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Dr. William A. Meehan, President

Dear Alumni,

As we celebrate the 125th anniversary of Jacksonville State University, all associated with JSU can take great pride in what the University has become. From humble beginnings as the State Normal School, Jacksonville is now recognized as a distinguished selective regional institution of higher education in the state of Alabama dedicated to the needs of its diverse student body. With your help, the next 125 years at JSU will be even greater.

The fall brings an air of excitement to campus. This year Family Day activities will be held in conjunction with Homecoming on October 18th. Kickoff is set for 4:00PM and at half-time, you will be introduced to our outstanding alumni award winners and the 2008 Homecoming Queen. See page 16 for more information and make plans to come back to campus for our 125th anniversary celebrations.

As always, we have many outstanding alumni who are featured in this edition. On page 22 find out how one of our criminal justice graduates, Kathy Maltagliati, is recovering national archives through her work as a criminal investigator.

One of our 1949 graduates, Mr. E. C. Wilson, recently participated in an Honor Flight program dedicated to World War II veterans. Read this interesting story on page 26. On page 6 you will meet Mr. Donald Martin and his family. Mr. Martin is the new president of the JSU Foundation.

In the sports section, you will learn that our gamecock student-athletes are not only performing on the field but excelling in community service and sportsmanship as well. You can also find out how you, as alumni and friends, can become more involved with the alumni association. The "With Alumni" section has information about upcoming chapter events and reunions. There are many avenues for you to get involved.

The capital campaign has had great success and will wrap up its efforts, reaching its \$25 million goal this December. As always, we couldn't have done it without the support of our donors. Read about the campaign efforts beginning on page 50.

I hope you enjoy this issue and I look forward to seeing you on campus again soon!

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "William A. Meehan".

William A. Meehan, President

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ALUMNI ASSOCIATION EXECUTIVE OFFICERS: Don Killingsworth, '99/'01, president; Sarah Ballard, '69/'75/'82, past president; Emily Bonds '87, vice president; Chris Reynolds, '85, treasurer; Nancy Turner, recording secretary; Kaci Ogle, '95/'04, executive director; Alan Renfro, '88/'07, assistant director.

JSU Board of Trustee Member Inducted into Alabama Road Builders Hall of Fame

In May, Mr. G. Mack Roberts was honored to be inducted into the 2008 Alabama Road Builders Hall of Fame. Roberts began his career in the transportation industry in 1956 as an employee with the Alabama Highway department. Throughout his career he served in many capacities including project engineer, assistant division engineer, division engineer, state roadway and bridge maintenance engineer, assistant highway director serving as department liaison to the state Legislature and U.S. Congress, highway director under Gov. Hunt and Gov. Folsom and director for the Alabama Department of Transportation.

During his tenure as transportation director, he was responsible for the supervision of the daily department activities, as well as the annual budget. The department contracted about 540 construction projects during his time.

Roberts attended Jacksonville State University and the University of Alabama-



Above: Mr. G. Mack Roberts.

Birmingham. He was awarded the Governmental Official Award for Alumni for JSU and serves on the Board of Trustees.

King named Associate VP for Enrollment Management & Student Affairs

Dr. Timothy King began his new position as the Associate Vice President for Enrollment Management & Student Affairs at Jacksonville State University in July 2007. In that role, Dr. King leads a team of directors representing the areas of Admissions, Financial Aid, University Housing, Student Life, Recreational Sports, Student Health Center, Counseling, Career Placement Services, and University Police. He is also responsible for developing and implementing a strategic enrollment management plan to achieve JSU's objective of recruiting and matriculating a diverse body of 10,000 students.

Before coming to Jacksonville State University, Dr. King was the Director of Learning Enhancement & Academic Development at the University of Dayton in Dayton, Ohio. He has also held professional positions in Student and Academic Affairs at the University of Arkansas, University of Alabama at Birmingham and The University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. He earned a doctorate of philosophy in Counselor Education at The University of Alabama, a master's of science in Counseling & Human Development at Troy State University, and a bachelor of arts in Philosophy from St. Joseph's Seminary College in St. Benedict, Louisiana.

Dr. King and his wife Beth are Montgomery natives. Mrs. King attended Auburn University and she is a certified early education and special education teacher. Dr. and Mrs. King have three children: Alex (10), Davis (8), and Olivia (4). The family resides in Jacksonville.



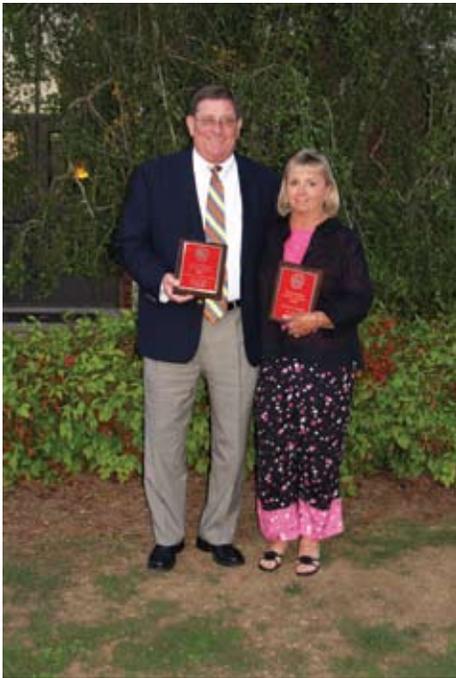
Above: Dr. Timothy King Vice President for Enrollment Management and Student Affairs.

HPER Names Outstanding Alumni for 2008

The Health, Physical Education and Recreation department of Jacksonville State University recently selected Kandy G. and Moe Smith as the 2008 outstanding alumni.

Ms. Smith received her bachelors of science degree in physical education from JSU in 1972 and since 1977 has been the physical education teacher at John Jones Elementary School in Rainbow City, Ala.

Mr. Marion E. "Moe" Smith received his bachelor of science degree in 1971 and masters of science in education in 1977 from JSU. Mr. Smith is the principal of Glencoe High School where he has served since 1977. He was inducted into the Alabama High School sports hall of fame and received the JSU athletic hall of fame distinguished alumni service award in 2005. Kandy and Moe are married with two children and a grandson.



Above: 2008 HPER's Outstanding Alumni Kandy and Moe Smith.

Male Minority Mentoring Program Established

Elite Gentlemen Organization (EGO) is a minority male mentoring group that has built its platform on what its' members call "The Seven Steps of Leaders." These steps include: leadership, enhancement, accountability, determination, education, responsibility and self-respect.

The concept for EGO was developed from a research initiative of the Office of Distance Education at JSU focused on recruitment and retention efforts in Distance Education. This project was propelled forward by Office of Distance Education Research Assist Miss Delores Laster, and former JSU employee, Mr. Eddie Banks-Crosson. JSU new hire, Mr. Fred Smith joined the advisory board during the conception phase.

After several months of research into the factors that influence minority male enrollment decisions in higher education,

some initial issues and the some solutions seemed clear. The decision was made to create a support group where minority males can encourage and uplift each other. Additionally, this group would allow for an avenue where minority male students receive recognition for their accomplishments and improvements.

"It almost seemed like common sense," Miss Laster states. "We saw that there was a need and conducted research and surveys to make sure we implemented a program that would meet the needs of our minority male students."

On April 28, 2008, EGO was born. Since its conception, EGO has grown tremendously and has received support from numerous staff, faculty and community leaders.

"I believe there is a distinct need for the mentorship of young minority males within the institution of higher education." Mr. Crosson explains, "This component can contribute greatly to the recruitment and retention of minority males in the university setting."

For more information or to make a donation to further the development of this student group, please contact Miss Delores Laster at (267) 782-8172 or at dlaster@jsu.edu.



ELITE GENTLEMEN ORG.

"Minority male mentorship is a valuable asset among many in the educational process. By mentoring our students of today we are investing in our leaders of tomorrow"

**Mr. Fred Smith
(Director, JSU Wellness - Anniston)**

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(employees retiring between January 1-August 30)

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Dr. Carol Uline

College of Education & Professional Studies

Randy Owen Receives Ellis Island Medal of Honor



Randy Owen, '73, from Ft. Payne, Ala., known for being the lead singer and songwriter of the famed country music group *Alabama*, was chosen to receive the prestigious Ellis Island Medal of Honor on Ellis Island in New York City in May. The award pays tribute to “the immigrant experience and individual achievement” and is presented to American citizens of diverse origins for their outstanding contributions to their communities, their nation and the world.

The honor is recognized by the U.S. House of Representatives and Senate and the names of recipients are listed in the Congressional Record. He has played a part in many different causes and charitable events throughout the years, raising millions of dollars for schools, public service organizations, hospitals, youth ranches and scholarships.

Owen has had a 19-year commitment to the children of St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital. “Country Cares for St. Jude’s Kids” has raised over \$315 million to date. Last summer, Tony Thomas, son of St. Jude’s founder Danny Thomas, presented Mr. Owen with the Founder’s Award - - an honor that Danny only bestowed upon very special occasions.

Two New Board of Trustees Appointed

Two empty seats on the Jacksonville State University Board of Trustees have been filled.

Randy Jones of Madison, Ala. will fill the slot vacated by U.S. Rep. Bud Cramer’s resignation. Thomas Dedrick, Sr. of Tuscaloosa, Ala. now occupies the spot left open by Ms. Gladys Carlisle who served on the board for 23 years before passing away in November, 2007.

Jones is a 1976 JSU graduate and the president of Randy Jones Insurance Agency. Dedrick currently works as a wealth-management adviser with Merrill Lynch.

**2008 JSU Board of
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Above: New Trustee Member Mr. Thomas Dedrick Sr., Seventh District. **Below:** New Trustee Member Randy Jones, Fifth District



Oldest Greek Organizations on Campus Celebrate 40 Years

The Epsilon Pi Chapter of Alpha Xi Delta and the Jacksonville State University Chapter of Delta Chi Fraternity, founded within a month of each other in 1968, held their individual alumni reunions on campus this spring.

Approximately 80 Alpha Xi alumnae returned to JSU in March reuniting with fellow sisters and national organization leaders. Like the women, Delta Chi returned the same number of fraternity alumni in May. Currently the men of Delta Chi occupy the Delta Chi house in Paul Carpenter Village while the women of Alpha Xi Delta live on the third floor of Curtiss Hall on campus.

Senate Resolution for 125 Anniversary



February 22, 2008 marked the 125th anniversary of Jacksonville State University. On Tuesday, April 22, President Bill Meehan received a congratulatory joint resolution from the Alabama State Legislature recognizing JSU for reaching such a milestone anniversary. The resolution was sponsored by Rep. Lea Fite and Sen. Del Marsh.

**Alumni Affairs has a new number!
Reach us directly at
877-JSU-ALUM**

Alumni Continuing to Give Back Through Speaker's Bureau

Have you ever wondered how you can make a difference in someone's life?

The Alumni Affairs and Career Placement Office are looking for alumni willing to give back to their alma mater by participating in the Speaker's Bureau On campus.

The program brings back alumni in various fields to talk with current JSU students in the related major or concentration. The goal of the speaker's bureau is to have at least one successful alum from each college or department come back on campus in the next year. This year's theme is "My Career, My Success, My JSU"



Congressman Mike Rogers'78, B.S. in History, spoke to political science students and community members in the Theron Montgomery building on September 17, 2007. Congressman Rogers represents the 3rd Congressional District.



Mr. Jeh-Jeh Pruitt'95, B.A. in Communications, started off JSU's Career Day with a bang speaking to communi-

ication students in the Theron Montgomery building in October 24, 2007. Mr. Pruitt is a television personality, currently reporting and anchoring for FOX 6 News in Birmingham, Ala.



Dr. Greg Robinson'79, B.S. in Chemistry, presented his latest research to chemistry students in Martin Hall on February 19, 2008. Also a former football player, Dr. Robinson met with the current Gamecocks as well, speaking to them about character development. Dr. Robinson is a chemistry professor and researcher at the University of Georgia in Athens, Ga.



FBI Special Agent Craig Bates'81, B.S. in Criminal Justice, met with criminal justice students on April 8 in Brewer Hall. Students learned of various avenues of employment with the FBI and career advice on how to get started.

Join the ranks of Congressman Mike Rogers, Jeh-Jeh Pruitt, Dr. Greg Robinson and Special Agent Craig Bates and make an influence on JSU students today! Contact the alumni office if you are interested in participating.



*New Foundation Board
President at Home in Atlanta*



In Buckhead, an Atlanta neighborhood steeped in Southern history and charm, stately homes line shady streets. Less than a mile away, the city's bustle beckons, but here, calm reigns.

As Atlanta's population continues to boom and as new businesses and opportunities continue to surface, the city is becoming one that many Jacksonville State University graduates — now approximately 3500 — call home.

For Don Martin, a charter member of the Delta Chi Fraternity at JSU and the current president of the JSU Foundation Board, and his wife Margaret Ann, Atlanta has been where both of their businesses grew and prospered, where their daughter Anna was born and raised and where they now enjoy retirement's freedom.

The Martins' Spanish-style home is tucked between the trees in peaceful Buckhead, and inside, the couple's warm hospitality and Don's colorful stories hold the rapt attention of visitors. Don was studying at JSU when Martin Luther King Jr. was killed in 1968, and upon hearing of his death, he felt compelled to journey, with the company of a few friends, to the funeral to pay his respects. After parking on the freeway in downtown Atlanta and joining the masses walking toward Ebenezer Baptist Church, he found himself inside — listening as Aretha Franklin sang.

At the service's close, he left. As the throng of mourners exited, he glanced to his side, and with a start, saw Bobby Kennedy walking there. The two began talking, and Mr. Kennedy, who was preparing to make a speech at the University of Alabama, invited he and a friend back to his hotel room to help him understand the mind of a college student.

"Weird things happen to me like that," Don said. "I have story after story like that."

Indeed, the Martins' life is one that has been painted with vibrant color. The two met while Don was working with *Southern Living* and Margaret Ann was working at an advertising agency.

"He was one of our vendors, and I was forbidden to date him according to company policy," Margaret Ann explained. But as time went on, her boss saw what a good man he was and granted them special permission to date.

After Don left the advertising business, he began investing in the charming — but aging — apartment buildings of old Atlanta. The neighborhoods were questionable, he said, but the buildings were old and possessed character, so he bought them. Then in 1996, the Summer Olympics brought world recognition to Atlanta, and people began moving back into the city.

"People realized that was the place to live," Don said. "And I had the choice buildings downtown."

Don has since sold all but two of his properties, and the remaining buildings are small enough for him to manage in one to two days a week.

Meanwhile, while her husband was buying and selling real estate, Margaret Ann built a successful advertising agency, one boasting such prominent clients as Arby's Roast Beef Restaurants. She has since sold the agency and retired, but she said advertising was a career she loved.

"It's so much fun, and there's so much stimulation, but there's a season to it — a time when it really is appropriate to turn it over to the very young," Margaret Ann said.

But neither she nor her husband has yet to slow down.

For 22 years, Margaret Ann has served on the Georgia State University board, and she is also on the advisory board for the Franklin College of Arts and Sciences for the University of Georgia. She is also a zealous painter, a theological student and a Bible study leader.

In 1992, Don became engrossed with his genealogy, searching courthouses and cemeteries in his quest. He published ten years' worth of research into a single volume about his father's lineage and another several years' of research into a book on his mother's. As the Martins looked deeper and deeper into the past, the journey took them to Ireland, where they were able to visit the graves of Don's ancestors.

The Martins thirst for travel has yet to be quenched — and whether it is an Italian cruise or an Irish quest, traveling has been a love of theirs from the beginning.

"We were married ten years before Anna was born, by design," Don explained. "When Anna was born, we started looking for places we could enjoy with her."

And when Anna was one, that quest led them down, down, down south to Sea Island, Georgia.

On Sea Island, with its live oaks and spiritual history, the Martins found an ideal getaway to enjoy with their daughter. Year after year, they returned, eventually purchasing a second home there four years ago.

"We've built a full storehouse of family memories around Sea Island and St. Simons," Margaret Ann said, explaining that it was there, on Sea Island, where Anna spoke her first word. "It certainly means a lot to us."

But as many places as the Martins have seen and as many accomplishments as they have achieved, it is Anna, a junior at the University of Georgia, who is their treasure.

Eyes gleaming with pride and tears, Don told of her work in her church and her dream of entering the ministry, and he smiled.

"She's just such a delight, I tell you."



The Gamecock Rugby team fights hard for a win during a match.

Club Sport Making Headway At JSU

By Jered Staubs, Contributing Writer

The short history of the Jacksonville State University rugby football club has seen the Gamecocks evolve from an uncompetitive team to an elite squad.

The Gamecock rugby team is considered a club team by the university, a designation that means it has little to no affiliation with the school. It is a club sport and only receives funding from student government allocations of approximately \$300 per year.

Rugby players say that if not for their slogan, “Cock Rugby ... It’s Big,” few would even be aware of the JSU rugby team. The team started out as simply a common interest club around the region, as team president Chris Foshee explains. “Men of all ages came out and played,

and from the stories I hear, we were not good at all,” he said. “I have heard stories of us getting beat like 100 to 0. We have come a long way since those years.” In the spring of 2005, the club began competing against Western Kentucky, the University of Alabama, the University of Georgia and Mississippi State among others. Since then they have added Auburn, Emory University, Sewanee and Murray State to their schedule. “We have really come to represent the school with a lot of class and pride in recent years,” Foshee said. “It is great when you can watch something special grow like it has.”

Indeed, the team has become a contender the past few seasons under the direction of coach Mike Trowse. In 2007, the team completed its first undefeated regular season and continued that success this spring. The team won the Battleship Tournament in Mobile, and won three of its four regular season matches, losing only to conference champion Tennessee Tech.

Trowse, a native of England who

Rugby vs. American Football

Rugby is like football in that:

- Both tackle but with different techniques
- Both have off side rule
- Both have ball kicks, running and lateral passing

Rugby is unlike football in that in Rugby:

- Any player can carry the ball and score
- There is no blocking or forward passing
- There is continuous play with two 40 minute halves with no time-outs
- There is only one referee
- There are NO pads

played semi-pro rugby, is a retired systems engineer with the National Missile Defense Program in Huntsville, Ala. He currently works with youth development through sports training and coaching.

Despite the strides the team has made under his watch, he refers to himself as “the budget-master.” “The costs these guys have aren’t like other sports,” Trowse said. “They have to pay for all their travel and lodging and a lot of other costs that other sports just don’t have.” The National Guard is now a sponsor and paid for the team’s jerseys this past season but the team is often left looking to themselves or Trowse for funding.

The rugby season usually runs from January to March with approximately six matches played on Saturdays at noon or 1PM.



Softball Team Shines On And Off The Field

The 2008 Jacksonville State softball season was one for the record books. During the season, the Gamecocks played their 1,000th game and earned their 600th win in the program's 21-year history. Head Coach Jana McGinnis, in her 15th year with the softball program, became just the second coach in JSU athletics history to reach 500 wins. (Former head baseball coach, Rudy Abbott was the first to reach this milestone). The season ended in the championship games of the NCAA Tuscaloosa Regional and with the Gamecocks' sixth 40-win season and the fifth in the last six seasons.

The JSU softball team isn't just a great group of athletes. It is a team of women who perform on the field and give back to the community as often as they can. In May, the team volunteered at the Special Kids Fishing Classic held at the White Oaks Recreation Complex near Silver Lakes Golf Course in Glencoe, Ala. They spent the day helping area

elementary and high school students fish. Coach McGinnis explains why the team enjoys reaching out to the community. "It was as fun for us as it was for the kids," she said. "Any time we can get out into the community and help, it gives us a lot of joy. The kids got the same feeling by reeling in a fish as our girls get after hitting a homerun or winning a game."



Team members enjoy a day volunteering at the Special Kids Fishing Classic in Glencoe, AL.



Coach McGinnis is honored as the second coach in JSU athletics history to reach 500 wins.

Did You Know....



JSU women's golf team earned its fourth consecutive NCAA Regional tournament appearance after winning the Ohio Valley Conference Championship in April?

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WHO

by: Carla Patterson '89/'99

IS JSU?

“Many schools have a version of this. I thought that JSU needed its own version.”

I am Jacksonville State University, and Jacksonville State University is me.

I am a recent graduate, coming back to campus for the first time as an alum, and feeling the pride in putting the Alumni Association decal on my car window.

I'm visiting Jacksonville after a longer-than-planned absence, this time with my young family in tow as we see friends and tour my “old stomping grounds.” Sensing my pride, my kids, too, don red and white. Experiencing Gamecock Glory from their youthful perspective makes my rekindled excitement as intense as ever.

I bought my first R.V. just so I could tailgate with the Gamecock faithful on those glorious fall Saturdays when our team is “home” – and “home” is much more than a matter of geography.

I just moved, and was instantly heartened to find a JSU alumni chapter in this town, so I'm not alone after all – because part of my Jax State family is already here.

I am a supporter – of not just one aspect of the University, but of all aspects of the University, and I understand that academic excellence is the core of this institution.

I am a fan – of not only one sport, but of all sports because win or lose, our athletes represent Gamecock pride. I am rarely considered “young” anymore, but I am always “young enough” to give Cocky a high-five.

I am celebrating the 50th anniversary of earning my degree, as my son – who holds two degrees from JSU, and his daughter – a current freshman at “our” university, join me at the dinner where I receive my Golden Gamecock medallion.

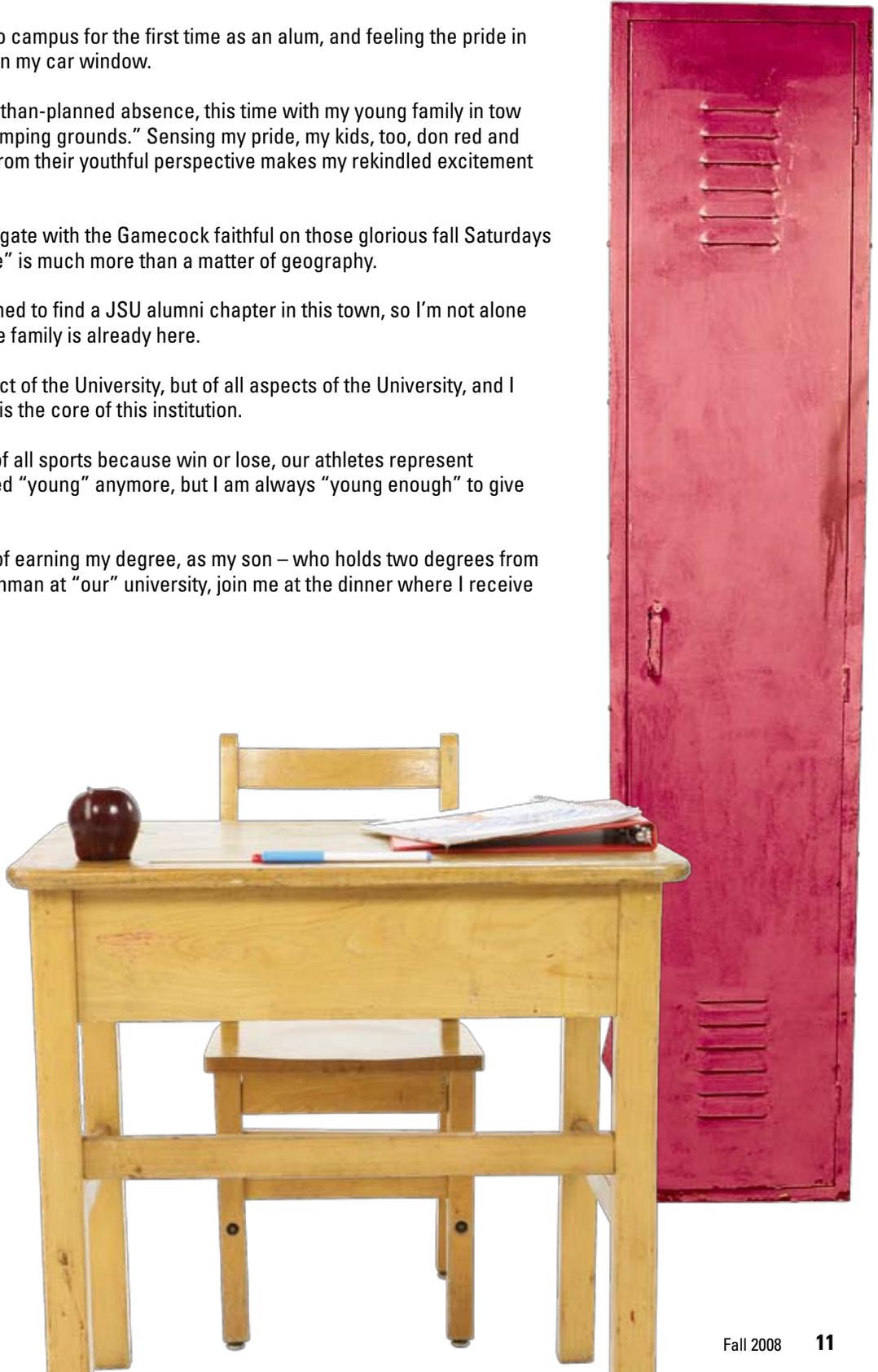
I am not affected by much, but no matter when I hear The Marching Southerners, tears well in my eyes and a lump builds in my throat, yet I still manage to belt out “Fight on-fight on for ole' Jax State!”

I am Jacksonville State University, and Jacksonville State University is me.

You are Jacksonville State University, and Jacksonville State University is you.

We are Jacksonville State University, and Jacksonville State University is all of us.

JSU is more than a place, a school, a degree, or a team. Once you get it, you've got it – and giving back to the university which gave you so much is not an obligation...it's a privilege.



CONGRATULATIONS GAMECOCKS!

The Gamecocks received the 2007–2008 Team Sportsmanship Award for baseball. This award is voted on by the student-athletes and coaches. The evaluation areas for the award are the conduct of student-athletes, coaches, staff, administrators and fans.



JSU Baseball Dominates in OVC

Gamecock baseball collected three of four major Ohio Valley Conference (OVC) awards at the end of the 2007-2008 season placing 10 on the all-conference team. Senior Clay Whittimore was named co-player of the year (for the second year in a row) and freshman, Todd Cunningham was

recognized as the Freshman OVC player of the year.

The players were not the only ones who received honors this season. Head Coach Jim Case guided his team to win its second OVC regular season title, setting the single-season record for OVC victories and sharing

(with LSU) the longest active winning streak in the country. This and more made him an easy choice for OVC coach of the year! Go Gamecocks!

www.jsugamecocksports.com



Coach Green Takes Over the Court

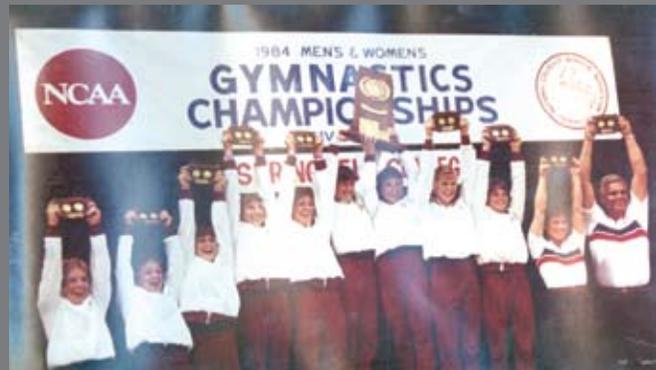
In April, Jacksonville State University hired head basketball coach, James Green, after former head coach, Mike LaPlante's contract was not renewed. Green became the school's 10th head men's basketball coach.

Coach Green came to JSU from Mississippi Valley State where he coached his team to win the 2007 Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) regular season and the 2008 SWAC tournament title. He was also named the SWAC Coach of the Year for 2006-2007. Prior to Mississippi Valley State, Green was the head coach at Southern Mississippi for eight seasons.

**Don't forget to
come out and
cheer on your
Gamecock sports
teams this Fall!**

Did you know....

In 1985 the Jacksonville State University women's gymnastics team won their second consecutive NCAA Division II National Championship title and in that same week, the men's basketball team won their first NCAA Division II National Championship title. Go Gamecocks!



2008 GAMECOCK FOOTBALL

DATE	OPPONENT	SITE	TIME
8-28	at Georgia Tech	Atlanta, Ga.	6:30 PM
9-06	Alabama A&M (Band Day)	JACKSONVILLE	6:00 PM
9-13	OPEN		
9-20	at Chattanooga	Chattanooga, Tenn.	6:00 PM
9-27	at Eastern Illnios*	Charleston, Ill.	1:30 PM
10-04	Southest Missouri*	JACKSONVILLE	6:00 PM
10-11	at Eastern Kentucky*	Richmond, Ky.	6:00 PM
10-18	Murray State (Homecoming/Family Day)*	JACKSONVILLE	4:00 PM
10-23	at UT-Martin	Martin, Tenn.	TBA
11-01	Austin Peay (Preview Day)*	JACKSONVILLE	2:00 PM
11-08	at Tennessee Tech*	Cookeville, Tenn.	1:30 PM
11-15	Tennessee State*	JACKSONVILLE	2:00 PM
11-22	OPEN		

*OVC Games

All Times Central (subject to change)

Are YOU Ready?!

alumni*of the* year

Introducing the 2008 JSU National Alumni Association's Outstanding Alumni of the Year:

Alumnus of the Year:



Mr. Jeffrey A. Parker

Mr. Parker earned a Bachelor of Arts in political science in 1980 and a Masters in Public Administration in 1981 from Jacksonville State University. He serves as JSU's College of Commerce and Business Administration's Executive in Residence, primarily teaching undergraduate and graduate Business Policy and Strategy. Mr. Parker also serves as the CEO of the not-for-profit Sarrell Dental and Eye Centers. He and his wife, Diana reside in Anniston, Ala.

Alumna of the Year:



Ms. Rebecca Patty

Ms. Patty earned her Bachelor of Arts degree in political science from Jacksonville State University in 1987. She went on to graduate from the Cumberland School of Law in 1990. Ms. Patty currently serves as an Assistant Attorney General for the Alabama Department of Environmental Management, Office of General Counsel as well as an adjunct professor at Samford University. Ms. Patty resides in Alabaster, Ala.

Young Alumna of the Year:



Ms. Deidra Tidwell

Ms. Tidwell received a Bachelor of Science in education in 2001, a Master of Science in counselor education in 2003, and an Education Specialist degree in 2006 from Jacksonville State University. She is currently working on an Educational Administration certification in educational leadership from the University of Alabama. Ms. Tidwell is a counselor at Big Spring Lake Kingergarten school in Albertville, Ala. and she resides in Boaz.

Military Alumnus of the Year:



COL Terry Quarles

COL Quarles was commissioned a second lieutenant in the Army Reserves at Ft. Riley, Kansas in 1978 through the JSU ROTC program. He holds a Bachelor of Science degree in military science and a Masters of Public Administration from Shippensburg University, as well as a Masters degree from the U.S. Army War College. His awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service

Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, National Defense Service Medal, and the Air Force Achievement Medal among others. He and his wife, Dorothy, and step-son Taylor, reside in Anniston, Ala.

The 2008 award winners will be recognized at halftime of the Homecoming game on Saturday, October 18, 2008!



**Outstanding Faculty of the Year:
Dr. Lori J. Owens**

Dr. Owens is an associate professor of political science at Jacksonville State University. She earned her Doctorate in Political Science and an outside minor in U.S. Constitutional History from the University of Alabama in 2001 where she also earned her Masters degree in political science. She is a 1993 honor graduate of JSU. Dr. Owens currently serves on the political relations committee at JSU as well as the chair of the Alabama Higher Education Partnership and she resides in Centre, Alabama.



HOMECOMING WEEKEND

October 17 – October 19

REUNIONS & EVENTS

Friday October 17

- 8:00AM
 - National Alumni Association Alumni Golf Tournament sponsored by Black Alumni Chapter at Silver Lakes Golf Course
- 5:30PM
 - 60's Group Annual Alumni Reunion
 - African American Alumni Celebration Mixer
- 6:00PM
 - Annual ROTC Alumni Banquet
 - Class of 1958, 'Golden Gamecock' 50th Year Reunion
- 6:30PM
 - Class of 1983, 25th Year Reunion
- 7:00PM
 - Criminal Justice Alumni Dinner
 - National Pan-hellenic sponsored Step Show
 - JSU Housing Alumni Reunion (TBA)

Saturday October 18 "Family Day"

- 8:00AM
 - Southerners and Marching Ballerinas Reunion--(Registration and Rehearsal)
- 8:30AM
 - 1955 Refrigerator Bowl Team Reunion
- 9AM–3:30PM
 - Alumni House Open
- 10–11:30AM
 - President's Brunch
- 11–12:00PM
 - Departmental Open Houses to include (MCIS)
- 11:30AM
 - Men's Basketball Open Practice
- 11:45AM
 - Alumni Board Of Governor's Meeting
- 1:00PM
 - Homecoming Parade
- 1:30PM
 - JClub Football Reunion
- 1:30–3:30PM
 - RV/ Tailgating Area with Food and Entertainment for Family Day and Homecoming Activities
- Pre-game
 - Full Performance by Southerners and Ballerinas
 - Recognition of 1988 Football Team
- 4:00PM
 - Kickoff
- Halftime
 - Alumni of Year Awards and Homecoming Queen and Court, Performance by Southerners and Alumni
- Postgame
 - African American Alumni Celebration Mixer

Sunday October 19

- Noon
 - U.N. Day Tea, hosted by the International House Program





HOMECOMING DAY SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Saturday October 18th • JSU vs. Murray State

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8:00 AM	Southerners and Marching Ballerinas Registration and Rehearsal
8:30AM	1955 Refrigerator Bowl Reunion Breakfast at Alumni House
9AM–3:30PM	Alumni House open
10–11:30AM	President's Brunch
11AM–12:00PM	Departmental Open Houses
11:30 AM	Men's Basketball Open Practice Pete Mathews Coliseum
11:45AM	Alumni Board of Governor's meeting, TMB Auditorium
1:00PM	Homecoming Parade
1:30PM	JClub Football Reunion at Dillon Field
1:30–3:30PM	RV/tailgating area with food and entertainment for Family Day and Homecoming activities
Pre-game	Full Performance by Southerners and Marching Ballerinas Recognition of 1988 Football Team
4:00PM	Kickoff
Halftime	Alumni of the Year Awards and Homecoming Queen and Court, Performance by Southerners and Alumni
Postgame	African American Alumni Mixer at Alumni House



Gray Echelon Homecoming Reunion

October 18

Mark your calendar today for our annual reunion and join us for friendship, fun and, of course, a superbly memorable show for you all to enjoy. Music for the event will soon be available on the Southerners website (www.marching-southerners.org).

Please complete the registration form and return to the alumni affairs office by October 15. You may wish to fax it to our 24-hour fax line 256-782-5502. (If you fax your form, please do not follow that up by sending us a copy in regular mail. It could create duplicates.) Please note that ticket prices have changed and that all extra tickets you need **MUST** be paid for in advance, unlike previous years where you could pay at registration. We can still hold tickets for you at registration or "will call" but they must be prepaid. No ticket orders will be accepted after Wednesday, October 15.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 18, 2008
JSU VS. MURRAY STATE
4:00 P.M. KICKOFF

8:00AM	Gather In (<i>Registration – Under tent on gamecock field at stadium</i>)
9:00 – 11:00AM	Rehearsal and Business Meeting to follow
1:30– 3:30PM	Food available through vendors in stadium area
Halftime	On the field

BLOW SOUTHERNERS!
(Check off as many items as apply to you)

_____ **YES!** I am a Southerners/Marching Ballerina alum and I plan to attend the 2008 alumni band reunion program.
(My ticket is free)

_____ Please reserve football ticket(s) for my family/guests. I need #_____ at the \$12 general admission (end zone) and/or #_____ at the \$15 reserved bench rate. (Children 5 and under are FREE). Total amount enclosed \$_____ (checks payable to JSU). **No Ticket Reservations Will Be Accepted After Wednesday, October 15, and all tickets must be paid for in advance.**

_____ Sorry, I cannot attend this year but keep me informed of future events. My contact/ mailing information is listed below. (Please update/correct where necessary. This is the information that will appear on your mailing labels.)

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(please specify treble or bass clef baritone, alto, tenor or baritone sax, percussion instrument, colorguard, Ballerina or drum major, etc. Trumpets and trombones, please indicate if you have the chops for 1st part.) ___ yes ___ no

_____ **I Need A University-Owned Instrument Or Equipment.** (availability is limited so please try to provide your own)

***** All Percussionists: Please Try To Bring Your Own Instruments! *****

Please return this form by Wednesday, October 15 to: JSU Alumni Office, 700 Pelham Rd. N., Jacksonville, AL 36265 or fax it to us at (256) 782-5502 (24 hour fax line). OR you may e-mail your reservations to: alumni@jsu.edu using the above format to provide information.



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By the ninth grade, Kelly Mangus knew she wanted to be an investigator. In 1978, there were only two universities in Alabama offering degrees in law enforcement. She chose Jacksonville State over Troy and soon became very comfortable at the criminal justice building (Brewer Hall). After living in the international house for her last two and a half years, Kelly Mangus, now Kelly Maltagliati after marrying her husband, Rich, in 1995, graduated from JSU in 1981 with a double major in law enforcement and forensic science.

After college, Maltagliati joined the Huntsville police department as a fingerprint technician and volunteered at the Alabama State Crime Lab. In 1987, she went to work for the United States Customs Service in Key Largo, Fla. As a federal criminal investigator, she spent the next two years on a boat in the U.S. Customs Service “Go-Fast” drug interdiction program in the

waters around Key Largo. Maltagliati recalls this as the most exciting time in her career, sometimes working in a bathing suit and sometimes in camouflage.

Acting on her customs experience, Maltagliati attended the FBI academy in Quantico, VA in 1989. Becoming a Drug Enforcement Agency (DEA) Investigator Special Agent Maltagliati eventually moved to Washington D.C., and joined NASA’s Office of Inspector General (OIG), conducting criminal investigations. Her 10-year stint at NASA was highlighted by receipt of a U.S. Attorney’s Award for public service for her work leading a grant fraud task force that included participants from NASA, the Department of Commerce, the U.S. Navy, the U.S. Army, the Department of Transportation, and the National Science Foundation.

In 2000, she joined the Federal Reserve Board OIG and received her second award for public service for

her work leading of contract fraud task force investigation a fraud against the U.S. relating to the government’s counter-terrorism efforts post 9-11. A few years later, Special agent Maltagliati moved to the National Archives and Records Administration (NARA) OIG where she is currently employed. Her investigation into the theft and mishandling of classified documents by former National Security Advisor, Sandy Berger, created headlines from coast-to-coast, resulting in Berger’s guilty plea and led the NARA to conduct a complete overhaul of its policies on handling classified material.

Her document recovery efforts have led to multiple convictions and the recovery of hundreds of this country’s historical records. For her work, she has been recognized on three occasions by the President’s and Executive Councils on Integrity and Efficiency (the OIG community’s governing bodies) for excellence in criminal investigations. She was also featured in the April

JSU AFRICAN-AMERICAN ALUMNI HOMECOMING CELEBRATION

Friday, Oct. 17, 2008:

- 7:30 a.m. Golf Tournament – Silver Lakes Golf Course, Glencoe, AL
(\$75 per person includes green fees, cart, and lunch. Prizes will be awarded)
- 5:30 – 6:45 p.m. Mixer/Social – Tent area near football stadium.
- 7:00 – 9:30 p.m. Greek Step Show – Leone Cole Auditorium
\$7 per person (pay at door)

Saturday, Oct. 18, 2008:

- 8:00–10:00 a.m. Homecoming Float Preparation
- 1:00 p.m. Parade
- 1:30–3:30 p.m. Tailgate Activities – Tent area near football stadium
- 4:00 p.m. JSU vs. Murray State
- Post game Alumni party at alumni house (\$10 per person)

complete the form below, tear off and return by October 10, 2008



2008 African American Homecoming Celebration

(please print)

NAME: Email:

Guest's Name(s):

- # I/we wish to participate in Golf Tournament and enclose \$75 per person = \$
- # I/we will attend post game alumni party at \$10 per person = \$
- # I/we will help with float preparation on Saturday
- # I/we would like to march in parade walking with float or holding organization banner
- # Tickets for football game at \$15 each = \$
- # I/we will attend the Social/Mixer on Friday

TOTAL ENCLOSE = \$
(All checks payable to JSU Foundation)

OR, if paying by Visa/MasterCard, please complete the information below:

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issue of the Smithsonian magazine regarding her investigation into stolen archives.

Maltagliati says that her favorite part of her job is that she never knows what may happen. "Recovering stolen funds for the government makes me feel like I have earned my pay." While working on the boats in the drug infested waters of Key Largo has been the most exciting time in her career, she feels that the most rewarding part is her current position of recovering historically significant documents. "We are bringing back to the public documents that will be available for generations to come", says Maltagliati.

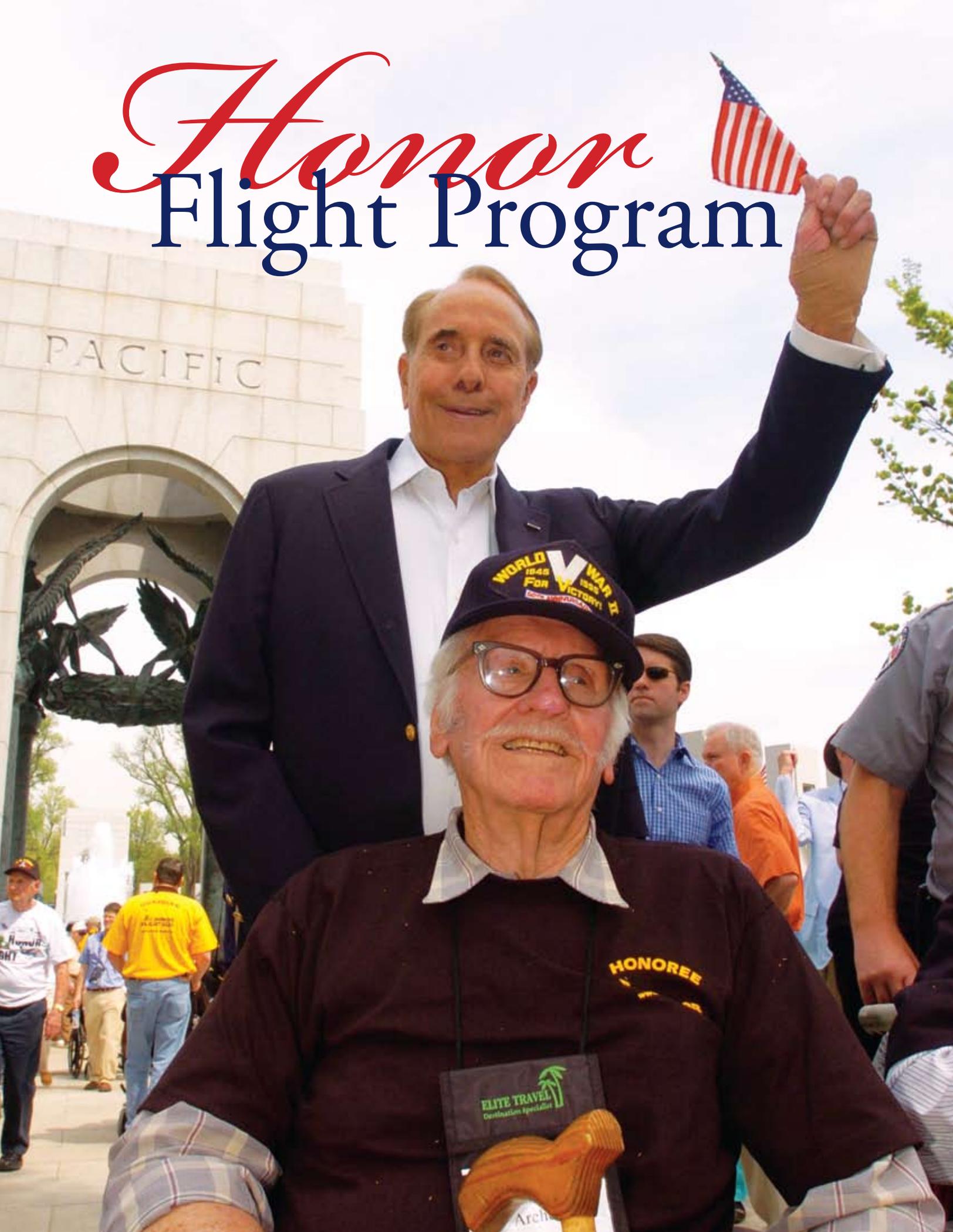
Coming to the end of her career, she reflects on something an uncle once said to her: "a job is something you do and get paid, a career is something you have fun doing and they give you a pay check on top of it". This special agent has been fortunate to have had a great career.



Above: Maltagliati making an arrest

Photos Taken By: Michael Lingenfelter

Honor Flight Program



Honor Flight Program Brings:

Across the United States of America, down dirt roads and city streets and hospital corridors, the stories of World War II veterans are held inside hearts and minds. But as this generation ages — as their posture stoops, their hearing fades and their eyesight blurs — the tales of their time in combat often emerge, slow but sure. The triggers that pull the stories forth are as diverse as the veterans who tell them, and they range from a new war surging overseas to a grandchild's gentle probing. But for still others, the searing memories are still too vibrant, too tainted with the red of the bloodshed, to voice.

World War II employed 16,112,566 United States servicemen and women, claiming the lives of 291,557, according to the Department of Veterans Affairs. With each passing day, another 2,000 are gone forever. And as the number of World War II veterans dwindles, so do the days of the remaining few.

But their service is not forgotten. In 2004, the National World War II Memorial was erected in Washington, D.C. And though thousands of soldiers that the memorial is meant to honor have passed away, projects like the Honor Flight program seek to ensure that as many of the aging veterans experience the memorial as possible.

On April 18, 2008, 122 World War II veterans, accompanied by 18 volunteer guardians, gathered in Huntsville, Ala. to take their own Honor Flight. Among them was **E.C. "Baldy" Wilson '49**, an 84 year-old Jacksonville State University alumnus.

The night before the group departed for Washington D.C., they took part in a ceremony honoring their service. Wilson and his fellow veterans looked on as the flags of three fallen veterans were presented by their families. Those three men had been accepted into the Huntsville Honor flight program as well, but all died before making the pilgrimage to D.C. Though they wouldn't see the memorial, their flags were flown to the site in an F-16 fighter plane.

For the 122 veterans set to fly out on April 18, 12 of whom were confined to wheelchairs, the next day would prove to be a long one. They left Huntsville at 6:20 a.m. and didn't leave Washington, D.C. until 8:15 p.m. The day was tiring, but Wilson said the experience was unforgettable.



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Three lines, 16 characters or spaces per line (Indicate your engraving information in the boxes below)

The group toured all of the major memorials, but spent the bulk of their time visiting the one erected for them — the World War II Memorial. All the memorial's areas were touching, Wilson said, but it was the reflective pool that he found most sobering. The pool was covered with shining stars, symbolizing the hundreds of thousands of individuals who died in the war.

And as he stood there, gazing into the pool, he remembered the names and faces of his friends who did not live long to see this magnificent symbol of their service.

"I can just count buddy after buddy after buddy from my reunions who are not there," Wilson said. "I thank the good Lord every day that I have lived long enough to enjoy these things."

Bob Patrick, who serves as director of the Veteran's History Project for the American Folklife Center in the Library of Congress, spent five years leading the charge to fund and form the memorial and directed its historic dedication on May 29, 2004. Since then, he has personally led groups of the aging veterans through the memorial, soaking up their stories as he walks.

"They are proud of the memorial, but they wish more of the guys could have seen it," Patrick said. "Many become emotional — it brings back memories of their buddies lost, their youth and the things they did back then."

Touring the memorial did indeed evoke painful memories, Wilson said, but according to Patrick, his experience has taught him that remembering can help veterans continue to heal.

"For a lot of them it can be liberating, therapeutic even," Patrick explained. "A lot of people who go through traumatic experiences need that."

At the World War II Memorial, the veterans met Bob Dole, Sen. Jeff Sessions and Sen. Robert Aderholt, and after watching the three presentation of the three fallen veterans' flags, they visited many of the city's other memorials and monuments.

At the days end, the veterans flew back to Huntsville, and though they were tired, they were greeted at the airport with an impressive crowd. Flags were waving, people were cheering and the 122 veterans who stepped off the plane were filled with pride.

"As I told the people in charge, I knew what their objective was — to make old veterans feel special," Wilson said. "And I told them, 'You have done an outstanding job because there's not one of us who doesn't feel like we've really had a big day today. It's something I'll never forget.'"

No donation is too small. For more information on how you can give, visit www.honorflight.net or e-mail the program at honorflight@htimes.com.



Above: E.C. "Baldy" Wilson, with his trip guardian, wait at the airport to board the Honor Flight

Birth of Jacksonville State Reserve Officers Training Corp (ROTC)

ROTC celebrates 60 Years at JSU

World War II had come to an end in 1945, yet the world was truly not at peace. The Department of the Army activated a Field Artillery Senior Division, Reserve Officer's Training Corp (ROTC) at Jacksonville State Teachers College on July 1, 1948. Enrollment was around 176 cadets for the school year of 1948-49. By 1951, the enrollment was over 349 cadets. The first full four year class to be commissioned in 1951 was made up of approximately 17 cadets.

In 1954, the ROTC unit was re-designed as a General Military Science with the branch assignments being immaterial, no longer Artillery. The ROTC department was housed in a building on West Frances Ave across from Kitty Stone Elementary School. The building is no longer there.

Marion Johnson '50 remembers that "many of the first classes of the Jacksonville ROTC were made up of veterans that had served during WW II and had returned to civilian life to use their educational government benefits." Rex Wallace '51 recalls, "the 1948/49 classes of ROTC were a mixture of prior service and young men straight from the small towns of north Alabama." The junior class of those years was made up of at least twelve prior service students consisting of: Kermit Hudson, William Johnson, Cecil Williams, Marion Johnson, George Lott, James G. White, Owen Knight, Everitt Patrick, Orus Kinney, William Gerstlouer, Rufus B. Bryson and Joe Hassell. Some of these lieutenants were soon to be called to fight another war- the Korea Conflict. George Lott '50 was killed in action and Joe Hagan '51 received the Silver Star for bravery.

According to Johnson and Wallace "the junior class of 1948/49 worked in concert with the newly formed cadre (consisting of two officers and four non-commissioned officers), to train the incoming freshman of 1948". The Professor of Military Science (PMS) for those first two years was Colonel Thomas B. Whitted. His tenure laid the foundation for the next 17 years. LTC Richard White arriving in August 2008 will be the 19th Professor of Military Science at JSU.

Until 1971, enrollment in the Army ROTC program was mandatory for JSU students. In the 60 years of military training 1,422 lieutenants have been commissioned from the Jacksonville State University Army



Col. Thomas B. Whitted
First ROTC Professor of
Military Science.

ROTC Department. The graduates have seen at least four major wars in 60 years.

The Military Science Department today is called the Gamecock Battalion and is ranked as one of the top producing military science departments in the country. Its enrollment and number commissioned each year is in the top percentages within the southeast region of the country. There are 89 cadets enrolled in the 2008 program year.

The JSU ROTC program is healthy and growing. To learn more about the JSU ROTC program, visit www.jsu.edu/depart/rotc.

In 1996, former graduates of the military program formed the JSU ROTC Alumni Chapter to promote the university, the ROTC program and to provide scholarships for the cadets attending JSU. Presently there are some 23 cadets receiving scholarships from the alumni chapter. For more information contact the alumni office at 877-JSU-ALUM, ext. 5404 or visit the website at www.jsu.edu/alumni. If you are not receiving the ROTC Alumni Chapter Newsletter contact the alumni office today. Copies of the alumni newsletter may viewed at: www.jsu.edu/depart/rotc by clicking on the alumni link.

As of May 2008, eight (8) commissioned officers have paid the ultimate sacrifice, losing their lives in the service of their country.

Alumni Killed in Action:

1LT George Lott, 1950, Korea, 1951
CPT Jerry W. McNabb, 1959, Vietnam, 27 Jun 1966
CPT Donald F. McMillan, 61, Vietnam, 2 April 1966
CPT Edward D. Pierce, 1962, Vietnam 13 Mar. 1966
CPT Richard C. Miller, 1965, Vietnam, 3 Sep 1969
1LT Charles W. Davis, 1966, Vietnam, 6 Oct 1967
1LT Grady E. Mc Bride III, 1968, Vietnam, 4 Jun 1970
CPT Donnie R. Belser Jr., 2001, Iraq, 10 Feb 2007

Eight of the graduates in 60 years have achieved General Officer rank. The General Officers are:

LTG Ronald E. Adams '65
MG Ivan R. Smith '51
MG Ivan F. Smith '54
MG William A. Jackson '56
MG Larry E. Lee '57
MG Fred H. Casey '57
MG James "Dave" Bryan '70
MG C.D. "Butch" Pair '70

Countless commissioned officers have retired from Active, Reserves and National Guard service. Even more have served, honorably and faithfully fulfilled their military obligation after completion of Army ROTC training at JSU.



First ROTC Building



Present ROTC Building Rowe Hall.



The 1950
Commissioning class



The 1951
Commissioning class

This class was commissioned in 1951. The lieutenants of 1951 are pictured in the photo above. For those of you like myself that cannot read this small print the names in the photo are: Left to Right: First row: Charles Rice, Horace Homesley, Joe Hagan, Harvet Stewart, Robert L. Standley, Ivan R. Smith, Edwin Ford. Standing: Floyd Maples, Talamage Spurlock, Winston L. Williams, Jack Collie, Gordan Dision, Marion Johnson, Harold Williams, Nick Wright, Rex M. Wallace, Sr., and Alvin Stephens. Ivan R. Smith, addressed above made General Officer.

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Birmingham After-Hours



Blount County Alumni Dinner



St. Clair County Annual Alumni Dinner



Calhoun County Spring Shrimp Boil



Black Alumni Chapter Dinner



Central Alabama After-Hours



Middle Tennessee
After-Hours



Etowah County
Alumni Dinner



Blount County
Alumni Golf Tournament

CONGRATULATIONS Marshall County Alumni! You have been selected as the inaugural Alumni Chapter of the Year by the JSU National Alumni Association. Chapter President, Katie Boggus, will be accepting the chapter award at halftime of the homecoming game on October 18.



Marshall County
Mardi Gras Dinner



Marshall County
Mardi Gras Dinner

Upcoming Events & Reunions

Alumni tailgate party prior to JSU opening football against Georgia Tech in Atlanta
August 28

Alumni tailgate party prior to JSU football game at UT Chattanooga
September 20

FAB 40s/ Nifty 50s Reunion
September 27

Greater Washington D.C. Chapter Annual Alumni Dinner
October 3

Calhoun County Alumni After Hours
October 16

Class of 1958 - 50 year Reunion
October 17

Class of 1983 - 25 year Reunion
October 17

ROTC Annual Alumni Banquet
October 17

Criminal Justice Alumni Dinner
October 17

60s Group Alumni Reunion
October 17

African American Alumni Celebration Weekend
October 17-19

Homecoming 2008
October 18

U.N. Day Tea
October 19

JSU Legal Society meeting at Alumni House
November 1



Greater Huntsville Alumni & Prospective Student Dinner

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JSU Emergency Management Alumni

In June, the Emergency Management chapter became the newest addition to the JSU National Alumni Association. The Emergency Management chapter represents a diverse group of emergency management and public safety professionals committed to the further development of emergency management as a professional career field through the development of networking and training tools, mentoring programs, and the recruitment of the next generation of emergency managers to the JSU Emergency Management program.

JSU EM Alumni work in a wide variety of settings including local, state, and federal government, the private sector, and the non-profit sector. Everyday, JSU EM alumni serve their communities, taking the education that they received at JSU and translating that into the practical experience needed to protect their communities from disasters.

The EM program is unique at JSU, as all EM classes are available exclusively online. The JSU EM alumni continue that innovation by meeting and planning virtually. A core planning committee has been meeting regularly to develop the following plans for 2008-2009:

- Inception of a mentoring program that will match current graduate and undergraduate EM students with JSU EM alumni that are professionals in the field
- Special events including virtual speakers and a special event to mark the 10th anniversary of the Institute for Emergency Preparedness at JSU
- Development of an EM honor society for current students
- A newsletter and website dedicated to Emergency Management Alumni

Alison Welty, MPA/EM 04, serves as the chapter's president. She is currently employed at Innovative Emergency Management as a Senior Planner on the New Madrid Seismic Zone Catastrophic Planning Project. She can be reached at alison.welty@gmail.com

Benefits Of Becoming A Member Of The JSU Alumni Association

- JSU Alumni Association Membership Card
- Free use of the Houston Cole Library (excluding online databases)
- \$10 Off any Continuing Education class of \$20 or more
- Discount tickets to all productions of the JSU Drama Department. Members receive the same benefit as JSU employees.
- Free admission to the Berman Museum in Anniston (for the cardholder only)
- \$3.00 Off oil change from Texaco Xpress Lube in Jacksonville
- Free Tea with buffet from Village Inn Restaurant (not valid with other discounts)
- Free beverage with the purchase of a meal from Roma's on the square
- 10% off any entrée at The Vault on the square in Jacksonville (excludes any other deals or discounts)
- 10% off any one item at My Two Girls on the square in Jacksonville
- Free Subscription to Gem of the Hills magazine, the official magazine of JSU Alumni
- Special invitations to chapter events in your area
- Opportunities to book vacations on JSU alumni trips at substantial discounts
- JSU alumni e-mail updates
- Discounts on car rentals from: Alamo, Avis, Budget, Hertz and National Rentals
- Discounts at Choice Hotels nationwide (Mainstay Hotels, Clarion, Quality Inn, Sleep Inn, Econo-lodge, Roadway Inn)
- Use of the recreational facilities at Stephenson Hall for an annual fee of \$150, or \$200 for couples. (Lifetime members only)

Art Alumni Chapter

The Art Alumni chapter began a few years ago and is now building a solid foundation for the future. One of the chapter's main goals is to continue the art community atmosphere that exists within the art department at JSU. Not only does the chapter hope to benefit art alumni, but to have an impact on the community as well.

Currently, meetings are held in conjunction with the openings that take place at Hammond Hall Art Gallery throughout the year from 6:30PM - 7PM. In addition, the chapter hosts a bi-annual pot luck dinner open to all art alumni to encourage growth and participation.

The chapter has recently held two workshops. The first was a Photo Emulsion Transfer Workshop taught by Dr. Karen Henricks. The second was a Monoprinting Workshop taught by Dr. Marvin Shaw. In the near future, a Digital Photography workshop is being planned and will be taught by one of the Art Department's newest faculty members, Dr. Doug Clark. Not only will these workshops help to keep art alumni in touch with each other, but also provides an opportunity for individuals to explore other areas outside of their concentrations.

The chapter is working on some summer camp ideas that will hopefully be offered through JSU's Continuing Education Program/Summer Programs in 2009. In addition, the chapter intends to hold workshops taught by art alumni at Art Works in downtown Anniston.

For further information about the Art Alumni chapter, check the chapter news section of the alumni web site at www.jsu.edu/alumni or contact chapter president, Iveta Staks Martin via email at Iveta.Staks@gmail.com.

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The alumni association is currently working with PCI to produce an alumni directory. Alumni are currently be contacted by the company for an opportunity to verify directory information and purchase a directory.



BIRTHS

1990 - 1999



Above: Ethan Nolan

Eric Christopher Soehren, '92/'95, and Jennifer Nolan Soehren, '95, Shorter, Ala., announce the birth of their first child, Ethan Nolan, April 4, 2008. Mr. Soehren is a non-game biologist for the State Lands Division of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources and a charter member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity at JSU. Mrs. Soehren owns and operates an exhibit design company and was a member of Tri-Beta honor society at JSU.



Above: Camille "Cami" Bryann

Christy Bryan Cook, '95, New Site, Ala., and her husband Skip welcomed the birth of their daughter, Camille "Cami" Bryann, March 10, 2008. They have a 4 ½ year old son, Colton Wesley. Mrs. Cook is a senior systems analyst at Russell Corp. in Alexander City, Ala. Mr. Cook attended JSU and is a cost estimator for Madix Store Fixtures in Goodwater, Ala. Mrs. Cook was a member of the Baptist Campus Ministry at JSU.

Karen Linda Ozley Padgham, '97/'00, and Joshua Haynes Padgham, '97,

Birmingham, Ala., celebrated the birth of their son, Allen Mitchell, on February 13, 2008. Mrs. Padgham is an RN at Brookwood Medical Center in Homewood, Ala. She was a member of the International House Program at JSU.

Below: Allen Mitchell



WEDDINGS

1990 - 1999

Dr. David Wayne Dempsey, '92/'94, and Dr. Heidi Lee Eyre, March 13, 2008, Jacksonville, Ala. Dr. David Dempsey was a member of the International House Program and he is a math professor at JSU. Dr. Heidi Dempsey is a psychology professor at JSU.

Leslie Gary, '93, and Ronnie Hollowell, April 12, 2008, Gadsden, Ala. Mrs. Hollowell is employed as director of the girls' ministry of Bellevue Baptist Church in Memphis, Tenn.

Chris Acree, '99, and Gwen Meister, April 26, 2008, Pelham, Ala. Mr. Acree is employed with Aerospace Coatings International, Oxford, Ala.

2000 - 2008

LaToya Jeria Wise, '00/'05, and Marcus Laster, April 19, 2008, Gadsden, Ala. Mrs. Laster is employed by the Gadsden City School System. She was a member of the Gospel Choir at JSU.

Kylie Diamond, '02, and Jason Johnston, March 15, 2008, Sandals Resort in Jamaica. Mrs. Johnston is employed as the social service director at Riviera Palms Rehabilitation Center in Palmetto, Fla.

Amanda LeAnn Pledger, '02, and Brandon Cole Robinson, April 12, 2008, Alexandria, Ala. Mrs. Robinson is employed by Anniston Radiology in Anniston, Ala.

Lindy Lee Blair, '04, and Thomas Brent Snead, March 8, 2008, Snead Farm, Centre, Ala. Mrs. Snead is employed by Cherokee Medical Center as an RN.

Kriston Michelle Godwin, '04, and Gregory Michael Bush, April 12, 2008, Andalusia, Ala. Mrs. Bush is employed by the Covington County School System.

Terry Neal McNutt, '04, and Kristy Ann Akin, March 22, 2008, Glencoe, Ala. Mr. McNutt is employed by the St. Clair County School System at Moody Middle School.

Jennifer Rhea Curvin, '05, and Todd Landon Pate, March 8, 2008, Anniston, Ala. Mrs. Pate is employed by the Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce.

Alana Devan Dade, '05, and Randall Creag Copeland, April 12, 2008, Birmingham, Ala. Mrs. Copeland was a member of the Southerners and Baptist Campus Ministry at JSU. She is employed with Yamashita Solutions of Dumfries, Va., as a logistics analyst.

Kassy Amelia Maddox, '05, and Mitchell Rodney Cameron, May 3, 2008, Silver Lakes Golf Club, Glencoe, Ala. Mrs. Cameron is employed by Struts Restaurant and Absolute Fitness.

Heather Sewell, '05, and Wesley Speegle, March 22, 2008, Southside, Ala. Mrs. Speegle is employed by the St. Clair County School System at Steele Junior High School.

Herbert Adrian Wilkerson, '05/'07, and DeShunn Q. Johnson, '07, April 5, 2008, Birmingham, Ala. Mrs. Wilkerson was a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority at JSU. The couple are employed in Birmingham.

Molly Elizabeth Willingham, '05, and Joey Lee Spears, Jr., May 24, 2008, McClellan, Ala. Mrs. Spears is an elementary school teacher, beginning her career in the fall of 2008. Mr. Spears attended JSU and is employed by the Tennessee River Railway.

William Benjamin Brinkley, '06, and Chelsea Christina Cerha, '07, October 20, 2007. They reside in Huntsville, Ala.

Jennifer Le-Ann Chitwood, '06, and Tyler Wayne Bankston, April 5, 2008, Crossville, Ala. Mrs. Bankston is pursuing her master's degree at JSU and is employed at Trion (Ga.) Elementary School. Mr. Bankston attended JSU and is employed at the Mueller Co., Albertville, Ala.

George Matthew Johnson, '06, and Stacie Leanne Hill, '07, January 5, 2008, Moody, Ala. Mr. Johnson is employed by Sumatanga Camp and Conference Center, Gallant, Ala. Mrs. Johnson was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority at JSU.

Lacy Danielle Jordan, '06, and Martin Jamieson Graham, May 24, 2008, Lake Guntersville, Ala. Mrs. Graham is employed by the Florence Housing Authority as assistant property manager.

Candice LaShae McAllister, '06, and Emmett Dale Manning, May 10, 2008. Mrs. Manning is employed at North Sand Mountain High School.

Kerrie Jane Mince, '06, and Charles Derek Wynn, '07, March 15, 2008, Scottsboro, Ala. Mrs. Wynn is employed by Dekalb Regional Medical Center. Mr. Wynn is employed by the Jackson County Board of Education.

Dana Annette Morrison, '06, and Jeffrey Scott Wagon, Jr., April 12, 2008, Guntersville, Ala. Mrs. Wagon teaches at Brindlee Mountain Middle School. They reside in Grant, Ala.

Jennifer Leigh Young, '06, and Tyler Anthony Monday, April 12, 2008, Albertville, Ala. Mrs. Monday is a teacher at Albertville Elementary School and is pursuing her master's degree at the University of Alabama.

Lauren Nicole Dennis, '07, and Samuel Bagwell Wakefield, May 31, 2008, on the campus of Samford University. Mrs. Wakefield is employed as a teacher at Oak Grove High School. She was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority at JSU.

Billie Jo Driggers, '07, and Bruce Robert Konvicka, May 24, 2008, Choccolocco, Ala. Mrs. Konvicka is employed by the Calhoun County Schools technical department.

Whitney Ford, '07, and Tyler Read, December 16, 2007, Gadsden, Ala.

Brandi Janae Hill, '07, and Lysander Jahrel Smith, March 1, 2008, Oxford, Ala.

Kimberly Michelle Oliver, '07, and Donald LeRoy Rueger III, March 8, 2008, Anniston, Ala. Mrs. Rueger is a teacher at Tenth Street Elementary in Anniston. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority at JSU.



Above: Mr. and Mrs. Rueger III

Magon Brittany Oliver, '07, and Lucas Matthew McAnelly, April 12, 2008, Grove Oak, Ala. Mrs. McAnelly is employed by the Marshall County Board of Education and Sylvan Learning Center. They reside in Crossville, Ala.

Jennifer Jocelyn Ortiz, '07, and Robert Brandon McDaniel, August 18, 2007, Anniston, Ala. Mrs. McDaniel is a pharmacy technician with Winn-Dixie Pharmacy.

Jonathan David Sanders, '07, and Elizabeth Leona Fuller, April 12, 2008, Gadsden, Ala. Mr. Sanders co-founded the local nonprofit organization Knowledge Action Prevention. He is employed by the Alabama Department of Rehabilitation Services, Jasper, Ala. Mr. Sanders was a member of the Southerners.

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Jim Browning, '08, and Stephanie Robertson, '08, May 31, 2008, Asheville, Ala. Mrs. Browning is a member of Kappa Delta Pi educational honor society.

OBITUARIES

(All information obtained from newspaper notices unless otherwise noted)

Did Not Graduate or Date Unknown (Faculty/Staff)

Dr. A. L. Studdard, a retired chemistry and science professor for 34 years at JSU, March 8, 2008. He was a former Piedmont City Councilman and Police Commissioner.

Worden Weaver, retired JSU history instructor, April 4, 2008. A member of local and state historical associations, he submitted nominations to the National Register of Historic Places for Janney Furnace, St. Michael and All Angels Church (Anniston), the First Presbyterian Church (Jacksonville), and downtown Jacksonville's Historic District. All were accepted. He received the Award of Merit and the Distinguished Service Award from the Alabama Historical Commission.

Betty J. Wilson, a JSU instructor, March 7, 2008. She had previously taught in the Attalla City School System.

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Robert Adams, Anniston, Ala., April 23, 2008.

Teresa Marie Casey, Woodstock, Ga., January 8, 2008. She was a member of the Southerners.

Alice Louise Rowland Cebula, Perry, Ga., April 28, 2008. She was a former school teacher, having taught in Carroll (Ga.) and Douglas (Ga.) Counties. She later owned and operated a private kindergarten in Massachusetts. Mrs. Cebula was retired from the J.P. Stevens Company, Dublin, Ga.

Aneeda M. Fears, Huntsville, Ala., May 3, 2008. She was a graduate of the Normal

School and was an elementary teacher in the Madison County and Huntsville Schools. Mrs. Fears was 96.

Thomas Hammill, a family member notified the alumni office of his death.

Ruel C. McCain, September 30, 2006.

Jimmie Lee McCoy, Jr., Columbus, Ga. The Alumni Office was notified by the postal service of his death. Mr. McCoy was a member of the J-Club and played football for Jacksonville State.

Dr. William Robert McDiarmid, Sylacauga, Ala., February 13, 2008. A veteran of the U.S. Navy, he served in the Korean Conflict and Vietnam War. He was retired as an associate of Dr. James O. Williams in Sylacauga.

Maude Elizabeth Jones Savage, Pascagoula, Miss., March 26, 2008. Mrs. Savage had a career in occupational therapy in Mississippi. After marriage, she worked as a secretary in her husband's business, R.H. Savage Plumbing and Heating Company. She later worked in sales at Ben Franklin Stores, retiring in 1974. Her son, Dr. Ralph L. Savage, is a JSU professor.

Laurie Alexis Vezertis, Gadsden, Ala., December 18, 2007. She was to graduate in December 2007 from JSU with her degree in social work.

Dulcie Terrell Whitten, Gadsden, Ala., March 12, 2008. She taught at Howelton School in Etowah County and later in Marshall County. Her parents created Cumarindine, a burn medication, and Mrs. Whitten took over the manufacture and distribution of the product. Multi-talented, she was widely known for baking tasty and beautiful wedding cakes, sewing anything from window treatments to formal gowns, and growing beautiful plants and flowers.

1920 - 1939

Margaret Alma Ingram Clinkscales, '28, Jacksonville, Ala., February 28, 2008. A graduate of the Normal School, Mrs. Clinkscales taught school at Lola Roberts Elementary, starting when it was a one-room schoolhouse, for 44 years and then served as a substitute teacher there. She was considered Jacksonville State's oldest living graduate.

William Thurman Hallman, '34/'37, Autaugaville, Ala., March 9, 2008. He was a World War II Navy veteran, followed by a career as an educator and farmer.

Charles Napoleon Boozer, '38, Jacksonville, Ala., April 8, 2008. He was a World War II Army veteran and served in Europe and Africa. Mr. Boozer served as Superintendent of the Calhoun County School System from 1963 to 1977. He also served as principal of Roy Webb Jr. High School, Ohatchee High, Childersburg High and Madisonville (Ky.) High. He held the honor of being elected the City of Ohatchee's first mayor in 1956.

Millard W. Lawrence, '38, September 21, 2007. The Alumni Office was notified by Mr. Lawrence's daughter of his death.

1940 - 1949

Norman O. Parker, '40, Montgomery, Ala.. He was a member of the Fabulous 40s group at JSU.

Allene Evers Harry, '48, Dadeville, Ala., April 27, 2007. She was a retired teacher and had been active in the Fabulous Forties reunion group. Mrs. Harry had also been a member of the Baptist Campus Ministry.

Lucille J. Key, '48, Anniston, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the postal service of her death.

Neal Napoleon Posey, '48, Montgomery, Ala., March 8, 2008. Mr. Posey lettered in three sports at JSU... basketball, football and baseball. He began his coaching career at Dothan High School. His last coaching job began in 1956 when he began the men's basketball program at Huntingdon College where he spent 36 years as head coach, athletic director and physical education professor. He then became commissioner of the Southern States Conference. He has been voted into the Huntingdon College Hall of Fame, Montgomery Area Sports Hall of Fame, JSU Hall of Fame, NAIA National Hall of Fame and was selected Coach of the Year several times while coaching in the Southern States Conference. Mr. Posey served in the U.S. Army Air Force from 1942 through 1946. He was active in the J-Club at JSU.

Wayland Cooley, '49/'51, Huntsville, Ala., February 5, 2008. He was the retired tax assessor for Madison County, having more than 60

years in public service. Mr. Cooley served 26 years as tax assessor, principal at Butler High, superintendent of Marshall County Schools, and in various teaching and coaching positions in Jackson and Marshall County schools. He had been appointed tax assessor by Gov. George Wallace in 1977 and was elected to four consecutive six-year terms before retiring in 2003.

1950 - 1959

Elwana Johnson Acker, '50, Piedmont, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the postal service of her death.

William Harrison Bibby, '50, Folkston, Ga., December 24, 2007. He played baseball at JSU.

Robert A. Christ, '50, Jacksonville, Fla., February 16, 2008. An Army Medical Corps veteran, he was retired from the insurance industry.

William F. "Bill" Kidd, '50, Dallas, Tex. Mr. Kidd played football for JSU and gave some JSU family memorabilia to the alumni office for display.

Wallace Russell McCullough, '50, Piedmont, Ala., May 9, 2008. He was an Army and Navy veteran and retired from Anniston Army Depot with 35 years of service.

A.J. Conaway, Jr., '51, Anniston, Ala., May 20, 2008. A World War II Army veteran, he was also retired from the Calhoun County Vocational School with 39 years of service.

Lucille H. Earwood, '52, Huntsville, Ala. The postal service advised the Alumni Office of her death.

Lt. Col. Wayne B. Whatley, '52, Alexander City, Ala., May 7, 2008. He was a retired Army officer with 24 years of service as a member of the 82nd All American Airborne and 101st Screaming Eagles. He served as a Battalion Commander twice in Vietnam. Lt. Col. Whatley had also been an educator, serving as principal at New Site High School and teacher in the Talladega County School System. He had been commissioned through the JSU ROTC program.

Daniel Herbert Barnes, '54, Talladega, Ala., February 13, 2008. He had served in

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BEN B. CUNNINGHAM, JR. '03

SHERRI ANDERSON CUNNINGHAM '99

WILLIAM EDWARD DOBBS '73/'75

IRIS SHONTEL JOHNSON '02/'04

THOMAS JEFFERSON MOORE, JR. '71

LEIGH ALLISON SERVISS '94

DEIDRA MICHELLE TIDWELL '01/'03/'06

the U.S. Navy as part of the amphibious force during World War II. He also served in the Korean Conflict. Mr. Barnes taught high school, served as an assistant principal, guidance counselor and DCT coordinator for Dekalb County (Ga.) and Fulton County (Ga.) Schools before retiring in 1985. He was also instrumental in establishing Dekalb Community College. After retirement, he moved back to Talladega to farm the land that had once belonged to his parents.

Owen E. Cox, '55, Vestavia Hills, Ala., May 3, 2008. He served in the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. He played college, semi-pro and professional football. Mr. Cox retired with more than 20 years of service with the National Cash Register Company (NCR). He then became a homebuilder and real estate developer.

Bob Hand, '55, Anniston, Ala., March 17, 2008. A World War II veteran, he served in the Army in Japan. He also served on active duty with the Air Force. Mr. Hand taught school in Talladega County and had served as Chief Probation Officer for the Calhoun County Juvenile Court. Until his retirement, he was the U.S. Congress 3rd District Administrative Assistant, working with Rep. Bill Nichols and Rep. Glen Browder and serving on the Armed Services Committee.

He was a member of the Baptist Campus Ministry at JSU.

Joyce Cochran Howard, '55, Ohatchee, Ala., April 8, 2008. She was a retired teacher with the Calhoun County Board of Education.

James Edwin Jordan, Sr., '55, Hillsboro, Ala., January 21, 2008. He was a retired Army veteran and the retired owner of Piggly Wiggly food store in Decatur, Ala.

Charles Arthur Nunn, '55, Talladega, Ala., March 16, 2008. Mr. Nunn taught at Anniston High School and Jacksonville High School and served as superintendent of the Jacksonville City Schools. He was an adjunct professor at JSU and the University of Alabama. Mr. Nunn was a Marine Corps veteran, having served in the Korean War.

Lucille C. Hollingsworth, '56, Jacksonville, Ala., March 25, 2008. Mrs. Hollingsworth had taught in the public school system for 32 years, 26 of those years were at Alexandria.

Gurney Thomas Landers, '56, South River, NJ, March 30, 2008. A World War II Army veteran, he served in the Korean War and was involved in the invasion of Iwo Jima. He had been employed by the State of New Jersey as an employment placement agent in Perth Amboy for 20 years.

Marion H. Jones, '56, Dadeville, Ala., January 16, 2008. He was a retired engineer with the IBM Corporation. Mr. Jones was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program and had been a member of the Baptist Campus Ministry.

James Alexander Moore, Jr., '56, San Jose, Costa Rica, September 29, 2007. He was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program. After retirement, he moved to Costa Rica where he served as a Methodist teacher and missionary. The Alumni Office was informed by a family member of his death.

Robert M. Watford, Sr., '56, Loganville, Ga., February 20, 2008. During the Korean War, he was an Army radio operator stationed in Germany. Mr. Watford was a Dekalb County (Ga.) school band director for over 30 years. He was a member of the Southerners at JSU.

James Horace Watson, '56, Huntsville, Ala., February 16, 2008. He had been commissioned through the JSU ROTC program. After a career in the Army, he retired from the Scottsboro City School System and was owner of Watson Music.

Pelham Gaynor Ables, '58/'79, Gadsden, Ala., March 22, 2008. A Navy veteran, he served during the Korean Conflict. Mr. Ables taught for more than 30 years at Plainview High School, Gadsden State Community College and Northeast State Community College. He was a private pilot, member and past president of the Experimental Aircraft Association. One of his proudest achievements was building his own airplane.

Clarence Gary Dothard, '59, Jacksonville, Ala., March 7, 2008. An Air Force veteran, Mr. Dothard was retired from Vulcan Oil Company.

Dr. William Preston Dunaway, '59, Jacksonville, Ala., May 19, 2008. Dr. Dunaway was retired from JSU as full Professor Emeritus. He designed and had constructed the computer lab for teachers at JSU. He was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program and was a Captain in the U.S. Army.

Jeanette Painter Gardner, '59, Crossville, Ala. The postal service notified the Alumni Office of her death.

Evelyn Sue Hanson Taylor, '59, Birmingham, Ala., April 13, 2008. She taught home economics in high schools in Cobb County (Ga.), completing her career at Bryan Elementary School in the Birmingham area.

1960 - 1969

Don Edward Chandler, '60/'73, Heflin, Ala., February 26, 2008. Mr. Chandler was an Air Force veteran. He taught for more than 30 years in Cleburne County.

Donald Ray Cornutt, '60, Vestavia Hills, Ala., February 22, 2008. An Army veteran, he was also a band director for 17 years. He taught at General Forrest Junior High, Cordova High, Fairfield High and at Samford University. He was principal of Homewood Middle School until his retirement in 1992. Mr. Cornutt also played with the "Sounds of Dixieland" and the "Joe Giattina

Orchestra." He was a charter member of the Southerners at JSU.

Jean Phillips Gramling, '60/'74, Gadsden, Ala., December 30, 2007. She taught at Curtiston Elementary for 30 years.

George Thomas Marshall, Jr., '60, Taft, Tenn., April 15, 2008. Mr. Marshall preached for over 50 years throughout North Alabama and Southern Middle Tennessee.

Billy Joe Hammonds, '61, Phenix City, Ala., May 20, 2007. Mr. Hammonds had been commissioned through the JSU ROTC program.

Gary Lee Rogers, '61, Caro, Mich., January 5, 2008. Mr. Rogers served in the U.S. Army during the Korean Conflict. He taught and coached in Kingston (Mich.) and Millington (Mich.) until his retirement.

Mattie Lois Clayton Snow, '62, Birmingham, Ala., April 11, 2008. She was retired from the Jefferson County School System. Mrs. Snow was a former member of the JSU Alumni Board of Governors and was married to Paul H. Snow, for whom the football stadium at JSU is named.



Above: Dr. Meehan and Ms. Snow

H. Wayne Love, '62, Anniston, Ala., May 9, 2008. He was a practicing attorney for many years in Anniston.

Edward Clement Graven, '63, Fairhope, Ala., March 2, 2008. Mr. Graven was an Air Force veteran.

Lyle Traynor Rafferty, Jr., '64, Mason, Tenn. The Alumni Office was notified by the postal service of his death.

Gerald H. Kelley, '69, Gadsden, Ala., February 23, 2008. Mr. Kelley was retired from Gulf States Steel after 31 years of

service. He served in the Army Reserves and was known for raising quality horses.

Nancy Cooper Smith, '69, Boaz, Ala., March 11, 2008. Mrs. Smith taught at both Boaz High and Snead State Community College before joining her family's business, Cooper Oil, from which she retired as vice president in 2007 due to illness.

1970 - 1979

Gary F. Graham, '70, Madison, Ala.

Jerry Daulton Hart, '70/'72, Birmingham, Ala., February 6, 2008. Mr. Hart served as a certified public accountant, then as chief financial officer and later president of Schuller Industries of Birmingham. He was an Army veteran and served in Korea.

Elmer Gerald "Kel" Kelley, '70, Douglasville, Ga., January 28, 2008. Mr. Kelley had been a member of the International House Program and the Southerners at JSU. He began his career at South Cobb High in Austell, Ga., where he was choir and music director, assistant band director and football game announcer. He left teaching in 1974 and began a 23 year association with Prudential selling all types of insurance and earning recognition as one of the top disability agents in the country. After suffering his first heart attack at age 35 and later undergoing quadruple bypass in 1995, he received a heart transplant in 1999. During his transplant ordeal, his idea for TripleHeart, Inc. was born. Set up in 2001, the www.tripleheart.org website provides transplant patients with information as well as the ability to "connect" with others to share experiences and help about what to expect. An offshoot project is Project Valentine, a drive which collects old cell phones and chargers for people awaiting transplants. Mr. Kelley worked closely with the Freshman Forum at JSU each year on Project Valentine.

Annie Pauline Blackmon, '71, Anniston, Ala. The postal service notified the Alumni Office of her death.

O.H. "Hugh" Campbell, '71, Gadsden, Ala., March 4, 2008. Mr. Campbell was a retired Navy Captain having served in Vietnam. Mr. Campbell worked for several pharmaceutical companies and established Accucare,

one of the first home-infusion companies in Etowah County.

Clifton Jules Bourg, '74, Anniston, Ala., February 5, 2008. Mr. Bourg was retired from the Anniston Army Depot with 30 years of service. He was also a 38-year veteran of the Army National Guard. Known as "The Golden Voice," he was the announcer for the Anniston High School Bulldogs.

Elizabeth McRae Robertson, '74/'87, February 11, 2008. The Alumni Office was notified by a family member of her death.

Shirley W. Denson, '75, Oxford, Ala., April 10, 2008.

Edith Dixon Thrash, '75, Heflin, Ala., April 7, 2008. She was a retired educator.

Robert J. Traylor, '75, Jacksonville, Ala., February 1, 2008. Mr. Traylor was a police officer for most of his life. He was a member of the Southerners at JSU.

1980 - 1989

Julie Scruggs, '80, Birmingham, Ala., April 14, 2008. She was a computer programmer at Blue Cross & Blue Shield of Alabama. She graduated at the top of her 1980 class at JSU.

Jimmie D. Percival, '81/'82/'89, Ft. Walton Beach, Fla., March 19, 2008. He was retired from the Army with 22 years of service and had worked at the United Cerebral Palsy Center for 10 years.

Thomas Lyde Smith III, '82, Jacksonville, Ala., March 8, 2008. He was the designer and creator of the Veterans Memorial Park in Anniston.

Melissa McMeekin Gullledge, '87, Trussville, Ala., May 25, 2008. She began her career at the Alabama Institute for Deaf & Blind, then Helena Elementary and was presently employed at Paine Primary as a special needs instructor. She was married to Harry Gullledge, '86.

Anthony "Tony" Wayne Yother, '87, Anniston, Ala., February 28, 2008. He had been an RN in the Critical Intensive Care Unit (CICU) at UAB Hospital in Birmingham.

Marshall "Mark" Edward Silvey, '88/'93, Gadsden, Ala., February 18, 2008. Known for his sense of humor and perfectionism, he found a way to fulfill his creativity through his award-winning landscape artistry, twice earning him a Birmingham Beautification Award for his outstanding work. He kept the polished and manicured picturesque image for Union State Bank at its Operations Center in Pell City and surrounding areas.

1990 - 1999

Nancy Leah Lightsey, '92, Warm Springs, Ga. The Alumni Office was notified by the postal service of her death.

Stacy Dianne Underwood

Stevenson, '96, Gadsden, Ala., January 24, 2008. Mrs. Stevenson was active in her church's youth and children's ministries.

James Don Medders, '97, LaGrange, Ga., April 12, 2008, after a lengthy illness. He was retired after 30 years as a high school band director in Georgia and Alabama. Mr. Medders was a proud member of the 1962-65 Southerners at JSU and its fraternity Phi Mu Alpha Sinfonia.

Jennifer Marie Garrison Otts, '97, Adamsville, Ala., March 23, 2008.

Tera LaShon Young Wimberly, '97/'99, Conyers, Ga., February 25, 2008. She had been employed by the State of Georgia.

2000 - 2008

Charles Gerald "Gerry" Elliot, '02, Lineville, Ala., March 22, 2008. He was employed by Tyson Foods as processing manager before beginning his tenure with the Clay County Board of Education. He taught vocational agriculture at Mellow Valley High School, then Lineville High, before he was promoted to assistant principal at both Lineville High and Elementary Schools. He was the youngest person to be elected a city councilman for the City of Ashland, serving one and a half terms in office. Mr. Elliott was a local cattleman and owner-operator of the 4-E Farms. He was also a member of the Ashland Fire Department and served as department treasurer.

Sharon Ruth Riffe, '04, Anniston, Ala.. Ms. Riffe was a member of the JSU

Southerners and Marching Ballerinas. She was an accomplished artist and writer.

Kellie Latrece Stone, '04/'07, Attalla, Ala., January 26, 2008. She was pursuing her Education Specialist Degree at JSU and was employed as a family and child support supervisor at Alliance/Gateway. Ms. Stone had been a member of Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority at JSU.

Henry Eugene "Hank" Baker, '06, Oxford, Ala., March 2, 2008. He was employed by Winn Dixie in Jacksonville.

Douglas E. Miller, '07, Princeton, Ill., April 21, 2008. He had retired from the Air Force in 1998, after having served for 28 years. As a civilian, he was the 911 director of BUE Comm and 911 president of I-NENA. With his expertise in security management, he held positions as a security officer, police captain and deputy sheriff. His degree from JSU was in Emergency Management.

ALUMNOTES

Graduation Date Unknown or Did Not Graduate

John Craton, teaches violin and piano and lives in Indiana. He has gained international recognition as a classical composer. His recent composition *The Legend of Princess Noccalula* is among the first of his works to be performed outside the United States recently by the Dutch orchestra *Het Consort*. His visit to The Netherlands netted him a number of additional commissions for various ensembles and soloists. His works have been performed throughout the United States and include concertos, chamber works, ballets, song cycles and operas.

1950 - 1969

Don Wilson, '59, was inducted into the Etowah County Sports Hall of Fame in January, 2008. Mr. Wilson played basketball for JSU.

John "JB" Badger, '66, Newmarket, N.H., has been appointed by New Hampshire Governor John Lynch to a 3-year term on the state's new Motor Vehicle Arbitration Board. The Board enforces New Hampshire's new motor vehicle "Lemon Law."

David E. Milam, '68, Atlanta, Ga., has been awarded the certified financial planner designation. After a corporate career, primarily with R.J. Reynolds Industries, Inc., Mr. Milam relocated from Talladega, Ala., to the Atlanta area where he practices as a financial planner and CPA, as well as a real estate developer. He is president of Mallory Financial Services; Hwy 5 Self Storage LLC; Mallory Management Company, Inc.; Personal Storage, Inc.; Canton Road Commercial Business Park, Inc.; and managing member of David E. Milam, CPA, LLC; Shallowford Property Partners, LLC and EDM Holdings, LLC. An avid pilot, he maintains a residence in Atlanta and a farm in Talladega.

1970 - 1979

Rep. Tommy Scherer, '70, Jasper, Ala., has been awarded a state leadership award by the Council for Leaders in Alabama Schools (CLAS). The Council recognizes lawmakers who demonstrate exemplary support for Alabama's public schools and school children. During his more than 32 years in education, Rep. Scherer has served for more than 15 years as an assistant principal and principal in Walker County Schools and as a principal in Jasper City Schools. He retired from education in 2002. Rep. Scherer was a member of the Southerners and the Baptist Campus Ministry at JSU.

Dr. Tom Ellenburg, '71, Arab, Ala., recently won the 2008 Circle of Business Excellence Award from the Arab Chamber of Commerce. His first career was in teaching at Arab High School. When he found his heart was not in teaching, but in caring for animals, he became a veterinarian and established his practice in Arab. Dr. Ellenburg was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program.

Ronald "Ronnie" L. Russell, '71, has joined Superior Financial Management, Inc. as a vice president and senior investment officer. He has 35 years of banking and investment experience and is responsible for assisting clients at Superior Bank branches throughout northeast Alabama. Prior to joining Superior, Mr. Russell served as president and financial consultant of SouthFirst

Financial Services, Inc. He was as member of the Southerners at JSU.



Above: Charlie Waldrep

Charlie Waldrep, '71, Birmingham, Ala., partner and attorney with Waldrep, Stewart & Kendrick LLC, has been honored as the only lawyer in the state chosen in the Government Relations category in the first annual "Alabama Super Lawyers" listing published as a special supplement in Alabama Super Lawyers magazine. Mr. Waldrep serves on the JSU Foundation Board. He is also a member of the J-Club.

Dale Welsh, '72/'76, Spring Garden, Ala., was recently honored by the Cherokee County Commission for his service to the community and the students of Cherokee County. He has also been selected to the 18th Class of the Alabama High School Sports Hall of Fame 2007 and the Alabama Sports Hall of Fame 2008. He has coached at Spring Garden and Cherokee County High. Mr. Welsh has also served on the Cherokee County Commission.

Gene Inglis, '73, Jacksonville, Ala., has taught for 35 years locally and in Rome, Ga. He is currently in his 5th year of teaching at Saks High School. For the last four years, he has led the Saks High School band to superior ratings in district two Concert Band Assessment. School Band and Orchestra magazine has named him one of their "50 Directors Who Make a Difference." Each year the magazine chooses one band director from each state whom they feel has made an impact on students. Nominees come from band parents, award recipients, school administrators and other music professionals. He began teaching in Scottsboro, Ala., before going to Rome, Ga.,

where he taught for 29 years, retiring at the end of 2003. He remains active with JSU by serving on the JSU Alumni Board of Governors as president of the Gray Echelon, the alumni chapter for former members of the Southerners and Marching Ballerinas. His wife, **Shenley Back Inglis, '73**, is also a JSU grad. His son **Tony, '97**, and daughters **Gena Inglis Nix, '02** and **Allison Inglis Brown, '05/'07**, were also all members of the Southerners and/or Marching Ballerinas. at JSU.



Above: Gene Inglis

1980- 1989

Billy Hayes, '81, Kennesaw, Ga., currently serves at CEO of Northside Hospital-Cherokee. He brought 17 years of healthcare experience when he became CEO in 2004. The hospital has since doubled the number of its physicians on the medical staff and the hospital has seen a 100% increase in revenue. In 2006, the hospital was recognized by the Georgia Hospital Association with the Top Care Hospital Award. Also a graduate of Kennesaw State University, he received KSU's Alumnus of the Year Award in 2006.

JoEllen Duke Holmes '84, Decatur, Ga., is joining a private practice in Counseling and Psychiatry in Dunwoody, Ga., after 15 years of practicing social work in the Atlanta area. The new practice is called Psychiatric Consultants of Atlanta and it focuses on treatment with children and adolescents by a psychiatrist who is board certified in child, adult, and forensic psychiatry.

Kerry Payne, '86/'96, Gadsden, Ala., has been named the new Parks and Recreation Director for the City of Gadsden. He has been serving as acting director since October, 2007.

Sheila Micale Phillips, '87, Cullman, Ala., is the new principal at Cullman High School and the first female to hold that position. She previously served as an assistant principal at CHS and, before that, Mrs. Phillips worked as the Cullman City School System's student services coordinator. She has also worked as a special education teacher in Homewood, Ala.

Lowell Smith, '87, Boaz, Ala., is an Air Force veteran and has been an educator for more than 20 years. He currently serves as principal at Boaz High School. For the last 40 years, his passion has been studying General George Custer and his participation in the ill-fated "Battle of the Little Big Horn."

Lacrecia Body Whisenant, '87, Gadsden, Ala., has been chosen Teacher of the Year at Coosa Christian Elementary School.

Jay Prater, '88, Auburn, Ala., has been recognized by the Marriott Corporation as one of its best and brightest general managers. Mr. Prater is General Manager at the Auburn Opelika Marriott Hotel & Conference Center and received the distinguished General Manager of the Year Award from Marriott. Only two general managers from 347 Marriott locations in the United States receive this award each year. Mr. Prater's hotel also won awards for Market Most Improved, Most Improved Associate Engagement, and Market Share Excellence. The hotel's chef was also named Alabama's Top Chef of the Year in 2007 by the Alabama Hospitality Association. Mr. Prater was a member of Pi Kappa Phi Fraternity at JSU.

Suzette Brittain Tommie, '88/'92, Hokes Bluff, Ala., is Hokes Bluff Middle School's Teacher of the Year. She has been teaching for 25 years with 23 years being at Hokes Bluff Middle. She teaches science and was also honored by the National Space Club as the 2007 Aerospace Educator of the Year.

Dwight Burton, '89, has been hired as vice president of distribution at Shoe Carnival. He most recently was senior site manager at NEWEGG.COM.

Michelle Dawn Couch Hamilton, '89, Hokes Bluff, Ala., is Hokes Bluff Elementary School's Teacher of the Year. She has been teaching for 16 years with 11 years at Hokes Bluff.

Tim Liles, '89, Tuscaloosa, Ala., has been promoted to logistics manager with roofing manufacturer GAF-Elk. He previously served as traffic supervisor and has more than 18 years of experience in the logistics/traffic field. Mr. Liles began his career as a railroad hub supervisor with Gulf States Paper Corp.

1990 - 1999

Jill Boatwright, '90, Gadsden, Ala., is Hokes Bluff High School's Teacher of the Year. She has taught at Hokes Bluff High for 17 years.

David Glass, '90, Jacksonville, Ala., is an insurance agent for the Calhoun County Insurance Center. He began his career out of college as an insurance adjuster with Fountain, Keat and Sanders in Mobile. He remembers being in training for catastrophe claims in Illinois and getting a call to say he had his first catastrophe to assess - at his own home during the '93 blizzard in Jacksonville, Ala. When he moved back to Jacksonville, he took the job at the family insurance business.

Scott Kirk, '91, Rainsville, Ala., was named senior vice president at First Southern Bank in Rainsville. He previously served as the bank's branch manager and has been in banking since 1985.

Kennedy Mkutu, '91, Senior Lecturer, Public Administration/International Relations & Security Studies, Mzumbe University, Tanzania has had his book published. Visit <http://www.amazon.ca/Guns-Governance-Kennedy-Agade-Mkutu/1847013082> for more information.

Tracy Johnson, '92/'95, Centre, Ala., has been recognized by the Cherokee County School System as its High School Teacher of the Year. She teaches at Cedar Bluff School. She previously taught at Model Middle School in Rome, Ga. Over the past several years, she has been named the Coca Cola Scholar Foundation Educator of Distinction (2005), Cedar Bluff Teacher of the Year (1992) and Cedar Bluff Elementary Teacher of the Month (various years). Ms. Johnson was a member of the JSU Marching Ballerinas.

Joni Renay Sparks, '92, Guntersville, Ala., has been selected Teacher of the Year in Marshall County. She teaches at Asbury. Quite a feat for someone who hated school growing up and was constantly truant! Struggling after marriage and starting her family, she obtained her GED, an associate degree and then her bachelors degree. She began her career as a substitute teacher before becoming permanent at Asbury. Mrs. Sparks is now in her ninth year of teaching.

Maria Amado, '94, Nashville, Tenn., is a financial advisor for Northwestern Mutual Financial Network. She previously worked as the emerging markets representative for Principal Financial Group. Prior to that, Ms. Amado spent 7 years as a financial consultant building one of the most successful practices in the country with Ward Financial Advisory of Wachovia Securities. She was named "Best of the Rest" by PLANSPOSOR Magazine while with Ward Financial. Ms. Amado was a member of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority at JSU. She has served on the JSU Alumni Board as Governors as a former president of the Middle Tennessee Alumni Chapter.

Dr. Gregory E. Sumner, '94/'96, Rome, Ga., is founder and president of Professional Screening & Information (PSI), Inc. The company recently received the Small Business of the Year Award by the Rome Chamber of Commerce. Dr. Sumner's company provides pre-employment screening services in Rome and in Holly Springs, N.C. He was a member of Alpha Tau Omega Fraternity at JSU.

Courtney Walker, '95/'98, Gadsden, Ala., has been named the new assistant director of Parks and Recreation for the City of Gadsden. He has been with the department since 1994 and has been assistant manager of Carver Gym, manager of Thompson Community Center, Carver Community Center, and East Gadsden Community Center, as well as athletic supervisor for the department.

Christa Smith Urban, '96, Odenville, Ala., is the new principal at Odenville Elementary School in St. Clair County. Mrs. Urban was head of the JSU Marching Ballerinas and a

member of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority at JSU. She and her husband, Andy, a coach at Hoover, have a 4-year-old son, Brayden.

Ford Wiles, '96, Birmingham, Ala., has joined Big Communications, Inc. as partner and chief creative officer. Prior to joining the company, Mr. Wiles worked as an independent creative director and brand consultant. He has more than 12 years of experience working with retail and quick service restaurant clients such as Home Depot, Intuit, Verizon Wireless, Saks Incorporated, Meijer, Mervyn's, Bi-Lo and Captain D's.



Above: Ford Wiles

Cathy Higgins, '98, Albany, Ga., is a features writer for The Albany Herald. She received the Easter Seals of Southern Georgia Media Award in October, 2007 for an article she wrote profiling a 12-year-old with Asperger's Syndrome. Ms. Higgins was a member of the Baptist Campus Ministry at JSU.

Annette Protz, '99, Oneonta, Ala., has been named ALFA's Teacher of the Month (March 2008). She has been teaching at Cleveland Elementary School since 1999. She received \$1000 from ALFA Insurance and her school received a matching award from the Alabama Farmers Federation. Ms. Protz was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority at JSU.

2000 - 2008

Phaedra Hollis Roberts, '00, White, Ga., recently received her Education Specialist Degree from Berry College in Rome. She is director of teaching and learning for Trion City Schools.

Lara Welsh,'01, Spring Garden, Ala., is one of Cherokee County's top teachers for 2008. She has taught at Spring Garden since 1998. She previously taught at Rome (Ga.) High School and East Rome High.

Casey Smith,'03, Birmingham, Ala., is the new golf coach at Birmingham Southern College. He was a member of Kappa Sigma Fraternity at JSU.

Tenesha Wright,'03, Montgomery, Ala., is an assistant manager for Banana Republic stores. She would one day like to become a visual merchandise manager, ensuring that window displays, shelf displays and floors are appealing to clients.

Danni Lusk,'04, Jacksonville, Ala., is the staff reporter for the Piedmont Journal. She previously wrote for The Messenger in Gadsden and The Mudcat Magazine before joining the Journal in 2007.

Les Sanders,'04, Luverne, Ala., has been hired as the new head football coach for Luverne High School. He began his coaching career at Hillcrest High in Tuscaloosa in 1995. He has also coached at Northside High in Tuscaloosa, Stanhope Elmore High in Millbrook, and North Jackson High in Stevenson.

Matthew Elliott Bennett,'05, began Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Ft. Worth, Tex., in August. He will earn two masters degrees in Marriage and Family Counseling and Theology. His parents are Elliott Reuben Bennett,'79, and Patti Hancock Bennett,'93/'00.

Tina Y. Simons,'05, Albertville, Ala., currently serves as accountant for Snead State Community College, Boaz, Ala.

Jennifer Bacchus,'06, Jacksonville, Ala., is a staff reporter for the Jacksonville News. She took the news position right out of college, starting with circulation and layout for the first few months.

Wayne Keener,'06, Gadsden, Ala., was named the Gadsden Police Department's Officer of the Year. He is a field training officer, an instructor, collects video evidence and is a traffic homicide investigator. He completed his criminal justice degree while working full time as an officer.

Amanda Bird,'07, Leeds, Ala., is employed as an RN in Pediatric Oncology at Children's Hospital in Birmingham. She was a member of Phi Mu Sorority at JSU.

Andrew Hairston,'07, Fort Payne, Ala., is a City Councilman in Fort Payne. Mr. Hairston recently worked together with school resource officer Sgt. Steven Whited on a project to obtain a new police car for the City of Fort Payne. It would be used at the city schools as a tool for students to interact with the police in a positive way.

Mr. Hairston is a former student at Northeast Alabama Community College (NACC) and Sgt. Whited is a student at NACC majoring in criminal justice. They submitted their idea to the Fort Payne police chief who is an adjunct instructor at NACC. Another JSU graduate, **Brent Satterfield,'87/'90**, is a criminal justice advisor and instructor at NACC. He currently serves on the JSU Alumni Board of Governors as the Dekalb County Alumni Chapter President.

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Don't miss the most up to date information from the JSU alumni association....email us today at alumni@jsu.edu and get connected!

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**CLASS OF 1983
"LOST" CLASSMATES**

ALLEN, Jeff Durand (Laurel, MD)
ANTHONY, Donna Lynne (Fyffe, AL)
CHILDS, Janice Elaine (Rome, GA)
DHALI, Hammad Rashed (Gadsden, AL)
EASON, Ronald Lee (Harvest, AL)
GARMON, Patricia Kimberly
KAYED, Rasem (Panama City, FL)
MORRIS, Cherylece (Anniston, AL)
MORRIS, Teresa Lynn (Calhoun, GA)
MURRAY, Sandra Denise (Anniston, AL)
SAHAWNEH, Akram Mousa (Gadsden, AL)
SIZEMORE, Eugene E. (Fultondale, AL)
SKINNER, Rita Faye (Madison, AL)
UNUGBRO, Andrew O. (Atlanta, GA)
WHATLEY, Lorri Camille (Cordova, AL)

**CLASS OF 1958
"GOLDEN GAMECOCK"
"LOST" CLASSMATES**

ABERCROMBIE, Charles E. (Gadsden, AL)
BARNETT, Mary Elizabeth (Goodwater, AL)
BROWN, Billy Olan (Piedmont, AL)
BROWN, Guy R. (Piedmont, AL)
BURROUGHS, Billy Charles (Grant, AL)
CANNON, James (Gadsden, AL)
CHAMPION, Margaret Ellen
CHRAPEK, Sister Mary Dolores (Gadsden, AL)
CLARK, Louie E. (Oxford, AL)
COOPER, Ersie T. (Gadsden, AL)
COOPER, Natalie Davis (Talladega, AL)
COX, Carole Ross (Guntersville, AL)
DANIEL, Elois H. (Anniston, AL)
DAVIDSON, Inez N. (Cullman, AL)
DUNAWAY, Kathrynne Wilmore (Anniston, AL)
DURHAM, Gary D. (Ft. Payne, AL)
EARNEST, William M. (Wellington, AL)
ELLIS, Dorothy Ann (Castleberry)
FIKE, James Howard (Birmingham, AL)
FLOYD, Joyce (Weaver, AL)
GRAY, Nellie B. (Ft. Payne, AL)
GRIEVES, William P. (Birmingham, AL)
GULLEDGE, Martha Nell (Gadsden, AL)
HAMMOND, Henry Donald (Ft. Payne, AL)
HAYES, Levearl
HENDERSON, Amie Britt (Jacksonville, AL)
HOLDER, Maurice A. (Anniston, AL)
JENKINS, Eva Stewart (Ashland, AL)
JONES, Jr. Samuel Frank (Anniston, AL)
JORDAN, Ellis Ray (Anniston, AL)
KEENER, James
KIKER, Dora Ruth (Jasper, AL)
KNIGHT, James F. (Lineville, AL)
LANDERS, Sara

LEWIS, James Charles (Jamestown, AL)
MASON, Hilda Janice (Jacksonville, AL)
MCCORD, Gertrude Kinsey (Gadsden, AL)
MCLANEY, Evelyn Morgan (Bagdad, FL)
MCPHERSON, Shirley Ann (Ft. Payne, AL)
MOORE, Edith Eastin (Talladega, AL)
NEAL, Florence
O'BRIEN, Barbara Ann (Anniston, AL)
PAINTER, Billy N. (Gadsden, AL)
PETTUS, Evelyn S. (Lineville, AL)
RICE, Evelyn Graves (Gadsden, AL)
RICH, Eleanor L. (Wellington, AL)
ROBERTS, Melvin Douglas (Jacksonville, AL)
SCROGGINS, Phillip W. (Jacksonville, AL)
SHELTON, Woodie (Arab, AL)
SIMMONS, Cecil Donald (Gadsden, AL)
SMITH, Melvin T. (Alexander City, AL)
SNEAD, Gladys (Altoona, AL)
STEELE, Willard Lamar (Alabama City, AL)
STEGALL, Ronald (Dunwoody, GA)
STEPHENSON, Betty Ann (Tuscaloosa, AL)
STEWART, Catherine B. (Gadsden, AL)
STRICKLAND, Rubye Russell (Section, AL)
TERRELL, Henry
VAUGHN, Tula Latimer (Albertville, AL)
WALKER, Franklin, E. (Ft. Payne, AL)
WALKER, Jr. Bishop K. (Lebanon, TN)
WALLACE, Bruce H. (Cullman, AL)
WALLACE, Jr. Robert Clarke (Lafayette, AL)
WEBB, Zula Dickie (Anniston, AL)
WHETSTONE, Joanne
WHITE, Mildred (Scottsboro, AL)
WHITTLE, Thomas J. (Jacksonville, AL)
WILLIAMS, George E. (Gadsden, AL)
WRIGHT, Lois B. (Flat Rock, AL)
WRIGHT, Sara Barnett (Mobile, AL)
YOUNG, Barbara

Can you help us locate the "lost" class members from 1958 and 1983? On October 17, these two classes will be celebrating their 25th and 50th class year reunions. If you know of their whereabouts, please contact the alumni office today!

Thank you!

CRIMINAL JUSTICE REUNION

WHO: All CJ Alumni
WHAT: Homecoming Reunion Dinner
WHERE: JSU Alumni House
WHEN: Friday, October 17th 6:00 p.m.
6:00 pm: Social Gathering/Registration
6:30 pm: Welcome - Steve Botello, CJ Alumni Chapter President Dinner, Silent Auction and special guests

(Dinner will again be sponsored by Calhoun County Sheriff Larry Amerson '75)

COST: \$5.00 PER PERSON (Donation to CS scholarship)

Please visit the JSU alumni website at www.jsu.edu/alumni for a complete schedule of Homecoming activities!

Tickets to the Homecoming game on Saturday are available for \$15.00. Complete the reservation form below and return by **October 10th**.



(Please cut off here and return the form below)

CRIMINAL JUSTICE HOMECOMING 2008 REUNION DINNER

(Please Print)

Name: _____ Grad Year: _____ Degree: _____
 Phone: () _____ email: _____
 Spouse/guests name: _____
 # of reservations _____ x \$ 5.00 per person = \$ _____ (Make checks payable to JSU Foundation)
 Tickets for Saturday's game _____ x \$15.00 (ea.) = \$ _____ (Make tickets check payable to JSU)
 Visa/MasterCard # _____
 Exp. _____ Name on Card _____
 CV code _____ (last 3 digits on back of Visa/MC)
 Total Amount Enclosed/Charged \$ _____



SIXTIES GROUP REUNION

Friday, October 17, 2008

Miller Sports Arena at McClellan

(located across from Long Leaf Lodge)

Directions: Turn into McClellan at Baltzell Gate (middle gate near Lenlock), go past Fire Station on right. Bear right after fire station and arena is first building on your right.

5-11pm: (dinner served at 5:30 p.m.)
 \$15 per person - Catering by Ron's BBQ

Band: "Black Diamond"

Football tickets available for order!

(If you wish to stay at Long Leaf Lodge, make your reservations early!)
 (256-820-9494 or toll free 877-845-6343)

RESERVATIONS FOR 60s GROUP HC DINNER

Friday, October 17, 2008

(Please print)

NAME _____

E-MAIL _____

Guest/s _____

_____ # DINNER RESERVATIONS at \$15

Amount Enclosed: \$ _____ (check payable to W.E. Connell)

_____ # FOOTBALL TICKETS at \$12 (general admission-end zone)

OR _____ # FOOTBALL TICKETS at \$15 (reserved bench)

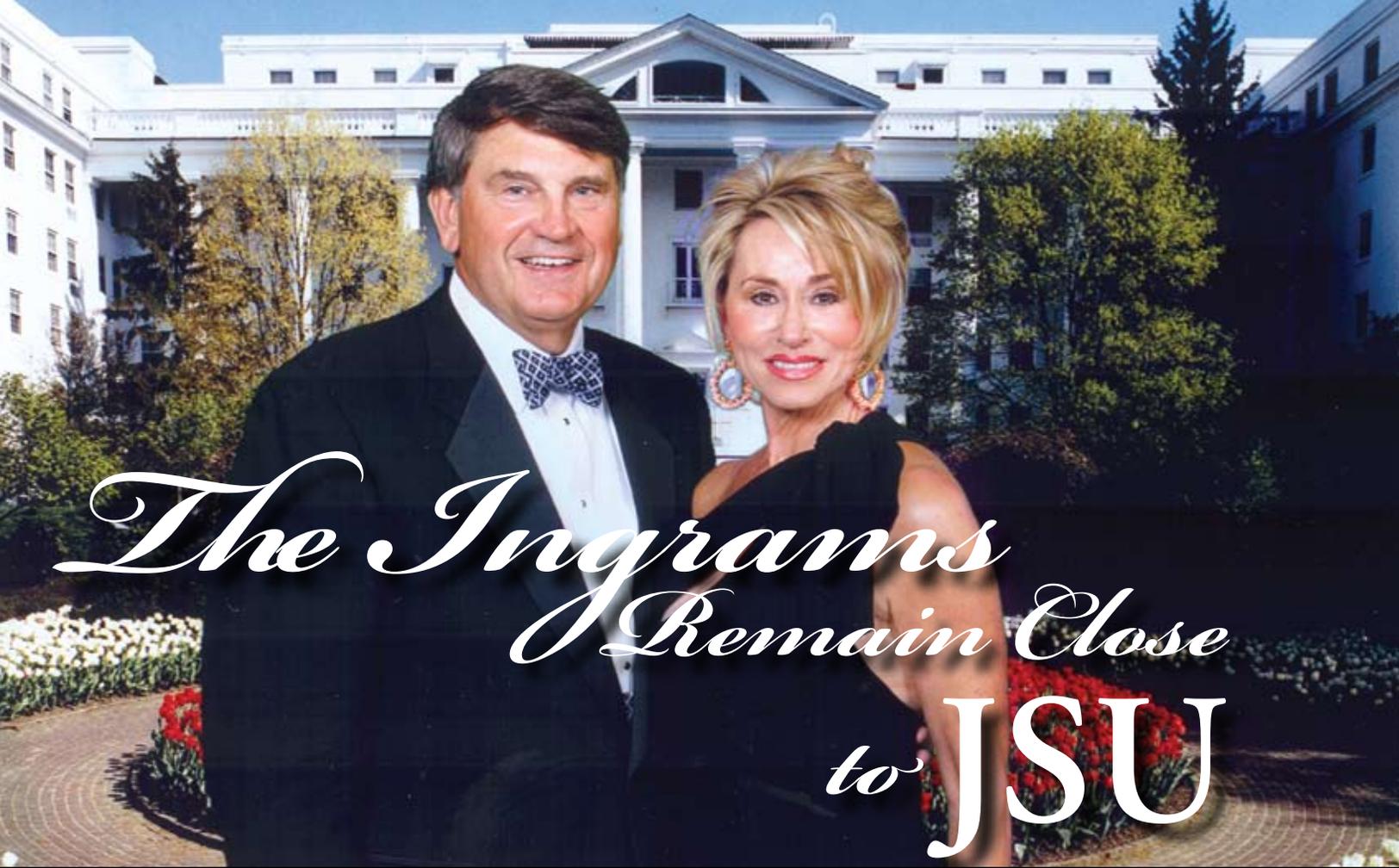
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**Reservations Due in Alumni Office by
 October 10, 2008**

(cut off and return the form above by October 10, 2008)



The Ingrams Remain Close to JSU

“What’s required to win a national championship requires supporting the highest level of coaches and this is what Tony and Gloria’s gift does.”

*—Head Coach Jack Crowe
JSU Football*

*T*heir Saturdays were spent at the stadium — with her, the squad’s head cheerleader, shouting encouragement to the team and him, captain of the football team, leading his team in their fight for victory.

But the story of Tony and Gloria Ingram is more than a romance. After all, the two didn’t fall in love at Jacksonville State University. That moment came later.

Instead, the two fell in love with JSU, with the campus, with the people and with the knowledge they gleaned there. Growing up, JSU was not part of Mrs. Ingram’s plan. All along, she and her best friend from high school intended to head to Tuscaloosa to attend the University of Alabama.

“But I went [to JSU], and I loved every single minute of it,” Mrs. Ingram said.

When not leading cheers from the Gamecock sidelines, Mrs. Ingram

worked to first earn her business degree and then returned to attain the necessary education courses to begin teaching. She later used her JSU education to teach junior high students for 15 years.

While at JSU, Mr. Ingram also earned his business degree, and he said the education he received has paved the way for his business ventures throughout his life. But even beyond the classroom, onto the football field, Mr. Ingram learned valuable life lessons.

“Going through the football regimen helped me deal with a lot of adversity in my life,” Mr. Ingram, who has now worked in management for 38 years, explained. “I learned that things like that don’t come easy.”

Today, Mr. Ingram serves as vice president of operations and chief operating officer for CSX Transportation. “My job is to run the railroad,” Mr. Ingram said of his position. He said CSX manages 21,500 of railroad and 35,000

employees nationwide.

Though today, the couple lives in Jacksonville, Florida, not Jacksonville, Alabama, JSU remains close to their hearts. Each year, the two aim to catch at least one game of Gamecock football, and now, with their beloved university amid its capital campaign, the Ingrams are giving back.

The couple donated \$125,000 toward the *Power of 125...Join the Celebration* capital campaign — a gift that will be split between the couple's two loves, the football program and the College of Commerce and Business Administration.

A portion of their gift supported the coach's excellence fund, a fund that allows JSU the ability to attract and retain great coaches for years to come, and another portion benefited the CCBA.

"With any organization of institutional learning, you've got to have a continuous flow of donations," Mr. Ingram explained. "If you're going to continue to attract students and faculty, depending on raising tuition and state grants won't always do it."

The Ingrams said they are glad to give back to a university that gave so much to them.

"I learned leadership skills, along with a great education, at JSU," Mr. Ingram said

The caliber of CCBA's graduates is the ultimate measure of our success. This gift from Tony and Gloria Ingram, both business graduates, will allow the CCBA to acquire the cutting edge technology required for a world class business program.

*-Dean Bill Fielding,
College of Commerce and
Business Administration*



It's Phonathon Time Again!

It's phonathon time again and our team of callers are gearing up for another outstanding year. This year's phonathon will begin in September and conclude sometime in March.

Last year pledges and responses to the phonathon campaign totaled just under \$200,000 from our 40,000 alumni that were called. Our callers this year will consist of students and many JSU graduates who have worked our phonathon in years past.

Your patience and kindness on the phone means a great deal to our callers and serves as a great example to our student callers who will someday be alumni themselves. Remember together we can make a difference, help us to surpass our goal of \$200,000 this year.

Phonathon Top Ten Giving Categories

Categories	# of Pledges	Total
1. Where the need is greatest	1,243	59,682.00
2. College of Education & Prof Studies	394	12,380.00
3. College of Commerce and Business	242	11,151.00
4. College of Nursing & Health Science	194	6,805.00
5. MCIS Development	109	5,135.00
6. Curriculum & Instruction	180	5,035.00
7. Music Department Fund	126	5,015.00
8. Gamecock Club	59	3,490.00
9. Criminal Justice	87	3,395.00
10. Biology Department	65	3,145.00



Above: Ms. LeAnn Crowe, Mr. Earl Warren, Ms. Sissy Spence and Ms. Brenda Parris

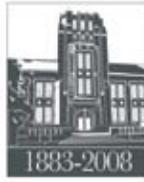
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Ms. Sissy Spence ('90)
Development Officer
256-782-8351

Ms. LeAnn Crowe ('83),
Development Officer
256-782-8240

Ms. Brenda Parris,
Development and
Campaign Secretary



THE POWER OF 125... JOIN THE CELEBRATION!

A Campaign for Jacksonville State University

Friends and Alumni of Jacksonville State University,

JSU is entering into its final months of *The Power of 125...Join The Celebration!* Capital Campaign. This campaign has offered unprecedented opportunities for this great institution that we know and love.

As we come to the end of this significant project in JSU's history, I would like to extend an invitation to all Jacksonville State alumni and friends to help us exceed in making a difference in the quality of the facilities and programs at JSU. This campaign has had many successes one of which was our student scholarships.

Over the past four and a half years, *The Power of 125...Join The Celebration!* Capital Campaign has surpassed its goal of \$1.45 million for student scholarships by over 344%. We have also surpassed our goals for projects with the Little River Canyon Center, Fund for Excellence, and the International House.

We have seen extraordinary progress here at Jacksonville State University over the past few years expanding infrastructure and technology through programs and construction and renovation of facilities.

Jacksonville State University's opportunities are endless. We have alumni and friends all over the world and through which *The Power of 125...Join The Celebration!* Capital Campaign has renewed commitment and belief in JSU. We can contribute immeasurably in making Jacksonville State University a premier institution.

This is your JSU and we appreciate the generosity of all our alumni and friends that have supported the efforts of *The Power of 125...Join The Celebration!* Capital Campaign. If you have not had the chance to participate, I ask that you join us in building on JSU's excellence. I hope you will consider supporting this effort that will shape the future of our students and make a positive impact on humanity.

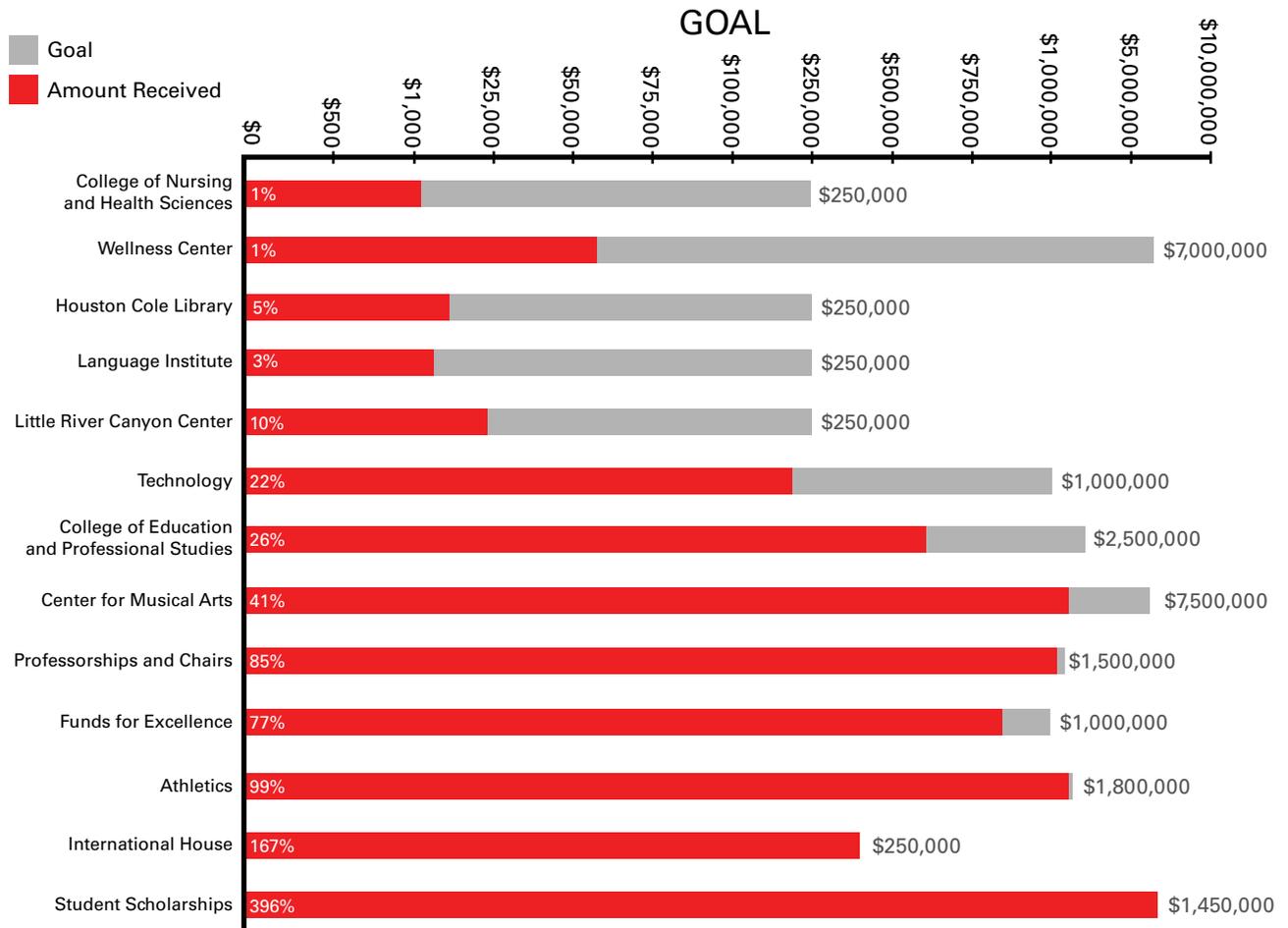
For more information on how to give back, contact the Office of Institutional Development at 1-800-231-5291 Ext. 5605 or visit our website www.jsucapitalcampaign.com.

Sincerely,

Earl Warren



Jacksonville State University CAPITAL CAMPAIGN 125 Gift Summary



CAMPAIGN OPPORTUNITIES

- Center for Musical Arts
- College of Education
- Houston Cole Library
- Language Institute
- Little River Canyon Field School
- Professorships and Chairs
- Student Scholarships
- Fund for Excellence
- Institute for Excellence in Community Health
- International House
- Technology
- Wellness Center
- Athletics



ALL IN THE FAMILY AT CAMP SKYLINE

by LeAnn Crowe, Development Officer

Camp Skyline located in Mentone, AL was founded in 1947 by Mrs. Eloise Hart Temple who owned it for 33 years until Edward ('64) and Edmond Cash purchased it in 1980. Camp Skyline offers a unique camping experience for girls ages six to sixteen. More than 20 activities and many other recreational opportunities are now enjoyed by a third generation of campers.

Edward, a native of Mentone, and his wife Sylvia who live in Rome, Ga. demonstrate their devotion and love for Camp Skyline by their intense involvement with the camp, as well as their desire to maintain a quality camp.

Ed, a 1964 graduate of Jacksonville State University says that he would not have accomplished what he has today if it had not been for the opportunity to attend JSU. Ed and his twin brother Edmond were in the heavy construction business for over 40 years with offices in Georgia, Alabama, Louisiana and Texas building roads and infrastructure projects. They sold the Texas operation in 1996 to their nephew Bruce Cash ('79) who is now President and CEO of Cash Construction Company of Texas. Bruce, who currently lives in Austin, TX, played tennis for Jacksonville State University.

Sally Cash Johnson ('93) Edward & Sylvia's daughter; is now owner and director of Camp Skyline. She has been with camp since 1977, as a camper, counselor, staff member and director. Sally graduated from Jacksonville State University with a Bachelor of Science degree in Early Childhood Education and Elementary Education.

She and husband Larry have a daughter Abby and son Luke who attend Darlington School in Rome, Georgia. Larry, a graduate of Florida State University, assists with the summer activities and works with corporate groups, church youth groups, schools, bands, athletic teams, sororities, fraternities, and educators to provide any group desiring a camp setting for a "get-away", or retreat during the months that camp is not in session. Camp Skyline currently has five JSU graduates on staff. There have also been counselors and interns from JSU to come through the Skyline summers.



Above: Edward and Sylvia Cash

“JSU was a great opportunity to learn and grow. I had professors that truly cared about my education and what I wanted to become in life. They made every effort to help me accomplish these goals.”

– Sally Cash

“JSU was a blessing to the Cash family and provided us with excellent opportunities in life.” – Ed Cash

Ways to GIVE

GIFT TYPE	DEFINITION	ADVANTAGES FOR DONOR	HOW COUNTED TOWARD GOAL
OUTRIGHT GIFTS	Outright gifts may be in the form of cash, securities, real estate or personal property	Gifts of cash and of appreciated property will provide you with an income tax deduction for the fair market value of the gift.	The fair market value also will be applied toward the campaign goal.
MATCHING GIFTS	Many companies will match gifts that their employees make to charitable organizations. A list of matching companies is available from the Foundation, or you may wish to inquire at your company to see whether it matches your charitable contributions.	You can double or even triple the impact of your gift—at no extra cost to you.	The matching gift from your company will be added to your own gift in determining the amount to be applied toward the campaign goal when you submit a completed matching gift form. (Varying restrictions may apply from some matching companies)
FIVE YEAR PLEDGES	Payment of your pledge over the next five years.	You can consider a larger commitment because payments can be extended over five years.	The total value of that pledge, plus any anticipated matching gifts, may be counted toward the campaign goal.
CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY	A contract between you and JSU Foundation for a gift in exchange for a life income. A special kind of gift annuity, called the deferred gift annuity, permits you to make a gift to JSU now in exchange for a guaranteed life income, beginning at a future date.	A charitable gift annuity provides a guaranteed fixed income for you and/or others. The amount of income you receive is based upon your age at the time you make the gift. By deferring the income, you increase both the amount of your charitable deduction and the amount of income you will eventually receive from your gift.	The gift portion of a charitable gift annuity counts at full face value toward the campaign goal.
CHARITABLE REMAINDER UNITRUST	A trust which returns income to a donor or others for life or for a period of time which does not exceed 20 years.	The annual or more frequent payment of income is based on a percentage of the trust assets, as valued annually.	At the termination of the trust, the remainder is paid to JSU.
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“I loved my experience at Jacksonville,” Mr. Patterson said. “I think it was a great education.”

People are inspired to give for myriad reasons. For Jim Patterson of Meridianville, Ala., a 1972 business graduate of Jacksonville State University, the inspiration was his wife, Susan Carter Patterson. The two recently made a generous contribution to JSU’s *Power of 125...Join the Celebration* capital campaign. The gift was in honor of his wife, Mr. Patterson explained, and the Pattersons designated the funds to serve the needs of the College of Education and Professional Studies. Mrs. Patterson graduated from JSU with an education degree in 1972 and has taught at Hazel Green Elementary School for the past 28 years.

The Pattersons were high school sweethearts, falling in love at age 16 and marrying during their senior year of college at JSU.

The memories made and the education gleaned from JSU are still a part of the Pattersons. Mr. Patterson looks back

fondly on his days as a Delta Chi, playing intramural football and basketball with his fraternity brothers — one of whom was President Dr. William Meehan.

“Being a Delta Chi taught me the importance of loyalty to people and also the importance of networking,” Mr. Patterson said.

Mr. Patterson’s college years were spent deeply involved at JSU. He was active in the Student Government Association, and he also enjoyed attending many of the university’s sporting events.

“I was one of those students who didn’t go home on the weekend,” Mr. Patterson said with a laugh.

He also participated in the ROTC program and entered the military after graduating.

“After being in the ROTC program at JSU, I was better prepared than most people,” he said of his military experience.

Mr. Patterson spent four years as a stockbroker, and then, for the past 29 years, has worked as a pharmaceutical rep with Mead Johnson / Bristol-Myers Squibb.

Each year, he and Mrs. Patterson return to the university two to three times — to reminisce and remember the college years they both loved.



Susan and Jim Patterson



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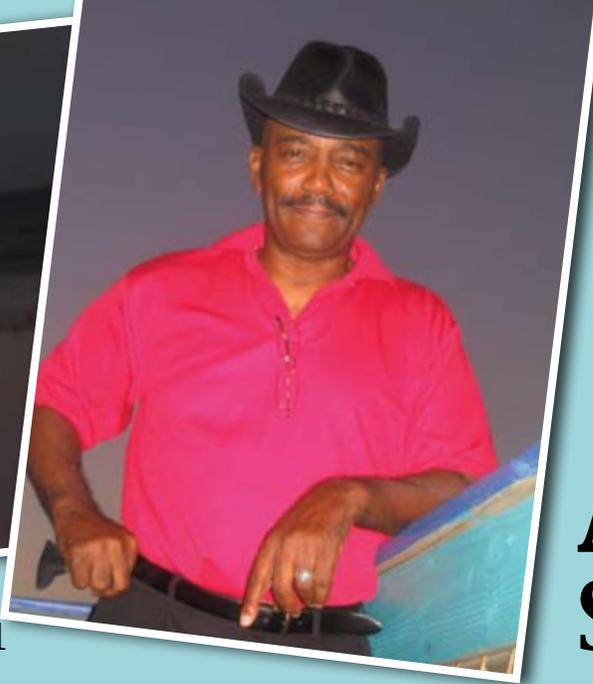
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MR. HONOR M. BELL '81



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

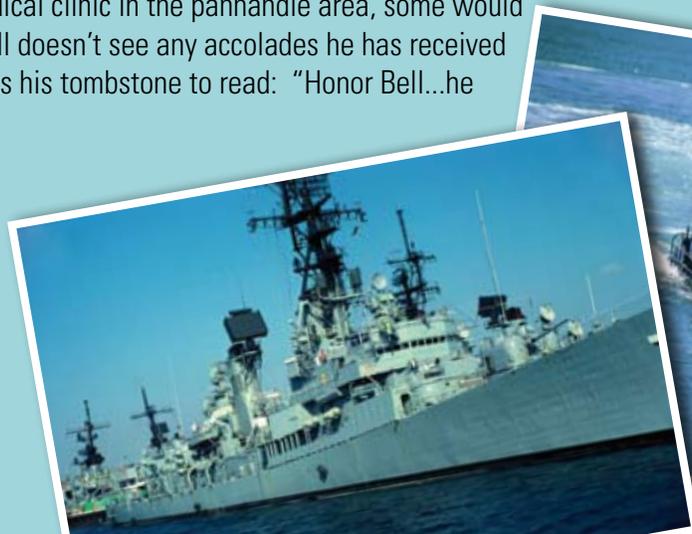
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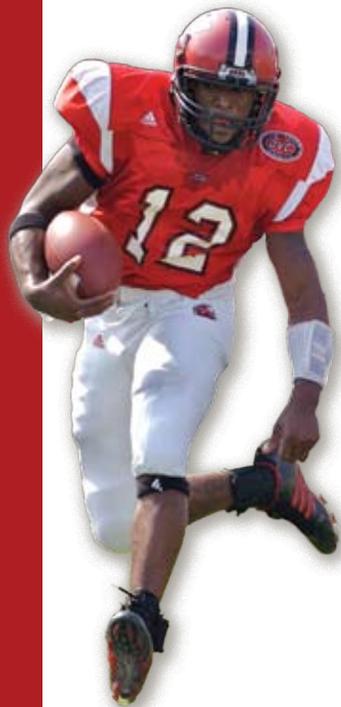
Growing up in the projects of New Orleans, Honor M. Bell '81, never imagined one day he would be accepting the Presidential Volunteer Service Award from President George W. Bush. To most, that would be one of the most prestigious accolades one could receive. However, to this humble man, he is just doing what God put him on earth to do....*serve others*.

Bell says "to say he was raised poor is an understatement". The oldest of six, he served as the "man of the house" for his single mom who worked three jobs. Escaping the streets, he joined the military, serving one tour in Vietnam before retiring from the army after twenty years of service. He then went to work for the navy as a civil servant. Beginning volunteer service at the age of 19, Bell felt compelled to continue after his retirement from the army. Throughout his career, he has started over 14 service programs and even with a heart condition, small brain tumor and recent back surgery, he has no plans of slowing down any time soon.

In 1994, Bell founded his legacy project, "Starbase-Atlantis" and since its inception, approximately 80,000 youth from across the country have benefitted from this program. With the program, 5th grade students experience real world work on a navy base. Students are shown the importance of math and science by navy role models who make a significant impact on the youth. "What kid wouldn't want to have an up close and personal relationship with a navy seal or a blue angel?" says Bell.

When asked if he had a program he was most proud of, Bell replied, "there is no favorite because they are all giving." He has just as much satisfaction from his early days of prison mentoring with his wife, Caffey, and his youth mentoring programs, as he has from the services he has been recognized for by four-star generals and by Gen. Colin Powell. Sometimes, he doesn't think he is doing enough and wonders what else can be done. Partnering with his wife who runs the first free medical clinic in the panhandle area, some would say he has fulfilled his mission. Bell doesn't see any accolades he has received as bragging rights. He simply wants his tombstone to read: "Honor Bell...he tried to make a difference."





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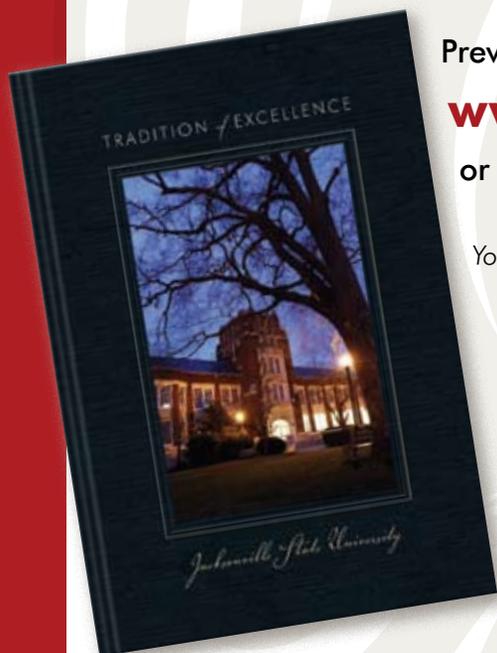
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