This summer, Ramona Wood Hall gave shelter to two of the College of Education and Professional Studies’ displaced departments. Family and Consumer Sciences was displaced due to the maintenance on Mason Hall, while Health, Recreation, and Physical Education was displaced due to a power outage in the coliseum.

Dr. Debra Goodwin, Director of Family and Consumer Sciences said “The installation of a new air conditioning system, new windows, and about an inch of dust kept us away from our offices this summer. Luckily, thanks to the kindness of the Dean and his staff, we were able to relocate to Ramona Wood and carry on our classes and normal activities.”

Unexpectedly, HPER found itself in the dark. The JSU Newswire Reported, “We have encountered an electrical problem at the coliseum... the electrical power feed bus bar system has failed. There is currently no power to the coliseum and corrective measures will take several days, if not all week, to correct.”

Dr. Jeff Chandler was unabashed as he pulled his RV into the parking lot and placed a sign near the vehicle that indicated HPER was still in business. Dr. Chandler said, “Most of our classes were scheduled on-line in Summer II and the classes scheduled in the coliseum were able to meet in areas that were manageable. I appreciate the cooperation of the HPER faculty and staff during this unexpected challenge.”

The problems that occurred due to the outage in the Coliseum are still not corrected. Power has been restored, but the air conditioning system damaged from the outage may take several more weeks to repair. Family and Consumer Sciences is on schedule to return to its normal operation as the academic year begins.
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This summer JSU Wellness-Anniston found ways to reach children during their summer vacation and provide information about healthy lifestyles. The center participated in the Anniston City School’s Summer Enrichment program, and Gadsden State Community College Ayers Campus Kid’s College. JSU Wellness-Anniston conducted the Kids’ Day at the Farmers’ Market and The Youth, Empowerment, Education Summit (Y.E.E.S.). All events were very successful and benefited many children.

At the Anniston City School’s Summer Enrichment program and the Gadsden State Community College Ayers Campus Kid’s College, JSU Wellness-Anniston provided health, wellness, and physical activity education.

JSU Wellness-Anniston in conjunction with JSU Nursing provided wellness screenings to the adult public and nutrition information to the children at Anniston’s Zinn Park Farmers’ Market. JSU Wellness-Anniston hosted the first Y.E.E.S. event on July 22, 2009. This event is produced in partnership with local community centers, volunteers, and other contributing organizations. The summit provided education and physical activity. The summit ended in an award ceremony for youth participants and other youth in the community.

The center will host the second annual Calhoun County Community Wellness Walk on September 12, 2009, please see http://www.jsu.edu/depart/edprof/Well/ for more information.

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COMMUNICATIONS AND TECHNOLOGY & ENGINEERING
FEATURED IN APT’S ON THE JOB

Alabama Industrial Development Training Showcases the Department of Communication and the Department of Technology and Engineering as Places to Prepare for Careers

Both the Department of Communications was recently featured on Alabama Industrial Development Training, the Department’s On the Job program. On The Job is a television show that is aired on Alabama Public Television, WSFA-TV, and some Charter and Brighthouse cable systems. The programs are also available on the website, http://onthejobtv.org/site/. On The Job provides an educational and informative outlet designed to give Alabama citizens a look at jobs available to them and the education and skills required to get these jobs and improve their lives.

A summary of the two JSU shows is available at the On The Job web archive.

July 12 & 14, 2009 WLJS, Jacksonville State University’s student-run radio station’s program focused on the training received by students through the Department of Communication. The program included an interview with Birmingham disc jockey Justin Brown, who began his radio career at WLJS.

July 19 & 21, The Department of Technology and Engineering’s Manufacturing Systems program was in the spotlight. This episode allowed the audience to look in as the host worked with JSU student Adam Burke to design and create a prototype part. Another segment featured JSU student Brandon Woodard talking about the process that Manufacturing Systems students use to design and program robotic systems.

TV SERVICES WINS TWO MORE TELLYS IN 2009

JSU TV Services has won two more Telly Awards. These are the fifth and sixth Telly wins for TV Services. The Tellys are one of the most prestigious awards in advertising and video and film production.

The TV Services production of JSU Today received a Telly for the episode that featured JSU employee Ms. Connie Thompson. The story told of Ms. Thompson’s donation of a kidney to a Heflin man she did not know at the time and the changes in both of their lives.

The second Telly was for a public affairs program “The Night I Died” edited by former TV Services student worker Len Jackson. While Mr. Jackson graduated in May, his work will take an honored place in his portfolio. “The Night I Died” was a project produced for Students Against Destructive Decisions (SADD). It was entered in the student category of the Telly Awards. Mr. Jackson is now working full-time for TV24.

BATTELLE IS INVESTING IN JSU

Mr. Steve Downing of Battelle in Anniston recently presented a check for $2,000 to JSU president Dr. William Meehan at the materials testing laboratory in Ayers Hall. Battelle Memorial Institute (Battelle) supports JSU in building tomorrow’s technology workforce. Battelle’ contribution is a recognition of JSU’s work towards educating men and women, who will become the innovators of the future.

In Anniston, Battelle performs air analysis of the incinerator facility for chemical nerve and blister agents.

Mr. Terry Marbut, Department Head of Technology and Engineering, Mr. Steve Downing of Battelle, and Dr. William A. Meehan, President of JSU.
Dr. Jeff Chandler, department head for Health, Physical Education, and Recreation (HPER), announced a Master of Science in Sport Management program is scheduled to begin offering courses in fall 2009. JSU is one of only two universities in Alabama, and the only regional university, to offer this program of study.

The M.S. degree in Sport Management will consist of two tracks, one will lead to class A teacher certification (Interscholastic Athletic Administration), and the other will be non-teacher certification (Sports Marketing and Administration).

Those interested in the “Interscholastic Athletic Administration” track must hold a current and renewable class B teaching certificate. This program of study is not limited to those who are certified in health or physical education. Anyone holding a class B certification is eligible for the program. The curriculum is designed to provide the knowledge and skills necessary to function effectively as a high school athletic director.

The “Sports Marketing and Administration” program of study was designed for individuals interested in working on the “business side” of athletics. It is aimed more toward those seeking a career in marketing or public relations in college or professional athletics. Both curricula will be offered as total online programs.

The programs are headed by Dr. Glaucio Scremin. Dr. Scremin specializes in sports management and sports marketing. He holds a B.S. in Health Sciences from Lock Haven University of Pennsylvania; a M.S.S. in Sports Studies from the United States Sports Academy; and an Ed.D. in Sports Management from the United States Sports Academy. For more information, you may contact Dr. Scremin at (256) 782-5517 or gscremin@jsu.edu

Dr. Linda Mitchell, assistant professor in the Department of Secondary Education, directed the 21st Century Learning Summer Camp 2009 on July 13–17, 2009. The camp was funded by a competitive grant received from the Truman Pierce Institute in Auburn University. This year’s camp was the second year that Dr. Mitchell and JSU have been awarded the grant and hosted the camp.

The goals of the camp are to prepare high school students to serve as tutors in 21st Century tutoring centers throughout Alabama; to strengthen students’ academic engagement, specifically in math and science; to allow low income students to experience college life and possibly consider college as a viable path after high school; and to introduce students to the idea of education as a possible future career.

During the camp, eighteen students from across North Alabama came to JSU and, along with four counselors and Dr. Mitchell, lived in the Curtiss Hall dorms for the week. Activities included both learning and enrichment activities. During the camp students went kayaking, a first for most of the campers and counselors. They also took younger students from Boys and Girls Clubs in the area on tours of the Anniston Museum of Natural History, the Berman Museum, and the Birmingham Zoo. At JSU the students were able participate in a tutoring workshop by Dr. Teresa Gardner from the Department of Curriculum and Instruction, a robotics workshop by Mr. Terry Marbut, Dr. Noureddine Bekhouche, and Mr. Phil Dean from the Department of Technology and Engineering, and a science workshop by Dr. Virginia Cole from the Department of Secondary Education. The younger students also toured the campus while older students had a presentation concerning the advantages of attending JSU.