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Our queen, Angie Echols,
as she receives her crown.



The spectacular band performance at our homecoming game.

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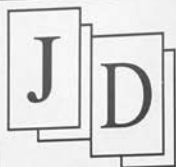


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STUDENT

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A pensive moment of concentration



Freshmen socialize before sociology class begins.



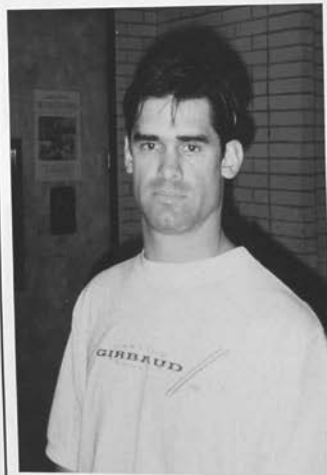
Bernadette takes a break before class.



Students frequently meet in the Student Activity Center.



Chris, Christy, and the 10:00am gang.



You want to argue?



What's the word? ... Enigmatic? ...



Photos by appointment only!

Reserving tickets for the fall dramatic production is a JD tradition.



A montage of activity:

I wasn't ready! ... Mrs. June Bounds busy at her desk.

Say Cheese! Ms. McCary shows her spirit on Hat and Sunglasses day.



Lost in thought ...

Students joke around before an intense hour of Business Law.



L I F E &

Halloween shows JD's spirit.



Relaxing in the sun - a common JD pastime.



I'm not a devil, I just look like one!



You wouldn't believe me if I told you!

T I M E S



A well deserved study break gives these students a reason to smile.



Cheers! Left to right: Jen Scafidi, Peggy West, Dorothy Knight, Carol Holly, Joan Fitch, Betty O'Brian. Seated: Bill Therrell.



Look me in the eye and say that!

Wild thing, you make my heart sing.



The students at JD began the fall semester on August 23, 1995. Since then, they have faced many challenges and triumphs that have made JD more of a learning experience. Together, these students reflect the image and the essence of The Jefferson Davis Campus.



Students voice their thoughts:

"I have learned how to manage my classes."

Kevin Felsher



"I have tried hard to achieve a good GPA, so that I can transfer to USM."

Rashmi Patel



"I just moved here, and JD has introduced me to a lot of new people."

Julie Roberts

"I got all A's and a B at midterm."

Wayne Robinson



HOMECOMING



October 21, 1995, marked the celebration of homecoming. One of our biggest annual events, homecoming always brings joy to students and faculty. Each of the three Gulf Coast Campuses selected its own maids and queens. All the members of the homecoming court then came together at the Perkinston Campus to take part in the ceremony before the game. For Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College, homecoming represented a union of three extremely diverse campuses; all joined together to celebrate the schools' heritage and future.

Featured are the maids from all three campuses: Jefferson Davis, Jackson County, and Perkinston.





Ms. Mary Ann McArthur, homecoming queen of 1965.

Ms. Mary Ann McArthur and her escort.



In 1965, she became the first homecoming queen to grace the Jefferson Davis Campus. Her poise, elegance, and beauty have since then served as a standard for queens of today. Ms. Mary Ann McArthur left homecoming not just a tradition, but a legacy.



Ms. Echols receiving her title.

1995 homecoming queen, Angie Echols.



The dance and display of contestants show their spirit at the Spirit Week contest.



Pajama Day brings out the School Pride of Melody Nanes.



Stuffed Animals emphasized Pajama Day among the contestants.



He-Haw Day winner, Bob Neale, displays his first prize.





Diane Hermann and her escort during the homecoming festivities.



Katrina Price and her escort during the ceremony.

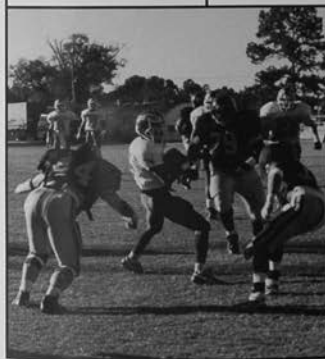
Representing our sophomore class is maid Diane Elizabeth Hermann.



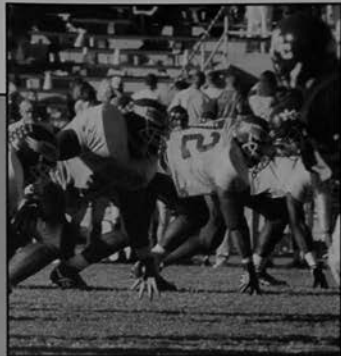
Representing our sophomore class is maid Katrina C. Price.



A disappointing miss for the Bulldogs.



The Hinds team proves to be tough competition.



The first quarter looks promising for the team.

The crowd watches in awe as the Bulldogs take on Hinds.





Representing our freshman class is maid Michelle Lynn Veglia.

Michelle Veglia and her escort during the festivities at the Perkinson Campus.



Representing our sophomore class is maid Bonnie K. Hazen.

Bonnie Hazen and her escort during the homecoming ceremony.



Check out the Pajama Day winners for Spirit Week, 1995.



Country dancing is Ms. Janet Smith's true talent.



Sophomore Bob Neale adds new perspectives to his hat.

"Homecoming meant I could dress crazy for a week!"

Bob Neale



Hats off to all contest winners.



Mrs. Mary Bailey's winning smile!



The Bulldog's spirit shines through our homecoming collage.

Homecoming wouldn't be complete without #86.



MOCCC band begins the homecoming parade.

El, El O and on that farm . . .

SOPHOMORE CLASSES





Glen Agustin
Andre Archanfaul
Christina Baines
Mary Barnes



Zachary Beckstrom
Kim Bischof
Mandy Bishop
Christina Blouin



Antoine Boyd
Pamela Brieland
Yokeshu Calmes
Mary Carama



Scott Cathey
Jackie Collier
Danielle Cronin
John Cucuzza



Myra Cuevas
Thomas Davis
Kari Diaz
Lisa Dickerson



The band presents our homecoming display.



Wendy Dunlap
Cindy English
Judy Entekin
Michael Entekin



Gina Forseca
Angel Gary
John Griffith
Tiffany Haas



Melissa Harveston
Bonnie Hazen
Monona Head
Dianne Hermann



Judy Hicks
Dottie Holt
Essie Hunter
Leslie Hunter



Twilla Hunter
Todosii Jackson
James Jenkins
Sammy Jewell



Spectators at our homecoming game.

Building's offensive player misses the ball by only a few yards.

Evaline Johnson
Justine Johnson
Kelli Kingston
Shelly Kopszywa



Jamie Korn
Christy Krivanec
Ted Landry
Shannon Laughrey



Wendy Lawson
Kim Le
Phuong Le
Sally Lefavre



Karen Lewis
Sabrina Lewis
Nhan Luong
Maxine Mason



Eustacia McElroy
Amy Merlau
Stephanie Mitchell
Richard Moody



The band before the homecoming ceremony.



Robert Neale
Hieu Nguyen
Maureen Norris
Elizabeth Nunes



Maria Ospina-Arbelaez
Zenaida Patrick
Jennifer Peterson
Jeff A. Powell



Aaron Raymond
Eddie Reamer
Rodric Riley
Virginia Rogers



Cindy Rough
Lhydra Sherwin
Cindy Sitzman
William Smith



Windy Sweetman III
Amanda Ta
Jim Tisdale
Carman Torres

Hands cheerleaders at homecoming



Emily Triplett
Adam Waits
Gerrie Weldon
Cecilia Wilkinson



Cynthia Wilkinson
Ray Wilkinson
Frances Wilson



Meeting in between classes helps break up the day.



O.K., but make it quick!



Sophomores decide on spring schedules.



FRESHMEN

Dina Agee
Rosezel Allen
Lynette Allman
Lance Allstun



Kimberly Andersen
Connie Anderson
Andrea Armstrong
Renei Aucoin



Mary Bailes
Sharon Baker
Doris Bartholomew
Valerie Battles



Myra Bibbs
Bernadette Bilanich
Bran Bishop
Audrey Blackston



Jason Boney
Brandy Bordelon
Cynthia Bouie
Angela Boykin



Robin Bracey
Tanjania Bradley
Deborah Brennan
Penny Broussard



Debra Buchanan
Victoria Buckheiser
Tanisha Buckley
Hong Bui



Paul Calligan Jr.
Lonnald Carter
Kenya Casey
Michael Castain



Rachael Cherota
Jeannie Clark
Kimberly Crum
Ruth Cruse



Evelyn Deeks
Drema Duncan
Brandy Dyess
Melanie Enmons



Michael Faggert
Winston Fairley
Darrin Flynn
Shelley Fos



Elizabeth Frisancho
Charles Galloway
Danny Gianelloni
Leah Graham



Katrina Griffith
Nathan Griffith
Conrina Hall
Natasha Hall



Raymond Hamilton
Angela Hampton
Ruth Harbaugh
Mae Alene Hartley



Diane Hines
Brenda Hollingsworth
Regina Hoover
Stacie Horst



Bobbie Hovey
Ronald Hudson
Tracy Humphrey
Jimmy Hurley



Tuan Huynh
Sachiyo Inari
Cynthia Jarrett
Brian Jensen



Jo Anne Johnson
Krislynn Johnson
True Johnson
Kelly Jordan



Daliance Kirkland
Beth Krohn
Jenny Krost
Chris Kucharzak



Krystal Kulesza
Kim Ladner
Lisa Ladner
Dianne LaFontaine



Andee Lakey
Celesta Lancon
Betty Langlois
Jennifer LeCompte



Heidi Lesley
Tamra Lewnau
Tom Mabry
Reginald Manning



Staffan Massey
Carol McLaurin
Sara Melton
Nora Menser



Charles Minshall
Farah Mohiuddin
Danyell Montgomery
Cynthia Mullinax



Wendy Nichols
Christy Nieves
Genevieve Newsome
Umut Ozturk



Deryl Parnell
James Pate
Bridget Peters
Cheryl Petraitis



Vivian Pullen
Tamika Quinn
Robyn Reiter
Sandy Robertson



Jose Rodriguez
Dawn Ross
Sheelah Saucier
Jamie Schaefer



Debra Seavey
Bonnie Seckso
Angela Self
Juan-Pablo Silva

Kelly Simoneaux
Melissa Slade
Alicia Sowell
Mandy Spatzer



Brian Stacy
Sheryl Steele
Tiffany Stogner
Brandi Sweetland



Kimberly Sweetman
Christine Switzer
Tania Tellier
Ben Tenn



Patricia Thompson
Venus Trotter
Michael Veglia
Patricia Vigil



Frankie Wade
Tammy Wallen
Dominion Webb
Lywanda White



Chris Williams
Darlene Wilson
Lloyd Wilt
Michael Wilt



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Jenny Barnes
Willie Barnett
Betty Bennett



"Coach" Bennett
Vicki Berry
Edna Boone
Leslie Breland



John Carter
Wayne Catlett
Mary Davidson
Charles Davis



Scott Davis
Elaine Dees
David Drye
Susan DuBois



Lee Emery
Elaine Eveland
Karen Fayard
Joan Fitch



Foster Flint
Bernice Gates
Becky Gatian
Bobbi Glass



Mason Gordon
Eddie Gray
Richard Henderson
Patricia Hensley



Diane Holleman
Carol Holley
Mary Holley
Patti Holloway



Diane Hoover
June Jefferson
Gwen Jones
Susan Kallas



Mary King
Dorothy Knight
David Knowles
Judith Krecker



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Martha Marion
Karia McCary



Colynn McDaniel
Maria McNally
Ann Mead
Dot Miller



Elvira Mitchell
Linda Mohseni
Jerry Morgan
Betty O'Brian



Linda Otis
Susan Pagano
Kimberly Peterman
Walton Pigott



Steve Roberts
Jean Scafile
Elaine Schmittling
Debbie Shows



Janet Smith
Nancy Sneed
Betty Stafford
R. L. Stafford



M. W. Thornton
Roxanne Towles
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Janie Walters

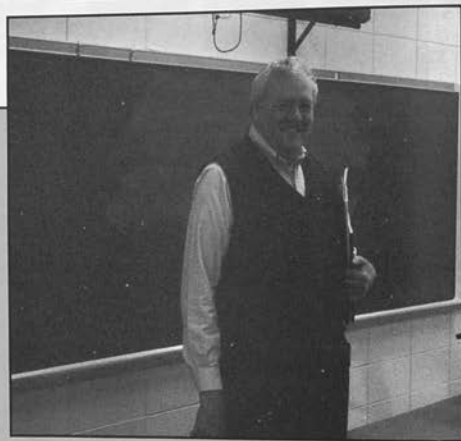


Sandra Weinberg
Marty Wiginton



INSTRUCTOR OF
THE

YEAR



The Jefferson Davis Campus was proud to honor Mr. William Therrell with the Teacher of the Year Award for his outstanding work as an educator. A History-Political Science major and graduate of Mississippi State University, Therrell has been teaching for thirty-four years. Twenty-nine of those years have been at Jefferson Davis.

"Teaching is a learning situation. One learns from other educators," but other teachers are only part of that learning process. The students are the other half of an educator's learning experience. Therrell believes that students planning a career in education should do so but should major in a specific field.

Therrell admits to enjoying the sight of excellent students succeeding. A strong belief in his work as well as in his students proves to be an excellent combination. Such dedication and belief in his classes reflect his perspective on teaching. This creates positive results with his students as well as outstanding success throughout the learning process for both Therrell and his students. For Therrell, the most important aspect of his job is teaching: for his students, it is success.

Mr. Bill Therrell in American Government class.

West Harrison

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We've Come A Long Way Baby!

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Industrial Drafting Technology

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Learning Center

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Sarah Mulvaney



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Gary Shirley



Stanley Smith



Jessie Stiver



Thomas Stopson



Vaughn Thacker



Bill Towles



J. Wenzel

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S. Bradley



C. Buccola



J. Busillo



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R. Lykins



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J. Morrie



C. Nelson



H. Nguyen



M. Oliver



H. Reynolds



S. Romain



M. Skellie



P. Tustin



J. Windham

WRITING CONTEST

Donna Crosby of Gulfport won second place for her informal essay entry. Other winners (not pictured) include, Andrew Coleman of Diamondhead and Teresa Atchley of Biloxi, who took first and third place, respectively.

Winners in the Haiku category include, from left, Gordon Stoeffler of Saucier, first place; Richie Robbins of Gulfport, second place; and Rachel Quave-Blackwell of Gulfport, third place. For those unaware, Haiku is an unrhymed Japanese lyric poem with a fixed three-line, seventeen-syllable form.



AWARD WINNERS

Winners in the short story category include, from left, Theresa Miles of Gulfport, first place; and Melissa Grass of Waveland, third place. Vicki Aregard of D'Iberville (not pictured) took second place.

Winners in the poetry category include, from left, Rachel Quave-Blackwell of Gulfport, first place; Gordon Stoeffler of Saucier, second place; and Harry Ledbetter of Biloxi, third place.



HALL OF FAME

Martha A. Armbruster
Valerie L. Battles
Robin T. Bennett
Lois Elise Boren
David L. Breland

Marcy A. Geary
Talia S. Gunter
Linda D. Hanggi
Mary M. Hernandez
Dianne E. Herrmann

Patricia B. Houseman
Farah Mohiuddin
Robert J. Neale
Thomas F. Nelson, Jr.
Wendy A. Nichols

Hernandez Perez
Jean B. Pfarrer
Jason P. Rhoades
Susan R. Scifres
Linda Scott

Cindy J. Sitzman
Tommie L. Staten
Donna J. Wahl
Gerrie Ann Weldon
Christopher M. Williams

WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN JUNIOR COLLEGES

Carol Renee Atkins, Ocean Springs
David L. Breland, Biloxi
Debra E. Buchanan, Waveland
Amy Byrd, Long Beach
Jeanette Ferreira, Gulfport
Angel R. Gary, Biloxi
Talia S. Gunter, Long Beach
Linda D. Hanggi, Gulfport
Dianne E. Herrmann, Gulfport
Patricia B. Houseman, Biloxi
Sheila M. Jimerson, Ocean Springs
Stefanie F. Johnson, Biloxi
Monique Kovacs, Biloxi
Farah Mohiuddin, Gulfport
Kathy G. Moore, Pass Christian

Robert J. Neale, Long Beach
Wendy A. Nichols, Gulfport
Rosa Maria Payne, Gulfport
Hernandez Perez, Biloxi
Jason P. Rhoades, Gulfport
Susan R. Scifres, Gulfport
Linda Scott, Gulfport
Cindy J. Sitzman, Biloxi
Tommie L. Staten, Picayune
Donna J. Wahl, Lakeshore
Gerrie Ann Weldon, Biloxi
Christopher M. Williams, Long Beach
Scott A. Tuttle, Biloxi
Toni S. Walker, Pass Christian

W H O 'S WHO



Mr. Jefferson Davis, Sophomore, Bob Neale.



Miss Jefferson Davis, Sophomore, Angie Echols.



Mr. and Miss Jefferson Davis, Bob Neale and Angie Echols.



Boy most likely to succeed, Toby Highnote



Girl most likely to succeed, Patricia Tisdale



Boy and Girl most likely to succeed, Toby Highnote and Patricia Tisdale



Friendliest girl, Mary Hernandez



Freshman beauty, Maria Clark

Freshman beauty, Bernadette Bilancich

Freshman beauties, Maria Clark and Bernadette Bilancich.



Freshman favorite boy, Michael Faggert.

Freshman favorite girl, Linda Gibson.

Sophomore Beau, Toby Hightower





Right to Left: Sophomore Beaus, Toby Highnote, Darrin Flynn, and Bob Neale



Right to Left: Sophomore beauties, Angel Gary, Dianne Herman, and Kay Redmond



Sophomore favorite girl, Angela Hollins



Best dressed girl, sophomore, Kay Redmond



Sophomore beauty, Dianne Herman



Sophomore beauty, Angel Gary

The 1995-1996 Who's Who group



Mr. Jefferson Davis and Boy most likely to succeed, Toby Highnose
Freshman Beau, Dustin Flynn



Miss Jefferson Davis and 1995 homecoming queen, Angie Echiles



Students who were elected to be the 1995-1996 Who's Who are among JD's best students. These students represent the spirit and the nature of the Jefferson Davis Campus. They all take great pride in their campus and their involvement in the school. The 1995-1996 Who's Who were nominated by JD students and then were elected by the student body.

Editor's Note

I would especially like to thank Ms. Denise Daniel, Bob Neale, and Dianne Herrman for their help with the Who's Who section of the book.

—Farah Mohiuddin



The demo squad at the Broadwater Hotel demonstrating their experiments for the Mississippi Science Teachers Association.



T H E



D E M O

S Q U A D

From left to right:
Darrin Flynn, Ms.
Young (Spinner),
Cindy Sizman, Kevin
Flynn, Kyle
Spraberry, Dawn
Ross, and Farah
Mohiuddin.



Ms. Cheryl Buccola, winner of the Rufus T. Jones Scholarship.



Ms. Buccola as she looks over her business portfolio.

Phi Beta Lambda has given me the opportunity to prepare for a career in a business related field that I might not have been able to accomplish had I not had the experience of being a member and an officer of the organization. Having been a member, served on committees, and held two offices in PBL, I have established career goals for myself, strengthened my confidence in myself and developed confident leadership.

My future plans include becoming a member of Phi Beta Lambda's professional division, after I have completed my education. While pursuing my degree, I hope to campaign and hold a State Office position, and keep informed of all the latest technology available.

It is my belief that I possess the competitive spirit, competent business leadership, and self-confidence necessary to become a business leader of the future. My increasing understanding of the free enterprise and the impact of modern technology on today's businesses as well as my determination and initiative have enabled me to demonstrate the leadership ability to become an entrepreneur.

—Cheryl Buccola

STUDENT COUNCIL 1995-96



The Student Council played an integral part of student life at the Jefferson Davis Campus. Throughout the course of the school year, the student council coordinated many extra-curricular activities. In conjunction with the various clubs and programs on campus, the council provided help for many people on campus. In addition to the various service projects, such as blood drives, newspaper drives and the collection of Easter and Christmas donations, the student council also coordinates the Who's Who elections and the Spring Fling in April.

1995-96 Student Council: From left to right, standing, Bob Neale, Cindy Sitzman, Melody Nunes, Michael Faggert, Sheila Saucier. From left to right, sitting, Bonnie Hazen, Diane Herman, Kay Redmond and advisor, Denise Daniel.

TECHNOLOGY



LEARNING LAB



Erik Odom and Owen Baer study for chemistry in the lab.

Mississippi Gulf Coast
COMMUNITY COLLEGE



Connie studies using the learning lab resource materials.



Ms. Pat Hensley helps students understand math concepts using the computer.

Ms. Kay Bethea helps a student in the English lab.



Students listen to lectures on videotape.

THE LIBRARY

The library started off this year with a new beginning. The new, currently automated system replaced the old card catalog and Dewey Decimal systems. This change towards new technology has made the school year easier for the instructors and students alike.



Scotia reads during her spare time.



The new computer system is easier and quicker to use.



Chris Burns uses the library for reference materials in many of his classes.



Students studying in the library study section.



Student worker Grace Clayton stacks shelves in the library.



Physics instructor, Dr. Waldorf, refers to current journals.



Student Linnea Nofli studies for an algebra test.



Head librarian Charles Clark checks out books with the new automated system.



"The new automated system in the library enables students to get more involved in class."

—Anonymous



REFLECTIONS RECRUITING DAY



Gulfport high student, Tanya, and her friends take time out from their tour of the campus.



These soon-to-be JD students look like they'll show you who's boss.

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PHARMACY

TECHNICIANS



Open House: Lisa Fournier, instructor speaks with President of MOCCC, Dr. Barry Mellinger.

The new pharmacy technician program combines classroom instruction with labwork, and clinical experience. Its primary objective is to prepare students for employment as technicians. The course teaches students about pharmacy through an over view of drug classification, drug use and abuse.



Ms. Fournier encourages students to think both effectively and precisely.

Pharmacy students take an active role in participating in class activities.



Open house: Dr. Taylor and Mrs. Nell Murray.



Pharmacy technician students ponder upon challenging equations in class.



Pharmacy requires its students to be both accurate and interested in technology.

INTERPRETER TRAINING



Students enjoy learning the benefits of a "new language".

Part of the interpreter training program, Sam Shea, learns sign language.

With a two-year Associate of Applied Science degree, Gulf Coast Students can prepare to part of the ever-expanding field of American Sign Language.



Ms. Becky Glatian teaches the sign language program.



The Interpreter Training Program held at the Jefferson Davis campus this year teaches students how to interpret spoken English into American Sign Language and to translate American Sign Language into spoken English through role-playing and the use of video tapes. Training is given in transliteration and oral interpretation.

With a two-year Associate of Applied Science degree from Gulf Coast, students can prepare to be a part of this exciting and ever-expanding field. The primary goal of the program is to prepare students to become certified interpreters. However, certification is only awarded after evaluation by the National Registry of Interpreters of the Deaf, or the student can be screened through the Mississippi Quality Assurance Screening.

Students who graduate and receive certification or pass the Quality Assurance Screening will be eligible for a variety of positions in the medical, legal, mental health, and educational fields.



Mr. Charles Davis uses body language to get his point across.



A member of S.C.R.A.M. smiles while at their bake sale.



Students study in the cafeteria before night school.



The Art Club president stands behind the table of pottery which he and the other members made to sell.



Dr. Clinton Taylor, Vice President of the Board.



Key National Administrative Building

CRIMINAL



Officers, from left to right: Lisa Bliss, Public Relations; Michael Entekin, Sgt. at Arms; Monica Tillman, Public Relations; Barbara Hartnack, Secretary/Treasurer. Sitting: Justine Lizana, President. Not pictured: Janet Carns, Vice President.

The purpose of The Criminal Justice Association is made up of five objectives. They are: to promote a positive image of the MGCCC Criminal Justice Department and the majoring students of said department; to foster professionalism within the Association; to promote understanding and better communications between the Association and other such organizations of other institutions of higher education; to aid and encourage the concept of higher education in the field of criminal justice; and, to promote skills needed for employment in the various occupations available within the field of criminal justice.



CJA sponsor, Ms. Karla McCary, smiles for our photographer before dashing off to class.

JUSTICE



These students learn Juvenile Justice, a requirement for an associate degree in Criminal Justice.

Ms. McCary uses her "magic wand" to control her students.



MEMBERS

Stephanie Archuleta
Chantell Barnes
Lisa Bliss
Jesse "E" Bolin
Taniha Buckley
Bryan R. Busby
Joel Carns
Lori Ann Tice Chaney
Jacqueline D. Chastel
Michael Entekin
Kevin Felsher
Melody Rae Frye
Sara Garriga
Melville R. Girard, III
Pamela Grunsel
Barbara Lynn Hartnack
Sandra Le Haygood
Aldon Helms
Chris Jeffords
Larry Kirk
Shelly Lader
Andee E. Lakay
Sally Lefavre (Allen)
Justine Lizana
Lee Mende
Deana Meyer
Steve W. Northrop
Jamie Peterson
Leonard W. "Red" Porter
Derek Pritz
Kevin Purvis (KP)
Melinda Rayburn
Bob G. Record, Jr.
Justin Richards
Briana Stacy
Brandi Sweetland
Paul Taylor
Monica Tillman
Gregory D. White
Dennis Wright

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ASSOCIATION



Ms. Karla McCary isn't just CJA sponsor, she is also the instructor of the criminal justice courses at JD. Her classes, though insightful, are kept lively by her interesting stories. There is truly never a dull moment in any of her classes.



Ms. McCary shares a pleasant moment with students.



CJA president, Justine Lizana, finishes up some work while awaiting the arrival of Ms. McCary.

CLUBS AND

ORGANIZATIONS

BSU

BSU members await the arrival of other hungry members.



The BSU lunch encounter allows students to meet and share opinions.



These BSU Members show their talents by performing for students.



Students gather together to discuss ideas every Wednesday at noon.

The purpose of the Baptist Student Union is to provide college students with a Christian environment. BSU is a ministry sponsored by Baptists, but is open to all students. Each Wednesday, BSU hosts a lunch encounter, which provides a wonderful opportunity for fellowship with other students. They also offer many opportunities for discipleship, Bible study, worship, outreach, and ministry. BSU raises money for summer missions to send students all over the world. In addition to their local service projects, this organization also sends students on Spring Break Mission trips, which allows members to gain knowledge from other students, nationwide.

BAPTIST STUDENT

UNION



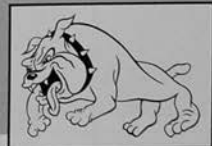
BSU members—Campus Director, Jackie Ball; Lisa Gero; Michelle Veglia; Eddie Reamer; DeeDee Hawley; Jennifer Brown; Wendy Lawton; Tim Thomas; Brian Hibbs; Brandi Packard; Sheila Saucier; Amy Shaw; Gayle Meaze; Bryan Gooch; Shannon Lewis; Jason Triplett; Robby Trent; Greg Woods; Susan Neidig; and Patrick Halstead.



Jason Triplett, Brian Hibbs, and Shannon Lewis offer their help volunteering.



Shannon Lewis, Jason Triplett, and Patrick Halstead inform other about BSU, on "Meet The Clubs" day.



V.I.C.A.

Vocational counselor Sandra Johnson welcomes new V.I.C.A. members.



Jerry "Rat" Mangrove tends to pressing work.



Who do you think is going to live in this house?



Vocational students: Laying the foundation, and learning the trade.



This guy looks like he knows what he's doing.



Think that smile meant he did something wrong.



A vocational student does a routine check under the hood of a truck.



Boy, those fumes can really get to someone, huh?



PTK sponsor, June Bailey and president Cindy Sitzman.



PTK officers Cindy Sitzman, Peyton, Lamke, Joanne Raybournne, Karroll Sovell, and Gerrie Weldon.



PTK — Old members and new ones.



Officers induct a new member into this prestigious organization during the fall 1995 initiation ceremony.



Peyton, Cindy, and Mary at the Phi Theta Kappa regional convention.



Emily, Farah, and Ricky at the flower sale.



Peyton, Cindy and Mr. Bailey at the international convention.

FINE ARTS



JD students prepare for the spring semester production of Agnes of God.



Fine Arts students sell tickets for the spring production.

The Jefferson Davis players continue to excel. The 1995 fall production of Arthur Girion's "Becoming Memories," was another huge success. The cast not only entertained Gulf Coast audiences, but also traveled to show their talents statewide.

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PLAYERS



Ms. Weatherley Green helped students to prepare backstage.



Amy Merlau, Bandy Welch and Amy in their roles for the spring performance.



Students in drama production prepare before opening night.

The Jefferson Davis Fine Art Department, under the head of Wayne Catlett, presents two shows annually. The fall and spring productions are huge successes and usually place at state and national theatre competitions.



Jose Rodriguez waits for the speeding ball to pass over the net.



Brian Holmes prefers to use his back hand when he's on the court.



TENNIS



Standing left to right: Juan Pablo Silva, Steven Pascua, Drew Spradley, Skip Ledbetter, Jose Rodriguez. Kneeling left to right: Phillip Owen, and Brian Holmes.



Standing left to right: Becky Edwards, Kimberly Blakeslee, Maria Davis, and Mary Swardacker. Kneeling left to right: Amber Leatherwood, and Natasha Herrington.

A NEW SEASON



Becky Edwards watches the ball soar past her opponent.



Phillip Owen shows how one's form should look while playing tennis.

With win after win, the tennis team of the Jefferson David Campus has soared to new heights. Thanks to the efforts of players like Juan Pablo Silva and Jose Rodriguez, the team even managed to accomplish a feat which had not been achieved in almost ten years; they beat their arch rival, Hinds Community College. This win brought on the public shaving of Coach Spence's head. The newly fleeced coach summed it up best when he stated, "It used to be state champions, you had to go through Hinds, first. Now you have to get through us."

Brian defies the law of gravity; maybe his nickname should be "Air Holmes."



NEW

HORIZONS



New Horizons sponsors, Ms. Elaine Dees and Ms. Edna Boone



Instructor Diane Hoover, hard at work

Ms. Edna Boone instructs horizons members.



The New Horizons Christmas party



New Horizons senior members.



New Horizons sponsor, Ms. Edna Boone

Members fundraise for Christmas events.



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CATHOLIC STUDENT UNION



The morning feast set up to honor St. Joseph.



Yvonne Jones, Co-founder of the Catholic Student Union.

History of the Altar

Whether the St. Josephs altar is an elaborate display at an elegant church or a humble table in a modest home, it is a deep reflection of the devotion to St. Joseph.

Yvonne Jones, and Sandra Earheart, and Juanita Newsome show off the marvellous baked goods at the altar.



The beauty of the altar shines.



The first St. Joseph Altar set up on the island of Sicily was a small one, of course. But as time went on and the tradition took hold, the flamboyant nature and the creative spirit of the Italians caused the altar to grow larger and become more ornate.

Today the artistic quality of the breads, cookies, and pastries, which are baked in such shapes as chalices, staffs and pyramids, often rivals the exquisite flavor of these food offerings.

The Jefferson David Catholic Student Union, founded by Yvonne Jones and Sandra Earheart, brought these age old traditions to light with their St. Josephs altar.

Student Education Association



S.E.A. members gather together to discuss important issues for education majors.



Katrina Griffith, S.E.A. member, takes a break from her traditional grammar, a requirement for education majors.



Patricia Tiladele recruits new students for S.E.A.



S.E.A. guest speaker Patti Papania.

CAREER CENTER

The career development center at the annual Christmas party.



The Career Center advisor helps students with career options.



Students gain more knowledge about career options.

J D NURSING

Among those dedicated to commitment and service now and in the future are the students, faculty, and staff who make up the Jefferson Davis Campus nursing program. Two programs are currently offered at the campus. The Associate Degree Nursing Program (ADN) and the practical nursing program (LPN). The students in the nursing program are both dedicated and hardworking. All are put through a rigorous first year of science, including, biology, chemistry, nutrition, and health. The nursing programs at the campus is a competitive as well as growing field. Its major aim is to produce dedicated, loyal, and knowledgeable healthcare professionals.



Licensed practical nursing students hard at work! Left to right: Cheryl Dockworth, Delores Mike, and Tony Walker.



Nursing students gather around the student center to discuss relevant concerns.

REFLECTIONS

RECRUITING TEAM 1995-1996



Reflections students gather to discuss recruiting new members.



Student recruiter Bonnie K. Hazen advises the team.



The recruiting team works under the leadership of Counsellor Dick Henderson.

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The V.I.C.A. 1995-96 team

V.I.C.A. students complete various class projects during the year.



VOCATIONAL-INDUSTRIAL CLUBS OF AMERICA



Students complete one of their major projects.



Instructors played an important role in the lives of many vocational students.



The new technology buildings were an important part of V.I.C.A.

SCHOLARS BOWL



The team as they compete in semi-finals.



The scholars bowl team deep in thought as they compete against other junior college teams.



The team members after they receive their trophy



The Jefferson Davis Scholars Bowl team placed first at regional and state competitions. They were the undefeated team champions during 1995-96 academic year. Each won a \$5000 scholarship to the University of Mississippi.

Members of the team include Jason Rhoades, captain, Lisa Messa, Mike Brown, and Farah Mohiuddin.



The Scholars Bowl team competes against the team from Meridian.



The Scholars Bowl team at the state competition

DEBATE TEAM '95-'96



The 1995-1996 Debate Team, from left to right: Scott Perry, Sara Smith, Stacie Horst, Farah Mohiuddin and Rita Walker. Kneeling, from left to right: Janice Beck, Daniel Hawkins, and advisor, Janie Walters. Not pictured: Sarah Melton and Jason Kessler.

Advisor Janie Walters gives her winning smile.

The first debate tournament was held at Northeastern Louisiana University. Sarah Melton, Janice Beck and Rita Walker as well as Daniel Hawkins and Stacie Horst, excelled in the preliminary rounds and advanced to the semi-finals. The team also participated in state and nationwide tournaments. The 1996 state tournaments were held at William Carey College in Hattiesburg. This tournament not only included debate, but also individual interpretative events. Cindy Walker placed fifth in program of oral interpretation, while Scott Perry placed third in after dinner speaking. The nationwide tournament was held at Rice University in Houston, Texas. There the Jefferson Davis team competed against acclaimed four year universities, such as William and Mary, Colorado State, Rice University, and University of California. The team is now an official member of the NPDA, National Parliamentary Debate Association. 1996 team members include Scott Perry, Jason Kessler, Janice Beck, Sara Smith, Rita Walker, Sarah Melton, Cindy Walker, Farah Mohiuddin, Daniel Hawkins, and Stacie Horst. Advisor — Janie Walters.



Butch Jones and Scott Perry, one of the fall '95 teams.



JD Debate and Forensics Team - Spring Tournament Results

Northeast Louisiana University Bicker Debate Tournament Monroe, LA Feb. 16-18, 1996

3rd place Parliamentary Debate Team: Janice Beck and Sara Melton

4th place Parliamentary Debate Team: Staci Horst and Daniel Hawkins

1st place speaker, Parliamentary Debate: Staci Horst

3rd place speaker, Parliamentary Debate: Scott Perry

5th place speaker, Parliamentary Debate: Sara Melton

2nd place, Persuasive Speaking: Staci Horst

3rd place, Impromptu Speaking: Staci Horst

3rd place, After Dinner Speaking: Scott Perry

State Forensic and Debate Tournament Championship William Carey College, Hattiesburg March 1, and 2, 1996

2nd place, After Dinner Speaking: Scott Perry

5th place, Impromptu Speaking: Scott Perry

5th place, Program of Oral Interpretation: Cindy Walker

6th place, Duo Interpretation: Sarah Smith and Rita Walker

Overall 2nd Place Sweepstakes Trophy (William Carey took 1st)



Daniel Hawkins and Jason Kessler, one of the Spring '96 teams.

A CLOSE SHAVE!



Jose takes the first strip off.



Coach Spence says goodbye to some more of this hair.



The team checks to see that they don't leave any hair on his head.

As a joke, Coach Spence promised the tennis team, that if they beat Hines Community College, they could shave his head. As you can see from these pictures, Coach Spence lost, and the joke was on him!

Coach Spence shows off his shaven head and proves he's a "cut above the rest."



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Lok and Hieu smile together to celebrate nam moi.



A student prepares the traditional rolled rice dish.



Speciality dishes have religious meaning on new year celebration.

CHINESE NEW YEAR



Students get together to celebrate their new year festival.



Thu prepares her traditional rice dish.



Some of the delicacies included sweet rice, rolled rice, and egg rolls.



The party celebrated the students rich cultural heritage.

THE 1996 ANNUAL

Counselors from LSU advise students at the JD college and universities day.



William Carey College was one of the many colleges that attended on March 27, 1996.

Counselors from Nicholls State University discuss transfer options.



COLLEGE & UNIVERSITIES DAY



Representatives from the Louisiana College advise students on financial aid and career plans.



The Mississippi University for women sent representatives to inform students about career options.



Ole Miss representative, Missy Reid visits to inform students about transfer options.

Medical schools all over the state visited to encourage students in the health field.



MGCCC HISTORY



The archives display the heritage and the memories of the South Mississippi area.

The exhibits provided much historical information.

The Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College at the Perkinston Campus was lucky to hold a cultural exhibit that reflected the culture and the heritage of South Mississippi. The exhibit held numerous artifacts that were replicas of the heritage of South Mississippi.



ARCHIVES AT PERK



The old military uniforms are displayed at the Perkinston Campus.

The original and the replica arms are shown during the exhibit.



The exhibit provided cultural focus during homecoming.

CAREER



McDonald's representatives encouraged students to apply for part-time jobs during the summer.

The annual Jeff Davis career day was held on March 27, 1996. Many local businesses and companies came to the campus in order to inform students about careers in their representative fields. Students were given a chance to express their ideas with people in their specific field.

Temporary Helpworks enabled students to gain valuable experience working in temporary positions.



DAY 1996

Beepers Unlimited made students aware about the benefits of new technology.



Mississippi Job Training enabled students to gain valuable information about jobs in the state.



The United States Army representatives provided information to students interested in a career in the military.



The Bradford O'Keefe funeral homes also attended to inform students who want jobs in supervising or managerial positions.

The Gulfport Division Police Academy visited many interested in law enforcement.

CO - Op representatives encouraged students to find work with their company.



STUDENTS AT WORK

Gene Warr's associate, Chris, smiles for the camera while arranging ties.



Owen Baer flashes her winning smile to all of customers.



More JD students are working at Edgewater Mall than at any other place on the coast. Whether it be at Dante's, Gayfer's, Sears, Gene Warr's, or any other store, it is safe to say there will be at least one of our students working there.

Heather, a Sears associate, asks, "May I put this on your Sears charge?"

JDS

EXPRESSIONS of ART



Maggie gives thumbs up, as stage manager for fall production.



The Art Club displays their handcrafted pottery.



Students prepare backstage for the Spring Production.



A happy smile from art instructor Mrs. Mary Davidson.



Ms. McCall introduces the first annual poetry reading.



Mary Hernandez reads the description for her art work.

SMILE FOR



"Would you just take the picture, please?"



Come on Destin, crack a smile.



Boy, what big eyes you have!

THE CAMERA



The "Hat Chys" take a break from classes and soak up the sun's rays.



This student takes a moment to smell the fresh air while on his way to class.



Dawn Ross sure is happy when it comes to getting her picture taken.





These students look like they are studying "Chemistry!"



Smile—you're on JD camera.



Ha, Ha, Ha . . . I don't get it!

Contrary to popular opinion, JD students really do their homework.

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Yearbook staffers, Sara and Marilyn, take time to talk about their tennis team page.

Here are two things that J.D. is known for: our trees and our student(s).

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Josh and Seth wait for their friend to get out of Algebra class.



Tiffany and Jon outside the S building



Students at the poetry reading



Ms. Elaine Dees, New Horizons counselor



Ms. Mary Barnes relaxes in the cafeteria



Melody E. Nunes, an active student democrat



Josh eats a hearty lunch before going to his next class.



BSU members sit outside their tavern.

SPIRIT WEEK SHOWS



The 1995 Halloween Spirit Week contest



Students and instructors both came together to show their school spirit.



Students were asked to line up in order to display their costumes.



Many instructors dressed up to show their lighter side.

UNITED SCHOOL SPIRIT!



Students proved that their creativity was not only limited to their costumes; many had dances and gestures to complement their character.



Ms. C. Holley and Ms. J. Bailey were 1995's best with witch and cat team.



Many students enhanced their characters with various gestures and creative voice.



Winners of the Halloween contest

THE YEAR IN CLOSING

Throughout the course of the year, I have grown to enjoy J.D. and its many benefits. The most influential part of college, for me, was the opportunity to work on the college annual. It has been an experience that I have learned from, and will never forget. My co-editor and I gave this annual almost all our free time and a lot of effort; working on this annual was not an easy task. Together we hope to have produced a book that will reflect the year, capture the memories, and inspire the students.

I would especially like to thank Elvira Mitchell, Scott Garrard, and Darlene Price for their support, help, and encouragement. Most importantly, I would like to thank Jenn LeCompte, Cindy Siltzman, Kay Johnson, Melanie Emmons, Kia August, Katrina Faulkner, and Jim Jenkins for their continuous dedication and effort. I have learned more about life, achievement, friendship, and people in my first year of college, than I have in my entire life. Finally, I hope that you enjoy your edition of *The Beauvoir* '96 as much as I did working on it. —Farah Mohiuddin, Editor.



A picture may be worth a thousand words, but the Jefferson Davis Campus gives equal opportunity to delight the eye and dazzle the year and heart with memorable moments. *The Beauvoir*, our Jefferson Davis Campus yearbook, searches for those moments, be they large or small, open to light, or hidden treasures. As sponsor of the 1995-1996 *Beauvoir*, I hope that a little sunshine breaks through when you turn its pages.

Life on such a diverse and active campus can make this type of treasure-hunting quite a challenge. As sponsor, I must give many thanks to an exceptionally dedicated and capable staff. Its members have demonstrated outstanding teamwork and support for each other. Under the creative and diligent leadership of editors-in-chiefs Farah Mohiuddin and Chris Williams, they have embraced their campus with understanding and enthusiasm. They have worked hard and long. They are smiling, easy-going and gracious, even when I give them just one more tiny little assignment after a long, hard day. As the yearbook sponsor, I am very proud to be associated with this team.

Thanks, as always, for your continuing interest and support. May you continue to make way for the sunshine. —Elvira Mitchell, Sponsor.

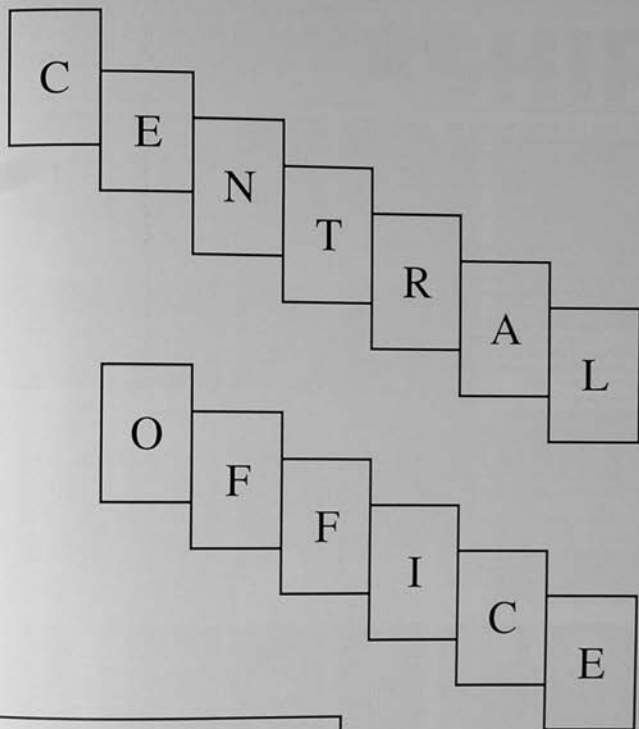


I came into college with the attitude of "get in, get out!" I thought that it was going to be just like high school; hard work, but easy to get an A. For some of my courses this was true, but others required my full, undivided attention. The annual was the most stressful of those courses.

I wish I could say that this annual was easy to produce, but it wasn't. We had four set deadlines and if one of them, wasn't met on time then it meant we had to work harder the next time. Although we did manage to complete this work, I realize that many things did slip by us, and I regret any deficiencies in our coverage.

I would like to thank our advisor, Elvira Mitchell. I would also like to thank the staff. Most importantly I would like to thank my co-editor, Farah Mohiuddin. She never let me down, no matter how much she had going on. Without her this annual would not have been.

Finally, it is with great pride that we present to you this edition of *The Beauvoir*. —Chris Williams, Editor.



Meeting everyday challenges •
 Representing professional excellence •
 Impressive blend of backgrounds •
 Ready to help the community and each other •
 Making the college known statewide and nationwide •

Every year, the Trident features the Central Office section. Put together by the Institutional Relations department, this section is aimed at letting you know who deals with the entire four-county district on a daily basis, plus it highlights special events and accomplishments college-wide.

Let's start with the board of trustees. With an impressive blend of backgrounds — public school educators, industrialists, bankers, independent business men and women — board members bring a wealth of expertise to our college. In touch with their communities, they guide the college in directions that will benefit the people of South Mississippi.

The Executive Council, made up of seven MGCCC administrators, has its own share of challenges. Leading a 13,000-student, seven-location, comprehensive community college is a pretty demanding job. Take a look at the facing page and see who these task masters are.

A couple of pages from here, you'll meet the Central Office staff. From Institutional Relations to transportation, these folks are on hand every day, waiting to help the community and each other.



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Wowing 'em with INNOVATION



There's a lot less footwork in MGCCC libraries these days. Cataloging, circulation and interlibrary loan are fully automated. As part of its technology plan, MGCCC spent \$270,000 to change to the Library of Congress classification system and to automate services.



Instructor Dan Zwerg, left, and student Debbie Barton test the chlorine content of water, just a small part of the training students get in the Environmental Technology program at the Jackson County Campus. The program debuted in 1994.

Community colleges are in the information sharing business. Part of that business is keeping up with a changing work force and changing technology. From interactive video to new programs, MGCCC is leading the way through its commitment to innovation in the work place and in the classroom.

In July 1994, the college leaped out in front with the Community College Network (CCN) and established the first multi-campus links to the statewide interactive video network, along with a local network to link its three campuses.

Early in 1995, the Legislature approved a \$30 million technology bond bill for the community colleges, enabling them to begin building infrastructures for campus, district and statewide telecommunications linkages.

By June, the MGCCC Board of Trustees had approved a four-year, \$8.6 million technology plan. It includes fiber optic networked electronics, digital phone systems, library automation, multimedia instruction units, new administrative software, CCN expansion and kiosk information stations.

In the area of new programs, the college added five in 1994 and five in 1995. Making first-time appearances in 1995 were Industrial Maintenance Millwright at the Jackson County Campus; Pharmacist Technology, Biotechnology and Medical Office Technology at the Jefferson Davis Campus; and postsecondary Aquaculture at the West Harrison County Occupational Training Center.

In 1994, new programs included Environmental Technology at the Jackson County Campus; Golf and Recreational Turf Management and Child Care Technology at the Perkinson Campus; secondary Aquaculture at the West Harrison Center; and LPN Advanced Placement at the Jefferson Davis Campus.

As the college grapples with funding and implementing new technologies, the burden is upon the college to show how these changes have advanced learning at MGCCC. And the 10 new programs added since 1994 prove the college is looking out for its most important audience — the communities it serves.



Dr. Brenda Nalepa



William Therrell



Amaryllis Stroud

Instructors of the Year

Dr. Brenda Nalepa, Perkins Campus, has spent the last 22 years teaching. For Nalepa, who came to MGCC just nine years ago, teaching science is more than just periodic tables and lab work.

"Every student has a purpose in life, and as a teacher, you should be able to tie your teaching area with this life. Most of all, be fair and honest and treat students kindly. Setting an example is the best way to teach," she says.

From high school teacher to field biologist to community college instructor, Nalepa has made a mark in her field. A member of the Mississippi Academy of Sciences and National and Mississippi Science Teachers Associations, she received her associate of arts degree from Hinds Junior College. Later, she received her bachelor of science degree from the Mississippi University for Women, a master of science degree from Mississippi State University, and a specialist degree in education and a doctorate from the University of Southern Mississippi.

For 33 years, Bill Therrell has been a teacher. And for 33 years, he has taught at the Jefferson Davis Campus. He teaches an interdisciplinary course at the campus and has scheduled a course using the Community College Network facility. He also serves as evening coordinator at the campus.

Therrell, a strong believer in updated thinking, says, "A teacher has the responsibility of having a firm knowledge of his subject, including current thinking in his field..."

Therrell says it's hard to pinpoint an outstanding classroom experience. "Anytime a student grasps the principle you are teaching or thinks about the material in a new way, it is most satisfying," he says.

Therrell holds bachelor of science and master's degrees from Mississippi State University. Among his professional affiliations are the Community College Humanities Association and Mississippi Political Science Association.

Amaryllis Stroud, a member of Delta Kappa Gamma, the Mississippi Faculty Association, MADD and Laubach Literacy, has been with the Jackson County Campus since 1965.

Past sponsor of Phi Theta Kappa and Scholars Bowl and one-time department chair, Stroud developed study skills and reading courses at the campus. She also tutors in the Jackson County Literacy program.

Stroud believes that her primary role is to "provide an opportunity and a challenge for students to become active, independent, critical thinkers who take responsibility for their own lives. Every student is a unique complex being, a mine of untapped potential who needs to be challenged and encouraged to develop that potential."

Stroud attended Jones County and Meridian junior colleges. She received her bachelor of science and master of education degrees from the University of Southern Mississippi. She has done additional post-graduate work at USM and MSU.



The Institute for Learning in Retirement offers new adventure and exciting learning opportunities for retired South Missisippians age 50 and older.



April Grace, Alumni/Foundation officer, at the initial meeting of the ILR at the JD Campus.

ILR gives retirees a new outlook

Edward Bellamy wrote in 1888 that, "We hold the period of youth sacred to education..." But for hundreds of South Mississippi folks 50 years and older, learning doesn't stop when the retirement papers are signed.

Learning is something they want to do on their own time and at their own pace. For this group, Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College created the

Institute for Learning in Retirement, a unique program that's focused on mature learners who are interested in an unconventional approach to education.

The Jefferson Davis Campus represents the ILR in Stone and Harrison counties, and the Jackson County Campus in Gautier represents Jackson and George counties.

The ILR's activities are membership driven. The members,

who must be retired and 50-plus years old, decide the what, when, where and how of the learning situation. These learning experiences may last only a few sessions, or they can be extended into longer programs, whatever the membership desires.

Betty Malone is the ILR coordinator at the JD Campus location. The JC Campus coordinator is C.P. Winters.

More exciting stuff



First place low gross winners in the college's Showcase Golf Tournament included, from left, Billy Evans, Tommy Snell, Jimmy Hodges and Don Rose. JC Campus Vice President Dr. Royce Luke, pictured at back, presented the trophy. The tournament hit new heights this year, bringing in a record-setting \$12,500 for student scholarships.



The restoration project of the Perkins Campus Gregory War Memorial Chapel was kicked off at the 1995 homecoming. The chapel was purchased by the college in 1947 and dedicated as a War Memorial Chapel in 1949. Also started this year was the Perkins Agricultural High School Alumni Bell Commemorative Garden Project. Its aim is to find a fitting resting place on the Perkins Campus for the restored bell.

Homecoming Highlights



Incoming district Alumni Association president L.D. "Buster" Stringfellow, left, presents Cheryl Catalano with a plaque recognizing her service to the organization. Catalano has been district president for the past two years.



Neil Murray, left, executive assistant for Development, presents Louise Brown a plaque for her 12 years of service to the Alumni/Foundation Office. Brown, the former Alumni/Foundation officer, is now the college's finance clerk VI for special projects.



Former congressman and 1972 MGCCC Hall of Famer Howard Pollock, right, poses with MGCCC President Dr. Barry Mellinger and his wife, Dot, following prayer services in Gregory Chapel on the Perkinson Campus.



Paul N. Howell addresses the crowd during the Oct. 21 homecoming luncheon that featured his induction into the Alumni Association Hall of Fame.



The masterminds behind the MGCCC Archives exhibit at homecoming were Archives curator and Perkinson Campus history instructor Charlie Sullivan (center, left) and Doug Mansfield, TV technician and photographer at the Jackson County Campus. Assisting them were their wives Jane Sullivan, Jr. and Cheryl Mansfield.



Crowned as homecoming queens on Oct. 21 were, from left, Angie Echoles of Gulfport, Jefferson Davis Campus; Kimberly Wilson of Gautier, Jackson County Campus; and Wendell Webb of Ocean Springs, Perkinson Campus.

Wowing 'em with REVELRY



From left, Dr. J.J. Hayden, former MGCCC president; Dr. Barry Mellinger, MGCCC president; Paul Howell, 1995 Hall of Fame inductee; and Dr. Otis Singletary, president emeritus of the University of Kentucky and 1975 Hall of Fame inductee.

From class reunions to the football field, Oct. 21 was filled with fun, excitement and reunion. And to coincide with the 50th anniversary of the end of World War II, MGCCC's homecoming was decked out in red, white and blue, remembering all those who served and survived and those who served and died in a time of war.

Fittingly, the day started with a prayer service at the Gregory War Memorial Chapel on the Perkinson Campus. Homecoming kicked off the restoration project for the chapel.

The college began a fund in 1945 to purchase the chapel, whose home was then Gulfport Field. Two years later, the campus purchased and moved it to its permanent home in Perkinson. In 1949, it became a memorial to those who served the United States during war time.

From the prayer service, homecomers went to class reunions (1946 and 1956 celebrated golden anniversaries), took campus tours, visited Barry and Dot Mellinger's home, met the 1995 homecoming court, relived war days at the MGCCC Archives display, and much more.

Howison native and 1936-37 alumnus Paul Howell, 77, was honored as the 1995 Alumni Association Hall of Fame honoree at the noon luncheon. Howell, chairman of the board and chief operating officer of Howell Corporation in Houston, Texas, was a commander in the U.S. Navy, is a survivor of Pearl Harbor and has received seven battle stars for service in the Pacific. He retired as a rear admiral in the U.S. Navy Reserve.

Joe Byrum, former CEO/president of the Morrison's Hospitality Group and a leader in the college's Building On Our Heritage campaign, received the Sam Owen Award, which is awarded annually to a person or persons who have given distinctive service to the college.

The day ended with the Gulf Coast/Hinds game, with Hinds winning 55-0. Campus queens included Wendell Webb, Perkinson Campus; Kimberly Wilson, JC Campus; and Angie Echoles, JD Campus.



Gerard Ballanco Jr., left, nephew of the late Sam Owen, presents the MGCCC Sam Owen Trophy to Joe Byrum, retired president and CEO of Morrison's Hospitality Group.

Arban retires, Wright steps in
Hitting the courts — Bulldog style
Bulldogs on the diamond
Golf, tennis, softball and track
Band of Gold, Perkettes put on quite a show

Wowin' 'em with ATTITUDE

Some people say winning isn't everything. But do they really mean it? Well, after 37 years of coaching football — four of them at Gulf Coast — J.C. Arban still lives by the philosophy that winning in the classroom is just as important as winning on the field. That's what took him through college, and that's what brought him to where he is today.

In December 1995, Arban left the coaching life behind. His retirement from the head coaching position at Gulf Coast naturally leaves him with a little sorrow, but it also gives him a feeling of fulfillment, especially after the rewarding life he's led.

Arban retired with a 16-24 record at Gulf Coast and a 231-134-10 career record. Steve Wright, former offensive coordinator and assistant head football coach at Jones County Junior College, is the Bulldogs' new head coach.

"I have always loved going to work," Arban says. "It was fun getting paid to do what I would have done for nothing."

Steve Wright, a 39-year-old Tennessee native, brings high school and junior and senior college football coaching experience to Gulf Coast.

Dr. Barry L. Mellinger, MGCCC president, says, "Coach Wright has the combination of an education-first philosophy and a proven record which we think will make our players winners in the classroom and on the football field."

Wright says, "Gulf Coast has a reputation for doing things in a first-class manner. Its excellent tradition has earned state and national recognition in many areas."

Wright has spent nine years in the junior college league, where he's earned a reputation for helping to rebuild football teams, according to Dr. Willis Lott, vice president of the Perkinson Campus. That fact is important to the Gulf Coast Bulldogs, who have had only three winning seasons in the last 10 years.

His senior college experience includes stints as assistant coach at the University of Texas in El Paso, 1982-86, and the University of Richmond in Virginia, 1980-81.

It's Wright's first head coaching job, but he's confident, saying, "We are going to have a good time doing this. We've done that at every stop, and it's going to be done here."



Dr. Barry Mellinger, left, congratulates J.C. Arban on the Bulldogs' win over East Central in 1995.



Steve Wright



Dan Tubbs goes up against a Jones player. The Bulldogs defeated the Bobcats 75-71 for the South Division championship.



Last season, the Bulldogs had one major problem, something assistant coach Wendell Weathers calls "individualism. Our people just didn't play together."

This season, teamwork is what took the Bulldogs to the South Division championship, the state tourney and the Region 23 tourney.

The Bulldogs, 14-11 in 1995 and 19-9 in 1996, hit the court this year with five returners — Kevin Gooden (starter) of Gulfport, Julius Marble of Gulfport, Eric Hill of Gulfport, Dan Tubbs of St. Martin, Allen Stinson of Moss Point and Kendall Nettles of Moss Point.

The Bulldogs hit a snag in January when one player was ruled ineligible. Gulf Coast had to forfeit three of its games, bringing the Bulldogs' record down, but not their spirit. They went on to win the South Division tournament, which Gulf Coast hosted. They lost 69-65 to Holmes in the state tourney, hosted by Northwest. March 4-7 took them to Mississippi College in Clinton for the Region 23 tournament, where they lost in the first round to Meridian, 64-60.



The Bulldogs and their fans celebrate a win over Jones, making Gulf Coast the South Division champ.

The Lady Bulldogs include, front, from left, Yoshe Robinson, Stacie Davis, Denise Bonds, Ledora Hollins, Shawanna Felton, Curlandus Blanks and Lashonda Plainer. Back, from left, are Kisha Moore, Kasandra Travis, Mandy Williams, Natasha Crosby, Karen McWilliams, Yolanda Keys, Robinette Harry and Latasha Danos.

Writing about spring sports for the yearbook is a little tricky. The final deadline is in early March, so that means some sports haven't finished the season, and some haven't even started yet. What follows is a glimpse of last year's and this year's happenings in baseball, tennis, golf, softball and track.

On the turf In February, head coach Cooper Farris said he was counting on a large group of returners to help the Bulldogs bring home the state baseball title this year.

Last season, Gulf Coast, ranked No. 6 on NJCAA's 1996 pre-season poll, captured the South State title before finishing second behind Mississippi Delta in the state tournament. The Bulldogs went on to finish third in the Region 23 playoff. They ended the year at 43-13.

Right-handed pitcher Doug Thompson returned to the Gulf Coast diamond this year. The former Biloxi standout earned All-American honors as he compiled a 14-1 record, struck out 144, walked 22 and had a 1.13 earned run average.

Other starters back for '96 include left fielder Anthony Green of Moss Point, catcher Shannon Poole of Pascagoula, shortstop Donovan Marbury of Baker, La., and right fielder John Picard of Ocean Springs.

On the courts Coming back from a second place state finish in 1995, plus a spot in last year's national tournament, the men's tennis team started 1996 on the right foot, racking up an 8-1 record by the end of March.

For the past three years, coach Charles Spence has managed to revamp the tennis program, ending 1994 at 4-6 and 1995 at 14-3. This year, his newcomers include Brian Holmes, Perkinson Campus; Jose Rodriguez, Juan Silva and Drew Spradley, JD Campus; and David Taranto, JC Campus. Returners include JD students Skip Ledbetter, Phillip Owen and Steven Pascua.

On the women's side are newcomers and JD students Kimberly Blakeslee, Maria Davis, Mary Sawardecker and Fabienne Tassel, and JC student Tasha Herring. Perk students Amber Leatherwood and Becky Edwards were the returners.

On the field Darlene Burney, assistant coach for women's tennis, is the new leader of the softball team. Although she had a good nucleus of returning freshmen, the team lost four sophomores from 1995.

Last year, under Steve Nagy's leadership, Gulf Coast wrapped up the year at 13-15 overall and 12-8 in the South Division, ending play at No. 5 in the state.

On the green Led in 1995 by Charles Cooper, the golf team will now have Chris Calcutt, Gulf Coast's new athletic director, as coach.

In 1995, Gulf Coast finished with a fourth place finish in the State and Region 23 Tournament. One Bulldog golfer, Greg Norstrom of Biloxi, qualified for the National Junior College Athletic Association Tournament in Greensboro, N.C. The Delta State signee was selected as a Second Team All American and placed 11th in the tournament. Of the 18 golfers in Division 2, he was one of three Mississippi All Americans.

On the track Gulf Coast finished second to Hinds Community College in the 1995 state track meet held at Hinds. Jones followed in third place, Co-Lin came in at second.

As a result of the state meet, Pascagoula's Cedric Smith and James Bell and Gulfport's Kevin Gooden qualified for the national competition in Odessa, Texas.



Farrah Sanders of Pascagoula gets ready for the pitch. The Lady Bulldogs finished at 13-15 overall and 12-8 in the South, putting them at No. 5 for the season.



Brandon Cox of Pascagoula receives Gulf Coast's Randy Rouse Award. With him are, from left, his parents, Greg and Ann Cox, Brandon and coach Cooper Farris. The award is named in memory of Rouse, a 1989 Bulldog baseball player who died of leukemia in 1992.



SPRING SPORTS



Making it to second place in the state and region and a spot in the national competition were 1995's men's tennis team members, from left, Phillip Owen, Skip Ledbetter and Tom Friscia. Back, from left, are Jeffrey Page, Jeff Bosarge, and Patrick Martin. Not pictured is Steven Pascua. Returning to action in 1996 were Owen, Ledbetter and Pascua.



Members of the 1995 Gulf Coast track team included, front, from left, Ryan Bourque, Cedric Smith, Christopher Fairly, Derrick Caples, Carlos D. Williams and Marcus Cuevas, manager. Back, from left, are Sean Smith, James Havar, James Bell, Chris Martin, Terris Riley and Brent Hughes. Not pictured are Kevin Sams, Grover Henry, Thomas Kelly, Anthony Skinner and Donald Tubbs. Ode Burrell and Chris Calcutt coached the team to a second place finish in the state last year.

Catch the Magic

Over 50 years old and still going strong. That's the Band of Gold, just one of Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College's trademarks of excellence.

This year the band has over 160 members, a record-breaking number in the band's history. Directed by David Dueitt and assisted by David Allen, these musical ambassadors include some of the most talented musicians and dancers in South Mississippi and surrounding states.

Organized during the 1930s, the band participates in band exhibitions and Mardi Gras parades, along with its yearly agenda of pep rallies, football games and special events. These days, you can even catch the Band of Gold magic at a home basketball game. The Pep Band gives new spirit—and rhythm—to roundball action on the Perkinston Campus.

The Perkettes Dance Team, an important part of the Band of Gold, has its own full agenda. From pep rallies to ball games to parades to High School Dance Day, this group has a busy schedule filled with practice and performances.

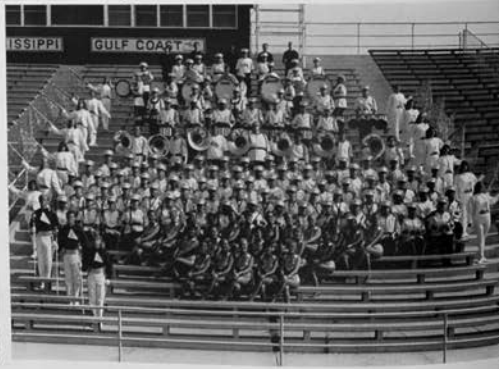
Formed by band director Sam Jones in the 1950s, dance team members, directed by Kathleen Braun, are required to take a dance class (modern, jazz or ballet). The group also attends the two-week band camp held in August on the Perkinston Campus.



The Perkettes during halftime at a Bulldog football game.



It takes a lot of hard work and dedication to make the Band of Gold what it is. And each member brings his or her own style to the group.



The Band of Gold, with a record-breaking 160 members.



Perk alumnus John O'Neal, center, president of First National Bank of Lucedale, has volunteered to lead George County efforts in the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College Building On Our Heritage fundraising campaign. He met with MGCCC President Dr. Barry Mellinger, left, and Jon Lewis, right, director of Development at the college, to discuss the county's \$100,000 goal.

George County joins Building On Our Heritage

Earlier this year, John O'Neal, president of First National Bank of Lucedale, was named chair of Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College's Building On Our Heritage Campaign in George County. The bank's \$15,000 pledge gave the campaign an early start toward its \$100,000 goal.

"There are a lot of reciprocating reasons for being involved in the Foundation's Building On Our Heritage Campaign," O'Neal says, adding, "There is a big circle of community involvement with the college. Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College has provided practical applications to address many of the employee training needs of business and industry. We want to contribute to something that adds to the educational benefits of our local community."

According to O'Neal, the college's George County Occupational Training Center has offered accounting and computer courses for First National employees. He adds that the bank provides tuition reimbursement to employees taking courses that enhance their on-the-job skills.

A 1971-72 Perkinston Campus alumnus, O'Neal stresses the important role the college plays in preparing students for productive lives in today's society. He urges friends of the college to join him in supporting the campaign.

Anne Owen of Houston, Texas, will serve as the campaign's honorary chairperson. Nell Murray, executive assistant for Development at MGCCC, says Owen has been a strong supporter of the college, as were her parents, Horace and Jimmie Bradley.

According to Murray, the George County Campaign will complete the Building On Our Heritage Campaign, the first major fund-raising project undertaken by the college. She says campaign funds will be used to fund new teaching techniques and technologies, expand nursing and allied health programs, provide continuing education opportunities for faculty, support student scholarships, and assist with campus enhancement.

Murray says, overall, the Building On Our Heritage Campaign surpassed its base goal of \$1 million and is approaching its challenge goal of \$1.5 million. O'Neal adds that George County is in the unique position to push the campaign over the top.



Named to All-Mississippi Teams were, front, from left, Vivian Anderson, Cheryl Farmer and Clayton McCall. Back, from left, are Vikki Leggett, Cindy Sitzman and Deneen Sovell.

Students named to All-Mississippi Teams

Fifty students from Mississippi community and junior colleges were honored March 5, 1996, in Jackson, Miss., as members of All-Mississippi Academic Teams for Community and Junior Colleges. Six of those students call the Gulf Coast home, and they all attend Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

Winners in the academic competitions were named to three teams. They were selected on the basis of completed applications, written essays, letters of recommendation, academic performance, demonstration of leadership, and community service involvement.

Among the 10 named to the First Team was Cindy J. Sitzman of Biloxi, a 27-year-old chemical engineering major at the Jefferson Davis Campus.

Others making All-Mississippi teams include Deneen K. Sovell of Biloxi, Second Team member and elementary education major at the JD Campus; and third team members Vivian G. Anderson of Purvis, a mathematics major at the Perkinston Campus; Cheryl S. Farmer of Perkinston, a history/secondary education major at the Perkinston Campus; Vikki A. Leggett of Ocean Springs, an English/secondary education major at the Jackson County Campus; and Clayton K. McCall of Vancleave, a mechanical engineering major at the JC Campus.

Students were selected by judges from the Metro-Jackson area and by a panel of representatives from national education associations based in Washington, D.C. Students named to the All-Mississippi Teams are considered for placement on the All-USA Academic Teams, sponsored by USA Today, Phi Theta Kappa and the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges.

Phi Theta Kappa administers the All-State and All-USA Academic Team Programs from its headquarters based in Jackson. This year, 21 states, including Texas, New York and Florida, sponsored All-State programs using the All-Mississippi program as a model. Sponsors of the Mississippi award program include Bell South Telecommunications Inc., Mississippi Power Company, Mississippi Chemical Corporation, Mississippi Power & Light Company, Bank of Mississippi, Pepsi Cola of Corinth, Peoples Bank & Trust of Tupelo, South Mississippi Electric Power Association, Tecumseh Products Company, Trustmark Bank, and Union Planters Bank.

Meeting the demands of business, industry and the economy
Workforce development reaches new heights
Embracing the one-stop philosophy
Education and training go hand in hand
ALEX, Career Center and much more

The concept of one-stop education and training services for an entire community emerged as the primary focus of the Workforce and Education Act of 1994. In one short and very busy year, MGCCC had fully embraced the one-stop philosophy and developed a model plan for serving the diverse needs of community residents, area employers and students enrolled in regular college programs. Nationwide, community colleges are furnishing training that is critical to the growth of the American industry. In Mississippi, that training is guided by state and district workforce councils and driven by the demands of business and industry and a competitive economy.

Locally, MGCCC has committed \$3.8 million to build or renovate facilities for Educational Services Centers at its three campuses. By doing so, it has integrated regular college programs with workforce initiatives and achieved a seamless approach to education and training.

In addition, the college hired three campus Workforce Development directors and career/job placement managers, and assigned a vice president level administrator to oversee workforce development. Joining that team are the industrial services coordinator, literacy director, campus literacy managers, workbased specialist and vocational-technical education support.

Although the college has had a long tradition of providing customized training for local employers, the MGCCC District Workforce Council developed a strategic plan to target specific needs of employers and citizens in the four counties served by the college.

This unified effort has produced tremendous results. For instance, in FY95 enrollments in Adult Basic Education and GED preparation classes increased by 36 percent. The college trained over 16,000 employees in 38 projects and had over 3,000 people in on-going apprenticeship projects for employers such as Ingalls Shipbuilding and International Paper.



Job opportunities in Mississippi and beyond are on-line via the Automated Labor Exchange (ALEX), a project in conjunction with the Mississippi Employment Service. This assistance is available through the career centers at the college.



Campus Workforce Development directors are Dr. Mary Graham (seated), Jackson County Campus; Mason Gordon (left), Jefferson Davis Campus; and Ric Williams, Perkinston Campus. They work with area employers to develop training and education programs specific to business and industry needs.

