singers combined their talents to perform for alumni meetings, conventions and schools. In addition to singing a medley of Elvis Presley hits at Oktoberfest, they presented fall and spring concerts and did a show in Ft. Walton Beach, Florida. Sponsor Leon Gray and his JC Singers just had to sing because it's in their blood!



JC SINGERS

SOUNDS GREAT! Fall semester JC Singers who rocked Oktoberfest with a medley of Elvis Presley hits, top left, were Kim Armstrong, Becky Franklin, Kallissa Brown, Lee Crager, and Steven Holtfield. Sponsor Kay Sims, top right, kept track of the Phi

Theta Kappa cheese orders before the holidays. ABOVE, spring semester JC Singers were Becky Franklin, Craig Jenkins, Marty Harden, Lea Crager, Steven Holtfield, Thomas Marx, Eddie Rudolph and sponsor Leon Gray.

FALL COASTLINER SPRING COASTLINER

BEEN THERE ...



FALL COASTLINER

SEATED: Rosalyn Durden; MIDDLE: Kelly Seitz, co-editors Terry Dickson and John Beard, sponsor Terry Fountain, Christy Cornelius; BACK: Billie Jo Robinson, Anthony Parks.



SPRING COASTLINER

SEATED: Christy Cornelius and Ann Christenson; STANDING: Editor Terry Dickson, Joshua Duncan, Anthony Parks, Bill Johnson and advisor Terry Fountain.

...DONE THAT!



BAPTIST STUDENT UNION

FRONT: Treasurer Shrita Davis, Bronwyn Blackwell, Robbie Brazwell, Tawanda Moore, Marly Harder; SECOND ROW: secretary Holly Reeves, Julie Best, Tasha Sennison, vice president Matt Jackson, Tanya Green; THIRD ROW: Melissa Johnson, Director Robert Baylis, Leasha Kiese, Amanda Blackwell, Les Williams, Greg Futral, Thomas Mann; FOURTH ROW: Michael Adams, Adam Smith, president Lee Stauter.

*BAPTIST STUDENT UNION



MAKING TIME. Baptist Student Union director Robert Baylis and Ally Myers, top, made time to sit at the BSU based goods booth at Oktoberfest. Above, BSU president Lee Stauter did some stretching exercises before he entered the Turkey Trot.

NEWSWORTHY. Fall Coastliner staffers, top photo from left, Samantha Hebert, Rosalyn Durden, John Beard and Christy Cornelius got in the act at Oktoberfest with their crab race booth. Co-editors John Beard and Terry Dickson conspired on ways to escape the VCCA jail and not find their names in the headlines.

Coastliner's fall and spring staffs worked hard at covering campus happenings for their bi-monthly pages in *The Mississippi Press* which gave the pages to the journalism classes for on-the-job training and to provide a newspaper for JCC students. Stories such as Lt. Pete Collins' speech in a fall assembly, Dr. Charles Egerton's masters of public health degree and the fall Speaker's Forum were written by staffers, typed by co-editors Terry Dickson and John Beard and circulated to over 40,000 homes in Jackson County. The staff even got creative and got involved in Oktoberfest festivities. Sponsor Terry Fountain and the Coastliner staff just had to be involved because there were so many stories just begging to be written about JCC, its students and faculty.

Baptist Student Union enjoyed a membership of 35-40 students of all Christian denominations. It was a student-led organization committed to providing a Christian atmosphere for fellowship, worship, Bible study and ministry to the JC campus. In addition to bi-weekly lunch encounters which featured special programs and speakers, major projects included Mission '85, state conference, a spring break mission trip to Houston, Tex., and a basketball tournament to raise funds for summer missions. Sponsor Robert Baylis and BSU members just had to be there to give students of all denominations a chance to join in fellowship with Christians of all backgrounds.

STUDENT COUNCIL •

BEEN THERE ...



STUDENT COUNCIL

BOTTOM: Freshman president Anne Farmer, treasurer Chris Wiley, secretary April Eppstein, president Kate Fountain, vice president Chris Hestand, sophomore president Kai Lea Gardner; **SECOND ROW:** Brent Dunnaway, Mary Estin, Jay Losset, Pam Walker, Michelle Manley; **BACK:** Tyres Autrey, Ashleigh McCullough, associate member Bronwyn Blackwell, Jay Huffstaller, Lucretia Wages, associate member Richelle Roling, Joy Laiche, Not Pictured: associate member Allen Smith



FINISHING TOUCHES. Jay Huffstaller, Chris Wiley and Kate Fountain wrapped the Student Services door in colored paper for the Student Council's Christmas door greeter to the campus. Math Club sponsor Raymond Tanner was surrounded by the toys his students brought to the Fill the Stocking Party.



MATH CLUB

FRONT: Thomas Broadus, treasurer; Steven Nguyen, historian; Michelle Rogers, president; Billie Robinson, vice president; **DEAN:** Cori; **BACK:** Thomas Warren, Chris Hestand, Jason Pugh, sponsor; Raymond Tanner, Connie Eubanks, Julie Krebs, Wendy Brockert, Christine Holden. **NOT PICTURED:** Secretary Keri Jones and Anne Carlsen.

... DONE THAT!

Student Council worked to sponsor a variety of campus-wide activities, encourage participation in clubs and be a student advocate to the administration. This year the Council tried some new things. They started off the year with a Freshman Assembly and sponsored alcohol abuse speaker Lt. Pete Collins in addition to traditional events like Club Day, homecoming, Turkey Trot and Fill the Stocking Party. They also put some new twists on some familiar projects like enlisting the help of the marketing class to promote the Bulldog Bash and offering theme t-shirts for activities like the Turkey Trot and Mid-Winter party. Open to new ideas, activities like the Bash proved that when you tap into the resources you have at hand on campus, good things get better. Club cheers were the hit of the Bash as hundreds of students and faculty stayed after eating free burgers. Servanthood took on new meaning as members voluntarily worked to put on events that attracted 800-900 people. It wasn't easy. Planning, organization, sign-making, setting up and cleaning up had to find room in Council members' schedules that were already filled with full class loads, work and family responsibilities. The Council was also responsible for running all of the campus elections. The Student Council administered The Lofton Award which honors and recognizes clubs for their active participation in campus life. Points were awarded for everything from Club Day to the blood drive to donating toys to the clinic. According to Council members, clubs were a key factor in the success of campus events. While clubs participated in hosting many of the events, such as Oktoberfest, they always participated in the action, such as cheering, walking or donating. In fact, JCC had more homecoming float entries than any MGCCC campus! Spring semester found the Council shifting gears as they included more programs and a family-oriented Easter Egg Hunt for the children of JCC students to an already full activity schedule that included the first-time Mid-Winter-Thaw-Out Club Day with lip sync contest and the annual Lagniappe Day cook-out. Sponsor Terry Fountain and Student Council members just had to be there to promote school spirit through activities and programs.

Math Club participated in campus activities and stressed the importance of math on and off campus and helped junior and senior high students become more math friendly. Their first meeting was Nov. 15, 1994. They took off from there, initiating some campus-wide events and participating in all of them in addition to their regular meetings. A special emphasis was their support of the Fill the Stocking Party when math students brought in a truck load of toys for needy children. Sponsor Raymond Tanner and Math Club members just had to be there to start a much-needed club in the strong math department of the college. Although the club got off to a late start, members said theirs was a club that counts. Watch out, they have integrated (to quote a math term).

• MATH CLUB



THAW OUT. Student Council started off spring semester with an out-of-season lawn in G building. The room was decorated with 10-foot palm trees and colorful flowers. Showing off the theme t-shirts for the event were, too, Kate Fountain, Jay Losset, Kai Lea Gardner and Lucretia Wages.

GO DAWGS! Student Council members got into the act at the Bulldog Bash. They did a cheer, even though they weren't eligible for the competition because they were sponsoring the event. Joy Laiche, Lucretia Wages, Kai Lea Gardner, Ashleigh McCullough, April Eppstein and Kate Fountain had fun doing their dance routine.

PHASES ●
 DRAMA CLUB ●

BEEN THERE . . .



PHASES STAFF

FROM LEFT, Melissa Johnson, editor Bronwyn Blackwell and photographer Michelle Brownwell Martin. Not pictured are copywriter Allen Smith, Clayton McCall and advisor Mrs. Terry Fountain.



ALL WORK? Who said being yearbook editor was all work and no play? Coastline editor Bronwyn Blackwell, top with antlers, found time to get into the holiday spirit between deadlines at the Fall the Stocking Party. Christen Anderson and Christina Logan found time to check out the Drama Club at Club Day.



DRAMA CLUB

STANDING: Thomas Marx, secretary Alicia Tynnell, Donelle Palko, vice president Brian Richardson, Cliff Proctor, advisor Wanda Stewart, president Samantha Hebert; SEATED: treasurer Kelly Cole.

... DONE THAT!

● DELTA EPSILON CHI



BEING THERE IN STYLE: Marketing students, below, leading the Spirit Caravan in a limo were Ashley Knacht, Alicia Gray, Tammy DePhillips, Sally Richards, Monica Cyrus and Colleen Tetrick. Members of the spring cast of *Arsenic and Old Lace* rehearsing a scene were Donnell Payne, Darrell Roberts, Ray Miller and Joshua Duncan.



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DELTA EPSILON CHI. STANDING: Ann Taylor, Dee Williams, Dawn Wilson, Barbara Riegler, Patrick Duvellit, Melanie Fulton, Felisha Jenkins, Alicia Gray; SEATED: Yancy Roberts, Colleen Tetrick, sponsor Joy Mitchell, Sally Richards, Jim Coggins, Jerome Jones. Not pictured is sponsor Marsha Cluff.

Phases yearbook staff's work and purpose is evident in this volume. With the theme, Just Had to be There, the small staff and sponsor Mrs. Terry Fountain were at every event and sought to preserve the ins and outs and whos and whats of a busy and successful year at JCC through photos, copy and layouts. Drama Club members promoted theatre on campus and off and lent support and participation in drama projects such as the Halloween Gothic Cafe at Singing River Mall which they sponsored with the Art Guild, Math Club and Reflections. In addition to presenting *The Glass Menagerie* in the fall and *Arsenic and Old Lace* in the spring, drama members sold candy at Easter and produced special short productions. Drama members and sponsor Wanda Stewart just had to be there to provide fine arts opportunities for JCC and the community.

Delta Epsilon Chi helped students develop competencies in the areas of marketing, merchandising and management. Members participated in local club activities and competed at the state conference in Jackson where Dee Williams won first in Sales Promotion and Colleen Tetrick and Sally Richards won second in Advertising. One new twist was marketing the Bulldog Bash with door prizes, club cheer contest and beautiful bulldog contest. Sponsors Joy Mitchell and Marsha Cluff and members just had to be there in style!



HUMAN SERVICES • INTERNATIONAL CLUB •

BEEN THERE ...



HUMAN SERVICES

SEATED: Elizabeth Livingston, sponsor Tom Boone and Lynn Morris; STANDING: Tony Hubbard, Patricia Clardy, Callie Mizelle, Anna Montgomery, Lucy Morgan, Susan Yates and Melinda Harvison. Members were enrolled in the Human Services technical program and looked forward to being employed in such helping professions as social work. They participated in projects which benefited others such as food drives.



INVOLVEMENT. Medical Laboratory Technology sponsor Sherry Whitmore, top, counted the bids in one of the brown bags the group auctioned off at Oktoberfest. Above, MLT members Robin Goff, sponsor Gretchen Cunningham and Jimmy Collins attended the fall Interclub Council meeting hosted by the Student Activities Office. If there was a campus-wide event, MLT members were sure to be there.



INTERNATIONAL CLUB

Members of the brand-new International Students Club were Debra Slator, Bernadette Robinson, Kuniko Hall, sponsor Carol Moradmand, Elizabeth Bjork, Pat Hancock, Kuzuko Wilson and Rossie Senteno. Among members not pictured were Ngoc Le and Anne Carstensen.

...DONE THAT!

•MEDICAL LAB TECHS



MED LAB TECHS

FRONT: Erica Buttington, Marie Erickson, Alicia Childers, Karen Bills; SECOND ROW: Leslie Martin, president Belinda "DeDe" Meyer, Robin Goff, Wendy Baker, Adrienne Jackson; THIRD ROW: instructor/sponsor Sherry Whitmore, Tara Thomas, Yoko Gardner, Marissa Dustin, Staci Clegg, vice president Rachael Lyon, secretary Tricia Sanchez; FOURTH ROW: Gwen Morano, Jimmy Collins, Don Newton, Yvette Cuevas, Brad Nelson, Chedrick Holliman, Charlotte Willis, Kinyon Perryman, treasurer Donna Smith, instructor/sponsor Gretchen Cunningham.

Human Services gave students the opportunity to apply skills effective for their future career goals and a chance to experience hands-on problems people go through. Sponsor Tom Boone and members helped with the Coast beach clean up and did political surveying for the Sun Herald as well as collect food for the needy during the holidays.

International Student Club was formed this year as a support group for international students on campus. They attended an international student conference and hosted a food fair. Sponsor Carol Moradmand and the new club gave international students a chance to feel part of a group and be involved in campus activities.

Medical Laboratory Technology Club was one of the most active on campus. Its 22 members participated in community projects and helped inform the public of the role of the clinical laboratory scientist in the health care setting. In addition to attending all campus events, MLT members took babies to children in the hospital at Christmas and Easter. Sponsors Sherry Whitmore and Gretchen Cunningham and members just had to be involved because it was fun, interesting and a learning experience.



ALL SMILES. Dean of Student Services Linda Switzer and student Leslie Martin, top, examined the prizes offered by Medical Laboratory Technology students in their brown bag auction during Oktoberfest. MLT member Wendy Baker and sponsor Sherry Whitmore were all smiles when they were awarded the first place spirit award trophy for Bulldog Bash activities for the home game.

AEOP: REFLECTIONS



ALL TOGETHER NOW. AEOP members spearheaded a successful holiday food drive in which students, faculty and staff donated enough food to fill 80 boxes which were given to deserving families in the county. Preparing one of the gift boxes were Quincie Pultido, Wendy Nettles and Annie Harris. Below, HOSA members Veronica Seals, Tanika Powell, Joey Mouton, Felisha Simms, Tamara Young and Tina Davison in the grand finale to their cheer for the Bulldog Bash.

BEEN THERE ...



OFFICE PERSONNEL

ASSOCIATION OF EDUCATIONAL OFFICE PROFESSIONALS MEMBERS BOTTOM: June Robertson, Sandra Shannon, JC campus representative Wendy Nettles, Georgi Lander; SECOND ROW: Sue McOutt, Laura Davis, Belue, Susan Jones, Annie Harris, Johanna Martin; THIRD ROW: Becky Rogers, Julie Mansfield, Barbara McDonald, Shirley Mullins; BACK: Jackie Davis, Pat Reed, Barbara Blakely, Quincie Pultido, Terri Ormes, Phyllis Bond, Denise Nettles, Kathleen Lott.



REFLECTIONS

FRONT: Treasurer Brent Dunnaway, parliamentarian Terry McLeod, Michelle Manley, vice president Chris Wiley, historian Bala Jo Robinson, secretary Joy Laiche, Michelle Holing; MIDDLE: Mary Estes, April Eppstein, Kate Fountain, Anne Farmer; BACK: Sponsor Terri Ormes, Tim Robinson, Judith Allen, Jay Huffstater, Christen Anderson, Rachael Lyon, Gabe Pinion.

... DONE THAT!



H.O.S.A.

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS STUDENTS OF AMERICA MEMBERS BOTTOM: LeLani Kirkland, Katrina Autmon, Phillis Simms, Shawn Walmon, Lori Lashley, Christina Wheeler, Tamara Power, sponsor Eleanor Douglas, secretary Beverly Matthews, Sonya Cox, Jennifer L. Smith; MIDDLE: Gabrielle Hayes, Wanda Payton, Jennifer D. Smith, vice president Amanda Luff, Marvin Simon, Shanda Barker, parliamentarian Glenda Brents, Norman Johnson, Tina Nelson, parliamentarian Falena Bwirs, parliamentarian Faye Jackson, president Joey Mouton, Donna Byrne, Ty McCullar; BACK: Francine Hodges, representative Keri Watson, representative Aimee Carroll, Shaundar Robinson, Mary Mickel, Cathy Walls, Roxanna Cavalier. NOT PICTURED: Treasurer Veronica Seales.

Association of Educational Office Professionals promoted awareness of their role in the college by fostering communication and understanding among members and administrators. JCC's chapter provided school supplies for needy children, 60 holiday food boxes, and projects to aid the Baldred Women's Shelter and senior citizens.

Reflections Hospitality/Recruiting Team members promoted JCC on and off campus, visiting area high schools, greeting campus visitors and actively seeking the Lofco Award. Members got grades for their 18 hours of service per semester. Sponsor Terri Ormes and members just had to be there to make students aware of JCC's benefits.

HHealth Occupations Students of America increased awareness of their fields and was present at every campus function from homecoming to the Bulldog Bash to the Turkey Trot. Sponsor Eleanor Douglas and members just had to be there to broaden their experience of health care and to learn the leadership, communication and educational values pertinent to the profession. Oh, and to see Mrs. Douglas Kiss the Pig.

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS STUDENTS OF AMERICA



CAMO DAY. Reflections members combined Dawg Days camouflage drive up day with the theme for their homecoming float. Enjoying the pretty fall weather were Michelle Manley, Terry McLeod, Anne Farmer, Joy Laiche, Brent Dunnaway, Robert Brandford, Jay Huffstater and April Eppstein.

CHEERS! Reflections members Chris Wiley, Brent Dunnaway and Terry McLeod helped the team take first place in the Bulldog Bash cheer contest. Reflections members earned the highest number of points for fall semester activities through their active participation.

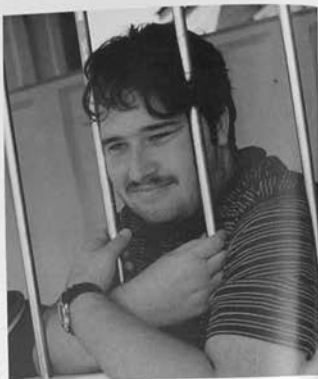
- Making time to know names, not just faces
- Being ME, because no one else could
- Taking academic, technical, vocational and health classes
- Getting to know instructors as people
- Looking at campus leaders
- Enjoying JC—you and me

Faces without names. Names without faces. Neither is complete. One advantage of a community college is just that—it is a community of college students and faculty. Students weren't just Social Security numbers on a roll book page. They were people. Teachers weren't just names who showed up in class to lecture, test and grade. They were people.

Interaction was one of the best things about JC, especially with such a wide spread of age ranges and cultural diversity. With an average student age of 27, the late-teen, early 20s stereotype of the typical college freshman or sophomore was just a myth.

Study groups and club projects and lab partners and campus activities made sure that students had the chance to connect. And there were plenty of options at JC from transferable academics to skills-oriented technical, vocational and health occupations courses. The JC faculty and staff were the best cheering section students could want. But then, you just had to be there—in class and out—to discover that for yourself.

FACES IN THE CROWD personalized the year. This page, top, Gabe Pinon did his time in the VICA jail at Oktoberfest. Below, JCCA sponsor Tom Zito was the driving force behind Prof Fies. Opposite page, clockwise from top left: Friends Anne Farmer and Kate Fountain joined before the beginning of the homecoming parade. MLT member Yvette Cuevas helped serve 850 students and faculty at the Bulldog Bash. Chris Wiley, Brent Durnilaway and Terry McLeod led the Reflections cheer at the Bash. Marketing student Monica Cyrus painted a bulldog paw print on a Bash-goer. Alan Glaskov and Mike took time to enjoy the free burger lunch at the Bulldog Bash.



just had to be OURSELVES

ACADEMIC ALTITUDE

LEARNING WASN'T CONFINED TO THE CLASSROOM AT JCC THIS YEAR. OF COURSE, YOU STILL HAD TO BE THERE. BUT THERE COULD ALSO BE AT A SPEECH OR A BLOOD DRIVE OR A RESEARCH LAB.

Diversity in the academic offerings at Jackson County Campus meant that transfers to senior colleges didn't have to worry about not having enough courses or the right courses. That was a good enough reason to be at JCC this year.

But there was more. Much more.

Students consistently gave their teachers excellent marks for instructional skills and just-as-high marks for their caring and helpfulness.

One sophomore transfer from Ocean Springs, Chuck Galle, praised faculty at JCC for going the extra mile to help him when he had a schedule conflict with chemistry lab. He also liked the fact that he's not a number in a class of 100 and appreciated the opportunity to have one-on-one learning.

What did the teacher think about going the extra mile?

"That's what we're here for, isn't it?" stated chemistry instructor Anne Johnson, some what surprised that her action might be considered unique.

Her attitude was typical of

the majority of JCC instructors. And it reinforced the belief that JCC is most of all a people place.

Interaction with teachers and other students made courses come to life. Getting notes when you cut just didn't cut it. You just had to be in class to get the full benefit!

"JC is great!" said Chrissy Fairleigh of Pascagoula. "It's not too far, not too expensive, and it offers all you need."

She said her business law teacher, Lee Deavours, made her freshman year a good one.

"Mr. Deavours is very interesting and made class fun and exciting," she said.

Unique opportunities were available to students ranging from honors biology internships at Gulf Coast Research Lab to producing a dinner theater.

"The honors biology internship is a really wonderful program," said Hollie Henley, a Vancleave freshman. "Dr. (Lance) Melton is an excellent teacher, and the weekly times at the research lab gave us the chance to get a real taste of

science and lab work."

Enhancing the facilities this year was the construction of a new classroom on the north side of campus and technological updating in the library.

Fall registration saw approximately 2,000 freshmen and 1,200 sophomores come to JCC, with an average age of 27 and ratio of one teacher to 24 students.

Other strong points were an excellent learning lab with free tutors and a developmental program geared to help students succeed.

This year three instructors with 87 combined years of teaching at JCC retired. Ralph Smith, Walter Mullen and Annayllis Stroud agreed that just being at JCC was great.

The College offered a full spectrum of academic courses that transferred to senior colleges, making JCC an ideal place to take basic classes for majors ranging from engineering to art to health sciences. JC transfers to 4-year colleges didn't miss anything—another good reason for being at JCC!



"JC is living proof that a good education doesn't have to cost an arm and a leg."

•Jay Losset

DIVERSITY IN LEARNING

Art student Mark King of Ocean Springs, top, got a chance to develop his skills in Fall Odors's painting class. This couple, right, was part of the crowd of 900 students and faculty who hung on Highway Patrolman Pete Collins' every word at the Sept. 30 assembly in the gym. Registration center was always a crowd-drawer. These students waited for clearance from the computer operated by Gerry Anne Partidge and Stephanie Allison at the first station.

QUICKIES

ACADEMICS

DEAN

WILLIAM MARTIN

DEPARTMENTS

• BUSINESS

JANETTE THOMAS, CHAIR

• FINE ARTS

MARTHA RICHARDSON, CHAIR

• DEVELOPMENTAL STUDIES

BARBARA HAYWOOD, CHAIR

• PHYSICAL EDUCATION

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• MATHEMATICS

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• SCIENCE

DR. JAMES DUNN, CHAIR

• SOCIAL STUDIES

DEAN JHAW, CHAIR

JUST HAD TO BE THERE

"I BELIEVE THAT THE ACADEMIC PROGRAM AT JC IS VERY STRONG," SAID PASCAGOULA SOPHOMORE AMANDA BLACKWELL. "I KNOW THAT WHEN I TRANSFER NEXT YEAR, I WILL HAVE A SOLID FOUNDATION ON WHICH TO BUILD FOR THE REST OF MY COLLEGE CAREER."



CONCENTRATION

Chemistry called for exacting calculations and concentration, not to mention having to be there for labs as well as lectures. Barry Jackson was one of Robert MacInnis's chemistry students.

TECHNICAL TOOK OFF

OVER 650 ENROLLED IN JCC'S 10 TECHNICAL PROGRAMS. PROOF THAT "BEING THERE" MEANT PREPARATION FOR EMPLOYMENT IN OCCUPATIONAL FIELDS NOT REQUIRING A FOUR-YEAR DEGREE.

Growth marked the technical division at JCC this year with the addition of Environmental Technology and Child Development Technology.

Environmental tech could be one of the fastest growing programs at the college, according to vouch Dean Jerold Shepherd.

"People need to help control what is happening to the environment. For example, the school cannot just throw away fluorescent and incandescent light bulbs anymore. They have to be properly disposed of," he said.

"Because of the rules imposed by Washington and the Environmental Protection Agency, there is a great need for environmental technology studies," he added.

Instructor Daniel Zwerg said that graduates of the new program, which was created in response to the needs of industry, will help companies, schools, industry and businesses monitor the environment.

Child care isn't new to JCC. Formerly a vocational program,

it switched to technical this year because that degree meets state guidelines required for directors of day care centers.

According to instructor Darlene King, the combination of classwork and hands-on training with the children attending the campus daycare center better prepared her 40 students to become directors or owners of daycare centers.

Mr. King said that with more mothers working outside the home, the field of child care will also increase.

"A child development technology degree will train and prepare people to meet the demand for quality child care," she said.

Another former vocational program, automotive mechanics, took on technical status this year.

Computerized car systems require that mechanics have more than a wrench. This program provided state-of-the-art computerized equipment and late model cars for its students.

Other technical programs included drafting and design, automated manufacturing, fashion

merchandising, marketing management, electronics, human services and business and office.

High tech facilities and equipment insured that JCC students would get what they needed for the workforce.

Marketing students got a taste of the real world first semester when they promoted the Bulldog Bash as their course project. Instructor Joy Mitchell said that usually her students did hypothetical promotions for hypothetical events.

Promoting the Student Council campus-wide activity designed to boost school spirit for the MQCCC football game in Pascagoula proved to be fun and educational for class members who could see the results of their efforts.

The class is credited with adding a cheering contest, face painting, door prizes, spirit caravan and Beautiful Bulldog contest to this year's event. They proved that students just had to be there—working and playing—to get the most out of college.



Quickies

Technical

DEAN

JEROLD SHEPHERD

PROGRAMS

- **Automated Manufacturing**
Carl Nehlig
- **Automotive Mechanics**
Rick McDonald
- **Business and Office**
Jane Irwin
Deliah Johnson
Jeannette Thomas
- **Child Care**
Darlene King
- **Drafting and Design**
Amanda Buxton
Tom Eason
Mike LeBard
- **Electronics**
James Christine
Charlie Ormon
- **Environmental Tech**
Daniel Zwerg
- **Fashion Merchandising**
Marsha Cluff
- **Human Services**
Tom Boone
- **Marketing Management**
Joy Mitchell
- **Technical offerings**
expanded this year with two new programs and two former vocational programs. Students were out in the workforce after two years of preparation.



LEARNING BY LOVING

Sophomore Elizabeth Fitzgerald of Wiggins, child care technology major, enjoyed spending time with the children in the campus day care as part of her coursework. She is shown here with Brandon Baril of Pascagoula.

"The students are enthused with the Environmental Technology Program."

• Daniel Zwerg

LEARNING BY DOING

Business technology students Mary Ross Fountain, Eleanor Stewart and Delia Perkins, right, worked on assignment in the computer lab in T building. Sophomore Sam Jones of Ocean Springs, top center, got practical experience in his drafting classes. Two automated manufacturing technology students, far right, checked out one of their computer programs.



VOCATIONAL CREW

TRADE AND INDUSTRY PROGRAMS OFFERED STUDENTS THE OPTION OF LEARNING SKILLS THAT WOULD PUT THEM INTO THE WORKFORCE IMMEDIATELY.

Nearly \$2.5 million worth of equipment for students to use and repair was available to vocational students at JCC.

In addition, donations of equipment from local businesses and industry gave students in the eight vocational programs hands-on experience with the most modern equipment available. For example, the automotive department received a car from William Mitchell Motors which enabled students to work on computerized auto systems.

Vocational students received training in skills that prepared them for immediate entry into the workforce. Program graduates received MGCCC diplomas.

According to college records, the overall average job placement for graduates from JCC vocational programs for 1993/94 was 94% with pipefitting having a 100% rate. The other 6% either transferred to a university or changed programs. Vocational instructors helped secure jobs by setting up interviews with prospective em-

ployers.

Another feature of vocational programs was the openentry, openexit policy which allowed students to enroll in any program which had an opening on any Monday. Students worked at their own pace, completing programs with individualized assistance from instructors and related labs.

Trade and industry programs included electrical technology, marine engine mechanics, machine shop, multicraft mechanics, pipefitting/plumbing and welding. Vocational health courses included health unit coordinator and licensed practical nursing.

The newest member of the vocational team was the Multi-Craft Maintenance Mechanic Program. As with other programs the college offered, this one was developed in response to the needs of local industries.

"This new program was Industry driven," said assistant dean of vocational education Charlie Neumann. "There was a great need for maintenance persons with crosscraft training

who could handle a variety of tasks including welding, pipefitting and electrical systems."

Instructor Richard Nolan noted that the program also examined industrial and environmental safety and emphasized personal and plant safety as related to OSHA requirements.

"This is another example of the community college responding to requests to train a workforce needed by local industry," said Jerold Shepherd, dean of vocational technical education.

Vocational Industrial Clubs of America enjoyed an active year with strong participation. Under the leadership of president Charles Wells and advisor Mrs. Debra Matthews, the group sold Tato Nut doughnuts every week, sponsored a car wash at the Bulldog Bash and hosted a Womanless Homecoming Court Competition during Dawg Daze spirit week. They sponsored a homecoming parade float and took first for Christmas door displays. VICA's members were there for every campus event!



Quickies

Vocational Education

- Openentry Openexit
- Enroll any Monday, if openings
- MGCCC diploma
- Over \$2.5 million in equipment for student use.
- Multi-Craft Maintenance Mechanic added in '94
- Dean: Jerold Shepherd
- 150% Total enrollment
- Instructors
B. Hudson
B. Brooks
L. Greenwood
W. Harb
R. McDonald
D. Matthews
R. Nolan
A. Tucker



WORKING

Erick Charlton and Rusty Moye, center left, Marcus Flick, left, and Rusty Moye, above, at work in marine engine mechanics.

T & I Programs

- Electric
- Machine Shop
- Multi-Craft Mechanics
- Pipefitting/Plumbing
- Welding
- Marine Mechanics

"Cars are donated as training aids. We take them apart and put them back together again."

• Rick McDonald, instructor

IT GOES THIS WAY

VICA members, top, unloaded the black and red Trojan-mobile at the Bulldog Bash. For a small fee, VICA gave hits at the opponent. Charles Brooks, center, industrial electricity instructor, worked the VICA table at Club Day. Jeff Ward and O.H. Quick, right, worked on a boat in marine engine mechanics.



HO WAS IN DEMAND

THIS WAS A DEMAND: PEOPLE SPENDING THE NIGHT IN FRONT OF THE HEALTH OCCUPATIONS BUILDING TO GET AN APPLICATION TO THE REGISTERED NURSING PROGRAM.

Highly skilled, highly trained, and high in demand, health occupations professions topped career lists everywhere. JCC's vocational and technical health programs prepared students to work in hospitals, nursing homes, home health agencies and physicians' offices through one and two-year curricula.

There was a waiting list for the two-year associate degree nursing program and an over night waiting line to get applications.

Health Unit Coordinator Program prepared graduates for employment in two semesters. According to instructor Gale Collins, some graduates used the program as a stepping stone and worked while continuing their education in a more complex health occupations career.

"As far as I know, the HUC programs at JCC and Jefferson Davis Campus are the only two programs in the state," said Ms. Collins, who added that they were seeking national accreditation through the National Association of Health Unit Coordinators.

sons.

"Many of our students have families and want to prepare themselves to work in the field as soon as possible," said Medical Laboratory Technology instructor Sherry Whitmore. "They want a good paying, rewarding job to help support their families. At a later date, they apply their two year degree toward upward mobility in going on for their four-year degree."

In the past six years, the MLT program has had four 100% pass rates and two 90% pass rates for its graduating classes on the national certifying exams.

This year the program received seven years' unconditional reaccreditation from the national accrediting agency, the highest level of accreditation possible.

Students spend 24 months in the radiography program with both didactic and clinical classes which prepare them for theory and hands-on practicum within a supervised hospital atmosphere, according to instructor Mary Trichell.

Respiratory Therapy utilized new equipment with the latest technological advances, including a ventilator and computer assisted software with clinical simulations which allowed students to test their problem solving abilities for real patient care situations.

"This program allows graduates to begin entry level positions in a highly technical, rapidly changing profession," said instructor Judy Scott.

Fall semester, 46 students were enrolled in the one-year practical nursing program.

"Personally, I find the transition of the student from a lay person to a highly skilled professional, entrusted with lives of their patients to be very rewarding," said Eleanor Douglas, LPN instructor.

And on top of all that, health occupations students were always in the middle of having fun at campus activities. They made floats, sponsored booths, decorated doors, performed skits, cheered and just had to be at every event!



Quickies

HEALTH OCCUPATIONS

- Technical and vocational programs
- Some had a waiting list for enrollment
- Health Unit Coordinator
- Licensed Practical Nursing
- Respiratory Care Technology
- Medical Laboratory Technology
- Radiological Technology
- Associate Degree Nursing
- Clinicals at health-care facilities
- Extremely high pass rates on the national certifying exams
- Extremely high employment rates



HELPING HANDS

Jerry Mouton, above, president of the Health Occupations Students of America club, prepared for a nursing procedure. Yvette Curran of Gulfport performed a clinical chemistry assignment in the Medical Laboratory Technology lab.

"We have outstanding students who are very motivated and committed; and we have community support for employment."

PRACTICAL TRAINING

Suzanne Hardin of Biloxi, Cordell Murray of Pascagoula and Steve Rich of Ocean Springs, top center, worked in a lab at Gulf Coast Community Medical Center. Melissa Dunton and Yoko Gardner of Biloxi, right, studied blood smears at a hematology station during MLT class.



QUICKIES

SOPHOMORES

REPUBLICAN
•48%

DEMOCRAT
•23%

INDEPENDENT
•30%

PRO-LIFE
•39%

PRO-CHOICE
•27%

PRO-LIFE/CHOICE
•4%

MOST POPULAR
RADIO STATIONS
•K-99 • 100.7
•WBX • 105.9

BEST JEANS
•L'V
•GUESS

BEST MOVIE
•FOREST GUMP

FAVORITE SOAPS
•ALL MY
CHILDREN
•DAYS OF OUR
LIVES

BEST FAST FOOD
•TACO BELL
•McDONALD'S

BEST STUDYING
•LIBRARY
•LEARNING LAB

BEST PLACES
TO MEET PEOPLE
ON CAMPUS
•CLUBS
•BETWEEN
CLASSES
•GARDEN

CAMPUS LEADERS

TAKING A LOOK



HEATHER BATTISTE

President
Phi Beta Lambda

BEGINNINGS AND STATS: *Mobile, Ala.; black hair; blue eyes.*

BEST THING AT JCC: *Phi Beta Lambda and French vanilla coffee.*

WHAT I WOULD CHANGE ABOUT JCC: *Parking lot. Make more spaces.*

ONE THING I'VE LEARNED FROM LIFE IS ... *trust nobody but my mother and Stasi DeShong.*

MY BEST ASSET: *My eyes.*

MY LAST MEAL: *A salad from the Catalina.*

MY FAVORITE ACTIVITY: *Doing aerobics.*

MOST VALUED POSSESSION: *My new '94 Honda Civic EX Coupe.*

ADVICE TO GIVE A FRESHMAN: *Freshmen should think wisely before choosing teachers.*

NOBODY KNOWS I ... *know how to do almost every country dance made.*

I JUST HAD TO BE THERE WHEN ... *I was elected president of PBL.*

I JUST HAD TO BE AT JCC THIS YEAR BECAUSE ... *I was elected president of PBL and my best friend was coming here for her first year.*



Jason Adcock • Academic • Lucedale
Angel Atkins • Academic • Vancleave
Judith Allin • Technical • Ocean Springs
Pamela Banks • Vocational • Moss Point
Rebecca Barlow • Academic • Pascagoula

Julie Bird • Academic • Pascagoula
Amanda Blackwell • Academic • Pascagoula
Karen Borries • Academic • Vancleave
Yolanda Brazze • Academic • Pascagoula
Glenda Brents • Vocational • Gulfport

Rebecca Brewer • Academic • Pascagoula
Malissa Brown • Health • Pascagoula
Rodney Brown • Academic • Biloxi
Michelle Brownwell • Academic • Lucedale
Gary Bryant • Technical • Vancleave

Brian Cecrie • Technical • Gautier
Gwen Chapman • Technical • Pascagoula
Burpo Civenna • Vocational • Lucedale
Patricia Clardy • Technical • Gautier
Toni Clements • Academic • Lucedale

Mary Conley • Technical • Pascagoula
Yolanda Cook • Academic • Gautier
Deanna Cox • Academic • Hurley
Cherie Crawford • Academic • Pascagoula
Ginger Crenshaw • Vocational • Lucedale

Delana Cunningham • Academic • Moss Point
Ina Cunningham • Academic • Moss Point
Jackie Davis • Academic • Lucedale
Janie Davis • Academic • Moss Point
Krystal Davison • Technical • Gautier

LaKeith Davison • Academic • Moss Point
Yvette Dickerson • Academic • Vancleave
Janet DuBoise • Academic • Moss Point
Kenny Douglas • Academic • Moss Point
Brent Dunnaway • Academic • Ocean Springs

Janie Ealy • Technical • Vancleave
Ginny Ercord • Academic • Lucedale
Cheryl Edwards • Technical • Gautier
April Epstein • Academic • Pascagoula
Andrea Fagan • Academic • Pascagoula

Stuart Fairchild • Academic • Lucedale
Kim Finch • Technical • Pascagoula
Kate Fountain • Academic • Ocean Springs
Tamika Fountain • Vocational • Pascagoula
Becky Franklin • Academic • Moss Point

Greg Futral • Academic • Ocean Springs
Jennifer Gillespie • Academic • Biloxi
Kimberly Goff • Academic • Pascagoula
Phyllis Goodman • Health • Gautier
Suzanne Gunter • Technical • Lucedale

Kuniko Hall • Academic • Moss Point
Cara Hand • Academic • Moss Point
Marty Harden • Academic • Pascagoula
Melinda Harison • Academic • George County
David Hickox • Technical • Ocean Springs

Chris Hiestand • Academic • Moss Point
Christopher Hill • Technical • Ocean Springs
Merideth Hodges • Vocational • Pascagoula
Christine Holden • Technical • Vancleave
Jennifer Holland • Academic • Lucedale

Brian Howard • Academic • Lucedale
Gregory Howard • Vocational • Pascagoula
Rebecca Howe • Technical • Ocean Springs
Larraine Hudson • Vocational • Gautier
Jay Huffstatter • Academic • Pascagoula

Matt Jackson • Academic • Ocean Springs
Tiffany Johnson • Vocational • Moss Point
Kerri Jones • Academic • Hurley
Jennifer Keys • Academic • Escatawpa
Kimble Leah • Vocational • Gautier

Belita King • Academic • Lucedale
Dinah Lee • Academic • Moss Point
Amanda Lett • Vocational • Pascagoula
Yvette Loesche • Technical • Ocean Springs
Jennifer Magee • Technical • Escatawpa

Darren McArthur • Academic • Pascagoula



CAMPUS LEADERS

TAKING A LOOK



KATE FOUNTAIN

President
JCC Student Council
MGCCC Tri-Campus Student Council

BEGINNINGS AND STATS: January 30, 1975; blonde hair; green eyes.

THE BEST THING AT JCC: The caring faculty, staff and administration and the many friends I have met through school activities.

WHAT I WOULD CHANGE ABOUT JCC: More parking spaces that are closer to the buildings.

ONE THING I'VE LEARNED FROM LIFE IS . . . in order to gain what you want in life, you must take risks.

MY LAST MEAL: Chicken fajitas from Cuco's.

MY FAVORITE PASTIME: Any outside water activities like swimming, wave running and sunning.

MY MOST VALUED POSSESSION: 1993 Mazda MX-6.

ADVICE TO GIVE A FRESHMAN: Take advantage of the opportunities that are put before you.

NOBODY KNOWS I . . . believe in fairy tale romances.

I JUST HAD TO BE THERE WHEN . . . a tropical depression came through Cancun when I was on vacation!

I JUST HAD TO BE AT JCC THIS YEAR BECAUSE . . . I really enjoyed attending JCC last year. JCC has a lot to offer!



TAKING A BREAK

One of the good things about JCC was that there was always something to do between classes—either planned or spontaneous. At top, two students took over the information at Club Day '94 Sept. 1 Center. Debbie Johnson and Angie Smith enjoyed a visit on the way to class. At bottom, two VCA members cleaned around with the K-9 K-9 at the Bulding Bash.



ALL IN FUN

A Club Day "big-top" tent, checked out last year's yearbook at the annual staff table. The three girls in the center photo standing on the crosswalk called to a friend walking to the library. At bottom, Student Council associate member Holly Reeves and freshman representative Pam Walker decorated a car for the spirit caravan to the NGCCC home game Sept. 26.

CAMPUS LEADERS

TAKING A LOOK



LEE STAUTER

President
Baptist Student Union

BEGINNING AND STATS: February 25, 1975; Nurnberg, Germany; brown hair; blue eyes.

BEST THING ABOUT JCC: The BSU!

WHAT I WOULD CHANGE ABOUT JCC: Nothing.

ONE THING I'VE LEARNED FROM LIFE IS . . . Be flexible! You can never enjoy life unless you're ready to handle whatever comes your way.

MY BEST ASSET: I try to be friendly to everyone. I love to meet new people and help in any way I can.

MY LAST MEAL: Macaroni and cheese.

MY FAVORITE ACTIVITY: Sports—soccer and baseball. I collect baseball cards, too.

ADVICE I'D GIVE A FRESHMAN: Get involved. You will get out of college what you put into it!

I JUST HAD TO BE AT JCC THIS YEAR BECAUSE . . . I couldn't afford anything else.



James McFadden • Academic • Ocean Springs
Terry McLeod • Academic • Pascagoula
Cindy McNally • Academic • Gautier
Michele McNally • Technical • Gautier
Cheryl Maples • Vocational • Vancleave

John Marthaler • Academic • Pascagoula
Thomas Marx III • Academic • Moss Point
Christopher Messenger • Academic • Ocean Springs
Alesia Miller • Academic • Gautier
Charlotte Miniard • Academic • Lucedale

Callie Mizelle • Technical • Moss Point
Christy Moradmand • Academic • Gautier
Joseph Mouton • Vocational • Ocean Springs
Hoe Nguyen • Academic • Biloxi
Julia Nguyen • Academic • Ocean Springs

Robert Nichols • Vocational • Gautier
Jana Odom • Technical • Vancleave
Sheila O'Dwyer • Academic • Gautier
Anthony Parks • Academic • Ocean Springs
Wanda Payton • Vocational • Moss Point

Mary Piner • Academic • Ocean Springs
Melissa Pons • Technical • Biloxi
Troy Pontiff • Academic • Ocean Springs
Tina Powe • Academic • Pascagoula
O.H. Quick • Vocational • Escatawpa

Lisa Quinn • Academic • Pascagoula
Edward Ragno • Technical • Moss Point
Aretha Randolph • Technical • Gautier
Holly Reeves • Academic • Gautier
Deborah Richardson • Academic • Escatawpa

Sharon Robbins • Technical • Ocean Springs
Shaundra Robinson • Vocational • Pascagoula
Richelle Rolling • Academic • Gautier
Bryan Ross • Vocational • Gautier
Gordon Ross • Technical • Hurley

Carol Rushing • Vocational • Gautier
Robert Rushing • Vocational • Ocean Springs

Courtney Saulcer • Academic • Pascagoula
Candy Scholl • Academic • Gautier
Janet Shaw • Vocational • Ocean Springs
Shelley Shaw • Technical • Pascagoula
Stephanie Shugart • Academic • Ocean Springs

Shirley Shumake • Academic • Gautier
Travis Simonson • Technical • Pascagoula
Bobby Sloan • Academic • Pascagoula
Julia Smith • Academic • Ocean Springs
James Staggs • Vocational • Pascagoula

Andrew Stires • Academic • Ocean Springs
Lisa Sutton • Academic • Pascagoula
April Taylor • Academic • Pascagoula
Sid Taylor • Academic • Lucedale
Janna Tolar • Academic • Vancleave

Kimberly Trehern • Academic • Hurley
Jeanette Venable • Vocational • Gautier
Kelly Vice • Academic • Pascagoula
Amanda Wally • Academic • Moss Point
Jason Welford • Academic • Lucedale

Kathy Werner • Academic • Gautier
Christina Wheeler • Vocational • Pascagoula
Chris Wiley • Academic • Vancleave
Daniel Wilson • Vocational • Ocean Springs
Dawn Wilson • Technical • Biloxi

Theresa Wilson • Health • Ocean Springs
June Wolfe • Academic • Ocean Springs
George Wolverton • Vocational • Pascagoula
Theresa Wright • Academic • Ocean Springs

TWO'S COMPANY

From left: Courtney Saulcer, Candy Scholl, Janet Shaw, Shelley Shaw, Stephanie Shugart, Shirley Shumake, Travis Simonson, Bobby Sloan, Julia Smith, James Staggs, Andrew Stires, Lisa Sutton, April Taylor, Sid Taylor, Janna Tolar, Kimberly Trehern, Jeanette Venable, Kelly Vice, Amanda Wally, Jason Welford, Kathy Werner, Christina Wheeler, Chris Wiley, Daniel Wilson, Dawn Wilson, Theresa Wilson, June Wolfe, George Wolverton, Theresa Wright.



GOOD OLE DAYS

You just had to be there to capture each day's special moments. Clockwise from top left: Ashleigh McCullough, Karl Lea Gardner and Marty Eska took time out to hear Lt. Pete Collins. Students often studied in the hallways between classes. Brent Doreaway and Michelle Marley had an entry in the beautiful Bullock contest at the home game in Pascagoula. Trent Subbitt had a great time at the Building Bash. The steps leading to the second floor of Building Two is a convenient gathering place for these students.

QUICKIES

FRESHMEN

REPUBLICAN
• 55%

DEMOCRAT
• 20%

INDEPENDENT
• 26%

PRO-LIFE
• 54%

PRO-CHOICE
• 37%

PROLIFE/CHOICE
• 4%

BEST RADIO
• WJXX 89.9
• WJBB 105.9

BEST JEANS
• Levi's
• Guess

BEST MOVIE
• Forrest Gump
• L.A. King

BEST SOAPS
• Days of Our Lives
• One Life to Live
• All My Children

BEST FAST FOOD
• McDonald's
• Taco Bell

BEST STUDYING
• Learning Lab
• Library
• Home

BEST JC PLACE
TO MEET PEOPLE
• In Class
• Between Classes
• Gazebo

CAMPUS LEADERS

TAKING A LOOK



COLLEEN TETRICK

President
Phi Theta Kappa

BEGINNINGS AND STATS: March 17, 1973; Stuttgart, Germany; brown hair; blue eyes.

THE BEST THINGS AT JCC are the very friendly and somewhat sympathetic teachers.

WHAT I WOULD CHANGE ABOUT JCC: The problem of finding a parking place.

ONE THING I'VE LEARNED FROM LIFE IS . . . Depend on yourself and do things for yourself; don't wait for anyone.

MY BEST ASSET: Dependability, reliable, strong.

MY LAST MEAL: Some form of potato, my favorite food, french fries, chips, baked, etc.

MY FAVORITE ACTIVITY/PASTIME: Being busy in one form or another.

MY MOST VALUED POSSESSION: My car—the first large thing I ever bought with my own money.

ADVICE TO GIVE A FRESHMAN: Study and take very good notes. This is the key to good grades.

I JUST HAD TO BE AT JCC THIS YEAR BECAUSE . . . I wanted to make PTK more active through being president.



Briana Adam • Academic • Ocean Springs
Marlene Agnelly • Vocational • Ocean Springs
Jackie Albritton • Academic • Lucedale
Susan Anderson • Academic • Pascagoula
Betty Andrews • Vocational • Gautier

Tyres Autrey • Academic • Pascagoula
Kenneth Barlow • Academic • Moss Point
Shanda Baxter • Vocational • Escatawpa
Kokina Bivins • Academic • Gautier
Bromwyn Blackwell • Academic • Pascagoula

Angele Blake • Academic • Ocean Springs
Gary Blanks • Academic • Moss Point
James Blount • Vocational • Gulfport
Linda Booker • Technical • Moss Point
Tressy Brandon • Vocational • Moss Point

Heather Brannon • Academic • Pascagoula
James Brown • Vocational • Gautier
Takeshia Bryant • Academic • Pascagoula
April Buchanan • Academic • Biloxi
Judy Buchanan • Academic • Biloxi

Christy Burlison • Academic • Gautier
K.C. Burnley • Technical • Escatawpa
Laura Cales • Academic • Moss Point
Aimee Carroll • Vocational • Pascagoula
David Carlson • Vocational • Gautier

Lisa Catron • Academic • Grand Bay
Roxanna Cavalier • Vocational • Biloxi
Tommi Cheek • Academic • Ocean Springs
Anthony Cherry • Academic • Pascagoula
Joseph Clemons • Vocational • Gautier

Judy Coronado • Academic • Pascagoula
Sonia Cox • Vocational • Moss Point
Roland Curry • Academic • Gautier
Marvin Daei • Academic • Ocean Springs
Katina Davidson • Vocational • Pascagoula

Ernestine Davis • Vocational • Gautier
Exliev Davis • Vocational • Moss Point
Loretta Deaning • Academic • Lucedale
Phillips Dees • Academic • Pascagoula
Amanda Denmark • Academic • Lucedale

Evadne Denson • Academic • Moss Point
Bonnie Dunham • Academic • Pascagoula
Darlene Durapau • Technical • Picayune
Douglas Esselink • Academic • Ocean Springs
Stephanie Evans • Academic • Pascagoula

Johnathon Ford • Academic • McLain
Sissy Forehand • Academic • Vancleave
Mary Fountain • Technical • Ocean Springs
Anita Glendon • Academic • Pascagoula
Gaynell Gordon • Academic • Pascagoula

Andrea Green • Academic • Hurley
Christine Green • Academic • Hurley
Connie Green • Vocational • Pascagoula
Mallissa Green • Academic • Hurley
Tom Grindell • Academic • Ocean Springs

Brandi Gurley • Academic • Gautier
Alicia Harlan • Academic • Vancleave
Will Harper • Academic • Vancleave
Mark Howard • Academic • Lucedale
Clint Hawkins • Academic • Gautier

Joy Hawkins • Academic • Gautier
Gabrielle Hayes • Vocational • Moss Point
Hollie Henley • Academic • Vancleave
Adrelin Henry • Academic • Moss Point
Eric Hill • Academic • Ocean Springs

Donna Holland • Academic • Ocean Springs
Jason Holmes • Academic • Gautier
Jason Hunt • Academic • Escatawpa
Gerald Jackson • Academic • Vancleave
Zandra Jarmon • Academic • Gautier

LaTitch Johnson • Academic • Moss Point
Melissa Johnson • Technical • Moss Point
Norman Johnson • Vocational • Moss Point
Amy Jones • Academic • Lucedale
Joyce Killingsworth • Academic • Pascagoula

Le'Lani Kirkland • Vocational • Gautier
Joy Laiche • Academic • Hurley

CAMPUS LEADERS TAKING A LOOK



CHARLES A. WELLS

President
Vocational - Industrial
Clubs of America

BEGINNINGS AND STATS: July 5, 1967; Polktown, north of Hurley;
brown eyes; black hair.

BEST THING AT JCC: The school activities.

WHAT I WOULD CHANGE ABOUT JCC: The vocational program's hours. 7
a.m. is too early to be here.

ONE THING I'VE LEARNED FROM LIFE IS ... to try almost everything
once.

MY BEST ASSET: My hair.

MY LAST MEAL: Spaghetti, kidney beans and rice, steak, cornbread
and water (from the fountain of youth).

FAVORITE ACTIVITY: Riding motorcycles.

MOST VALUED POSSESSION: My Ford pick-up.

ADVICE I'D GIVE A FRESHMAN: Join a school club—any school club.
I JUST HAD TO BE THERE WHEN ... Reflections cheered at the pep
rally.

I JUST HAD TO BE AT JCC THIS YEAR ... because JCC could never have
a better crop of students than the ones of 1994.



PARTICIPATING

Clayton McCall, top, carefully considered his ballot in the Student Council representative election. Tyres Aubrey, center, caught a laugh with friends before class. Marketing students, below, worked to promote the Bulldog Bash.



IT'S LIKE THIS...

Maurice Felix and Kevin Gray, top left, had a discussion between classes. Michelle Brown and Bill Robinson, top right, watched the MCCC Chella game. Yolande Cook, right, took a break after class. John Brand and Kate Fountain, above, tried out dance steps before the spirit games.



Sarah Lillis • Academic • Moss Point
Jackie Lollar • Academic • Gautier
Jay Losset • Academic • Gautier
Kenneth Lyon • Technical • Pascagoula
Rachael Lyon • Academic • Pascagoula



Clayton McCall • Academic • Vancleave
Ellen McCommon • Vocational • Pascagoula
Jacqueline McDonald • Technical • Pascagoula
Kisha McDonald • Academic • Lucedale
Michelle Manley • Academic • Ocean Springs



Mary Manlove • Technical • Gautier
Harold Manning • Academic • Moss Point
Sandra Martin • Vocational • Gautier
Beverly Matthews • Vocational • Mobile
Mary Mickel • Vocational • Gautier



Ashley Mims • Academic • Escatawpa
Christina Murray • Academic • Ocean Springs
Sonja Murray • Academic • Gautier
Alton Neels • Academic • Lucedale
Stephanie Nettles • Vocational • Pascagoula



Kimberly Nonis • Vocational • Ocean Springs
Lora Parker • Academic • Pascagoula
Julie Pittalo • Vocational • Biloxi
Kathy Poweleit • Technical • Gautier
Freda Price • Academic • Gautier



Toml Reeves • Academic • Pascagoula
Edna Rouse • Academic • Lucedale
Esther Rupert • Technical • Escatawpa
Veronica Seales • Vocational • Moss Point
Susan Searcy • Academic • Gautier



Sandra Schultz • Vocational • Ocean Springs
Rosale Sentens • Health • Ocean Springs
Andreas Shugart • Academic • Ocean Springs
Mervin Simon • Vocational • Pascagoula
Phillisher Simms • Vocational • Pascagoula



Allen Smith • Academic • Pascagoula
Amanda Smith • Academic • Lucedale

Jennifer Smith • Vocational • Gautier
 Kirk Smith • Academic • Ocean Springs
 Nicole Smith • Academic • Gautier
 Mark Snodgrass • Academic • Ocean Springs
 Stacey Splers • Technical • Ocean Springs

Scott Stockman • Vocational • Lucedale
 Carol Stork • Academic • Pascagoula
 Tara Stork • Academic • Pascagoula
 Milton Strickland • Vocational • Lucedale
 Tennille Stubbs • Academic • Pascagoula

Terri Sudduth • Academic • Gautier
 Patricia Supinger • Vocational • Gautier
 Wesley Tanner • Vocational • Vancleave
 Andy Taylor • Academic • Ocean Springs
 Clayborne Taylor • Academic • Moss Point

Monique Taylor • Technical • Gautier
 David Thompson • Vocational • Gautier
 Michael Titchenell • Vocational • Pascagoula
 Melanie Trehern • Vocational • Moss Point
 James Tyner • Vocational • Pascagoula

Shirley Tyner • Vocational • Pascagoula
 Christina Viner • Academic • Gautier
 Ryan Wade • Academic • Ocean Springs
 Lucretia Wages • Academic • Vancleave
 Catherine Walls • Vocational • Grand Bay

Misty Waltman • Academic • Vancleave
 Reshonda Walton • Academic • Gautier
 Katrina Watson • Technical • Pascagoula
 Kerri Watson • Vocational • Pascagoula
 Charles Wells • Vocational • Hurley

Eve Westerkamm • Health • Ocean Springs
 Boyd White • Vocational • Pascagoula
 Tim Wiedermann • Academic • Ocean Springs
 Nitashua Williams • Academic • Moss Point
 Ronald Williams • Vocational • Pascagoula

Barry Wilson • Technical • Pascagoula
 Chris Wilson • Technical • Hurley
 Angie Wood • Academic • Hurley
 Ebb Yates • Vocational • Lucedale



GOOD TIMES

Clinton McCall and Melissa Johnson, top right, represented the workbooks staff and decorated Clayton's truck for the spirit carnival. Other students on this page just had to be there to avoid random Acts of Kindness cards at Club Day, vote and cheer.

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DR. ROYCE LUKE

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JEROLD SHEPHERD



STUDENT SERVICES
LINDA SWITZER



ACADEMIC INSTRUCTION
WILLIAM MARTIN

AT THE TOP

Leadership continued to keep Jackson County Campus and Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College the best in the state.

JCC was noted for its warm, friendly learning environment and its progressive and high quality instructional staff. Even the facilities—from rose beds to waxed floors—sent a message of care and welcome to students, staff and visitors. Overseeing the campus operations were Dr. Royce Luke, vice president, and deans Linda Switzer, William Martin, Houshang Moradmand and Jerold Shepherd.

Additions to the campus this year were an additional classroom building and a new, centrally located cafeteria. Up-to-date equipment was purchased and maintained for student use and expanded parking lots were considered.

One of the newest additions to all three MGCCC campuses was the development of the One-Stop Career Center concept. Heading the project at JCC was Dr. Mary Graham, Workforce Development Director.

The Center was the result of the Workforce and Education Act of 1994 in which Mississippi's community colleges will be forged into an unprecedented partnership with business and industry, a merger which will build an internationally competitive work force in Mississippi. District and state wide councils were mandated to set the agenda for workforce training and

development in a competitive, global market.

Flexibility, accessibility and quality instruction will continue to be the mainstays for the one-stop approach to education and training with the college's vocational-technical and academic divisions as the foundation of the initiative.

Construction began this year on a building to bring together all of the career components under one roof.

College-wide studies revealed that students who transferred from MGCCC to state universities performed as well as, and in many cases better than, students who started out at the universities and those who transferred from other community colleges.

Of significance was the finding that the percentage of MGCCC transfers who achieved perfect 4.0 averages at the University of Southern Mississippi was nearly double those of native students and transfers from other community colleges.

The information highway ran through MGCCC with the Community College Network, the state's largest educational computer network. MGCCC was the first community college to have multi-campus links to the CCN. "Blue Rooms" on each campus were used for training and teaching with five MGCCC classes taught over the CCN spring semester.

You just had to be at Gulf Coast to get quality and quantity. JCC just got better and better.



FROM the TOP

VICE
PRESIDENT
DR. ROYCE
LUKE

• "One of the highlights of my career as vice president of Jackson County Campus is the opportunity to provide a better environment for our students, staff and faculty."

• "The campus building program has flourished during the last few years, and additional construction is underway that will provide more facilities to meet the growing needs of our community."

• "We continue to hire the best teachers available and develop new programs that will meet the needs of those we serve. I am excited about the Community College Network Classroom and the fact that our campus is in the forefront of this modern technology."

• "The Board of Trustees and central administration of the college give all of our campuses the needed support for a quality educational program. I am a lucky person to be the leader for this campus and to be a part of implementing these improvements."



ASSOCIATE DEANS

Associate deans are, from the top, Brenda Lynn Yarncoat, vocational; Dr. Alex Carter, learning resource center; Charles Neumann, vocational.

SURROUNDED

JCC Vice President Dr. Royce Luke was surrounded by the campus's homecoming court during festivities on the Perkins Campus. From left are Michelle Manley, April Eggen, Kate Fountain, Pam Walker and Ashleigh McCullough.



REAL PAY-OFFS

Sherry Whitmore, top, was all smiles when her Med Lab Techs took first for club spirit for the Building Bash. Art instructor Patti Odum thought registration was just WOOO-PONDERFUL! Sunflower Girls Barbara Taconi, Maniba Cluff, Joy Mitchell and Tara Langston were crowd-pleasers at Building Bash.

RETIREMENT-BOUND TAKING A LOOK



WALTER MULLEN

Chairman
Language Arts

BEGINNINGS AND STATS: Chicago; brown hair; brown eyes.

BEST THING AT JCC: The people.

WHAT I WOULD CHANGE ABOUT JCC: I wish we could recapture the intimacy we had when we were smaller.

ONE THING I'VE LEARNED FROM LIFE IS . . . not to let things that don't really matter bother me.

MY BEST ASSET: Attempting to be fair and considerate of others.

MY LAST MEAL: Anything but turnip greens—I like to eat!

MY FAVORITE ACTIVITY/PASTIME: Working with my flowers, reading, travel.

MY MOST VALUED POSSESSION: Friends.

ADVICE I'D GIVE A FRESHMAN OR NEW INSTRUCTOR: If you have made an honest, sincere effort, accept the results and don't be upset by them. Use them to go forward.

NOBODY KNOWS I . . . once worked as a railroad telegrapher.

I JUST HAD TO BE THERE WHEN . . . my youngest son finally graduated from vet school.

I JUST HAD TO BE AT JCC THIS YEAR BECAUSE . . . it is the culmination of 37½ enjoyable (for the most part) years of teaching.

A FAVORITE MEMORY OF JCC: Opening my office to find it had been "decorated" by the other department members.

HOW JCC HAS CHANGED IN THE PAST 27½ YEARS: Grown larger and more impersonal (except in the department).



Ronald Ainsworth • Math Chairman
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Patricia Black • Literacy
Barbara Blakely • Business Services Secretary
Selina Breland • Literacy

Sandra Briggs • Library
Bernard Brooks • Industrial Electricity
Cynthia Broome • Language Arts Chair
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Lee Deavours • Business Administration
Ginny Decur • Practical Nursing
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Robert Endt • Math
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Daria Lyons • New Horizons
Jean McCool • New Horizons Coordinator
Barbara McDonald • Business Services



Rick McDonald • Automotive Technician
Susan McGuff • Academic Secretary
Julie Mansfield • Business Services
Debra Matthews • Industrial Electricity
L. Hollis Melton • Science



Joy Mitchell • Marketing
Carol Moradmand • Social Studies
Paul Morgan • Business
Marilyn Moss • Language Arts
Walter Mullen • Language Arts Chair



Shirley Mullins • Records Clerk
Carl Nehlig • Automated Manufacturing
Denise Nettles • Literacy
Wendi Nettles • Library Clerk
Patt Odom • Art



Terri Ormes • Recruiting Officer
Kim Overstreet • Financial Aid Director
Carol Pierce • Learning Lab Instructor
Barbara Richerson • Business Services
Amy Richmond • Business



RETIREMENT-BOUND

TAKING A LOOK



RALPH SMITH

Chairman
Math Department

BEGINNINGS AND STATS: March 21, 1933; Jones County, Ms.; salt/pepper hair; hazel eyes.

BEST THING AT JCC: Students and people I work with.
WHAT I WOULD CHANGE ABOUT JCC: Satisfied. No changes.

ONE THING I'VE LEARNED FROM LIFE IS . . . always be available to help others. The purpose of life is to help other people.

MY BEST ASSET: Liking and helping people and I enjoy living.
MY LAST MEAL: Steak, chicken, seafood, vegetables (no junk food—real food).

FAVORITE ACTIVITY: Gardening, golf, fishing and harassing students.
MOST VALUED POSSESSION: Bible.

ADVICE I'D GIVE A FRESHMAN: Study. Find out what you can do and spend time improving that ability and maximizing potential.

ADVICE I'D GIVE A NEW INSTRUCTOR: Realize that the student is the most important person in the institution and instructors are here to help the students.

I JUST HAD TO BE AT JCC THIS YEAR . . . to finish out my last year before retirement.

A FAVORITE MEMORY OF THE LAST 29½ YEARS AT JCC: When girls came in with mini-skirts.

HOW JCC HAS CHANGED: Very little except size. Students and instructors are about the same.

ILL MOST MISS: Students.



ALWAYS HELPFUL

Chemistry Instructor Robert MacInnis spent many hours in the lab. Sandy Abraham and Cheryl Hinton assigned advisors during registration. English chair Cynthia Broome assisted a student during registration.

June Robertson • Admissions Secretary
 Becky Rogers • Secretary, Dean of Student Services
 June Russum • Student Services Counselor
 Rebecca Rutz • Business
 Mary Schaub • Computer Lab

Sandra Shannon • Bookstore
 Dean Shaw • Social Studies Chair
 Edna Shaw • Language Arts
 Angela Sims • Math
 JoAnne Stewart • Learning Lab Instructor

Wanda Stewart • Fine Arts
 David Stires • Receiving Clerk
 Amaryllis Stroud • Developmental Studies
 Barbara Taconi • Social Studies
 Raymond Tanner • Math

Jeanette Thomas • Business Chair
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 Sarah Tringle • Learning Lab Instructor
 Andrew Tucker • Marine Mechanics
 Shira Usher • Practical Nursing

Anne Waller • Literacy
 Pat West • Fine Arts
 Linda Wheeler • Vocational
 Rebecca Williams • Career Center Manager
 Daniel Zwerg • Environmental Technology

TALKING IT OVER

Sophomore April Taylor of Pascagoula was animated in her discussion with math instructor Raymond Tanner during Club Day.



RETIREMENT-BOUND

TAKING A LOOK



AMARYLLIS STROUD

Instructor
 Language Arts

BEGINNING AND STATS: Collins, Ms.; blonde hair; blue eyes.

BEST THING AT JCC: the people—students and faculty/staff.

WHAT I WOULD CHANGE ABOUT JCC: Try to get back Student Support Services, especially for physically challenged students.

ONE THING I'VE LEARNED FROM LIFE IS . . . I am a survivor. With faith and a sense of humor I feel I can cope with just about anything.

MY BEST ASSET: A sense of humor and the ability to see the other person's point of view.

MY LAST MEAL: Steak, baked potato and a green salad.

FAVORITE PASTIME: Reading.

MOST VALUED POSSESSION: I guess photograph albums. I'm more people oriented than possession oriented.

ADVICE I'D GIVE A FRESHMAN OR NEW INSTRUCTOR: Make a commitment to do and be the best you can and don't take yourself too seriously.

NOT MANY PEOPLE KNOW . . . have three great-grandchildren!
I JUST HAD TO BE AT JCC THIS YEAR BECAUSE . . . I had to be REALLY sure I wanted to retire.

A FAVORITE MEMORY OF MY 30 YEARS AT JCC: The days when the school was small enough to hold faculty meetings in the faculty lounge in a building. It's more impersonal now.

I'LL MOST MISS: The students who really want to learn and the camaraderie of the faculty and staff, especially my office suite.



THAT EXTRA EFFORT

Pat Read, Vicki Cant, Becky Rogers and June Russum, top, were part of the crowd at Bulldog Bank. Learning Lab secretary Anne Harris had a surprise visitor. Instructor Barbara Taconi had a smile even though it was hard finding open classes during registration.

BURIED IN BOOKS

STUDYING wasn't as universal as you might think it was. The need to study was universal. The ways in which we studied weren't.

From the looks of it, studying paid off for many JCC students as 231 were named to the fall President's List for having a perfect 4.0 on 12 or more semester hours while 341 made the Vice President's List, earning a 3.3 to 3.99 GPA on 12 hours with no grade less than a C. Everyone had a favorite study spot or method or timetable. But if we didn't study, our grades were sure to show it.

Sophomore Steven Nguyen liked to study with friends while watching television or listening to music about an hour before class period.

Many students' favorite spots were where they couldn't be interrupted and where they were more comfortable.

"I try to study ahead of time, but the late night cramming doesn't ever hurt," said sophomore Kate Fountain who preferred studying in total silence in her bedroom or at the kitchen table.

Memorization was easier for sophomore Brent Dunnaway when he was by himself in silence. One of his favorite spots was in the library by the curtains. Sophomores Amanda Blackwell and James Junkins agreed that they would rather study in the library because there were no distractions to bother them like there would have been at their homes.

Freshman Nakeshia Jones had a different angle. "I like to study at the foot of my bed while listening to the radio. The library tends to have a lot of traffic in and out," she said.

For a more comfortable, naturalistic atmosphere, sophomore Michelle Martin went to the eastbank in Moss Point where the tide meets the shore to study while listening to the "Three Musketeers" soundtrack.

While she enjoyed talking with friends while studying, sophomore April Eppstein preferred to study alone in her car with Led Zeppelin or Metallica in the background.

Sophomore Terry Dickson liked to study—or rather, cram—in the learning lab, but said he was easily distracted and ended up talking alot to many of his friends.

Whether student's chose home or library, car or learning lab, alone or with friends, silence or jamming to music, we proved that we studied well enough to make the grade. So well, in fact, that we did better when we went to universities than those students who attended the universities from their freshman year on.

How's that for just being there — 1



PUTTING IN HOURS studying didn't only mean the difference between passing and failing. It meant the difference between doing good and doing the best. Anatomy and physiology instructor Dr. Charles Egerton, who received his fifth degree (a masters of public health) Dec. 16, encouraged his students to strive for 100% on every test and not to settle for a high B or a low A. Cindy Carter, top worked problems alone while Steven Nguyen, Chris Haastad and Kenny Douglas, above, joined efforts in the library to complete an assignment.



A LOT OF HASSLE FOR A TASSLE? Not really. Nothing in life is really free anyway. And at JCC there was plenty of help to get us on our way to graduation. There was the learning lab with free tutoring and high tech helps. There was the first-class library. There were faculty who posted office hours and encouraged us—even begged us—to come by for assistance. And there were always friends and study groups to help us make the grade. Caught studying were, clockwise from top left, Bobby Sloan, Gerrod Kilpatrick, Cindi Tran and learning lab instructor Sarah Tringle and Shannon Kellum.

TAKING A BREAK



● "I work at the YMCA to show kids love and Christian principles which they are missing at home." • Matt Jackson, Ocean Springs sophomore

● "I fish anywhere—all rivers, south of the barrier islands. My favorite place is south of Petit Bois Island." • James Lear, Pascagoula sophomore

● "I'm doing all this for my children. The Reserves offer college and college offers a better life for my children." • Caterina Beasley

● "Work doesn't leave much time for studying or leisure." • Jennifer Shelton, Pascagoula freshman

NOT IN SESSION.

Sometimes it doesn't seem like it could be true, but there was life after classes. Matt Jackson, top left, worked in the after-school day camp offered by the Ocean Springs YMCA. Jennifer Shelton, top right, spent her free time working at JC Penney in Singing River Mall. Caterina Beasley, center, enjoyed being with her children Deshundra and Derwin when she wasn't in class. Student Council president and Career Center student worker Kati Fountain, bottom, spent time working on projects for the campus. Here she helped MJCCC direct the state-wide Student Council Association of Mississippi fall conference in Jackson where Jason Wade of Jones Junior College found himself twisted like a pretzel.



OUTSIDE THE COLLEGE WALLS, students lived busy, diversified lifestyles. Students who were parents juggled hours between classes, studying, jobs and family time. Some took advantage of free hours by enjoying the relaxing country atmosphere of fishing on the Pascagoula River. Some went to work. And still others devoted time to the YMCA, church groups, volunteer activities and extra-class college activities.

Freshman elementary education Jennifer Shelton attended class from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. Monday, Wednesday and Friday, followed by a seven-hour 3 p.m. to 10 p.m. shift at her station at JC Penney.

"It doesn't leave much time for studying or leisure," she said.

Mother of two, Army reservist and student worker in the campus bookstore, education major Caterina Beasley left for New Orleans and moved to Moss Point to offer a better life for her children, one-and-a-half year old Deshundra and one-month old Derwin. She has been a Reservist for four years working as a supply specialist one week a month in the 692nd Maintenance Battalion in New Orleans. She said she enjoys the college benefits the Reserves offer and the adventure it provides.

"I'm doing all of this for my children," she said. "The Reserves offer college and college offers a better life for my children."

Many, like Beasley, agreed that college, work and other activities took much valuable time away from their children.

"It is not an easy task raising a child with the finances of a student," said sophomore Melonense Wells, a single mother and after-school worker. "All this will offer a better opportunity for my daughter in the future. It will give her more choices than I have."

Matt Jackson worked as site director of the after school YMCA camp at Magnolia Park Elementary in Ocean Springs. He oversaw the work of three other volunteers and 40 children in addition to coordinating activities.

"The job changes every day with the kids here," said Jackson who works with the kids because he enjoys the job. "I'm doing this so maybe I can help the kids grow up to be better than average people."

He also works with his church youth group at Wesley United Methodist Church in Ocean Springs and with Youth for Christ, an interdenominational youth group, in addition to his duties as vice president of the campus Baptist Student Union.

When all the duties are done, some even got to enjoy some recreation.

Many, like James Lear, grew up with a fishing pole in their hands and boats from which to fish. Friends consider Lear "a typical good-hearted sportsman" and he admits he would rather be in a boat fishing for eight hours than be in class.

"If I could make a living out of fishing and hunting—without having to please anyone—I would do it," said Lear whose first fishing trip was on the Mississippi River with his grandparents in Vicksburg. He caught catfish and the outdoors bug. He hates being cooped up and finds that fishing relieves his stress from school and work. He has acquired knowledge from his father and every school he meets, including commercial fishermen. Maybe he'll be a commercial fisherman one day.

OUTTA CLASS. Jason Lear, top, enjoyed hunting and fishing when he had time off. Sophomore Student Council representative Brent Dunseney, bottom, took a breather after he ran his way to second place in the Council-sponsored Turkey Trot. Sharing the break with him was freshman representative Michelle Manley. Many students, like Brent and Michelle, stayed on campus after classes to participate in clubs and campus activities before heading to jobs and family responsibilities.

RETROSPECTION

BESTSELLERS



1994-95'S TOP STORIES. Even O.J. Simpson made big bucks off of his version of his trial for murdering his former wife. Caleb Ingie and

Melanie Martin, below, remembered Woodstock's silver anniversary with the traditional peace sign.

RETROSPECTION

BETWEEN RESEARCH PAPERS, physics finals and homecoming activities, the major events of the nation managed to sneak their way into the busy minds of JCC students.

O.J. Simpson and Susan Smith were labeled *Monsters of the Heart* while *Field of Dreams* gave Woodstock '94 a new, yet different, identity.

Former football great O.J. Simpson spent time in a sickly-yellow men's county jail in Los Angeles. Did jealousy bring murder? Did O.J. commit the murders of Nicole Simpson and Ron Goldman?

"O.J. is guilty. These murders were crimes of passion, but O.J. was not alone," said psychology major Shannon Thrasher.

Freshman Chrissy Parker had a different perspective. "O.J. is innocent. Proof does not show he did it. Proof of blood under Nicole's fingernails did not match O.J.'s blood," she stated.

Another opinion that circulated among students was that it is only the business of jurors, lawyers, judges and the accused.

Susan Smith was a despised name among many parent students. As one student put it, the thought of a mother killing her children made many students "sick to their stomachs". How could a mother kill her own flesh and blood?

"They should lock her up in a cell and show her the birthday tape of her boys over and over until she goes insane," offered Mikki Miller, a freshman and mother of three children close to the age of the boys who were murdered.

"I feel no pity for someone like that. She should be put to death," stated marketing management major Patrick Duett.

On a lighter note, Woodstock '94, celebrating the twenty-fifth anniversary of the original musical festival in 1969, generated bands, fans and \$33.75 million. To many, the Woodstock of '69 meant symbolism of peace and love.

"It gave many people a feeling of oneness," an older student commented. "It gave answers to the violence of war, murder and censorship."

What about the reprise?

Computer lab assistant Chad Brown felt strongly that "Woodstock was the 90's alternative and new-age rock rather than the old rock of the 60's. It was the most influential event of 1994, but the only 60's spirit that lived in Woodstock '94 was Jimmy Hendrix."

A freshman aquaculture major felt that Woodstock was a way to prevent some of the better bands from having to perform with the "Lollapalooza scene" while others felt that Woodstock '94 didn't have the spontaneity or meaning the original did.

"Times seem too different now," said one sophomore co-ed. "Free love does not exist as it did then. People are more conscientious now than they were then. It was a different generation and a different time that may never truly exist again, in anything but memories."

"Things happening outside the college walls in the nation have a great impact on students—whether it be good or bad," she continued. "It may even encourage students to make a difference in society. Maybe we can cut down on the violence and have peace again."



NIGHTMARISH NEWS. Wendy Beccot and Anne Hill discussed the Susan Smith case during a break between classes. Smith was accused of drowning her two small sons.

JUST HAD TO BE THERE ...

A YEAR

IN
REVIEW

*The best of
1994-1995*

HEROES: Dallas Cowboys, Rush Limbaugh, Newt Gingrich, Republicans, Loralina Bobbit, Jesus Christ

VILLAINS: Rush Limbaugh, Newt Gingrich, Bill Clinton, O.J. Simpson, San Francisco 49'ers, Susan Smith

COMINGS: Republican Congress, Changes, Bob Dole, New Doritos bag, Brad Pitt

GOINGS: Biloxi Belle and other casinos, Kurt Cobain, Nicole Simpson, World Series, Democratic Majority, Bill and Hillary Clinton

CRAZES: Beepers, Chicago Hope, ER, NYPD Blues, Models Inc., Mantis, You know you're a redneck if ...

PHRASES: Alight, Been There Done That, It's all good, Negative: U-ont-u? You go girl.

LIVING IN AMERICA: Republicans, Budget reform, Baseball strike, Defecit

TAKEOVERS AND TURNOVERS: Congress, Haiti, 49'ers

WHAT MADE US CRY: Ruanda, Baseball strike, Hockey strike, Bosnia, Earthquake victims, When Willy the whale wasn't set free

LASTING IMPRESSIONS: Michael Jordan playing baseball, Ryne Sandberg retiring, O.J.'s car chase and trial, Death of Pedro Zomaro



● **FROM THE EDITOR:** I can't believe we are finally through! It all went by too quickly, but I am relieved that the book is complete. I knew when I took the editor's job of Phases that I would have to spend a lot of time thinking, creating and imagining ideas to make this year's book the best. Luckily, I had several people to help me out and help me through the stressful deadline weeks. Mrs. Terry Fountain helped tremendously. Since it was my first year at JCC, she was helpful and patient with me as I learned about JCC and getting acquainted with a different publishing company. She added a lot of the fine details which gave this book a new and different look from years past. Michelle did a great job on the photography. If we were not for her, we would not have been able to capture the memorable moments that we "Just Had to be There" for. I also appreciate Allen Smith helping put together the index and being there to help me create new ideas or give his input. Melissa Johnson did a wonderful job matching names and faces in photos. I hope that as you look at the pages of this book now and years down the road that you will remember all of the happy times and be glad that you were here in '94-'95. • Brownyn Blackwell



● **FROM THE PHOTOGRAPHER:** Serving as the campus photographer at JCC for the past two years, I have gained insight and emotional strength that I believe will help me to achieve my dreams in the photography profession. The experiences I had interacting with every person I met on campus gave me the insight that people are all just trying to better themselves and make the best memories in the process of doing so. The students and faculty were always patient when it came to facing camera shyness. They were usually unaware that I was capturing their best moments until it was too late. They always wanted the best photo to be used, and I hope with this annual I lived up to their expectations of what they think their best side was during the '94-'95 school year at Jackson County Campus. • Michelle Blackwell Martin

... AND WE WERE!

FAVORITES of 1994-1995

POPULAR MOVIES: Forrest Gump, Lion King, House Guest, Speed, Legends of the Fall, True Lies, Interview with the Vampire

POPULAR MUSIC: Country, Alternative, Jazz, Rap, Christian, R & B, Classical

FAVORITE PLACES TO GO ON DATES: Movies, Rinco Palace in New Orleans, the beach or pier, Olive Garden, Casinos, Mary Mahoney's, peaceful places

FAVORITE PLACES TO HANG OUT: Beach, Shepherd State Park, Power Play, the gazebo, BSI room, The (Greasy) Spoon

FAVORITE FASHIONS: Plaids, flannels, jeans, vests, baggy clothes

HOT FADS: Body piercing, O.J. and Nicole Brown books, low riders, light-up shoes, personalized license tags

FAVORITE CLASSES: Weight training, aerobics, drafting, Biology II, welding, journalism, math

FAVORITE LUNCH SPOTS: Taco Bell, McDonald's, Chick-fil-A, Shanghai, Broadway Pizza, Hardees

FAVORITE SPORTS TEAMS: Cowboys, 49'ers, Braves, Bulls, Phoenix Suns, Redskins, Green Bay, Saints

FAVORITE BOOKS/AUTHORS: Anne Rice, Stephen King, John Grisham, The Firm, N.E.C. Book, The Bible

FAVORITE MUSIC ARTISTS: Eagles, Green Day, Sandi Patty, Dr. Dre, Snoop Doggy Dog, Vince Gill, Bonnie Raitt, Boyz II Men, TLC, Blind Melon, DC Talk, Lenny Kravitz, Mozart, Bach

MOST ADMIRRED PEOPLE: Parents, Teachers, Rush, Jesus, Dr. Moradmand, Hillary Clinton



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ALWAYS IN STYLE: Hanging out with friends was always a favorite activity on campus this year. At top, Steven Jones, Joshua Clark, David Conkhal, Peter Chantfort and Will Smith met in the parking lot before class. Above, the spot where in the coming months a new building is planned.

- Being part of one college, three campuses
- Leading the way: Central Office
- Looking out for MGCCC: Board of Trustees
- Honoring excellence
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BULLDOG BRAVADO

was high for MGCCC football games. This page, clockwise from top left: A winner in the JCC marketing class's Beautiful Bulldog contest. Bulldog mascots kept spirits high at the homecoming pep rally. JC sophomores Billie Robinson painted a paw print on son Taylor's face prior to the JC Spirit Caravan. Opposite page, top: Can you find the President? Dr. Barry Mellinger, MGCCC President found himself in the middle of the JCC homecoming court when he hosted a reception in their honor. Back row, Jay Linscott, Jared Broadus, Dr. Mellinger, Gabe Pison, David Murray and Brent Dunaway. Front, Pam Walker, Kate Fountain, Ashleigh McCullough, April Eppstein and Michelle Manley. Bottom, MGCCC cheerleaders led the yell at the homecoming pep rally.



One college. Three campuses. Four centers. Four counties. Thousands of students. That's Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

The Central Office staff, led by President Dr. Barry Mellinger, kept MGCCC as a pacesetter among the educational leaders of the state, and often the nation.

Located on the Perkinston Campus, Central Office personnel coordinated curriculum and services among the campuses and centers, recognizing their differing student body characteristics, geographic locations and local factors while maintaining a single, institutional entity.

Jackson County Campus along with Jefferson Davis Campus in Gulfport and Perkinston Campus near Wiggins serves Jackson, Harrison, George and Stone Counties as mandated in a 1962 bill which created the Gulf Coast Junior College District. The District was a pilot program for the state, and one of the first in the nation to have one college, multiple branches.

You just have to be at MGCCC to know that The College brings higher education to the people for training and/or retraining to meet the needs of business and industry, enables young people to live at home, hold jobs and go to school, too, and brings cultural as well as academic enrichment to people of all ages.



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Administering a 12,000-student, seven-location, comprehensive community college is an extraordinary challenge. Therefore, College President Dr. Barry Mellinger, left, is assisted by the Executive Council.



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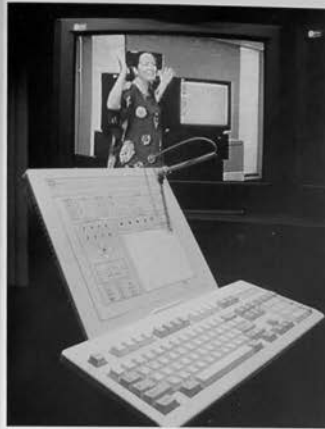
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Perkinson Campus language arts instructor Brenda Baty tries out new technology in the Community College Network classroom.



Mississippi community colleges jumped on the information highway last July when the Community College Network debuted.

With CCN comes access to Internet and worldwide communication at every community college in the state.

In the CCN classroom, two cameras are mounted on the walls and television monitors are placed in the front and back of the room. From the network platform area, the instructor controls the cameras and directs them toward students using audio response pads at their desks.

Although the primary function of CCN is to provide health care instructional services to rural Mississippi, the applications are endless. From continuing education for teachers at all levels to teleconferencing for area business and industry, CCN provides cost-effective, efficient and accessible education to Mississippians.

CCN is a project of the Mississippi Rural Health Care Corps and is coordinated through the Mississippi Community College Foundation. MGCCC is the first community college to have multi-campus links to the network. ■

Community colleges re-engineer Mississippi's work force

A global, technology-based, and human resource driven economy is confronting the Mississippi Gulf Coast, our state, our nation and our world. The Workforce and Education Act of 1994 is Mississippi's response to meeting the challenges of a world economy.

Passed in both houses without a dissenting vote, the act re-engineers workforce preparation in our state. At the heart of the legislation is Mississippi's community colleges. They have forged an unprecedented partnership with business and industry—a merger which will build an internationally competitive work force in Mississippi.

The MGCCC Workforce Development Council, a team of local business and industry leaders, collaborates with the college in the development training that connects people with jobs.

The legislation also calls for the creation of a "one-stop" service concept for employers, employees, job-seekers and students. MGCCC is out front in implementing this concept and is developing three Educational Services Centers (ESC), one at each campus. Envisioned as a welcome/orientation center, the ESC is the starting spot for any local resident who needs training, retraining, or a job. For business/industry, the center will perform job analysis, testing, pre-employment training, literacy train-

ing and customized skills training. In addition, it will provide local economic development groups with a meeting place to promote regional economic development.

Neil Murray, executive assistant for Development, will lead MGCCC workforce development efforts. At the campus level, Workforce Development directors coordinate county efforts. They are Ric Williams, Perkinson Campus (serving Sissie and George counties), Mason Gordon, Jefferson Davis Campus (serving Harrison County), and Dr. Mary Graham, Jackson County Campus (serving Jackson County). ■

Instructors of the Year Going one step further for students

DR. NOEL MANN — "Teachers should teach, and students should learn" has been the foundation of my philosophy of education. If either of those two things don't happen, then little, if any, of the educational process matters," says Mann, an instructor at the Perkinston Campus for 17 of his 20-year teaching career.

Mann's career started rolling in 1968 when he graduated from Mississippi Delta Community College. He received his bachelor's and master's degrees from Delta State University. In 1980, he received a doctorate in philosophy from the University of Southern Mississippi.

Dr. Noel Mann, Perkinston Campus science instructor



SARAH MULVANEY — Twenty-seven years ago, Mulvaney graduated from the Jefferson Davis Campus of MGCCC with an associate's degree in secretarial training. Today, she teaches the course as part of the Administrative Office Services Program at the West Harrison County Occupational Training Center.

Mulvaney received her master's degree (with a 4.0 GPA) in industrial vocational education from USM in 1988. She keeps busy in the American Vocational Association and Mississippi Association of Vocational Educators. She is also sponsor of Phi Beta Lambda at West Harrison and serves

Sarah Mulvaney, West Harrison Center secretarial training instructor



FAYE JONES — "Instructors and students share a vital role in discovering ideas and improving society," says Jones, sociology instructor at the Jackson County Campus.

Involved in such organizations as the Mississippi Faculty Association (MFA), Kappa Kappa Iota, the National Association of Female Executives, the Southern Sociological Association, the state MFA Board, and the Editorial Review Board — Collegiate Press, Jones is also involved in several campus activities, including blood drives and the Drug Committee. A legislative correspondent and Staff Development coordinator, she represented MGCCC at

the 1994 Higher Education Appreciation Day — Working for Academic Excellence. A graduate of Mississippi College and Mississippi State University, Jones has earned such honors as Two Thousand Notable American Women, Teacher of the Year and the Jackson County Campus Student Council Spirit Award. ■

Faye Jones, Jackson County Campus sociology instructor



MGCCC students, programs make the grade

It's not hard to find high achievers at MGCCC. You may find them in a classroom studying or in a classroom teaching. Read on to see what a few of these stand-outs have accomplished this year.

You don't have to search for talent at MGCCC; it's around every corner. From academics to sports, it's all here.

First, there's the Higher Education Appreciation Day — Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE). Representing MGCCC this year were Jackson County Campus sophomore Kate Fountain and Jefferson

Davis Campus science instructor Dr. Sheila Brown. The Mississippi Legislature holds this event each year and honors over 75 outstanding Mississippi college students and instructors.

Also making the news this year was the Phi Theta Kappa All-Mississippi Academic Teams for Community and Junior Colleges.

Among the 10 named to the

First Team were Kate Fountain and Darlene Gray, Perkinston Campus sophomore. Selected to the Second Team were Cynthia English, JD Campus; Kristen Hronek, JC Campus; and Kristi Kibby, Perkinston Campus. Patricia K. Bahn, JD Campus, made the Third Team.

Another newsmaker was the December graduation of the Jackson County Youth Leader-

ship class. This was the second group to finish the program.

This is only a sampling of excellence at work at MGCCC. Next year promises to be even bigger, with these same programs gaining in popularity and technological innovations making it easier for MGCCC students to get education and training. ■



December 1994 graduates of the Jackson County Youth Leadership program included Jackson County high school seniors, front, from left, Carlos Eugene Moore, Christopher Shane Presley, Andrew Philip Marsaca and school seniors, front, from left, are Maxie Marie Sikora, Veronica Benita Brown, Kristi Mechelle Hipp, Matthew Miles Bowman. Back, from left, are Marlene Elizabeth Curet, Charla Jeanette Jeter, Carolyn Ramsey Shoemaker, Kelly Renee Pitato, Kathleen Davis Savage, Jerica Courtney Lockhart and Jennifer Lynn Craft.

MGCCC President Dr. Barry Mellinger, right, joins HEADWAE representatives Kate Fountain, JC Campus sophomore (left) and Dr. Sheila Brown, JD Campus science instructor, at the state capitol.

ABOVE LEFT: Six MGCCC students were selected to this year's Phi Theta Kappa All-Mississippi Academic Teams for Community and Junior Colleges. From left are Patricia K. Bahn, Kristen Hronek, Kate Fountain, Dr. Barry Mellinger, MGCCC president, Darlene Gray and Kristi Kibby. Not pictured is Cynthia English.

The family of Hall of Fame inductee Lenny Sawyer Jr. enjoy a day of homecoming activity. From left are son Lenny Sawyer III, at MGCCC, son-in-law George Duro, daughter Sandy Duro, wife Earline, Lenny Sawyer Jr., and parents Anne Jane and Lemuel Sawyer Sr.

CENTER LEFT: Lenny Sawyer Jr., right, and 1983 Hall of Fame inductee Davis Montanese share a few moments together at the Hall of Fame luncheon.

CENTER RIGHT: Enjoying a homecoming reunion are 1945 college class members. From left, Evelyn Engstrom, Barnett, Sarah Simms, Fayard, Doris McGowan, Barnett, Doris, the Hague, Glaser, Jo, Frances Johnson, McQuinn, Kathleen Harvey Stephens, Charles "Daisy" Stevens, General Toler, Ruch, Nava Foster Nolan, Eva Houston Jones and Elizabeth A. Weeks.

HOMECOMING

An alumnus of the Perkinson Campus (1963) and the Jefferson Davis Campus (1965-66), Lemuel "Lenny" S. Sawyer is sole owner of Sawyer Real Estate in Gulfport, a business begun by his grandfather, Roy Anderson, in 1901. At homecoming 1994, he was inducted into the MGCCC Alumni Hall of Fame.

Lenny Sawyer has made the most of what the Coast has to offer, from developing shopping center projects for Wal-Mart and Delchamps to working in the gaming industry. In 1993, he was named director of Real Estate and Gaming Acquisition for Stations Casino in Las Vegas. His territory is any place in the United States where gaming is legalized.

Though Sawyer spends most of his time cross-country, his home base remains the Mississippi Gulf Coast, where his business has grown to two offices and 19 salespeople. "I didn't get where I am today without a whole lot of people bringing me to this party," he says. "I have a great family and a great wife. I would not be near where I am today if I didn't have the support of Earline (his wife of 29 years)."

Since 1986, Sawyer has been sole owner of the business; however, it's still very much a family affair. Earline helps manage the office, and his mother, two brothers and a sister work in the business, which includes real and insurance.

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Members of the 1935 class, from left, Claude "Bill" Ryan and Louis Frederic, at the Hall of Fame luncheon on homecoming day.



Checking out the MGCCC Archives display during homecoming are, from left, Archives curator Charlie Sullivan, MGCCC Board of Trustees 1st vice chair Dr. Frank Gruich, and Foundation board of directors member Dolores Mauldin.



Danny Fore, left, and David Mills, members of the 1984 national championship MGCCC football team, relive their sports memories during a homecoming reunion.



1994 homecoming queens for the three campuses of MGCCC include, from left, Kate Fountain, Jackson County Campus; Nikki Winland, Perkinson Campus; and Janel Parker, Jefferson Davis Campus.



Dr. Clyde Strickland



Glen Cadie



Curtis Davis

Perkinson MGCCC campus vice president (pictured second) received the Rose Queen trophy during the Hall of Fame luncheon. Dr. Clyde Strickland, retired from the Perkinson Campus in December 1990, the spent 30 years at the Hall of Fame. 13 of those as campus vice president. Dr. Strickland, who served as administrator most of the 30 years he was with the college and served as vice president of the Jefferson Davis Campus in December 1981, was an administrator most of the 30 years he was with the college and served as vice president of the Jackson County Campus, he retired in December 1991.

Homecoming brings season-ending win

Gulf Coast takes a one-point win over Co-Lin, ends season at 4-6

Gulf Coast celebrated homecoming on Nov. 5 in Perkinston with a season-ending defeat of the Co-Lin Wolves. The 15-14 win improved the Bulldogs to 4-6 overall season record.

Early in the fourth quarter, J.C. Arban's Bulldogs trailed 14-7. Gulf Coast's rally began when quarterback Nicky Savoie of Cut Off, La., hit Pascagoula's Paul Plainer with a 15-yard touchdown pass. Savoie's pass to Anthony Skinner of Patter-

son, La., ended with the game-winning two-point conversion.

Gulf Coast had a 7-0 lead in the second quarter, thanks to a 9-yard run by Skinner.

In other football action, six Gulf Coast players played on the All Star South team in 1994. Players included Anthony Skinner, Steve Smith, Terrance Hill, Nicky Savoie, Paul Plainer and Paul Gainer.

Team captains for the year included Smith, Mark High and Sa-

voie. Most Valuable Players included Skinner, Joel Barrios, James Bell, Jacob Cooper and George Sullivan.

Named to the All State, first offensive team, were High, Smith and Skinner. Plainer and Savoie made the second offensive team while Hill made the first defensive team. ■

For three seasons, J.C. Arban has led the Gulf Coast Bulldogs. He's assisted by Steve Nagy, Chris Calcutte, Ode Burrell and Jeff Davis.



Offensive back Anthony Skinner looks for the ball while his Bulldog teammates pull down an opponent.

Quarterback Nicky Savoie made a good showing for the Bulldogs this year, earning such honors as team captain, MVP, All State and All Star.



Kevin Gooden battles a Meridian player at the net.

Tourney losses cut roundball season short

Basketball season at Gulf Coast ended in February after the Bulldogs lost in the South Division Tournament held at East Central.

Opening night found Greg Holmes' Lady Bulldogs taking a 69-53 loss to Co-Lin's Lady Wolves. Youthe Robinson of Biloxi scored 20 points for Gulf Coast, which ended the season at 7-19.

The following night, Gulf

Coast men, led by Bob and Wendell Weathers, lost to Co-Lin 86-75, finishing the season at 14-11. Ira Newble of Southfield, Mich., led Gulf Coast with 20 points. Kevin Gooden of Gulfport added 16, including three 3-pointers. ■



Lady Bulldog Vicky Hall looks for an open teammate.

Returners bring high hopes to Bulldog diamond

Not much has changed for the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College Bulldog baseball team. Five position players are back, and the pitching staff remains the same. And at press time, the Bulldogs stood at 23-5.

All this adds up to high hopes for coach Cooper Farris' Bulldogs, who ended 1994 at 33-17, with 35 team home runs.

All-Star candidate Avery Youngblood of Biloxi is back at first base. Last season he hit .400, with 11 home runs and 50 RBIs. He's backed by Pascagoula's Bart Culpepper, who hit .380 in 1994, with four home runs as the designated hitter.

Other key players for the Bulldogs include Pascagoula's Brandon Cox at second base and Ocean Springs' Jarrod Weems at third. Damian Scioneaux of New Orleans returned at centerfield, while Pascagoula's Chris Havard, backed by Pascagoula's Shannon Poole, is back as catcher. Tommy Brewer, Robby

Piper, Jody Broom, Pascagoula's Justin Russell and George County's Marty Howell make up the pitching staff. Rounding out the staff are freshmen Mark Hathcock of Gulfport, Doug Thompson of Biloxi, Brandon Jones of Pascagoula and Jason Page of Ocean Springs.

"We have a lot of guys who can throw 88-89. This is the best set of arms that we've ever had," Farris continues.

"We have to be focused on winning and only winning. They have to maintain intensity every time out. If they do this, then we should have a good season," Farris adds.



George County's Marty Howell resumes his place on the mound for 1995.



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LEFT: Cooper Farris, now in his sixth season at Gulf Coast, has led Bulldog baseball to four South Division titles, an NJCAA Region 23 championship and an NJCAA Eastern District championship.

ABOVE: All-Star candidate Avery Youngblood is back at first base. Last year, he hit .400 with 11 home runs and 50 RBIs.

Gulf Coast gets busy with spring sports

Springtime brings flurry of sports events, coaches ride the tide to another big year

Once baseball season got underway, other spring sports at Gulf Coast geared up for a new season.

Men's and women's tennis kicked off in February, with second-year coach Charles Spence leading the way. Tom Friscia is back as the men's No. 1 singles player, while

Joanna Velky takes that same spot on the women's team.

Charles Cooper, who retired in December 1994 as Perkinson Campus director of admissions, returned this season as golf coach. Last season, Gulf Coast finished second behind Hinds Community College in the State/Region 23 Tournament. How-

ever, three Gulf Coast golfers competed in the National Junior College Athletic Association Tournament in Greensboro, N.C. They included Ronnie Seymour, Greg Nordstrom and Jason Seal.

Third-year coach Steve Nagy leads the Lady Bulldogs in 1995, and Ode Burrell and Chris Calcote begin

their second year as track coaches at Gulf Coast.

Last year marked the first time in four years that Gulf Coast included track in its sports offerings. Fourteen Gulf Coast students hit the track and field in 1994. The team finished third in the state track meet, following Hinds and Jones.

Finishing as the No. 3 track team in the state for 1994 were, from left, Gordon McDonald, Steve Smith, Terrance Hill, Carlos Lott and Pete Crutchfield (manager). Back, from left, are Shane Smith, Eddie Graham, Adrian Lawrence, Sanchez Turner and George Sullivan.



Members of the 1995 tennis teams include, front, from left, Steven Pascua, Phillip Owen, Patrick Martin and Tom Friscia. Back, from left, are Chris Cowart, Patti Robison, Harry Ledbetter, Brandi Packard and Becky Edwards.

Priceless Performers

The Band of Gold has performed in and around the community for more than half a century.

Organized during the mid-1930s, the band has 137 members and has participated in several band exhibitions, including the Deep South Marching Festival in Mobile, Ala., and marching exhibitions in Theodore, Ala., and Gulfport. In 1993, the group performed at the Senior Bowl in Mobile. Other band performances are held at concerts, football and basketball games, and Christmas and

Mardi Gras parades.

Band members attend an annual two-week camp held in August on the Perkinston Campus. Practicing in the summer heat for over 12 hours a day, five days a week, is just the beginning of a year filled with dedicated practice. Throughout the school year, the band and Perkettes Dance Team practice eight hours a week.

The Band of Gold is directed by David Dueitt. He is assisted by Kathleen Braun, Perkettes director, and David Allen, assistant band director. ■

A two-week band camp held each August, plus eight hours of practice each week throughout the year, make for a polished Band of Gold show.



Total concentration and hard work pay off for Band of Gold members. Every performance ends with a tremendous round of applause, leaving the crowd wanting more.

Dazzlin' Dancers

A major part of the Band of Gold is the Perkettes Dance Team. Formed by band director Sam Jones in the 1950s and now directed by Kathleen Braun, dance team members are required to take a dance class (modern, tap, jazz or ballet) which meets twice a week during the fall and spring semesters. The group also attends the two-week band camp held in August on the Perkinston Campus. ■



The Perkettes Dance Team, performing here during halftime at a Gulf Coast basketball game, rev up football games, parades and other events with their sleek look and high-energy routines.



Dr. Barry Mellinger, far left, MGCC president, presents the tournament trophy, plus \$100 each, to members of the Estabrook Ford golf team, low gross first place winners in the sixth annual Showcase Golf Tournament. With Mellinger are, from left, Jeff Jennings, West-hill Family Golf in Hattiesburg; James A. Bryan, sales representative, Estabrook Ford in Lucedale; Terry Grace, service manager, Estabrook Ford in Lucedale; and Dallas "Sonny" Whitfield III, independent contractor.

Tournament, campaign go over the top

Over six years, the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College Showcase Golf Tournament has raised about \$40,000. In just three years, the college's Building On Our Heritage Campaign has reached its \$1 million base goal and is heading for the \$1.5 million challenge goal. All this benefits the college, its students, its programs, its facilities and much more.

Last October at Wiggins' Pine Burr Country Club, a host of golfers came out for the Showcase Tournament, which also included a tennis tourney this year. Over \$9,500 was brought in for MGCCC student scholarships.

In the campaign, several goals have been met, including the faculty/staff campaign base goal of \$100,000; \$350,000 for the Alumni and Friends Campaign, which included Stone and George counties and is headed by Davis Mortensen, executive vice president—building products for Georgia-Pacific; \$100,000 in Stone County, with efforts led by Bank of Wiggins President Jim Rabbay; and \$250,000 in Jackson County, which, led by International Paper—

Moss Point Mill's Ed Locke, exceeded its goal.

The Harrison County Campaign, headed by Coast realtor Lenny Sawyer Jr., continues toward its \$250,000 goal. Also, the Corporate/ Foundation Campaign has raised over \$120,000.

Joining in the campaign this past year were Tim Hinkley, general manager of Isle of Capri Casino; W. James Threadgill Jr., division president, Gulf Coast division, Bank of Mississippi; and the MGCC Association of Educational Office Professionals, which established a scholarship for business and office technology majors.

Campaign funding priorities include instructional program development; nursing and health-related program support; faculty/staff and organizational development; student scholarship and student development; endowment funds; institutional advancement program; and campus enhancement and renovation of facilities. ■



John Harmond, right, president and CEO of First National Bank of Wiggins, visits with Dr. Barry Mellinger after announcing FNB's \$8,000 contribution to MGCCC's Building On Our Heritage fund-raising campaign. The bank's contribution pushed the Stone County Campaign over its \$100,000 goal.

Miss America 1995 delivers special message Perk visit just one stop on Heather Whitestone's year-long agenda

Last October Heather Whitestone, Miss America 1995, made a special appearance at the Perkinston Campus of Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

Whitestone's appearance included a press conference, reception and a signed interpretation to music, which she performed before a packed house in Malone Fine Arts Auditorium. The performance was prior to the Perk Players' presentation of William Gibson's "The Miracle Worker," the true story of Alabama native Helen Keller — blind, deaf and mute since she was 18 months old.

Like Keller, the 21-year-old Whitestone is an Alabama native, making her home in Birmingham, when she's not traveling across America promoting her platform, "Youth Motivation: Anything is Possible." Whitestone, who has been profoundly deaf since she was 18 months old, is a proficient lip reader and an articulate speaker.

Whitestone, an accomplished ballerina, appeared at the invitation of Daisha Walker, Perkinston Campus speech and theatre instructor. She asked Whitestone to appear in honor of the Perk Players and sponsor/fine arts chair, Kathryn Lewis. For 25 years, the Perk Players has taken an active role in children's theatre, with production themes such as building self-esteem, environmental issues, sexual abuse, cultural differences, drug and alcohol abuse, and deaf awareness and education, Walker explains.

During Whitestone's appearance, she discussed her platform and her STARS Program (Success Through Action and Realization of your dreamS).

"The five points of a star itself have continually reminded me that the essential elements to achieving success are to have a positive attitude; to believe in your dream, especially education, which is a dream all Americans share; to face your obstacles, no matter how great; to work hard; and to build a support team," Whitestone says.

Whitestone's college career was put on hold after she won the title last September. A junior at Jacksonville State University in Alabama, a member of Phi Eta Sigma Honor Society and a recipient of a \$37,000 Miss America Scholarship, she plans to return to college after her reign is over. She hopes to be a certified public accountant and to teach dance to young children.

Whitestone serves on the Governor's Task Force for the Deaf and Hard-of-Hearing, and President Clinton has named her to the President's Committee on the Employment of People with Disabilities.

Local community sponsors for Whitestone's appearance included McDonald's Coast Magazine/Business; Jeff, Rosanne and Morgan Bell; Bank of Wiggins; First National Bank — Wiggins; and the Harrison County Tourism Commission. ■



Heather Whitestone, Miss America 1995, made a special appearance at the Perkinston Campus of Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College on Oct. 21, 1994. She appeared at the invitation of Daisha Walker, left, speech and theatre instructor at the Perkinston Campus. Kathryn Lewis, right, is fine arts chair at the Perkinston Campus.

Heather Whitestone discusses her platform, "Youth Motivation: Anything is Possible," during a press conference in Perkinston last October. Her visit to the Perkinston Campus coincided with the Perk Players' presentation of "The Miracle Worker."

