Dear Alumni and Friends,

In late June, the Alabama Supreme Court stopped Gov. Don Siegelman from making deeper proration cuts among universities than from K-12 schools. In the decision, the state’s highest court said state law provides for all segments of education to be cut equally when state tax collections fall below expectations. The ruling was a win for universities, which had challenged the unequal cuts leveled against universities during this year’s proration.

On Feb. 2, Siegelman ordered state education spending cut, or prorated, by $266 million because the economic downturn had reduced tax collections. He initially implemented the reduction by ordering all facets of education cut 6.2 percent across the board. Later, based on a Montgomery judge’s decision and an advisory opinion of Attorney General Bill Pryor, the governor ordered no cuts in the money allocated for the salaries of K-12 teachers. Siegelman said a 1995 state law had shielded those salaries from cuts. The result was the total allocation for K-12 schools was cut 3.7 percent and higher education was sliced by 11.1 percent. For JSU, this was a $3 million cut.

Although higher education won the recent proration lawsuit that went before the Alabama Supreme Court, the outcome only ensures that K-12 and higher education will be cut by equal amounts in future prorations. The Supreme Court case did not end proration. So, while the Supreme Court ruling somewhat lessens the impact of proration, the bad news for the 2002 academic year is that proration is still with us.

The University continues operating under a prorated budget of 6.2 percent less than what was appropriated for this year and began the fall semester with 3 percent less than was appropriated on Oct. 1, 2000. Also, there is a possibility that state budget cuts may again affect higher education in the 2002 fiscal year, which began in October.

The economy has not yet recovered and state tax collections may be unreliable in this fiscal year. As a result, I have encouraged all University employees to continue to cut back and remain frugal so we can be better prepared to weather any further cutbacks.

JSU employees did an outstanding job assisting the University through lobbying efforts and making do with less this past spring and summer.

I also commend our alumni who contacted their legislators and argued the case for treating higher education and K-12 the same during proration.

The battle is not over. Please watch headlines for further budget cuts, and be prepared to once again remind lawmakers that higher education is one of Alabama’s most important assets.

Sincerely,

William A. Meehan, President

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**ON THE COVER:**

Rain, Rain, Go Away! This little JSU fan didn’t let the weather dampen her support of the Gamecocks. She’s showing her true colors at JSU ’s 2000 Homecoming Parade.
## Homecoming 2001
### Schedule of Events

#### Thursday, Oct. 18
- Homecoming Queen Pageant
  - 7 p.m.
  - Leone Cole Auditorium
- ROTC Alumni Dinner
  - 6 p.m.
  - Gamecock Center

#### Wednesday, Oct. 31
- Rocky Horror Picture Show
  - 8 p.m.
  - TMB Auditorium

#### Thursday, Nov. 1
- J-Day Activities
  - On the Quad

#### Friday, Nov. 2
- *Door Decorating Contest
  *Karaoke
  *Bonfire/Pep Rally
  *In the Café
- 1 p.m.
- Intramural Field

#### Saturday, Nov. 3
- Alumni Association General Membership Meeting
  - 10 a.m.
  - TMB Auditorium
- Brunch at President’s Home
  - 10:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon
- Homecoming Parade
  - 1 p.m.
  - Pelham Road North
- Alumni Cookout
  - 1:30-3:30 p.m
  - Adults $7 • Children $5

#### Pre-Game Activities
- 3:30 pm
- Gray Echelon Performance
- JSU Show Choir
  - “Encore!” performing the “National Anthem”
- Kickoff
  - 4 p.m.
  - JSU vs. Tennessee Tech

#### Halftime Activities
- *Southerners and Marching Ballerinas
- Outstanding Alumni and Faculty Awards
- Presentation of the 2001 Homecoming Queen and Court

#### Postgame Activities
- *Full performance of the Southerners and Ballerinas immediately following game
- Step Show sponsored by the Office of Multicultural Services and the Black Greek Organizations
  - 8 p.m.
  - Coliseum

- Alumni Dance
  - 8:30 p.m. - Midnight
  - Leone Cole Auditorium
  - $25 per person
  - Music provided by pasTime
  - Heavy Hors d’oeuvres
  - Set-ups available

**Go Gamecocks!**

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2 GEM HILLS
Earlon and Betty McWhorter Contribute $500,000 to Jacksonville State University

A young man who rode his bike and delivered the daily newspaper to then-JSU President Houston Cole has recently contributed cash and property to the University totaling $500,000.

Earlon McWhorter and his wife of 41 years, Betty, have given the 40-unit Jax Apartments complex on Cole Drive to JSU along with $100,500. The McWhorters’ cash contribution was used to establish the Earlon and Betty McWhorter Scholarship and an Outstanding Teacher Award, which also carries their name.

“I grew up near JSU and had many outstanding teachers here when I was a student, and I wanted to do something to honor them,” Earlon said. “This seemed like a natural thing to do. The apartments were paid for by students. And we added the cash contribution to complete our $500,000 commitment to JSU.”

JSU President Bill Meehan expressed appreciation for the gifts and told the McWhorters, “The Jax Apartment complex is and will continue to be an asset to our University’s housing program. Today’s students prefer the privacy of apartment living over dormitory style housing that you and I enjoyed as students. Your gift will continue to be an outstanding residence for students and a great addition to the University’s housing program for many years to come.”

The funds will provide scholarships for students and sponsor the Earlon and Betty McWhorter Outstanding Teacher Award, which is presented each year to a JSU faculty member. This year’s recipient is Dr. Mark Meade of the biology department.

Reminiscing about his days at JSU, Earlon said that a few of the instructors who had the greatest impact on his life included Mary Moss Goggans, Tom Malone, Mrs. Jane Self, Theron Montgomery and Newbern Bush.

He said Miriam Haywood helped him get a scholarship, and his campus job was taking care of the clay tennis courts. McWhorter was majoring in pre-engineering at JSU when he transferred to Auburn for his engineering degree.

Betty McWhorter, a native of Terra Haute, IN, said she fell in love with Jacksonville and the University.

“Among the first people I met were Bob and Lou Kennamer (Mr. Kennamer is now a JSU trustee), and we have been friends since,” she said. Mr. Kennamer was a partner with Mr. McWhorter in the one- and two-bedroom apartments. JSU received the deed to Jax Apartments earlier this year.

Dr. Morgan Plans to Practice in Rural Locations

Dr. Stephanie Michele Morgan of Cedar Bluff was among the first class of University of Alabama Rural Medical Scholars to graduate from the UA School of Medicine this spring.

In 1996, the first class of Rural Medical Scholars entered a highly competitive pre-med and medical program at UA’s College of Community Health Sciences (Tuscaloosa) and the UA School of Medicine (Birmingham), devised for students from rural Alabama who plan to practice in rural locations.

After a year of study related to issues in primary care, community medicine and rural health, the class joined previous classes at the UA School of Medicine. In their last two years of medical school, the scholars returned to the UA Colleges of Community Health Sciences for clinical training that emphasized primary care and rural medical practice.

At a recent honors Convocation for medical students in Tuscaloosa, Morgan was recognized with other members of UA’s first class of Rural Medical Scholars, and she received the Award for Excellence in Family Medicine.

Morgan was valedictorian at Cedar Bluff High School. She earned a bachelor’s degree in biology from Jacksonville State University in 1996. In 1995, she won the Gamma Beta Phi award for excellence in natural sciences and was inducted into the American Society for Microbiology. In her final year at JSU, she won the undergraduate research symposium award in biology.
President Bill Meehan looks on as alumna Carol Jean Smith ’70 chats with JSU’s organization presidents and SGA officials about a new initiative from the office of the Alabama attorney general, “Mentor Alabama.” The goal of the program is to recruit 2002 mentors for Alabama youth by the year 2002 as a way to prevent juvenile crime, youth violence and gang involvement. Students pursuing careers in education, social work and related fields that deal with youth, as well as campus leaders, would benefit significantly from mentoring a child. For more information about Mentor Alabama, please contact the attorney general’s office at 334-242-7300. (Steve Latham Photo)

Coaching Legends

Before they were coaching legends and teachers, Randy Day and Johnny Truitt were students at JSU.

Randy Day graduated from Ragland High School in 1965. Although he played both football and basketball, he quickly admits basketball is his favorite because that’s what he has done all his life.

“As a senior, I did have the opportunity to work with some of the lower grades in P.E.,” Day said. “It was not until I was in college that I realized I wanted to coach.”

In 1965, Day enrolled at Gadsden State Junior College. After two years, Day transferred to JSU where he finished in 1970, majoring in physical education and minor- ing in biology.

In 1971, Day became the head football and basketball coach at Moody Junior High School. Once Moody High school was built, Day moved up and was still head coach of the football and basketball programs.

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Currie and Lumpkin Doing Business in the Tennessee Valley

Dan Currie (’72), Founder and president of Currie Systems Inc. in Huntsville and Wayne Lumpkin (’57), Owner of Lumpkin Stained Glass in Huntsville both received their degrees in business administration from Jacksonville State.

Currie Systems is a Huntsville company that sells cash registers and computer supplies and designs and prints everything from business forms to brochures.

Currie is a member of the board of directors of the Boy Scouts of America Greater North Alabama Council, member of the board of directors of New Futures Inc., member of the National Federation of Independent Business and a member of its Leadership Council.

Currie is married to Susan Albright Currie and they have five children.

Lumpkin worked in several jobs before starting Lumpkin Glass on a part-time basis. He went with the business full time in 1975.

Lumpkin is a member of the Historic Huntsville Art League and an associate member of the Stained Glass Association of America.

Lumpkin is married to Norma Lumpkin and they have three children.

Mentor Alabama

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“This was one of the most exciting times during my coaching career,” Day said. “It was great to have these kids in high school. They played well and worked very hard.”

Day was also the head football coach when Moody High School played its first football game on September 15, 1978. He coached the team to their first win of 8-6 over Inglenook Academy.

He stayed on at Moody to coach basketball for 24 years. He also served as assistant principal of the high school.

Now Day is the coordinator in charge of facilities, insurance, textbooks and purchasing at the St. Clair County Board of Education.

“The Town of Ragland really supported everything I did. The kids were just super.”

Truitt then moved back to Pell City where he became their head football coach. The football program was dropped, so Truitt moved to head basketball coach at Pell City Junior High School.

Although Truitt had never played basketball, he guided Pell City to an undefeated 25-0 record. He said this team was not only good athletes, they were good students.

Next, Truitt moved to Duran Junior High where he became the coaching legend he is. From 1968 to 1973, Truitt’s team won several county championships.

In 1988, Truitt hung up his towel, thus ending a teaching and coaching career of 30 years.

“Always felt like teachers and coaches need to be good examples,” said Truitt. “I had a teacher tell me a long time ago that being educated was not knowing all the answers, but knowing how to find them.”

Truitt and his wife, Sylvia, have been married 44 years. They have three children, Alethea, Spencer and Chuck.
Change in Major Leads to Major Career

When Elaine Peek Snow (’74) left Fort Payne to pursue an education degree at Jacksonville State University, she had no idea that almost 30 years later, she would be a Major in the Police Department in Rome, Georgia.

Snow transferred to Jacksonville State University from Northeast Alabama Community College. She became dissatisfied with her major and it was then that someone suggested law enforcement. Snow enrolled in some law enforcement classes and felt right at home.

She changed her major to law enforcement and when the time came for her internship, she started trying to find work in the Northeast Alabama area.

No one would hire Snow because she was female and it was almost unheard of back then for a woman to be a police officer.

Mrs. Snow began filling out applications for other cities and obtained information that there was an opening in Rome, GA for a police officer. She served her internship there and was allowed to go back to college for one more year.

Snow became the first female police officer in Rome one week after her graduation.

According to Snow, law enforcement is not for everybody, it takes a different kind of drive to get into the profession and to stay in it for a lifetime.

Snow began working in the Administrative Services division at the Rome Police Department. Since that time she has worked in other divisions including Street Patrol. She has also held the positions of Juvenile Investigations Major, and Field Operations Major.

Snow has held the position of Support Services Major for the last eight years.

Earlier this year, Major Snow attended a reception in Atlanta where she was recognized as the first female police officer in the Rome area to receive an “Outstanding Leaders in Georgia” award. She was one of twenty-three state-wide recipients named to this honor which is presented annually and sponsored by the Georgia Commission on Women and the Georgia Women’s History Month Committee.

Mrs. Snow and her husband reside in Rome. They have two children and three grandchildren. She is the daughter of Carl and Eloise Peek, of Fort Payne.

“Why Stars Fell on Alabama”

The rich legacy of The Southerners and The Marching Ballerinas of Jacksonville State University is about to be lionized in print. It’s all coming in August of 2002 with the publication of “Why Stars Fell on Alabama” from Higginbotham Press of Anniston.

Make plans now to be among the first to order your copy. All pre-ordering details will be forthcoming in all future Alumni and band mailings and newsletters.

“We are excited about this book, which is the history of the band program here at Jacksonville,” said University President Dr. William Meehan. “It also chronicles the history of cheerleading.”

“And we are terribly pleased that all proceeds from the book are being given to our band and cheerleading programs. The names of everybody who ever marched with The Southerners, danced with The Marching Ballerinas or served as a cheerleader are mentioned in the book.” The author is Hal Hayes (class of ’62), who also wrote “From the Goal to the Final Glory,” the definitive history of football at the University.

“Why Stars Fell on Alabama” traces the school’s music program, which began in the mid-1920s, up to the present date. It also revisits how the late Dr. Walter A. Mason, head of the Jacksonville music department, hired Dr. Gene Duncan for the expressed purpose of organizing the school’s first marching band.

However, Jacksonville State was literally not even a blimp on the musical radar screen of America until 1956. That is when the immortal Dr. John T. Finley succeeded Dr. Duncan, the band became known as The Southerners--featuring The Marching Ballerinas. It also was during this period that the late Jerry Yelverton wrote an arrangement of “Stars Fell on Alabama,” that became the bands nationally-celebrated theme song.

The amazing progress of the band under the masterful direction of Dr. David L. Walters and current director Ken Bodiford also is spotlighted.

So plan now to be among the first to order “Why Stars Fell on Alabama.”

Be watching the mail and the official JSU website at www.jsu.edu for all the details on how to order your copy.
Mrs. Snow Contributes Photograph

Mattie Lois Snow, wife of the late JSU alumnus for whom Paul Snow Stadium is named, contributed a photograph of Mr. Snow for the lobby of the Field House.

“Following his death, I had this photograph enlarged. I don’t have any children and I was hoping to find a place for the picture. I felt the University might like to have it,” said Mrs. Snow.

JSU President Bill Meehan was on hand to accept the photograph and thanked Mrs. Snow for her contribution.

A 1933 graduate of Jacksonville State Teachers College, the Birmingham native played football with JSU great Barto Hughes. But Snow’s real love was helping JSU grow and promoting the sport of football.

After graduating, Snow went on to teach in Jefferson County schools and continued to promote JSU by helping recruit students. He also helped establish scholarships for freshmen.

Snow coached and taught math and science in Jefferson County’s Springdale Junior High School for ten years, then left education and entered the real estate and insurance profession.

Throughout the years, Snow continued to support his alma mater. In 1955 he was appointed to the State Board of Education and served as president of JSU’s Alumni Association from 1955-56. He remained on the state board until his death in 1957 at age 48.

The late Dr. Houston Cole, former JSU president, once said, “Few graduates of JSU have returned more to the institution than Paul Snow.”

The University honored Snow in 1961 by renaming the “College Bowl” as Paul Snow Memorial Stadium.

Also an alumna, Mrs. Snow earned a master’s in education at JSU.

Grant Used to Fight Nursing Shortage

It’s 2010, you’re gravely ill and in need of a trained nurse. But because of the overwhelming nursing shortage, you must sit for hours in a crowded waiting room with other patients who are just as sick as you. This could happen in the United States if the number of professionally trained nurses continues to diminish.

But JSU’s College of Nursing and Health Sciences is taking measures to prevent that scene from ever becoming a reality. In June 2001, the Department received a grant totaling $450,950 from the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services.

This money will be used to increase the supply of nurses with Master’s degrees who care for under-served populations. These “under-served” populations are at high risk for disease and have limited knowledge and accessibility to quality health care.

“We will use the grant to recruit students for the graduate nursing program,” says Dr. Beth Hembree, professor of nursing, who co-wrote the grant proposal with Dr. Jane Cash, also a professor of nursing.

The grant will be used for retention of those students. “Once we get them in the program, we want them to remain, so they can be as successful as they can be,” says Hembree.

“We will also use the funds for program development activities and to hire a nationally recognized consultant.”

Kids into Health Careers is one of the programs this grant will help to initiate at JSU. It was started by the federal government to educate and encourage children about careers in the health field. And JSU nursing faculty will provide Kids into Health Careers activities in the local schools.

“With the national shortage of nurses,” says Hembree, “this Kids into Health Careers will allow us to get children interested in the health profession before they are juniors or seniors in high school.”

The consultant will help the College of Nursing revise the curriculum to meet the demands of this ever changing field and the demands of students who dream of being a nurse but may be disadvantaged in some way.

While current trends show that by the year 2010, 146,000 health care positions will be unfilled, JSU’s College of Nursing refuses to let that happen.

“This grant is a timely response to the current nursing shortage,” says Dr. Martha Lavender, Dean of the College of Nursing and Health Sciences at JSU. “This will allow us to teach even more nurses how to meet the complex needs of patients.”
A “Bright” Future

A woman who took one college course at a time for 11 years graduated from JSU on August 3, and well-wishers in the audience included her four daughters and a son-in-law who also graduated from Jacksonville State University.

“The day I took my last final exam was so exciting,” said Linda Bright. “I just thought back through all those years and felt the excitement.

“My husband, Elbert, is so proud of me. He’s also hoping I won’t pick up another book for awhile.”

Bright graduated with honors and a near-perfect 3.92 grade point average. She received a Bachelor of Science in finance. “All through the years, it popped into my mind to go to college, but that was kind of scary because I had been out of school since 1963 — so long that I was frightened,” recalls Bright of Goshen, who for the past 23 years has worked in JSU’s ROTC department.

“When Bill Stone (son of the late Dr. Ernest Stone, former JSU president) became professor of military science, he encouraged me to take college courses. Then, Mrs. Kitty Stone (wife of Dr. Stone) awarded me the Ernest Stone Scholarship, and I began taking one course at a time,” she said.

Three of her four daughters were attending JSU when she enrolled: Jana and Dana, twin daughters who went on to become JSU coaches following outstanding athletic careers as students; and Audra, who is now an elementary school teacher. Daughter Melanie, the oldest, had already graduated and is now working as a certified public accountant.

Three of her daughters have master’s degrees from JSU — all except Melanie, who acquired the CPA designation. Dana’s husband, Ricky Austin, is also a JSU alumnus. And two other sons-in-law attended JSU but graduated at other universities.

“My family and I have always loved Jax State and have been strong supporters. It is a good university. I have enjoyed every class I’ve had, and the professors have had the interest of every student at heart,” she said.

“The scariest thing about college to begin with was the math. I started with a basic refresher course and my math skills just came back. My most difficult course was financial management. I didn’t realize what a difficult major finance was. But I had a lot of great teachers, and I made all As except for three Bs.”

When she graduated from Piedmont High School in 1963, Bright wanted to go to college but also wanted to get married. “Back then, it was difficult to do both, so I chose to get married,” she said.

She attended Gadsden Business College and later worked at Ft. McClellan before joining the ROTC staff.

Bright remembers the day she walked into math class at the last moment. “It was almost time to start, and all the students looked at me, then straightened up and got ready for class. They thought I was the teacher. I learned a lesson from that — get there early if you’re an older student, or they’ll think you’re the teacher.”

Looking to the future, Bright is thinking about using her degree one day to join her daughter’s CPA firm.

What advice does Bright offer other adults thinking about college?

“I will say it is never too late to start. You can do it if you start out with a course you enjoy and will do well in.”

What’s Your QTH?
That’s where you are in ham radio talk.

John McClurkin, a press operator in JSU’s print shop who has been a ham radio operator for more than 20 years, says children’s eyes light up when they learn amateur radio enables a person to talk to astronauts.

With the right equipment, ham operators can communicate with occupants of the new International Space Station and speak with other hams around the globe.

John says ham radio is a good example of a hobby that can lead to a deeper interest in science and help kids decide on a college major or possibly a future career.

“Weatherman James Spann was a ham operator before he got into weather forecasting,” John said. “About 95 percent of all hams are weather spotters. When you see James Spann talking about severe weather, look closely and you’ll see he has two earphones. On one, he’s listening to the ham operators who are spotting tornadoes.”

Ham operators also pick up skills that can lead to careers in electronics, computer science and commercial radio.

John serves as a volunteer instructor who gives ham radio license exams. He says the FCC’s new rules make it easier than ever to get a basic ham operator’s license. For about $300, a person can get the basic equipment necessary to communicate.

So, be alert as your children begin looking for a hobby. You might want to encourage them to look into ham radio. If they have questions, John will be glad to help. You can reach him at 256-782-5323.
President Meehan Presents Check

Jacksonville State University President William A. Meehan, left, presents a $150,000 check to James Dunn, chairman of the Anniston-Calhoun County Joint Powers Authority, finalizing the purchase of the Child Development Center at McClellan, formerly known as Ft. McClellan. Looking on are Anniston Mayor Chip Howell, standing, left, and JPA Executive Director Dan Cleckler. JSU will provide an addition $100,000 of in-kind services, for a total purchase amount of $250,000.

According to Dr. Meehan, the University “has a vision of seeing that Center as it once was — bustling with children.” JSU may have the 19,000 square-foot facility open as soon as 2003, staffed by 20 full-time employees providing children life skills and instructional skills. Dr. Shelia Ann Webb, dean of the College of Education and Professional Studies, (not pictured) said education majors will receive practical experience assisting the Center’s children.

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Mark Jones Named Alabama Official of the Year

High school football referees aren’t the most loved people in the sport. But Jacksonville State University’s Mark Jones recently received some recognition for being a high school football official. Jones, who serves as JSU’s director of recreational sports, was named the Alabama Official of the Year by the National Federation Official Association.

It was a next door neighbor in Guntersville who first introduced officiating to Jones. Hut Thomas was an official. And Jones, who had always been interested in sports, paid close attention to the way Thomas did his job.

When Jones came to college at JSU, he began calling softball games on the high school and college level. He then received a bachelor’s degree in physical education and sociology from JSU, and later completed the master’s program in physical education.

The next year, he was hired by JSU. “My job goes right along with my officiating,” says Jones. And a lot of headaches come along with it, too.

Jones is part of the East Alabama Officiating Association, which officiates for seven counties in east Alabama. Those counties include Calhoun, Talladega, Cherokee, Randolph, St. Clair and Cleburne Counties. As for Clay County, Jones had a special memory.

“I was able to officiate one Clay Bowl in my officiating career,” says Jones. “It was like going to an Alabama/Auburn game.”

The Clay Bowl is an annual rivalry between Clay County High School and Lineville High School. As in any game, parents and spectators get hostile when a call doesn’t go their way, but all that is heightened during such a rivalry.

“We [officials] have to keep in mind that people are yelling at the shirt,” says Jones, “not the person in the shirt.”

He also says that by officiating in such circumstances, he was able to learn many life lessons, which have also become some of his favorite things about this job.

Jones has met other officials, coaches, players and fans from across the state. By meeting them he has been exposed to a wide variety of personalities.

“Officiating helps you deal with all kinds of things in everyday life — things like staying calm, patience, and the ability to take someone yelling and it not worry you.”

Despite his love for the game and officiating, Jones was very surprised to receive such an award. “It’s outstanding to be recognized by your peers in this way.”

Aside from serving as director of recreational sports at JSU and officiating, Jones finds time to write a weekly sports column for The Anniston Star during football season. His column is called “Ask the Ref.” In it, he discusses some of the basic rules of football.

Spirit of Atlanta Calls JSU Home

For years, the Spirit of Atlanta has marched and twirled its way into hearts in Jacksonville, Alabama and all across the United States. Now Spirit’s mesmerizing show will call Jacksonville State University home.

Drums Across America was the name of the annual Drum Corps International competition held at JSU. But now that JSU has acquired Spirit of Atlanta, the competition will be known as Spirit of America.

The competition will not be the only one with the name change. Spirit of Atlanta will be called Spirit of Jacksonville State University. And as the drum and bugle corps travel across the nation competing against other corps for the Drum Corps International title, JSU’s name will travel right along with it. Students will also get college credit while participating in Spirit.

JSU is already known statewide and throughout the Southeast for its Marching Southerners.

“With the addition of Spirit, we’ll now have two marching ensembles — the Marching Southerners in the fall and Spirit in the summertime,” says Ken Bodiford, director of bands at JSU.

Drum Corps International championship is an annual battle of the bands. Students practice their amazing shows for weeks upon end, and then travel across the country displaying their talents for some 4,000,000 viewers.

These talents are not restricted to playing brass and percussion instruments. Drum corps are also know for dancers and color guard members.

Spirit took to the field for the first time under its new name on June 21 during a drum corps gathering at Paul Snow Stadium at JSU. The Blue Devils, The Cavaliers, Scenic City, Cadets and Crossmen were featured as well.
Wayne C. Rowe, CEO of Quality of Life Health Services, Inc. of Gadsden and a past chapter officer of JSU’s Black Alumni Chapter, was honored recently as recipient of the prestigious A.G. Gaston Black Enterprise Award.

This award is presented to a person who has demonstrated excellence and success in pursuit of economic security and quality service for his community and fellow man.

Rowe was born November 11, 1948 in Gadsden to Raymond and Helen Rowe. He is the fourth of six children. He began his educational endeavors in the public school system in Gadsden. Rowe graduated with the Class of 1967 from Carver High School and then furthered his education by earning a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology and a Master of Public Administration from Jacksonville State University.

Rowe began his professional career in health care services as a Health Systems Agent IV in 1976. He was selected CEO of Etowah Quality of Life in 1982 and has served with distinction for 19 years.

Under Mr. Rowe’s leadership Etowah Quality of Life grew from one site with a staff of 15 and a budget of $250,000 to a multi-million dollar operation employing 150 employees at nine sites, located in Gadsden, Sardis City, Walnut Grove and Cullman. The services offered at the sites include all forms of primary care, obstetrics, gynecology, pediatrics, internal and family medicine, plus other services such as dental, pharmacy, laboratory, social services and nutritional counseling.

In October 1997, Etowah Quality moved into a new $4 million corporate headquarters site. The name changed to Quality of Life Health Services, Inc. The new facility is one of the largest primary care facilities in the United States. The QOLHS Program has over 80,000 patients throughout the network and 62,000 patient visits per year. Some of Quality of Life’s key accomplishments this past year include being awarded a grant for HIV prevention education; special project funds to reduce breast and cervical cancer in women age 45 and above; developing a partnership with PrimeMed to improve pharmacy services and reduce costs; a partnership program to train physicians and other community healthcare providers on how to improve customer service.

Rowe is a member and chairman of the Deacon Board at Antioch Missionary Baptist Church. He serves in numerous leadership capacities including membership on the Etowah County Development Board, Gadsden City Board of Education, Alabama Primary Health Care Association Board of Directors, Regions Bank Board, Etowah County Council on Aging, Etowah County Red Cross, Salvation Army Board, Kiwanis Club, Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, and many other community and professional organizations enriching the lives and experiences of a community.
In the small town of Hokes Bluff, Alabama, Jacksonville State University has made a huge name for itself. At least in the home of Gary and Deborah Young, JSU is a big part of all their lives.

In August of 1972 Deborah Little, a Piedmont native, graduated from JSU with two BS degrees, in political science and history. After graduating, she went to work for a bank in Gadsden. She met Gary Young who worked for Goodyear and did his banking there. Gary, a Hokes Bluff native, soon fell in love with Deborah and in 1977 they married. Together they raised three boys, Lance, Kevin and Tracy.

Lance graduated from JSU in 1998 with a BS degree in business management. He now works in Nashville. Kevin and Tracy were both avid baseball players and went from high school to play at local junior colleges. From there, there was no other choice but JSU.

“It’s close to home, a good school and the business school is accredited,” comments Tracy, who graduated in the spring of 2001 with a degree in finance.

But, for Tracy, graduating had a special twist — he graduated with his dad.

Gary had gone to JSU for a while, and was only a year short of graduating. But when he got a job with Goodyear, he quit school and started a family.

So, after retiring from Goodyear and with two of his sons at JSU, Gary decided to complete his degree. He and Kevin were majoring in the same subject, occupational safety and health and industrial management.

“I liked taking classes with my dad and making better grades than he did,” Kevin adds with a smile.

Kevin will graduate in 2002 with his BS in occupational safety and health and industrial management. He once worked in one of JSU’s computer labs, but is now employed with Learning System Technology in Hokes Bluff. There, he builds and services computers.

When asked about their professors, both father and son agreed that JSU had some of the best. But, they said none could compare to Jessie Godbey, instructor of technology at JSU.

“He was hard, but you knew all the material when you finished his class,” says Gary.

Deborah and Tracy also recalled some of the great professors at JSU — professors who changed their lives and made college just that more memorable.

Finally, the day had come. Tracy had finished all his finance coursework and his dad, Gary, was finished, too. It was time to graduate. Together they walked across the stage to receive their diplomas. Another catch: Deborah had walked across the same stage in the same stadium some 29 years ago.

So, the Youngs are truly a JSU family. Because JSU has played such a huge role in their lives.
“How do you define a warrior?”
That’s the question Yoshukai-Karate instructor Chuck Torruella, a 1985 JSU graduate, asks in an April newsletter of the World Yoshukai Karate Kobudo Organization.

After being involved with karate for 17 years, he’s seen all kinds of warriors. Strong ones. Fierce ones. The best of the best.

None, though, compare to the one he’s seen in his wife, Pam, who at 41 is battling breast cancer.

Hers is the story of a husband and wife, who are battling a life-threatening disease together. For 20 years, they’ve shared their lives, and now they’re sharing in this fight.

Though Chuck can’t take chemotherapy for Pam, he’s been at her side the whole time, and, together, they’re trying to kick cancer.

When Pam began to lose her hair, her husband decided he would lose his too. He shaved it off.

When she was diagnosed with breast cancer Pam said she was devastated.

“I just thought it could happen to anybody but me,” she said.

She works out, has practiced karate for 17 years and eats healthy. Because Pam led a healthy lifestyle, the diagnosis overwhelmed the couple, her husband said.

A week after the diagnosis, Pam underwent a mastectomy. On January 18, she received her first round of chemotherapy.

“That chemo put her down,” Chuck said. “It whipped her. But she whipped it.”

Now she’s finished with chemo, but the battle isn’t over yet. Pam began radiation treatments in August.

Throughout her illness, it hasn’t been a battle the couple has fought alone. Support from karate friends locally and around the world have helped. Friends at JSU, where Chuck works in the print shop and where Pam works in the registrar’s office, have been equally supportive, he said.

State Trooper Brent Thomas’ daughter takes karate at Yoshukai-Karate, and he’s seen firsthand how Chuck and the rest of Pam’s family have supported her during the illness.

“I think the most impressive part about it is the way they’ve attacked it or went at it as a family,” Thomas said.

Chuck and Pam’s character was why Thomas enrolled his daughter in karate classes.

“They set an example for kids everywhere,” Thomas said.

Despite being sick from chemotherapy, Pam continues to work at JSU and to participate in karate classes. She also stays busy taking care of her 13-year-old and 8-year-old daughters.

One of the highlights during her illness was participating in the Relay for Life survivor’s lineup. Relay for Life is an event held to raise money for cancer research.

“Many people got involved in Relay for Life because of Pam and helped Yoshukai-Karate place fifth in raising money,” Torruella said.

The Torruellas want people, especially women, to get one thing out of Pam’s story: Early detection is key to overcoming the disease. “Frequent mammograms, clinical exams and self-exams should become routine for all women,” Chuck said. “If Pam hadn’t performed a self-exam, the cancer might not have been detected.”

“When she noticed the lump it was the size of a BB, Chuck said. In another six months to a year, there’s no telling how big it would have been,” he said.

Statistics show that one in eight women will get breast cancer.

“Do you know eight women?” Chuck asked. “One of them is going to get it.”
New Members Elected to JSU’s Athletic Hall of Fame

Two precedent-setting head coaches, a former athletic director instrumental in Jacksonville State’s move to Division I and a clutch basketball performer represent the Class of 2001 in the JSU Athletic Hall of Fame. Former coaches Rudy Abbott (baseball) and Charley Pell (football) join long-time athletic director Jerry Cole and basketball All-American Melvin Allen as the 12th class of inductees.

Former head baseball coach Rudy Abbott is the winningest coach in Alabama collegiate sports history. Under Abbott’s guidance, the Gamecocks captured back-to-back NCAA Division II National Championships (1990 and 1991) and 11 Gulf South Conference crowns. Abbott took seven JSU teams to Region championships and NCAA Division II World Series berths. He was selected as the NCAA Coach of the Year in 1990 and 1991. As a player, Abbott holds the distinction of pitching two of the school’s 17 no-hitters, both of which came during the 1962 season. Abbott was drafted by Major League Baseball’s Pittsburgh Pirates following his Gamecock playing career. Abbott, a Jacksonville native, coached 24 All-Americans and had over 75 of his players go on to the professional ranks.

Charley Pell guided JSU football teams to a 33-13-1 record. Under Pell’s leadership, the Gamecocks had a perfect 10-0 season to claim the Mid-South Conference championship and a 24-7 win in the Orange Blossom Classic over Florida A&M in 1970. JSU finished that season as the number two team in the NAIA poll and was the only undefeated team in the NAIA that season. Pell earned the Mid-South Conference Coach of the Year honor in 1970, just his second year at the helm of the football program. Pell coached four players who made it to the National Football League in Bubba Long (Dallas), David Robinson (Kansas City), Mike Webster (Philadelphia) and Bruce Nichols (Dallas). He also coached two Little All-Americans in center Jimmy Champion (1970) and tailback Boyce Callahan (1973). After several other coaching ventures, including head coaching stops at Clemson and Florida, Pell passed away in May of 2001.

Jerry Cole served as JSU athletic director from 1973-1997. Athletic programs under Cole’s direction accomplished more than any NCAA Division II school in history. Under Cole’s guidance, the Gamecocks became the only NCAA Division II program to be crowned national champions in all three major sports (football, basketball and baseball). Under Cole’s tenure, JSU accumulated 37 Gulf South Conference championships including nine football titles, seven men’s basketball championships, two volleyball titles and one women’s basketball championship. After all these accomplishments, Cole led the university into the Division I ranks in 1995. He aligned the football program within Division I-AA’s Southland Football League in July 1995 and implemented the additions of four programs to meet Division I status (women’s soccer, women’s golf, men’s and women’s cross country). Cole retired in 1997 following more than 24 years of service to the athletic program.

In just three seasons at Jacksonville State, basketball standout Melvin Allen finished his Gamecock career as JSU’s all-time assist leader with 645 (a record later broken in 1991 by Pat Madden). He is also atop the Gamecock record book in most assists in a single game with 16 coming against Delta State in 1983. Allen was an all-state selection as well as being named Madison County MVP in his senior year at Sparkman High School. Allen made an immediate impact at JSU by leading the team in assists all three seasons he played. He led JSU in scoring during its back-to-back Gulf South Conference championship runs in 1984-1985. Allen was the leading scorer in four of the Gamecocks’ five games in the 1985 NCAA Division II Tournament, including a 20-point performance in the national title game against South Dakota State. He scored six points in the final two minutes to secure a 74-73 win and the school’s only national title in basketball. Allen is currently the Executive Director of the Boys’ and Girls’ Club of Madison County and was named the “Outstanding Young Huntsvillian” in 1993. He was also named the “Executive Professional of the Year” in 1996.
Jacksonville State University’s Gamecocks have a new extra point kicker from Coweta County, Georgia. This athlete had never touched a football until a high school coach saw the talent of this young person. But from that moment, Ashley Martin has been kicking field goals and extra points. What’s unique about Ashley is that she is a female. Ashley Martin had just quit softball, but she was very athletic and had a thirst for competition. Her parents knew the high school coaches very well and they all decided to give Ashley a chance.

“I don’t know how it all happened,” says Martin. “The coach handed me the ball, and I kicked it. I laughed the entire time.”

Though she had never touched the ball before, she was an amazing athlete. So on Monday she was kicking the ball around with her parents and the coach. By Friday, she was kicking field goals and extra points for East Coweta County High School.

After graduating high school, Martin came to JSU. Here she plays soccer. Recently, Head Football Coach Jack Crowe gave Martin a call.

“We lost our kicker from last year,” says Crowe, “and we’re approaching this year to rebuild. And to rebuild with efficiency and at a faster pace, we’ve decided to use two kickers — one for short range and another for long range.”

And while a female player is a new endeavor for Crowe, he’s very confident in his choice.

“I would be uncomfortable if I couldn’t rely on her experience,” he adds. “But there is no better competitor than Ashley Martin.”

And in Martin’s eyes, she needs no special exceptions. All she requires is a separate dressing room — no special equipment and no special treatment.

“I don’t think about the fact that I may be the first girl to play for Jacksonville State University’s football team. They’ve given me a job and I’m going to do it — girl or not.”

**SPORTS NOTES**

**WOMEN’S BASKETBALL**

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Birmingham, AL
Greenville, SC
“Chef Paul” adds flavor to JSU’s Dining Hall with his own Louisiana background. “I always smile, because I love what I do.” He’ll even prepare your meal with a smile right in front of you!
Jacksonville State University’s Jack Hopper Dining Hall was recently redesigned. And with the new design came a new member of the team — Chef Paul Fourroux.

Chef Paul has been cooking professionally for more than 20 years. He has fed the likes of Mississippi’s governor, Rue McClannahan, Delta Burke and the New Orleans Saints.

He hails from Louisiana and received his training at the Culinary Institute of America.

“We have the nicest dining facility in the state,” says Scott Williams ’86, manager of Sodexho Marriott Services. “And we’ve hired one of the best chefs.”

And Chef Paul will take his love for food and cooking to make JSU’s “caf” a place for everyone.

When students walk into the caf, they are greeted by a very relaxed atmosphere. And once they reach the dining area, they have several choices.

The international station will feature foods from around the globe with a twist—Chef Paul or one of his students will be preparing the meal in front of the diner. There is also a pasta station, sub station, a pizza station, a salad station and grill and traditional stations.

The area is also very open. “There are no bottle-necks where students get crowded or jammed into one place,” says Chef Paul.

But how will Chef Paul make this dining experience different from any other? “My style of cooking gives personality to the food,” he says. “I want [students and faculty] to be as excited as I am about the food they are eating. And I always smile, because I love what I do.”

He loves it so much that he is practically living on campus so that he is at easy disposal.

Chef Paul also realizes the special demands of the college setting. “When you’re in college, you need diversity from academics for a little while. You need a break. Coming here can lift the spirits of the students and the faculty. And in effect, a happy faculty equals happy classes.”

And for those students and faculty who love to cook and come to love Chef Paul’s recipes, don’t hesitate to ask. He willingly shares his recipes and accepts those from his guests.

He has his own “attitude.” And that, he says, is what makes him prosper. Chef Paul is a people person who loves working for JSU.

The dining hall celebrated its grand opening on July 16, 2001.
Lenora Phillips Witmer '49 was honored by the Gen. John H. Forney Chapter 554, United Daughters of the Confederacy. She was awarded a certificate of honor recognizing her for 47 years of membership and service. She served in many chapter offices, including president. She is retired from teaching in Anniston.

J. Cecil Lindley '51 was awarded the Raymond Christensen Lifetime Achievement Award by his national honorary fraternity, Iota Lambda Sigma, at the Grand Chapter’s annual meeting in San Diego, CA. The award is presented annually to a member for outstanding achievement and life dedication to the fraternity, Career Technical Education, VICA and country. Mr. Lindley has been a member for 45 years during which time he has served as Industrial Training Coordinator (Piedmont and Oxford High Schools); Education Specialist with the State Department of Education; State Director of Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA); and State Supervisor for Trade, Industrial and Technical Education before retirement. Iota Lambda is an honorary education fraternity for teachers and administrators in the area of Career Technical Education. He is a life member of the Alumni Association and resides in Oxford.

Pauline Shaddix Burnett '53 celebrated her 90th birthday earlier this year. She is retired from teaching, having taught 38 years in Talladega and Clay County. One of her very first students attended the birthday celebration. She retired in 1973. She also holds the distinction of being the first woman to be a foreman of a grand jury in Clay County and is in the Alabama Voter Hall of Fame because she served more than 50 years as a poll worker. She also volunteers at Coosa Valley Baptist Medical Center, having logged in more than 9000 service hours!

Robert E. Campbell '57 and his wife Vera Durham Campbell '58 would love to hear from their classmates! Please take a moment to contact them to say hello at the following address: 412 North Boulevard, Taccoa, GA 30577 or e-mail them at: vcampbell@alltel.net

Dale Garner '59 recently retired as headmaster of Sparta Academy in Conecuh County. He had been headmaster since 1997. Prior to Sparta, he was superintendent of the Brewton City Schools. He began his teaching career in Gadsden. He and his wife have four daughters. They reside in Brewton.

Joyce Ann Patterson '59/70 was selected Secondary Teacher of the Year for Talladega City Schools. She teaches 11th grade Advanced English and Speech at Talladega High School. She taught at Salter Elementary, Ellis Junior High, Talladega High, and served as Master Teacher Coordinator. She is an adjunct faculty member at Southern Union Community College and teaches workshops for the University of Montevallo and University of Alabama.

James Donald Fulbright '61/64 retired after 40 years in education. He was serving as the Superintendent of Clay County Schools. He will be spending a lot of time in the garden he planted for his late wife, Dorothy Wheelees Fulbright '57/72, who died last year from Sjogrens disease and suffered from macular degeneration. He said he’s probably the only superintendent who started out as a janitor and bus driver! He started out in education coaching basketball and teaching at Mellow Valley until 1965, when he was transferred to the county board’s central office where he directed the Title I program for 19 years. He was elected superintendent in 1984 and was re-elected to 3 consecutive terms for a total of 16 years and 9 months.

J. Hamric Batey '62/68/82 retired August 1 as principal of Oxford Middle School. She had 37 years as an educator and was principal at Oxford Middle for three years. She is married to BILLY GENE BATEY '69 and they reside in Oxford.

Robert Douglass Camp '64 has made a living out of making and selling turkey callers. After graduating from JSU, he took a job teaching at Munford High School where he remained for 17 years. In the summer, he took care of his family’s hay farm. He finally gave up teaching and, in his spare moments on the farm, he made some turkey callers and wrote articles on them for sports magazines. In the early 1980s, he put together a book 'Turkey Hunting, Spring and Fall. He then went into the business of making turkey callers, with his expertise winning out over farming. His business is called Camp Callers and he markets 10 different callers and thousands of devices to fool old tom turkey.

Allen Stephenson '65 was inducted into the Alabama High School Sports Hall of Fame on March 19. He has an outstanding record as a coach, teacher and administrator at Addison High School for 33 years. He coached football for 17 years with a 131-62 record and an undefeated state championship team in 1976. His 1972 basketball squad, the only Addison team ever to reach the state tournament, finished fourth. He also had other seasons where his teams were undefeated and/or advanced in the state playoffs.

Barbara Faye Sanders Jones '67 received her master of arts in education degree from Cumberland University on May 24. She resides in Bartlett, TN.

Janice Kilgore Nabor's '67 was among the state finalists for the JSU Teacher Hall of Fame. She is a teacher at Etowah Middle School. A life member of the JSU Alumni Association, she and her husband are Distinguished Teacher Award Program.

Robert Jackson Nabor's '58 have 4 children. They reside in Southside.

Brenda Stone Crowe '68/70 is dean of Institutional Advancement and Community Services at Gadsden State Community College. She has been at Gadsden State for more than 30 years, beginning as an adjunct instructor.

Mary Tuck Grimes '68 teaches 8th grade at Bragg Middle School. She has been a teacher for 24 years. She was recently selected by a panel of judges as one of the 10 finalists for special recognition in the Birmingham Post-Herald's 6th Annual Distinguished Teacher Award Program.

Don M. Sullivan '68 was named business development officer II, centralized floor plans, for Regions Bank-Birmingham.

Bobby M. Junkins '69/72 has been appointed Gov. Don Siegelman to the Alabama Historical Commission Board. Bobby is currently serving his third term as probate judge for Etowah County. He previously served two terms in the Alabama Legislature, serving on the Ways and Means Committee and the Alabama Public Records Committee. He was nominated for two consecutive years as one of ten Outstanding House Members. He 1988, he received the Governor’s Award for the Arts. A life member of the JSU Alumni Association, Bobby served for several years on the Association’s Board of Governors.

Sheila Hopper Bolden Akins '70 has been named the recipient of the Dr. Charles M. Pendley Founder’s Chair Award for Northeast Alabama Community College. She was also added to the list of Most Outstanding Faculty Members. She received a cash stipend, was recognized in the College’s yearbook, and at commencement in May. She is in her 22nd year of teaching at Northeast, having begun as an adjunct faculty member in 1979. She and her husband reside in Fort Payne.

Angela Kay King Davis '70/95/00 was sworn in and began her term as Cherokee County’s superintendent of education on July 2. She has been teaching for 30 years, beginning her career at Gaysville. She also taught at Gordo Elementary, Woodland Christian and Glenwood in Phoenix City, Saks in Anniston, and then Cedar Bluff where she remained until this year. Kay is a Board member of JSU’s Wesley Foundation. She and her husband, GARY EDWIN DAVIS '69/96, reside in Centre.

Carlos D. “Butch” Pair '70, a former Army Brigadier General, has been promoted to Major General.
ALUM NOTES...We love to hear from you!

He is a reserve officer from Birmingham and U.S. Transportation Command chief of staff. He assumed his current position in June following duty as the deputy commander for mobilization at Military Traffic Management Command. His awards include the Legion of Merit, the Meritorious Service Medal, the Army Commendation Medal, and the Army Achievement Medal. General Pair was JSU’s 2000 Military Alumnus of the Year.

CHARLES "CHUCK" BABCOCK ’71 recently retired from Wal-Mart Stores, Inc., with 20 years of service. He was a Regional Manager with Specialty Groups Operations (jewelry and shoe divisions). During his 20 years, he covered stores in Texas, Louisiana, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, Florida, North Carolina, South Carolina, Arkansas and Tennessee. He and his wife Lynn reside in Anniston.

GEORGE E. “DEE” GOREY, JR. ’72/75/79, president of The Donoho School in Anniston, has been named president of the Alabama Association of Independent Schools (AAIS) for the 2001-03 term. His responsibilities include promoting excellence in the independent schools, planning conferences and workshops, coordinating responses to Alabama legislation, providing communication with and between AAIS constituent groups and collecting, analyzing and distributing statistics from AAIS member schools. He has been president of Donoho since 1993. He was vice president and principal from 1981-93 and an instructor from 1972-81. Dee is a life member of the Alumni Association and serves on the Board of Directors. He and his wife Lynn reside in Anniston.

HENRY HOBBS ’72 was named vice-president of The Bank in Decatur earlier this year. He has been in banking for 18 years, most recently serving as vice-president at AmSouth Bank in Guntersville. He is responsible for business development at The Bank. Henry serves as an alumni chapter president on the JSU Alumni Association Board of Governors.

BILL SHIPMAN ’73/76 was recently named principal at Jacksonville High School. After earning his degree, he was a teacher/coach at Hokes Bluff. He left teaching to work for Phillip Morris, USA in 1977, working his way up from sales rep to area manager in Cullman. He left Phillip Morris in 1994 and went into business for himself with his wife. Wanting to return to education, he took a position with St. Clair High School as a teacher/assistant principal. Prior to coming to Jacksonville High, he was the assistant principal at Alexandria High School.

DEBBIE PEARCE ADAIR ’74/77 of Indian Valley Elementary School was recently named a state finalist to the JSU Teacher Hall of Fame. She resides in Sylacauga.

CARLTON DEVAUGHN ’74 has been with First State Bank of Clay County since 1974 when he began his career as a management trainee. He was promoted to assistant cashier in 1980 and served as cashier, compliance officer and security officer. He was recently promoted to Senior Vice President and Chief Financial Officer. SUSAN SMITH HAWKINS ’74/99 has been named executive director of SafeHouse of Shelby County, an agency serving victims of domestic violence and sexual assault in Shelby, Coosa and Clay Counties. For the past 8 years, Susan has worked with Children’s Harbor, a family services program at Children’s Hospital. Prior to that, she was with Second Chance, the domestic violence shelter in Anniston, where she served as executive director for 3 years. Susan is an adjunct faculty member at JSU. She lives in Hoover with her husband, RICHARD HAWKINS ’73, and their 3 children.

ROBBIE BOOZER MADDERS ’74/94 has been selected Woman of the Year by the Cheaha Charter Chapter of the American Business Women’s Association. She is the associate director of JSU’s Small Business Development Center and has worked at JSU for the past 19 years.

JACK H. THOMAS, JR. ’74 accepted the position of Director of Operations Manager with New Plan Excel Realty Trust, Inc. Located in Tifton, GA, he is responsible for the management of 13 shopping centers in the south Georgia and north Florida area.

DEWEY FERRELL VEST ’74/82 was recently hired as the City of Hartselle’s first city administrator. He reports to the mayor, but he is responsible for supervising all department heads in the day-to-day operations of the city and city departments. He is married to BETH BROWN VEST ’80 and they reside in Hartselle.

RAY CLARK ’75, the principle deputy assistant secretary of the Army for installation and environment, was asked earlier this year by the Department of Defense to stay on during the new Bush administration’s transition phase. President Bush has been asked by Alabama’s Congressional delegation to reappoint him to a full term. He has been a leader in the environmental cleanup and economic development of Ft. McClellan in Anniston which closed in 1999. He was appointed to his current position by President Clinton. Prior to that, he worked for 6 years in the White House as the Associate Director of the Council on Environmental Quality.

BILL DRINKARD ’75 has been appointed by Alabama Governor Don Siegelman to the Board of Chiropractic Examiners. Bill has served five years in the Alabama House and seven in the Senate. He is currently vice president of Drinakrd Development Inc., which develops and leases shopping centers and other commercial properties in Alabama, Kentucky and Tennessee.

CHARLES WARREN ’75 was elected superintendent of the Dekalb County Schools in November, 2000, and took office on July 1, 2001. His oldest daughter, Renee Holloway, will graduate from JSU in December.

BILL CAMPBELL ’77 was recently named Business Associate of the Year by the Dixie Belle chapter of the American Business Women’s Association in Gadsden. Bill is project manager for Regency Pointe, a retirement community being constructed. He has more than 10 years’ experience in financial and health care management and has served as the vice president of external operations for Gadsden Regional Medical Center. Previous positions include vice president of government relations for Quorum Corporate Services and vice president of planning and development for Baptist Health Services.

ESTA G. SPECTOR ’77 has been chosen Life Underwriter of the Year 2000. She served 4 years on the National Life Underwriting Training Council’s content and techniques committee in Washington DC. She helped write and edit the textbook used in Multiline Sales Classes. She is currently a Senior Chairman and past moderator of Life Underwriting Train-
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Alumni Association Life Members

The following have become recent life members of the Alumni Association. (joined between January-August 2001)

DAVID ALLEN BAGGETT  '79
LaVONDA GAYLE BAILEY  '97
AUDREY WILSON CAIN  '99
ALESKIE LUMPKIN CARPENTER  '85
STEPHANIE DOSS-DEAMUES  '94/97
DARREN DOUTHITT  '88/97/00
DOROTHY IRISH DURRETT  '64
KATHERINE LOUISE FORSTER  '96
JUDITH HALE FORTENBERRY  '63/70
JEREMY RAY GRIFFITH  '00
W. BRICE HAY  '77
KIM MARIE HENDON  '89
A.H. HETHCOX, JR.  '67
HEATHER O'CONNELL JOHNSON  '97
SPENCER ROMAINE JOHNSON  '97
THOMAS MORE LANAHAN  '94
JACQUELINE DERRICK LEHMAN  '92
SYLVIA MCPHEE  '95
MICHAEL DAVID MCGLAUGHN  '00
ELIZABETH STEVENS MEEHAN  '89
DONALD MITCHELL  '98
GEORGE HAROLD MOORE  '72
HAROLD THOMAS MULLER, III  '97
JASON LEE NELSON  '97
HENRY PETER SEGALAS  '97/98
GEORGE RONALD STINSON  '76
MARY CONAWAY STINSON  '69/72
CATHY BURNS TEX  '82
DAVID A. TROUP  '79
JOHN RICHARD WHITTAMORE  '92
NEAL C. WILLIAMS  '70

A New Addition to Life Membership

In response to your many requests, we have added an additional benefit to our life membership. The recreational facilities at Stephenson Hall and Pete Mathews Coliseum are now available for an additional yearly fee. If you have questions, please call the Alumni Office for more details.
Prior to this position, he was a member of the Alabama House of Representatives. He lives in Rainsville.

BRUCE LEE GORDON ’83 was named Businessperson of the Year by the Lawrence County Chamber of Commerce in March. Bruce is president of the Gordon Group, a real estate company located with offices in Moulton and East Lawrence. He also operates a mortgage company and is an associate professor of finance and real estate at the University of North Alabama. He was a member of the JSU Marching Southerners.

RONDA NEVELS HASTINGS ’84 was recently promoted to Supervisor over Child Support Enforcement in Jackson County. She has worked for the Jackson County Department of Human Resources for 13 years.

GENE MILLER ’84 was selected superintendent of the Clay County School System. He is married to ELAINE LOVELESS MILLER ’80/82 and they have two children. Gene taught at Oatatche, Piedmont and Talladega before returning to Clay County in 1990.

BOBBY DONALD ELAM ’85 is principal at Russell County High School near Phenix City. He is retired from the Georgia education system as superintendent of Trion City Schools, a post he held for three years. Dating back to the 1970s he has been principal, assistant superintendent, central office employee, coach, athletic director, assistant principal and teacher in several Georgia school systems.

SHIRLEY CHEATWOOD MITCHELL ’85 is an author and columnist. Her latest book is “Fabulous After 50.” Her books target baby boomers who are not taking aging sitting down. She speaks to audiences about ways to achieve maximum health, vitality, power and style throughout life. She received the 1997 Woman of Achievement Award by Business and Professional Women. She resides in Anniston.

CHRISTOPHER. REYNOLDS ’85 is vice president of Regions Bank in Gadsden and recently graduated from the Graduate School of Banking at Louisiana State University. He is married to SHARON LEE JONES REYNOLDS ’87 and they reside in Gadsden. Sharon is a teacher in Gadsden.

GINA MATTOX SIMPSON ’85, director, Clay County Department of Human Resources, was accepted into the Senior Executives in State and Local Government Program, John F. Kennedy School of Government, Harvard University. She attended a 3-week session as the recipient of the Doris Bender Executive Development Scholarship sponsored by the Alabama Association of County Directors of Human Resources.

WILLIAM SIDNEY SMITH ’85 is the Director of the Community Free Clinic in Huntsville. Prior to becoming director, Will held a position with the Care Assurance System for the Aging and Homebound of Marshall County. He had been preparing for the ministry after graduating from JSU, when he began working directly with the disadvantaged in Atlanta. He there found he was drawn to the hands-on approach of a social worker. He got his feet wet in that field by heading to New York City, where he helped women substance abusers as a caseworker for the Brooklyn Bureau of Community Service for 5 years. He received his master of divinity degree in San Francisco and worked there before returning to Marshall County after 15 years in social service in those other areas.

MITCH STAPLES ’85 has been promoted to senior vice president of Union Bank. He has been with the bank for over 8 years. Mitch and his wife Sandra and their 3 children reside in Bay Minette.

DAWN CONNER YOUNG ’85 is the new director of the Hospice of Northwest Alabama. She assumed the position in October of last year, coming from her post with the Walker Baptist Hospice in Jasper, where she served as healthcare coordinator. She and her husband, ROYCE EUGENE YOUNG ’81/87, and their children reside in Winfield. Royce is serving as head football coach at Brilliant High School.

SHANNON DUANE BENTON ’86/95 has been named assistant principal and athletic director at West Hall High School in Gainesville, GA. Before coming to West Hall, he was the head basketball coach at Bremen (GA) High School. He and his wife Stacy have 2 children.

JANIE LOWERY CHATHAM ’86/90 is employed as a Family Nurse Practitioner at Riverview Regional Medical Center in Gadsden. She received her Master of Science in Nursing, Acute Care Nurse Practitioner, from the University of Alabama – Huntsville in 1997. Janie and her family reside in Anniston.

KEITH GRIER ’87 has been promoted to Manager of Technical Support for CheckFree Corporation’s ACH Alliance Processing Division. CheckFree Corporation is the leading provider of financial electronic commerce services, software and related products. Keith and his wife LAZETTA BELL GRIER ’87 have a 7-year-old daughter and reside in Atlanta.

HAROLD EUGENE HILL ’87 was chosen December, 2000, teacher of the month for the Attalla City School System. Gene teaches math at Etowah High School and has 14 years of teaching experience in the Attalla system.

He was also the defensive coordinator for the 1999 state championship football team and coaches softball.

LEE C. REDMON ’87 is starting his 5th year as a senior Army JROTC instructor at Pekin Community High School in Pekin, IL. He and his wife have 2 children and reside in Eureka.

▲SHEILA PAULETTE SMITH ’87 serves as band director at South Central Middle School in Emerson, GA and has been there since 1989. She recently accepted an invitation for her band to perform at the 55th annual Midwest International Band and Orchestra Conference to be held in Chicago, IL between December 18 and 22. This is the most recognized instrumental music education clinic in the world today. Being selected to perform is a much-coveted honor among music educators and enjoyed by only a few. Sheila is also the principal flutist in the Rome (GA) Symphony Orchestra. Sheila was a member of the JSU Marching Southerners.

JEFF BRICKHOUSE ’88 has been named events coordinator for the church resources division of Mobile-based Integrity, Inc. His duties include organizing music seminars throughout the United States to help music ministers and pastors enhance worship services at their congregations. He is married to DAWN ADKISON BRICKHOUSE ’87, who is a teacher.

TOMMY BUZAN ’88/96 accepted a position with the financial services firm Edward Jones as an investment representative to open its first branch office in Oxford. Prior to joining Edward Jones, Tommy was an administrator at Practice Builders. He and his wife, DEBORAH COLE BUZAN ’85, have 3 children and reside in Anniston.

▲ KIM HOLDBROOK TOWNSEL ’85 is a teacher at Burbank (CA) High School, teaching real life skills to freshmen and sophomores. She has received a grant to implement the program she created into the school’s programs. The class encourages students to think long term, learn test-taking skills, time management and career elements, use resources for research and improve communication skills.

BOBBY DONALD ELAM ’85 is principal at Russell County High School near Phenix City. He is retired from the Georgia education system as superintendent of Trion City Schools, a post he held for three years. Dating back to the 1970s he has been principal, assistant superintendent, central office employee, coach, athletic director, assistant principal and teacher in several Georgia school systems.
WAYNE CALDWELL ’89/96 has been named principal of Oxford Middle School, following the retirement of JANE HAMRIC BATEY ’62/68/82. He served as assistant principal for the last three years, and prior to that, was a teacher at the high school. He has been with the Oxford school system since 1993 and served as an assistant football coach, assistant baseball coach and head coach of the 9th grade basketball team at the high school. He has also taught at Jacksonville High and Lineville High.

JANE BOYD FUQUA ’89 has been named associate superintendent for the Forsyth County (GA) School System. She taught in Tennessee and Georgia at the elementary and middle school levels. She was principal at North Forsyth Middle School prior to her appointment.

ROBERT A. "BOB" HAFNER ’89 has taken an indirect route into the family business of homebuilding. After his JSU graduation, Bob attended dental school and went to work as a dental hygienist. He also worked in management and as a computer system controller. But like his father and grandfather before him, his interest in the building business was rekindled when he decided to build his own home. He built with his dad in several areas before opening his own company, Bob Hafner Homes, in 1999. He is married to MICHELLE TEW HAFNER ’89 and they reside in Pinson.

CARLA BYRAM PATTERSON ’89/99 has worked in Rome (GA) with Floyd College’s Extended Learning Department since 1994, serving as director since 1995. During her tenure, Extended Learning has produced over 2600 hours of educational programming, including 54 college-credit telecourses, 17 educational series and approximately 250 special production projects. This fall she became a full-time faculty member in Floyd’s English department. She lives with her husband DAVID PATTERSON ’89 and their daughter Haley in Rome. David is employed by the US Dept. of Justice as a probation officer in the northern district of Georgia.

ROBIN GAMBLE YOUNG ’89 has taken an indirect route into the family business of homebuilding. After his JSU graduation, Bob attended dental school and went to work as a dental hygienist. He also worked in management and as a computer system controller. But like his father and grandfather before him, his interest in the building business was rekindled when he decided to build his own home. He built with his dad in several areas before opening his own company, Bob Hafner Homes, in 1999. He is married to MICHELLE TEW HAFNER ’89 and they reside in Pinson.

DAVID GLASS ’90 has a position with the Calhoun County Insurance Center (CCIC) in Jacksonville run by his family. After spending a great deal of time with other insurance companies across the state gaining valuable experience, he decided to come home.

ROBIN DORSSET MACKEY ’90/93 has been chosen to head the newly created organization called LIN=C (Locate, Intervene, Network equals Change) which helps troubled adolescents as well as their parents by providing two different categories of service. First, prevent drug use and violence and the second category provides intervention services for families whose child may already be involved in destructive behaviors. Robin is married to ERIC MACKEY ’92, who is principal of Kitty Stone Elementary School and they reside in Jacksonville.

KIM BROWN MCPHERSON ’90 has been selected executive director of business and financial affairs for the Jefferson County Board of Education. She is the county’s first finance director and reports directly to the superintendent. Kim is a Certified Public Accountant.

KEVIN WATSON ’90 has been hired as assistant recreation director for the City of Albertville. He was previously employed by the Guntersville Parks and Recreation Department and as a poultry and cattle farmer. His duties include assisting the director in all aspects of administration of the recreation complex.

CHRIS CAGLE ’91/00 is employed as a teacher/coach at Cleburne County High School. He is married to AMY BIGGERS CAGLE ’99/01, who is employed as a teacher at Fruithurst Elementary School. They reside in Heflin.

THOMAS K. LACKEMY ’91 was hired at Northeast Alabama Regional Medical Center in Anniston as an anesthesiologist. He received his medical degree from the University of Alabama – Birmingham (UAB). He completed his internship in preliminary surgery at Baptist Medical Centers, Birmingham, and completed his residency in Anesthesiology also at UAB. He is associated with Anniston AnesthesiA, P.A.

TERESA ANGLES LLOYD ’91/93 is the new principal at DeArmanville Junior High School. Dr. Lloyd was previously employed as the assistant principal at Wellborn Elementary and Saks Middle. She also teaches education courses at JSU and the University of Alabama on weekends. Many of her former students will remember her best for the times before testing when she would pull out pom-poms and do a cheer to motivate them to do well on the test.

CARLA RILEY ’91 is a kindergarten teacher at Union Grove. She has been a teacher for the past 10 years.

CYNTHIA HAMPTON WELSH ’91 is a teacher at Centre Middle School. She was a state finalist for the JSU Teacher Hall of Fame this year.

MELISSA SEGLER CLAY ’92/95 is a counselor at DAR High School in Guntersville. She began teaching at DAR Elementary and taught for 6 years before going into counseling. She is responsible for all testing at the school and continuing education information. She originally wanted to be a nurse, but got a big push towards education from her mom, BILLIE BUSH SEGLER ’64. LEE “MACK” JOHNSON ’92 is a Navy ensign who recently completed officer candidate school in Pensacola, FL and received his commission as a naval officer.

KEVIN LASSETER ’92 was named executive director of the Etowah County chapter of the American Red Cross in July. With a degree in education, she did some teaching before joining the Red Cross. She became involved with the Red Cross when they helped organize blood drives for her father who was suffering from leukemia.

KERRI JOHNS PETERSON ’92/95 teaches 7th grade at Springville Middle School and has been a teacher for 4 years. She was recently chosen by a panel of judges as one of the 10 finalists for special recognition in the Birmingham Post-Herald’s 6th Annual Distinguished Teacher Award Program. She resides in Trussville.

LATRICIA REYNOLDS QUICK ’92 is the new physical education teacher at Carlisle Park Middle School in Guntersville. She is currently taking classes toward her master’s degree in counseling at JSU. She previously taught in Lanett for several years where she was also the varsity assistant coach and head coach for the track and field program. She and her husband Tim have one son.

LORI CALDWELL REED ’92 is starting her 4th year teaching deaf students in Nashville, TN and is in her 10th year of teaching overall. She is employed by the Metro Nashville Public Schools at Eakin Elementary. She and her husband Harold, who attended JSU, have a daughter and reside in Nolensville, TN.

KEVIN REID ’92 was recently installed as the Company Commander of the 877th Engineer Battalion –B Company in Vernon. He joined the Alabama National Guard in 1987 and was commissioned from the ROTC at JSU in ’92. He has been a member of the 877th since 1998. He and his wife PAMELA MICHELE REID ’92 have twins at home in Huntsville.

CARL DANIEL ROPER ’92 has been promoted to Director of Network and Technical Services for World Vision (www.worldvision.org). He previously worked there as a senior network engineer for 3 years after leaving the Army. Dan and his wife Cheryl live in Sumner, WA.

MARY-JULIA (MJ) STEPHENS ’92 coaches the Georgia Tech Bowling Team. The team has been selected as one of 66 men’s teams competing in the 2001 Intercollegiate Bowling Championships (IBC) Section Qualifiers. The combined 123 (66
men’s and 57 women’s) collegiate bowling squads vied for the 32 spots in the Championships held in April in Michigan. Georgia Tech was ranked 39th in the country earlier this year after its second full season after a 10-year absence in collegiate bowling.

The team won the national championship in 1942. MJ was JSU’s Young Alumna of the Year in 1999.

DONNA ALLEN THOMPSON ‘92/94 has been awarded the 2001 Teacher of the Year Award for the State of Florida by the Council for Exceptional Children’s Division of Career Development. She is a career development specialist and the STEPS program manager for the Webb Center in Jacksonville, FL. The STEPS program helps young adults with disabilities to obtain career counseling and job skills training.

PHYLLIS BYERS ‘93 has been promoted to vice president with Colonial Bank’s Northern Region. As the branch sales manager and loan officer of the Huntsville main office, she oversees the daily operations of the office. She has more than 20 years of banking experience.

CAROL SCANTLAND DODGEN ‘93/98 and her Alabama State Trooper husband Eddie own a security/consulting business, Dodgen and Associates, which conducts security training for financial institutions and businesses. Carol produces and markets a video about robbery training for financial institutions. She and Eddie and their 2 children reside in Riverside.

BRIAN HARRELL ‘93 is the owner of The Valuation Group, a professional property appraisal firm in Guntersville. Brian has been an appraiser since 1993. He and his wife ANGELA GASKINS HARRELL ‘95 have 2 children and reside in Guntersville.

MICHAEL KEY ‘93 has been to 67 countries on 6 of the world’s continents in the past 5 years! He is an emergency/critical care nurse (RN) who rides the wings of MEDjet’s flying ambulances in the transportation of seriously ill patients to wherever it is they want to go or wherever the family requests. He previously flew with them on a part-time basis while working at Regional Medical Center and went with the company full time in 1997. In addition to his flight duties, Michael also has office responsibilities at MEDjet’s Birmingham hangar. He and his wife have 2 children.

KELLI M. LEE ‘93, city clerk of the City of Glencoe, has been awarded the prestigious designation of “Certified Municipal Clerk” from the International Institute of Municipal Clerks for achieving its high educational, experience and service requirements. She has been employed with the City of Glencoe since 1990, serving 5 years as a dispatcher prior to becoming city clerk.

DAVID G. OWNBY ‘93 has attained certification as a National Certified Counselor (NCC) through the National Board of Certified Counselors, Inc. Currently he is employed by Brown Schools of Florida, Inc. He joins more than 30,000 NCCs who are certified through the NBCC. Dave resides in Williston, FL.

RITA WALKER SMITH ‘93/00 a Learning Center instructor in her second year teaching at Grassy, has a total of 9 years in teaching. Previously she gave supplemental help to students at Boaz Elementary, Claysville and Douglas Middle Schools. She and her husband Mark reside in Albertville.

RHONDA SCOTT ‘93 has been named manager of AmSouth’s Oxford branch. She was formerly assistant human resources manager at Bostrom Seating in Piedmont.

MILDRED THOMAS WOODY ‘93 is a Brownie troop leader for Troop 662 in Gadsden. She has taught first grade at Striplin Elementary since 1994 and did factory work for 25 years before that. With only a 2-year degree and the support of her family, she completed her bachelor’s degree in journalism at JSU and went on to earn a master’s from the University of Alabama’s Gadsden Center in order to fulfill her dream of teaching.

DONNA BURGESS ALEXANDER ‘94, a former JSU Gamecock hostess, and her husband Dr. Clay Alexander have 2 children (and reside in Centre). Donna is a stay-at-home mom to Stone and Jensen.

RAMONA GADDY BREWER ‘94 was chosen recently as one of the recipients of the 2001 Distinguished Teacher Award presented by the Birmingham Post-Herald newspaper. She has taught kindergarten for 9 years at Oneonta Elementary School. She also teaches adult health education classes.

DAVID WAYNE BRYANT ‘94 has joined Applied Systems, Inc. as a Level I Developer in the diamond development department of the company products and e-commerce division. Prior to coming to Applied, he worked for various companies in a consulting position.

SHANNON HOLMES ‘94 is working on a doctorate degree from Louisiana Baptist University. He is a minister and teaches and serves as chairman of the Bible Department at North Florida Christian School in Tallahassee. He and his wife, SUSAN LAMBER HOLMES ‘93, reside in Hernando, FL.

BEVERLY PARRIS LASHALL ‘94/99 was recently selected as Teacher of the Year at Kitty Stone Elementary School in Jacksonville. She started her career after JSU in the legal profession, taking a job with a law firm in Anniston. She and her husband Mark have 2 children and reside in Jacksonville.

JAMES ALLEN NEWMAN, JR. ‘94 is currently working on his Ph.D. in public policy and administration at Mississippi State University. He is a graduate teaching assistant with the political science department. He previously taught political science at Columbia State Community College in Tennessee. A life member of the JSU Alumni Association, Jim resides in Starkville, MS.

AMANDA STAPLES ‘94/99, a sergeant in the Army Reserve, is assigned to the 212th US Army Reserve Garrison Support Unit in Decatur, GA.

BEN WATSON ‘94 has become the band director at Lanett High School. He previously taught at L.B. Sykes-Lanett Junior High School. Ben is a former member of the JSU Marching Southerners.

CHARLES MARTIN “MARTY” HAGOOD ‘95 has been named the director of the Chattahoochee Council of the Boy Scouts of America’s George H. Lanier District. The District includes LaFayette, Lanett, Valley and West Point, AL. He worked with the JSU Athletic Department, mainly with the men’s basketball team. He is a life member of the JSU Alumni Association.

DARLENE AUDY ‘95 is in corporate sales for Suncom AT&T and is working on her master’s degree in public administration at JSU. She worked for The Jacksonville News as an advertising director in 1995 and again from 1997-99. Darlene is active in various civic and charitable organizations.

COLIN COTTON ‘95 has been named vice president of Farmers and Merchants Bank in Jacksonville. He is currently attending banking school at the University of South Alabama.

JASON CZAR ‘95, an Army captain, was recently appointed as Company Commander of the 978th Military Police Battalion, Ft. Bliss, TX. They welcomed the birth of their second child, Jonah Drake, in March, 2000. They have an older child, Dalton, who is 5. Jason is married to CAROL BLANKENSHIP CZAR ‘92 and they reside in Texas. Carol is a senior claims representative with State Farm Mutual Automobile Insurance.

MARK M. HULL ‘95 has been awarded a doctorate degree in history from the University of Cork in Ireland. His research was on World War II spics in Ireland. Professors from Cambridge University and Sheffield University conducted his oral examination.

MELISSA “MISSY” ROSE YATES ‘95/96 teaches special education at VanCleave Upper Elementary School in Mississippi. She has been a teacher for 4 years and previously taught at VanCleave Lower Elementary School. She also taught in Alabama and the Ocean Springs School District in Mississippi before going to the Jackson County (MS) School District in 1998. She was voted the 1999-2000 Teacher of the Year at VanCleave Lower. She and her husband Bill have 3 children and reside in Van Cleave.

DAMON E. EUBANKS ‘96 recently graduated from the University of Georgia with a Master of Education degree in college student affairs administration. He is employed by the University of Georgia and is a graduate advisor for the yearbook. While at JSU, Damon was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity and affiliated with WLJS campus radio. He and his wife Laura reside in Athens, GA.

KATHERINE LOUISE FORSTER ‘96 obtained her Florida real estate license and is now a real estate consultant for Crown Realty of Ocala, Inc. If you are interested in real estate in North Central Florida, please give her a call at 352-671-2900. Kathy resides in Williston, FL. Prior to moving to Florida, Kathy worked for JSU in the environmental safety area.

JUDY MAGAW-MATHES ‘96/99 accepted a position as Social Work Director at Cherokee County Nursing Home. She was chosen for this position through her previous job with a company that contracted with
WAYNE is a former JSU football player. He is married to HEATHER FLEMING CARDEN ‘98.

KIM BYNUM DALESANDRO ‘98 was recently awarded the Advised/Alumna of the Year Award at the JSU 2000 Greek Awards. She is the College Chapter Director of the Lambda Gamma Chapter of Delta Zeta Sorority. Kim is the immediate Past-President of the Gadsden Metropolitan Arts Council. She is married to MICHAEL DALESANDRO ‘90/93/97, who was a member of Sigma Nu fraternity while at JSU.

CRAIG GLOVER ‘98 recently graduated from Cumberland School of Law at Samford University in Birmingham in the top 25 percent of his class. After taking the recent bar exam, Chris works for the Hogan Law Offices in Birmingham. His wife, ERIN HENLEY GLOVER ‘99, is a teacher at Adamsville Elementary and recently finished her master’s degree from the University of Alabama at Birmingham (UAB). She was also chosen to work for the Alabama Department of Education as an Alabama Reading Initiative presenter. While at JSU, Chris was SGA president and a member of Delta Chi fraternity. Erin was President of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority at JSU. They reside in the Hoover area of Birmingham.

JASON WALTERS ‘98, a second-year law student at Cumberland School of Law at Samford University in Birmingham, was recently elected the Senior Class President for 2001-2002.

JOSH BEARDEN ‘99 is a first-year student at Cumberland School of Law and has been elected to represent the Class of 2003 on the Honor Court. The Court is responsible for administering Cumberland’s honor code, which governs academic integrity. Josh was also a member of Sigma Nu fraternity at JSU.

LAURIE CHANEY ‘99, a second-year student at Cumberland School of Law at Samford University, has been named Managing Editor of the Cumberland Law Review for 2001-2002. The Review has provided the legal community with comments and criticisms on existing laws as well as deeper jurisprudential questions since 1970. She has 3 daughters.

CATHY HARDMAN COLEMAN ‘99 is currently a public affairs officer for the Army Chemical Activity at Anniston Army Depot. She is approaching retirement with the Army and is ready to do some consulting work and some traveling.

DON CORDELL KILLINGSWORTH, JR. ‘99/01 is working for ACT, Inc. and traveling the southeast. He resides in Austell, GA. While at JSU, Don was a member of Delta Chi fraternity and served as SGA president.

KEITH LABENNE ‘99 has played the cello for 16+ years. He is the cello instructor for the Gadsden Community School for the Arts. He is also the cellist for SAPIEN, a multicultural group who play African-style hand drums, Native American flutes, the Australian didgeridoo, guitar, keyboards, cello and other percussion and acoustic instruments. Sapien’s debut CD was a first-round Grammy nominee for Best New Age Album of the Year in 1998 and they were a top five finalist in the New Age Voice Music Awards as Best Contemporary Native American Album of the Year! He also plays for the JSU Symphony Orchestra. Keith was also a member of the Marching Southerners at JSU and is currently working towards his master’s at JSU.

BOBBY TAYLOR ‘99 is the recreation specialist for the Wellness Center at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville. He is also a certified personal trainer. One of his more popular programs at the center is called “Dump Your Plump” and participants compete against each other in losing through a combination of exercise five times a week and diet.

’00-01

DESTINY BARNES ‘00 is a graphic designer with Media Fusion who created a new look for the Huntsville Council of Fashion Designers annual “Designers Against Breast Cancer/Runway Fashion Extravaganza” held earlier this year. She was formerly a runway model and has been a volunteer with the program since 1996. She resides in Madison.

LISA HEADINGTON GILLESPIE ‘00 is the new percussion instructor at the Center for Cultural Arts in Gadsden. She also gives private lessons and is the band director of Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic School in Anniston. A former member of the JSU Marching Southerners, Lisa has played in various symphony orchestras in Alabama and Georgia and has been a member of drum and bugle corps. She is working toward her master’s at JSU and is part of the teaching staff of the Southerners, teaching the percussion section. She is married to LAWRENCE CLINTON GILLESPIE ‘90/98, who was also a member of the JSU Marching Southerners at JSU. Clint is now an instructor at JSU in the music department. They reside in Jacksonville.

MICHAEL DAVID MCGLAUGN ‘00 is a first-year student at Cumberland School of Law at Samford University, has been elected to represent the Class of 2003 on the Honor Court. The Court is responsible for administering Cumberland’s honor code, which governs academic integrity. A life member of the Alumni Association, Mike was a member of the JSU Marching Southerners.

BRAD PRINCE ‘00 has been accepted into the Ph.D. program at Auburn University. His concentration will be Management of Information Technology and Innovation.

KENNETH RECORD ‘00 is a former security policeman in the Air Force, is in his first year of teaching at Litchfield High School in Gadsden. He recently was awarded an Alabama Power Service Organization Grant to be spent on additional materials and supplies for the classroom beyond those provided by the school. He was one of only 17 recipients of the grant which is given to one teacher from each of Alabama’s four-year colleges and universities with state-approved teacher education programs. He was recommended for the grant by one of his former professors at Jacksonville State University.

MEGHAN E. ROBERTS ‘00 has accepted a teaching position with the Paulding County Board of Education at Nebo Elementary School in Dallas, GA. She plans to pursue her master’s degree at JSU.

BRIAN T. ROWLEY ‘00 has graduated from the United States Border Patrol Training Academy in Charleston, SC. He has been assigned to duty in Harlingen, TX.

ANNA NICOLE GORE ‘01, a former JSU Marching Band leader and member of Delta Zeta sorority, is employed in public relations with Gurley & Co., a PR firm in the music industry in Nashville, TN.
WEDDINGS

'70-79

JOHN RODNEY GENTLE, JR. ‘74 and Sherry Jones Meek, February 14, 2001, in Scottsboro. He is retired from management of Bill’s London Transit Clothing Stores in Huntsville and Atlanta. He and Sherry were married on Valentine’s Day.


'80-89

DONNA GAIL BIBLE ‘82 and John Wayne Moore, May 19, 2001, at Rustic Lodge at Redstone Arsenal, Huntsville. She was a member of Delta Zeta Sorority at JSU.

CATHERINE ELIZABETH ROBERTS ‘82 and Paul David Brownell, January 26, 2001, Austin, TX. She is employed by BMC Software as director of marketing and business development for Worldwide Support Services. They live in Cedar Creek, TX.

VIRGINIA ELIZABETH BROWN ‘83 and Einar Benjamin Hoff, III, March 3, 2001, Birmingham. She is employed at Brownell Travel.

AMANDA LYNNE TUCKER ‘84 and Hoyt DeWayne Cabaniss, March 17, 2001, Gadsden. She is employed with Brookwood Oncology/Hematology Associates in Birmingham.

KIMBERLY RENEE DARRELL ‘86 and Robert Norman Kile, Jr., May 19, 2001, Glencoe. Kimberly was a member of the women’s soccer team at JSU. She is employed at Wecare in Boaz.


RANDALL FLOYD RICKETTS ‘89 and Jami DeLynn Thacker, April 21, 2001, Anniston. They reside in Anniston.

‘90-99

KELLY ELIZABETH COLE ‘90 and Michael John McLamb, May 19, 2001, Gadsden. Kelly is a certified insurance representative. She is employed by Cooney, Rikard & Curtin, Inc. in Birmingham as a technical assistant.

JAMES HENRY KING ‘90 and Angela Melissa Swindell, June 9, 2001, Huntsville. He is employed by Cintas Corporation as a service manager and is pursuing his doctorate degree.

CHRIS MILESTRANTHAM ‘90 and Angela Nicole Hataway, June 23, 2001, Birmingham. Chris is employed by the Blount County Board of Education as a teacher and coach.


KIMBERLY JEAN HOLCOMB ‘92 and Michael David Willellingham, May 19, 2001, Alexandria. She is employed by the State of Alabama Board of Pardons and Paroles.

TRESSA RANA HOPPER ‘92/98 and Ben Howard Bryant, II, July 21, 2001, Altoona. Tressa is employed by Pleasant Grove Elementary School in Stockbridge, GA as a special education teacher.

CHRISTOPHER D. LOVE ‘92 and Stacy Lynn Ezekiel, April 28, 2001, Birmingham. Chris is employed with IBM in Birmingham.

CHARLES HILLIARD MARETT, III ‘92 and Kathryn Benson Krawcheck, July 14, 2001. He was a member of Kappa Alpha Fraternity at JSU.

PAUL BRYAN CRAWFORD ‘92 and REBECCA ANNE SMITH ‘99/01, June 23, 2001, Valley Head. Rebecca is employed by the Cherokee County Board of Education. Paul is employed by the Fort Payne City Board of Education.

NEKISSTA NAKUA HARRIS ‘93 and Carl Williams, May 5, 2001, Lanett. She is employed by the State of Georgia Department of Corrections as a probation officer in Gwinnett County. They reside in Lawrenceville, GA.


MICHAEL S. TOMLIN ‘93 and Leslie C. Berry, November 14, 2000, Birmingham. Michael is employed by the Hoover Police Department.

DONNIE FRANK BENEFIELD ‘94 and Jill Susanne Perkins, April 21, 2001, Huntsville. They reside in Birmingham.

DYANA GAYLE BLYTHE ‘94 and Michael Alan Bucca, May 19, 2001, Huntsville. Dyana is a former member of the JSU women’s soccer team. She is employed by attorneys Wolfe, Jones & Boswell as a real estate closing specialist.

CHERYL DENISE FULMIER ‘94 and CHRISTOPHER WAYNE REAVES ‘95. June 30, 2001, at the Birmingham Botanical Gardens. Cheryl is employed by JBS Mental Health/Mental Retardation Authority in Birmingham. Chris is employed by the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

WILLIE SEDRIC TWMAN ‘94 and Ursula Denise Heard, August 25, 2001, Roanoke. He is employed by the Federal Corrections Institute of Talladega.

SHANE TERRENCE BOBO ‘95/98/00 and TIFFANY LYNNE GLADDEN ‘00, July 14, 2001, Gadsden. Shane is employed by the Floyd County (GA) Schools as a physical education teacher and football coach. Tiffany is employed by the Rome (GA) City Schools as an elementary teacher.

ROBERT KEVIN CRAWFORD ‘95 and Kari Amanda Becker, June 2, 2001, Birmingham. He was a member of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity at JSU and is employed in Birmingham.

TRINA HAMMONDS ‘95 and Darren Whitworth, June 9, 2001, Talladega. Trina is employed by Calera High School in Calera.

RONALD TODD HARRIS ‘95 and Linley Smith, May 26, 2001, Springville. Todd is employed by AmSouth Bank in Birmingham.

CHARLES PAUL ROGERS ‘95 and Jennifer Leigh Matthews, May 5, 2001, Cheaha State Park. He is employed by the Alabama Department of Environmental Management (ADEM).

JEREMY BRANDT WHITE ‘95 and Laurie Ann Bowman, April 21, 2001, Eufaula. A member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity at JSU, Jeremy is employed by U.S. Express Enterprises in Chattanooga in management information systems.

DANE STACEY CAMERON ‘96 and Marguerite Ellen Burr, May 5, 2001, Birmingham. Dane is employed by the University of Alabama at Brewer-Porch Children’s Center as a psychologist.


CHAD HANNAH ‘96 and AMANDA LAKE MCCOY ‘99/00, June 23, 2001, Hokes Bluff. Chad is a former drum major with the JSU Marching Southerners. He is employed by the Okaloosa County (GA) Board of Education. Amanda, a member of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority at JSU, is also employed by Okaloosa County Board of Education as a teacher at Choctawhatchee High School.

MARIANEE HEADEN ‘96/00 and Kenneth Wayne Garrett, June 9, 2001, Alpine. She is employed by the Cheaha Mental Health Center in Sylacauga.

CARY JOHNSON ‘96/99 and LEAH BETH EASTWOOD ‘00, July 14, 2001, Jacksonville. A former member of the JSU Marching Southerners, Cary is employed by the Cherokee County Board of Education in Georgia as a middle school band director. Leah, a former JSU Marching Ballerina, is employed by the Cobb County (GA) Board of Education as a second grade teacher.

KAREN C. LAWSON ‘96 and ERNIE E. DUKES ‘01, June 2, 2001, Weaver. They now reside in Jacksonville, FL, where Ernie is in law school.

JULIE LYNN TOLBERT ‘96 and Curtis “Chic” Nix, Jr., January 22, 2001, in Ocho Rios, Jamaica. Julie is employed by the Alabama Department of Public Health as a social worker. Chic attended JSU.

TAYLOR SCOTT MORGAN ‘96 and Melissa Marie Crum, August 25, 2001, Fairhope. He is employed with Creative Wall Solutions in Birmingham.

AMY SUZANN WILLIAMS ‘96/00 and JEREMY ALLEN MAYFIELD ‘99, June 23, 2001, Centre. Amy is employed by the Cherokee County Board of Education as a teacher at the Cedar Bluff School. Jeremy is employed by Russell Corporation as a systems analyst.
JACOB ERIC BENTLEY ‘97 and AUDREY AMANDA MARSHALL ‘98/01. June 9, 2001, Piedmont. He is employed by C.H. Martin Co., Orthotics and Prosthetics, in Marietta, GA, as an orthotist. Audrey just received her master’s degree in special education from JSU.

JEFFERY WRAY

BOATWRIGHT ‘97 and REGINA MICHELLE DENNEY ‘99. June 2, 2001, Sardis. Jeffery is current employed by the Fort Payne City Board of Education. Regina is employed by the Polk County (GA) School System as a kindergarten teacher.

ROBERT JOSEPH BOYLE ’97/99 and REBECCA LEANNE JORDAN ’98, June 2, 2001, Guntersville. Bob is employed as the Area Coordinator of Housing and Residence at the University of Central Alabama. Leanne is pursuing a second degree at Central Florida. She was a member of Phi Mu Sorority at JSU.

JUDY A. BROWN ’97/00 and Hannon T. Hardy, December 15, 2000, Madison. Judy is a software analyst for Intergraph in Huntsville.

VANESSA DOBBINS ’97 and Matthew Henderson, April 7, 2001, Doughton, Vaness is employed by the Dekalb County Board of Education.

ALICIA LEIGH HOGAN ’97 and Kevin Alexander Brown, June 30, 2001, Madison. Alicia is employed by the Madison County Board of Education as a first grade teacher.

KEVIN HOULT ’97/99 and CATRECE BOLDEN ’98. March 10, 2001, Talladega. Kevin was a member of Kappa Alpha Fraternity at JSU.

CHAD ALLEN HOPPER ’97 and Lauren Brooke Reynolds, July 14, 2001, Centre. Chad is an attorney with Hawkins & Hopper, LLC in Centre.

JENNIFER DANIELLE LEDLOW ’97 and Troy Alan Groover, June 2001, Gadsden. She is employed by Riverview Regional Medical Center in Gadsden.

JEREMIAH PATTERSON ‘97 and Leah McCamy, June 16, 2001, Guntersville. He is employed at Claysvile Junior High School as a teacher and coach.

PAUL QUINTON MERRYMAN ’97 and Tara Elizabeth Galloway, June 2, 2001, Cottondale. Paul is a former JSU Marching Southern. He is employed by the Alabama School of Fine Arts in Birmingham.

MARY ELIZABETH MORTON ’97 and JON DAVID BETHUNE ’91. June 9, 2001, Anniston. Mary is employed by the Calhoun County Board of Education in Anniston. Jon is employed by United Parcel Service in Oxford.

WILLIAM CHAD PRINCE ’97 and MICHELE LEAH JONES ’99. June 2, 2001, Ohatchee. Michele is employed by the Oxford City Board of Education. Chad is employed by Northeast Alabama Regional Medical Center.

KRISTI LEA REGNER ’97 and Michael Douglas Babb, June 30, 2001, Jacksonville. Kristi is employed by the Elmore County Board of Education. She was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority at JSU.

CHRISTOPHER LELE SIMMONS ’97 and Taylor LeeAnn Bond, August 18, 2001, Hartselle. He is employed by Linde Gas Incorporated. He was a member of Delta Chi fraternity at JSU.

AMANDA CAROLE WEATHERS ’97 and David Eric Walker, July 21, 2001, Boaz. A member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority at JSU. Amanda is employed by the Marshall County Board of Education. David attended JSU. He is employed by Honeywell Aerospace in Oxford.

ERIN BRADFORD ’98 and CARLA MONIQUE BOND, August 18, 2001, Hartselle. She was a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. Carla is employed by the Dade County Board of Education.


ANDREW BRENT DOOLEY ’98 and Lori Lynn McMullian, May 12, 2001, Vestavia Hills. A member of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity at JSU. Andrew is employed by Progressive Insurance as a claims representative.


STEFANIE LEIGH GARMON ’98 and JEREMY SCOTT MCGATHA ’00. July 7, 2001, Piedmont. Stefanie is employed by the Piedmont City Board of Education. Jeremy, a former member of the JSU golf team, is employed by the Cherokee Country Club.

CHARLES ROBERT HAMMOND ’98 and Angela Faith Harrison, July 7, 2001, Fort Payne. He is employed by the Dade County Board of Education at Dade County High School.

TERRI NOVOTNY HAYDON ’98 and Holley Lynn Comer, May 19, 2001, Anniston. Terri, a former member of the JSU women’s soccer team, is employed by Kitchins, Inc. in Anniston.

RHONDA JOYCE JOHNSON ’98 and Joseph Hayden Medley, Jr., May 12, 2001, Anniston. Rhonda is employed as an RN by the Renal Care Group of Anniston.

JAMES GARRISON LUKER ’98 and LISA SUSAN HUNTER ’00. March 31, 2001, in Newnan, GA. Both are employed in Newman. James was a member of Kappa Alpha Fraternity and Lisa of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority at JSU.

Birmingham. Brandon, a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity at JSU, is employed by J.A. Alexander Corporation. Beverly, a member of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority at JSU, is employed by B.L. Hubert International, LLC.

SETH NEYMAN ’98 and BRANDI KIRK ’00, July 28, 2001, Centre. Seth is currently completing his master’s degree at JSU and is employed by the Cherokee County Board of Education. Brandi is also completing her master’s degree at JSU and is employed by CVS Pharmacy in Piedmont.

JAMES RAY SHANKLES ’98 and BRANDY NICOLE EIDSON ’99, July 7, 2001, Albertville. James is employed as a teacher, girls’ varsity basketball coach, and assistant baseball coach at Ashville High School. Brandi, a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority at JSU, is employed as a third-grade teacher at McCord Elementary School in Albertville.

KARRIE S. WESTON ’98 and Wade E. O’Neal, III, May 26, 2001, in Anniston. Karrie is currently pursuing a second master’s degree at JSU.


MICHAEL LABRON WILBORN ’98 and Laura MyCale Bass, July 7, 2001, Rosalie. Michael is employed by the Jackson County Board of Education.

LAURA ELIZABETH CULVER ’99 and Jonathan Lee King, May 12, 2001, Jacksonville. Laura is employed as an RN at Gadsden Regional Medical Center. Jonathan currently attends JSU and is employed at Warren Ace Hardware.

JOSEPH HARBISON ’99 and Michelle Durham, May 5, 2001, Trussville. Joseph was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity at JSU. They reside in Birmingham.

JAMIE NICHOLE HIGGINS ’99 and ERIC LANE MARTIN ’00, April 7, 2001, Arab. Jamie is employed as a math teacher at Cullman High School. Eric, a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity at JSU, is employed by the Social Security Administration in Birmingham.

AMY MARIE KELLY ’99 and Brian William Eason, June 30, 2001, Albertville. A member of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority at JSU, Amy is employed by Intergraph Corporation in Madison.


GRANT EDWARD PARKER ’99 and LAURA CHANDLER LANKFORD ’00, March 31, 2001, Attalla. Grant is employed by the Social Security Administration in Gadsden. Laura is completing graduate studies and an internship through Morehead State University.


ANDREA LEIGH RHODES ’99 and Boyle A. Callahan, Jr., July 14, 2001, Anniston. Andrea is a former JSU Marching Ballerina. Boyle is continuing his education at JSU. They reside in Anniston.

STACY MICHELLE STALLINGS ’99 and Christopher Daniel Higdon, June 16, 2001, Guntersville. Stacy is employed by Tennessee Valley Family Services, Inc. as a social worker.

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AMY LYNN BOOZER ’00 and Jeremy Absher, July 23, 2001, Guntersville, TN. Amy, a member of Phi Mu sorority at JSU, is employed by the Forsyth County (GA) Board of Education as a second grade teacher.

LEAH RUTH BUSCH ’00 and Timothy Lee Blevins, July 14, 2001, Gadsden.

HEATHER RENEE CORRIGAN ’00 and WILLIAM BART BLEVINS ’01, July 14, 2001, at The Victoria in Anniston. Heather, a member of Phi Mu sorority at JSU, is employed by Apple One. Bart, a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity at JSU, is employed by Betzdearborn.

AMELIA DONNIE CROW ’00 and JOHN R. HOWARD, III ’01, July 21, 2001, Jacksonville. Amie was a member of the volleyball team and Zeta Tau Alpha sorority at JSU. John was a member of the JSU football team.

ROBERT CRAIG DEERMAN ’00 and Lauren Leigh Sear (date unknown), Albertville. A member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity at JSU, Robert is employed as a field marketing representative for DeWalt Industrial Tools in Charlotte, NC.

KRISTY H. EBERHART ’00 and Ryan A. Pridmore, July 14, 2001, Fort Payne. A member of Kappa Delta Epsilon and Phi Kappa Delta, Kristy is employed by the Fort Payne City Board of Education.

ASHLEY SHEA FINDLEY ’00 and JEREMIAH DANIEL PECK ’01, May 19, 2001, Gadsden. Ashley was a member of Alpha Gamma Delta sorority at JSU. Jeremiah, a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity at JSU, is a nurse anesthetist at Brookwood Medical Center in Birmingham.

BRANDI BEATY FRAEBEL ’00 and Dr. Robert R. Bouchard, Jr., March 3, 2001, Anniston. Brandi is employed by Dr. Blane Bateman.

ANGELA SUSAN GARDNER ’00 and Christopher Earl Davenport, June 2, 2001, Alexandria. Angela is employed by AmSouth Bank in Gadsden.

MELISSA RENEA GRAHAM ’00 and ERIC JUSTIN MASON ’00, June 9, 2001, Claysville. Melissa currently works part time for various school systems in the area. Eric is employed with CSC (Computer Science Corporation) in Birmingham as a computer programmer.

NATASHA DENISE “NIKKI” HALE ’00 and DREW DAVIS ’01, June 9, 2001, Bryant. Nikki is employed by Cedar Bluff School as a teacher.

JONATHAN DEL HANNAH ’00 and Heather Larissa Jones, July 28, 2001, Hokes Bluff. An American Society of Safety Engineers engineer, he is employed by ManagedComp, Savannah, GA.

TERRANCE KINTE’ HORTON, ’00 and Misty Sherrie Murry, May 26, 2001, Lanett. He is employed with Enterprise Car Rentals of Seattle, WA.

KELLI HOWELL ’00 and Randall Davis, May 26, 2001, at her home in Centre. Kelli is an RN at Gadsden Regional Medical Center.

GENA INGLIS ’00 and JONATHAN LEE NIX ’00, June 30, 2001. Gena is a former drum major for the JSU Marching Southerners. They reside in Cibouita, GA.

JEFFREY ALAN JOHNSON ’00 and JENNIFER SUSAN THOMPSON ’00, July 7, 2001, Weaver. Jeff is employed with the Marshall County Board of Education. Jennifer, a member of Phi Mu sorority at JSU, is employed by the Anniston City Board of Education.

KELLY JOHNSON ’00 and Timothy Alan Sechrest, August 18, 2001, Jacksonville. Kellylyn was a member and former educational lead-
ALUM NOTES...We love to hear from you!

MICHAEL DAVID SIMPSON '00 and Rothe Caroline McClendon, May 27, 2001, St. Augustine, FL. Mike is employed by the U.S. Army.

JENNIFER HELEN WHATLEY '00 and Jason Lafayette Glenn, July 7, 2001, Muscle Shoals. Jennifer was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority at JSU.

SONYA SUZANNE SMITH '00 and John Grady Triplett, June 2, 2001, Rock Run. Sonya is employed by the Marshall County (GA) Board of Education.

ERIC WHALEY '00 and Alison Vann, May 26, 2001, Boaz. Eric is employed by the Gordon County (GA) Board of Education.

DEANNA GAYLE WEST '00 and Troy William Patterson, Jr., July 28, 2001, Gadsden. Deanna is employed by the Marshall County Board of Education.

BRANDY LYNN SLIMP '00 and John Rollings Dillon, May 12, 2001, Muscle Shoals. Brandi, a member of Phi Mu sorority at JSU, is employed in Birmingham.

TONI YAIKOW '00 and Shane Brown, May 12, 2001, Angel Grove.


HILLARY HASSELL '01 and Joe Folsom, May 19, 2001, Cheaha State Park.

ANGELIA MARIE HILL '01 and Phillip Daniel Hyatt, May 19, 2001, Albertville.

JARED ANDREW HOLLAND '01 and Kelli Diane Carr, July 15, 2001, Weaver. They reside in Odenville.

MISTY DAWN JONES '01 and Jamie Brandon Brothers, May 5, 2001, Horton.


JEFFREY QUINN MAY '01 and Amy Elizabeth Turner, August 4, 2001, Conyers, GA. Jeff was a member of the JSU cross country team.

BRANDON CRAIG RENFROE '01 and AMANDA LEE SMITH '01, August 4, 2001, Rainsville. Brandon is attending the School of Optometry at the University of Alabama in Birmingham.

RACHEL FLANNIGAN REYNOLDS '01 and Jeremy Scott White, July 7, 2001, Gadsden. A member of Omicron Delta Epsilon, she is also employed by Sports Mania.

APRIL ELIZABETH RICHEY '01 and Bo Womack, August 25, 2001, Pell City. April is employed by the Talladega Superspeedway.


SUMER THOMAS '01 and Steven Chesnut, July 20, 2001, Gadsden. A member of Kappa Delta Pi, Sumer is employed by Gadsden Eye Associates. Steve is attending JSU and is the assistant coach for Sand Rock High School’s football team. He is also employed by Sports Mania.


JEREMY LANCE WILSON '01 and Jamie Marie Whatley, April 28, 2001, Jacksonville. Jeremy was a member of the JSU basketball team. Jamie is currently a senior at JSU.

You will soon be receiving a telephone call as part of the annual fund phonathon for the JSU Foundation. The phonathon, a telephone campaign for the Annual Fund, has been an annual event here at JSU for almost a decade.

During last fall’s phonathon, alumni pledges topped $100,000. We are very grateful to all of you who made a commitment to your university last year and hope you continue the tradition of giving this year.

BIRTHS

'00 and Joseph Troy Shirley, June 2001, Birmingham. Erin, a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority at JSU, is employed in Birmingham.

TODD '85 and her husband Daniel announce the birth of their daughter, Rachel Sarah, August 10, 1999. Katrina is a former JSU women’s basketball player. Her husband is a manager of Westin’s resorts in Rancho Mirage, CA.

Looking for 1974-1975 Chanticleer Staff

If you were a member of the 1974-75 Chanticleer staff, or were involved in any capacity at the January 1975 Buckinghamings/Steve Nicks/Michael Murphy Concert (i.e. photographer, sound recordings, movies), please contact the following:

Mr. George Kane
2610 Berkett Dr.
Austin, TX 78745
(512) 912-7733 (call collect)

Mr. Kane has been writing an article on the above musicians for the past several years and is in need of more information concerning the 1975 period. Any assistance would be greatly appreciated!

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BETH HOLCOMBE

SUSAN BROWN HITE '87 and her husband Scott announce the birth of their daughter, Anna Elizabeth, on May 11, 2001. They have an older son, Kirk, who is 12. The Sydneys reside in Naples, FL.

DAPHNE TEMPLETON

WHEEL'S 86 and her husband Kerry are proud to announce the birth of their third daughter, Anna Jane, on January 17, 2001. She was welcomed home by big sisters Libby and Grace. They reside in Chesapeake, VA.

SUZANNE BROWN HITE '87 and her husband announce the birth of their daughter, Anna Elizabeth, on January 17, 2001. Suzanne works for the Bartow County School System and is teaching at Cloverleaf Elementary School. They reside in Cartersville, GA.

CRAIG '88 and KELLEY

LOVE DANIELS '88 announce the birth of their second son, Brandon Wayne, on May 29, 2001. Their older son, Conner, is 3½. The Daniels live...
in Springville. Kelley is a partner in the CPA firm of Stone, Avant & Co., P.C., and Craig is a sales rep with United Foodservice Sales.

BECKY BURNETT IVEY '88 and her husband announce the birth of their little boy, Phillip Burnett, on March 29, 2001. He joins two sisters, Ashley, 10 years old and Anasthe, who is 6.

MICHELE RINEHART CONGER '89 and her husband Joey had a baby boy, Houston Keith, on February 14, 2001. He was welcomed by sisters Ashley, 10 years old and Anabeth who is 6.

STACY GILLESPIE HOBBLITZELL '96 and TOMMIE HOBBLITZELL '97 had a baby boy, George Thomas “Tripp” III, on May 17, 2000. Stacy is a former JSU Marching Ballerina and a member of Phi Mu Sorority. She is employed as a teacher at Rome (GA) High School. Tommie is also employed by Rome High School as the strength and conditioning teacher and football coach. They reside in Rome.


STEVEN DUANE '93 and SUSANNE WILSON HAYS '94 had their first child, Wilson Tyler, on October 14, 2000. Steve, a member of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity at JSU, is the Controller and Secretary/Treasurer of the Board at Wellborn Forest Products in Alexander City. Susanne, a member of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority at JSU, is a third grade teacher at Stephens Elementary in Alexander City.

TERRI INGHAM LEARY '94 and JOEY LEARY '95 welcomed their baby girl, Callie June, on November 29, 2001. They have a 2 year-old-son, Jake, who welcomed his new sister home. Jenny was a former JSU Marching Ballerina. John is employed with the Haralson County (GA) Board of Education. They reside in Heflin.

TINA BROWN HUTSON '92 and her husband Philip welcomed a baby girl, Britney Michelle, on March 20, 2001. Tina is a teacher with the Heard County (GA) Board of Education. They reside in Wedowee.

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Niyah Simpson Griffin '98 and her husband Darryl welcomed their baby girl, Lauren Gayle, on April 19, 2001. Niyah is a teacher with the Metro Public Schools at Haywood Elementary and they reside in Nashville, TN. Niyah was the JSU Homecoming Queen for 1996-97.

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GRETCHEN SMITH STUDDARD '91 recently had a baby boy, James Davis, on August 1, 2001. They reside in Memphis, TN.

SALLY BROCK HALL '92/95 and her husband Clark welcomed the birth of twin boys, Jonathon and Benjamin, on November 13, 2000. Sally was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority. She is employed by the Gadsden City Board of Education as a teacher at Walnut Park Elementary School. Clark attended JSU. He is an attorney in Gadsden.

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Niyah Simpson Griffin '98 and her husband Darryl welcomed their baby girl, Lauren Gayle, on April 19, 2001. Niyah is a teacher with the Metro Public Schools at Haywood Elementary and they reside in Nashville, TN. Niyah was the JSU Homecoming Queen for 1996-97.

CURTNEY PADGETT BUSBY '00 and her husband Michael welcomed the birth of their son, Dalton, recently. They have moved from Rome, GA to Anniston.

OBITUARIES

RETRACTIONS:
The Alumni Office wishes to extend our sincerest apologies to our alumni listed below and to their families. Information was provided to us, in error, that they were deceased.

CARL JACKSON BARTLETT '36, a former JSU basketball player, is a retired rural mailman. He is residing in an assisted-living facility in Roanoke.

INEZ ROEBUCK ADAMS '46. It was her husband, WILLIAM '46.
who passed away in September of 1987 and not Inez.

JAMES LAMAR McGRADY  '78 wants everyone to know he is alive and well and residing in Birmingham!

BENJAMIN A. JENNINGS  '77 is also alive and well and works for the Huntsville Police Department. He resides in Madison.

HARVEY DANIEL HALL  '87 is residing in Talladega.

DATES OF GRADUATION UNKNOWN OR DID NOT GRADUATE:

“MISS BETTY” FITZGERALD, March 15, 2001, Montgomery. She was 94. She was a dedicated volunteer who worked with people with disabilities, taught the elderly how to read and belonged to a variety of garden clubs. She published educational textbooks, articles and poems, gathered scores of awards, including the 1980 Humanitarian Award from the governor, and was inducted into the Senior Citizens Hall of Fame in 1987 and the Volunteer Hall of Fame for service to her community.

ESTHER HALL GREER, died July 11, 2001, in Tuscaloosa. She was a teacher in elementary and junior high schools throughout the state, completing her career as a math teacher at Tuscaloosa Junior High. A scholarship has been established in her name at Jacksonville State University.

JULIA HILL GREGORY, May 16, 2001, Decatur. A former JSU women’s basketball player, she taught and coached basketball for several years at Union Grove School in Marshall County. She was 86.

HAZEL LUMPKIN HICKS, April 8, 2001, Boaz. She began her teaching career in Ivallee and taught for 42 years, 20 years at Walnut Grove High School and 10 years at Etowah High. She was 80. At the time of her retirement, more than 6000 students had passed through her classrooms!

DANIEL EUGENE KEITH, March 18, 2001, Richmond. He was a retired employee of CSX Corporation. He played basketball and baseball at Jacksonville State. After serving in the Navy and then returning to Jacksonville State, he was hired by the Brooklyn Dodgers and played with several of their farm teams before entering the business world working for the railroad.

JAMES V. KNOX, August 7, 2001, Atlanta. He was 50. He was a former member of the JSU football team, having played in 1970. James was also a former police officer in Anniston.

JAMES ROBERT LOTT, Feb. 15, 2001, Birmingham. He and his wife were owners of Larry Parker Furniture Co. in Sylacauga since 1965. James served in the Army during the Korean War.

BEATRICE TORRENCE WEBB, January 7, 2001, Gadsden. She was 85. Despite the hardship of losing her hearing, she became one of Carver High School’s most memorable teachers. For almost four decades, she worked in the Gadsden area’s local schools (Carver, Nancy Oden, and General Forrest).

TULA JANE LATIMER VAUGHN, April 10, 2001, in Guntersville of leukemia. She was 92. She was the last surviving member of her family. She and her husband would have celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary this year! She was an accomplished seamstress and enjoyed gardening.

HOYT WILKES, May 31, 2001, Jacksonville. He was 74. Hoyt was retired from Jacksonville State University.

MARGARET PEEL POINDEXTER WILLIAMS, May 5, 2001, Sheffield. She was 88. She was the JSU librarian from 1963 until her retirement in 1978.

MARGARET HAMM COLE '28/57, died in 2000. We were recently informed by her grandson, MARTY HAGOOD '95, that she had passed away last year. She taught in the Barbour County School System for many years. She was the sister to DR. PHILLIP HAMM '25/69, who was the commissioner of revenue for the State of Alabama for several terms. A large family, which includes the following JSU graduates, survive her: BUDDY HAMM '69, WILLIAM HENRY HART '38, MARTY HAGOOD '95, and LENORE HAGOOD who is currently a JSU senior.

ZADIE POSS WHITESIDE ‘28/42, February 16, 2001, Anniston. She was 95. She was a retired teacher with the Calhoun County Board of Education.

JOSEPH “JAY” BRAXTON BOYKIN ’31, May 29, 2001, Talladega. He played basketball for Jacksonville State. He was the director of the Talladega, Clay and Randolph County Community Action Agency for 33 years.

BOYCE JOHNSTON ’37, April 17, 2001, Crossville. He worked for the Dupont Corporation, Betchel McComb Aircraft in Birmingham and Lockheed Aircraft. He was an owner of W.B. Jones Mills which burned shortly after his purchasing it. It was rebuilt with help from the community. After later closing the mill, he completed his college education and taught in the Dekalb County School System.

ALICE HELEN PETERSON HAMMERS ’42, March 23, 2001, Anniston. She retired from the Anniston City School System and served as a Pink Lady at Northeast Alabama Regional Medical Center volunteering her time.

EVELYN HAWKINS WESTBROOK ’43, July 23, 2001, Goodwater. She was 86. She taught school in Coosa County for over 35 years and was nominated as “Alabama Teacher of the Year” and “Alabama Mother of the Year.” She was a life member of the JSU Alumni Association, as is her husband, CLYDE WESTBROOK ’38.

EDNA M. WILSON ’43, died recently. She resided in Jacksonville.

MARTIN COFIELD HEERMANS ’44, May 8, 2001, San Juan Capistrano, CA. She was an educator for more than 40 years, teaching in the schools of Randolph and Calhoun Counties and the Anniston City School System, from which she retired. Her last ten years of teaching (1976-86) were in Capistrano Baptist School in California.

LILLIAN NORA GILCHRIST SELLERS ’47, January 12, 2001, West Point, MS. She taught elementary school in Cordova for over 30 years.

KATHRYN MCCURRY STOVALL INGRAM ’49, February 29, 2001, Trussville. She was 93. She retired after 29 years of teaching at Eulaton Elementary School in Calhoun County.

FRANK N. HACKNEY ’49, March 10, 2001, Anniston. He was a lifetime member of the JSU Alumni Association and a longtime member of the Gamecock Club. He taught, coached and served as principal in Calhoun County Schools and was the retired principal of Saks Elementary School. His wife is BILLIE TANKERSLEY HACKNEY ’50.

CURTIS JOHNSON ’49, April 11, 2001, Jacksonville. He played baseball for JSU.

JOSEPH C. STEELE, JR. ’49, July 1, 2001, Grant. He worked for U.S. Steele before retiring.

MARY LOU CLEMENTS YOUNGBLOOD ’50, June 25, 2001, Gadsden. She was 86.

MARY JO TERRELL ISOM ’51, June 14, 2001, Birmingham, of cancer. She taught 39 years at Grassy School, all of it in the second grade, before she retired in 1990. She lived in Arab.

MINNIE WILLIAMS WILLIAMSON ’51, July 10, 2001, Jacksonville. She was an educator for 43 years, 33 in Alabama and 10 in Florida, serving the majority of the time as a first grade teacher. She was known for opening the first florist shop in Jacksonville.

JOY ANN YOUNGBLOOD FARQUHAR ’52, April 30, 2001, Hoover. She was retired from Hillview Elementary School. She was 70.

MOZELLE HENLEY GREENE ’52, January 22, 2001, Birmingham. She was retired from the Talladega County Board of Education.

ROY E. MANN ’52, July 9, 2001, Birmingham. He resided in Roanoke. He was a retired school principal and football coach, having worked for 20 years in the Pell City School System. He was also an Air Force veteran.

L.C. ANGLIN ’54, died recently in Huntsville. He worked at MICH at Redstone Arsenal and taught and coached in the Madison County School System before retiring. He received the Ernest A. Young Logistics Award and Achievement Medal for Civilian Service.
LILLIAN SORTER HUNT '64
July 17, 2001, Guntersville. She was 95. She was a retired school teacher.

DONALD E. COOK '65/76
July 18, 2001. He was a retired Army Lieutenant Colonel. He served tours in Europe and Vietnam and joined the Army Reserves. He was recalled to active duty during the Gulf War and retired in 1993. He was recognized with the Army Commendation Medal, Vietnam campaign medal, Bronze Star, two overseas bars, an air medal and parachutist badge.

RAYMOND C. HIGGINS '65
December 11, 2000, Montgomery. He was employed with Morrison’s Health Care for 35 years. He was a retired Army veteran and received a parachute badge.

DEAN '96, and Cheryl Denise Goodson.

SANDY WYCOFF KILIAN '65, May 18, 2001, Forest Hill, MD. She was a former JSU Marching Ballerina.

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MERTIE LEE BOHANNON
'54, June 10, 2001, Anniston. She was 94. She taught in the Alabama school system for 30 years and in Florida for 15 years before returning to Alabama in 1972.

WINNIE LITTLE NORTH '55
April 19, 2001, Talladega. She was a retired teacher.

FRED RAY LYBRAND '56
February, 2001, Burbank, CA. The Alumni Office was recently notified by a friend of the Jones’ family of his death.

RICHARD A. JONES '56

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April 19, 2001, Talladega. She was a retired teacher.

FRED RAY LYBRAND '56

Died recently in Anniston. He was a former Alabama legislator and prominent Anniston attorney for more than 40 years. He was well known for having composed several pieces of legislation during his 8-year tenure at the State Capitol, including Alabama’s first ethics code. He was the JSU Alumnus of the Year in 1972. He retired from state government in 1974, and continued to practice law in Anniston until his retirement in 1999. He was a veteran of the Korean War.

MARVIN H. HENRY '57
July 26, 2001, in Anniston. He resided in Munford. A retired Air Force master sergeant, he was also retired from the State of Alabama.

SARI HOOD RANSUM '57
May 23, 2001, Leesburg. She was a retired teacher.

HORACE M. POPE '58
March 29, 2001, in Birmingham. He resided in Jacksonville. He was a former administrator in the Talladega County School System and was the former principal of Winterboro High School and several other schools in Talladega County. A Navy veteran, he served at Pearl Harbor.

AVICE T. TIDWELL '58
July 26, 2001, Wetumpka.

BILL C. PERRY '59
May 20, 2001, Gadsden, of cancer. He was in the insurance business for the last 41 years and he owned and operated Bill Perry Insurance Agency at the time of his death.

'60-69

LEVIS LOVVORN WILSON '60, March 31, 2001, Opelika. She was a retired teacher with the Randolph County Board of Education and taught for 42 years. She was a life member of the JSU Alumni Association.

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LINDA GRESHAM ARMSTRONG '68, December 29, 2000, McDonough, GA. A life member of the JSU Alumni Association, she was principal at Stockbridge Elementary School and was employed with the Henry County (GA) Board of Education.


DAVID RICHARD “RICK” WILLIAMS '68
April 7, 2001, Pleasant Grove, after a lengthy battle with cancer. He was a retired insurance adjuster. He spent 27 years in the Alabama National Guard and U.S. Army Reserves, retiring as a major.

FRANCIS AVERY COBBS, III '59, May 2, 2001, Cecil. He was a district claims manager for Alfa Insurance and an avid photographer.

DR. CHARLES E. PATTY, JR. '69
February 1, 2001, Huntsville. He was employed by Teledyne Technologies, Inc.; was President/CEO/co-owner of CSP Research, Inc.; and was an adjunct faculty member, Redstone Arsenal Branch, Extended Studies Division, Columbia College (Columbia, MO). After graduating from JSU, he served in the U.S. Air Force Strategic Air Command (SAC). He is survived by his wife, STEPHANIE CARTER PATTY '70, and 2 children.

We love to hear from you!
ALUM NOTES...We love to hear from you!

'70-79

JAMES W. TAYLOR ’70, July 5, 2001, Columbia, SC. He was a well-known expert on the Civil War.

JOHN D. HAGOOD ’71, Spring, 2000, Evergreen. He retired from the State of Alabama after many years of service.

PEGGY JO ISBELL ’71, February 15, 2001, Huntsville. She taught and was senior class sponsor at Butler High School before she retired. She was a member of Phi Mu Sorority at JSU.

ARTHUR DEAN MATTOX ’71 died recently at his home in Ashland.

JEANNETTE BOZEMAN KILBURN ’72 of Baton Rouge, LA. We were recently notified by the postal service that she is deceased.

CHARLES MICHAEL KING ’72, June 20, 2001, in Birmingham. He resided in Anniston. A Navy veteran, he served in the Army National Guard for 30 years. He was employed as a training coordinator at Anniston Army Depot.

MARTHA ROSE SANDERS MICHALE ’72, January 2, 2001, Alabama, in a house fire. She was a Save-A-Life volunteer, a teacher of the Wilton Home School Co-op, and Keepers at Home (Corner Stone Church).

REV. L. RUTLEDGE LANDER ’73, March 27, 2001, Birmingham. He served as a Methodist minister with the following churches over the years, beginning in 1968: Munford, Bynum, Ohatchee, Four Mile, Davis Chapel, Central (Decatur), Wesley Chapel (Sylacauga), Trinity (Alexander City), Pleasant Hill (Flu-rence) Hewett Memorial (Albertville), Langdale (Valley), and Fairview (Birmingham).

BETTY ANN CLARK LAYTON ’73/82, April 1, 2001, Munford. She served as a teacher and administrator in the Talladega County School System for the past 28 years and was the current assistant principal at Hill Elementary School in Munford.

IDA YOUNG ROMINE ’74/94, July 16, 2001, Anniston. She began her teaching career in 1962 at Phyllis Wheatley High School in Childersburg. She taught at Cobb Avenue High School and retired after 32 years of teaching at Anniston High School. She was the first African-American teacher to be hired by the Anniston City Board of Education. She was a member of Zeta Phi Beta sorority and had served as President of the Anniston School Board.

MICHAEL E. BENTLEY ’76, February 23, 2001, Dallas, TX. He lived in Texas for the past 20 years and was employed by Trinity Industries in Dallas.

MASSOUD ZANDI ’76, August 19, 1999. The Alumni Office was only recently notified of his passing by Phoebe Zandi. He lived in Trussville.

ROBERT A. BURBANK ’78, May 5, 2001, Ozark. The Alumni Office was notified by a family member of his passing.

MICHAEL ALFRED DEAN ’78/86, July 3, 2001, Anniston. He was a former employee of FMC Corporation.

JOHN ALBERT DORMON ’79, April 19, 2001, DeArmanville. He was retired from Anniston Army Depot.

JAMES D. HESTER ’79, April 1, 2001, Fort Lauderdale, FL. He was an English teacher with the Broward County Board of Education and was originally from Fort Payne.

'80-89

EVA I. ELROD ’80, date unknown, of Mentone. The Alumni Office was notified of her death during our recent mailing.

RONNIE LYNN BEARDEN ’81, date unknown, of Jacksonville. The Alumni Office was notified by his wife that he was killed in an automobile accident. He was a conservation officer with the Alabama Department of Conservation, Fish and Game Division.

EYDIE MARIE GIBSON KIRBY ’81, June 25, 2001, Pitts-burgh, PA, after transplant surgery. She resided in Anniston and was an RN at Northeast Alabama Regional Medical Center.

VAL ROY ORTH ’81, February 12, 2001, in Birmingham. He resided in Anniston.

LOLA BOWMAN TURNER ’84, May 20, 2001, Birmingham. A resident of Pell City, she was employed at the St. Clair County Department of Human Resources.

CAMILLE CREED RANDLE ’85 of Alexandria died in a plane crash in Calhoun County. She was a new employee of ACC, having been hired as director of programming. She was on a business flight with several other employees of the company. She was a life member of the JSU Alumni Association. Another JSU graduate and ACC consultant, JEFFREY MOTES ’76, also died in the plane crash.

ARLIN EDWARD COLEMAN ’87, April 17, 2001, Anniston. He was a retired real estate loan officer with SouthTrust Bank and an Army Korean War veteran.

NORMAN JEAN MEDEIROS ’89/90, date of death unknown, of Jacksonville.

'90-99

AMY LOUISE CHEATWOOD DEMPSEY ’95, June 21, 2001, Jackson-sonville. While at JSU, she was a member of the International House Program. She taught math and physics at the Lexington (KY) Community College and at JSU. She was a life member of the JSU Alumni Association, along with her husband DAVID WAYNE DEMPSEY ’92/94.

'00-01

CHRISTOPHER LEE ROBINSON ’00, June 13, 2001, Bir- mingham. While at JSU, he was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity, Vice-president of Maranatha Ministries and was a peer counselor.

KARON MAX MCGILL ’95, date of death unknown, of Tallapoosa, GA. The Alumni Office was notified by the postal service of his death.


We’re looking for your Love stories!

JSU is planning a feature article for an upcoming issue on couples who met while attending the University. We know that some of our alums eventually married. Please share your stories with us on how you met, and how the University is part of your family history. We’ll compile the most interesting stories in an article.

Name________________________Yr. Graduated__________

Spouse’s Name__________________Yr. Graduated__________

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How we met: Attach separate sheet(s) ____________________________

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