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*Here
and now...*



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and then*



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One hundred recipients of the 20th anniversary of Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College are gathered in R.J. McNamee Stadium at Foley, Ala. for the first AGC JC United to Corporate Foundation ball on May 22, 2004. The 36 Interim Civic Center graduates and the 64 Jackson County College graduates were the first AGC JC United.

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The Carving Club Calls and the Poultry Club Calls together will regenerate an old system and method. Call, save on the shop or Internet call to June 1917.

[†]The 1918 Thompsonville Agricultural High School (now part of the Radford University) was

Figures of the chart of 1914. Street 144 is at the top, Street 142 is in the middle, and 141 1/2 is at the bottom.

Particulars: Superintendent, Jellumay (see Diagram) stands next to the Physical Therapy Hall (aka PT) building, the hall stands on a pedestal in the Pedersen Agricultural High School (Communication Hall) located at the Pedersen Campus.

Students work on, from left, *Thompson*, *Blackwell* and *Peters*. *Beeson*, and *Louisa* engineer *Clark*. *Blackwell* led in *Pedestrian* take a break in the Louisa manuscript track since 1790.

"Stereotypes," Part 1: along toward inside-out and backward, just with meetings inside heads to head
(St. Lawrence Hall in fall 1994 at Williams College)

Here
and Now ...

There
and Then



The
old
days.
Groovy.



The
80s.
Like,
totally
awesome.



The
90s.
Cool.



We dedicate
this book to
all Americans
and to all
people who
believe in
freedom and
peace. We
are united.

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still growing

We hope you enjoy this year's book, which features a few highlights of our many years of service to the community. We give a special thanks to Charles Sullivan, social studies department chair at the Perkinson Campus and the college's archivist, for providing photographs and information that wouldn't have landed in our offices had it not been for his hard work and determination to set the record straight on the college's history. I fact, he is having his book "Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College: A History" published this year. It's been a labor of love for Charlie, and we appreciate the

On this page are a few oldies-but-goodies photos from one of our college's roots began to sprout. However, we note that the college has eight locations today throughout Harrison, Jackson, Stine and George County campuses — Perkinsville campus, Jefferson Davis Campus, Jackson County campus, Community Campus, West Harrison County Center, George County center, Keeler Center and Applied Technology and Development Center. All of us make a difference, and all are part of one Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College.

Bottom left: Happy students on the Perkinson Campus in front of Jackson Hall, 1975.



The First Pyralis Dance Team, September 1962

United 2001

You'll know where you were.
You'll know what you were doing.
You'll even remember what time it was. Sept. 11, 2001, brought it all to our knees, but it didn't bring us down. America and other countries rallied to support the preservation of freedom, peace and love.

Even in South Mississippi, we felt the horror of that day and of the weeks that followed. But our spirit remained intact, for the college went on to celebrate homecoming in patriotic style, with red, white and blue everywhere you looked and a dedication ceremony for the renovated Gregory War Memorial Chapel that honored our veterans in regimie style. And on Nov. 9, the Jefferson Davis Campus dedicated the Veterans Courtyard, honoring our employees and students who have served to protect our precious country and our undying freedom.

We shall remember. We shall prevail.

At Right:
Sept. 11, 2001.
Honoring all who perished.



Below:
George County Center folks show their patriotism in the homecoming parade in Wiggins.



Veterans Courtyard

**Dedicated
November 9, 2001
to our employees
and students
who served in the
Armed Forces
of the United States
of America**

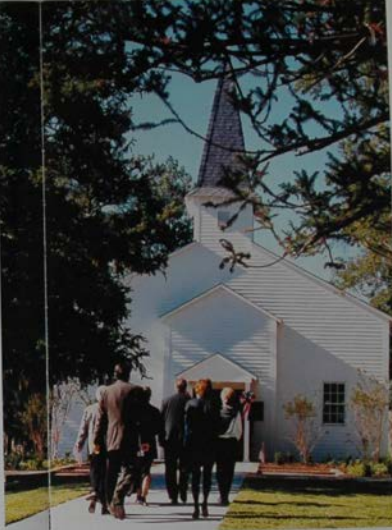
At the Nov. 9 Veterans Courtyard dedication at the JD Campus were, from left, Gulf Coast President Dr. Willis Lott; Sgt. Pete Ruff, U.S. Marine Corps Reserve; Senior Airman Justin Haynes, U.S. Air Force Reserve; Cpl. Marilyn Helen, U.S. Marine Corps Reserve; and JD Campus Vice President Dr. Donnie Taylor.

Charlene Peppin, the mother of Spc. Third Class Nathan Lewis, U.S. Army Airborne, attended the Veterans Courtyard dedication. Nathan is stationed at Camp Bondsteel, Kosovo.





Clockwise, from left: Eula W. Switzer accepts the Sam Owen Trophy, an honor bestowed upon an individual each year for dedication and service to the college. Switzer is a member of the college's Board of Trustees. Dr. Lewis L. "Hubb" Hatten was inducted into the 2001 Alumni Hall of Fame during homecoming festivities on Oct. 27. He is a 1962 graduate of Perkinston Junior College. Dr. Willis Lott, right, recognizes Leon Davis, member of the Class of 1951, at the homecoming luncheon at the Perkinston Campus. The Madden family (clockwise, from left, his, Katie, Buddy and Rhonda) take Mr. Golf Coast's mascot for a ride in the Oct. 23 homecoming parade in Wiggins. JC Campus homecoming queen, Chisty Minge-Burton, is crowned by Dr. Duane Taylor. Dr. Mary Graham, Perkinston Campus vice president congratulates Perkinston Campus Queen, Diamela Watson, Grand.



Homecoming 2001

Clockwise, from left: The Gregory War Memorial Chapel was once again dedicated at the Perkinston Campus, this time with a refreshed look thanks to a recent renovation. JD Campus maid Frances Yvonne Lee at the maid's luncheon on Oct. 27. Gulf Coast's Athletic Hall of Fame honorees for 2001 include, from left, Luther "Benny" Golf Jr., Byron Ratco, Edna Purvis Ward, Davis Melton and William "Bill" Doolley. They were honored at the third annual Athletic Hall of Fame banquet held Oct. 25 at the Perkinston Campus. "Miss Amelia" Barrow Benson, left, visits with Tri-Campus Student Council President Conrad Johnson at the homecoming luncheon. Miss Amelia donated \$50,000 to the MGCCC Foundation in 2001, which in turn created the Amelia Barrow Benson Scholarship.



Homecoming 2001

Counterclockwise from right: Homecoming courts for 2001 include, clockwise from left, Damella WaNora Crawford, Perkinson Campus; Christy Magee-Bolton, Jefferson Davis Campus; and Jamie Nicole Roberts, Jackson County Campus. Despite a good offensive and defensive showing, the Gulf Coast Bulldogs suffered a heartbreaking homecoming loss (36-28) to the Capital-Lincoln Wolves on Oct. 27 in Perkinson. Members of the JC Campus homecoming court included, seated from left, sophomores Erica Shanta Peyton and Jamie Nicole Roberts; and standing, from left, freshman Crystal his Peters and Stephanie Bernice Page and sophomore Lorea Smith. The JD Campus court included, seated from left, sophomores Christy Magee-Bolton and Krystal Guerrero, and standing, from left, freshmen Dyanette Nicole Dedreux and Natalie Rochelle Sims and sophomore Frances Yvonne Lee.



Clockwise, from left: Mac, the Bulldogs' mascot, takes a breather at the JC Campus homecoming pep rally in October. The Band of Gold put on a tremendous show at the Oct. 27 homecoming game in Perkinson, as did the Perkettes Dance Team. The Perkinson Campus court included, seated, from left, sophomore Teena Smith and freshman Ebony Isha Jackson, and standing, from left, sophomores Valerie Hilborn and Alicia Marie Bowman, freshman Leigh Anne Dwyer, and sophomores Damella WaNora Crawford and Janet Marie Williams.



dedication...hope....friends....thrill....work....pride....spirit....enthusiasm....commitment...



JACKSON COUNTY CAMPUS LIFE



Community + College + Campus = Experience



Checklist from top left: Keith Wilson and Laura Smith interview with WJLT-TV (3). The Honors Students and Phi Theta Kappa went out a field trip to Jackson. The research staff went a break out at the "back bay" Jonathan Deutsch, Kacey York, Keith Wilson and Kristie Christoff went out at the fall island drive. Mrs. Hallett and Mrs. Ross went the pay-off. Austin Combs on the Super Student Union trip to Jackson. The Medical Lab Technology Club sang at Obonchell.

Checklist from top right: Reflections members Paul Rice and Parker Williams will be back at Obonchell. The Region Student Union attended its own convention in September. Stephanie Page and Crystal Patten at the Homecoming Luncheon. Lindsay Bush and Josh Kibbe with their sons at the fall island drive. Kaitlynne Simmons with Mac at the fall pay-off.



JEFFERSON DAVIS CAMPUS



From left, T.J. Thomas, Linnea Curran and Rachel Young wave to the camera.



Kristy Magne Bottom, right, and her mother before the homecoming parade.



At left: From left, Jessica Bourgeois, Gina Castanea and Bubba Brown decorate Gabe Winter's door for homecoming week.



Latchada Porter having a great time in the homecoming parade in Wiggins on Oct. 23.

Back row, from left: T.J. Thomas, Latchada Porter, Pete Raif, Bethany Toole, Brenda Starks, Linnea Curran, Rachel Young. Front, from left: Keynon Walker and Amanda Bowers on the float.



SPIRIT WEEK



From left, Kristina, Kathryn and Gabe Winter show off their bulldog "pawprints."

From left, Reginald Sykes and Gina Sessom take 70s Day seriously.



Clockwise from left: Bethany Toole, Brenda Starks and Pete Raif dressed All American for JD's float.



At left: The three of homecoming was "A Tribute to America." This door to the Learning Lab won second place.



From left, Keynon Walker, Krystal Garner, Niki Billingsley, Linnea Curran, Hing Nguyen and Charlene Pippin on pajama day.



Champions 2001

Softball

The 2001 season for Gulf Coast softball was a success in every sense of the word.

In their first-ever season of fast-pitch play, the Lady Bulldogs earned a berth in the NCAAA Fast-Pitch Softball Division 9 World Series in Phoenix, AZ. At the World Series, Gulf Coast went 2-2 in and up 31-12 and tied for fifth in the nation.

Gulf Coast headed into the State Region 23 Tournament as decided underdogs against host Coppell-Lewis. Carolyn Patterson's Lady Bulldogs beat the Lady Wolves early in the tournament — snapping a four-game losing streak to Co-Lin — then winning a second championship round game 14-0 to secure the state and region title May 4-5.

From there, Gulf Coast returned home to host Hurley State of Oklahoma in the District J Championship Series May 11. The Lady Bulldogs won by scores of 6-0 and 4-1, earning them a berth in the World Series May 17-19.

Gulf Coast dropped a 10-2 decision to powerful Kirkwood, 8, in the World Series. The Lady Bulldogs — the 10th seed of 12 teams — stormed back to beat third-seeded Kirkwood (seed) 7-3, then topped Northwest Shoals (seed) 1-0.

The Lady Bulldogs' dream season ended with a 6-5 loss against fifth-seeded Shawnee (SE) in the quarterfinals. Despite Nadhurst of Oyster Springs, who went 6-for-12 with seven runs scored, earned a spot in the A6-Tournament team.

Baseball

The Gulf Coast baseball team may deserve a nomination as the comeback team of all time.

Through the last 11 1/2 months of the 2001 season, Cooper Parish Bulldogs looked dead in the water at 4-18. But Gulf Coast caught fire when conference play began, racing through the South Division with a 30-4 league mark.

Gulf Coast finished second at the state tournament, then stunned tournament observers with the Region 23 championship win. In the regional at Mendenhall May 15-17, Gulf Coast pulled back to win its final three games and secure the school's first Region 23 title since 1981, when the Bulldogs made the trip to the NCAAA World Series. After Jones County Junior College knocked off host Mendenhall twice, the Bulldogs beat Brooker Parish (LA) to win the title.

Gulf Coast looked primed for a trip to Grand Junction, Colo., for the World Series, but was dropped up in the Southeast District Championship Series. Host Central Alabama beat the Bulldogs 5-3 in the opener, then held on in a rain-delayed game for a 7-3 win and the district title. Farms, Bulldogs coach for 12 years, missed the completion of the final game when he returned home after his mother, Bette, died after a long illness.

The Bulldogs ended up with four injuries and several derailed players, led by All-Region selections third baseman Randy Richmond of O'Brienville and First Laws of Wiggins. Richmond and Lewis were also chosen All-State, along with pitcher Joseph Davenport of Wiggins.



One Mission, One College Student Council and Reflections

Counterclockwise from left:
Jackson County Campus Reflections Team.
Front, from left: Tracy Blatty, April Goff, Parker Wilkinson, Lindsay Ferguson, Erica Payton, Sara Chatham and Aaron Sharp. Back, from left: Richard DeWittmore, Melinda Goff, Tiffany Smith, Andrea Cook, Laura Post, Anthony Johnson, Crystal Davis, Melissa Randa, Brionna Bryant and Paul Rice.

Jefferson County Campus Student Council.
Seated, from left: Jason Pugh, Treasurer; Aaron Sharp, freshmen class president; and Jeremy Miller. Back, from left: Keith Wilson, president; Kandra Cresswell; Lindsay Ferguson; Michelle Smith, sophomore treasurer; and Tiffany Smith. Not pictured are Bradley Johnson, vice president, and John Richardson Jr.

Jefferson Davis Campus Reflections Team.
Front, from left: Joy Thomas, Barbara Adams, Elizabeth Alvarez-Kyle, Crystal Goff, Rachel Davis, Jennifer Garcia, Mary Dossach and Marie Nguyen. Back, from left: Eryn Johnson, Kameron Wilson, Laurie Parker, Lisa Roughton, Shannon Hill, Seth Gurn and Pete Hall.

Jefferson Davis Campus Student Council.
Front, from left: Leticia Parker, Treasurer; Deborah, Unitha Donald, Sylvia Fleming, Laura Parker, Lori Green, Mary Dossach, Bethany Adams, Frances Lee and Amanda Clark. Back, from left: Russell Shavers, Shavon Lincoln, Amanda Rogers, Grand Parrott, Kameron Wilson, Brionna Bryant, Janet Kierlin, Kristal Gutierrez, Pete Hall and Linnea Curren.

Parkinson Campus Student Council.
Seated, from left: Kathy Hubbard, Carrie Dossach, Tasha Johnson, Connor Johnson, Wyle Latta, Santa Reed and Akira Armstrong. Standing (in front), from left: Alicia Williams, Jonathan Butterfield, Jessica Barlin and Alyssa Farmer. Standing (in back), from left: Cindy Hines, Dore Kite, Leigh Anne Dwyer, Tom Meats, Brad Bunkle, Janel Bunkle, Maria Crawford and Jennifer Patton.

Parkinson Campus Reflections Team.
Counterclockwise from left: Lisa Whitman, Mary Bond, Drew Kite, Teahla Hill, Kristi Barron, Katie Hartfield, Marie Crawford and Tasha Johnson. Standing, from left: Adam Stone, Bruce Reed, Audrey Filippone, Crystal Johnson, Stephanie Maynard, Kevin Brown and Deanna Rogers.



Perkinston Campus

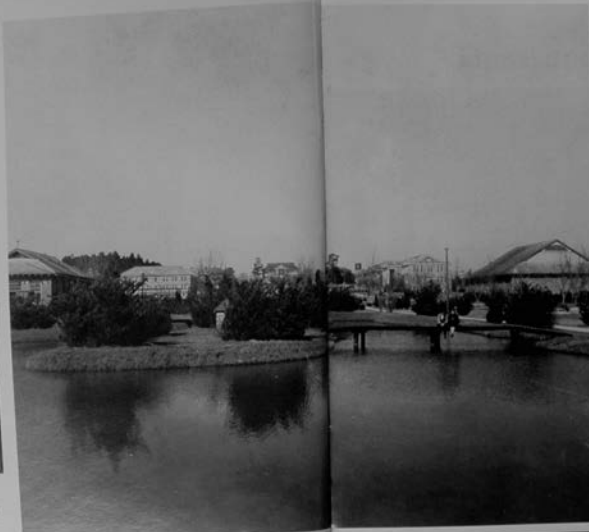
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Front view of the Perkinston Campus in December 1937. Photo courtesy of Elizabeth Brash of Gulfport Printing Company.

Perkene Kathryn Mallette of Lacedale and Buck, the PJC mascot, in A.L. May Memorial Stadium in fall 1953.



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CAN YOU SAY we have SPIRIT

Spirit Week, Parade,
Pep Rally, Karaoke,
Womanless Beauty
Pageant.....
and MORE!

Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College students, faculty and staff show their homecoming spirit! Spirit Week includes many activities such as decorating dorm rooms, building creative floats for the parade, buying T-shirts, karaoke after the pep rally, attending the Halloween dance, and pumping up the football team.

HOMEcoming 2001



THE PAGEANT

The womanless beauty pageant is a traditional homecoming activity. Each club sends a "lovely lady" to compete for "Miss Womanless Beauty."

HOMEcoming 2001



THE PARADE

Clubs and organizations from all campuses and centers are invited to enter their float in the parade. This event has become a community happening.

HOMEcoming 2001



THE KARAOKE

After the parade and pep rally, a karaoke contest was held at the stadium, with a great time being held by one and all.

HOMEcoming 2001



THE GAME

We sometimes forget the main reason for homecoming is to welcome back MGCCC alumni and see the Bulldogs in action!



Perk



Perk

HOMECOMING MAIDS



Alicia Bowman, Sophomore
Vancleave



Valarie Hilbun, Sophomore
Football Maid
Lucedale



Teena Smith, Sophomore
Football Maid
Biloxi



Janet Williams, Sophomore
Ocean Springs



Leigh Anne Dwyer, Freshman
Paterfamilias



Eboni Jackson, Freshman
Biloxi

HOMECOMING MAIDS



2001 Perkinston Campus
Homecoming Queen
Diamelia Crawford
Biloxi



HOMECOMING



Club and Organization Displays



HALLOWEEN DANCE -- OCTOBER 30, 2001



On Oct. 30, 2001, the Perkinston Campus Student Council hosted a Halloween Dance at the Pine Burr Country Club in Wiggins. The theme, of course, was "the weirder, the better." The students and faculty danced the night away. The Student Council also provided refreshments and decorations for the event.





Right: Each year a live nativity scene is displayed on campus. It reminds us of the true meaning of Christmas and helps to spread the season's joy.

Below: Elaine Brockmeyer and Chris Calcutt man the auction tables.



Rebecca Layton and Tammie Weathers make sure that everything is ready for the annual lighting of the campus.

Dianella Crawford, a.k.a. "MeMe," tries to spread a little Christmas joy at the lighting of the campus.



Right: Carole Pearce instructs the annual staff how to properly decorate for the annual Festival of Lights.



MOCCC's mascot, "Mac", was one of the main attractions at the lighting of the campus.



Right: HO! HO! HO! The man in red is here. Christmas would not be the same without the appearance of Santa Claus himself.



Above: Margaret Coleman helps the choir sing Christmas songs and carols in the Gregory War Memorial Chapel before the lighting of the campus.



Above: The Band of Gold also provided wonderful entertainment.

Festival of Lights



On December 4, 2001, the whole campus came together for entertainment, face painting, a car show, horse and buggy rides, hot chocolate, and a visit from Santa Claus. To begin the evening, entertainment was provided by the MGCCC Choir and Mississippi Sound in the Gregory War Memorial Chapel. Later, the Band Of Gold provided a wonderful outdoor concert, giving individuals the opportunity to get the Christmas spirit flowing. There was something to do for everyone at the annual Festival of Lights.

Right: Tony Esposito: Sets up his bass guitar with Ricardo Norte as his back-up drummer.

Below: Starting the talent show with a bang, Myra Lane was the first vocalist to perform.



Above: The 2001 Talent Show winner, David Chapman.



Above: Myra Lane captured the audience with her voice while singing "Because You Loved Me" by Celine Dion.



Above: The winner of last year's talent show, Margaret Coleman, entertained and warmed up the crowd for this year's contestants.

Below: Amanda Smith used her powerful voice and amazing playing techniques to walk away with honorable mention.



Above: Using his voice to wow the audience and the judges, Kyle Brown's techniques allowed him to win the vocal category.

And the Winner Is...

On Nov. 13, 2001, eighteen students anxiously awaited the chance to own the stage and show the audience what they could do. Each year the *Mississippi Sound* sponsors the annual Fall Talent Show, in which any student may participate. The talent show is a fund-raiser for *Mississippi Sound* that helps to pay for their trip to the NISOD Convention in Austin, Texas.



Above: Members of the group, "Imperfect Utopia" brought down the house, winning the instrumental category of the 2001 Talent Show. L.R.: Ricardo Norte, Aaron Howard, Kane Finchem, Matt Sigs, and Steve Walley.



Above: Winning the dance category, Kyle Brown's that keeping your feet will pay off.

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REFLECTIONS

Perkinson Campus Reflections Team members act as ambassadors for MGCCC, actively participating in all areas of recruitment, such as high school visits, college nights and Perk Preview Day. Reflections Team members are selected after application based on communication skills, past extracurricular activities, character and grade point average. They conduct campus tours for prospective students all during the year, as well as assist during summer orientation, registration, Homecoming, graduation and any other function that might need some "public relations" assistance. Sponsor: Rebecca Layton.



2001-2002 Reflections Team:
Janessa Alexander, Kristi Barron, Mark Bond, Brad Brooks, Kevin Brown, Diamella Crawford, Carrie DeLoach, Kate Hartfield, Tabitha Hill, Autumn Ishmael, Conrad Johnson, Latasha Johnson, Drew Kite, Stephanie Maynard, Dewana Rogers, Randall Rushing, Tyler Spruill, Adam Stone, Lisa Waltman. Rebecca Layton, sponsor.



Latasha Johnson



Reflections Team members, from left, Conrad Johnson and Janessa Alexander help ready the summer orientation packets for new students.



From left, Lisa Waltman, Diamella Crawford, Tabitha Hill and Kristi Barron take a break from passing out summer orientation packets.



Janessa Alexander, Rebecca Layton and Randall Rushing, join the Reflections Team Table at "Club Perk."

STUDENT COUNCIL

The Student Council is a government organization in which the official members are the decision-makers for the students. The Student Council helps in organizing events and activities of the school, such as back-to-school cookouts, Homecoming, Mardi Gras activities, and Spring Fever Week, to name a few. Being part of the Student Council is fun, adds leadership skills to all who are involved and allows the freedom to speak out for other students on campus. Sponsor: Rebecca Layton.



2001-2002 STUDENT COUNCIL

EXECUTIVE COUNCIL

President, Conrad Johnson
Vice President, Brad Brooks
Secretary, Myla Lane
Treasurer, Jennifer Patton

SOPHOMORE CLASS

President, Alicia Bowman
Vice President, Janet Williams
Sec./Treas., Stephanie Hunt
Representative, Diamella Crawford
Representative, Carrie DeLoach

FRESHMAN CLASS

President, Tasha Johnson
Vice President, Kathy Husband
Sec./Treas., Alexis Arrington
Representative, Becca Neal
Representative, Tam Moore

MEMBERS AT LARGE

Angela Green Jonathan Butterfield
Alyssa Farmer Jessica Martin
Drew Kite Leigh Anne Dwyer
Craig Howze



Festival of Lights



Blood Drive

Executive Officers: (Below, L-R) Brad Brooks, Myla Lane, Jennifer Patton and Conrad Johnson.



Perk AD Club



The Perkinston Ad Club is sponsored by the Graphic Design Technology program and affiliated with the Mississippi Coast Advertising Federation. The club sponsors activities that reflect the goals of the graphic design program. Activities include visits to local industries, and to the Walter Anderson Museum, and design projects provided by local business, giving some members actual work experience.

Front Row: Robbie Moore, Second row (L-R): Angela Johnston, Lacey Dupre, Adrienne Cockrell, Third row (L-R): Korsha Keys, Tyson Mitchell, McCall Bass, Karla Spears, D.J. Shaver, Jeff Jones, (sponsor), Fourth row (L-R): Les McGinnis, Kevin Bell, Jason Odum, Matt Bechtel, Becky McMillan, Scott Lott.

VICA



Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA) encompasses the career, technical, and occupational health fields. Through various fund-raising activities, members earn money to attend state and national competitions. VICA includes Automotive Repair, Child Development, Graphic Design, Computer Servicing, Drafting/Design, Funeral Services, Golf Turf Management, Horticulture, Commercial Truck Driving, Computer Networking, and Welding.

First row (L-R): Sarah Mathieu, Jan Gaston, Tracy Davis, Mindy Keiffer, Andrea McCoy, Second row: Pam Jones, Angel Leonhard, Sam Berzik, Sharon Schonlitz, Tonys Brown, Bobbie Sanders, Steve Wheelborg, Third row: William Murray, Sanford Williamson, Chuck Oliver, Ivette James, Kirk Price, Lacy Dupre, Justin Parber, Brandon Mullins, Jeff Jones.

The Choir



The Perkinston Campus Choir is made up of students who are interested in singing or music in general. People who are involved in the choir express themselves musically in the proud spirit of MCCC. The choir performs at special events on campus, as well as at various community churches, schools and events. Choir director is Marilyn Lott.

Front row (L-R): Jill Worthy, Iris Lucas, Selena Douglas, Craig Land, Edward Burkes, Michael Santos, Treven Bowers, Nekela King, Myla Lane, Tammie Knight, Mandy Morgan, Marilyn Lott (director), Second row (L-R): Tasha Johnson, Akia Hall, Miranda McBeth, Angela Bond, Kathy Hubbard, Dorian Brown, Christopher Lane, Ronnie Morisch, Pamela Smith, Breanna Harper, Jennie Baker, Zalmah Hasan, Buck row (L-R): Margaret Coleman, Aida Ebert, Scott Romero, Alan Kartberg, Ben Whittington, Kyle Rasco, Kase Flinchum, Christopher Thornton, Brandon Battle, Stephanie Dubois, Stan Smith, Abbey Staggall, Amanda Taylor.

International Students



The International Student Association is composed of students attending Perk from other countries. The ISA organizes social events, cultural activities and field trips to help foreign students get involved in campus life.

First row (L-R): Flavia Giannotti (Bolivia), Lucas Mesquita (Brazil), Brenda Bates (sponsor), Second row: Robertas Paulauskas (Lithuania), Raymundo Hernandez (Venezuela), Sheldon Peterson (Trinidad).

Mississippi Sound

Mississippi Sound is a show choir of 10 singers and dancers from The Perkinson Campus. They perform extensively for college, high school and civic functions in South Mississippi. The 2001-2002 show features classic rock 'n' roll, TV and movie classic themes, and pop favorites. Song titles include "Shop Around," "Hey Jude," "Surfin' USA," "Happy Days," etc. They are under the direction of Marilyn Lott. This year, Mississippi Sound will be performing at the 2002 NISOD Convention in Austin, Texas.



Standing (L-R): Durkin Brown, Trevis Bowers, Craig Land, Margaret Coleman, Amanda Taylor, Kyle Rasco, Edward Burkes, Stan Smith.
Sitting (L-R): Miranda McBeth, Nekia King, Jennie Baker, Amy Perry.
Kneeling: Jill Worthy and Reginald Nix.



Kyle Rasco does his Elvis imitation at Homecoming.



The Mississippi Sound performed at Cactus Magic during the holidays.



Marilyn Lott, director of the Mississippi Sound.

Perk Players



Perk Players is the campus performing arts group of the Perkinson Campus. Being a Perk Player means more than learning a few lines and facial expressions. Members become part of a unique experience, which puts them on stages all across Mississippi. Sponsor: Daisha Walker.

First row (L-R): Lacy Thomas, Brandon Battle. Second row: Miranda McBeth, Sarah Johnson, Abbie Hall. Third row: Demorian Lizanna, Savannah Fryogle. Standing: Stan Smith, David Chapman. Top: Amanda Taylor, Kyle Rasco. Not pictured: Jo Jo Smith.

Medical Club



The purpose of the Medical Club is to expose students majoring in the medical sciences to persons and facilities that will be able to help them make choices about their professional careers. Through speakers and field trips, students acquire knowledge about the availability of resources in the surrounding area and are introduced to the persons responsible for their acceptance into these facilities. The result is the enrichment of their educational experiences through the exchange of ideas and information by participants of a diverse background.

First row (L-R): Allison Gantner, Jessica Brown, Jade Bonds, Amy Perry, Lisa Waltham, Tabitha Hill, Carl Hagar, Marissa Furrus. Second row: Greg Beland, Beau Sterling, Holly Bond, Carrie Deloach, George Bell, Pebecilla Austin, Courtney Lewis, Brenda Anderson (sponsor), Sarah Tringle (instructor). Third row: Matt Blackman.

Phi Beta Lambda



Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) is an organization for students interested in careers in the business world. The association strives to develop competent, aggressive business leadership; strengthen the confidence of members; create more interest in understanding of American business enterprise; and develop character, prepare for useful citizenship, and foster patriotism. The Perkinston Campus PBL members participate in various leadership training workshops and seminars. They also compete against other junior/community colleges, college, and university students from across Mississippi in competitive events.

Officers: President, Justin Parker; **Exec. Vice President,** Brenda Looze; **Financial Development VP,** Latoya Harper; **Program VP,** Kathy Husband; **Secretary,** Tonya Armstrong; **Treasurer,** Lucas Mesquita; **Reporter,** LaVonda Thompson; **Parliamentarian,** Melissa Larkowski.

Future Teachers of America



Future Educators of America (FEA) is an organization that provides students with opportunities to explore teaching as a career option, helps students gain a realistic understanding of the nature of education and the role of the teacher, and coordinates information about teaching as a profession, financial assistance options, and educational issues such as professional mobility, diversity, job security, and other matters related to education. **Sponsor:** Jodi Price.

Front, L-R: Terra House, Diamela Crawford. **Back, L-R:** Ricky Smith, Chris Lyle, William Mantell, Chris Rivers, sponsor Jodi Price. **Not pictured:** Tonya Armstrong, Roxanne Green, Chris Beckel, Sherice Stewart, Varnee Bristol, Candi Warden, Shilene Ladner, Caprice Lee, Jessica Turner, Tara Herry, Michele Rodgers, Jeremy Batiste, Heath Sanders, Shelly Wade, Jenny Wright, Clint Whitfield, Yolanda Humes, Brenda Looze, Edd Rhee.

Environmental Club



The Environmental Science Club is a group of students dedicated to making our planet a better place to live. The club creates and maintains an interest in the protection, growth and the needs of the environment of the community. The result is an enriched educational experience through the exchange of ideas and information by participants of a diverse background. The club sponsors clean-up days, and also works on projects such as restoring the Perkinston Elementary School's nature trail.

Front row (L-R): Lisa Molson, Destini Ladner, Jessica Martin, Carrie Delouch, Martin Therry, Jenise Baker, and Megan Finestine. **Second row:** Charles "David" Johnson, Kevin Morgan, Krystal Gordon, Rebekah Nolan, Jessie Alvarez. **Back row:** Drew Gilliland, Billy Baughman, Matthew Blackman, Ross Sterling, Larry Williams, Mrs. Elber Maples. **Not pictured:** Greg Crosby, Timothy Ellis, Jennifer Parker, Crystal Pollard, Darryl Sandbars, and Walter Taylor.

Phi Theta Kappa



Phi Theta Kappa is the nationally recognized scholastic honorary fraternity for community college students. The goals of PTK are to provide opportunities for development of leadership, serving and to encourage continuing academic excellence. Membership is by invitation only and a 3.5 grade point average on all college work. **Gaeli Greene-Agarte** is the sponsor.

Officers 2001-2002: Miranda McReck, **VP for Leadership;** Loretta Nungesser, **VP for Scholarship;** Renee Rigby, **VP for Services;** Steven Spawell, **VP for Fellowship;** Jenise Hasso, **secretary;** Sarah Johnson, **treasurer;** Deanna Rogers, **reporter;** Tanya Parker, **historian.** **General Membership:** Heather Radkin, Mark Bond, Jeff Bowman, Steven Bourne, Marsha Brasher, David Christy, Jan Tr Angulo, Carrie Delouch, Stephen Debat, Marcus Farrow, Karl Hager, Marianne Howell, Victoria Hahlford, Charles Johnson, Conrad Johnson, Drew Kite, Barbara Lee, Jaqueline Lee, Niki Lee, Brenda Looze, Katerina Martin, John O'Sullivan, Kelly Parker, Destini Parker, Jonathan Parker, Amy Perry, Nathaniel Powell, Mike Ridge, Michelle Rogers, Robbi Sanders, Jenise Sanders, Thomas Sanchez, Melissa Stewart, Chris Tackertre, Cindy Watts, Marissa Walters, Lisa Walhman, Steven Wheeler, Clint Whitfield, Janet Williams, Chris Wilson.

Wesley Foundation

The Wesley Foundation is a religious organization affiliated with the United Methodist Church. The purpose of this organization is to enrich the spiritual life of the student, to give opportunities for discussion and to be a channel of service to others.



Front row (L-R): Chris Thornton, Jessica Brown, Steven Spansel.
Second row: Desiree Miller, LaVonda Thompson, Greg Breland, Brenda Loose.
Third row: Caprice Lee, Heidi Adams, Clare Bass, Amanda Campbell.
Fourth row: Stan Smith, Jessica Tatum, John Anderson, Shana White.
Back row: Betty Weber, Justin Parker, Melissa Bond, Trevus Bowens, Dale Vuyovich.



Perkins students who were among the Wesleyan delegates to the Southern Intercollegiate Student Movement held in Lake Lanoka, N.C. L-R: Greg Breland, Jessica Brown, Melissa Bond, Justin Parker, Shana White (Officer), Clare Bass, Brenda Loose, Desiree Miller, Alma Moore, Sue Farned, LaVonda Thompson, Caprice Lee, Trevus Bowens.



At Wesley we have our friends! L-R: Brenda Loose, Heidi Adams, Greg Breland, Justin Parker, Melissa Bond, Jessica Brown.



The Wesley Unity Choir sings for Gateway United Methodist Church Fall Festival. Front row: Trevus Bowens. Second row: Brenda Loose, LaVonda Thompson, Desiree Miller, Jessica Brown, Heidi Adams, Caprice Lee, Clare Bass. Back row: Greg Breland, Chris Thornton, Justin Parker.

Baptist Student Union



The Baptist Student Union (BSU) is a student-led, nationwide college organization that allows the students to fellowship and enhance their spiritual life. Even though it is sponsored by Southern Baptists, the BSU is made up of students from many other denominations. Activities of the BSU include bi-weekly Bible studies, Gospel Choir, and participation at the Children's village, a christian-based foster home. Sponsor: Tim Thomas.

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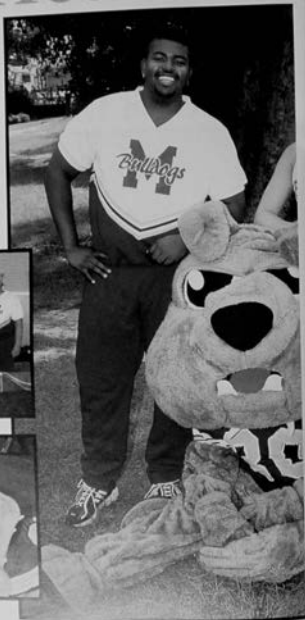
Cheerleaders

cheering the Dogs to victory.....

After a great summer, the Gulf Coast cheerleading squad had a great year under new sponsor Leah Christian. The talented Gulf Coast team finished second in the junior college division at a UCA camp at the University of Alabama last summer.

"We have great captains and sophomores and some excellent new freshmen," says Christian, a Laurel native. "The squad works well together. They practice long and hard and do not give up on something until it is perfect."

Gulf Coast returns nine sophomores, including 2001-2002 captains Cornelius Leventine of Vancleave and Janet Williams of Ocean Springs. Five freshmen joined the team, while sophomores Brad Brooks of East Central served as the team's mascot and Conrad Johnson of Long Beach served as their snike man.



Front, L-R: Conrad Johnson (Long Beach), Michael Mount (Long Beach), Tom Moser, Jr. (Harrison Central), Grant Phillips (Gulfport), Brad Brooks, mascot (East Central), Jesse Alvarez (Harrison Central), Cornelius Leventine, captain (Vancleave), Michael Modick (Harrison Central), Randall Ransing (Vancleave). Back, L-R: Alicia Bowman (Vancleave), Autumn Idmuel (D'Hervey), Janet Williams, captain (Ocean Springs), Kerrie Feigel (Hancock), Valerie Hilborn (George County), Shari Stanley (Gulfport), Lauren Wallace (George County), Leigh Anne Dwyer (Pascagoula).

Soccer

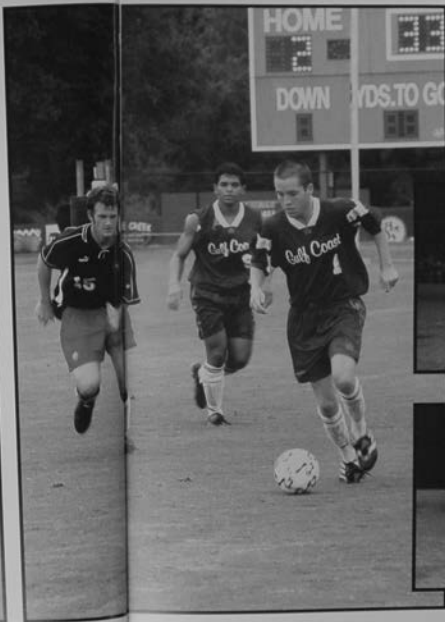
kicking it up....



All-State players include, from left, Ryan Ceccorallie (SG, Martin), Brent Orr (Harrison Central), Steve Chisholm (Pawcatogue) and Tanner Thrash (Stamford). Chisholm and Thrash were also named All Regional 23 players. Other awards presented were Most Improved, Travis Dickey; Most Offensive, Brent Orr; Most Defensive, Tanner Thrash; Most Valuable, Steve Chisholm; and Kai Thrash Award, Josh Ellis.



2001 Men's Soccer Team. First row L-R: Brian Steinwinder, Colin Furrow. Second row L-R: Brandon Lewis, Nathan Moss, Andrew Dedeaux, Charles Tauzin, Michael Willis, Joe McKinney, Jeff Bowman. Third row L-R: Coach Bary Thrash, Tony Giardina, Cameron Harris, Tanner Thrash, Travis Dickey, Brock Moss, Junior Albuquerque, Coach Soffie Kidane. Not pictured: Ryan Ceccorallie, Steven Chisholm, Josh Ellis, Jordan Hebert, Phillip Marshall, Zack Martin, Jeremiah Noack, Brent Orr, Nick Moran, Ryan Lowery, Stacey Clark, Jared Fore and Brian Noble.



The MGCCC men's soccer team began the season with one goal -- to win a state championship. The Bulldogs made it to the state tournament held at Hinds Community College in Raymond on Oct. 27-29, 2001 only to see their hopes dashed in an overtime game against Hinds.

"Our play in the final game was superior to Hinds," Coach Bary Thrash said. "We beat them all over the field, but they had the points when it counted."

The Bulldogs won the South Division championship and boasted a 13-2-1 record.



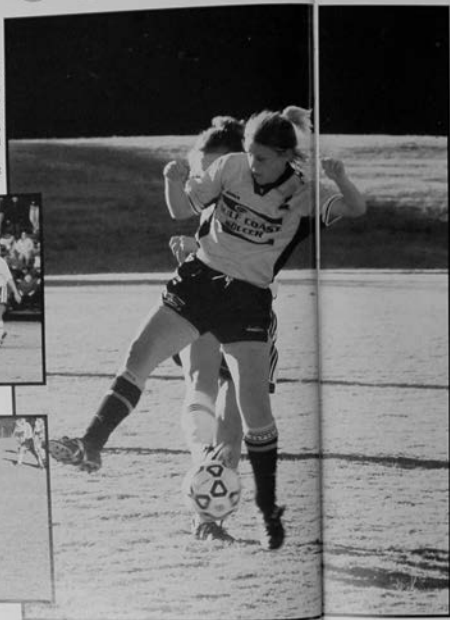
Soccer

kicking it up....

The MGCCC women's soccer team began the season with one goal -- to win a state championship. The Lady Bulldogs made it to the state tournament held at Hinds Community College in Raymond on Oct. 27-29, 2001, only to see their hopes dashed in an overtime game against Hinds.

Coach Barry Thrash said, "In no way does our loss to Hinds reflect our season. We had a great season. I am proud of our team and proud of our girls."

The Lady Bulldogs still had an excellent season, winning the South Division title while posting a 13-2-0 record.



All State and All Regional 23 players selected from the Lady Bulldogs soccer team are, from left, Jessica Hotard (Fontainebleau High), Jackie Wright (Harrison Central), Cara Sumrall (George County) and Elizabeth Boyle (Bklos). Other awards presented included Most Improved, Kacie Barker, Most Offensive, Jackie Wright, Most Defensive, Cara Sumrall, Most Valuable, Jessica Hotard, and Kai Thrash Award, Linda Landry.



2001 Girls Soccer Team. First row L-R: Tallin Tillman, Marisa Furrow, Jessica Hotard, Elizabeth Boyle, Heather Sanders; Second row L-R: Ryan Webb, Andrea Riels, Linda Landry, Molly Carter, Kacie Barker, Sarah Mathieu, Amber Wilson, Kim Bullock, Cassidy Reynolds; Third row L-R: B.J. Davis, Coach Barry Thrash, Jill McCabe, Heather Chatham, Jackie Wright, Cara Sumrall, Jenny Wright, Shelly Wade, Tara Stanley, Coach Sollie Kidane.

Football

Who let the dogs out!!!!.....

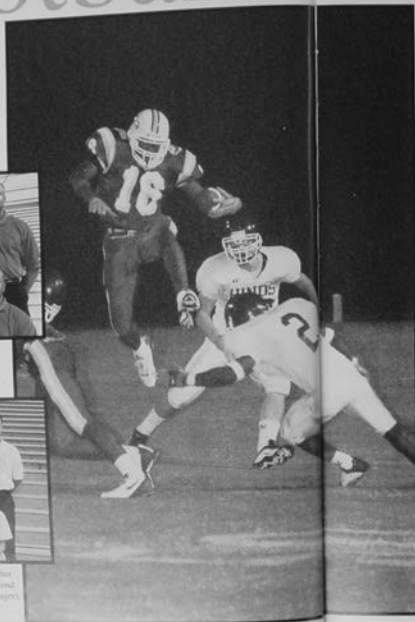
The Bulldog football team wrapped up its season Nov. 1, 2001, with a 38-17 win over Itawamba Community College in Fulton. The Bulldogs finished the season with a 3-6 overall mark.



2001 Bulldog Coaches: Front row, L-R: John Butler (assistant), Steve Wright (head coach), Kelvin Lynn (assistant). Back row, L-R: Keith Warren (volunteer), Michael Gavin (assistant), Steven Moore (volunteer).



Trainers/Managers: Front Row, L-R: Student trainer/Headline Hayward, Krystal Bolder, Corey Lacey, Tiffini Tillman. Second Row, L-R: Brian McConvey (Manager), Trevis Stacks (Manager), Jamie Brykman (Student Trainer), Danny Anderson (Head Athletic Trainer).



Bulldogs selected for MACJC All-Star Classic, All-State/All-Region.



LaCorey Street



Jeremy Batiste



Ronald Jones



Brad DeWitt

Three MGCCC football players were selected to play in the annual Mississippi Junior College All-Star Classic. Defensive lineman LaCorey Street of George County, offensive lineman Jeremy Batiste of Moss Point, and defensive lineman Ronald Jones of Gulfport represented Gulf Coast on the South Team in the All-Star game, which took place on Dec. 1, 2001, at Northeast Mississippi Community College in Booneville. Street had 20 unassisted tackles, 16 assisted tackles and recovered one fumble during the 2001 season. Batiste was a two-year starter on the offensive line for the Bulldogs, while Jones had 42 unassisted tackles, 11 assisted tackles, three-and-a-half quarterback sacks, and also recovered three fumbles and intercepted one pass.

One Bulldog player, sophomore offensive lineman Brad DeWitt of Pass Christian, was selected by the Mississippi Association of Community and Junior College coaches as a first-team All-State/All-Region offensive lineman for his play during the 2001 season. DeWitt is a transfer from Nichols State University.



MGCCC Bulldogs

#	Name	Pos.	Class	Height	Weight	School
1	Spain, Antwanne	DB	F	5'11"	177	Gulport
2	Arnold, Kyle	DB	S	5'10"	155	Stone County
3	Hall, Charles	DB	F	6'0"	175	Gulport
4	Cordis, Tawain	KB	F	5'10"	204	Holly Hills, SC
5	Lanison, Vianthell	DL	F	6'6"	240	Phenix City, AL
6	Petley, Pete	LB	F	6'2"	205	Pascagoula
7	Poon, Derrick	WR	F	6'	190	Biloxi
8	Vinson, Bernard	WR	S	6'1"	197	George County
9	King, Michael	DB	F	6'1"	180	Delaware-N.O., LA
11	Johnson, Roci	WR	F	5'7"	170	Pais Christian
12	Johnson, Josh	KB	F	5'11"	181	Gauthier
13	McEllett, Andrew	DB	F	6'	190	Gauthier
14	Howze, Emil	DB	F	6'	185	Moss Point
16	Eates, Charles	WR	S	6'3"	240	Pascagoula
17	Dewan Johnson	QB	F	6'2"	190	Gulport
18	Carmichael, Delshon	K	F	5'9"	180	Gulport
20	Walton, Brett	P	F	6'	180	Skipperville, AL
21	Baker, Vies	DB	F	6'	185	Moss Point
22	Williams, Lorenzo	QB	F	6'2"	190	St. John
23	Nettles, James	DB	F	5'11"	190	Harrison Central
24	Rhodes, Thad	DB	F	5'11"	200	Moss Point
25	Butler, Mike	WR	S	6'3"	140	Pascagoula
32	Pickens, Sherrod	WR	F	5'8"	240	Moss Point
33	Myles, Charlie	LB	F	5'11"	220	George County
35	Cesar, Clarence	KB	S	5'11"	205	George County
39	Tailey, Elbert	FB	F	5'10"	250	Stone County
41	Freelge, Matt	FB	F	6'	195	Moss Point
44	Johnson, Kevin	LB	F	6'2"	195	George County
45	McBrath, Jason	LB	F	5'11"	178	Homeewood, AL
46	McMillan, Ron	LB	F	6'	210	Biloxi
48	Daley, Courtney	OL	S	5'11"	257	Baker, GA
51	Gazze, Jason	OL	F	6'2"	280	Moss Point
53	Purnell, Prentice	OL	S	6'1"	212	Pascagoula
57	Nuttley, Brockrick	OL	F	6'2"	275	Ocean Springs
58	Halls, Chris	OL	F	6'1"	200	Moss Point
60	Clayton, Aaron	OL	F	6'1"	318	Gulport
62	Kirkland, Octavious	OL	F	6'1"	240	St. John
63	Gamer, Billy	OL	F	6'2"	340	George County
64	Hemmerling, Lane	OL	F	6'2"	360	Harrison Central
65	Jones, Wes	OL	F	6'3"	280	Stone County
66	Goodrich, Neke	OL	F	6'3"	320	Long Beach
68	Blankenship, Lance	OL	S	6'3"	302	Moss Point
69	Blanks, Alan	OL	S	6'3"	340	George County
70	Battiste, Jeremy	OL	S	6'3"	290	Biloxi
71	Street, LaCore	OL	S	6'3"	310	Pais Christian
75	Cannock, Jeff	OL	S	6'	260	Pascagoula
77	DeVitt, Brad	OL	S	6'	170	Moss Point
79	Dukes, Steven	OL	S	6'2"	205	Vanceboro
85	Moyle, Tremaine	OL	S	6'2"	340	Austin, TX
87	Langley, Andrew	OL	S	6'2"	280	Gulport
88	Davis, Sonny	OL	S	6'2"	250	Gulport
89	Dix, Edmund	OL	S	6'2"	240	Long Beach
92	Jones, Ronald	OL	S	6'2"	195	Biloxi
94	Amos, Jorge	OL	S	6'2"		
98	Roberts, James	OL	S	6'2"		

Intramural Football 2001



This year's Super Bowl game was played between the Wildcats and the Pitbulls. The Wildcats led the Pitbulls 22-16 before halftime. The second half was a different story—the Pitbulls scored 28 unanswered points to claim the title of Champions. The final score was Pitbulls 44 and Wildcats 22.

Left: The Pitbulls were the winners of the 2001 Intramural Super Bowl. Team members for the Pitbulls were Ernest Burns, Edna and Bunkie, Chad Durr, Charles Freeman, Chris Land, Justin Lane, Kyle Lane and Darnell Smith.



Left: It takes strategy, speed and intuition to outmaneuver these guys.

Below: A nervous coach/manager looks on as his team tries to fight its way back during the Super Bowl game. Many knew him by the name of Samuel A. Bush III.



Below: Edward Burkes, A.K.A. "Hollywood," scans the other guys as he steps his half right into the end zone.



Below: Although the first half was a little lousy, the Pitbulls managed to have an outstanding comeback.

Basketball

shooting for nothing but net.....

At the beginning of the season head coach Greg Holmes said, "I'm cautiously optimistic about this group. We've got about three players back who got quality time last year, but we may be a little on the small side compared to the rest of the state. It's just a matter of how fast the freshmen accept the challenge of playing at this level." At press time, Gulf Coast's women were 7-2 overall and 0-2 in the South Division.



2001-2002 Lady Bulldogs: Front row, l-r: Christian Hull (12) of New Orleans, L.A.; Dana Draper (18) of Guntersville; Mashaika Davis (11) of Marietta, L.A.; Monique Cowan (53) of Moss Point. Second Row: Ashley Lawson (32) of Harvey, L.A.; Ashley Thurman (5) of Ocean Springs; Kristi Raffle (33) of New Orleans, L.A.; Alicia Wainwright (38) of Gulfport; Myeshia Mingo (21) of Biloxi. Back row: Martha Bradley (35) of Pass Christian; Wanda Farmer (42) of Gulfport; Felicia Spivey (44) of Lucedale; Kesha Carter (23) of Lucedale; Mary Bradley (56) of Pass Christian; Catryna Martin (15) of Gulfport.

Baseball

batter up....

Softball

batter up....

Baseball at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College came back in February after a stunning season in 2001.

Head coach Cooper Farris led a Bulldogs pack (ranked 16th in an NCAA preseason poll) published in the Jan. 4 Collegiate Baseball) comprised of 16 sophomores and 14 freshmen. The 2002 season opened on Feb. 10 against Pensacola at East Central High School.

Conference play started on March 8 against East Central Community College in Perkinston. Teams to watch out for this were Pearl River, Jones and Co-Lin, Farris says.

The 2001 season found the Bulldogs winning South Division and Region 23 championships, and finishing second in the state championships. The team also competed in the Southeast District Championship Series, but was ousted by host Central Alabama, leaving them with a record of 32-25.

To top off the season, nine of the 12 sophomores on last year's team signed with four-year colleges.

This year, Farris had seven returning starters, including Chas Evans of Ocean Springs, first base; Tab Beadle of Berwick, La., second base; Justin Mundt of West Chester, Ohio, short stop; Matt Anderson of Pascagoula, centerfielder/pitcher; Socory Scott of Pascagoula, right field; Jacob Brown of Moss Point, catcher; and Ricky Smith of George County, left field/short stop.

The four returning conference pitchers included Anderson; Jonathan Butterfield of Biloxi; Brandon Erwin of Pearl River, La.; Kirk Anslum of Morgan City, La.; and Clint Whitfield of Long Beach, relief pitcher.



The 2001 Randy House Award winner was Joseph Davenport of Wiggins. Left to right, Head Coach Cooper Farris, Joseph Davenport, and Reggie and Buddy Davenport.

2001-2002 TEAM	
No.	NAME
1	Justin Mundt
2	Buddy Pellegrino
3	Matt Anderson
4	Nick Moody
5	Heathly Scott
6	Joey Rivers
7	Chas Evans
8	Ron McMillan
9	Kirk Anslum
10	Nick Stillwagon
11	Tab Beadle
12	Brandon Erwin
13	Jonathan Butterfield
14	Marc Chisholm
15	Joe Finarich
16	Craig Horne
17	Jacob Brown
18	Brian Wiggins
19	Ricky Smith
20	Jarred Robinson
21	Grant Patterson
22	Bernard Williams
23	Joey Coleman
24	Brett Puckard
25	Derek Tillman
26	Mark David Howard
27	Clint Whitfield
28	Craig Smith
29	Brian Benson
30	Nick Harris
31	Head Coach: Cooper Farris (633)
32	Assistant Coach: Michael Cudd (#23)
	Student Assistant Coach: Neil Frederic (#35)



Kenneth Long understood the challenge that lay ahead of him and his Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College Lady Bulldogs softball team.

It was a challenge that followed a 2001 season — the first-ever season of fast-pitch play for the Lady Bulldogs — that had a hot season, not cooling down until they had earned a berth in the NCAA Fast-Pitch Softball Division II World Series in Phoenix, Ariz. At the world Series, Gulf Coast went 2-2 to end up 31-12 and tied for fifth in the nation.

What Long, a Jackson County Campus and University of Southern Mississippi alumnus, saw as a challenge, however, was also encouraging the team, which opened its season on Feb. 28 in Perkinston against East Mississippi. Long, who was

assisted this year by Lisa Havard, was also encouraged by the support of Gulf Coast's administration.

"With their support — with everyone's support — our softball facility is becoming the best in the state," says Long about such improvements as a new 8-foot wooden fence around the field, a reworked infield, repainted dugouts and a new state-of-the-art scoreboard. The college's long-range plans for facilities include new turf grass, dressing rooms and lights for the softball facility.

Long, who hails from Hurley and also serves double duty as assistant women's basketball coach at Gulf Coast, says "It has been encouraging to see how hard our players have worked and the dedication and pride they have shown."

Freshmen players included Ashley Thurman of Ocean Springs; Jill McCabe of Ocean Springs; Oliver Armstrong of Pass Christian; Ashly Jenkins of Pass Christian; Daphne Lampkin of Harrison Central; Sarah Colvin of Stone County; Samantha Johnson of Gautier; Amanda Simmons of Harrison Central; Lacey Dupree of Pascagoula; and Masheka Davis of New Orleans.



First Season Players

Cilver Armstrong
Kesha Carter
Sarah Colvin
Masheka Davis
Lacey Dupree
Samantha Johnson
Daphne Lampkin
Jill McCabe
Amanda Simmons
Ashley Thurman

Second Season Players

Brandy Band
Keisha Dunnell
Wanda Farmer
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Managers

Ashley Jenkins
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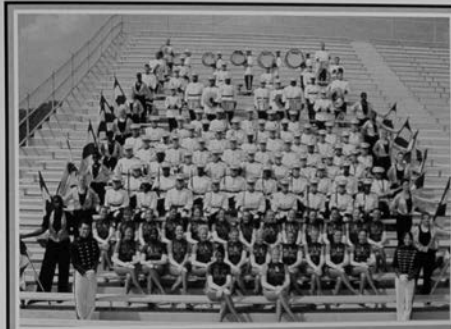
Coaches

Kenneth Long, Head Coach
Lisa Havard, Assistant Coach

Band of Gold

spirit.....pride.....work.....showmanship.....

The 2001, Band of Gold showcased Southern musical styles and performers in its field show, "Songs of the South." Under the direction of David Doett, with the assistance of Clifton Taylor and Kathleen Braun, the band paid homage to Mississippi's musical heritage. The Perkettes featured tunes highlighting Mississippi native Elvis Presley. The balance of the show presented a New Orleans style funeral procession and the classic Judy Garland ballad, "Rockabye Your Baby With a Dixie Melody." In the late season, the Band of Gold shook the stands with their encore, "Summertime," from the Southern-themed Gershwin operetta, "Porgy and Bess."



Ryan Alford, Brandy Allday, John Andrews, Justin Anthony, Val Arnold, Alexis Arrington, Priscilla Austin, Michele Bang, Andica Barnes, Ashley Bates, George Bell, Jerry Biggs, Michael Biggs, Matthew Blackman, Bobby Blair, Julie Bonds, Emily Brindza, Matt Brooks, Jessica Brown, Kelli Bruner, Sophia Buckley, Cedrick Buick, Daniel Burton, Sarah Cuffman, Amy Cinton, Memo Cypriani, Sarah Cynn, Ian D'Angelo, Randa Davis, Carrie Dehouk, Zach Dehouk, Lee Doty, Jessica Drwaz, Stephanie Duhaz, Selena Dunlap, Aja Ebert, Timothy Ellis, Tony Espino, Kate Fincham, Terra Gardner, Allison Gardner, Lisa Glenn, Bryan Goodson, Krystal Gordon, Kevin Hagyard, Kate Hartfield, Zaidah Hasan, Cassie Harten, Mike Hilborn, Tabitha Hill, Phillip Hill, Aaron Howard, Krystal Hunt, Emoni Jackson, Houston Jackson, Keisha Jackson, Samantha Johnson, Paul Jones, Megan Kelley, Anne Knowles, Alan Kuehnberg, Irl Lucas, Arlele Lash, April Lee, Niki Lee, Shanna Lee, Courtney Lewis, Kim Lewis, Shane Maher, Tasha Martin, Melissa Maxwell, Jenny May, Christina McCarthy, Kathleen Miller, Jonathan Moore, Jonathan Moore, Monique Morgan, Ronnie Morich, Alex Nichols, Ricardo Norris, Alana Overton, Jonathan Parker, Christian Perez, Stephen Roney, Patrick Reidy, Misty Amber Porter, James Posey, Maurice Powell, Jason Purvis, Jeremy Purvis, Karisha Robinson, Scott Romero, Lucy Rose, Michael Santos, Ridge, Lisa Rivenbark, Gene Roberts, Sheria Roberts, Crystal Smith, Pam Smith, Treva Smith, Abbey Stigall, Beau Sterling, Maria Scaffie, John Sheets, Amelias Simpson, Crystal Smith, Wendell Thomas, Leann Thompson, Vanessa Thompson, Ryan Swartz, Brett Thomas, Carly Thomas, Eric Thomas, David Thomas, Leann Thompson, Vanessa Thompson, David Vernon, Shane Walley, Alicia Ward, Annabel Ward, Amanda Williams, Ray Williams, Steven Williams, Leslie Wilson, Tony Wigal, Tiffany Wythe.

2001-2002 Parkettes Dance Team: Front, L-R: Captain Diamella Crawford and Priscilla Austin. Second row, L-R: Sophomores Samantha Johnson, Courtney Lewis, Niki Lee, Ashley Bates, Terra Smith, Krystal Hunt. Third row, L-R: Schona Phillips (manager); freshmen Lisa Glenn, Corie Hatten, Leslie Wilson, Crystal Smith, Maria Scaife, Lacey Rouse, Kate Harfield, Alicia Ward, Emily Brindza, Leann Thompson, Jessica Downes, Tabitha Hill, Val Arnold, Jade Bonaldi, Annabel Ward, Amy Costin, Allison Gaudier and Tammi DeBerry (manager).



2001-2002 Color Guard: Front Row: Maurice Powell. Second row, L-R: Schona Dunlap, Sophia Buckley, Iris Lucas, Zainab Hassan, Shanna Lee, Terra Gardiner, Amanda Williams, Cately Thomas, Sarah Coffman, Christina McCarthy, Jessica Brown, Elan Jackson.

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Miss Perk

Diamelia Crawford

Diamelia, the daughter of Eleanor Norck and Daryl Hester, attended Biloxi High School. She is a sophomore and an education major. Diamelia is a captain of the Perkettes Dance Team, a member of Reflections, a Student Council representative, Freshman Beauty, and 2001 Perkinston Campus Homecoming Queen. She was selected as a member of the Perkinston Campus 2001-2002 Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges and the Perkinston Campus Hall of Fame.

Mr. and Miss Perk * Mr. and Miss Perk * Mr. and Miss Perk * Mr. and Miss Perk * Mr. and Miss Perk * Mr. and Miss Perk

Mr. Perk

Conrad Johnson

Conrad, the son of Martha and Conrad Johnson of Long Beach, attended Long Beach High School. He is a sophomore and a mechanical engineering major. He is executive president of the Student Council, as well as Tri-Campus Student Council President. He is a member of Reflections, Phi Theta Kappa, participates in the Honors Program, and was selected as a member of the Perkinston Campus 2001-2002 Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges and the Perkinston Campus Hall of Fame.



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Carrie Deloach, Most Beautiful

* Most Beautiful and Most Handsome * Most Beautiful and Most Handsome * Most Beautiful and Most Handsome



* Most Beautiful and Most Handsome * Most Beautiful and Most Handsome * Most Beautiful and Most Handsome

Jonathan Butterfield, Most Handsome

Sophomore Favorites



Valerie Hilbun



Chad Dean



Leigh Anne Dwyer



Tom Moore

Freshmen Favorites

* Class Favorites * Class Favorites * Class Favorites * Class Favorites

* Most Spirited * Most Spirited * Most Spirited * Most Spirited * Most Spirited



Myia Lane



Grant Phillips

Most Spirited

* Most Spirited * Most Spirited * Most Spirited * Most Spirited * Most Spirited

♥ Freshmen Beauties ♥



Christian Hull



Autumn Ishmael



Ashley Lawson

Sophomore Beauties ♥



Alicia Bowman



Wanda Farmer



Janet Williams

♥ Freshmen Beaus ♥



George Bell



Kevin Brown



Orlando Lewis

Sophomore Beaus ♥



James Nettles



Brandon Nicholas



James Roberts

2001-2002 WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN JUNIOR COLLEGES



Perkinston Campus



The 2001-2002 edition of *Who's Who Among American Junior Colleges* are sophomore students who have been selected by the faculty, administration and staff on the basis of academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success. These students join an elite group of students from more than 1,800 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states and several foreign nations.



Bradley Brooks



Diamella Crawford



Ian D'Angelo



Carrie Delosch



Charles Evans III



Tabitha Hill



Charles Husley



David Johnson



Conrad Johnson



Meagan Kelley



Niki Lee



Brenda Loose



Miranda McBeth



Lucas Mesquita



Jonathan Parker



Amy Leigh Perry



Denana Rogers



Lisa Waltman



Clinton Whitfield



Nathan Wilson

PERKINSTON CAMPUS HALL OF FAME

The faculty and administration have annually chosen ten outstanding campus leaders for their scholastic and community achievements to be in the *Perkinston Campus Hall of Fame*. These students possess qualities of leadership, citizenship, personality and are a true reflection of the caliber of the Perkinston Campus student.

Diamelia Crawford
Education
Biloxi, Mississippi

Student Council Representative; Perkettes Dance Team Captain; Reflections; Freshman Beauty; 2001 Perkinston Campus Homecoming Queen; Miss Perk.



Charles E. Evans III
Pre-Medicine
Ocean Springs, Mississippi

Member of Baseball Team (First Base); Phi Theta Kappa; Honors Program.

Tabitha Hill
Dental Hygiene
Lucedale, Mississippi

Member of Reflections; Phi Theta Kappa; Medical Club (Vice President); Perkettes Dance Team; Honors Program.



Conrad Johnson
Mechanical Engineering
Long Beach, Mississippi

Executive Student Council (President); Tri-Campus Student Council Student Body President; Member of Reflections, Phi Theta Kappa, Honors Program; Mt. Perk.



Niki Lee

Pre-Law
Wiggins, Mississippi

Member of Perkettes Dance Team; Phi Theta Kappa; Yearbook Staff.

Miranda A. McBeth

Theatre
Saucier, Mississippi

Member of Phi Theta Kappa (Vice President of Leadership); Mississippi Sound; Perkinston Campus Choir; Perkettes Dance Team; Perk Players; Honors Program.



Lucas Mesquita

International Business
Sao Paulo, Brazil

Member of Phi Theta Kappa (Vice President of Scholarship); Phi Beta Lambda (Treasurer); International Student Association (President); the Honors Program; Baptist Student Union; Resident Assistant.

Justin Parker

Computer Engineering
Wiggins, Mississippi

Member of Phi Theta Kappa; Phi Beta Lambda (President); Wesley Foundation (Board Member); Delta Club; Skills USA VICA President.



Dewana Rogers

Music Education
Wiggins, Mississippi

Member of Phi Theta Kappa (Reporter); Reflections (President); Perkinston Campus Choir; Jazz Band. A-R-G-P.



Clinton Whitfield

B.S. Preparatory
Long Beach, Mississippi

Member of Baseball Team (Pitcher); Phi Theta Kappa; Resident Assistant; Freshman Vice President of Student Council.



2002
Perkinson Campus
Mardi Gras Ball



Mardi Gras

February 5, 2002
Pine Burr Country Club
Wiggins, Mississippi



Queen Tabitha Hill
and
King Kyle Rasco



2002 Royal Court



Flavia Gancotti and
Lucas Mesquita
International Students



Jennie House and
Tom Moore
Medical Club



Amanda Taylor and
Kyle Rasco
Mississippi Sound



Meagan Kelley
*Moran Hall
Darrian Brown
Escort*



Alicia Bowman
Andrew Hall RA
Bert Pickard
Hayden Hall RA



Carrie DeLoach and
George Bell
Band of Gold



Carlin Wilson
Clint Whitfield
*Color Guard
Darrian Brown
Escort*



Valarie Hilbun
Steven Dukes
*Batgirls
Perk Choir
Baseball Team*



Margaret Coleman and
Stan Smith
Perk Players



Miranda McBeth and
Brian Rigby
Phi Theta Kappa



Diamella Crawford
Greg Breland
*Perkenes Dance Team
Darrian Brown
Escort*



Sarah Johnson and
Brian Rigby
Phi Theta Kappa



Janet Williams and
Brad Brooks
Cheerleaders



Arielle Lash and
Shaun Maher
Delta Club



Kristin Gattis and
Drew Gilliland
Environmental Club



Tabitha Hill
Karl Hager
*Medical Club
Harrison Hall*



Dewana Rogers and
Mark Bond
Reflections



Myla Lane and
Conrad Johnson
Student Council



Jessica Brown and
Greg Breland
Wesley Foundation



Grant Phillips
Leigh Anne Dwyer
*Yearbook
Escort*

YEARBOOK

deadlines...photos...infoscroppers...
late nights...job numbers...quotes...
captions...text boxes...cameras...
themes...copy...proofs...editors...

Just Part
of the
job...

staff



Editor Nathan Wilson instructs the yearbook staff on how to crop photographs. Left to right, Angel Leonhard, Shana White, and Keela Mitchell.



Editor Nathan Wilson, and Jennifer Moore.

"It has been an honor serving as the editor for the 2000-2001 and 2001-2002 yearbooks. It is my hope that as you turn the pages of this book, you are reminded of the excitement, the adventures, the hopes, the dreams, the experiences, and most importantly, the years we all shared together."

Nathan Wilson

2001-2002 Yearbook Staff

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Kyle Rasco
Stan Smith
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Shana White
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Grant Phillips



Amanda Taylor and Kyle Rasco



Sylvia Davis, Sponsor



Stan Smith



Niki Lee



No matter who you
were **THERE** and
THEN or who you
are **HERE** and
NOW, the
MGCCC Bulldog
is in us all.



George County Center

Clubs



Phi Beta Lambda (PBL) is an organization for students interested in a career in the business world. The association strives to develop competent, aggressive business leadership, strengthen the confidence of members, create more interest in understanding of American business enterprise, and develop character, prepare for useful citizenship, and foster patriotism. Front row, L-R: Angela Dotson, Angela Bolton, Larry Barney (sponsor), Sharon Wallis, Jeannie McBride, Ronald Bracks. Second row, L-R: Calisa Dorich, Holly Smith, Levilla Hartfield, Ann Jordan, Freddie, Ruth Bull, Lynn Brown, Shonda Allen, Tania Havard.



Health Occupations Students of America (HOSA) promotes occupational training, teamwork, self-discipline, leadership and compassion for others. L to R: Stacy Porter, Karla Miller, Cindy Brown, Blake Brown, Maricia Redder, Chuck West, Kenneth Knight.



Surgical Technology Club. Front row, L-R: Chris Darley, Dana Conley, Samantha Finch, Sarah Welford. Back row, L-R: Tanya Trefren, Crystal Hempstead, Jeanny Callett, Jamie Pope.



Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (Skills USA/VICA) encompasses the vocational, technical and occupational health fields. Through various fund-raising activities, members earn money to attend state and national competitions. VICA includes Business and Office Cluster, Cosmetology, Practical Nursing, Surgical Technology, and Welding. Photo on left: L to R, Ashley Lusher, Pooches Weaver, Kim Dixon, Wanda Allgood. Photo on right: L-R, Keith Ludwig, Jeremy Cochran, Don Street, Robert Solomon, Sponsor, Eldred Carter.



George County Center

People



The George County Center homecoming float gets a big send off from "Bully" the Bulldog.



Karen Howell, Surgical Technology instructor, gives a huge hug to Bully for all his hard work.



HOSA Nursing students help out during GCC Blood Drive.



Keith Ludwig, who is assisted by Robert Solomon, works on his welding project.

JACKSON COUNTY

Jackson County 1966



Jackson County 2002

JACKSON COUNTY

JACKSON COUNTY CAMPUS



Mrs. Rebecca Williams



SMILE!



Mrs. Sokal and Justin



HANGING OUT!



MERRY CHRISTMAS!



CHILLIN'!



Watching the show!



APRIL!



MRS. DAVIS



Mom having a drink!



PEACE MAN!



SWITCHBOARD



EXECUTIVE COUNCIL



Baptist Student Union State Conference



Summer 2001 Orientation

The Path toward

Finding your way into a new world seems hard for most students to realize. Entering college for the first time takes ambition and courage. While some students tend to comprehend college as continuing education, others respond by looking ahead at their path toward new beginnings. During the summer of 2001, the Jackson County Campus held orientation for entering freshmen. At the orientations, students were welcomed to new faces, including the JC Student Orientation Leader Team. Scavenger hunts, photo ID's, and some of the students' first memories at college collaborated to start the academic year.



Above: Group photo of JC Student Orientation Leader Team of 2001 step on their path to have a picture with JC Student Orientation Leader Team. Below: Michelle Davis, Emily Davidson, Jennifer Bell, and Scott Orsini welcome new freshmen to Jackson County College.



Middle Left: An entering freshman takes a short break on her "journey" as she survives the dreaded student photo ID mug shot.

Circle: JC Student Orientation Leaders Anthony Jimerson and Laura Rod are friends who know what college life is really like!



Right: Do you know who the college president is? (Our president's name is BOB 2514-401) Huh? Have you figured it up on your Student Handbook or College Catalog yet? If not, see a freshman at your orientation. These new kids on the block group will win their scavenger hunt! Having Summer Orientation 2001.

Winter 2002 Registration

New Beginnings



Oh, the weather outside is frightful, but the lines inside are soooooo delight...WAIT! Let's rephrase that: The lines inside are soooooo LONG! That's right, the final registration lines are not always the most fun place to be starting the new year off. Returning and non-traditional students seem to feel overwhelmed or stressed when final registration arrives each semester. Thank goodness JC has an awesome team of administration, instructors, staff, orientation leaders and Reflections members to smooth out the process of admitting students each semester.

Above Left: Long lines are usually the first noticeable thing about final registration. This year the lines began in M Building with admissions to JC.



Above Center: Parker Wilkinson assists a new student on fixing schedule errors. Above Right: "Erika, what are you doing on that old phone?" Anthony I am calling Admissions for some more handbooks! - Erika Payton and Anthony Jimerson from Reflections sit at Station 2 passing out college handbooks and graduation information. Below Left: The orientation group cracks up at the name game fun. It's a great way to make new friends! Below Right: Scott Orsini talks to the packer orientation group about important college catalog information.





Troy Cook, K's most memorable blood donor



David Duda, need some chips? You are looking a little pale.



Jason Cox and Craig McKinney, we know why you are really here. Is your wisdom innovative offering us a credit?



You can't call Mrs. Pines a square. Just look at her graceful smile!



How do you relax after giving blood? Well, Katherine Sams, Brad Johnson, Crystal Davis and Ramsey Wash say a good game of Twister is the only way.



Over the years, Norbert has been a faithful blood donor. He has donated over fifteen gallons of blood and deserves much honor and respect. He is not selfish, as you can see, but a very giving person. We applaud you, Mr. Norbert, and for all of those lives you have saved, we want to say thanks. You are a true hero.



When you ask Mrs. Mayberry to say cheers, she really gets into it.



Wash



An Older Student in a World of Youth
by Deborah Ugas

When people think of college or universities, they usually visualize young adults or teenagers on campus. Today, more than ever before, older adults are attending college. Many are attending for the first time; some are changing careers, and many are taking classes to further their careers. I am attending college to change careers. I am enjoying my experiences, but have found it more difficult than I had ever expected. Being an older college student is harder than most people think.

Twenty-nine years have passed since I graduated from high school. Even with life's experiences, I have found it is much harder to learn than if I had attended college fresh out of school. I have to laugh when I hear an instructor tell students that certain information was taught in middle school. Middle school is so far back in my life I cannot even remember what subjects I took, and never mind what certain parts of a sentence are called. Studying and taking exams have been giant adventures in furthering my education. For my first college exam I studied painstakingly and was so sure that I knew everything that would be on the test. On the day of the test, my brain went on vacation no matter how hard I tried, all the information that I had processed over the previous days was gone. It was then that I realized I needed more effective study skills, and I needed to enter into my exams with a positive attitude and without fear.

Making friends has never been a dilemma for me, that is until I began attending college. In my classes I observed countless young people. I felt out of place in a vast ocean of youthful faces. I have made many new friends, but they are largely younger than I am. Perhaps it is due to the gap in generations, but I have realized that my morals and norms are not like some of my young peers. This contrast in values and ideas has made it difficult to relate, but I have given it my best effort to understand how they feel, and what they stand for. If one were to draw closer to a conversation between a classmate and myself, they would think I was a mother giving advice to her child, but to the contrary, I am just being a good friend. Subsequent to searching the halls jam-packed with young people, I have ultimately met classmates closer to my age, and I value their friendships.

Trying to juggle studies along with family, home and outside commitments is exhausting. The requirements needed to keep everything running smoothly takes away from critical study time and much needed sleep. When I have laid aside certain times for studying, my children assume I have set this time aside strictly for them and not anything else. Family and friends are just part of the responsibilities and commitments that I have. I am an officer within my church along with other organizations, and I have a hard time refusing my support as needed. Unlike teenagers or older adults, I do not have the added responsibility of holding a full-time job. I couldn't even imagine fitting that into my juggling act.

Many aspects of my experience with college have been hard, but at the same time, they have been delightful ones. They are all a part of learning, and as the old age saying goes, "One is never too old to learn." It may be tough being a nontraditional student, but I have found that I am able to get over any obstacle placed in front of me.



Elizabeth Walter was out of school for 35 years before attending MCCC JC. She says, "I don't know when I am going to get old. It has not happened yet. When I grow up, I want to be a psychologist."



"It is never too late to be what one could have been."

by George Elser



Down Miguens graduated from St. Marius High school in 1977. She returned to school after being out 23 years. She chose MCCC JC to further her education. She said, "The one thing I have learned while being back in school is this. Don't take your education for granted, get all you can out of it." Her experience at JC has been great. She enjoys the teachers, as well as her fellow students. Dawn said, "The teachers have all been supportive and the Learning Resource Center has really been a great asset." Her major is nursing and her hobbies include softball, football, reading, and spending time with her family. She says, "Whatever you do, don't take life for granted. Live life to the fullest. You never know what the future holds for you."



Linda Joyner quit high school in the ninth grade. She returned to receive her GED in 1997. Linda chose MCCC JC to further her education for several reasons. She is majoring in psychology and should graduate in spring 2002. She came to JC in 1998 as a traditional student. She enjoys her instructors and fellowship with the other students. She said, "The faculty members of JC have been a great help in furthering my education. They helped me to grow up and better my life." She wants everyone to remember that no matter what age you are that there is always room to grow. Linda said, "JC has been a wonderful learning experience for me, and I do not know how I could ever show enough thanks to my instructors." Her hobbies include piano, guitar, gardening, reading and creative writing.



Operation Enduring Freedom

Freedom Isn't Free

I watched the flag pass by one day.
It fluttered in the breeze.
A young military man saluted it
And then he stood at ease.

I looked at him in uniform;
So young, so tall, so proud.
With hair cut square and eyes alert,
He'd stand out in any crowd.

I thought how many men like him
Had fallen through the years?
How many died in foreign soil?
How many mother's tears?

How many pilots' planes shot down?
How many foxholes were soldiers' graves?

NO FREEDOM ISN'T FREE!!

I heard the sound of "Taps" one night,
When everything was still.
I listened to the bugler play.
And felt a sudden chill.

I wondered just how many times
That "Taps" had meant "Amen."
When the flag has been draped
Over a coffin of a brother or a friend.

I thought of all the kids,
Of mothers and their wives,
Of fathers, sons and husbands
Faced with interrupted lives and sad good-byes.

I thought about a graveyard
At the bottom of the sea,
Of unmarked graves at Arlington.

NO FREEDOM IS NOT FREE!!!

AIR FORCE



In the military everything is in the past.
Above: Darren Smith Left: Curtis Rios,
both members of the U.S. Air Force

ARMY



The Army is another branch of the big military
family. Above is this year's recipients of the Order
of the Year award. To the left is a formation team
marching Physical Training

NAVY



The Navy is a branch that we
are very familiar with here on
the Gulf Coast, because we
have the Home Port close by.
Above is a picture of a sub-
marine out in the open waters,
and to the left is a fleet of
ships, commissioned in the
Navy.

MARINES



The Marines are one
of the military's top-
rank groups. In the
left is Ryan Conner,
who is one of EC's
own who joined the
Marines. He came
back this spring, and
we are all proud of
him! Here to him is a
picture of Marines
standing in formation.



COAST GUARD



To all our men and women who serve, we thank you
from the bottom of our hearts and pray for you daily.
God bless our troops!

Betsy Hagan is an Instructional Services Coordinator. She began teaching at MOCCC in the spring of 2003. She earned an Associate of Arts degree in mathematics from MOCCC and a bachelor of science degree in mathematics with a computer science minor from UCM. Her hobbies include reading and playing games with her children.

Shirley Love is a health occupations instructor. She attended her B.S.N. in educational administration from UCM. She also has a master's in counseling from Jackson State University. She started working at the Jackson County Campus in 2003. Her hobbies include traveling, reading and spending time with her family.

Ashley Tibbs is a Writing Instructor in the Learning Resources Center. He earned his bachelor's degree in philosophy and English from Ole Miss in 1988. His graduate work is in English literature. His hobbies include reading about MOCCC's history.

Steven Mann is a Chemistry Instructor. He began as a full-time instructor in 2001. He earned his bachelor of science degree from Colorado State University in microbiology. He also has a master's degree in chemical engineering from the University of Utah. He enjoys spending time trying to grow natural tropical plants. He has several hobbies, and he is currently working on his doctorate in environmental engineering at UCM.

Dan Marks started as an instructor for JC in 2001. He has a chemical engineering degree from the University of South Alabama, as well as a chemistry degree from Bardonia University. He enjoys fishing when he is not instructing the students here at JC.

Suey Swann began instructing at JC in 2001. She has a master's degree in training. Her hobbies include softball and basketball. The one thing she has learned while being here is "the student who the top of the student, before teach someone to be there is better."

Andy Hart is an instructor in the department of Health, Physical and Aquatics Education. She began teaching here in 2001. She enjoys jogging and spending time with her family. She has a bachelor of science degree in human performance with an emphasis in exercise physiology from UCM. She has also received a double concentration master's degree from the University of Memphis. Andy will be working on her doctorate in education in the summer of 2002.



Meredith Decker is an Instructional Services Coordinator. She is the sponsor for Student Council and Reflections. She began as a coordinator here in 2002. She has a bachelor of science degree in marketing, with an emphasis in public relations from Louisiana State University. She is currently working on her master's degree. She enjoys spending time with her husband, traveling, playing tennis and playing with her pets.

Sandra Roy is helping a student with her class assignment. She is a computer instructor. She has a master's degree in education. She graduated from Ole Miss in 1975. She enjoys writing. The most valued lesson that she has learned while here at MOCCC is, "Hard work does pay off."



Debra Rose started teaching here in 2002 as a nursing instructor. She attended her A.D.N. here at MOCCC. She has a master's degree in women's health. She enjoys listening to gospel music, which she is not teaching.

Romana Hatten is an Associate Degree Nursing instructor — Level 1. She began working at MOCCC in 2002. Her favorite things about Jackson County Campus are the students, faculty and hospitality that she receives from everyone here. Her most valued lesson in life is to pray and trust God is in control. She enjoys listening to music, spending time with her friends and family, and working.

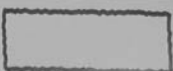


Gracelanda Green is a reference librarian. She has a bachelor of science degree in history from Transylvania University. She also has a master's of library and information science degree from the University of Kentucky. She became a librarian at the JC Campus in 2001. Her hobbies include reading, fishing and driving her jeep.



Beverly Overbush began teaching here in 2001. She is a speech therapist in service. She has a BFA degree and a master's degree in communication theater. She enjoys reading and writing. Her most valued lesson in life is DON'T GIVE UP.

Jerry Bauman began instructing in 2002. Previously to this, he was a school for several of our campuses. He teaches economics. He has a bachelor of science degree and an MBA from UCM. He completed his doctoral studies (A.D.N.) at the University of Mississippi. He enjoys fishing when he is not teaching.





BULLDOG LIFE ON JC TERRITORY



Left to right, top to bottom: Andrea Cusi and Parker Wilkinson modeling; Amber McMillan and Kimberly Buckner in class; Autumn Woodard, Garry Ann Woodard, and Walter Hansen show off the doggie grill; Jeffery Tait, Greta Freyer, Crystal Davis, and Barbara Berman stand with JC's most eligible bachelors; Paul Ruse (left) and Anthony Telford smiling; Jonathan Dabek and David Delick in the Worley Room; Lavinia Smith, Crystal Davis, and Barbara Berman show their home at Charleston, Mo.; Penny shows a Bull Collar Worker her new girl shoes; Lindsey Feltgen just (showing around).

Left to right, top to bottom: Tina Schmidt and Miss Cummings; Brad Johnson showing off his talent; California workers caught on break; Althea Ballard and Erica Thompson hanging out in the corner; JC's Drafting team; Anthony Jaramila showing off his poorly written, JC's Drawing Room; Lavinia Smith; Lavinia Smith and Joe Grant taking a break; Linda Jones showing off her parents; Bulldog spirit; Queen Janice Roberts in her rooming; Miss Jackie loving her job.

Bulldog Spirit surrounded the Jackson County Campus this year during Homecoming Spirit Week! Dress-up days included Celebrity Monday, Tacky Tuesday, Flashback Wednesday, Blue/Gold Thursday and High School/University Friday. On Thursday, the JC Student Council presented the campus with a full-blown Gulf Coast-style pep rally with the band of Gold, Perkettes, Bulldog cheerleaders and football players! Students and faculty enjoyed munching on free hamburgers, nachos and potato chips while getting excited for their Bulldogs! Cheer-off contests, Top-O-War and even Mac the Bulldog helped make this year's Spirit Week a huge success!



Above: Nachos! Nachos!! John Richardson Jr. slowly pours on some hot cheese for a hungry pep rally Bulldog. **Below:** On Tuesday night in Wiggins, the Parkinston Campus held a classic homecoming parade throughout downtown. Ready to celebrate with throws and beads are Reflections members, from left, Brieanna Bryant, Melissa Randall, baby Cody, Anthony Jimerson, Tiffany Smith, Michelle Sekul (sponsor), April Gott, Lindsey Ferguson, Parker Wilkinson, Kendra Creswell, Paul Rice, Andrea Creel and Richard Deshauteurs.



● You got SPIRIT? Well, Let's Hear It! ●



Above: Students line up for a free homecoming lunch as the cheerleaders, band and Perkettes prove that JC has Bulldog Spirit! **Center:** Yasir Bhatty takes a huge bite out of his homecoming hamburger! **Below:** Student Council members, Jeremy Miller, John Cochran, Crystal Peters, Meghan Delaney and Kendra Creswell tug hard against Reflections.

Above: Don't mess around with Mac the Bulldog! Keith Wilson and Crystal Davis break in a quick wrangle with the campus favorite!

Left Center: Break it down, girls! Members of Phi Beta Lambda win the cheer-off contest with a dance. **Right Center:** Brian Applewhite holds a thumbs-up for the JC Pep Rally while friends Stephanie Huxley, Rocky Jones, Maggie Flannan and Corrie Funderweil sit around and discuss Homecoming!



Top: Socializing after the pep rally concluded allowed Maryann Pham, Mary Nguyen, Brooke Pittman, Susan Fairly and Tammy Wescovich to enjoy the Bulldog Spirit in the air!

Above: Standing in front of the HUGE JC Pep Rally banner are homecoming court maids, from left, Crystal Peters, Stephanie Paige, Erica Peyton, Jaime Roberts and Leesa Smith. **Below:** Is anyone more tacky than Keith Wilson on Tacky Tuesday? Dress-up days during Homecoming Spirit Week act as a relief from mid-terms!





Students at JC are participating in the cake-walk and hoping to win a King Cake.



Jayna Nelson and Larissa Smith are enjoying some refreshments before the party begins.



Keith Wilson is announcing the winners of the Dating Game.

Larissa Smith participated in the cake walk and came out the winner. She won a King Cake as her prize.



Larissa Smith and Anthony Esterweiss pass the first ring.



Three couples try to answer questions correctly to win the Dating Game.



Larissa Smith and Yusef Bharty are the winners of the Dating Game.





Medical Lab Technology Club puts together their display for Harvest Hayrides

For the Record

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Here are just a few of the campus services that MGCCC — Jackson County Campus offers to the students that enroll with us. They are here to help in every way that they can. When a student is in need he/she can go to one of many services here on the campus and find the help that they are asking for.

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Mrs. Brown is the Community Services Manager in the Career Center.



Mrs. Ray is the Secretary for Dean of Instruction.



Mrs. Williams is working up on the Navy. She is the Housing Officer.



Linda Switzer is the Dean of Student Services and Mrs. Switzer is the Academic Counselor. They enjoy getting together for a little time away from the desk.



Mr. Clark is the Career Center Manager. He assists students who need help in finding an off-campus job. He also helps students write a resume. Mr. Clark not only helps with jobs, he also helps out with many other things.



Mrs. Jackle is an Admissions Clerk that loves to help the students out by getting their paperwork into the computer correctly.



Mrs. Shannon is a clerk in the Bookstore. She helps get the students their books for class.



Miss April, Mr. Pope, and Mrs. Ornes are the Admissions Personnel that help the students get into MGCCC.



Mrs. Coleman is a Financial Aide Clerk. She helps the students in filing for a loan or grant to pay for their schooling.



Mrs. Reed is a Financial Aide Clerk that enjoys helping the students.

C A M P U S



SERVICES



STUDENT



No, Joseph Watson, that is not bells you hear ringing in your dreams. It is the telephone.



Joseph Watson — Career Center and Joe Carter — Library



Barbara Neely — Library

WORKERS



Patricia Wilson — Library Department



John Smith — Administration



John McVittie — Student Services



Carol Priddy — Financial Aid Office

AWARDS 2002



JC STUDENTS SHOW APPRECIATION FOR INSTRUCTORS



Top: Instructors gathered for a reception given by the JC Student Council in the science building. Middle Left: Mrs. Amy Hunt and Mrs. Kay Beall of the Physical Education Department. Middle: Mrs. Kay Sims and Mrs. Marilyn Moss of the Language Arts Department and Mrs. Colleen Larsen of the A.D. Nursing Department. Middle Right: Mrs. Jan Taylor of the Vice President's Office was very instrumental in helping the Student Council with the reception. Bottom Left: Dr. Houshang Mirzadmand with the JC Student Council and Reflection Team. Dr. Mirzadmand retires in 2002 after being with the college for 26 years. He was a strong force in supporting activities and academics for students. He will be greatly missed.

W I N T E R



Mrs. Larson is all smiles while recruiting for the Student Nursing Organization.



Rosanna Bryant is swinging her hips to win the hula hoop contest.



Tiffany Smith thinks she is in Hawaii with her friend Desmond Rodgers.



Mr. Monk is trying really hard to avoid getting caught with the "Hot Pineapple."



Barb Barnes and Lakotya Hughes take a moment to stop and pose for the camera.



Keri Newman and Allen Davis are just waiting for the chance to recruit some students for Skills USA-VICA.



Christy Ferguson helps out at the Reflections table.

T H A W O O T

2002



Keith Wilson
Executive President



Brad Johnson
Executive Vice President



Jennie Roberts
Executive Treasurer



Aaron Sharp
Freshman President



Jeremy Miller
Sophomore President



Erica Peyton
Sophomore Rep



John Richardson Jr.
Sophomore Rep



McGhan Delaney
Freshman Rep



Crystal Peters
Freshman Rep



Tiffany Smith
Freshman Rep



Lindsey Ferguson
Freshman Rep

Jackson County Campus Student Council



Laura Rood
Sophomore Rep



Yael Shary
Sophomore Rep



Leesa Smith
Sophomore Rep



Meredith Descher
Spring 2002 Treasurer

What a difference a year makes! The Student Council at JC learned things cannot always stay the same. After their sponsor Michelle Sekul returned to Perki, the Council knew their responsibilities would grow rapidly! These college representatives introduced a new meaning to leadership. A new achievement system increased active membership this year. During the course of each semester, the Council sponsored events such as Club Day, Harvest Hayride, Oktoberfest, Turkey Trot, Fill the Stocking Toy Drive, Winter Their Out, Hard Party and Lapsnap Day. This year, the Student Council decided to add to this list. The newest additions included the Homecoming Week Pep Rally/Cookout, Dating Game and the bi-campus Interclub Leadership Workshop for Officers in March. Dean Linda Switzer advised JCSC until the new student activities coordinator, Meredith Descher, was chosen for the job. The Council also holds elections for representatives in September, homecoming mads in October and Who's Who in November. These students represent JC with effective skills of communication, leadership and academics. The Student Council provides insight into what the student body is in need of and defines the meaning of EXPERIENCE on the Jackson County Campus.

From Keith, I am extremely proud to have known such wonderful people. There never was a time when I knew we could not get something accomplished! You all should give yourselves a round of applause for all you have done at the JC Campus this year. As your executive president, I never imagined this council would be as awesome as it was! You all deserve the best in life, and I hope some of those experiences will be fulfilled. You're the cream of the crop! Thanks and God Bless!

Leadership at it's finest!



"We make college life a little more interesting!"



"Communities + College + Campus = EXPERIENCES!"



REFLECTIONS



Back Row: Aaron Sharp, Yair Blatty, Paul Rice, Richard Dedmon and Anthony Jonsson. **Front Row:** Meredith Decher (speaker), Crystal Davis, Tiffany Smith, Erica Peyton, Melissa Randall, Lindsey Ferguson, Andrea Crist and Brantna Bryant.



Erica Peyton — President



Paul Rice — Vice President



Crystal Davis — Historian

Lindsey Ferguson — Historian



Tiffany Smith — Secretary

Brantna Bryant — Treasurer



Phi theta Kappa

THE PHI THETA KAPPA LEADER

Scholarship Service Leadership Fellowship

"This has been one of the most productive years Phi Theta Kappa has put forth in all my years as sponsor. Our year has been excellent due to the dynamic officer team and the enthusiasm of our members in the Pi Epsilon Chapter."

Kay Sims, 2002 Bennie Warren MS/LA Regional Advisor Award and JC Instructor of the Year

Scholarship: Officers of the chapter enjoy a night of intellectual conversation about the Satellite Seminar held on the JC Campus. The chapter provided live editions of the series and hosted the fourth episode in Jackson during November.

Service: Members of the Pi Epsilon chapter write, wrap, stamp and sticker Valentine cards for JC instructors during a meeting.

Leadership: Scrapbooking, inductions and PTK Week...OH MY! Members and Officers worked on these projects during the year.

Fellowship: Courtney Landry, LA representative, joined the chapter on several occasions. She is seen to the left of Keith Wilson on the bus coming home from the regional convention in Vicksburg.

Advisors
Kay Sims
Tara Garriga

Left: Spring semester inductees are smiling because they know what fellowship means in the Pi Epsilon Chapter.

Below: Members of the Pi Epsilon Chapter ignore the bright sunlight in pursuit of the group picture of a lifetime!



PI EPSILON CHAPTER





In the picture to the left are: Back Row: James Linnard, Arnold Swahn, Arthur Baines, Shirley, Mrs. Johnson (MAYN), Don Whitman; 2nd Back Row: Mrs. Miles (MAYN), Kay Laines, Kay Anna Thompson, Laura Marie Ross, Diane Brown Fisher, Elizabeth Brownson, Buford Stroud in Kasey Gish, Matt Johnson, John Ross and Amanda. Seated: Cecile Rogers, Tamara Wiersch and Jeff McCutchen. Officers: Joe PUA Above: Laura Marie Ross - PUA; John Olson - VP; Debra Whitman - SEC. TRE, Anna Thompson - EXECUTIVE, Sue Peterson (Jill Swanson) - April Giff - SEC. TRE.



To the left are some of Summit services club members. In the front are: Ronald Lakotzky (highball), Elmer McGill, Kimberly Kane, Danielle Dickinson, Norwanda Smith, Crystal Davis, Michelle Coleman, Sarah Bullock, Sherry Smith, Standing Frederick Wilson, Kimberly Johnson, Arlene Dorcas, April Johnson, Karen Juhl, Wilma McWherry (cups), Andrew Kane, Elanor Kane, Kate Juhl, Bonnie and Marilyn Taylor. Above are officers: Crystal Davis, Sam Hines and Michelle Coleman. President, and Lakotzky (highball). See page 2 for names on Rice Card (P/P) and April (highball).



To the left are members of Eugene Student Union. Standing from left to right: Ruthe Bloom, Bethany Newman, Tracy Cannon, Nora Foxworth (program coordinator), Mrs. Kristy Barlow (sponsor). Sitting from left to right: Melissa Daniels, Sarah Welch, Thomas Lane, and Lisa Hatfield. Above: Ruthe Bloom, Fall Semester 85, U.S.V.

A black and white photograph of a group of nine people, likely the members of the 'New Faces' improv troupe, posing in a room with a whiteboard in the background. The group consists of eight men and one woman, arranged in two rows. The front row has four people sitting on chairs, and the back row has five people standing. They are all looking towards the camera. The setting appears to be a rehearsal space or a classroom, with a whiteboard and some papers visible in the background.



Members of The Wesley Foundation sitting in the crouch on from left to right Jonathan Dardick, Adrian McCullum, David Dardick. Back of the crouch sitting are The Wesley Foundation is open to any and every denomination here. Above are Larry Rice and Adrian McCullum. They like to work hard to bring a ka-moani to the Wesley House!

Phi Beta Lambda



President



Treasurer



Historian



Secretary



Vice President



Parliamentarian



Advisors

Officers & Positions
 Eric Nelson — President
 Ronald Ward — Vice President
 Kate Baran — Secretary
 Lillian Nelson — Treasurer
 Lisa Lewis — Historian
 Ann Walker — Parliamentarian
 Advisors: Mrs. Dennis & Marie Goring

In the picture at left, far row from left to right: Lillian Nelson, Stephanie Adams, Kristina Swanson, Stephanie Jorgensen, Wendy Nelson, Alton Goring, Ted Rose, Ronald Ward, Kate Baran, Lisa Lewis, Dennis Wilson, Christine Willis, Katherine Papp, Marie Berger, Anne Walker, Ashley Mitchell, Wendy McDonald, Joyce Nelson, and Marie Goring.

Health Occupations



In picture from left to right: Bottom Row: Faith Gaddis, Lorenna Richardson, Angela Roberts, Soja McMillan (class treasurer), Ashley Espinoza, Gloria Swadlow, Julie Seals, Mary Harris (class president). Top Row: Grace Stewart (Practical Nursing Instructor), Herbert Price, Samantha Jones, Aloha Grant, Patricia Gales (class rep), Daniel Farley, Randall Broadway (class secretary), Latonya Thompson, Shantika Bradley, Ka'Nia Banks, Debra Ross (Practical Nursing Instructor).

Alpha Beta Gamma



Members of Alpha Beta Gamma are: Heather Pennington, Walker, Chantale Crockett, Bill Cunningham, Claudine Summers, Christina Miller, La'Sha Lowe, Angela Dinkhoff, Lena Miller, Rebecca Rata (advisor), Roscoe Coxey, Harrison Paul (UNDOC speaker), Jennifer Dohy, Paul Morgan (advisor), Elizabeth Richard, James H. Williams, II, Rauli Anderson, Tony Pilioti, Stephanie Jones, Andrew Campbell, Michelle Hall, Elio Campbell, Laurel Jackson.

Skills U.S.A.



At left: members of Skills U.S.A., Front Row: Charles Turner, Robert Felt, Ron Stewart (ADVISOR), Second Row: Gregory Quinn, Greg Ryd, John Lewis, Chris Bates, Regina McMillan, Doreen Johnson, Marlene Rumbach. Third Row: Jane Butler, Brandon Miller, Clayton Lewis, Chad Crowell, Lucy Smith, Danny Faggard, Jane Fowler (VP), Tony Brando, Allen Davis (PRES), David Edwards, Fourth Row: Tasha Matthews (ADVISOR), David Williamson, Ralph Condit (ADVISOR), Albert Perry, Roy Diaz (TREAS), BEVER, Ted Allen, John Elkins, Ed Everett, John McDonald, Gary Fisher, Albert Carter, Education Division, Jane Fowler — Vice President, Allen Davis — President, and Roy Diaz — Treasurer.

DELTA EPSILON CHI



The Jackson County Campus Marketing Management students attended the Delta Epsilon Chi Career Development Conference at the Treasure Bay Resort in Biloxi on February 24-26.

From left to right the Team Winners are:

Josh Kalkula 1st Place — Marketing Management Tammy Trischel 2nd Place — Design Presentation Marvin Bench & Christy Sullivan 3rd Place — Advertising Campaign Brock McClain & Deanna Dunley 1st Place — Advertising Campaign Candice Wooten 5th Place — Human Resources Management Travis Rodgers 1st Place — Sales Promotion Plan James Williams 1st Place — Sales Representative Glen Vayovich 1st Place — Entrepreneurship Laurel Hawthorne 3rd Place — Sales Representative Philip Drake 1st Place — Design Presentation 2nd Place — Outstanding DECA member.

These students will be eligible to compete at the Delta Epsilon Chi International Career Development Conference in Salt Lake City, Utah from April 13-16. The Jackson County Campus advisor for DEN is Marshall Chaff.

MEDICAL LAB



From Left to Right: Pamela Williams, Vicki Campbell, Mr. Caldwell (Instructor), Crystal Rogers, Dawn Kumbel, Tyle Smith, Margaret Gray, Christina Smith, Wilbernetta Stalworth, Stephanie Poyton, Doretha Thomas, Deana Jackson, Catherine Cummings (Instructor), Jacqueline Magee, Jonathan Dixon, Robin Jackson, B.J. Fortner, Danielle Jones, Kaiti Goff, Charlotte Houghton, Bill Moran, Tawn Truong, and Lucinda Williams.

TECHNOLOGY

YEARBOOK

Fall Yearbook Staff



Left: Keith Wilson, Krista Thompson (Editors), Parker Whitson, Josh Kalkula, Christopher Fortnerberry & Laura DeMott Ross (Editors) play down in the JC's roles winning past behind N. Boly. (not pictured are Crystal Davis and Amy Baker) Above Left: Chris pays for the yearbook staff to make deadline. Above Right: Krista Thompson one of the yearbook editors talks about what she will do for the next yearbook issue!

Spring Yearbook Staff



Above Left: Crystal Davis and Laura DeMott Ross sit in the yearbook table in Winter. Above Right: Crystal Davis, Krista Thompson (Editors) and Parker Whitson (Editor) take one of those wonderfully proud photos. Don't we look awesome? To the far left is Keith Wilson in missing over trying to make his paper look just right (kiddy-ye!) And last but not least in our left is yearbook's favorite person. Waaaaah excuse me!!!!



Well this year has been fun & now all the work is done! To those graduating — CONGRATS & we wish you luck on your future plans! This yearbook staff:

—Laura DeMott Ross—Editor (Off to Alaska)
—Krista Thompson—Editor (I Wish Campbell!)
—Keith Wilson—Staff (Good luck at LSM & Giddy-up!)
—Crystal Davis—Staff (Good luck with the military)
—Josh Kalkula—Staff (Thank You!)

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Top left — Henry Ferson seated — Jennifer McGurt, Ede Campbell, Aid Middle, Chris Pingle, Shelly Hobson, Cynthia Lucas, standing — Jonathan Dudek, Joseph Anderson, Logan May, Hy Nguyen, Cory Buxant, Kalia Benes, Michelle Branseri. Top right — Students walk to the Old Capitol Museum. Middle left — Eating at Maxwell House. Middle right — Mrs. Sims as the sponsor. Left — On ETV At the Satellite Seminar.

Mr. Jackson County Campus

Keith Wilson and Erica Peyton Keith Wilson and Erica Peyton



Keith Wilson and Erica Peyton Keith Wilson and Erica Peyton

Miss Jackson County Campus

Keith Edward Wilson Mr. Jackson County Campus



Keith Edward Wilson is the son of Edward and Debbie Wilson and lives in St. Martin. In 2000, Keith graduated with special honors from St. Martin High School. As a four-semester Honors College scholar, he is currently working towards his master's degree in broadcast journalism and a minor in secondary education - English. In accordance with his major, Keith has been an active WJZN TV Explorer for three years, producing and co-hosting the teen talk show "Weapost Youth." This year, Keith presided as executive president of the Student Council. College faculty selected him for JC Hall of Fame and Who's Who Among American Junior Colleges, Dean's List and All-American Scholar. Keith was chosen as the JC HAZARDUS nominator. At the same time, Keith helped design the Trident Yearbook, participated in Future Educators of America, and served as vice president of membership in Phi Theta Kappa, in which he had counterparts on Phi Theta Kappa Week, participated in Junior Achievement and applied for the Calhoun Scholar Program. He is a lead associate at American Eagle Outfitters in Edgewater Mall. When asked how he feels about being selected Mr. JC, Keith said, "An honor such as this fulfills my job as a friend, son, campus leader and student." His personal motto comes from Ziggy: "If you can't say something nice to someone, do something nice for them!" Keith once said, "Without the communities, college and campus, nothing would compare to GOLF COAST!" Keith plans to transfer to USM.

Mr. and Miss Jackson County Campus

Erica Shunta Peyton Miss Jackson County Campus



Erica Shunta Peyton is the daughter of Everett and Janine Peyton and lives in Canton. In 2000, Erica graduated from Canton High School. While working on her Associate of Arts, Erica's major is pre-pharmacy. Erica is an active member of First Baptist Church of Moss Point and works at Walgreen's as a pharmacy technician. This year Erica presided as Gulf Coast Reflections president for the Jackson County Campus. She was treasurer for Gulf Coast Reflections her freshman year. Erica represented the Jackson County Campus as a freshman and sophomore homecoming maid for the Gulf Coast homecoming court. Erica is currently a Jackson County Campus Student Council sophomore representative. The faculty selected Erica to Who's Who Among American Junior Colleges this year. When asked how she feels about being selected as Miss Jackson County Campus, Erica said, "It has been an honor to have been selected Miss JC. This has offered me various opportunities, which I am definitely enjoying. Being selected has somewhat made me a role model. I encourage those who are striving to be recognized in any way to work hard and do their best because you never know who is paying attention to you." Erica's personal motto to live by is "Look for the good in everything, and stay focused on the positive." Lastly, Erica described her experience at the Jackson County Campus: "My experiences at JC have been great. I have had a chance to be involved in the college activities and meet new people." Erica plans to transfer to Xavier University of Louisiana.



FRESHMEN WHO'S WHO



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PAUL

COREY

TIFFANY

JASON

BRIE'ANNA

AARON



Aaron Sharp



Meghan Delaney



Corey Bernard



Crystal Davis



Jason Lee



Tiffany Smith



Brianna Bryant



Richard Davidson

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ANTHONY

CHERIE

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YASIR



SOPHOMORE WHO'S WHO



JOHN

KACEY

BRAD

JERONY

JAMIE



Cherie Pringle



Yasir Blatty



Leesa Roberts



Bradley Johnson



Leesa Smith



Jeromy Miller



John Richardson, Jr.



Kacey York



Anthony Emerson



2002 HALL OF FAME



Yasir Bhatty
Computer Science

Phi Theta Kappa: Vice President, Reflections, Student Council, Honors Program, National Deans' List, Class Favorite. "I really appreciate the hospitality as I was given the opportunity to enhance my perspectives by being with a diverse culture."



April Bryant
Science

Phi Theta Kappa: Vice-President, Honors Program, National Deans' List. "MGCCC has given me the opportunity to further my education without worrying about financial constraints."



Andrew J. Campbell
Marketing Management

Delta Epsilon Chi, Reporter, Alpha Beta Gamma, Phi Theta Kappa, Human Services, Orientation Leader. "MGCCC has been a fun and educational experience."



Jonathan Kent Dudeck
Elementary Education/Math

Phi Theta Kappa, Honors Program, Human Services, Wesley Foundation, President's List. "MGCCC and Jesus Christ have really enriched my plans and goals for the future."

Mary Carmina Evans Dyle

Associate Degree Nursing

Student Assistant, Science Department, King's Daughters and Sons Scholarship, Graphic Artist and Media Technician at the Jackson County Campus for 25 years. "The caring individuals and fine facilities at MGCCC have been genuinely beneficial."



Anthony James Jimerson

Medical Radiology

Student Council, Executive Council Secretary, Reflections, Orientation Leader, Class Favorite. "MGCCC has been the greatest experience in helping me get the best educational start for the onset of university years."



Jason Lathrop

Electrical Engineering

Phi Theta Kappa: Vice-President, Honors Program, President's List. "MGCCC has given me the time to find direction in life and the opportunity to seek out my goals."



Amy Louise Stires

Art

Student Assistant in Shipping Department, Emissary to China, Chevron Scholarship. "MGCCC has given me a wonderful base for education and I have really enjoyed the people here."



2002 HALL OF FAME



Ramsey L. Wash
Biology and Chemistry

Phi Theta Kappa: President, Honors Program, President's List. "MGCCC has given me the opportunity and courage to explore many different areas before deciding on my major."



Angeline M. Welborn
Accounting

Alpha Beta Gamma, Vice-President's List. "MGCCC has given me a wonderful educational and learning experience. The instructors are wonderful to work with."



Charlette Willis
Business and Office Technology

Phi Beta Lambda, Vice-President's List. "MGCCC has provided the necessary educational means for a successful future."



Keith Edward Wilson
Broadcast Journalism

Student Council, Executive President, Phi Theta Kappa: Vice-President, Mt. Jackson County Campus, Yearbook Staff, Orientation Leader. "Without the communities, the college, and the campus, there would be nothing that compares to the educational experiences at MGCCC."

WHO'S WHO AMONG AMERICAN JUNIOR COLLEGES

The 2002 edition of Who's Who Among American Junior Colleges are students who have been selected by the faculty on the basis of academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities, and potential for continued success. These students join an elite group of students from more than 1,800 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states and several foreign nations.

Seated: Ramsey Webb, April Bryan
Standing: Jason Lathrop

Seated: Amy Stacey, Mary Dyle, Tina Schmidt
Standing: Angelique Withers, Andrew Campbell,
Kevin Montgomery

Seated: Cynthia Lucas, James Price
Standing: Charlotte Wilks, Kelly Gunn, Sarah
Harris

Seated: Andrew McMillan,
Elizabeth Richard
Standing: Krista Thurston,
Jonathan Dedrick

Seated: Erica Peyton, Laura Smith, Andrea Card
Standing: Keith Wilson, Anthony Johnson, Yusef Bhatti

Honor Roll

It's your students on the "right" side!





Clockwise from top: Mr. Joseph Thorton (1968), Chair of the Business Dept., has been with the JC Campus since its opening in 1963. Mr. Thorton also taught in the Professional Catalog before he came to JC. She has a total of 41 years with MOCTC. Mrs. Karin Richardson Platt (1976), Developmental Studies Instructor, was the JC Campus Homecoming Queen. Dean William Martin (1975) has been with the college since 1966. Mr. Dean Shaw, Chair of the Social Studies Dept., and Mrs. Edna Shaw, Chair of the Language Arts Dept. (1973) are shown with their newborn child. Mr. Shaw has been with the JC Campus since its opening in 1967. Mrs. Shaw came to the campus in the 1960s. They met at the campus and have married. Dean Linda Wilson, Services (1986) as a student at the Professional Campus was awarded the Hall of Fame Award.



The Way We Were Jackson County Campus — 37 Years



Top: JC Campus Student Council 1975-76. Left: Student Nurses Club 1968. Below left: Students posing in the Library Building 1969. Below right: Dr. Mulken's biology lab class 1973. Bottom: Valerie Farris in the cafeteria, which was formerly in the C Building 1982.



Remember When?



Clockwise: Keith Wilson & Laura Rust at the JC Pep Rally. Student Council and Reflections playing a war — Reflections won! The homecoming banquet, how many people really did see it? (before the wind blew it off the wall) The yearbook staff from the fall loves to play in JC's other pool? Renita Thomason catches Parker Wilkerson since he seems to be afraid of heights — question is how'd he get up there? Mrs. Stanford points to the schedule on the door and said, "Someone miswrote Thursday!" Mrs. Dimes clowns around (not usually like her — she works all the time — WE PROMISE!) These are two of our admissions angels — Mrs. Jackie Everett and Mrs. April Bonaparte! The boys in this picture were raised at JC's toy drive for Salvation Army at the toy drive, Crystal, Anthony, Aaron and John at the homecoming parade.



Remember When?



Clockwise: This year JC got a new Health Counselor, her name is Sheila Lyon — here she is with her husband, Jeremy Miller decided at the toy drive that he would "sport" the ever so fashionable santa hat! Keith Wilson was all into Mardi Gras; this year he even decorated a tree outside the gym for it! Parker Wilkerson decided to take a drink while sitting on the floor, it's no telling what look you'll get from a person when you take a surprise picture. Mr. Rex Mink and Mrs. Jan Yarbber at the Christmas party raffling off items! Amanda Paul was having so much fun at the fair — can you tell? Crystal Davis and Breanna Bryant drank until they were sick at Oktoberfest — mum — do ya'll still love rootbeer? Homecoming float was looking good for JC's Student Council and Reflections — they had a lot of fun on the float going around. Wiggins! Miss Michele Sekal looks completely surprised at her surprise party that a bunch of people threw her since she moved back to Perk and started a new job as HEAD of Admissions! CONGRATS!! (WE MISS YOU!!) Erica Peyton sits at the homecoming lunch and gives one of her looks as in YEAH BUDDY!



Lagniappe Day 2002



Top left: Mr. Fouy performs as a "Mississippi Prince". Top middle: Mrs. Gargis. Top right: Mr. Roy and Mrs. S. Dorn. Middle left: Lindsey Ferguson and Yvett. Middle right: Students constructed "candy bridges" and tested it on several sized people. It did not break! Middle right and bottom left: Most missed ice buckets. Bottom right: Tag of war!



Top left: The Economics Technology class showed off the cubes that they designed and built. Middle: Honors Students take a break from heavy studying. Above: Everyone enjoyed a day in the sun and crawfish. Bottom: These guys won the tag of war battle.





Lagniappe day 2002

A Little Somethin' Extra

Opposite page, top left: Getting a hot dog? Don't like crowfoot? Top right: Madeline Lago. Middle left: Laura and Rachel have a laugh at the Siquidale. Middle right: My Country gets his fill of snuggles. Bottom left: Students enjoyed playing volleyball. Bottom right: Savana Weber, resident JC, smiles. This page, top left: Mr. Plume is not here to hold a picture! Top right: These girls are just chillin' in the sun. Middle left: Super Dora, aka David English, fills for the day. Middle: Am I doing this right? Middle right: What are you? Bottom: Wellington Hall shows us his pet cloudchick.





JEFFERSON
DAVIS CAMPUS

DEDICATED TO: DR. TAYLOR



Dr. Taylor and Linda Brown



Dr. Taylor speaking at the
Christmas luncheon.



(above) Dr. Taylor and Nancy
Stead

(below) What could Dr. Tay-
lor be thinking about?



When Yesterday's Proud Memories
Meet Tomorrow's Hopes and Dreams



Dr. Clifton D. Taylor
Years of Service
1965-2002



Best wishes on your retirement.



Dr. Taylor



Dr. Taylor and his granddaughter



(above) Dr. Taylor eating lunch
at Fall Break.

(below) Mrs. Winter
and Mr. and Mrs. Dr.
Taylor





Debbie Davis and Wanda Brignon



Betty O'Brian



Jean Scaife and Karen Fayard



Patti Holloway and Glen Broussard



Sue Bennett



Bucky Massengale

Pete Ruff

Archae Laubmier



Congratulations GRADUATES

GRADUATION 2001



Mike LeBaron with a colleague.



Mr. Patrick Moore with a student.



Mr. Dolan and Debbie Kelcey



Archae Laubmier



Gayle Winter



Mary Deloach, Linnea Curtin, and Laura Parker



Left: Sue Bennett helps a new student at registration.



Hamilton Miley



Sandy Weinberg



Jane Jefferson

REGISTRATION 2001

ONLY
THE
BEGINNING

WELCOME BACK



Chanel Mellich and Tricia Horvath

NOT JUST ANOTHER YEAR



Another long walk to classes and a year filled with many new changes and friends. Let's not forget a job that starts now.

Jason Krizman (right) and Maureen Flynn



Linnea Carras, Bethany Adams and Pete Raif ready for the new year.

Bridgette Stribling and Stacy Sprites enjoying a good laugh in the sunlight.



PARTY 2001



Joy Thomas showing her school spirit and happiness for JD.

best on the block



Donna Parker, Roxanne Towles, Denise Danile and Sandra Johnson



Below is Matthew Albritton.



Guess Who?

Brandon Landry and a friend talk together about school.





LIVING IT UP AT JD



JEFFERSON DAVIS STUDENT ACTIVITIES



2001-2002 REFLECTIONS TEAM

REFLECTIONS TEAM AT WORK AND PLAY



(L to R) Elizabeth Alvarez-Kite, Jennifer Garcia, Melissa Roughton, Christy Bolton, Mary Delosch, Joy Thomas, Shannon Hill, Hadea Nguyen, Laura Parker, Elaine Janssen, Kennon Walker and Pete Raif.

Crystal Gullin
Shannon Hill
Elaine Janssen
Hadea Nguyen



The JD Reflections Team consists of full-time students who recruit and act as a public relations team for the JD Campus of MGCCC. This year is a new one for the JD team. They have done many exciting projects this year: high school visitation days, Veterans Day celebration, Homecoming, MAC Conference, Focus Fridays, campus tours, registration, and College and Career Night. The Reflections Team also visits off campus with interested students. Their job is to let everyone know what a great experience MGCCC can be!

Laura Parker
Pete Raif
Melissa Roughton



Joy Thomas
Kennon Walker



At right: Melissa Roughton is thinking, "What now?"



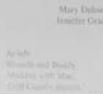
Mrs. Rhonda Maddox
Bethany Adams
Elizabeth Alvarez-Kite



Christy Bolton
Rachel Coats



Mary Delosch
Jennifer Garcia



At left:
Renee and Brady
Maddox with Mac,
Duff Kasper's dog.



Above, from left: Jennifer Garcia, Rachel Coats, Shannon Hill, Elaine Janssen, Elizabeth Alvarez-Kite and Joy Thomas are enjoying a wonderful dinner.



At left is Tim Moore and Joy Thomas enjoying a wonderful day together at Park. Below are Elizabeth Alvarez-Kite and Elaine Janssen having a good laugh together.





Dr. Wise the M.C. of the day



Beau Jex, District Chief of Staff for Gene Taylor



President Lott speaking at Veteran's Day ceremony.



Dr. Christmas



Dr. Lott

The dedication plaque.

Veteran's Day

November 9, 2001



Mrs. Rhonda Maddox, Mr. Buddy Maddox, and Mac



Jefferson Davis interpretation group



Two friends show their support for our veterans

Left: Jasmine Haynes, right: Marilyn Helm and back: Pete Raif



The emotions of a student.



Dr. Wise



Dr. Taylor singing, Pete Raif saluting.



Dr. Greg Parker does the unveiling of Veterans plaque.



Keith Pizz and a student pay close attention at the Veterans Day celebration.



Dr. Lott, Dr. Greg Parker and Dr. Taylor



Becky Gatin

Linnea Curran and Mrs. G. Winter



(L. to R.) seated: Laichada Porter, Dymette Dodeaux, Untino Donald, Sylvia Fleming, Laura Packer, Lori Green, Mary DeLoach, Bethany Adams, Amanda Clark. Back row: Robert Shavers, Sheralyn Lincoln, Amanda Romero, David Parkhill, Kennon Walker, Brenda Starks, Jared Kimble, Krystal Guerrero, Pete Raif, Linnea Curran and Francis Lee



Amanda Romero is toasting to a great year



Laichada Porter and Linnea Curran telling secrets.



JEFF DAVIS STUDENT



Mrs. G. Winter and Pete Raif



Linnea Curran showing off that spirit.



Mrs. J. Daniel and Ms. V. Benfield

COUNCIL 2001-2002



Kennon Walker, Linnea Curran, Jared Kimble and Brenda Starks

Ejane Janssen and Leo Green



PHI THETA KAPPA



To the left is PTK members stuffing envelopes to be mailed for new members to come and join.



L to R: Mrs. Kelnor, Lynn Garrett, Emily Sumrell, Halima Welch, Mike Harrison, Mariel Pagan, Donna Bauer, Melissa Doen, and Jonelle Villafare.



L to R: Mariel Pagan, Crystal Burgess and Kymberly Bass



A new member being inducted into PTK.



L to R: Mariel Pagan, Mike Harrison, Sharon Johnson, Mary Deloach, Tammy Stefanini, and Emily Sumrell



Top: Mariel Pagan, President

Bottom: Lynne Garrett being inducted as a new member.



Right: Jamie Cockrell, Cindy Blackwell, Natalie Johnson and Josh Price.

Left: Josh Price receiving a PTK award.



Mrs. Kelnor, Maureen Flynn and Donna Bauer getting envelopes ready to mail to the new members.



L to R: Richard Kopp, Maureen Flynn and Halima Welch enjoying their time stuffing envelopes.



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FUTURE EDUCATORS OF AMERICA



Future Educators of America meet to get to know each other.



Sara Gonzalez and Phyllis Raymond



Karla Smith, Sponsor



Mrs. Winter



Mr. Wesley Williams was a guest speaker for FEA.



E. Jane Jansson and a friend getting ready for a meeting

DEX 2001-2002



Thanksgiving food drive box done by Ramona Lyons.



Back Row L. to R. Adam Englebrecht, John Caviello, Marlys VanCourt-Adviser, Bridgette Reid, Ramona Lyons, Amy Pettigean, and Laurel Osment
Front Row L. to R. Nidya DeFlanders, Julie Previgle, Danielle Hargrove, Joseph Bantubak, Dezie Butler, Safiya Hakimel and Mary Ann Joiner.



Lenny Lacoste and Donna Terry, Fashion Marketing Majors, are getting ready to do a display.



Angel Tree Project; DEX members raised money to buy a bike for a needy child and brought other gifts to add to the bike.



Adrienne Pittman, Fashion Marketing Major, standing by her Valentine's display.



ORAL HISTORY PROJECT



Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Frazer



James Baldupe



LeeAnn Rasmussen



Carl Wilson



E.L. McKay

FACULTY AND STAFF



Kim White, Pat Hensley, Dianne Hurthorn, Nancy Wilcox and Kathy McCann



Rich Kepp



Zena, Vanessa, Grace, Jerry, and Abby



Nancy Wilcox



Mary Ellen Walters



Karen Fayard



THEATER



Adam Meadows



Annie Murphy, Werner Plessis, Marianne Dauphin

Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College
Jefferson Davis Players



by CLAUDIA REILLY

November 1-3 & 7, 2001

Fine Arts Auditorium
8:00 PM, Curtain



Annie Murphy



Jill Sumrall



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Annie Murphy, Werner Plessis, Marianne Dauphin, Adam Meadows and Jill Sumrall

COURT REPORTING



L to R: Missy Newton, Mary Jayne Herfurth, Danielle McNeal and Sandra Pater



CRIMINAL JUSTICE



L to R: Brandon Cox, Jason Foxworth, Michele Robinson and Teresa Eignerheer



L to R: Brandon Cox, Michele Robinson and Jason Foxworth



L to R: Teresa Eignerheer and Jason Foxworth

ART CLUB



Laura Parker, president, and Mary Davidson, sponsor.



Mr. Morrison, painting and drawing instructor, and a student with her painting.



An Art Club painting mural at KAFB Hospital Pediatric Ward. L to R: Sarah Yenna, Yolanda Rogers, Charlette Griggs, Adriana Garcia and Chantel Laundry.



L to R: Amanda Duarte, Trasher, Mary Davidson, Rosemary Salter and insipience Sparkle Spell.



The Art Club Collected toys, coats and blankets for the Women's Shelter at Christmas. L to R: Dilar Dyzart, Adriana Garcia, Michelle Albe, Jara Sandler (vice president), Chantel Laundry, Eryn Grech (president) and adviser Mary Davidson.

STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS 2002



From left: Mary DeLoach, president; Pete Raif, vice president; and Krystal Guerrero, secretary/treasurer.



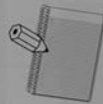
From left: Heather Ladner, Jessica English and Keeton Walker.



Keeton Walker at a Student Council meeting.



From left: Krystal Guerrero and Pete Raif.



**Behind
Scenes**

STUDENT NURSE ORGANIZATION



SNO stands by its street sign, proud and pretty.



SNO's adopt-a-street sign in front of the college.



Laura Burks, Kathy Fallow, Donna Lundell, Lori Davis and Tonya Fraizer



Brenda Starks and Shellah Cooney



Jenny Montelovign and Melissa Kappel

JEFF DAVIS ENSEMBLE



Jeff Davis Choir at the Veterans' Day Celebration.



Jenny White and Pete Raif

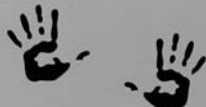


Dr. David Knowles



L, to R: Wes Wilkerson, Cathy Bryan and Matt Albreton

SIGN LANGUAGE CLASS



L, to R: Kim Taylor, Adorayna Cooper, Julie Yarbrough, Yvonne McLaughlin, Janie Runyon, Becky Gustin, Dawn Rosenburg, Krystal McCullough, Misty Zimmerman and Donna Rutledge

NEWSPAPER STAFF



Mr. Terry Pollard, Sponsor



L to R: Terry Pollard (adviser), Brandon Purvis, Justin Pollard, Demetrius Markon, Alaska McIntosh, Frances Tessman, Tammy Stefanini, John Pernelle, Chris Faith, Stacy Marengo and Brian Evans

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BLOOD DRIVE 2001



Tracy Collamer and Karlene Gerschedt

Jane Bertrand



Denny Cox



JEFFERSON DAVIS STUDENT FUN



SCHOLARS BOWL



Mr. John Carter and Mr. Scott Davis are enjoying the winning moment.



Josh Daniel, Mike Brown, Joe Cordella and Stephen Gill



Chris DeDual, Joshua Daniel, and Mr. Scott Davis



Dr. Taylor and Mr. Scott Davis



Mike Brown and Joe Cordella

2001-2002



Paul McKay, Judge, and Bob Rominger, moderator, clarifying a question.



Chris DeDual, Scott Davis, Beverly Walker, Josh Daniel, Mike Brown, Joe Cordella, Tom Bond and Stephen Gill with their second place award from the Eagle Bowl.



Stephan Gill, Josh Daniel, Scott Davis, Sarah McGrew, Joe Cordella, Tom Bond, and Mike Brown with their second place award from the Eagle Bowl.



Scott Davis and a pig!



These ladies were the statisticians.



Joe Cordella, Tom Bond and Chris DeDual

CAREER &



Denny Findley, HVAC student, Roy Sane, HVAC instructor



Sal Sellers, Automotive Instructor, and Jason Green, student



Hamilton Miles, Carpentry Instructor



Mr. McDaniel, Assistant Dean of Career and Technical Education



Halima Welch, student worker, and C & T department



Jimmy Cavilla, Maintenance



Be Hartwell, student, Electronics Department



Kirk Doreen, Electronics Instructor



Pat Lanning, Secretary, Career and Technical Education

TECH EDUCATION



Mr. and Mrs. Long Pham



Chairman Chalmers, Student Worker, Technical Department



Dr. Beverly Parker, Assistant Dean of C & T Education



Diane Kiser and Uncle Sam



Gwen Gushberry - student and Sandra Weisberg, C & T Support Services



Diane Hoover, C & T Support Services



Joan Speck, student, Computer Programming

THE NEW VICE PRESIDENT



Dr. Sykes, Gaye Wister and Carol Holley



Foster Flint and Gloria Smith attend the reception for Dr. Sykes.



Karen Fayard



Dr. Drago, Pierce White, Karla Smith and Debbie Kelner.



Vernon LaCour

Congratulations!

BOOK STORE



Ms. Dorothy Miller



Boy! I am finally ready for my classes.



Thanks for your help with getting these books.



If I could only find my books, it would be a wonderful day.





Dafin Dyrart was the contest another year in a row.



Do we look like wonderful people or what?



We just got home from the jungle.



Tefia Cuevas helps to decorate Mrs. Winter's show for Homecoming.



Ronald Jordan, Bethany Adams, Keenon Walker and Krystal Guerrero.



Mary Davidson, a Nun?

We got spirit!
Yes we do!
We got spirit!
How about you?

Maria McNally, Sandra Johnson, Elaine Davis and Gayle Winter



Ms. Denise Daniel





Ms. Christy Magee



Ms. Krystal Guerrero



Ms. Frances Lee



Ms. Natalie Sims



Ms. Dynette Dedout



Dr. Taylor crowning Ms. Christy Magee as Homecoming Queen for Jefferson Davis.



These men and women are our "At Home" heroes.



Linnea Curran is M.C. for homecoming pep rally.



Mrs. Winter, Mr. Gattin, Sandra Johnson, Mr. Elaine Davis and Mrs. LaShonda Chamberlain



Terresa Schlicht and Libby Richmond



Karla Pope



Long Pham, Ouida White and Jennifer Leiner



Can you guess what cat woman is doing?



The doctor and Frances Lee are enjoying homecoming.



Brenda Starks and Linnea Curran



Melissa Roughton is ready for homecoming.



Mandy Romero dancing the night away.



Pete Raif with his date dancing the night away.



Kennon Walker and Scott Romero dancing with the cats of the party.

IMAGINED



FALL BASH



Jeremy Higgs and Jared Black



Terresa Schlicht



Jared Duett, Christine, Tara Harrell



Mrs. Gentile and Mrs. Applewhite



Debbie Kelnor



Brian Evans and Brande Collins



Diane Kiser



Becky Massengale



Phyllis Raymond and Jodi Klubnik



Coach Bennett and Mrs. Bennett



Zena Fountain and Cheryl



Dori Varhaug and Kristen Cox



Maria McNally



Maribel Pagan and Karen Rushing



Mary Delouch



Caril Holley



Rick Ward and Karen Sennis

2001

FALL BASH 2001



Nancy Wilcox and Mrs. White



Karen Fayard and Jean Scaffide



Libby Richmond



Let's eat this great food.



Brian King



Mr. McClelland and Michael Haynes



Hey, we don't mind having an afternoon off.

MAC-OUR MASCOT



Kristina Winter



Kathleen Kheschen and Melissa Roughan



Kathryn and Kristina Winter



Kim Jones and Gaye Winter



Will the real mascot please stand up?



Krystal Guerrero and her homecoming escort.



Mac is drinking from a water bottle.



Mac is chillin before the game.

HOMEcoming



TENNIS TEAM



Front row, L to R: Coach Charles Serpente, Kristy Gatto, Christy Johnson and Amber Gravy. Back row, L to R: Matt Wilson, Chad Sullivan, Matt D'Angelo, Marcus Jordan, Jon Prencelle, Bubba Brown and Tyler Rosen



Kristy Gatto



Christy Johnson



Jon Prencelle



Matt D'Angelo



GOLF TEAM



Golf Coach Thomas Snell presenting All-tournament award to Beau Mains.



Tim McCabe



Stevie Ray



L to R: Brian Green, Beau Mains, James Rentrup, Robert Johnson, B.J. Stout, Tyler Spencil and Tim McCabe



Robert Johnson





GOLF TEAM



James Westrop



Brian Green



B.J. Stout



Tyler Spruill and James Westrop (in the back).



Brian Maino



GO TEAM!

BAPTIST STUDENT UNION



BSU Members: Row 1: Dynette Dedaux, Phuong To, Liza Williams and Kirstin Loomis
Row 2: Robert Shavers, Joanna Johnson, Jennifer Sundberg, Jamie Cockrell, Tim Lucius, Brooke Graham, Angela Piper and Associate Director Jackie Hall. Row 3: Melissa Dorn, Thomas Truhett, Josh Gipson and Kristen Downs.

The purpose of the BSU is to provide a well-balanced Christian fellowship for students. BSU is sponsored by Baptists, but is open to all students. One becomes a part of BSU simply by participation. Student leaders plan weekly programs and events. Each Wednesday they host a Lunch Encounter, a student luncheon with opportunity to socialize and discuss relevant topics with fellow students. They also have regular Discipleship and Bible Study programs. Several activities include BSU groups from all three campuses and groups all over Mississippi. They raise money to send students around the world on Student Summer Missions, and they actively minister during Spring Break, Mission Trips and local service projects. The BSU Student Center is located south of the gym on Switzer Road and is open during the week to all students.

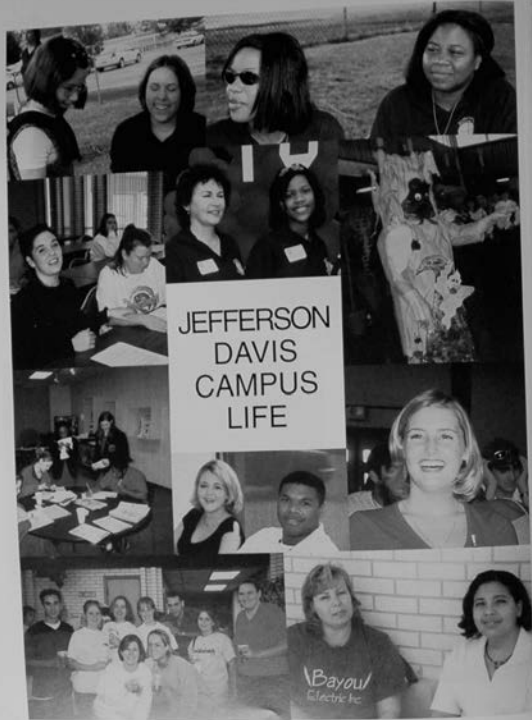


BSUers get together for a Lunch Encounter picnic.



Students get to know each other over lunch.





TURKEY TEACHER KARLA POPE



Karla Pope says "Look at me, I am really a turkey."



Someone let me out, I can't take it anymore.



Wait, I am not ready for this today.



Karla Pope cannot believe her students did this to her.



Michael Smith alias "Shepard Boy" hangs out with the turkey teacher.

MR. AND MISS JEFFERSON DAVIS



Pete Roll — Mr. JD



Crystal Guerrero — Miss JD

WHO'S WHO 2002



Tammy Stefanini — Most Likely to Succeed Female



Michael Harrison — Most Likely to Succeed Male



Keron Walker — Most Congenial Male



Natalie Sims — Most Congenial Female

WHO'S WHO



Mario Hill — Most Attractive Male



Emily Sumrall — Most Diverse Female



Joshua Daniel — Most Intellectual Male



2002



Mrs. Gaye Winter — Most Interactive Staff



LeeAnn Rasmussen — Most Inspiring Instructor

TEACHER



Patti Holloway



Kay Bertha



Glyn McDaniel and Sandra Johnson



Dr. Willis Lott



Scott Davis and Charles Davis



Patti Holloway

CONFERENCES



Kay Bertha



Jack Gatto and Terry Thompson



Coach Bennett



Helen Effinger and Foster Flint



Mary Holley



Carol Holley



Suzanne Duflois



MAC



Kathy Dedmon, Roxanne Towles and Ronnie Sims



Carol Holley, Debbie Gentile, Donna Parker, Beverly Parker and Becky Mansengal



Donna Parker



Donna Parker, Debbie Gentile, Gaye Winter and Carol Holley



Sheila White and Catherine Simon



CONFERENCE 2001



April Grace



Dr. Cheryl Thompson and Ms. Carson



Lana Kirkpatrick, Dr. Ned Lovell and William Crawford



Kristie Jones



April Genot

TEACHER CHRISTMAS



Kay Berbera



Robert Smith



Sgt. Jackie Rhodes, Biloxi Police Department



Ensemble singing Christmas cards for the teachers' enjoyment.



Diane Kiser



Pam Skinner and Elaine Evelyn



Michael Haynes

LUNCHEON 2001



Mary Holley and Gaye Winter



Robert Smith



Nancy Sneed



Laura Bragg and Elaine Davis



The 2001 Connections Team collected teddy bears for children during the Christmas time.

TEACHER AWARDS



Gaye Winter-Mississippi Humanities Council



Ms. Debbie Watson-Teacher of the year

STUDENT AWARDS



Marisel Pagan-Headwear award



(Front) Tomi Dempsey, Francis Rawls, Georgene Hejny and Wanda Brigante
(Back) Dr. Willis Lott and Dr. C.D. Taylor

Students talk as they wait for the awards program to start.



YEARBOOK STAFF



Mrs. G. Winter, Sponsor



Toni Lawshe, Editor



Chanel Mellish and Tricia Heivath



Melissa Roughton, Co-editor

2001-2002



Kennon Walker



Chanel Mellish



Melissa Roughton trying hard.



Pete Raif

Collegewide Associate Vice Presidents and Deans



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College Dean, Adult Basic Skills/Distance Learning



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Business Services, JCC



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February 2002



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Chris Calcutt
Athletics Director, PC



Katherine Doss
Business Services, PC



Jeffrey Doss
Student Services, PC



Janet Moody
Academic, PC



Dr. Dean Bellow
George County Center



Robert Rostinger
Knoxville Center



Don Christensen
West Harrison County Center

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Representing the Jackson County Campus: Parker Wilkinson, Reflections; Laura Rust, Yearbook/Reflections; Keith Wilson, Student Council/Phi Theta Kappa; Renita Thomason, Yearbook/Phi Theta Kappa

Allen, Lamm
Andrews, Joseph
Angiano, Tony
Anzures, Ibel
Arnes, Craig
Arnold, Jacquelyn
Backston, David



Baker, Amy
Baker, Cory
Baker, Eric
Baldwin, Jonathan
Bannister, Darren
Barber, Christy
Barnes, Barbicade



Barnes, Kate
Barnes, Ashley
Barnes, Kevin
Battie, Mosique
Borch, Marcus
Benjamin, Willie
Bennett, Marcella



Bibby, Yaur
Biggs, Leticia
Biggs, Mary
Blondin, Karl
Bosley, Tony
Bosker, Ebony
Boudin, Tracy



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Bourgeois, Anthony
Bowand, Cory
Bowens, Article
Bradley, Drangela
Bradley, Kiana
Bramson, Douglas
Breedlove, Tanny



Brown, Nicholas
Bridges, Janila
Bridges, Myrtle K.
Britton, Tabana
Broughton, Christopher
Brown, Jasha
Brown, Jasha



Brown, Shannon
Brumet-Fisher, Diane
Bryant, April
Bryant, Britanna
Bullock, Sarah
Burnell, Ashley
Butler, Joe



Blanchard, Chris
Byrd, Gung
Calhoun, Michael
Calvert, Matthew
Campbell, Andrew
Campbell, John
Campbell, Vicky



Cannon, Anthony
Cannon, Modera
Carroll, Sany
Chatham, Sara
Cherry II, Robert
Cheney-Sullivan, Christ
Clark, Brian



Clark, Derronda
Cler, Danielle
Clifford, Jonathan
Cobb, Tyler
Cochran, John
Coleman, James
Coleman, Shelby



Coles, Sandra
Collier, Tiffany
Cook, Rita
Condit, Chad
Cree, Joe
Creswell, Kendra
Crosin, Benjamin

Dad, Julie
Dandrea, Rene
Dandley, Deanna
Davenport, Tiffany
Davis, Ashly
Davis, Crystal



Davis, George
Davis, Treya
Dees, Diane
Deham, Patricia
Delaney, Allison
Delaney, Meghan
Dellinger, Neil



Demetri Reed, Laura
Dennis, Philip
Deno, Ray
Deshauness, Richard
Despoite, Michele
Dickinson, Sandra
Dickson, Christian



Dickson, Sean
Dikes, Mary
Dixon, Roy
Dordon, Alice
Dorsey, Ota
Downing, Deanne
Drake, Yolande



Drury, Audrey
Dudeck, David
Dudeck, Jonathan
Durdley, Rodney
Edwards, Donk
Eldridge, Jacob
Ely, Richard



Espinosa, Ashley
Enill, Deonda
Faggard, Denny
Fairley, Florence
Ferguson, Lindsay
Fields, Tracey
Fike, Patricia



Flynn, Leslie
Foster, Darla
Foster, Heather
Fountain, Sabrina
Franklin, Nancy
Frazier, Heather



Freney, Daphne
Fullerton, Monique
Funderburg, Kelly
Gadde, Faith
Gaines, Chris
Galle, Joey
Gause, Ta Cha



Gerritt, Dustin
Gibbs, Laura
Gibbsleece, Kandice
Gill, Thomas
Giles, Travis
Giron, Lavayn



Giron, Mikey
Giron, Kristine
Gundert, Courtney
Haley, Heather
Hall, Debra
Hall, Wellington
Hammer, Walter



Hammah, Sharonne
Hardin, Gina
Hardy, Shanella
Harris, Mary
Harris, Sasha
Harvard, Jeanne
Haskins, Kim



Heath, Christina
Hill, Shena
Hirrichs, Christina
Howard, Darrell
Hosha, Alicia
Huckaby, Kimberly
Hudson, Adam



Hughes, La Kenya
Hunt, Thomas
Hurd, Robert
Haydn, Mai
Ivey, Amber
Jackson, Katherine
Jackson, Travis



Jackson, Birtha
James, Downs
Jenkins, Donta
Jenkins, Jeremy
Jenkins, Melissa
Niede, Nicole
Johnson, Dustin

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Mayane, Diane
Mayfield, Christina
McGee, Jesse
Miller, Barbara
McIntosh, Andrea
McKeevin, Ashley
McKenzie, Keri



McKinney, Micah
McLeod, Susan
McMillan, Octavious
McMillan, Rasha
McMillan, David Lee
McMillan, Regina
Mead, Stephanie



Meyer, Todd
Midgarden, Lisa
Mittender, Susan
Miller, Brandon
Miller, Fredrick
Miller, Lester
Miller, Matt



Miller, Tommie
Mitchell, Audrey G.
Montgomery, Haley
Moody, Shaun
Moore, Carlissa
Moore, Lashae
Moore, Vickie



Moran, Luke
Morris, Danielle
Mouchet, James
Myers, Emma
Myers, Joshua
Neal, Kimberly
Nelson, Joyce



Newsome, Kenneth
Nguyen, Hy
Nguyen, Lauren
Nguyen, Vicky
Norman, Terrence
O'Day, Maureen
Osley, Dustin



Padgett, Adrienne
Page, Marcus
Page, Stephanie
Palmer, Vanessa
Patterson, Tiffany
Patton, Tanya
Payson, Olympia

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Payton, Tina
Pierlar, Rachel
Pierlar, Linda
Pini, Carla
Peters, Crystal
Pew, Ryan
Pham, Hanh



Phelps, James
Phelps, Wanda
Polansky, Candi
Poele, Latessa
Pope, Melvin
Powell, Michael
Price, Inesier



Price, Jerami
Price, Kashenna
Pritchard, Jason
Purify, Jacqueline
Quinn, Gregory
Rader, Kelli
Rahul, Joshua



Ramson, Maggie
Ramson, Adam
Rayborn, Sid
Reeves, Wende
Richard, Tille
Reid, Cynthia
Reynolds, Wesley



Richard, Elbeth
Richardson, Brandon
Richardson, Brandy
Richardson Jr, John
Richardson, Lorena
Richardson, Taurus
Riddle, Jodi



Rick, Paul
Robert, Marc
Roberts, Jamie
Rock, Rochelle
Rodgers, Demond
Rodgers, Olivia
Rodgers, Travis



Rodrik, Suzannah
Rogers, Cassie
Rogers, Crystal
Rogers, Melissa
Ross, Melissa
Ross, Christy
Roth, Rach



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Russell, Eric
Ryan, Cheryl
Sanders, Kristen
Sandoval, Lorena
Schnick, Christine
Scott, Kirk
Self, Kim



Semell, Charlie
Sharp, Aaron
Sharp, Chris
Shultz, Maryann
Shaw, Anthony (AJ)
Shepard, Beth
Shepherd, Stacy



Shirani, Bakhtiar
Smith, Christina
Smith, Daniel
Smith, Edin
Smith, Jeremy
Smith, Jessica
Smith, Jacy



Smith, John D.
Smith, Leona
Smith, Rhonda
Smith, Tiffany
Smith, Tina
Smith, Troglynn
Spencer, Darrel



Stallworth, Gloria
Stewart, Lakesha
Stewart, Rolanda
Stevens, Amy
Stone, Joyce
Stork, Letitia
Stovall, Kyle



Stuart, Carole
Sullivan, Christopher
Sullivan, Christy
Sullivan, Jennifer
Surrett, Kimberly
Tanner, Tally
Taylor, Courtney



Taylor, Laura
Thibault, Kelly
Thomas, Donna
Thompson, Camellia
Thompson, Garrett
Thompson, Latoria
Thompson, Richard



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Thompson, Tricia
Truhan, Adam
Trun, Phong
Trun, Tu
Treadway, Matthew
Tuferi, April
Trotter, Steven



Truong, Tien
Truitt, John
Tucker, Jonathan
Ugan, Debbie
Untermyer, John
Unzueta, Bridget
Vinson, Paul



Wakell, Senika
Wall, Donna
Walls, Rita
Walters, Brittany
Walman, Heather
Washington, Kimberly
Waters, John



Webb, Paul
Weber, Colleen
Willett, Dustin
Wells, Dexter
Wells III, Leon
Wescovich, Tammy
Whalen, J.B.



Whalen, Thomas
Whitley, Eric
Wilkinson, Ben
Wilkinson, David
Wilkie, Barry
Wilkins, Christi
Wilks, Jason



Williams, Arreca
Williams, Bradley
Williams, Preston
Williams, Matthew A.
Williams, Maurice
Williams, Vickie
Wilson, Jessica



Wilson, Keith
Wilson, Tanekia
Wink, Gail
Worthington, Christina
Fountain, Bonnie Jean
Yungling, Eric
York, Kacey



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Young, Jenny
Youngblood, Melissa
Zemba, Mandy
Haysh, Mona



Left: Reflections Team dons a cheer at the Pep Rally. Tiffany Smith, Britania Bryant, Crystal Davis, Lindsey Ferguson, Parker Wilkinson, Laura East, Yair Blatty, Richard DeShamers, Ben Wilkerson, Anthony Jimenez.



Far left: Robert Hard excited about winning his candy bag at the Fall Blood Drive. Left: Shanna Murry showing her flower power during Homecoming Week.

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Backus, Kristi
Baumann, Maria
Bevil, Kay
Blawiecki, Gopa
Bozorgi, April
Bozorgi, Cynthia
Brown, Steven



Caneel, Leslie
Changier, Amy
Clark, Brock
Clark, Wiley
Cliff, Marsha
Crawford, Nancy
Cuthbert, Steven



Cummings, Marsha
Cunningham, Gretchen
Dunn, Jon
Dykes, Lonia
Evers, Jackie
Friedman, Tammy
Frisbie, Cecilia



Garriga, Tara
Gibson, Jay
Gibson, James
Gunn, Grandolph
Hancock, Pat
Harris, Job
Harris, William



Hayes, Donnie
Haygood, Barbara
Helms, Brenda
Hoffstadter, Jennifer
Hunt, Amy
Jackson, Debra
Jensen, Kevin



Ladner, Mona
Ladner, Myrtle
Larsen, Colleen
Lloyd, Norbert
Lyon, Sheila
Matis, Steven
Martin, Johanna



Martin, Kay
Matthews, Debra
Mahy, Janice
McHenry, Yolanda
McCreath, Amy
McDonald, Wick
McGuire, Thomas



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McIntosh, Laurie
Moak, Rex
Mordant, Carol
Morgan, Paul
Moss, Marilyn
Muller, Janet
Nuttall, Denise



Newman, Ken
Perry, Barbara
Phillips, Clark
Pope, Thera
Pruce, Becky
Ray, Wendy
Richardson, Barbara



Roy, Sandra
Rutz, Rebecca
Sasser, Jeff
Sekol, Michelle
Shannon, Sandra
Shaw, Dean
Shaw, Edna



Showah, Willy
Sims, Kay
Smith, Cindy
Smith Jr, Milton
Stanford, Sheri
Stewart, Grant
Tanner, Raymond



Thomas, Jeanette
Thompson, Rebecca
Williams, Rebecca
Yarber, Jan
Yates, Bill



Left: Lunch is served!
Mrs. Barbara Perry, Mrs.
Gerry Anne Woodward,
and Mrs. Kay Martin.

PERKINSTON CAMPUS STUDENTS



Dr. Mary Graham, far right, joined members of Gulf Coast's women's soccer team on Aug. 30 at Liaison in a meet-the-teams event that brought coaches and members of the soccer, golf and tennis teams to the home of Dr. Willis Lott and his wife, Ethel.

Latoya Acker
Jareese Alexander
Kurt Alexander
Ashley Anderson
Tonya Armstrong
Valerie Arnold
Angela Avram



Priscilla Austin
William Barth
Clare Bass
Ashley Bates
Chris Bechtel
Janice Beckman
Jerry Biggs



Bobby Blair
Jay Blalock
Krytal Bolden
Angela Bond
Holly Bond
John Bond
Sam Booth



Algenia Bozic
Jade Bonds
Wesley Bonds
Marissa Bowman
Marisa Bradley
Mary Bradley
Emily Brindley



PERKINSTON CAMPUS STUDENTS



Kevin Brown
Teriya Brown
Kelli Bruner
Jennifer Buckley
Sophia Buckley
Kimberly Bullock
Molly Carter



David Chapman
Crystal Clayton
Adrienne Cockrell
Lekoya Crain
Dannella Crawford
Mashika Davis
Torynka Davis



Chad Dean
Carrie Deloach
Jaclyn Diamond
Brandon Dominguez
Dana Draper
Tammy Daughtr
Tanoshly Ellis



Charmetra Fairley
Chillon Fairley
Alyssa Farmer
Kamie Feigle
Savannah Fryfolle
Allison Gaurier
Kassie Gentry



Michelle Giltner
Lisa Glenn
Karl Huber
Akia Hall
Latoya Harper
Kate Hartfield
Zainab Hassan



Cassie Hatten
Jessica Herold
Jennie House
Velma Hubbard
Christina Hall
Stephanie Hunt
Kathy Hubbard



Austinn Ishmael
Elbert Jackson
Kasi Jackson
Coralyn Johnson
Samantha Johnson
Sarah Johnson
Cerryn Jones

PERKINSTON CAMPUS STUDENTS

P. Jay Jones
Wes Jones
Jeremy Kackley
Stacey Kendall
Korsha Keys
Neksha King
Drew Kite



Anne Knowles
Ariel Lash
Crystal Lanier
Caprice Lee
Jasen Lee
Niki Lee
David Leonard



Angeli Looehard
Courtney Lewis
Orlando Lewis
Demetrian Lina
David "Jale" Loft
Shawn Miller
Catelyn Martin



Jessica Martin
Melina Maxwell
Betsy May
Jennifer May
Miranda McBeth
Ashley McGill
Ashley Miles



Kathleen Miller
Tyson Mitchell
Tim Moore
Michael Mount
Michelle Mullins
Ricardo Norcia
Casey Pearson



Amy Perry
Tameka Porryan
Grant Phillips
Jennifer Phillips
Janne Pugh
Stephanie Pugh
Victor Ramos



Brandy Reed
Gene Roberts
Karecha Robinson
Dawana Rogers
Lucy Rouse
Lumiana Ruffin
Sharon Saunders



PERKINSTON CAMPUS STUDENTS

Maria Scalfie
Rhanna Shrewsbury
Crystal Smith
JoAnna Smith
Noland Smith
Patricia Smith
Robert Smith



Stephen Spauld
Travis Stacks
Tara Stanley
Adam Stone
Brandon Strickland
Freeman Taylor
Brett Thomas



Cherree Thomas
Lucy Thomas
Christie Thompson
Jennifer Thompson
Lavonda Thompson
Bernard Vinson
Lauren Wallace



Reese Walters
Lisa Walters
Alicia Weatherly
Amber Williams
Janet Wilson
Carlin Wilson
Cherie Wilson



Joey Zarlott

Below: At Meet-the-Team, Jason McKeith (#45), Alan Blanks (#69) and Wes Baker (#21) take a breather before the scrimmage.



Left to Right: Randall Rushing, Darnella Crawford, Kate Hartford and Central Johnson paint between sessions at the Tri-Campus Reflections Seminar held on the Perkinston Campus.



PERKINSTON CAMPUS FACULTY/STAFF/ADMINISTRATION



The Library and Learning Resource Center staff "dressed to the 9s" to celebrate Library Director Elizabeth Mixon's last Halloween at the Perkinson Campus before her upcoming retirement in the spring. From left to right: Angela James, Shari McMahon, Liz Mixon, Monica Miller, Brenda Rivero (veiled), Martha Daniels, Glenda Redmond, Valerie Fairley and Edna Bond.

Charles Azco
Brenda Anderson
Brenda Batey
April Bond
Edna Bond
Janet Bond
Sheree Bond



Kathleen Brown
Tina Byrdland
Jaime Brockmeyer
Trudy Bryan
Joanna Burnside
John Butler
Chris Caliente



Belinda Carlisle
Cheryl Catalano
Lash Christian
John Curley
Faye Cooley
Lisa Courtney
Leslie Cudd



Sylvia Davis
Kathy DeLoach
Viviana Delgado
David Dent
Valerie Fairley
Tammy Farnsworth
Mary Farnsworth



PERKINSTON CAMPUS FACULTY/STAFF/ADMINISTRATION



Michael Gavin
Jane Gilbert
Jimmy Grant
Gayle Greene-Aguine
Tanner Hall
Rick Hartford
Karen Hayes



Marie Hearn
Kathy Hendry
Linda Hill
Donald Holman
Ging Holmes
Angela James
Graham Johnson



Jeff Jones
Pam Jones
Bruce Layton
Rebecca Layton
Kenneth Long
Marilyn Lott
Kelvin Lyon



Sandra Matlock
Dot Mansfield
Tara Moore
Tom Narasim
Dreman Nichols
Michael Norman
Ann Patterson



Carole Pearce
Dana Price
Josh Price
Glenda Redmond
Dawn Richardson
Brenda Rivero
Jason Ross



Michelle Sekol
Trudy Showles
John Shew
James Ray Smith
Charles Sullivan
Cullen Taylor
David Taylor



Gerakline Terrell
Sarah Tringle
Dasha Walker
Robert Weather
Tammie Weather
Tommy Weather
Steve Wright

GEORGE COUNTY CENTER STUDENTS



Jocette Adams
Jane Allgood
Chrissy Armstrong
Sonya Backer
Faith Beard
Michael Bencelle
Tisha Boyd



Ronald Becks
Blake Brown
Cindy Brown
Seneca Brown
Lanisha Bryant
Glenn Ducker
Francis Byrd



Greg Cicchi
Shontoria Conyers
Lee Anne Cowley
Brad Davis
Tammy Dault
Amy Diamond
Jarvis Diamond



Donna Dargan
Virginia Dyeon
Curt Edwards
Troya Fairley
Deanne Flurry
Miki Fournier
Josh Gagner



GEORGE COUNTY CENTER STUDENTS



Joe Gregory
Leslie Griffin
Keith Guice
Ben Guinn
Tracy Hales
Levella Hartfield
Sophia Hartung



Kelvin James
Dennis Johnson
Matthew Kelley
Jeffery Kirkland
Kenneth Knight
Rachel Lott
Anthony McCol



Cindy McInnis
Sam McLeod
Calvin Moore
Heather Nolan
Greg Parker
Stacey Porter
Drew Pratt



Ashley Pugh
Jessica Pugh
Marcia Redda
Sherline Richardson
Marty Robinson
Nathan Sanders
Faith Seal



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Jeff Smith
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GEORGE COUNTY CENTER

Faculty, Staff and Administration



Dr. Dean Belton, Administration Dean of the George County Center, gives the crowd his winning smile at the Homecoming Parade in Wiggins.

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Larry Burney
Marina Cooney
Harry Cofer
Linda Craft
Debra Crawley



Johnny Ford
Cathy Goff
Lance Hoggard
Mickey James
Joan McLain
Janine Smith
Mary Ann Wiggins



Abby Zabracki



George County Center

Poised for Major Expansion

About 100 people attended groundbreaking ceremonies for the Multipurpose Education Facility at the George County Center on October 31.

At the groundbreaking, J.E. Pope, president of the George County Board of Supervisors, said, "This major expansion of the George County Center is a strong example of the college's outstanding service to our county. Our board proudly supported the investment in this facility. We are confident it will greatly enhance higher education and workforce training in our county."

Plans for the facility became a reality in August 2000, when the Board of Supervisors guaranteed repayment of a \$450,000 rural development loan to Singing River Electric Power Association, one of the college's partners in the Apprentice Electric Lineman program. The loan, awarded by the Rural Development Agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, will partially fund the construction of the \$750,000 facility. The college will fund the remaining cost.

The new facility, the second major expansion of the center since its 1972 opening, is slated for completion in April 2002. It will house the college's Apprentice Electric Lineman program, along with other academic and career/technical programs offered at the center. With 7,960 square feet enclosed and 1,035 square feet covered, the facility will also offer ample room for civic and professional events. The structure will feature three classrooms, a covered work area, three offices and a large multipurpose meeting room.

Dr. Dean Belton, dean of the George County Center, says the building will provide much-needed space for the center's programs, including the popular lineman program, which has 26 students in its current class. More than 90 graduates of the program are already in the workforce, according to Lee Hedegaard, CEO of Singing River Electric Power Association.

He said, "There are three states looking to copy this program - Alabama, Georgia and Texas. It's nice to see Mississippi out front."

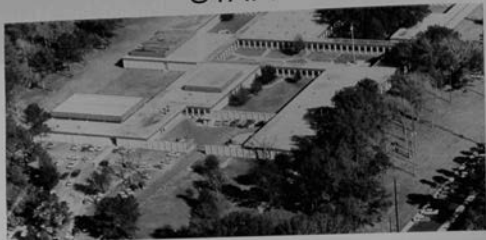
At the ceremony, Mark McGilvery, a Singing River Electric employee and graduate of the program, said, "The program offers opportunity and advancement in one of the most stable industries around." A Perry County resident, McGilvery said he found out about the program through his local newspaper.

Wilbur Ward, a George County member of the college's Board of Trustees, told the groundbreaking audience, "This college can help people get from where they are to where they want to be. It can improve the quality of life for people in George County."

The lineman program originally began as a workforce development project within the college's Community Campus. Ten industry partners have paid instructor salaries, donated equipment and provided a temporary field-training site. In January, the State Board for Community and Junior Colleges approved the program as a credit vocational-certificate program, making its students eligible for financial-aid benefits. Also, additional apprentice lineman training has been added to the program as a workforce-training component.



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Aerial view of the Jefferson Davis Campus in the 1960s.

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Pat Hensley
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KEESLER



Joe Sullivan



If I could only pick my classes, this day would be so much brighter.



Dawna Kinsman and Angela Cooksey



Vicki Taylor and Nicole Varren



Maurice Sgt. Dawna Kinsman, Chris Jackson and Barbara Kristie

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Aerial view of the West Harrison County Center in the 1960s.

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Many, many thanks to Charles L. Sullivan, curator of the MGCCC Archives and chair of the Perkinson Campus Social Studies department. Each yearbook adviser begged archival photographs and information from Charlie, a man who has dedicated nearly 10 years of his career—and life—to the writing of *Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College: A History*. On the next few pages (249-259), we give you a glimpse of our institution's history. A few pages in a yearbook cannot match the scope of Charlie's book, which was awaiting publication as the yearbook went to press, but they will inform you and even entertain you. Pages 260-272 (what we call the Common, or Central Office, Section) give you a more recent glimpse of our college. Again, to you, Charlie, we are forever grateful.



Robert Hersel McDaniel in May 1927, at the time he became the first (and that session's only) college graduate of the Harrison-Spivey-Jackson Agricultural High School and Junior College. McDaniel was born near Sarderville, Jones County, on August 27, 1904. When he was a youngster, his family moved to Baltimore, a mill town ten miles west of Perkinson, where his father was a log checker. McDaniel attended Magnolia Consolidated High School near Baltimore until the beginning of his senior year. In September 1924, Julia Lewis, his girlfriend, went to the Harrison-Spivey County Agricultural High School at Perkinson, and he went after her. In McDaniel's words, "Julia . . . whom I later married . . . was the main attraction that brought me to Park in the first place."

After junior college McDaniel attended Mississippi Agricultural and Mechanical College at Starkville on a loan awarded for him by Superintendent Lee Dawson and chemistry professor C. O. Hinton. In 1929 he married Julia and went to Chicago, where he worked 15 years for the Edgewood Ensign Company. Following his retirement he moved back to Jones County and lived in Edgewood until his death on November 27, 1980. He was buried beside Julia in the Davis Cemetery near Sarderville. His second wife, Sally, who had accompanied him on many of his jaunts in later years in Perkinson, died November 18, 1980, leaving her body to science. McDaniel maintained his connection with Perkinson, and he bequeathed the initiation of a historical treasure of real significance. From March 16, 1961, to October 4, 1962, McDaniel sent a series of 35 articles entitled, "As I Remember Park" for publication in the *Spivey County Enterprise*. These articles, covering the period 1914-1927, are the memoirs of a student who was present on campus in that critical era of transition when the junior college came into co-existence with the AMS. As the Perkinson institution's first junior college graduate, he was the flag bearer in a revolutionary movement, as his eyewitness account is vital. Without his words, the few documents remaining from that time would have yielded very little in the way of a narrative. Historians, all information withheld to Robert McDaniel was derived from "As I Remember Park" unless otherwise noted. McDaniel, by the way, followed his words with deeds. Through his fund-raising efforts, the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College Alumni Association received thousands of scholarship dollars over the years. On Homecoming Day, 1975, MGCCC honored McDaniel with the Sam Oates Distinguished Service Trophy. Photo courtesy of Robert McDaniel.

Robert Hersel McDaniel: Our first college graduate

On Homecoming Day, 1976 (right), which commemorated the 50th anniversary of the college class of 1927, McDaniel set another record. The entire class showed up for the reunion—him.

From the time McDaniel left Perkinson in May 1927, until the first time he came back in October 1961, much had changed. But enough remained to make the day a nostalgic trip. President J. J. Hayden took the afternoon off to walk the campus with him, a gesture much appreciated by McDaniel.

Bonnie Hall still stood on top of the hill then, and Hayden took him to it. As they walked, McDaniel reminisced. "I recall . . . our chemistry lab room which was Prof. Hinton's pride and joy . . . the small home economics room where the girls let us sample their handwork. As I walked through these places . . . my mind kept wandering back to bygone days. Back over the walls of yesterday—the old fountain which was the gathering place for couples in love—has been replaced by years in somewhat of a circle. At this apex which was the center of our campus, many romances blossomed and died—many tears shed and many hearts broken and mended. Looking back in retrospect I can see some of those couples—Bessie and Helen, Jess and Doc, Horne and Julia, George and Margaretta. I wonder how many of these couples married each other and saw they still together."

As the walk continued, McDaniel, observing the co-eds of 1961, spoke to Hayden of the strict discipline under Dawson. "Then McDaniel commented on the modern 'co-ed spirit,' in rather lack of it, and asked Hayden what his code was. Hayden said he let the girls wear about what they did at home. McDaniel replied, 'If anyone had appeared on the campus [in Dawson's time] in a pair of shorts—hey or gee—I am sure a tip to the office would have been a must. . . . A girl . . . would have been practically ostracized—they would have been the shock of the century—even the football uniforms were the blouse type. . . . Dawson would have over in his gown if he could see this. Oh, well, how times have changed—sometimes I think for the better and then I doubt, the world is really spinning too fast for us.'"



Trains, Buses and Automobiles



Park students waiting for the train at the Perkinston Depot since 1940. The Illinois Central Railroad suspended passenger service between Gulfport and Jackson in 1950 thus ending 58 years of Perkinston student passenger of the line.



Two female dormbush from a Buickless Trip in front of Buick's Café in 1940, the year that Trailways named Buick's Café in downtown Perkinston an official bus stop. In the decade prior to 1940, students faced a half mile trek to and from new U. S. Highway 90 in order to use the Trailways system. Photograph from 1949 Perkinston, p. 102.

Day students had commuted to and from the campus in automobiles since the 1920s, but the initial statement related to dormitory students having cars on campus came in the 1936-1937 Catalogue: "Students who have cars on the campus are not to use them at any time under any circumstances without special permission from the dean or superintendent. Any infraction of this regulation will forfeit the right to keep the car on the campus." That statement remained constant in all subsequent Cooper J. Darby-era catalogues.

The session 1941-1942 Catalog, the first of the A. L. May era, contained the following true statement: "Dormitory students are not permitted under any circumstances to keep automobiles on the campus."

In session 1942-1943 Catalog, President A. L. May added four additional words to his automobile dictum: "or in the vicinity." The influx of World War II veterans forced President May to reinstate his anti-student-automobile stance. The Session 1946-1947 Catalog stated that, "Dormitory students 20 years and older may be allowed the use of automobiles, but the use will be restricted."

In session 1949-1950 "will be restricted" gave way to "may be restricted." That statement remained in subsequent catalogues until session 1961-1962 after which it vanished.

Nothing more was said about automobiles until in the 1964-1965 Student Handbook, which contained the statement that, "Students are permitted to have automobiles on the campus for their personal use." Each car had to be registered and registration stickers placed on the windshield. Other than that the main restrictions were that speed limits had to be obeyed and "absolutely no student cars will be moved on the campus after 10:30 p.m." The equal rights amendment erased that last dictum in session 1975-1976. By 2000, finding a parking place on any MOCCC campus during main class hours was a major problem.



Park students pose with an automobile in front of Harrison Hall since 1935. Photograph from 1935 Perkinston, p. 34.



Sonny Walker of Perkinston and Jimmy Jeffers of Gulfport are parked in front of the Old Deaton building prior to creating the campus during session 1949-51. Photo from 1961 Perkinston, p. 83.

Campus Radio Stations--Station WPJC and Station WJDC



In early 1940 (from left) engineer Jerry Martin and disc jockey P. E. Mcintosh spin the platters in Radio Station WPJC operating out of Old Deaton Hall. The two millwright union brothers-in-recovery within a three mile radius of Perkinston. Photograph from 1964 Perkinston, p. 85.



Jefferson Davis Campus radio broadcasting instructor Douglas Jordan instructs a fledgling JD DJ in the techniques of her craft. Jordan began a 25-year career at JD in 1967.



The 1961 WJDC broadcast crew included (front from left) Rex Symphon, Elizabeth White, and Ted Wright. (Back from left) Tom Jones, Dixon Moore, Greg Brown, Vince Gallo, and Kyle Carley. WJDC served the JD Campus well as domain since 1962. Crew photograph from 1962. Broadcast, p. 8.



Sam Jones, Band Director,
1920-1921, 1922-1923, 1924-1925

Prof. Jones and the Perkettes

Sam Porter Jones Jr. was born February 20, 1920 in Poinchacola, Louisiana, but spent most of his childhood and youth in Kentwood, another Tangipahoa Parish town. Following his graduation from Kentwood High School, he attended Southeastern Louisiana College in Hammond. At Southeastern he met his future wife Margarette, and he earned his bachelor's degree in music in 1941. After a short stint as band director at Hammond High School, Jones joined the United States Army Air Corps in 1942 and served as a bandman for three and one-half years, including one year in India.

After World War II, Jones taught elementary and high school band in Meadville for six years. In summer 1952, when he heard that PJC Band Director J. O. Ware had taken a position in Louisville, Jones applied at Perkinston. On June 19, 1952, President A. L. May notified him of his selection as Ware's replacement effective July 1. So "Prof." Jones, his wife, and their seven year old daughter Carol moved to Perkinston.

The band that Jones inherited from Ware had fielded six majorettes, one of them styled a head. Jones decided to expand the band's auxiliary group by creating a dance and drill team. To head this new squad he chose Janice Felsher who had been Ware's assistant head majorette the previous year. And Felsher was a "Perkette"—that is, she played on the college's women's basketball team the members of which had been known as "Perkettes" since fall 1950.

This author spoke with Janice (Felsher) Seymour on several occasions from 1996 to 2001, and she steadfastly maintained that she never knew that the basketball team was called the Perkettes. Others who played on Perkette basketball teams from 1950 through 1955 said they did not remember the designation either. This "Perkette" question was considered at length in the section in this work entitled "Basketball: Junior College and Agricultural High School 1925-1960." Suffice it to say, every newspaper in south Mississippi, including the *Bulldog Barks* used the name in reference to the women's basketball team. Janice Felsher, Jones's first Head Perkette, was a member of the Perkette basketball team. For whatever reason Jones thought the term "Perkettes" applied to the majorettes, and thus he used the name for his new dance/drill team. He never claimed to have originated the name and, in fact, said he did not.

Jones did not originate the idea of a women's drill team at Perkinston either. His predecessor Stanley Beers had organized the Pep Squad in 1937, but the Pep Squad had disappeared several years before Jones's arrival at Perkinston. By all accounts, though, the Pep Squad was only a drill and cheering squad. Apparently Pep Squad performances did not include dancing.

By adding dance to the repertoire of his drill team, Jones did create something new at Perkinston. To choreograph the Perkette dance numbers, Jones enlisted the aid of Frances Hemetier of Wiggins. Hemetier served for 22 years until her retirement in 1974. Mary Jane (Reddell) James, also of Wiggins and the former Head Perkette of session 1969-1970, served as choreographer until Jones's retirement in May 1978.

Jones devoted his 26-year career at Perk in his words to "turning out bands that play good music." He certainly did that, but so had his predecessors. Jones's greatest contribution to the institution was the formation of the Perkettes. Through his efforts and those of Hemetier and James the Perkettes became one of the most acclaimed junior college dance teams of the Deep South.



Sam Jones presents a trophy to Frances Hemetier at the time of her retirement in 1974 in appreciation for her 22 years as the choreographer for the Perkettes dance team. (Left) Mary Jane (Reddell) James, replaced Hemetier as choreographer.



Perkettes of 1952 (from left): Janet Ellsbury of Perkinston, Nancy Springer of Pascagoula, Corlin K. Cox of Perkinston, Norma Davis of Pascagoula, Jane Cox of Perkinston, Elizabeth Jackson of Alexander City, Alabama, Lynn Gentry of New Orleans, Louisiana, Geraldine "Jenny" Jordan of Perkinston, Betty Lewis of Gulfport, Lorna Deane "Dottie" Carr of Ocean Springs, Rosie Brantner of Mississippi City, Margaret Wallworth of Lumberton, Betty Brown of Lumberton, Joyce Ingram of Hattiesburg, Dorothy Johnson of Lumberton and Head Perkette Janice "G".



Janice Felsher (front) leads the Perkettes in practice in A.L. May Memorial Stadium in fall 1952. According to Janice (Felsher) Seymour, the hair and earties worn gold. Made by the Perkinston home economics department, the uniforms consisted of a short-sleeved white suit top with a Mandarin collar and a full white satin circular skirt lined with gold satin. One of the numbers they danced to the first year was "I Don't Care (If the Sun Don't Shine)" choreographed by Frances Hemetier.



Above: Janice Felsher leads the Perkettes in a parade down First Street in Wiggins. Photograph courtesy of Janice (Felsher) Seymour. (Right) Janice "G" Felsher takes on the "High-stepping Head Perkette." It is pictured in the *Bulldog Barks* November 24, 1952. According to Janice (Felsher) Seymour, her nickname "G" was short for the high-stepping ruckership, Clifton.

Groundbreaking at the Jefferson Davis and Jackson County campuses

1965

Standing in front of a bulldozer during the Friday, May 22, 1964, ground breaking ceremony at Jackson County Campus are (from left) architect William R. Allen Jr.; Jackson County Campus Academic Dean-in-Charge, Dr. Walter Warner Peterson; Dr. Robert Shaghter; Dr. R. A. Roberts; Board Chairman M. L. Malone; Dr. Newton Perry Givens; Dr. Gail Peltz; MGCC President J. J. Hadden and Dr. Gail M. Hadden.



At the groundbreaking ceremony at Jackson County Campus MGCC President J. J. Hadden gets JC off to a meeting start with a bulldozer.



Standing behind MGCC Board Chairman M. L. Malone as he lifts a shovel of dirt during the Jefferson Davis Campus ground breaking ceremony on Saturday, June 15, 1964, are (from left) Dr. Arthur Ball; Dr. John Fair; Dr. James E. Bass; Harrison County Supervisor Lee Quinn; Dr. Lyle Page; Dr. Kevin Smith; Dr. W. H. Davis and Dr. R. J. Moran.

Groundbreaking at George County, Keesler, West Harrison and ATDC



Cutting the ribbon at the dedication of the MUGCTDC are, from left, Honorable William Winter, former governor; Dan Mason, president of the Harrison County Development Commission; David Ruffin, president of Mississippi Power Company; Edwin Wheat, vice-president responsible for educational, technical, and adult education; and Dr. Barry L. Mulligan, MGCCC president.



MGCC President J. J. Hadden (right) presents a letter to Gov. Bill Waller at the dedication of GCOFC, March 4th, 1973.



MGCC President J. J. Hadden Jr. (center) meets with Keesler Air Force Base Commander Major General Bryan M. Shetty (left) and his aide, Capt. Robert Walker Jr. (right) on May 4th, 1973 at Shetty Hall on the Pelican Campus.



Digging in at the June 8, 1968 groundbreaking for the WBCTC are (from left) Jefferson Davis Campus Vice-President Glen Cagle, MGCC President J. J. Hadden Jr., and WBCTC Administrative Dean Sam Kinch.



Nell Warner served as the first administrator in charge of the Community Campus.

On July 1, 1996, the Applied Technology and Development Center, due to the implementation of Mississippi's revolutionary Workforce and Education Act of 1994, became an element of MGCCC's fourth campus—the Community Campus.

Due to the influence of then MCCC President Dr. Barry Mellinger and other members of the executive committee of the Mississippi Community College Foundation, the Mississippi Legislature unanimously passed the Workforce and Education Act of 1994. This act, based on studies of foreign and domestic workforce initiatives, proposed to glean the best elements of all such initiatives and forge them into a plan designed to make Mississippi workers internationally competitive.

In recognition of the role of community college leaders in securing the passage of the Workforce Act, the Legislature designated the community colleges as the primary deliverers of workforce training. The Workforce Act aimed to educate uneducated workers, train untrained workers, and efficiently and quickly place them where business and industrial leaders said to place them. The act specified the establishment of 'One Stop Career Centers' on each community college campus to provide the services and District Workforce Development Councils (District Councils) to direct the effort.

MGCCC Executive Assistant for Development Nell Murray headed the initial effort to put Workforce in place. At first the Workforce director on each campus reported to the vice president of his or her campus and to Murray, who coordinated the effort. In Murray's words, "This lasted about a year and a half, and then the effort to break down."

realized that the organizational structure caused the errors to break down. "The industrial leaders had been promised, according to Murray, 'training on the fly, as fast as possible—24 to 48 hours.'" Under the original cumbersome set-up, "a person would go from private sector to campus, to Central Office, back to campus, and then back to private sector, taking a week or more, leaving response time to two weeks."

Mellinger recommended and the Board approved the creation of a new entity to Community Campus. The campus began operation on July 1, 1996, with Murray in off her retirement plans for one year and remained as executive assistant for to set up the machinery of the new "campus." On July 1, 1997, Dr. Mary named vice president of the Community Campus becoming MGCC's first title vice president.

the vice president. The first major organizational change since 1962, the Community Campus became a part of the University of California, San Diego. Unlike those brick and mortar campuses, the new campus was, in Murray's words, "a campus without walls . . . not tied to place . . . but to people."

Community Campus did gain control of one site—the MGCATDC. Due to the similarity of that center's name to the Community Campus, JD relinquished control of the MGCATDC, and the office of the Community Campus was located there. For the rest, Community Campus personnel were ensconced in all the other offices of MCCCC and also in industries ranging from Ingalls Shipbuilding and the Chevron Refinery in Mobile to the Shipyard Plant in DeLisle.

Murray, "the structure of the Community Campus was not fixed. . . . We identified our vision, we identified the mission, and structure more or less evolved." Since the desire to better implement the act of 1994 had sparked the idea of the Community Campus, all elements related to the legislation were of Community Campus personnel. At its inception, the Community Campus had charge of all non-credit programs, including Workforce training, adult and continuing education, literacy, small business development, the Aging in Retirement, and distance learning.

"eLearning" was originally an outgrowth of the Community College Network (CCN) established in July 1994 as Mississippi Rural Health Care Corps for the purpose of training rural health care workers. The CCN connected public community colleges in a web consisting of one interactive classroom each, but MGCCC established its own one at Perk, JD, and JC. With CCN came access to the Internet and the worldwide web with its endless innovation in the realm of the dissemination and gathering of knowledge.

to distance learning accomplished by interfacing instructor and student via the interactive video and VCR, the Community Campus in August 1996 put its new Mobile Training Unit on the road. The Mobile Training Unit is a 34-foot motor coach fully equipped for instructional purposes. This \$120,000 "learning lab on wheels" was outfitted with 16 computer stations and a video player and television for instructional purposes. The unit was geared for use in basic skills instruction, and occupational assessment and driven to any business and industrial site in the area for its services.



In Mary (Spring) Graham followed Nell Murray in Community Camps this weekend.

*Every Place*

Margarita Rivera

The Miss Junior College District Beauty Contest



The third year (after homecoming and graduation) to reach its campus status was the Miss Junior College District Beauty Pageant. The Building Blocks, 1986, 1986, carried notice that the annual staff of each campus would jointly sponsor the contest in January 1967, and the winner would be eligible to compete in the Miss Mississippi pageant in Vicksburg the following July. On January 28, five crowds from Perk, and five from JC, and four from ID vied for Miss JCD honors in Biloxi High School auditoriums. Dorothy Winslow, a JC student from Ocean Springs, was named the District's first queen. JCD contestant Diane Griffin of Vicksburg was named first runner up. Terry Price and Margie Knox, both JC students from Ocean Springs, were named respectively second and third alternates. The Miss JCD Pageant, retained the Miss Mississippi Gulf Coast Junior College Pageant after the word "District" fell from favor after 1969, continued until the retirement of Perkinson Campus Dean of Student Services Ed Scarborough in December 1984. According to Scarborough, his successor decided to eliminate the pageant on the Perkinson Campus, and that ID and JC eliminated it as well. Photographs from 1967 Perkolator, pp. 13 and 14.

Hazing and Hell Week



(Left) Freshman in a "P" button at study. Photo from 1942 Perkolator, p. 32.



(Below) "Air Raid" Photograph from 1943 Perkolator

The 1938 Perkolator, the school's first yearbook, contained a drawing (left) by Freda Isant showing a freshman with a recently shaved head wearing a "Perk" shirt and carrying a shallop or "beanie."

The discipline section of the 1931-1932 Catalog contained the following admonition for the first time: "No form of hazing will be allowed." The discipline section of the 1932-1933 Catalog contained the same prohibition, but the statement disappeared from subsequent publications. Apparently hazing of freshmen began at that point. The pre-game homecoming parade on October 28, 1933, featured freshmen in pajamas.

Subsequent Perkolators for more than three decades carried photos of freshmen with shaved heads with and without beanies. Oddly dressed freshmen and freshwomen were depicted towing to their sophomore betters, and beginning in World War II, they were shown having "tax the din" (below) at the cry "Air Raid." The words "Air Raid" were written under the pictures.

By 1944 the fall freshmen ordeal bore the name "Hell Week" and that culminated in "Hell Day." But, according to Wilton "Red" Brown of Wewahatchka, Florida, the hell lasted far longer than a week in fall 1944.

"The boys dressed as women one day and the next day we wore our suits wrong side out and backward. The girls also had to dress very crazy. They had to wear their skirts upside down and backward and also the blouses. They had to wear a stocking over their heads and wear tennis shoes and socks. All this went on for weeks. This was after we had been initiated and had our heads shaved in various and sundry fashions and my particular style was that they left a rim right around my head just above my ears, shaved the rest of my head and in the process cut it nine times. We were supposed to leave our heads just as they left them for at least three days before we went anywhere to have it taken care of. Of course, all I could do was have the rest of mine shaved off and being football players most of us found it pretty rough for the next two to three weeks, wearing those helmets with shaved heads, especially with the kind of helmets we had back then."



Freshmen in suits which have been turned inside out and backward pose in front of Jackson Hall in fall 1944. Photo courtesy of Wilton "Red" Brown.

A campus reporter gave his impression of "Hell Week" in the October 15, 1944, Balding Barks:

"The freshman, that lowest species of animal life in the college student body, bears the brunt of sophomores' sadistic wit. "Some of the 'sights' on the campus were men dressed as women, maidens strolling about in business suits and tennis shoes, and barefoot boys dressed in pajamas. The Perk girls may not have been in the height of style with dresses slightly above the knee, but all the boys were greatly appreciated this leg art. In fact, we heard from a very reliable source that some boys until now were uncertain that a woman's leg extended above the knee. The theory that clothes make the man was open to doubt with our freshman boys wearing dresses. It was no more ridiculous however, than the teenage rage of wearing brother's pants and shirt."



Freshmen dressed as women pose on the campus in 1944. Photo from 1943 Perkolator, p. 34.



Three giggled freshmen in "Liberty Bells" suits. Photograph from 1945 Perkolator, p. 35.



"Freshmen," their clothing turned inside out and backward, pose with stockings on their heads in front of Jackson Hall in fall 1944. Jackson Hall is at the left in the background, and Old Deacons Hall is at right. Photograph courtesy of Emergence Books.

Dr. Donnie Taylor

Retirement means never saying goodbye

Donnie Taylor's first impression of Perkinston Junior College wasn't unlike that of most entering freshmen — it was exciting, yet a little frightening. The year was 1960, and Taylor, valedictorian of Vicksburg High School, got a sudden dose of reality.

"I managed to get through high school without learning how to study. I studied some, and I paid attention in class," he remembers. "I got up here to Perk with people from all over the Coast, and they weren't impressed that I was valedictorian. I had one note that first year."

Today, the retired vice president of the Jefferson Davis Campus recalls that his impression of "Perk" soon changed.

"After a while, my impression became that it was about the best place on the Gulf Coast," he says. "Quite frankly, I came here in 1960, and I never left. Philosophically, I never left."

On Feb. 15, Taylor physically left Gulf Coast after 36 and one-half years of employment... but, as it was after his 1982 graduation from JDC, he will remain here philosophically.

"This place changes people's lives," he believes. "It had the capacity to make a difference over 40 years ago, and it has it today. It has the capacity to change people's lives for the better."

Taylor knows this firsthand. Fresh into his senior year at Vicksburg, he thought he would simply graduate and go to work, perhaps as a carpenter, the occupation of his father and grandfather. Enter Carlos Davis, then the vocational coordinator and mechanical drawing instructor at JDC. He eventually became vice president of the Jackson County Campus.

Davis talked with Taylor's parents and successfully recruited their son, who would later serve the college in several capacities after his 1964 graduation from the University of Southern Mississippi. As an aside, Taylor stayed on at USM in 1964-65 to work on his master's degree, a decision he made because, in his soon-to-be-wife, Carol Jones, was completing her bachelor's degree at USM.

From then, newly married and only a thesis away from getting his master's degree, Taylor was hired in 1965 as a music instructor for the brand new JDC and Jackson County campuses.

"The anticipated retirement was not what I had the split assignment," he recalls. "You have to realize how different things were back then. Some departments were two people."

Talking about "back then" conjures up Taylor's memory of driving an old station wagon (provided by the college) to the JC Campus on Tuesdays and Thursdays, with a portable record player by his side. Once a JC instructor was hired a year later, Taylor stayed solely at JDC, eventually becoming chair of the fine arts department.

Although music classes weren't offered in the summer at that time, Taylor was hired to assist Student Services with processing incoming freshmen during the summers in 1967, 1968 and 1969. It brought in extra money, plus it exposed him to other areas of the college — registration and institutional research.

By 1969, Executive Dean W.P. Lipscomb, who was dean of students at Perk when Taylor was a student, called him into his office and told him he was needed as the admissions officer. His move to admissions prompted him to enroll at USM Gulf Coast for a graduate course. Plus, it was the push for Taylor's advancement in the college, including his move to director of Finance in July 1978.

After all these years, what stands out as the biggest change in the college?

"The most significant change I've seen is not something that's happened suddenly," he says. "When I opened the Coast campuses in 1965, an overwhelming majority of our students were 'typical' students — recent high school graduates. The older students were in the minority. Even though we offered vocational-technical programs, most students were high school graduates who wanted training for immediate employment."

"Today, students have family and job responsibilities," he continues. "They can't leave the Coast to go to school. They take night classes or a weekend class. Compared to how we started in the 1960s, there is a drastic difference in the clientele we're serving on the Coast."

Another difference he notes is that in the 1960s and early 1970s, non-resident students were generally positive toward institutional and non-



Dr. Donnie Taylor, January 2002

interest courses, such as Powder Plot Mechanics offered through the vocational-technical area. However, once the Workforce Act of 1994 was enacted and the Community Campus was created, the structure and volume of training did an about-face.

"This was a huge change in our mission," Taylor says. "It was an adjustment for our vocational-technical programs."

Students' attitude have also evolved over the years, he says.

"We've had to make some accommodations for students that in some cases were uncomfortable for us," he says. "It's had to change sometimes and accept a new reality."

Still, some things don't change, such as parking.

"A potential problem is parking. Occasionally, that problem boils over," Taylor says, on a lighter note. "As a consumer campus, we have parking difficulties. It's chaos. It comes with the territory."

Chairs had not been part of Taylor's 10 years as vice president. Tenswork and tons have served as his pillars.

The most significant accomplishments were accomplishments made by other people," Taylor says adamantly. "The thing I've tried to do is create an atmosphere, an environment, a culture where people who are there (at JDC) feel like they are treated and supported to do the things they were hired to do. Nobody succeeds in the job of vice president unless they have a lot of good people working for them."

And presidents need good people, like Taylor, to lead the campuses and centers. Working with presidents Dr. J.J. Hayden, Dr. Barry McElreath, and most recently Dr. Willis Lott, Taylor discovered that the vice presidency was a learning experience. He adds that he admired each one of them for their leadership.

"Dr. McElreath had confidence in me and hired me to be vice president," Taylor remembers. "He had patience when I found out I didn't know as much as I thought I did."

Other influences include Lipscomb, who hired Taylor originally, and W.L. Verling, with whom he worked for nine years in Student Services.

"From him, I learned how to be a good administrator and how to deal with problems, primarily the ones that deal with people. He taught me to stand up for what you think is right, even when others are against you," says Taylor, who also credits Verling and encouraging him to earn his doctorate.

After citing the late Glen Cade, who was JDC Campus vice president before Taylor, as another influence, he mentions Glen Cade's music instruction at Perk when Taylor was a student there.

"He showed me I could be more than I originally aspired to be," says Taylor, who began college as a drafting major and planned on working at Legault Shipbuilding.

For those who don't know the musical side of Donnie Taylor, the influence of a music teacher on a future vice president may not make much sense. To put it in perspective, Taylor, an accomplished vocalist and musician, grew up surrounded by music. His father was a singer, and during high school, he and Taylor played with a rock 'n' roll band on Friday nights. Taylor's band at a Saturday night square dance, and in church on Sunday singing gospel hymns. And, oh, yeah, he and his dad reserved Sunday afternoons for local gospel songs.

So, where does Gene Clements fit into all this?

"At Perk, I saw that there was a vast area of music I had never heard of," says Taylor, who has appeared in local operas and theater productions. Now that he's retired, Taylor plans to spend more time with his family, including his most close Taylor, and re-invest himself with music. After that, it's the grass for a sound of golf.

"I'm woefully inexperienced," Taylor says with a smile. "I play only once every three months, but I plan to play more often."

Reflecting on working for more than 36 years at his alma mater, Taylor says, "Once committed through all of this, until last year, was Robert Smith. We've been here through through the whole thing."

Smith, himself a JDC alumnae, worked with the college for 35 years before his June 2000 retirement as special assistant to the president for information Technology.

"I tend to be reticent," Taylor says. "I calmed him down...and he spurred me to action when I tended to be reticent."

As for his family, Taylor says, "I want them to know how very much I appreciate the tolerance and patience while I've been in these administrative positions, and for the times my wife acted as Mom and Dad while I was working on my doctorate."

Family includes four children — John in Ocean Springs; James in Pensacola, Fla.; Cliff in Wiggins; and Donna Danning in Norcross, Wis. All three sons have careers in music. In fact, Cliff is the assistant director of Gulf Coast's Band of Gold. Donna, who lives in Wisconsin, is married to a band director, and she was a band member in the Band of Gold and also played clarinet during the band's concert season. The Taylors also date an JDC grandchild.

Another aside: Carol Taylor is the daughter of the late Sam "Puff" Jones, who led the Band of Gold and Perkinston Dance Team from 1952-78. The Perkinston Campus band hall is named in his honor.

As retirement draws near, Taylor remembers even more people who have made his career and the college successful. The list includes such names as Dr. Harry Sams, Wendell Thornton, Onida White, Don Christensen, Sal D'Aquella, T.J. Smith, Gina Severson, Dr. David Dreyer and Bob Robinson. Each D'Aquella, T.J. Smith, Gina Severson, Dr. David Dreyer and Bob Robinson have held or currently holds the title of dean at JDC, the West Harrison County Center or the Kessler Center.

"Had it not been for them and all they have done, there's no way we would have had all the success we've had at JDC," Taylor says. "They, and so many others, really do understand the potential we have to make a difference. All of them have been the key to success."

Sykes named new JDC Campus vice president



Dr. Reginald Sykes

JDC Campus vice president follows the retirement of Dr. Donnie Taylor, campus vice president for 10 years.

"Dr. Taylor left the Jefferson Davis Campus in great shape, and I want to continue the high level of academic excellence that has been established," Sykes says, adding, "The community college has grown to become an institution at the economic and educational core of hundreds of American cities and towns. There is so much that Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College has to offer, and I think the Jefferson Davis Campus is an important player in meeting the needs of the community." "The comprehensive community college is one that opens the door to higher education for many Americans today," Sykes says. "It is the only hope that some young — and not so young — have of obtaining a college degree."

Sykes' educational background includes bachelor's and master's degrees in education from Jackson State University and a doctorate in education from Mississippi State University. Sykes has worked in higher education for 20 years.

"Gulf Coast, with a primarily local focus, is a vital hub for the development of human resources to support local business and industry," Sykes says. "The curriculum is driven by academic and occupational programs and support services that target local economic and workforce development needs."

"Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College is a great place to work because of our dedicated employees. I am proud to say that I work at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College. I also look forward to creating partnerships with senior colleges on the Coast to expand opportunities for our students," Sykes says.

Gulf Coast President Dr. Willis Lott says, "Dr. Sykes' commitment to the community college mission is evident in his career path. He possesses the energy and enthusiasm to provide the leadership that will help the college achieve its mission to make a positive difference in people's lives every day."

Bill Lee named new head football coach

Miss Point native Bill Lee is the new head football coach at Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College. The MCCC Board of Trustees approved the hiring on Jan. 23, 2002.

Lee was an assistant football coach at Moss Point High School for 19 years before taking the head football coach job at Starkville High School in April 2001. He steered the Yellow Jackets to a 14-1 record and the Class 5A state championship, beating Moss Point in the title game. While at Moss Point, he helped lead the Tigers to five state football championships.

About his quick success in Starkville, Lee says, "I think we were successful because of discipline, hard work and caring for the kids. I asked my players for the 4 C's: class, character, commitment and concentration. Those things will help you be successful at any level."

MCCC President Dr. Willis Lott says, "Coach Lee knows what it takes to build a winning program. With 20 years of experience, he has the reputation, the skills and the confidence to bring the Gulf Coast program to a championship level."

After being named 2001 High School Coach of the Year, Lee says it was the opportunity to move up to the lion ranks and return to the Gulf Coast that spurred his interest in the Gulf Coast job. "I feel more at ease. It's a comfort zone, coming back down here," he says. "I know a lot of people, and they know what I stand for."

Lee follows Steve Wright, who resigned as head football coach Nov. 6 after six years and a 26-34 record. Gulf Coast hasn't had a state championship since 1986.

"Any time you go into a job, you want to be No. 1. There's a saying: 'It's not how you start the race. It's how you finish.' The top goal of any community college player is to win a national championship. That's my goal," Lee says.

Calote says, "His affiliation with winning programs in the high school



Bill Lee, seated at center, with new signees for the 2002 season.

league is a strength that can turn our football program around. He's a good role model for our athletes."

Recruiting is high on his list of priorities. "I expect to spend a lot of time looking at film," he says, adding, "I want all of our positions to be solid, and I want all-conference players in every position. To accomplish that, you have to give everyone you sign an opportunity to play."

His players can also count on high expectations in the classroom. "I like to make kids accountable for their actions, on and off the field," Lee says.

Dr. Mary Graham, vice president for the Perkinston Campus, says, "Coach Lee understands the importance of academics to the athletic program and what it takes to transition the players to the next level — in football, at a senior college, or in a career."

Calote credits Wright for improving the academic performance and graduation rate of football athletes. "We want to keep going in that direction," he says.

A 1973 graduate of Moss Point High School, Lee earned his bachelor's and master's degrees in physical education from Mississippi State University. His coaching experience includes head basketball coach at Magnolia Junior High and Senatobia High School, assistant basketball coach at Moss Point High School, and defensive football coach at Senatobia High School. He was also a graduate assistant coach at MSU and an All-SEC Team player for MSU.

Lee and his wife Theresa (Liddell) have two children — a married daughter, Britanie Cooper, and a son, Willie Jr., a junior at Starkville High School who was a Yellow Jacket quarterback on the state championship team.

Amelia Barrow Benson

The gift of a lifetime



Miss Amelia at the 2001 Alumni Hall of Fame Luncheon during Homecoming 2001. She was recognized for her gift at the special celebration.

On a hot August morning, Amelia Barrow Benson's small mobile home in Pascagoula is crowded with visitors. Its pretty blue and white ruffled curtains mirror the cheerful spirit of the 93-year-old lady who greets her visitors dressed in white slacks and a vest with a brooch pinned on its lapel.

"Miss Amelia," as her friends and family call her, is happy today. She is meeting Jeremy Lakes, a Jackson County Campus Telecommunications Technology student and the first recipient of the Amelia Barrow Benson Scholarship. MCCC President Dr. Willis Lott and Jon Lewis, director of the MCCC Foundation, are also present.

In spring 2001, Miss Amelia made headlines with a \$50,000 gift to the Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College Foundation. It was her wish to see her life's savings help students in her local community. "I want to help young people to grow up and be whatever they want to be," he says. "What's better to give to than education?" she asks.

Jeremy says, "It's nice to know that someone wants to give so much." He says Miss Amelia's scholarship will help tremendously. "I'll have more time to study," he says, because

he can cut back on his work hours and still have enough to cover college expenses.

"I've saved for this purpose," Miss Amelia says. "I've had so many times in the paper that Mississippi is on low on the list of states in education." Asked why she didn't use her savings to make her life more comfortable, she says, "I did what I wanted to do — I gave it to the school."

Lott says, "She's given the college a gift of a lifetime." The fifth of eight children and the only surviving sibling, she says, "Mother and Daddy always believe in me." Though she didn't attend college, she says, "I've never stopped learning. You're never too old to learn."

She married James L. Benson, a chief pilot officer in the National Guard and a veteran of World War II and the Korean War, who died in 1972. Throughout his career, they moved about the East and West coasts for many years before returning to Pascagoula Bay in 1950.

She speaks fondly of her nephew James, who contacted the college about the gift she wanted to make. "My husband was his uncle, but he is my son by choice," she says proudly.

Geoff says his aunt made the decision to contact the college about donating her life's savings for scholarships. He was just the go-between.

"She said she wanted to give back to the community," Geoff says, while his aunt didn't go to college, she says the necessity of it. "She made a lot and is very successful. She encouraged all of her nieces and nephews to go to college," he adds.

He does her shopping and takes her to the store. And, he makes sure her small home is easy to manage despite her failing eyesight. "Jeremy's my eyes and ears now," she says with a smile.

With a small chuckle, she says, "It's nice to get old — but it does get rather tiresome."

A needed boost NSF grant means opportunity for IT Programs

In 2001, the National Science Foundation awarded a two-year \$488,049 grant to Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College to increase the supply and diversity of trained information technology (IT) workers.

The project, called the Applied Information Technology Education Project, has created two new associate degree programs — Web Development Administration at the Perkinston Campus and Database Administration at the Jackson County Campus. The project includes "The IT Pathway," a recruitment strategy that will be used to bring more females and under-represented groups into IT fields.

Jodi Harris, Business and Office Technology instructor at the JC Campus, and Vanessa Dedoux, Web Development instructor at the Perkinston Campus, are co-leaders of this ambitious project. The endeavor entails attracting more students to the college for training in such areas as Oracle and for degrees in the college's IT programs.

Harris is the project's director and principal investigator. Dedoux is co-principal investigator and leads the "IT Pathway."

Harris says training and certifying employees in such areas as Oracle and CISCO can cost a company anywhere from \$2,600 to \$3,000. She adds that with this project, local companies can send their employees to Gulf Coast for a regular classroom format that lasts two years at an affordable cost, as opposed to spending a lot of money for just five days of training.

"Our goal is to pull together all the IT fields here at Gulf Coast — networking, programming, web development, operating systems, database. I even anticipate some students double majoring," Harris adds. "Students can get a taste of it all. That's a selling point for job applicants."

"This grant is a great opportunity for Gulf Coast to add two state-of-the-art technology programs and help attract women to the technology field," says Anna Faye Kelley-Winders, Community Campus vice president. "It also puts us in a position to apply for and receive future NSF grants that would build on the success of this one."

Harris and other employees working under the grant (including Angela Bryan, Computer Programming Technology instructor at the Jefferson Davis Campus, and Robin Hayes, Business and Office Technology instructor at JC) are under the administrative direction of Anna Faye Kelley-Winders, vice president of the college's Community Campus.

The project's advisory team includes representatives from out of state, web design experts and Oracle representatives. With the team's guidance and the leadership of college personnel, the college can meet the project's goal of seeing students achieve certification in the appropriate programs (be it CW or DBA) and achieve successful job placement and job performance.

"This is a one-college effort," Dedoux says. "We want to see a college-wide increase in enrollment in IT programs, whether it be in the two new degree programs or any of our programs that have existed for years."



Jodi Harris
Principal Investigator



Vanessa Dedoux
Co-Principal Investigator



Angela Bryan
Computer Programming Technology Instructor, JC



Robin Hayes
Business and Office Technology Instructor, JC

Building and renovating New look for Jackson Hall, new building for George County Center



Jackson Hall at the Perkinston Campus

At the Perkinston Campus, the 8,834-square-foot Jackson Hall, which stands as a symbol of bygone days and hints a subtle flair of Japanese architecture, had undergone several renovations throughout its 76 years, the most recent being in 1990 and 2000-01.

At a cost of \$710,789.83, the latest and most extensive project resulted in major improvements, such as the re-pointing of all brick, new doors and windows throughout the building, a new heating/cooling system, traditional millwork, removal of old shower rooms, and entry porches. The building still houses Central Office departments, including Institutional Relations, Institutional Research and Planning, and vocational/technical offices. It is also home base for Focus Fridays, the college's high-school student tour program.

At the George County Center in Lucedale, the new Multipurpose Education Facility is another achievement in the college's Strategic Plan.

The new facility, the second major expansion of the center since its 1972 opening, was slated for completion in April 2002 (at press time). It will house the college's Apprentice Electric Lineman program, along with other academic and career/technical programs offered at the center. With 7,960 square feet enclosed and 1,015 square feet covered, the facility will also offer ample room for civic and professional events. The structure will feature three classrooms, a covered work area, three offices and a large multipurpose meeting room.

Plans for the facility became reality in August 2000, when the George County Board of Supervisors guaranteed repayment of a \$450,000 rural development loan to Singing River Electric Power Association, one of the college's partners in the Apprentice Electric Lineman program. The loan, awarded by the Rural Development Agency of the U.S. Department of Agriculture, will partially fund the construction of the \$750,000 facility. The college will fund the remaining cost.



Many state and county officials picked up a shovel to celebrate the expansion of the George County center on Oct. 31, 2001. From left are Dr. Willis Linn, MCCC President; Mark McQuerry, a graduate of the linemen program, now employed by Singing River Electric; Rep. Frank Hamilton, District 139; Rep. Pico Naples, District 107; Rep. Randy Robbins Perica, District 105; and Dr. Mary Graham, Perkinston Campus vice president.



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Remembering ...

Putting this yearbook together took more than mere blood, sweat and tears ... it took time, effort, know-how and some extreme patience for deadlines, waiting for photographs, and rallying the troops when crisis hit (like the yearbook room being flooded during Christmas at the Jackson County Campus).

What guided the advisers and their staff members through all of this was teamwork, just as Americans have teamed up to rebuild our patriotism and faith in a better tomorrow. At Gulf Coast, there are some folks who deserve to be thanked for their research, knowledge and leadership as we tackled yet another year of deadlines. Who are they? Colleen Hartfield, associate vice president for Institutional Relations and all-around great person; Richard Koop, the college's district photographer and the most organized person you'll ever meet; Charles Sullivan, Perkinson Campus social studies department chair, MOCCC Archives curator and walking-talking history book; and the three campus advisers (Sylvia Davis, Perk; Gay Winter, Jefferson Davis Campus; and Sheri Stanford, JC), three ladies who really get into this yearbook thing.

We hope you enjoy this book as a memory of the year gone by and, in your future years, as a treasure to share with all who enter your life. Here and now, there and then. Either way you look at it, Gulf Coast will always be a part of your life. We hope we're helping to keep the memories alive and strong through this year's Trident. Best of luck!

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Our Yearbook: A History

From 1936 through 1965, the yearbook bore the name *Perkolator*, with the exception of 1961, when it bore the name *This is Perk*. The 1966 *Perkolator* was the first to serve the new tri-campus district, but the photos of the students were grouped separately by campus. Both the 1967 and the 1968 *Junior College District Perkolator*, as they were called, carried the photos of the students of all three campuses intermixed.

The 1969 yearbook, which was divided into three campus sections, bore a new name, *Gulf Trident*, and carried Neptune's trident as its logo. The 1970 *Trident* followed the pattern of its predecessor, but each campus section was given a new name - *Perkolator* (for Perk), *Beauvoir* (for ID) and *Beachcomber* (for JC).

The next four yearbooks continued in that vein. In 1975 the college published its yearbook in three separate volumes - *Trident: Perkolator*, *Trident: Beauvoir* and *Trident: Phases*. The name of the JC yearbook changed because Terry (Price) Fountain, the JC yearbook sponsor, felt that JC was too far from the beach to have a yearbook called *Beachcomber*. She let the JC students vote, and they selected the new name, *Phases* (meaning that their time at JC was one of the "phases" of life).

The three volumes united into one volume in 1988 and then split again into three until 2000, when they reunited yet again. In that year, the names *Perkolator*, *Beauvoir* and *Phases* disappeared, leaving the name *Trident* as the only designation for the MGCCC yearbook.

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The Campus, 900 at Perkinton (now College) opened in January 1968 and was dedicated the beach which is popular since in February 1969. The beach which was located on the ground floor of the building, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1975, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1980, 1981, 1982, 1983, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1997, 1998, 1999, 2000, 2001, 2002, 2003, 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2016, 2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024, 2025, 2026, 2027, 2028, 2029, 2030, 2031, 2032, 2033, 2034, 2035, 2036, 2037, 2038, 2039, 2040, 2041, 2042, 2043, 2044, 2045, 2046, 2047, 2048, 2049, 2050, 2051, 2052, 2053, 2054, 2055, 2056, 2057, 2058, 2059, 2060, 2061, 2062, 2063, 2064, 2065, 2066, 2067, 2068, 2069, 2070, 2071, 2072, 2073, 2074, 2075, 2076, 2077, 2078, 2079, 2080, 2081, 2082, 2083, 2084, 2085, 2086, 2087, 2088, 2089, 2090, 2091, 2092, 2093, 2094, 2095, 2096, 2097, 2098, 2099, 2100, 2101, 2102, 2103, 2104, 2105, 2106, 2107, 2108, 2109, 2110, 2111, 2112, 2113, 2114, 2115, 2116, 2117, 2118, 2119, 2120, 2121, 2122, 2123, 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