

A Message from the President



Dear Alumni and Friends,

Proration is a long-time problem in Alabama. What can we do about it?

In early February, Alabama's public colleges and universities were hit with a 6.2 percent budget cut due to losing \$266 million from this year's expected revenue from the education trust fund.

Responding to the crisis, Jacksonville State University cut \$1.8 million from its operating budget. While we're committed to maintaining excellence in the classroom during the crisis, we're hoping for a lasting solution.

Although it's true that unexpectedly low sales tax revenues account for this latest problem, the larger issue is the outdated Alabama Constitution and a need for tax reform to ensure dependable funding during uncertain times.

The JSU administration is thankful for the support of our local legislative delegation. However, it is up to all of us to address the fragile nature of education funding in Alabama or crises like this will continue to exist.

What can you do?

Let your representatives know you favor the creation of a stable education trust fund that will stop chronic proration and ensure a safety net during a bad economy. The absence of such stability is eroding higher education's ability to give your children the education they deserve.

Politicians listen to voters. Let them know how you feel.

Sincerely,

William A. Meehan, President

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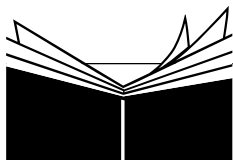
ON THE COVER:

Compared to Ayers Hall and its dilapidated laboratories, McGee Center is an outstanding addition to Jacksonville State University's beautiful campus.

The renovated Martin Hall and the new McGee Hall combine to create the McGee Science Center.



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Museum's Personnel Consists Primarily of JSU Grads



These are just a few of JSU's alumni who are making a lasting impression on the Anniston Museum of Natural History. By doing this, they are making a lasting impression on the lives of many.

The Anniston Museum is a landmark in Calhoun County, and if you look past the sculptured walls and ornate exhibits, you'll find a staff full of Jacksonville State University alumni. In fact, about two-thirds of the personnel consist of JSU grads. Many of them found their niche at either the Anniston Museum of Natural History or the Berman Museum of World History. These alumni have made lasting impressions on the museums and the people who visit them.

When the two museums formed one complex in November of 1998, Cheryl Bragg and Susan Robertson had a hand in the action. Susan, a 1985 graduate of JSU, serves as the marketing manager for the complex. "We are striving to improve the museum through marketing and make

the facilities more efficient," stated Susan. "At the same time, we want to be accountable and get as much mileage out of the buildings and exhibits as possible."

Starting out as a computer science major, Cheryl Bragg soon realized how much she enjoyed math and statistics, as well as the business classes at JSU. She graduated in 1981 with a degree in business administration. Cheryl soon worked her way up to the assistant director's position, and when the two museums combined in 1998 she became its director. "I'm very proud of the museum and the role I am able to play in its success," Cheryl commented. "The not-for-profit world is so different from any other. We could all get jobs where we could excel financially, but the museum's atmosphere compels us to stay."

Cheryl and Susan couldn't have done it alone. The museum and Jacksonville State University have a thriving relationship that is far from one-sided. The two work closely to educate, inform and inspire. This relationship has grown with the combination of the facilities. Many of JSU's professors help identify exhibits and do some of the research involved.

There is also a host of JSU alumni assisting them in every endeavor. Stephen Faughn, Tim Moon, Robert Lindley, and Rachel Smart are just a few. Steve handles the wild animal presentations at

schools, while Tim gives tours. Robert loves the research and uses JSU's Houston Cole Library often. Rachel painted one of the murals that is displayed at the museum.

Other alumni include: Adam Cleveland, 1994; Joey Crews, 1999; Sylvia Livingston Brooks, 1987; Renee Morrison, 1989; Rachel Smart, 1999; Angela Morgan, 1993; Stephen Faughn, 1997; Robert Lindley, 1996; Carol Ogles, 1986; Tim Moon, 1986; Dan Spaulding, 1995; Kathy Colburn is working on her Master's degree at Jacksonville State University.

—JAMIE M. EUBANKS

Hawkins Named Vice President of Marketing for ALFA



Wayne Hawkins, a 1961 Jacksonville State University graduate was recently named executive vice president of marketing for ALFA Insurance Group.

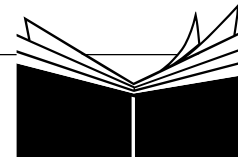
Hawkins, 63, held the interim post beginning in October when the former executive vice president resigned. Hawkins also served as senior vice president of marketing for North Alabama for 11 years, was district manager for 15 years and was an agent for nine years. He also serves

on the JSU Alumni Board of Governors.

"We are fortunate to have a person of Wayne's ability and experience to take over these duties," ALFA President Jerry Newby said. "Wayne has done a tremendous job for our company in North Alabama, and I'm confident that he will be successful in leading our entire sales force as executive vice president of marketing."

Hawkins describes his management style as open and honest.

"I believe in giving people the responsibility to do their job and holding them accountable," he said. "I think the more you let people do on their own, namely decision making, the better they will do."



JSU Alumna Encounters Three Near-Death Experiences on Way to Ph.D.

A Jacksonville State University alumna, whose college career was interrupted three times by near-death experiences, received her Ph.D. in English this past December from the University of Otago in New Zealand.

Dale Christine Benson, daughter of JSU criminal justice instructor Bob Benson, graduated from JSU in 1979 with a double major in French and English — and a minor in Spanish — with distinction and honors in both majors.

In 1978, Dale, the first student president of the International House, was diagnosed with epilepsy, which she overcame while holding a perfect grade point average.

Fluent in German, French, Spanish and Maori, she went on to teach language at a pri-

vate school in New Zealand and began working toward a master's degree. But then Dale suffered a serious head injury in a near-fatal motorcycle accident. She spent the following three years learning to read, write and walk again. She continued her master's program and graduated in 1990.

The following year, she began her doctoral program. But in 1994, her academic pursuit was again called to a halt by another near-fatal tragedy: breast cancer. Dale underwent a radical surgical procedure, recovered, and continued her studies.

In 1998, just before she completed the program, she collapsed. Thinking she had the flu, she went to a doctor. Blood tests confirmed she had



leukemia. Dale was given a week to live.

Her father, Bob, and her youngest sister, Elizabeth, flew to New Zealand to be tested as possible bone marrow donors. Elizabeth proved to be a perfect match, and Dale made a full recovery, with her middle sister, Susan, spending three months assisting her.

After getting the transplant from Elizabeth, who is not allergic to grass, Dale found

that her own allergy had disappeared.

"It's a hell of a way to get rid of an allergy, but I love grass now," she says.

With graduation and the health trials behind her, Dale says she is "choosing to be happy." Graduation day was special — it marked the end of a long road for Dale; and her husband, Brendan Murray, also received an MBA.

"If there's one thing I've learned, it's that nothing stands still. If I'm unhappy one day, I know that tomorrow things will be better. If I'm happy the next day, I know a week later I could have leukemia and die, so every moment counts."

—AL HARRIS

Therapist Persistent to Reach Goal

Ben Carden had always dreamed of working in the fitness therapy field. In 1992 he received his degree from JSU in exercise science, despite his hearing disability.

Carden sent applications all over the nation, but he had no luck in his job search. "I think people got frustrated trying to talk to me over the phone, because the TTY phones take a little time to translate," Carden said.

For a couple of years Carden worked at fitness studios learning from the

owners, but this did not help him establish his career the way he wanted. "People said they would help me get started or help me find clients, but it never seemed to work," Carden said. "I had to do what I could by myself."

Carden is now in the process of opening his own business. Under the name BPC Fitness and Rehabilitation, he is renting space from a local club in Tuscaloosa and working with five clients.

Carden is also a certified personal trainer, but his main focus is fitness therapy. He is working to rehabilitate people

who have recently suffered an injury or illness but no longer have enough insurance to continue receiving physical therapy.

"Due to the intolerable influence imposed on health care providers by the insurance industry, patients are forced to discontinue therapy long before they are removed, because the insurance will pay for only a ridiculously inadequate number of treatments," Carden said. "When the insurance runs out, most of them can't afford the exorbitant cost of post-rehab treatments."

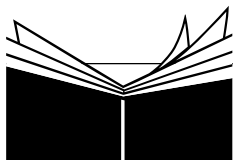
Due to the simplicity of Carden's program, he is able to keep the cost down. He

offers package prices that can be shared by two people.

Jan Faucett, 58, of Tuscaloosa was diagnosed with osteoporosis, and her doctor recommended she see a trainer. She has been with Carden for about a year. "I really do think he's wonderful," said Faucett. "I feel a whole lot better when I exercise, as anyone does, but the things he has us do makes me a whole lot more flexible. Plus, I've even built up some muscles."

Carden's ultimate goal is to see BPC Fitness and Rehabilitation in Tuscaloosa, Huntsville and Birmingham.

—JENNIFER LEDBETTER



Outstanding Alumni

Four outstanding alumni were honored during the annual Alumni of the Year awards presentation this past Homecoming. Selected for the top honors were:

Alumna of the Year: Louise Franklin Marbut, a 1964/80 graduate who is currently Vice President of The Donoho School in Anniston, Alabama.

Alumnus of the Year: David Hale, a 1970 graduate. Currently President and C.E.O. of Cancervax, Inc., a biotechnology company in California.

Young Alumnus of the Year: Suman Silwal, a 1993 graduate who is currently teaching mathematics at Marion Military Institute in Alabama.

Military Alumnus of the Year: U.S. Army Reserve Brigadier General Carlos D. "Butch" Pair, a 1970 graduate who is currently Chief of Staff, Headquarters U.S. Transportation Command, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois.

Each year the Alumni Association selects a JSU faculty member to receive the **Outstanding Faculty Award**. This year's recipient is **Dr. Claudia McDade**, the Head of the Department of Learning Services in the College of Arts and Sciences.

Marbut is a member of the Alabama High School Sports Hall of Fame. Selected for her long tenure as a volleyball

coach, she coached five state champions and six runner-up teams in Alabama. Her overall coaching record is 600 wins and only 195 losses. She was named All-State Coach of the Year two times and received the Governor's Award of Recognition in 1991.

Hale, who majored in biology and chemistry, founded Cancervax, Inc., a biotechnology company involved in research, development, manufacturing, and marketing of immunotherapy products for treatment of cancer. He has received many awards for his work in the biotechnology field.

Silwal has been on the faculty at Marion Military Institute since 1995. An expert in computer programming language and web applications, he serves Marion Institute in this capacity as well as teaching part-time at Judson College.

Pair, in his present position, is responsible for coordination of staff activities and heads up the reserve component forces relating to the command's mission. He has held a variety of staff positions, both state-side and abroad, during his career.

McDade, according to many letters of recommendation, is known for encouraging and supporting her students, especially those with poor academic backgrounds, into be-



Ms. Louise Marbut



Mr. Suman Silwal



Mr. David Hale



Mr. Carlos D. "Butch" Pair

coming successful in their academic endeavors. Dr. McDade has been at Jacksonville State University for twenty-six years.

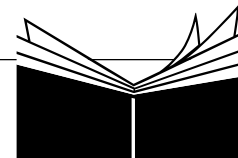
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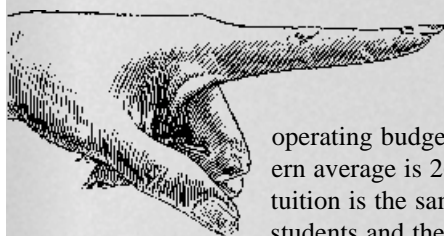
Dr. Claudia McDade

Way to Go Cherokee County Chapter Alumni!

A big pat on the back goes to the Cherokee County Chapter of the National Alumni Association. Since the reorganization of this chapter in 1995, they have awarded sixteen scholarships for \$500 each to entering JSU freshmen from their county. Cathy Wallace Davis ('90, '95) serves as president of the chapter.



Why JSU Needs Your Involvement in Education Funding



- Currently, the public universities in Alabama utilize tuition for 31 percent of their operating budgets when the southeastern average is 26 percent. Raising the tuition is the same thing as taxing the students and their families. If universities are forced to keep raising tuition, the losers will be the citizens of Alabama.
- Alabama is only at 60.2% of the Southern Regional Education Board regional standard in state appropriations.
- Alabama's faculty salaries for 4-year schools rank 44th in the nation while faculty salaries for Alabama's K-12 rank 23rd.

- Deferred maintenance needed for Alabama's colleges and universities amounts to almost 900 million dollars.
- Higher Education makes sense. Last year a college graduate in Alabama earned \$43,782 compared to \$23,594 by a high school graduate.
- Our public school teachers are products of our own higher education institutions. Ninety percent of our K-12 teachers are educated in Alabama's public colleges and universities.
- While Alabama faculty salaries rank 44th in the nation and 11th of 12 southeastern states in average faculty salaries, it is the hard work of our college and university faculties that trains the teachers and administrators of Alabama's public schools.
- 1994 to 1999. Funding for higher education in Alabama increased 1.3%. By comparison, Florida increased 10.4%, Mississippi by 8.2% and Georgia by 6.8%.

Sue Jones Receives Outstanding Award



Mac Gillam, (left) Director of JSU's HPER Department presents Sue Jones with award.

Sue Jones, retired teacher from the Jacksonville City Schools was recently selected as recipient of the JSU Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation 2000-2001 Outstanding Alumni Award. Recognized as one of the leading health educators in Alabama, Mrs. Jones has received the Alabama Health Education of the Year Award

and was elected as Vice President for Health by her peers in the Alabama Professional Association. During her 25 years at Jacksonville High School, she was instrumental in initiating numerous health programs. Mrs. Jones currently serves on the City of Jacksonville Board of Education.

Stubbs Performs in Popular Film



Jeremy K. Stubbs

The film is the story of a Virginia football team during the early '70s and stars Denzel Washington.

Stubbs has been seen performing in several community theaters in Anniston and Gadsden and many JSU drama productions, under the direction of Dr. Wayne Claeren, professor of drama and Susan McCain, assistant professor of drama.

Former JSU student Jeremy K. Stubbs can be seen in the film "Remember the Titans," which was released last fall.

Stubbs is the son of Jacksonville resident and student, Connie J. Sandlin, and Lee Stubbs of Atlanta, Georgia.

Bottoms Presented with Leadership Award

JSU graduate, Barry Bottoms '72 was presented with the 2000 Council for Leaders in Alabama Schools (CLAS) Leadership Award during the association's annual convention this past June.

The CLAS Leadership Award was started in 1980 to recognize outstanding educational

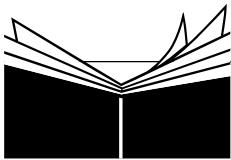
leadership and service to CLAS. It is the highest award given by the association to one of its members. The Alabama Association of Elementary School Administrators (AAESA) nominated Barry for the award.

Known for his motto, "Children don't care how much we

know until they know how much we care," he is regarded by his colleagues as an exemplary leader. He is known for inspiring others with his hard work and his dedication to doing what is right and what is necessary to get the job done.

He has worn many hats in the education field, such as a

teacher at John Jones Elementary School 72-76, assistant principal of Southside High School 76-77 and principal of Hokes Bluff Elementary School 96-2000. Currently he is employed by the Etowah County Board of Education as Federal Programs Coordinator and Elementary/Middle Schools Curriculum Coordinator.



CAVE MAN

When Jim Loftin graduated from Jacksonville State University in 1976, he had no idea how deep (in the earth) he would truly become.

Loftin received his bachelor's degree in studio arts from JSU, and set out for Albuquerque, New Mexico shortly after graduating. He took some graduate and undergraduate courses while working for JSU's art department.

Then a friend from school talked him into coming back to Alabama to build a cave. "They needed an artist who could weld, so I moved back and started research to build the cave," comments Loftin.

This cave would be the one featured in the Anniston Museum of Natural History.

So Loftin set out on his journey with The Gadsden Grotto, a chapter of the National Speleological Society. During this time of research, Loftin came to love the sport of caving. He also took some incredible pictures that later won awards at national conventions.

"The ultimate goal of a caver is to find a virgin cave," he says. "I've personally discovered some horizontal and vertical virgin caves. I was the first person to go through. Where else can you go where no person has been?"

Countless numbers have explored the cave he helped construct in the Anniston Museum of Natural History in the early 1980's. They have also seen many of the exhibits at the museum that he helped to design and build.

Now, Loftin serves as the curator for the Gadsden Museum of Art. "An art museum is really more down my line," he said. "I'm an artist. Ultimately, I would love to be a successful painter, although

I'm not working hard on it right now."

Loftin has high hopes of developing the Gadsden Museum of Art into a class museum and regional attraction.

"There is a lot of history in this town, and a lot of people are interested in that history," comments Loftin. "But there are still some people who don't even know about us."

—BY JAMIE M. EUBANKS



Digital Technology Adds New Twists to Photographs

Marilyn Monroe and King Tut are only a couple of the subjects that you will find in the works of visual artist Terry Lynch.

How? With video cameras, 35mm cameras, a personal computer and a wild imagination.

Lynch uses forms of nature-geysers, plants and animals—then with digital technology he twists and distorts those images to make them completely new, sometimes unrecognizable. What he wants, he says, is to present everyday, ordinary images as if seen for the first time.

He travels the world taking 35mm snapshots at every stop. These pictures are often the starting points of his artwork.

Case in point: on a recent trip to Yellowstone National Park, a photo taken of flowers against a blue sky, gradually became "The Mona Lisa Sunflowers," a digital work of art that places the Mona Lisa's face in the center of each flower.



To generate the effect, he first scanned the photo, then digitally inserted her face in each flower. After blowing the picture up, he goes through pixel by pixel to make sure the images are smooth and seamless. Finally, Lynch "plays with it" until he achieves the image he likes.

"I keep working on the image until I get something I like," he says. "Then I know when to stop."

Before he began creating his digital works, Lynch was a commercial and studio artist, creating maps and print ad art. Lynch has recently made his works available online for viewing and purchasing. The web link is <http://members.aol.com/terrylynch/artlinks.html>. Also, some of his works were recently featured in a Mini Works Art Exhibit at JSU, where he received his visual art degree in 1978.

With the technology of digital art changing every day, you can expect to see Lynch's artwork expand and continue its individuality.

—BY JENNIFER LEDBETTER



Ketterer Named Director of International Programs at JSU

Dr. John Ketterer became the new Director of the International House at Jacksonville State University in July 2000. He filled this position after Mr. Grindley Curren retired. At the same time, Dr. Adrian Aveni, Director of International Programs and Services, decided to return to full-time teaching in the Sociology Department. Dr. Ketterer also accepted this position. Now, Dr. Ketterer wears all these hats, and he's well prepared for them.

Dr. Ketterer spent seventeen years in Latin American countries. There he served as superintendent of international schools.

JSU is home to over 200 international students, each with his/her own culture and own ideas. "These international students at JSU are bright, curious, multilingual, and adventurous," stated Dr. Ketterer. "This is why I'm so excited about working with them."

One of Dr. Ketterer's main



goals as director is to see that more people from the student body, faculty and community realize what the International House and its programs are all about. "It's all about cultural understanding," stated Dr. Ketterer.

On the other side of the coin, the international students take the positive image of JSU back to their native lands and share it with their friends, family and leaders. Also, international businesses are looking at Alabama as a place to establish their businesses. The international programs at JSU provide a "Window on the World" to students and the community.

"We have a jewel within the community here at JSU," commented Dr. Ketterer. "Our goal in International Services is to allow these international students to take this extraordinary experience back to their homes, and for us as Americans to develop a global understanding."

Hayes Authors Book

So you thought you knew all there is to know about JSU football. . . huh?

Well, ever heard of the State Normal School of Alabama Informals? The Alabama State Teachers College Statesman, or the Jacksonville State Teacher College Eagle Owls? Just wait until you've read "From The Goal to The Final Glory," the definitive history of football at Jacksonville State University from 1903 - 1999.

After that, just about every question that's ever popped up in your mind should be answered regarding football on the "Friendliest Campus in the South." The manuscript is scheduled to roll off the press in early August and all proceeds go to the JSU football program.

The book is filled with over 120 interviews, 200 pictures, some dating back to the mid-20s; a listing of everybody who ever lettered in football; a listing of every game score by season, post-season and Homecoming day, and a special section detailing other unforgettable moments.

Copies are on sale. The special edition hardbound (only 100 copies) is \$50 presale-before August 1, \$60 after August 1. The regular edition is \$20 presale-before August 1 and \$25 after August 1. Shipping and handling is \$6.95.

Make your checks payable

to Gamecock Club/J Club. Mail to Jacksonville State University, 700 Pelham Road North, Jacksonville, Alabama, attention: Beth Gallagher. Also be sure to write the word "book" on the notation line (if possible).

Follow the sport as the school changes its name five times; its team wins one NCAA Division II national championship (1992); makes three other appearances in the NCAA II playoffs ('77, '89 and '91); goes undefeated and untied ('70) and finishes ranked No. 2 in the National Athletic Intercollegiate Association (NAIA) rankings; beats the University of Rhode Island 12-10 in the '55 Refrigerator Bowl; appears in 28 total post-season bowl dates; enjoys two other undefeated seasons (9-0-1 in '71 and 9-0 in '47); wins countless conference titles; produces 33 All-Americans and 422 total victories.

"From The Goal to The Final Glory" was written by Hal Hayes (Class of '62), once a student sports information director at Jax State, now a free-lance writer living in Hoover. He also is planning books on the history of basketball, baseball and The Southerners and the Marching Ballerinas. All proceeds from these works will go to the respective sports and the band.

JSU FRESHMAN ORIENTATION DATES FOR THIS SUMMER ARE:

Session A - July 23-24	Session D - August 2-3
Session B - July 26-27	Session E - August 6-7
Session C - July 30-31	Make-up Session - August 27
Transfer Session - July 31	

Orientation provides information and assistance to new students and their families so they may succeed. New students are encouraged at orientation to utilize their peer counselors who can share their own experiences as a source of support and information.

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Shining Into the Future with JSU

It's October 2001 and a satellite covered with 856 tiny mirrors is whirling around Earth's orbit. It looks like a giant disco ball.

What makes it special? Elementary school children from all over the globe helped to construct it, and Jacksonville State University provided the materials.

Jacksonville State University is completing the first steps of the Project Starshine II, a student space education experiment designed to study the sun's activities. "These steps are crucial," said Tim Huddleston, executive director of JSU's Alabama Aerospace Teachers' Association & Aerospace Development Center.

JSU recruited 800 schools from the United States, Canada, Australia, Israel and Russia, to name a few. This includes over 28,000 students. Then, the mirror polishing kits were sent to the schools. The kits included an unpolished aluminum mirror of one inch in diameter, diamond polishing compounds, syringes, sandpaper, polishing cloth, optical tissue, inspection flats, plate glass for a smooth surface, lubrication, instructional video tapes and shipping supplies.

"By participating in Project Starshine, students learned the fundamentals of scientific work," commented Huddleston. The mirrors must be properly polished to get the right amount of light deflection. If not, the data sent from the satellite will be incorrect.



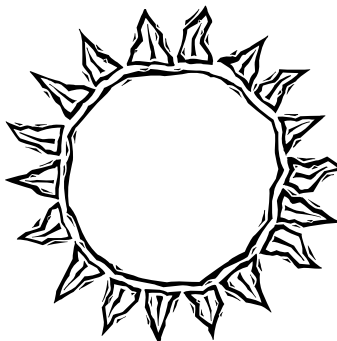
This little mirror may seem insignificant now, but wait 'til it joins 855 just like it. JSU is allowing children around the world to have a part in this incredible space adventure. All 856 mirrors were polished by elementary school aged children from the U.S., Canada, Australia, and other parts of the world.

Once polished, the mirrors are sent back to Jacksonville State University for a final inspection. If they pass inspection, they are sent to the Naval Research Laboratory in Washington, D.C. where they are placed on the satellite.

The students' work does not end there. The satellite's location will be followed via the Internet. Students will determine when the satellite can be seen from their hometown. At dawn or dusk, students will use a tracking device, which will show their precise location. At the exact moment the satellite crosses a specific point, the students will record the time. These results will then be posted on the Starshine website.

"These observations will become a model, because there will be so many of them all around the world," says Huddleston. "It will help predict what courses satellites will take and when they will de-orbit. So these students have participated in real active science."

—JAMIE EUBANKS



FREE Mimosas Available

The Jacksonville State University Alumni Affairs Office has annuals from past years (1965-2000) available to you at no charge. If you are interested in obtaining one of these yearbooks, please contact the Alumni Office at 256-782-5404 or 1-800-231-5291 ext. 5404. Email: alumni@jsucc.jsu.edu

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AARC Relocates

The American Association of Retirement Communities (AARC) recently relocated its National Headquarters from Western Kentucky University in Bowling Green to JSU.

"The Organization's primary purpose is to promote the economic enhancement of communities through the promotion of retiree attraction as an economic development strategy. The Association's membership is drawn from a broad base of the American economy, representing both the public and private sectors," explains Martin Darity, chairman of the AARC Board of Directors.

JSU is no stranger to the industry. The first statewide community retirement program began due to the efforts of the Center for Economic Development at JSU. The research and study by the Center staff, along with others, including Dr. Mark Fagan, was the initial step in developing the statewide program to attract retirees.

In 1990, the Center for Economic Development was the recipient of the Project of the Year award for special projects given by the National Association of Management and Technical Assistance Centers for the Center's initiative in developing the program to attract retirees to Alabama.

"We are extremely proud to be the host for the AARC and its membership," says Pat W. Shaddix, Director of the Center

for Economic Development at JSU. "We have extended a lot of research and manpower in developing programs to help in the attraction of retirees to Alabama. Now we can utilize that expertise in assisting the economic development efforts of communities throughout the nation."

"This is not only a great opportunity for JSU and the Center for Economic Development,

SEARCHING for JSU Alumni?



Have you ever tried to get in touch with an old classmate, only to find that the last address you have in your telephone directory is eight years old? Well, your troubles are over. Soon an impressive directory of our alumni will be available to help you locate all your old friends.

The new Jacksonville State University Alumni Directory, scheduled for release in December 2001, will be the most up-to-date and complete reference of all JSU alumni ever compiled!

This comprehensive volume will include:

- Current name (with maiden name cross-referencing)
- Class years and degrees from Jacksonville State University
- Degrees earned from other institutions
- Job title, business name, address, and telephone
- Residence address and telephone number
- Spouse and children's names
- E-mail address

Jacksonville State University has contracted with Harris Publishing Company, Inc. to produce our directory. Harris will soon begin researching and compiling the information to be printed in the directory by mailing a questionnaire to each alumna/us. (If you prefer not to be listed in the directory, please contact the Alumni Office in writing as soon as possible.)

The new Jacksonville State University directory will soon make finding an alumna/us as easy as opening a book.

For more information about the directory give us a call at **256-782-5404.**

but also a great reward for all that the Center has accomplished over the years," says JSU President Dr. William A. Meehan. The relationship between AARC and JSU "gives JSU another opportunity to have a positive impact on our community, our state and our nation."

Both JSU and AARC officials are looking forward to incorporating new and expanded activi-

ties. These include working more closely with governors and travel departments in each state. The saying "permanent tourism" applies to the retired segment of the nation's population. Retirees have the time, money energy and desire to travel. It's while traveling that many retirees are attracted to those communities meeting their requirements for a place to live.

—JENNIFER LEDBETTER



CAMPUS NEWS

Millard Young Gives Back to JSU with Donation to International House



Each year Mr. Millard Young holds a car show in Piedmont. He always includes JSU's international students who show up in their traditional dress. Thousands of people from all over the state attend and pay admission to the car show. This year Mr. Young gave back to the International House with a donation of over \$1600.00. Young made this donation at the United Nations Day Tea on Sunday, October 29, 2000.

• Shown (left to right) are:
Dr. William Meehan, JSU president;
Mr. Cleo Thomas; Jan Kolar,
International House Student
President; Dr. John Ketterer, Interna-
tional House Director; Mr. Millard
Young and Mrs. Ann Young

We've Been Cruisin' Again



This group of JSU Alumni enjoyed a week at sea in the Caribbean. The event was organized for and by the "Jax State 60's Group." Those attending were: Mike & Brenda Kimberly; Wayne "Ears" & Margaret Cummings; Clayton & Sara Jo Burt; Jim & Sandra Coxwell; Doug & Manola Wheeler; Duck & Joella Connell; Jim & Janis Romine; Jerry & Carolyn Carter; Gene & Linda Ford; Pete & Bobbie Danford; Marie McNair & Herb Gerber; Marie Smith & Jim Gordon; Jackie Jackson; Hayes Jackson; Ted Boozer; Rubye Kines; Pat Reed; Coon Hightower; Nancy Turner; Connie Edge

Rome Area Alumni

The Rome Area Alumni Chapter is trying to reorganize and with the help of the new chapter co-presidents, Carla Byram Patterson '89/99 and Lana Garner '99, they are off to a great start. The chapter has already met for a dinner meeting on February 1st at The Levee restaurant in Rome, Georgia and are planning future events for April and May.

If you or anyone you know would like to get involved, please contact Carla at carla_patterson@fc.peachnet.edu

We would love to hear from you.





Paving the Way...for Tomorrow's Leaders

"Paving the way...for tomorrow's leaders" has become the theme of our JSU affinity tag program. Because of your support of the Scholarship program, over \$3 million has been made available for our students. Due to recent federal legislation, the Alabama Department of Revenue will no longer be able to provide the names of alumni, students and friends who have purchased or renewed tags to Jacksonville State University. This means that the mailing of

acknowledgement letters will be discontinued. We encourage you to retain your tag receipts from the probate office for your tax

records. We truly appreciate your support of this program. We hope you will continue to "ride with pride" knowing you are helping tomorrow's leaders, today.



Alumni Educational Travel Program

Enjoy a travel experience that provides opportunities for cultural, intellectual or personal enrichment. Join JSU faculty as they share their knowledge and experience with you on the following topics: Archaeology of the Caribbean, Caribbean Coastal Weather and History of the British Caribbean.

This 7 day Caribbean Study Cruise Program is scheduled for May 6-13, 2001. Please contact the College of Arts and Sciences at 1-800-231-5291, ext. 9 for more information.

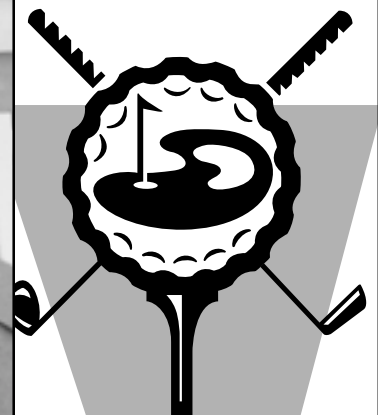
Plans Underway for Atlanta Alumni Golf Tournament



The third annual Atlanta alumni golf tournament was held last May at the City Club of Marietta. Over 30 participants joined us for a great afternoon of golf and prizes.

This year's tournament will also be held in May. If you would like to join in our fun, please contact Kaci Beatty at 770-562-9917 or via e-mail at jsugamecocks@earthlink.net. Everyone is invited!

Shown above are participants from the 2000 Atlanta Alumni Golf Tournament.



TOURNAMENT

Security Guard Makes JAILHOUSE ROCK



FROM THE VERY FIRST TIME BILLY CHURCH SAW ELVIS, HE WANTED TO BE LIKE HIM.

He's "Nothin' But a Hound Dog," and he's also a graduate of Jacksonville State University.

In 1965 William "Billy" Judson Church received his master's degree in education from JSU. However, it was against his will. He had always dreamed of being an entertainer. But not just any entertainer, he wanted to be an Elvis impersonator.

From an early age, Billy Church loved music. His mother sang Kitty Wells tunes and performed with her friends on a radio station in Campbellsville, Kentucky. Church's uncle taught him to play the guitar, but he didn't care much for singing.

One day while practicing the guitar on his grandmother's front porch, she told him he looked like Elvis Presley. "Who's Elvis Presley?" Church asked. It wouldn't be long before he would see who Elvis was in person.

The summer of 1956 held a special surprise for Church and his family. They were on their way to the Roxie Theatre for a movie. On the way, they passed Power's Café. A man came out of the restaurant and claimed Elvis was inside. Church, his mother and two sisters drove around the block and spotted Elvis's pink Cadillac.

"Elvis had drawn a good crowd by the time we went in," says Church. "He was sitting in a booth with three guys at the back of the restaurant. My mother and two sisters stood close to the front door, but I made my way to the counter and sat down on a barstool to get closer to Elvis. People were crowding around him while he was trying to eat."

After eating, Elvis stood up to leave. Church was amazed at Elvis's appearance. He stood over six feet tall and had a head full of

greased hair that was combed back into a ducktail.

"He passed directly by me," comments Church. "I said, 'Hurry back, Elvis.' He grinned and replied, 'I got to get the hell out of here right now.' By saying this I think he was just trying to live up to his rebel persona," says Church.

This was the first and last time Church ever saw Elvis in person. But from that moment on, he decided he wanted to be like Elvis. And by 1958 he was fulfilling that dream. He entered local talent contests. Church had a natural resemblance to Elvis and wore the same hairstyle and clothing as the "King." This made him very popular with the audience and judges.

"Country Boy Eddy" Burns just happened to be a judge at one of those contests. Church went on to perform with Country Boy Eddy in parts of Alabama, Georgia, Mississippi and Tennessee from 1958 until 1961.

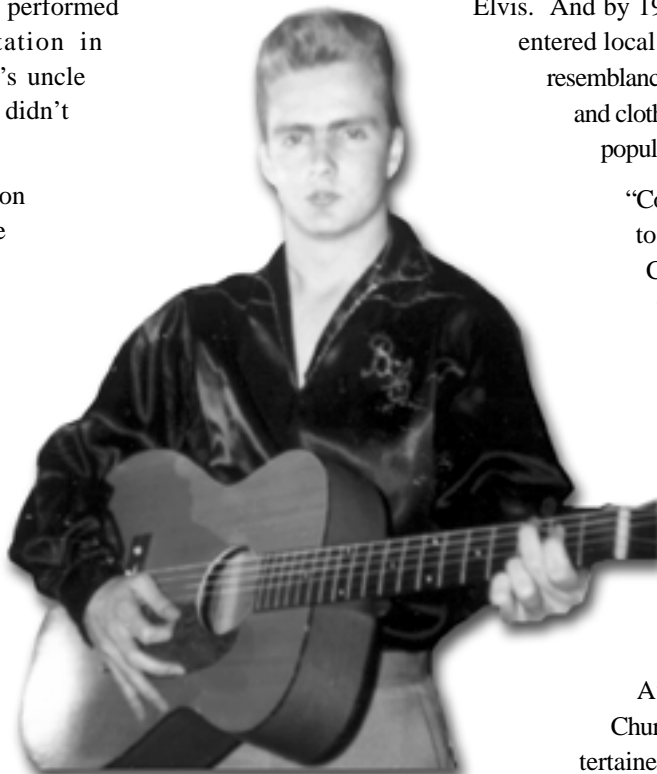
Church also dealt with the same problems Elvis faced. Some of these shows asked Church not to move around much on stage. Even though he felt his act (and Elvis's) was not vulgar, he respected their requests.

After graduating from high school, Church wanted to pursue a career as an entertainer. But his mother had other plans.

Through encouragement from his mother, he received a bachelor's degree in education from JSU and the following year graduated with a master's degree in education.

Church taught for many years in the Alabama public school system, and later retired. He is now working for a security company in Birmingham.

Church can still be found making appearances as a country music act or as an Elvis impersonator. Only now it's the "Jailhouse Rock."



Billy Church, age 17, performing on the Country Boy Eddy show in Birmingham, AL.

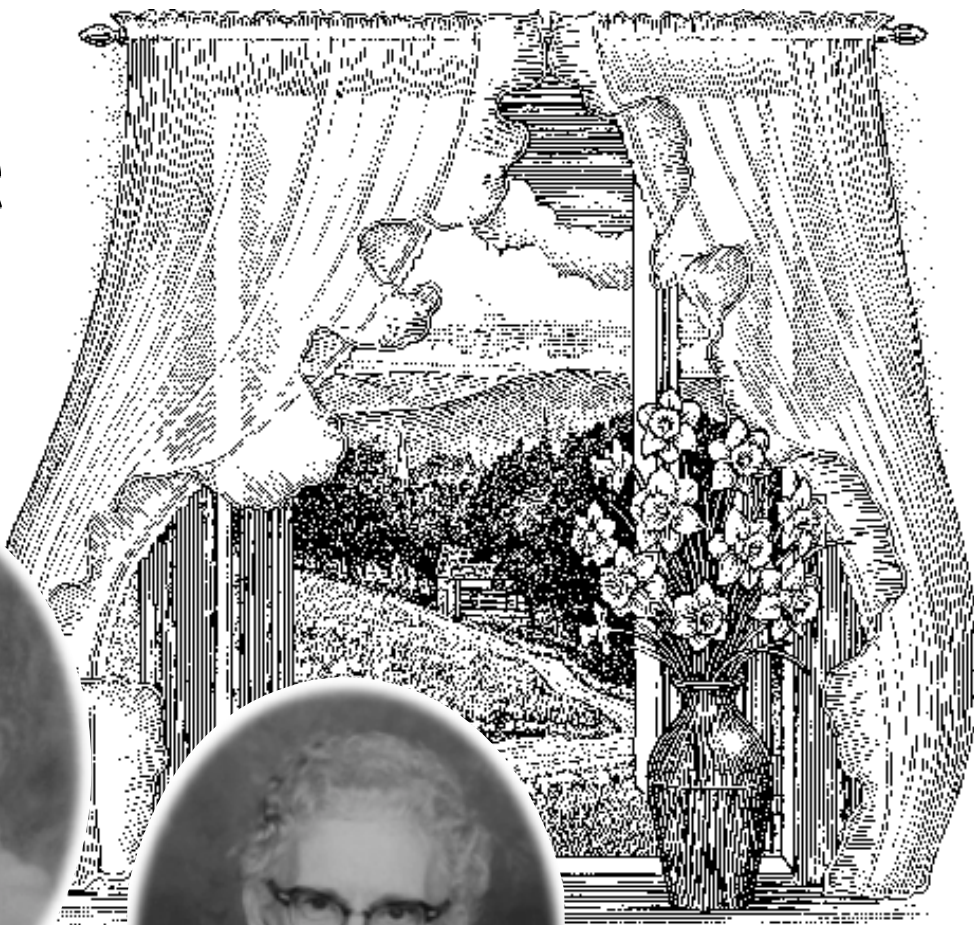
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a Glimpse of the Past

—JAMIE M. EUBANKS



A glimpse of the past.... That is what Ms. Mary Frances Geer Freeman has given us. She, with the help of her son, has shown us what life at Jacksonville State University was like almost 70 years ago.

Charles Freeman of Tuscaloosa, AL sat down with his mother and recorded an interview with her about her days as a student at JSU. This is her story.

Some time after graduating from high school, a man knocked on the Geer's door in Kennedy, AL looking for students who wanted to go to college but didn't have the financial means to do so. This man was Allen Clifton Shelton, director of extension for JSU. Shelton offered Ms. Freeman a job to help pay for her expenses. So Ms. Freeman embarked on

her journey by train to JSU. "It took all day," she recalls. "The distance was about 200 miles."

But, what kind of student worker jobs were available then? Ms. Freeman was an accomplished pianist. She was hired as pianist for physical education classes and other events. She even played the piano for her own graduation ceremony.

At this time, Dr. C.W. Daugette was president of JSU, and chapel services were observed every morning before classes. Often, Ms. Freeman would be asked to play for the processional.

She had very fond memories of Dr. Daugette. "His office door was always open for

anyone who had questions about something," said Ms. Freeman.

During the course of the interview, Ms. Freeman recalled the names of many of her professors whom she remembered fondly.

Sororities and fraternities really didn't exist during this time. There were two societies: Morgan and Calhoun. Each year, the societies held "Stunt Night" or "College Night."

"We had dances and programs," recalls Ms. Freeman.

"I won first prize with a musical skit."

Ms. Freeman also worked as a hall monitor. "The lights went off at 10:00," she comments. "I just sat there and I had to turn the lights off at the right time."

She also met her future husband, A.C. Freeman, while a student at JSU.

Ms. Freeman received her teaching certificate and went on to teach in elementary schools. She also gave both public and private piano lessons and was well known as an accomplished musician. She served as librarian for the Town of Kennedy Library.

On December 14, at the age of 87, Ms. Freeman died at her residence in Estes Glen Haven Nursing Center in Northport before her story could be published.

Nurturing Children's Love to Learn

BY JAMIE M. EUBANKS



and dropped out of school. "It was not until I got married and did mundane clerical work in the real work world that I realized what I had thrown away," stated Harris.

In 1978 Harris received her bachelor's degree in special education from Jacksonville State University after having two children and working as a secretary. She then went on to receive a master's degree from UAB in 1981 and an Ed. S. from the University of Alabama in 1995.

Her motto remains, "It's never too late."

Since then she has taught the talented and gifted program at Fort McClellan Elementary School until it closed over a year ago. She took a job at Fort Benning, Georgia, where she now teaches a similar enrichment/talented and gifted program at Stowers Elementary.

Harris has also been a part of JSU's Writing Project Fellows, the Women's Political Caucus, President of the Calhoun County Council for Exceptional Children, President of the Fort McClellan Education Association, State of Alabama Gifted Education Advisory Board and several other organizations.

On the weekends, in what little spare time they have, she and her husband run a business in Anniston.

Harris received the DoDEA award due to

her teaching philosophies, accomplishments and activities.

"I work to make school more exciting and pertinent to students' lives than my experience," comments Harris. "My greatest feeling of accomplishment has come from nurturing children's love for learning, teaching them social survival skills, affirming their individuality, and expecting only their best. I teach my students how to think, rather than what to think."

Harris will be relieved of her teaching duties at Fort Benning for half a year to travel to various speaking engagements at military bases all over the world, including Europe, Japan, Puerto Rico and the U.S. She will speak on the importance of what teachers do, teachers' mission and identifying gifted students.



No one detested the teaching profession more than Jacksonville State University graduate and Calhoun County native Millie Bowers Harris. But now she would have it no other way. She's a teacher, but not just any teacher. She was recently named Department of Defense Education Activity (DoDEA) Teacher of the Year for 2001.

Harris' parents were both "professional students." They both spent their summer breaks from teaching attending college. During this time, Harris recalls using her babysitting money to help buy groceries and wearing shoes that were extremely tight because they couldn't afford a new pair.

"The library, historical sights, museums and zoos became my source of recreation because they were free and interesting," comments Harris. These places also became points of education for her. Through these experiences and her parents' love for learning, she developed a great hunger for what they loved.

Yet, she flatly refused to allow herself to chose education as her path. But fate had its own way of guiding Harris.

Throughout elementary and high school, she was an underachiever. She also carried a very low self-esteem. Harris continued her education with this same attitude when she became a freshman at JSU in 1968.

A year later, she married Braxton Harris



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EDUCATION



The Difference of a Lifetime

BY JAMIE M. EUBANKS

How have Deep Step, Georgia; Denver, Colorado; and Indianapolis, Indiana heard about how great Jacksonville State University really is?

One man has spread a humorous yet meaningful message about self-esteem, hometown pride and relationships by using his experiences at JSU. The programs he presents are almost always titled: Education, The Difference of a Lifetime.

His name is Franklin McGee '74 BS in PSC, who now resides here in Jacksonville.

McGee speaks professionally to just about any group that invites him. He has spoken to doctors, lawyers and boards of directors in over 20 states in the last fifteen years.

However, he didn't begin as a very outgoing person. McGee grew up in severe poverty and his parents were uneducated. There was still a lot of love in the family, nonetheless.

"My family has always told stories," says McGee. He recalls sitting around the house at night telling stories with his mom and dad in Palestine, Alabama.

"They always seemed to find something humorous in everything. But they always taught me not to laugh at people, but to laugh with people."

"My father made his money by the 'shine of the moon'," he comments. In other words, his father made moonshine and was imprisoned for it. McGee recalls his father's story of being in prison with the notorious Al Capone.

Capone was in a holding cell in Atlanta before he went to trial. It was McGee's father who was given the job of cleaning Capone's cell while he was out playing tennis. Capone would tell him what he could and could not touch.

With his father in jail and the extreme poverty surrounding him, McGee performed poorly in high school. He graduated

with a very low self-esteem. He found a job with the local funeral service, and at the age of twenty-five he was accepted to Jacksonville State University.

On his day off from the funeral home, he worked a second job to help pay his way through school. McGee quickly gained his confidence when he learned he could succeed in his classes. Thus, he accredits his good self-esteem to JSU.

"All of my professors played an integral part in my success," McGee notes. "They didn't know my background, and none of that seemed to matter to them."

In 1978 McGee completed his Master's Degree in Political Science.

He became vice president of the funeral service, and started speaking for community gatherings. But after hearing Lewis Grizzard speak, he realized he could do the same thing. He has spoken to over 1200 audiences in the last 15 years.

McGee spoke for JSU's opening Faculty-Staff Meeting in August.

"At the meeting, President Bill Meehan epitomized what JSU means to me when he recognized a lady who was about to graduate from JSU," commented McGee. "The plant where she worked was about to be shut down, but instead of allowing opportunity to pass her by, she went back to school. Now she will make a better living for herself and her family."

Now, McGee still travels to speaking engagements, but less frequently. His favorite work of all is reading and sharing stories with elementary students at Walter Wellborn Elementary. McGee visits the school once or twice a week, but he's not the only storyteller present. He allows the children to tell their stories, too. He even takes the time to work with those students who went through some of the same problems he did.



BARRY McGRIFF

**ALABAMA TRUCKING ASSOCIATION
CHAIRMAN OF THE BOARD**

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“The customer deserves the best service they can possibly get...period.”

This is the motto of 1974 JSU alumnus and Alabama Trucking Association Chairman Barry McGriff.

McGriff is the son of Cullman, Alabama tire magnate Bert McGriff, and he was raised with this motto. It has propelled McGriff Industries to become one of the top retread tire manufacturers in the country.



Company founder Bert McGriff remains active as chairman of the board, but has retired from the day to day operations. Barry McGriff (right) has been president of McGriff Industries for the last 10 years and continues the tradition of service established by his father 52 years ago.

Their company comes from a long tradition of quality service and community involvement which, McGriff says, will play a vital role in the survival and success of Alabama's trucking industry in the future.

It all began in 1948 with \$1,000.00 in borrowed money and \$35.00 in cash for the register. Bert McGriff opened a Shell station in Cullman. He began attracting customers from larger chain stores because of his superb service.

During World War II, Bert found another opportunity to expand. There was a shortage of new tires. McGriff began retreading used tires for both passenger cars and heavy trucks. And by 1955 he closed the gas station to concentrate fully on tires.

Today, McGriff Industries' largest tire dealership sits on the same lot where it all began in 1948. And, under the watchful eye of the new McGriff generation, it has continued to focus on growth through providing the best customer service possible.

Under Barry's leadership, McGriff Industries now encompasses two retail tire dealerships, eight commercial truck tire centers, four truck tire retreading plants, and a transportation company with more than 160 trucks and 200 employees.

"Our trucking company began because we couldn't find anyone who could give us reliable service," comments McGriff. We had just gotten into the wholesale tire business and we needed a way to get products from the manufacturers and out to our customers. We began with one tractor and would haul a load of chickens to Detroit so we could bring a load of tires back. And we grew from there."

But until 12 years ago, McGriff Transportation consisted of about 10 trucks with no one person in charge of all of them. Keeping the company in business had become a nightmare, and it was at that point that Barry McGriff knew something had to be done.

"I knew then that we either had to get into the trucking business completely or get out of it altogether," he says. "So we made the decision to get in it and that is when things started taking off."

Today, McGriff Transportation has more than 160 state-of-the-art trucks traveling the nation's highways and hauling freight an estimated 16 million miles each year. The company provides dry van service for long-haul, short-haul and regional loads. McGriff currently has three terminals, in Cullman, Cincinnati, Ohio, and Jacksonville, Florida, and plans are in the works to open a fourth terminal in the Atlanta area in the near future.

Other services provided by McGriff Transportation include dedicated services, specialized hauling and fleet maintenance and repair. In the last three years, McGriff has increased its maintenance and repair business five-fold.

The McGriff Treading Company now operates four retreading plants in Alabama and has even developed its own proprietary process, MSR (or McGriff Segmented Retreading), which is designed to make re-treaded tires look and perform like new.

To Barry McGriff, people are the most important part of business. He and his father realized that no one man can do everything. Therefore, decisions at McGriff Industries are made through a team effort.

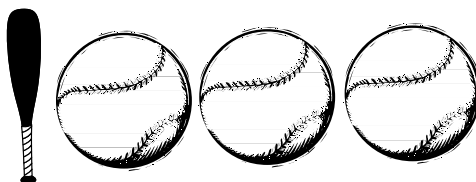
"I've always felt more like a college football recruiter," McGriff says. "We've tried to surround ourselves with good people, and worked to help them achieve their goals and, in doing so, we have been able to achieve what we wanted."

McGriff recently received the coveted 2001 Emma Marie Eddleman Citizenship Award at the annual Cullman County Chamber of Commerce banquet. McGriff merited this award due to his active role in business and industry recruiting to Cullman County and his establishment of the Adopt-A-School program.



GAMECOCKS HAPPY TO GIVE

Abbott



WINS!

Jacksonville State head baseball coach Rudy Abbott picked up his 1,000th career victory in a 4-3 come-from-behind win in extra innings over Belhaven in the Pensacola Classic, March 10 in Pensacola, Florida.

Abbott, who is in his 32nd season at the helm of the Gamecocks, is the all-time winningest coach in Alabama collegiate sports history. His record now stands at 1000-437-5 and he becomes just the 29th coach in NCAA history to reach the 1,000 win plateau.

"It was a special moment in my life, because it was that for the players," Abbott said after the Gamecocks rallied to score one in the bottom of the eighth inning for the win. "The players genuinely enjoyed the moment. They took a lot of pride in it. "It's a tribute to our players, our baseball alumni and their parents, the JSU community and the great fans," Abbott said.

Abbott came to Jacksonville State as the school's first Sports Information Director, coming over from his job as a writer at the *Anniston Star* in 1964. In 1970, Abbott took over the baseball program after head coach Ray Wedgeworth became ill. But Abbott continued to serve as the schools Sports Information Director for several more years.

Abbott picked up his first win in a 14-2 romp of Shorter Col-

lege during the 1970 season. Four years later, he picked up his 100th win, three years later his 200th and he got win No. 300 during the 1977 season. Win No. 400 came during the 1983 season when JSU defeated Delta State, 9-8, and Abbott's 500th win came on a 14-4 rout over Samford in 1986.

Former JSU pitcher Craig Holman handed Abbott his 600th and 700th victories. His 700th win came in the very last game of the 1991 season and it gave Abbott his second consecutive NCAA National Championship with a 20-4 rout of Missouri Southern.

On April 21, 1994, JSU gave Abbott his 800th career win in a 19-12 victory over Montevallo. His 900th win came in dramatic fashion as Jacksonville State claimed an 8-6 come-from-behind win over Samford on March 28, 1997. Abbott, a native of Anniston, has sent over 75 players to the professional ranks, including first-round draft selections Ted Barnicle (1975) and Todd Jones (1989), who became the Gamecocks' first Major League Baseball All-Star selection last season. He has coached 28 All-Americans and 69 of his players have earned All-Conference honors. Under his leadership, his Jacksonville State teams have participated in seven NCAA Division II World Se-

ries, made 13 appearances in the NCAA playoffs..

Abbott has twice been named the National Coach-of-the-Year and has been selected by his peers as both the Conference and District Coach-of-the-Year seven times, including the 1997 Trans America Athletic Conference Coach-of-the-Year.

THE PLAYERS REMEMBER

The scenario: game tied at three. Designated hitter Ben Phillips walks to begin the inning. Second baseman Ralph Couret sacrifices Phillips to second. Abbott takes Phillips out for pinch runner Joel Stapleton.

Right fielder Ben Padilla steps to the plate and is intentionally walked. Catcher Bobby Crompton grinds out a single to left field and Stapleton gets the green light. Charging like a race horse, Stapleton slides head first into home and was called state...Gamecocks 4, Belhaven 3.

Then, the celebration. Teammates mobbed Stapleton and Abbott had captured win number 1,000 in his 32nd year head coaching career.

"I knew it was about to happen," said Stapleton. "When he (Abbott) put me in, I saw that I was the winning run.

When I was on second, I was thinking about sliding in and being the winning run. And, I was thinking about how I was about to be part of history."

"We'd been trying to get something going the whole game," said Crompton. "We had guys in position to score and they did a good job of getting around the bases."

"A lot of people talk about us just wanting to get 1,000," said Gamecock shortstop Carlos Delgado. "We just wanted to win. I've been waiting for this day since I got here a year and a half ago. I'm glad I was a part of it."

"Coach Abbott acted like it was no big deal, but 1,000 wins is a big deal," said third baseman Brian Shupe. "He acted like he didn't care about it but after tonight... after seeing his face...I could tell he really cared about it."

Almost lost in all the excitement was the terrific performance on the mound by Gamecock pitcher Joey Shiflett. After giving up a run in the first inning, the junior right-hander settled down and kept his team in the game. He started to wear down in the seventh, giving up two more runs but it made the dramatics even larger.

"Before the season started, I hoped I would pitch the 1,000th win. It's a great feeling. I'm happy for Coach Abbott. He deserves it because he's a legend. I'm proud to say I played for him," said Shiflett.

On his pitching performance, Shiflett said he felt "pretty good" on the mound. He was quick to point out that this was a team win. "Every person on this team showed a lot of guts."



JSU's Rifle Team Ends Season on Positive Note

Jacksonville State's rifle team finished third in Air Rifle at the NCAA Championship, March 7-8. The Gamecocks racked up a score of 1,544, placing just below Alaska-Fairbanks (1,573) and Nebraska (1,547).

Sophomore Kelly Dove (Comer, Georgia), who placed 11th in Smallbore Rifle, was named All-Ameri-

can in both guns, while freshman Kevin Simons (Stratford, Connecticut) was named All-American in Smallbore.

"This weekend was a very good, productive trip," said head coach Gary DeBoy. "I am pleased with the way we performed toward the end of the season."

With the addition of Simons to the list, DeBoy has

coached eight All-Americans, who have been selected 23 times. This is Dove's second consecutive year to be named All-American in both guns.

***"This is
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ever done."***

-Coach DeBoy

It also marked the fourth title for the Nanooks. The squad had a 4,710 mark in smallbore, finishing first in both guns. Kentucky finished second overall at 6,175 and West Virginia was third at 6,174.

Four Gamecocks were named NCAA Rifle Scholars: Stephanie Litz (Spokane, Washington), Graham Hicks (Roy, Washington), Robin Goodwin (Fort Wayne, Indiana) and Tate Robbins (Bellingham, Washington).

This year marks the seventh consecutive year JSU has competed in NCAA Rifle National Championship and it is the highest single gun finish Jax State has ever enjoyed.

"This is without a doubt the best we have ever done," said DeBoy.

Rudy Abbott: A True Diamond



With Rudy Abbott spending some 31 years in coaching, it's easy to figure he has had many special days on a baseball diamond. And even though Saturday, October 7, 2000, wasn't a day when Abbott's Jacksonville State Gamecocks played a baseball game or won another championship, it will no doubt rank right up there as one of his best day's in coaching. That's the day Jacksonville State University recognized the winningest coach in Alabama collegiate sports history by naming the baseball field in his honor — RUDY ABBOTT FIELD.

Over 800 former players, alumni, students and friends were on hand for the ceremony and reunion, which featured players or family members from as far back as the 1930's.



Teams rounding out the top eight in Air Rifle were Kentucky, Xavier, Murray State, Tennessee Tech and West Virginia.

Alaska-Fairbanks defended its title in winning its third consecutive championship with an aggregate team score of 6,283.

Hughley Selected to All-Star Classic

Jacksonville State University defensive back Delvin Hughley was selected for the Kelly Tires Blue-Gray All-Star Classic, which is played on Christmas Day each year.

Hughley, a senior from Anniston, was a first-team All-Southland Football League selection after finishing with 65 tackles, two interceptions and 16 pass breakups in helping the Gamecocks to a 4-6 record.

"I'm very excited about the opportunity to play in this game," Hughley said. "I know that it is quite an honor and I'm proud to represent Jack-

sonville State University." Hughley became the fourth Gamecock to participate in the Blue-Gray Classic, joining Al Woodham (1955), Jim Glasgow (1959) and Mark Word (1998).

"Delvin is a class act and very deserving to play in the Blue-Gray Classic," said JSU head coach Jack Crowe. "He is one of the finest football players that I have ever coached and I know that he will represent the University and our program well."

Hughley finished the game with five tackles and the game was carried live on ABC television.



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

'50-57

Major General LARRY E. LEE '57 (retired) has been elected President of the ROTC Chapter of the JSU Alumni Association. He replaces former President Colonel Joe Creel. A Distinguished JSU Military Graduate, he enlisted in the Alabama National Guard while still a student. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant in the Regular Army. After 8 years' active duty, with assignments spanning from Texas to Germany, he returned to the Alabama National Guard where he retired in 1995. He is also retired from Republic Steel Corporation and Gadsden State Community College. He and his wife have 3 children ... all JSU graduates. They reside in Ohatchee.

DEAN AKIN '58 lives in Auburn after retirement from Vocational Rehabilitation Services in Montgomery, where he was employed as Director of Adult Rehabilitation Services. His wife, **WANDA ROBERTS AKIN**, is also a JSU graduate in 1960 and 1973. They enjoy their 7 grandchildren, teach church Sunday school, and enjoy Auburn's "sports" atmosphere. Dean was the first JSU football player to be drafted by a pro football team, the Pittsburgh Steelers, in 1958.

JERRY SUE BRANNON '58/61 was appointed in September, 2000 to fill an open board position on the St. Clair County Board of Education. She spent over 36 years at Ragland High School, where she worked as a teacher/librarian. She also served briefly as a teacher at Iola Roberts Elementary School in Pell City. She is president of the St. Clair County Retired Teachers Association.

'60-69

WILLIAM MAX PAYNE '61 was recently appointed area president for Colonial Bank's East Central Alabama area. He has been with Colonial for more than 35 years. He works in the main office in Anniston and is responsible for the bank's growth in Cleburne, Calhoun, Blount, Clay, St. Clair, Randolph, Etowah and Talladega counties.

NANCY CHITWOOD ROCH-ESTER '62, a retired school counselor most recently serving at Cherokee County High, received an Achieve-

ment Award from the Beta Rho Chapter of the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International. She has been a Delta Kappa Gamma member for 15 years and has served as president and in several other offices.

COLONEL JOE C. CREEL '65, a retired 30-year career military officer, was inducted into the Patriots Hall of Fame in November 2000, in Gadsden. The event was sponsored by the Gadsden-Etowah Patriots Association and held in conjunction with Veteran's Day. He served two Vietnam tours and command assignments in Germany, Korea and the Persian Gulf. He was awarded numerous medals, including the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star, and the Silver Star. He and his wife, **JANE GRAMLING CREEL '66**, reside in Southside.

JIMMY LINDSEY '65 has served as Circuit Clerk for the Dekalb County Circuit Court for 24 years. He supervises 10 employees processing about 10,000 cases a year. Last year alone, he received and distributed over \$5 million in fines, victim restitution, court costs, judgments, and child support through his office. He and his wife have 4 grown children.

LARRY BECK '69 has enjoyed a successful career in Gospel music for more than 30 years, having sung baritone with The Gospelaire, Gospel Connection, and The Southmen. Since graduation, he has served as music minister in several large churches. He is also a songwriter and is presently with the group, Uplifted, which he joined 10 years ago. He wrote *It's the Blood That Makes The Difference*, which was released, nationally for radio play. Larry can be reached at Academy Promotions (205) 647-3632, if you would like performance information on Uplifted.

'70-79

KAY KING DAVIS '70/95/00 is a reading specialist with Cedar Bluff School's Alabama Reading Program. From 1991-2000, she taught kindergarten and first grade at Cedar Bluff. Prior to that time, she taught at Saks. In 1988, she was elected as a member of the Cherokee County Board of Education — the first woman to be elected to the post. She resigned in 1991 to accept a teaching position at Cedar Bluff.

THERON HENDRIX '70 is the assistant principal at Mellow Valley in Clay County. He has taught in all four Clay County High Schools with 28 years of service. He also has 20 years of administrative experience spanning kindergarten level through the central office.



♦ **Brigadier General JERRY C. MCABEE '70** is currently assigned as Chief of Staff of the U.S. Southern Command. He was commissioned a Marine Corps 2nd Lieutenant through the JSU Platoon Leaders Course upon graduation. He has served in various staff and command assignments. His personal decorations include the Legion of Merit with Gold Star, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal with Gold Star, and the Navy Achievement Medal.

TONY R. SIMMONS '70 has been employed by the Marshall County Board of Education since April 1981. He has been transportation supervisor, coordinator of attendance, director of the Marshall Alternative School and a fingerprinting specialist. Tony and his wife Sandra reside in Douglas. He served as President of the Marshall County Chapter of the JSU Alumni Association from 1992 to 1998.

MICHAEL R. MCPHERSON '72/73 is currently serving as an assistant principal in Delray Beach, FL. He was inducted into the local athletic hall of fame in February 1999, in Lake City, FL. He began his coaching career 28 years ago and has coached cross-country and track. His cross country teams have won 5 state championships, 2 state runner up, 14 regional championships, 25 district championships and 28 conference

championships. His track teams have won 1 state runner up, 23 district championships and 25 conference championships. He has coached 10 individual state champions and 4 high school All-Americans. He received the FACA Professional Service and Life Membership Awards for his outstanding contribution to high school athletics and the coaching profession.

NATHAN L. ESSEX '73 was selected in September 2000, as Alabama State University's new President. He was serving as SW Tennessee Community College's Interim president at the time of his selection. He and his wife of 24 years, Lorene, have 3 grown children.

DENNIS HARP '73 is the information technology officer for Nabisco, Inc. in Atlanta. He was on hand November 17 at the Wynfrey Hotel in Birmingham for the celebration proclaiming it "Joe Namath Day" in Alabama. The award was given to Namath on behalf of Alabama Governor Siegelman for his outstanding commitment to arthritis sufferers. Dennis is a friend of Joe Namath and attended the event with him.

AMANDA R. DALTON LANE '73/76, retired in June 2000, after 27 years of teaching. She taught in Jacksonville City Schools for 5 years before moving to Norton, KS, where she taught for 22 years. She lives in Cherokee Village, AR, and loves it!

HELEN TINKER MCALPINE '74, a former administrator with the Huntsville City School System, came out of retirement after only one year to serve as president of J.F. Drake State Technical College in Huntsville. Her first priorities are to fill key staff positions and then to evaluate the college from the campus, to its programs, to its alliances with the community. Her husband, **DR. JOHNNY W. MCALPINE '76**, serves as president of Snead State Community College.

DALE MCKAY '74/84/86 served 4 years in the Air Force during Vietnam, taught at Barfield Middle School in Clay County, served 4 years as a superintendent and 22 years in the school system. His wife, **DONNA BAILEY MCKAY**, is a 1979 JSU graduate.

LYNNE SWINDALL SMITH '74/79 is serving in her first year as director of career technical education at the Calhoun County Career Technical Center in Jacksonville. She previ-

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ously worked at the Anniston Army Depot and as a career technical coordinator at Anniston High School. Some of her responsibilities include going out into the county high schools and working with teachers who teach career technology in agriculture science, family and consumer science and business. She is only the second female the local center has ever had. She is married to Dr. Jerry L. Smith, Mayor of the City of Jacksonville, and a political science instructor at JSU.

BILL DRINKARD '75 has been reappointed to the Alabama Historical Commission by Governor Don Siegelman. He is vice-president of Drinkard Development, Inc. He has served 5 years in the State House of Representatives and 7 in the Senate, where he served as majority leader and chairman on the Senate Rules Committee. He resides in Cullman.

CHARLES WARREN '75 is principal at Henagar School in Dekalb County. He has 26 years' experience, 12 as an administrator. He has served as principal at Henagar for the past 6 years and has experience at the elementary, middle and high school levels as a teacher and administrator. He and his wife have 2 college-age children.

C. DIANE DAVIS '76 is in her 24th year of teaching kindergarten at Ashville Elementary School. She and her husband Mike have 2 children.

RANDY E. JONES '76 of Guntersville established his Nationwide Insurance Agency in 1978. He was the youngest agent inducted into the Nationwide President's Hall of Fame in 1999. His agency has grown to include offices in Albertville, Arab, Huntsville, Gadsden and Anniston. Involved in various civic and community organizations, Randy was recognized at the White House by President Ronald Reagan for his work as chairman of Project Independence, a welfare reform committee. Randy and his wife Debra have one daughter. Randy is a life member of the JSU Alumni Association and served for many years as an at-large member of the alumni Board of Governors representing Marshall County JSU alumni.

PAMELA SMITH MORGAN '76 was chosen October 2000, Teacher of the Month for the Attalla City School System. She teaches senior American government and economics at Etowah High School. She has 22

years' experience in the Attalla system. Pam and her husband Sam reside in Attalla.



♦ **DAVID L. WILLIAMS '76** has joined Gulf States Paper Corporation as internal audit manager for the Finance Division at the national headquarters in Tuscaloosa. He previously was employed as an internal audit manager with Commonwealth Industries in Louisville, KY, and with Fruit of the Loom in Bowling Green, KY.

TERESA J. GARDNER '77/80/88 received her doctorate of philosophy in education degree from the University of Alabama in May 2000. She completed her studies in special education with a concentration in emotional disturbance. Teresa is employed by the Gadsden City Board of Education.

RODNEY HOLMES '78 has been promoted to Tuscaloosa County President of Colonial Bank. He has more than 20 years' experience in banking. Rodney and his wife Martha have 2 children and reside in Tuscaloosa.

BARBARA A. LEWIS '78 is a correctional counselor with the South Carolina Department of Corrections. She works with youthful offenders and the lockup unit. Barbara has been with the department for 13 years. She has one son and resides in Jonesville, SC.

RICHARD LINDSEY '78 has been appointed by Alabama House Speaker Seth Hammett to chair a powerful budget committee - the Ways and Means Committee. Richard is a five-term Cherokee County legislator. The committee handles appropriations from the \$4.2 billion education fund and is one of only two House budget committees. He is also part owner of Lindsey Brothers, Inc., a farming and agribusiness company. Richard and

his wife have 2 children and they reside in Centre. He is a life member of the JSU Alumni Association.

MONICA NICHOLS '78 has joined the faculty at the Berry College Elementary School in Mt. Berry, GA. She previously taught in Kentucky for several years. Prior to moving to Kentucky, Monica was a teacher at Berry Elementary for 3 years where she created and facilitated a developmentally appropriate, experiential, integrated curriculum for primary school children. She also designed and implemented a volunteer program of nature study for primary students at the school. Monica is currently pursuing her doctorate degree. She lives in Rome with her husband and 3 daughters.



♦ **STANLEY L. CARPENTER '79**, project director for the U.S. Army Simulation, Training & Instrumentation Command (STRICOM) in Orlando, FL, has been selected as the "Acquisition Person of the Year 2000". This award is presented to an individual who has made significant contributions to the Army through their program duties. His wife, **JOCELYN CORDLE CARPENTER '80**, is a RN and teacher at the Academy of Health Careers, Seminole County High School in Sanford, FL. They reside in Oviedo and have 2 daughters.

'80-89

NORMAN DEESE '80, has been named Vice-President of Commercial Accounts at Resource Supply Management, Inc., Mableton, GA. He previously was employed at Southwire Company in Carrollton for 25 years in engineering and, most recently, as their

telecommunications manager. He was part of Southwire's Energy Management Team, which received national recognition. As a result of his expertise in energy management, he gained his current position with Resource Supply Management. He and his wife Becky are the parents of 4 grown daughters. They reside in Carrollton, GA.

AL DENSON '80 has been named executive director of the Birmingham Airport Authority from a field of 60 applicants. He also holds degrees from Stillman College and Samford University.

WENDELL B. MCLAIN '80 has been selected for promotion to the rank of Colonel in the Air Force. He has commanded several units and served in Operation Desert Shield/Storm. Colonel McLain has received many awards and decorations including the Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Army Achievement Medal, Parachute Badge and Expert Infantryman Badge.

DENISE HUNTER MILLER '80 and her husband Clark of Plano, TX, have ventured out on their own with a new business, Business & Sourcing Solutions, Inc., doing consulting work in metal stamping, metal fabricating, and ISO/QS. They are also recruiting for team members for a variety of companies in the metal stamping and metal spinning industries. Their company serves such companies as Georgia Power, Steelcase, and at Precision Metalforming Association (Cleveland, OH) where they are working with a web-based company to set up an online buying service for the metalforming industry. Denise and her husband have 3 daughters. Their oldest daughter's godmother is JSU's very own Dr. Alice Cusimano.

MICHAEL K. JOHNSON '81 is an MBA and Certified Public Accountant. He is the regional audit manager for Charter Communications, a national cable company. At JSU, he was a member of Omega Psi Phi fraternity. Mike has 2 children and resides in Birmingham.

ALAN D. LAQUAY '81 is a systems analyst with UPMC in Pittsburgh, PA. He and his wife reside in Lower Burrell, PA.

ANGIE LEDBETTER MCPHERSON '82/85 was recently selected as the principal at Loyd El-



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ementary School, a DOD school located at Ft. Benning, GA. She previously was an assistant principal at the Ft. McClellan Elementary School. Angie has been married for more than 26 years to **DAVID MCPHERSON '74**, who is a Lieutenant Colonel in the Alabama Army National Guard, serving as the full-time manager of the Ft. McClellan Army National Guard Training Center. Their daughter is a recent Auburn graduate. They reside in Calhoun County.

IRVING THOMPSON '82 recently retired as principal at Ashland Elementary School. He started his teaching career in 1971 at Millerville. In 1981 he became principal at Ashland and stayed there to finish his 30-year career.

TRICIA STRAWN HOPPER '83 teaches the multi-disabled class at Guntersville Elementary School and is the half-day special education assistant at the high school. She is in her 18th year of teaching special education. At home, she's an amateur interior decorator. She's an avid Coca-Cola and "Gone With the Wind" memorabilia collector and actually has a 6-foot Rhett Butler and Scarlett O'Hara displayed in her living room! As a tension reliever from her long hours at school, she is a part-time shampooer at

a local beauty salon several days a week. Not only does she have two stepsons, but she is also a foster parent.

JAY WAID '83 has been in the intensive care heart transplant unit at the University of Alabama-Birmingham (UAB) since August 2000. Jay played baseball at JSU for Coach Rudy Abbott. He and his wife, **JAN WATSON WAID '83**, and their 2 children reside in Birmingham. Please keep Jay and his family in your thoughts and prayers.

GLEN GRAHAM '84 is head basketball and volleyball coach at Isabella High School in Tuscaloosa. He and his wife Leah have a young son and daughter. They reside in Clanton.

BRENT NEEDHAM HEARD '84/87 is employed by NASA as a scientist at Langley Research Center in Hampton, VA. He was a member of Kappa Sigma fraternity at JSU. Brent, his wife Marian, and their 3 children reside in picturesque Williamsburg, VA. He says he's living out his dream of being a NASA scientist, thanks to several of his JSU professors.

GORDON R. MCKINNEY '84, a financial consultant at A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc. in Anniston, was recently awarded the title of trust specialist. He has 15 years' experience in the brokerage industry. He joined A.G. Edwards in 1985.

GENE MILLER '84 is a social studies teacher at Lineville High School and resides in Delta. He has taught for 22 years, 11 of those in Clay County.

TRACY HAYES PENNEY '84 grew up in a family of educators. She always wanted to be a teacher but now she's become a principal. She is the new principal at Sloman Primary School in Douglas. She spent 2 years as assistant principal at Blountsville before taking the new job. She and her husband John and son Jay reside in Guntersville.

THERESA MORRIS SMOOT '84/87, has been hired as personnel director for the Tallapoosa County Board of Education. She previously worked for 13 years teaching social studies and science at Munford High in Talladega County. She and her husband James have one son Trey.

KENNETH J. DAUGHERTY '85/88/93 is currently teaching English and Math at a school near Oxford, MS, and is working toward his doctorate at the University of Mississippi. He previously taught in Georgia and Alabama.

REDELLE EASLEY-HOWELL '85 was recently inducted into Xi Chapter of Kappa Delta Pi at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa. She is employed by Stillman College in Tuscaloosa as a curriculum specialist.

KRIS JOHNSON LLOYD '85/00 is teaching kindergarten at Helena Elementary School. She is in her first year teaching.

ELLEN MAINS ROBBINS '85 has successfully completed all requirements and has been certified in production and inventory management (CPIM) by APICS, the Educational Society for Resource Management. She has joined an exclusive group of individuals dedicated to improving the production and inventory management profession and manufacturing as a whole.

GREGORY W. BRYANT '86, Executive VP of Bay Cities Bank; **VONDA BARBOUR WHITE '88**, President of Collegiate Risk Management, Inc. and former JSU SGA President; and **CHRISTOPHER CRUMP '89**, VP of W. G. Mills Construction, Inc. and a former JSU tennis player, were among Tampa Bay's (FL) "40 Under 40", a group recognized annually for high professional achievement and strong community involvement. The only other schools to be represented last November 2000, in Florida by 3 alumni were the University of Florida and Florida State University, the two largest public universities in the State of Florida!

KIM STUBBLEFIELD MINTZ '86/90/96 recently received her Ph.D. from the University of Alabama. She is currently the principal at Hokes Bluff Elementary School in Etowah County and an instructor for the University of Alabama Gadsden Center. Kim and her husband, **BRIAN '85/91**, live in Southside with their 3 sons.

DENVER HUGH NOLIN '86 arrived for duty at Maxwell Air Force Base in Montgomery in January 2001. An Air Force Reserve Captain, he is an instructor pilot assigned to the 908th Airlift Wing.

KELVIN CUNNINGHAM '87 currently serves as District 3 County Commissioner in Talladega County. He was an assistant principal at Winterboro School and a teacher at Talladega High School. Kelvin and his wife have a son.

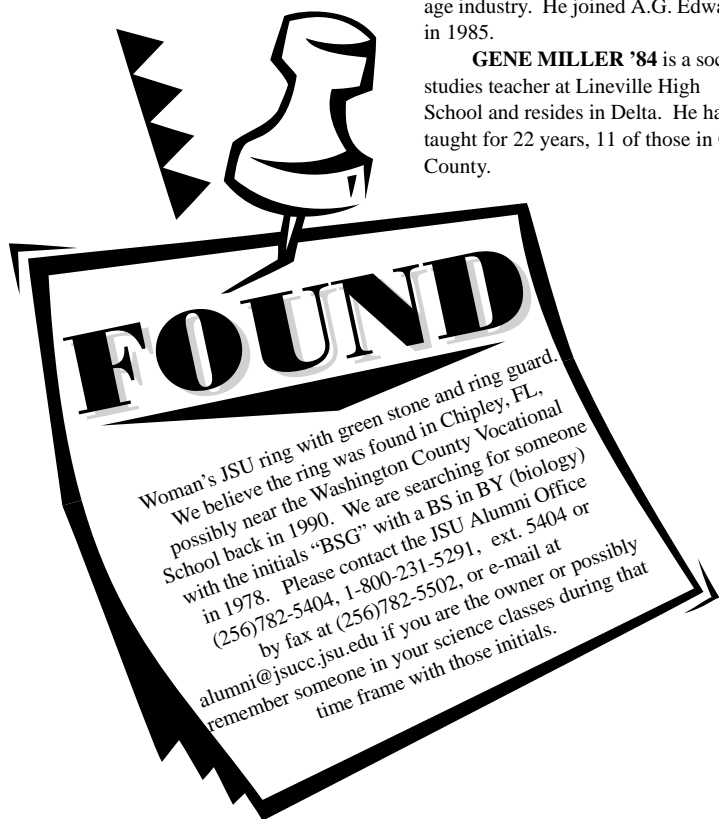
FELICIA RENAE PAIGE KITTLES '87 is an Information Technology Specialist for the federal government, assigned to the HQ Forces Command at Ft. McPherson, GA. She has been a federal employee for 20 years, working for the Army and Navy in both stateside and overseas assignments. Felicia resides in Douglasville, GA with her husband Attys and their daughter.

LOWELL SMITH '87/98 is in his second year as principal at Douglas High School in Marshall County. He has been fascinated by "Custer's Last Stand" since he was a child. He owns a large collection of memorabilia and artifacts, is a former chairman of the Little Bighorn Association, and is close friends with the Custer family today. He has testified as an expert before the U.S. Senate when the name of the battlefield was changed and has done some consulting work for TV. He and his wife have 2 children. His son is a senior at JSU.

DEBBIE LUKER WALKER '87 is an accredited and certified legal secretary in Birmingham.

ANTIONETTE WATLEY-FRAILS '87 recently accepted a position as a Registered Nurse in Pediatrics at the Medical College of Georgia. She and her husband Larry have 2 children and live in Augusta, GA. Antionette is a former Gamecock cheerleader.

ROY L. WILLIAMS '87 has been awarded a journalism fellowship by the National Press Foundation. Roy is a business reporter at The Birmingham News. He received an all expense paid trip to the Foundation's Financial and Economic Seminar in Washington,



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Alumni Association Life Members

The following have become recent life members of the Alumni Association.
(Since September, 2000)

ALEXANDRA G. BAIRD
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KIMBERLY VANDERFORD CLINE '87
R. NELL COLEMAN '86
DON W. CROFT '66
ROBERT G. DANFORD
JANA PENTECOST DOWNS '73
MAC DOWNS '70
JAMES R. GARMON '71
SHENA KINNEY HILL '85
CHARLES E. "SAM" HOUSTON '62
LEON M. HOWARD '64
SUSAN B. HOWARD '69/85
JOHN HUGHES
MARY ANN HUGHES '57
BOBBY D. JOHNSON '64

STEPHEN E. JONES '83
AMY BRAND MACHEN '80
STEVEN BRIAN MACHEN '80
ERIC V. MUTH '91/93
K. ASHLEY MUTH '93/96
JEAN B. ROGERS '74/76/83
RALPH W. ROGERS, JR. '73
DAVID MARK SHAW '83
NANCY LETT SHAW '92
CHESTER B. SKATES '57
E. BERTON SPENCE '83
TIMOTHY ALAN STREET '90
ANN O'NEILL SUMMERS '87
GREGORY EUGENE SUMNER '94/96
DOUG E. WHEELER '65
MANOLA H. WHEELER '65

A New Addition to Life Membership

In response to your many requests, we have added an additional benefit to our life membership. The recreational facilities at Stephenson Hall and Pete Mathews Coliseum are now available for an additional yearly fee. If you have questions, please call the Alumni Office for more details.

DC in October 2000. He was among only 15 finance reporters in the U.S. to receive the fellowship. Roy and his wife, **PATRICE ODEN '91**, live in Birmingham with their daughter. Many of you know Roy's mom, **PEARL K. WILLIAMS '77/82**, former JSU police officer and current counselor with the JSU Career Development and Counseling Services Center. Roy's twin brother, **TROY LEE '88**, is a computer operator for the U.S. Air Force Academy in Colorado.

FRANCES A. BLACK '88/94 has been employed with the DeKalb County Board of Education for 13 years and is presently an English teacher and a coach at Sylvania High School. She recently coached her Lady Rams volleyball team to the Class 3A State Championship!

STEPHANIE CLAY GOSSETT '88/99 worked for 10 years in retail as the clothing buyer for Wakefield's and Kitchin's department stores in Anniston. A class in nutrition sparked her interest so, while continuing to work part time as a buyer, she again enrolled at JSU to major in dietetics.

Stephanie is now director of the child nutrition program at Kitty Stone Elementary School in Jacksonville. She is trying to establish good healthy eating habits early in young children. She is married to **JEFF GOSSETT '88/94**, band director at Jacksonville High School. Both are life members of the Alumni Association at JSU.

GREGORY W. HEARD '88 has been appointed group operations manager for Consolidated Freightways (CF), a leading transportation carrier specializing in long-haul freight throughout North America. He manages all operations and sales functions at CF's Portland (WA) facility. The terminal is part of a division handling more than 1.2 billion pounds of freight annually. He began his career with CF in 1988 in Gadsden. Greg and his wife have relocated to the Portland area.

LAURA JOHNSON ALLEN '89 was recently honored as the Distributed Information Systems, Inc. Technical Employee of the Year. She is a Senior Systems Analyst and supports NASA's Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville. Laura and her husband

Randall reside in Owens Cross Roads. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority at JSU.

W. TOMMY THWEATT '89 is employed by the Tallapoosa County Board of Education in the accounts payable department.

'90-99

Three JSU grads and Talladega County natives returned to work with the Talladega County Department of Human Resources, which is launching a new program to help "at risk" students. Both Talladega County and Talladega city school systems have contracted with DHR to provide the programs. **OLA ROBERSON SCOTT '90** and **SONYA GEORGE '94** serve as county school interventionists. **JENNIFER BURNS BRYANT '98** will work with the city schools. They were chosen from a field of 45 applicants. Ola most recently worked as a mental health therapist in Orangeburg, SC schools. Sonya worked at Eastside Mental Health in

Pell City. Jennifer has worked at Bradford in Pelham, and is working on her master's degree at JSU.

GINA DARLENE WOMACK '90 is employed as promotion coordinator for ABC 33/40 in Birmingham. She received the 1999 Addy Award in the TV promotion category from the Tuscaloosa Advertising Federation. Gina was employed at WJSU-TV 40 in Anniston. While at JSU, she was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority and president of the Panhellenic Council.

CHRISTOPHER WAYNE REAVES '91/96 is now Program Manager II at the University of Alabama-Birmingham's (UAB) Center for Urban Affairs. The CUA conducts the highest quality basic and applied research for the federal, state and local governments and is committed to improved living conditions in the City of Birmingham and the metropolitan area.

JACQUELINE WATLEY '92 has accepted a management position as Human Resources Business Representative with the Southern Company in Birmingham. She has over 6 years' experience in Human Resources Management. Prior to the Southern Company, she was an Area Human Resources Representative/Supervisor for United Parcel Service. She has one daughter.

CHARLTON EUGENE GILES '93/98 is an assistant principal with the Gadsden City Board of Education. While at JSU, he was a member of the tennis team and Alpha Tau Omega fraternity. He served as fraternity chapter advisor and president of its board of trustees for several years. He and his wife reside in Gadsden.



♦ **Captain STEPHEN CLAY GOFF '93** assumed command of C



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Battery, 1st Battalion, 3 D Air Defense Artillery Regiment at Ft. Stewart, GA on June 15, 2000. In attendance at the Change of Command ceremony were his wife, **JANET WALKER GOFF '92**, and his father-in-law, **TOMMY WALKER '72/76**. Clay and Janet live in Savannah, GA, where Janet is a kindergarten teacher.

TRACILYNN SLATON '93 earned her law degree from Samford University on May 20, 2000. She holds a master's degree from the University of Alabama and is presently employed by UAB teaching substance abuse to adolescents. She is also employed by Jefferson County Family Court in its Electronic Monitoring Program.

KEITH JONES '94 is currently employed as a credit card terminal specialist at SouthTrust Bankcard Merchant Services in Birmingham. He was previously employed by ABC 33/40 as an audio operator for "Good Morning Alabama."

DIANE HURST MYERS '94 is a physical education teacher at Claysville in Marshall County. She has been teaching for 14 years, first at DAR where she also coached girls' track and then at Claysville for the past 11 years. She and her husband John live in Guntersville. They have 3 grown daughters who are also teachers. Diane remembers for at least a 10-year stretch, she and all her children were in college together!

KEVIN LEE DAVIS '95 is a database administrator with Andersen Consulting in Birmingham. He and his wife Barbara reside in Birmingham.

HAROLD H. HILLIARD, JR. '95 is a teacher, head strength and conditioning coordinator and assistant athletic director at The Lovett School in Atlanta, GA.

TIMOTHY PHILLIPS '95 had his first book published in December 2000. A dark crime noir set in a bigger and meaner Birmingham; *Season of the Witch* was published by Fictionworks Publishing. He is currently at work on a second book featuring many of the same characters. Each book in the series will take its title from a song. Tim has also published several short stories in a West Coast literary magazine. Don't forget, Tim and fellow JSU alum, **DOUGLAS MCDOWELL '92**, own and maintain www.ohatchee.com, a site devoted absolutely free to the community

where they both grew up. They invite you to visit them on their web site.

MIKE COLLINS '96 was selected Teacher of the Month for December 2000, at DAR High School in Marshall County. He is working on his master's degree in library science, **SHAWANDA L. GOODGAME**

'96 is coordinator of Turning Point, a program designed for families of strong-willed or out-of-control adolescent children in Talladega County. It is a collaboration between the county juvenile court, the Cheaha Mental Health Center and the Sylacauga Alliance for Family Enhancement Family Services Center. The program teaches parents to identify, prevent and intervene in bad adolescent behaviors. It also allows students to identify their destructive behaviors, assess personal strengths and set goals in an action plan to prevent behavioral problems.

AMY WERGIN OGLE '96 graduated from the University of Alabama Surgical Physician Assistant Program in August 2000. She is employed with the Cardio-Thoracic and Vascular Surgical Associates in Mobile. She and her husband, **KEVIN ROYCE OGLE '97**, reside in Mobile.

CHARLES C. PREVATTE, JR. '96 is a Captain in the U.S. Army. While at JSU, he was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity.

JEFF ALLEN '97, former branch manager of Northwest Financial in Anniston, has been named branch manager of the main AmSouth bank office in Anniston.

JOSE JOAQUIN DUARTE '97 from Colombia, South America, is currently working as a programmer analyst at Epos Corp in Auburn. He was married on December 30, 2000, in Colombia in a small town located in the Andes Mountains.

BRIAN MERRILL '97 is in his 4th year as an Alabama State Trooper and already has been identified as one of the state's top at arresting people driving under the influence. In 1999, he was first in the state with 135 arrests. Through August of 2000, he already had 83 arrests, which put him second in the state. Is he a "DUI Magnet" or is there another reason he makes so many arrests? He feels it has to do with the good training he received. His training officer in Talladega County showed him certain

sections of the county to watch and tactics to use. Brian and his wife live near Sylacauga.

KIMBERLY L. MITCHELL '97 was named Family and Consumer Science New Teacher of the Year at the ACTE Association's conference in August 2000. She teaches at Munford High School and is also the FCCLA advisor. Prior to Munford, Kimberly taught for 3 years at Eden Career Technical Center in St. Clair County. She is pursuing her educational specialist degree from the University of Alabama and she is an adjunct faculty member at JSU.

LAURA SMITH EDEN '98 is a teacher at Iola Roberts Elementary School in Pell City, where she has taught for 2 years. In her previous position, she taught at Alexandria High School. She received a "Teacher of the Week" award in November 2000.

MEGAN GREEN '98 has been admitted to the professional program at Auburn University's College of Veterinary Medicine as a member of the Class of 2004.

KAY SMITH '98 has been

named Gadsden State Community College's public relations director. She has been the owner of Kay Smith School of Performing Arts for 30 years, choreographer of the JSU Marching Ballerinas for 28 years and choreographer of the Gadsden State Southern Belles for 22 years. She also judges dance, baton twirling and pageant competitions throughout the South.

JASON ALLEN WALTERS '98, a second-year student at Cumberland School of Law at Samford University in Birmingham, won Cumberland's Fall 2000 James O. Haley Trial Competition. The competition allows students to compete in courtroom procedure, exhibiting their trial advocacy skills before a panel of judges. The competition is named for Judge James O. Haley, the long-time coach and instructor for Cumberland's trial program.

PHILLIP CARTER '99 serves as an Alabama Cooperative Extension System agent in Houston County in the Urban Program. He previously worked as a child support officer at the Department of Human Resources in

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Anniston. He wants to open the public's eyes at an early age to environmental issues. He is coordinating problem-solving initiatives for local "at-risk" youth, involving how to buy a car, rent an apartment, saving money, buying insurance, selecting an occupation, and other every day, real-world issues.

JAIME CHILDRESS '99 is a court referral officer for Marshall County. She accepted the position in January 2000. Jaime resides in Guntersville.

JOEY CREWS '99 held a one-man art exhibit back in August 2000, at the Center for Cultural Arts in Gadsden. Applying etching inks onto a plate and then running the plate with printmaking paper through a press creates the majority of his works. This creates an abstract image in that the image is not a re-creation of real-world objects, but is an expression from the artistic soul.

AARON GARRETT '99 of Centre, AL, received first place in the student paper competition at the master's level during the Fall 2000 Association for Computing Machinery Mid-Southeast Conference. He is a graduate research assistant in the Mathematical, Computing and Information Sciences Department at JSU.

APRIL ROTENBERRY HARRY '99 has recently been promoted from staff accountant to Senior Accountant with IPN in Birmingham. She has been with the company since graduation. April and her husband Matthew reside in Childersburg.

JEREMY "HOSE" HOSIER '99 has left the world of media for a new job at Huntsville Hospital. He is in the Marketing and Public Relations Department as Marketing Coordinator. He has also agreed to serve as head soccer coach at Austin High School in Decatur. He also plans to enter graduate school.

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JAMI LYNN HIGDON '00 has begun studies at the West Virginia School of Osteopathic Medicine. She will study basic sciences for two years before spending the final two years on clinical rotations at various hospitals, clinics and private practices. Jami expects to graduate in 2004. She was a Faculty Scholar at JSU, where she received several honor scholarships, made the Dean's List, and served as

treasurer of the JSU chapter of Beta Beta Beta honor society.

BILLY J. JENKINS '00 was recognized by Alfa Insurance as its January 2001, Teacher of the Month. He has been teaching at Ivalee Elementary School in Etowah County since 1993. He was the 1998 District VIII Alabama State Teacher of the Year and, that same year, was named Teacher of the Year for Ivalee School and Etowah County. He is a Habitat for Humanity and Child Advocacy Center of Gadsden volunteer. Billy resides in Southside.

LEANNE MCELDRATH '00 was recently presented the Young Careerist Award by the Albertville Business and Professional Women's Club. She is the family self-sufficiency coordinator for the Albertville Housing Authority, providing support and assistance to applicants for rental assistance, usually women with children, to help free them from government assistance.

PHAEDRA H. ROBERTS '00 is employed by Bartow County (GA) Schools as a Curriculum Coordinator at Adairsville Elementary School. Phaedra and her husband of 21 years, Mike, now reside in White, GA, with their daughter, Katie.

JASON GRANT SELF '00 is a teacher/coach with the Floyd County (GA) Board of Education. He resides in Armuchee.

BRANDON SIMMONS '00 has accepted a job working with NASA at Lockheed Martin Space Operations as an applications software engineer. He will help develop software that runs the International Space Station.

DELAINE SMITH STAFFORD '00, a magna cum laude nursing graduate, is employed as an RN at Cherokee County Nursing Home in Centre.

ADAM WALLACE '00 is in his first year of teaching at Ragland High School. He will also act as assistant varsity football coach, the B-Team basketball coach and the 8th grade sponsor.

WEDDINGS



'80-89

JOHN T. VAN CLEAVE, II '87/89 married Tanya McGinnis in

December 2000, in Jacksonville. John is employed as a math teacher and coach at Jacksonville High School.

JEANNIE JOHNSON '88 and **ROBERT ALAN COSBY '92** were married June 3, 2000, in Ocho Rios, Jamaica. Jeannie teaches at John Jones Elementary School in Etowah County. Alan is the new assistant principal at Rainbow Middle School in Gadsden. He began his teaching career in 1993 at Westbrook Christian School.

JAY PRATER '88 and Cynthia Dubose, August 26, 2000. Jay has accepted a position with The Hotel Group in Auburn. He is the new general manager of a Hilton Garden Inn scheduled to open in Auburn in September 2001.

SCOTT CROLEY '89 and Jill Sanderson, September 2, 2000, in Gadsden. He is a member of Alpha Psi Omega drama honorary society and is employed by InterCDnet Inc. in San Rafael, CA.

'90-99

DAVID LOUIS MITCHELL '90 and Melinda Shirley, November 11, 2000, in Olathe. Melinda is a senior at JSU. David is employed with the Olathe Police Department.

KAREN "BETH" JONES '91 and Alan Palmer, January 15, 2000. Beth formerly worked for the Paulding County (GA) board of education as a special education teacher. She is now in school at the Georgia Medical Institute for Medical Assisting and is employed with Georgia Internal Medicine. They are in the process of adopting a child.

RICHARD EDMONDSON, JR. '92 and Denise Stanley, August 12, 2000, in Gatlinburg, TN. He is employed by Heights Finance Company in Hixson, TN. They reside in Cohutta, GA.

BRIAN WAYNE ELLYSON '92 and Robin DeAnn Croft, July 31, 2000, in Pigeon Forge, TN. They reside in Richmond, VA. Brian is a former member of the Marching Southerners and is employed by Circuit City Stores. He is a member of Phi Mu Alpha music fraternity.

KAREN LOU LOMBARDI '92 and Jeffrey Alden Salinetti, October 6, 2000, in Newington, CT. Karen is employed by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).

TERRY EUGENE BARRON '93 and Ginger Michelle Brown, October 7, 2000, in Gadsden. He is employed by E & M Services in Gadsden.

ALAN CAREY NIESEN '93 and Aimee Diane Smith, September 30, 2000, in Bay Minette. Alan is employed as a pilot with Rotor Wing, Inc. of Mt. Olive.

ALICIA ANN NOWLAND '93 and Charles Ray Beal, October 7, 2000, in Anniston. She is employed by Southeastern Cardiovascular Specialists.

GREGORY GRIFF DENSON '94 and **SUSANN NICOLE DUNN '94**, September 9, 2000, in Huntsville. Susann is employed by SunCom Communications as an account executive and Greg is president of Denson Networks, Inc.

MONITA MARIE MASON '94 and Danny Lee Dutton, October 21, 2000, in Anniston. She is employed by Flint Ink.

REGINA LEANN WILSON '94 and Michael Shannon Cooper, October 28, 2000, in Saks. Regina is employed as credit manager for Wakefield's/Martin's department stores in Anniston.

SCOTT EVAN CALHOUN '95 and Christie Michele Feazell, September 16, 2000. He is employed by The Anniston Star.

KENNETH ALLEN CARSON '95 and Denese Smith, September 9, 2000, in Russellville. Ken is currently pursuing an electronics degree from ITT Technical Institute. He is employed with National Tire & Battery.

AMY ELIZABETH NELSON '95 and Joseph Brandon Smith, November 11, 2000, in Gadsden. She is employed by the Birmingham VA Medical Center/Home Base Primary Care.

TIM SUDDUTH '95 and his wife Micole were married on September 23, 2000. Tim is a former JSU football player and works for the City of Atlanta. They reside in Stone Mountain, GA.

SCARLET RENEE WALL '95 and David Eugene Macoy, September 30, 2000, in Alexander City. She is employed by the Coosa County Board of Education where she teaches 5th grade at Rockford School.

JEFF FLOYD '96 and Amanda Ledbetter, December 16, 2000, in Boaz. He is currently employed by the Alabama Board of Pardons and Pa-



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office in Albertville, where she is the human resource manager.

GAVIN HARRINGTON '98 and **AMBER GONZALES '00**, October 28, 2000, in Scottsboro. Amber is employed with Coca-Cola Enterprises as a sales trainee. She was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi sorority at JSU. Gavin is employed by Associated Pharmacies as an account executive. He was a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity at JSU.

DENNIS SHERWOOD JOHNSON II '98 and Tamatha Arnette Browning, December 16, 2000. Tamatha is currently pursuing her master's degree at JSU. Both are employed by Stringfellow Memorial Hospital in Anniston. Dennis was a member of Pi Kappa Phi fraternity at JSU.

LINDSEY ELAINE TURNER '98 and Jimmy Wayne Douglas, Jr., October 7, 2000. Lindsey is employed by Donald W. Causey and Associates.

JENNELL WILLCUTT '98 and Jeremy Dewayne Bussey, October 7, 2000, Hueytown. A magna cum laude JSU graduate, she is employed in Birmingham.

WILLIAM JUDGE ALVERSON '99 and Lindsey Kaye Wilson, December 9, 2000, in Pell City. He is employed with Liberty Mortgage Corporation in Birmingham as a loan originator.

VIRGINIA CHER BUSE '99 and Terrell Wilson "TW" Dulaney, September 16, 2000, in Destin, FL. Cher is employed by Norwest Financial.

ANGELA KAY BUSH '99 and Charlie London Pearce, December 13, 2000, in Gadsden. She is currently pursuing a second bachelor's degree and is the assistant office manager at Office Max in Anniston. Angela was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority at JSU.

CORTNI COLVIN '99 and **RICHARD KELLEY '99**, February 2000. They live in White House, TN.

NATHAN LEE HOLMES '99 and **BRIGETT DELISA BUICE '00**, July 15, 2000, in DeArmanville. Brigett is employed at AOD Credit Union and Nathan with Honeywell.

KIMBERLY ANN KELTON '99 and **WILLIAM CLAY CONAWAY '00**, December 2, 2000. Kim is employed as business manager for Lancôme cosmetics at Parisian department store in Douglasville, GA.

roles and serves as a 2nd Lieutenant at the 217th Military Police Command in Prattville.

ANGELIA ELANG JOHNSON '96 and Robert Warren Goler, October 21, 2000. She is employed by Fersenius Medical Center in Mobile.

JENNIFER MELISSA PATCH '96 and William Michael Wright, September 16, 2000, in Huntsville. Jennifer is employed by Parisian department stores as a human resource manager. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority at JSU.

MELISSA CARRIE HUGGINS '97 and Robert Allen Jones, September 23, 2000, in Oneonta. She is employed at Medical Center Blount in Oneonta.

EVE ANN HORTON '97/00 and **BRYAN SCOTT WALLACE**

'00, December 16, 2000, in Oxford. Eve is employed by Regional Medical Center as a registered nurse. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority and the Marching Southerners at JSU. Bryan is employed by West Point Elementary School. He was a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity.

REBECCA BUTLER SHARP '97 and Joshua David Patten, October 14, 2000, in Ft. Myers, FL. Rebecca is employed by Retina Consultants. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority at JSU.

WENDI ELIZABETH TAVIS '97 and Brian Keith Rohrer, September 23, 2000, at the JSU Alumni House. Wendi is employed as a teen nurturing facilitator for the Family Support Council and the Outback Steakhouse in Dalton, GA. Brian attended JSU. He is assistant director of Success by 6 at the

Family Support Council in Dalton, GA and as head coach of the River Park Soccer Club U-13 premier A boys in Calhoun, GA.

KATHRYN DANIELLE THRASHER '97 and David Dean Blount, September 23, 2000, in North Carolina.

GLENDIA WHITMORE '97/99 and Mark Morgan, October 14, 2000, in Collinsville.

TIJUANA NICOLE CAMPBELL '98 and David Duane Taylor, September 23, 2000, in Stockbridge, GA. She is currently pursuing her master's degree and is employed by JSU. She was a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority at JSU.

SHELLY DIANE DOWNS '98 and Michael Adam Thomas, October 21, 2000, in Snead. She is employed with Bible Factory Outlet's corporate

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She was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha sorority at JSU. William is the facilities manager for InnoSource Business Solutions in Buckhead. He was a member of Kappa Alpha fraternity at JSU.

JONATHAN MICHAEL NORDAN '99 and **ELIZABETH SELLERS '00**, October 14, 2000, in Hueytown. Elizabeth was a member of Phi Mu sorority at JSU. A member of Kappa Sigma fraternity while at JSU, Jonathan is employed by Georgia Pacific Corporation.

LESLIE MICHELLE RAMSEY '99 and Clint Wales, September 2, 2000, Ardmore. A former member of the JSU ladies basketball team, Leslie is employed by the Limestone County Sheriff's Office as a communications officer.

JILL DELANE STEPHENS '99 and Barry James Worthy, September 2, 2000, Alexander City. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority at JSU and is currently employed at Scott Accounting and Computer Services.

JOSHUA STEWARD '99 and Kelly Howell, September 9, 2000, Anniston. Joshua is employed by Medical Associates of North Georgia in Canton.

'00-01

ROBERT ELSWORTH BANHOLZER '00 and Heather Rae Norton, September 23, 2000, Meridianville. Heather is currently pursuing a degree at JSU. Robert is employed by Tyson Foods as a supervisor.

JENNIFER RENEE COLEMAN '00 and Michael Shane Whitton, December 23, 2000, Rainsville.

JESSICA CAROL CROW '00 and Paul David Kadle, Jr., December 30, 2000, Saks. David is presently pursuing a degree at JSU.

2ND LT. ERIC M. GADDIS '00 and KayTrinia L. Long, December 30, 2000, Anniston.

SEAN GREGORY GAULDIN '00 and Keri Nicolle Robison, December 2, 2000. Sean is employed by AOD Federal Credit Union.

JESSICA R. GILBERT '00 and **WESLEY R. SEAY '00**, October 7, 2000. Jessica was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority and the Show Choir at JSU. She is employed as an account executive with WorthSouth Public

Relations in Rainsville. Wesley was a member of Sigma Phi Epsilon fraternity. He is employed as a lineman with Marshall-Dekalb Electric Cooperative in Albertville. They reside in Albertville.

JAMIE ELIZABETH HINTON '00 and Kevin Shane Anderson, December 29, 2000, Anniston. She is employed by the Georgia School for the Deaf. Kevin is a senior at JSU. He is employed by radio station WJCK in Piedmont.

BRANDON TUCKER '00 and Rachel Brown, November 11, 2000, Boaz. He is employed by Maclean Power Systems of Trussville as a process engineer.

BIRTHS



'80-89

STEPHEN RIZZO '87 and his wife Kristi welcomed the birth of their daughter, Olivia Lynnea, February 22, 2000. Stephen is now on the faculty at Beville State Community College, Walker Campus, in Sumiton. His position is Developmental Studies Instructor, with additional responsibilities as an English and music instructor.

MICKEY RAY SHADRIX '87 and **THERESA MASKEW SHADRIX '96** welcomed the birth of their son, Simeon Ray, on October 19, 2000. They say he arrived with a full head of jet-black hair! Simeon has an older brother Solomon. They reside in Anniston.

JULIE RICKLES ANDERSON '88 and her husband Mike, announce the birth of their daughter, Sydney Rickles, on August 29, 2000. Julie works for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC) as a Bank Examiner. They reside in Alabaster.

LISA GINN FRANKLIN '88 and her husband Robert announce the birth of their daughter, Anna Grace, on July 28, 2000. She has a big sister, Marisa Joy, who is 3. Lisa is an obstetrician/gynecologist in Cullman.

SHERRY HILL '89, '99 and **JASON JOHNSON '91, '00** announce the birth of their daughter Anne Katherine "Kate" Johnson, on December 17, 2000 at Jacksonville Hospital. She weighed 6 lbs. 4 oz

and was 20 inches long. She was welcomed by big brothers Jordan Riggan and Jake Johnson.

ROBERT DARRYL SMITH '88 and **ELAINE JONES SMITH '92** celebrated the birth of their second child, Cassidy Shea, on August 28, 2000. They also have a 5-year-old daughter, Courtney. Robert is owner of Awards to Remember and Robert D. Smith and Co. in Ohatchee. Elaine taught high school math for 3 years but is now employed at Awards to Remember.

'90-99



♦ **KEELY CRAWFORD BOOZER '90** and **TED ALAN BOOZER '91** announce the birth of their first child, Jodi Kayann, on September 26, 2000. Keely is a home-maker. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority at JSU. Ted is owner of Boozer and Company. They reside in Franklin, TN.

YVONNE DEVOST ISOM '91 and her husband Orlando welcomed the birth of their daughter, M'Kaila DeNae', on September 8, 2000. Yvonne was a member of Delta Sigma Theta sorority, the Panhellenic Council, and the African-American Association at JSU. She is employed by the Fulton County Schools and resides in Rex, GA.

KASSIE GIELLE MILLWOOD '91 and her husband Shane announce the birth of their son, Brady Michael, on June 8, 2000. He has a proud big sister, Molly Katherine. The Millwoods reside in Boaz.

KAREN JONES ESTES '92 and her husband Burt welcomed the

birth of their son, Zackary Garrett, on March 23, 2000. They have an older daughter, Jordan, who is 10. Karen is employed as an Office Coordinator/Personnel Manager at The National Auction Group, Inc. They reside in Gadsden.

KRISTIN BRIGHT JOHNSON '92 and **NEIL JOHNSON '94** announce the birth of their daughter, Lindsey Alyce, on June 26, 2000. Lindsey has an older sister, Lauren Michelle. The Johnsons reside in Jacksonville.

JACKIE DERRICK LEHMAN '92 and her husband E.J. say, "IT'S A BOY!" They welcomed the birth of their son, Noah Robert, on September 7, 2000. They reside in Acworth, GA.

DOUG '92 and **MICHELLE CROWE MOONEYHAM '94** announce the birth of their second child, Rebecca Grace, on July 26, 2000. They have an older child, Jack Douglas. Michelle is currently a home-maker and Doug is employed by IPC-Aerospace in Anniston.



♦ **DOUG SINGLETON '92** and his wife Becky of Memphis, TN, announce the birth of their son, Cole Michael-Douglas, on August 7, 2000. They are relocating to Dallas, TX, in June to begin an orthodontic residency at Baylor Hospital. Cole is the grandson of Miyo Haynes of JSU's Office of the Bursar.

PHILLIP WAYDE SMITHERMAN '92 and his wife Kelly announce the birth of their daughter, Hannah Grace, on August 29, 2000. Hannah has an older brother, Colin Luke, who is 4. Phillip is a Senior Programmer Analyst with HealthPartners in Birmingham. They reside in Sylacauga.

KIM NALLY WRIGHT '92



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and her husband Bryan welcomed the birth of their first child, Jackson Douglas, on November 3, 2000. They reside in Marietta, GA.

AMY TEDDER BAKER '94 and **JASON BAKER '95** announce the birth of their daughter, Holly Caroline, on December 19, 2000. The Bakers reside in Powder Springs, GA.



♦ **CHRIS T. '96** and **AMY PONDER NABORS '96** proudly announce the arrival of their son, Samuel Halaway, February 8, 2000. They reside in Alexander City.

TAMMY HAYES CHANDLER '96 and her husband Ty announce the birth of their daughter, Emily Tyler, on March 12, 1999. Tyler has a big sister, Cassidy. They reside in Centre.

Tammy is currently working as a labor and delivery nurse at Floyd Medical Center in Rome, GA and at Riverview Regional Medical Center in Gadsden.

JENNIFER DENNEY SCOGGINS '97 and her husband Gordon announce the birth of their second daughter, Mabrey Claire, on August 1, 2000. They have a 5-year-old son, Mitchell Gordon, and a 2-year-old daughter, Madison Carter. Jennifer is teaching special education in Rome, GA. They reside in Silver Creek, GA.

VICTORIA CHIRPE COWARD '98 and her husband announce the birth of their son, Jonathan Scott, on May 10, 2000. They reside in Suwanee, GA.

SUZANNE FARLEY HABYAN '98 and her husband Michael welcomed the birth of twin boys, Blake Andrew and Brock Martin, on September 19, 2000. They reside in Gadsden.

LEAH W. FULLER '24 of Wilsonville. We were informed by the postal service of her death during a recent mailing.

MAMIE LEE DUNN LANDERS '25/60, of Anniston, November 19, 1999. She was a retired teacher in the Calhoun County School System.

REBA ALLEN EUBANKS '28 of Fairhope, January 15, 2000.

'30-39

EDITH MELBA PUTMAN BARTON '31, October 25, 2000, Dora. She was a retired teacher with the Walker County Board of Education after 45 years of service. She was 89.

DR. D. P. CULP '34, October 20, 2000, Johnson City, TN. He began his career in education as the principal of a one-teacher school, and moved up to become principal of a large city high school in Greenville, from which position he was elected Superintendent of Schools in Chilton County. Dr. Culp was president emeritus of East Tennessee State University at the time of his death at age 89.

ALMA MCWHORTER ESSLINGER '34, October 3, 2000, Gurley. Her daughter advised the caller for the Phonathon of her death.

WILLIE S. HALL '34, date unknown, of Jacksonville. A family member advised the Phonathon caller of the death. No further information was available.

LOUISE MASON AYRES '35, date unknown, of Guntersville. Phonathon callers were advised of her death.

MARY FRANCES GEER FREEMAN '35, December 14, 2000, Northport. (See additional story on Mrs. Freeman in this issue)

CARL JACKSON BARTLETT '36, date unknown, of Roanoke. Phonathon callers were advised of his death. He played basketball while at JSU.

PLUMA ANNIE PARKER '39, November 4, 2000, Piedmont. She was a retired teacher, having taught for 51 years at Old Goshen, New Goshen and Spring Garden. She was an active member of the JSU Alumni Association.

VYLITTA PERKINS KIRBY '39/53, September 4, 2000, Birmingham. She taught in the Arab City School System for more than 25 years. She was a professional artist who won

Former International House Director Dies

Dr. John R. Stewart, 81, of Jacksonville, former director of the JSU International House, died December 20, 2000.

"He was a thoroughly organized gentleman and was able to pursue several careers, from being a superintendent of schools to director of Jacksonville State University's International House," says former JSU president Dr. Theron Montgomery. "He did a great deal in bringing foreign students and American students together."

Survivors include his wife, Mary Gertrude "Trudy" Stewart of Jacksonville; a daughter, Judith Anne Cruz of Miami; two sons, Randall Warren Stewart and John R. Stewart Jr., both of Fayetteville, GA; six grandchildren, April Stewart Bundy, John Stewart Cruz, Benjamin Stewart, Mariah Stewart, Megan Stewart and Laura Stewart and three great-grandchildren.

Pallbearers were Bill Meehan and Joe Grimes; former International House members, Victor McCarley, Byron York and Bill Norris; and nephews Paul Ray, Frank Stewart and Johnny Davis. Honorary pallbearers were Herbert Woolf, Ralph Porch, Jack Hopper, Bernard Hammett, Gene Hammett, Theron Montgomery and Gene Burnham.

Dr. Stewart was born Jan. 5, 1919 in Cherokee County and reared in Piedmont. He attended Jacksonville State Teachers College where he earned a BS degree in 1942. He earned his master's degree from the University of Alabama in 1951 and his doctor of law degree from Jacksonville State University in 1980.

He served in the U.S. Army Air Corps from September, 1942 to June, 1945. He was a member of the 783rd Bomb Squadron, 15th Air Force and flew 50 combat missions as B-24 Liberator pilot and received the Distinguished Flying Cross.

Dr. Stewart was a teacher/coach in Escambia, Butler and Shelby counties from 1940-42 and 1945-46. He served as principal of Moore Academy in Pine Apple from 1946-51 and principal of Monroe County High School in Monroeville from 1952-54. He served as superintendent of Brewton City Schools from 1954-63 and superintendent of Fort Payne City Schools from 1963-64.

Dr. Stewart was director of the International House at JSU from 1964-85. He was district governor of District 686, Rotary International, from 1978-79 and a member of the Anniston Rotary Club. He was also a member of First Presbyterian Church where he served as Ruling Elder.

'40-49

GRADY ARNOLD BLACKWELL '40, April 10, 2000,

many prizes and awards with her paintings in private collections throughout the Southeast, New England and Europe. We were notified by her daughter, Dee Smith, of her death.

OBITUARIES

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Henagar. We were notified by his wife, Bonnie, of his death.

GRIFFIN A. WILLINGHAM BOND '42, March 21, 2000. Her husband informed us of her death. She was a retired reading consultant with the Ingham Intermediate School District in Mason, MI.

FRANCES YATES PERRY '42, December 7, 2000, in Rome, GA. She resided in Anniston. No further information was available.

MAJORIE PYRON BERRY '43, December 31, 2000, Jacksonville. She taught in the Anniston City School System, was a librarian at Johnston Elementary in Anniston, and volunteered at the libraries at C.E. Hanna Elementary and JSU.

MARY LUKER BURKS '43, May, 2000, Birmingham. Phonathon callers were advised by her grandson of her death.

KATHRYN KNIGHT "PITY" CHILDERS '45, September 11, 2000, Union Hill. She was a retired teacher, having taught 39 years at Milltown School and 2 years at Shawmut. She was a life member of the JSU Alumni Association.

INEZ ROEBUCK ADAMS '46, September 1, 1987. We were only recently advised during the Phonathon of her death. Her husband, William, is also a 1946 JSU graduate. She resided in Huntsville.

SIDNEY R. SHOTTS '46, date unknown, of Birmingham. The postal service advised our office of his death. His wife, Willie Belle, is a 1935 JSU graduate.


LUCILLE GRAHAM '48, October 26, 2000, Piedmont. She taught for 43 years and was retired from the Cherokee County School System.

AMELIA LONDON CAMP '49, November 14, 2000, Petaluma, CA. Formerly of Montgomery, she was a retired teacher. She was 91.

ADDIE C. PEOPLES '49, date unknown, in Alachua, FL. She taught at Eulaton Elementary for 30 years and taught piano lessons for many years. She was 90.

JOHN W. WASHAM, JR., '49, of Childersburg, died some time in 2000. Phonathon callers were advised of his death. He had been a quality control supervisor for Kimberly-Clark Corporation in Childersburg.

'50-59



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ANNIE COLE BORDEN '50, date unknown, of Piedmont. Phonathon callers were advised she is deceased but no further information was provided.

PAULINE D. MCCULLEY '50, date unknown, of Columbiana. We were provided with information concerning her death during the JSU Phonathon. She was a life member of

the JSU Alumni Association.

CORENE TIDWELL HILL '50, December 27, 1999, Guntersville. Her daughter-in-law advised Phonathon callers that she is deceased.

ROBERT HYETT '50, date unknown, of Anniston. Family members advised Phonathon callers of his death.

WILEY BENSON MONTGOMERY ROBBINS '50/69, October 20, 2000, Oneonta. He taught and coached baseball, basketball and football for 28 years, leading the Hayden Wildcat football team to a state championship in 1954. Active in civic affairs, he was American Legion commander. He was also an active Civitan for 29 years.



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ROBERT TERRELL SHORT '50, December 21, 2000, Auburn. He was superintendent of education in Thomasville until he retired in 1987.

JOSEPH WESLEY HARDY '51/59, July 2000, of Sylacauga. His wife informed Phonathon callers of his death. He was a member of the JSU football team and active in the JSU Alumni Association as a life member and a member of the President's Club.

SAMUEL HORSLEY '51, date unknown, of Huntsville. Phonathon callers were advised by his daughter of his death.

RACHEL ABNEY FURGERSON '52, September 28, 2000, Chickamauga, GA. Her husband James advised Phonathon callers of her death. No other information was available.

JOHN WALTER HARMAN '52, September 2000, Milton, FL. He owned a successful furniture business in Milton for more than 30 years. We were notified of his death by another JSU graduate, Phil Gambrell '72, a business associate of Mr. Harman.

GEORGE M. MCPHAIL, SR. '52, September 11, 2000, Lake City, FL. He was a World War II Navy veteran. He worked for the railroad in both the U.S. and Africa. He taught school and was a head football coach in Florida. While at JSU, he was a member of the baseball team.

LLOYD G. RAINS '52, September 10, 2000, Mountain Brook. He was a World War II Navy veteran and worked with the Boy Scout organization. While at JSU, he was on the basketball team. He helped organize Central Bank (now Compass Bank) and later served as its president, retiring after 25 years of service. He served on the JSU Foundation Board for many years and was a life member of the JSU Alumni Association.

KENNETH WALLACE ESTES '53, October 4, 2000, Anniston. No other information is available.

RUBY LEE GILMER '53, November 3, 1999, Attalla. Phonathon callers were advised by her cousin that she is deceased.

BRANSFORD JAMES NORTON '53, date unknown, of Nashville, TN. Phonathon callers were recently notified of his death.

VERA LEE SHADDOX '53, September 6, 2000, Gadsden. She

taught in the Gadsden City School System for many years. She held the distinction of being the oldest living member of First Baptist Church of Gadsden, having been a member since 1932. She was 94.

EVELYN BARBER BROOKS '56, January 6, 2000, Watkinsville, GA. Her husband George advised the Phonathon callers of her death.

BILLY G. MILAM '56, December 22, 2000, of Gadsden. His wife advised us that at the time of his death, he was visiting his son in Atlanta when he suffered a massive heart attack.

GERALDINE C. MORGAN '56, November 3, 2000, Marietta, GA. She retired from the Anniston School System, with a majority of her teaching spent at Pine Avenue School. Upon retirement, she was active in the Retired Senior Volunteer Program (RSVP) teaching adults how to read.

CLUSSIE OUTLAW BONDS '57, January 2, 2000, Rainbow City. Phonathon callers were advised by her grandson Kevin of her death.

JAMES FRANKLIN FORD '57, January 11, 1991, of Gadsden. Phonathon callers were only recently advised by his wife that he passed away in 1991. He was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program.

HUGH LEE MORRIS '59, January 11, 2001, in Roanoke. He was a retired teacher and superintendent of the Roanoke City Board of Education. Hugh played baseball at Jacksonville State.

'60-69

AUDREA CAROL BOHANON '64 is deceased. During the JSU Phonathon, we were notified by her husband, A. Richard Bohanon '70, that she passed away. They resided in Attalla. Mrs. Bohanon taught with the Gadsden City School System.

KENNETH ELTON PARNELL '64, October 22, 2000, Anniston.

CORNELIA SHEEHAN WASHINGTON '64, April 6, 2000, Ft. Myers, FL. Her daughter informed us of her death. She was a teacher at Florida College of Medical Careers in Tampa.

HUGH DIRL SPEARS '65, died in December 2000, in Lexington, Ky. He was commissioned into the U.S. Army through JSU's ROTC program. He worked at IBM in Huntsville for a number of years and transferred to IBM in

Lexington, KY. This company later separated from IBM as Lexmark of Lexington where he worked until his death. He and his wife, Dianne, had 3 children.

LUCINDA CHISENHALL CARROLL '66/75. Her husband informed callers during the JSU Phonathon that she is deceased.

JIMMIE HAWKINS GILLESPIE '66, April 5, 2000, of cancer. She resided in Alexander City. Information was received during the JSU Phonathon.

FREDA FALLMAN MCANENY '66 is deceased. This information was also received during the recent Phonathon.

S.W. "SNAG" ROPER '66, December 16, 2000, Gadsden. He was an employee of Goodyear.

ILLENE JOHNSON WALKER '67, June 7, 2000, Warner Robins, GA. Information was received from her husband during the JSU Phonathon. She was Assistant Principal at Centerville Elementary School in Centerville, GA.

LESTER C. STEVENSON '68, date unknown. Callers from the JSU Phonathon were advised of his death. He was a VP with First National Bank in Ft. Walton Beach, FL. A life member of the JSU Alumni Association, he resided in Destin, FL.

'70-79

KATHERINE MANIER JONES '70, October 18, 2000, Anniston. She taught English and French for many years at The Donoho School and other schools in this area, retiring from Donoho in 1979. She was a life member of the JSU Alumni Association.

JOHN HAGOOD '71, May 8, 2000, Evergreen. The Alumni Office was informed by his wife, Janiece, of his death.

HELEN PATRICIA MCNEIL '71, date unknown, Indianapolis, IN. The postal service provided our office with information that she is deceased. A teacher with the Indianapolis City Board of Education, she was a life member of the JSU Alumni Association.

CHERYL GAYLOR HARRIS WHEELER '71, May 22, 2000, Birmingham. Cheryl was employed by the IRS before retiring in 1999.

PAUL WINSTON BELL '73 passed away some time in 1995 according to his son who reported it to a

caller during the recent JSU Phonathon. He resided in Mobile.

JEFFERSON LEE FRAZIER '73, August 18, 1998, Duluth, GA. He was a member of Delta Chi fraternity at JSU.

GRACE ANN SIMS '73, September 1998, Talladega. Information was received during the Phonathon.

BLANCHE ENGLISH MOTLEY WILSON '74/75, November 3, 2000, Anniston. A retired educator, she was a member of Zeta Phi Beta sorority at JSU.

CARSON WILLIAM MOBLEY '75, date unknown, of Hephzibah, GA. His mother informed the Phonathon caller of his death.

DR. WYATT HARLAN JACKSON '77, September 25, 2000, Roanoke. He was employed as a dentist. A former JSU Marching Southerner, he was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program.

BENJAMIN ALVIN JENNINGS '77, date unknown, of Madison. He was a crime prevention officer with the Huntsville Police Department. We were informed of his death during the Phonathon.

LIN EARL KETNER '77, May, 2000, Otsego, MI. His family advised the Phonathon caller of his death.

ELIZABETH MCCORKLE WADSWORTH '77, date unknown, Gadsden. Her daughter advised the Phonathon caller of her mother's death. No further information was provided.

JAMES LAMAR MCGRADY '78, April 16, 1990, Birmingham. We were only recently informed during the Phonathon of his death. No other information is available.

THERMAN MOSLEY, JR. '79, September 5, 2000, of Marietta, GA. A former JSU librarian, he was employed by Meridian Management as a property manager, by Emory University, and by General Service Administration as a building management specialist. He was a former member of the JSU Marching Southerners.

'80-89

KATHLEEN MARIE DONNELLY '81, died June 3, 2000, in Sun City, AZ of cancer. The information was provided to us during the JSU Phonathon.

JAMES ANTHONY HAMBRICK '81, date unknown, of

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Scottsboro. His parents notified the Phonathon caller of his death.

VIRGINIA DARRELL

DUTTON '82, date unknown, of Dillon, SC. We were informed during the Phonathon of her death.

TONI FOX BRYANT '83, September 26, 2000, Birmingham. She taught in the Anniston school system for 15 years and for the Jefferson County Board of Education at the time of her death. She resided in Quinton.

MEDFORD CARTER '84/94, date unknown, of Gadsden. Phonathon callers were informed of his death. No other information is available.

BENNIE FRANCIS MURRAY '85, January 10, 2001, in Talladega. She was an accountant and small business owner.

HARVEY DANIEL HALL '87, date unknown, of Talladega. Family members advised Phonathon callers that he is deceased. While at JSU, he was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity.

CHARLES RICHEY

PHILLIPS '87, date unknown, of Valley Head. Phonathon callers were advised of his death.

DAVID EARL WALKER '88, date unknown, of Irving, TX. Phonathon callers were advised he is deceased. No further information is available.

DAVID L. MAYSE '89, September 6, 2000, Jacksonville. He was a JSU Cheerleader while in school. He served in the Army and was employed by Parker-Hannifin Corp. of Jacksonville.

'90-99

CHERYL MATTHEWS WILLINGHAM '90, date unknown, of Rainsville. Phonathon callers were notified of her death. She was employed with the Dekalb County Board of Education as a teacher.

SUSAN SPECTOR WISMINITI '91, December 11, 2000, in a house fire in Jacksonville. Her mom, Esta Spector '77, a local Alfa agent, has served on the JSU Alumni Association Board of Governors for many years. Her brother, Warren, is a 1989 JSU graduate.

TERRI LAVETTA DOLLAR '92/96, date unknown, of Cullman. Her mother notified Phonathon callers that she is deceased. No other information is available.

CHARLES A. LEE '93, December 30, 1999, of Vernon. Phonathon

callers were advised of his death. He was employed with Chromalox in Vernon.

BENJAMIN JASON

HEADRICK '96, date unknown, of Munford. Family members advised the Phonathon caller of his death.

JOE F. POWELL, JR. '96, November 27, 2000. We were notified of his death by his sister. He was an active member of the JSU Alumni Association.

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WOODROW ALBEA, September 9, 2000, in Anniston. He retired in 1988 after serving 12 years as a district judge for Calhoun and Cleburne counties. He served in the Alabama legisla-

ture representing Calhoun County from 1954 - 1970. He served three terms in the House of Representatives and a term in the Senate. He practiced law in Anniston for 26 years and was a World War II Air Force veteran, having served in England and France.

BERTIE G. BAILEY, November 29, 2000, in Jacksonville. She was retired from JSU. She was 80.

CYRIL A. BAGGETT, date unknown, of Sheffield. A World War II veteran with the rank of staff sergeant, he had remained in the National Guard until retiring. He coached sports and worked in the insurance business. He was 75.

GERALD CRUTCHFIELD, September 13, 2000, in Oldfort, TN. He was a former member of the JSU Marching Southerners.

CARLTON FAGAN, date unknown, of Jacksonville, FL. We received information from his son that he is deceased. He was a former JSU Cheerleader.

RAYMOND "MOUSE"

HIGGINS, December 2000, in Montgomery. We were notified by family friends of his death. His wife, Mary Nell, is a 1961 JSU graduate. He was an active member of the JSU Alumni Association.

WILLIE C. JOHNSON, date unknown, of Rockford. The postal service advised us of the death.

MICHAEL M. MCLAUGHLIN, September 1, 2000, of a heart attack. He resided in Springville and was a member of the Marching Southerners in 1981.

Noted Educator Kitty Stone Dies



Katharine "Kitty" Gunn Stone, 88, for whom Jacksonville's elementary school is named, died at home the day after celebrating Christmas with her family.

A leader in local public education, Mrs. Stone left the imprint of more than 39 years of commitment to education in Jacksonville.

Mrs. Stone, known as "Miss Kitty," worked 30 years both as a teacher and principal of the elementary school, then called the Jacksonville Elementary Laboratory School. She retired in 1974.

In 1981, the Jacksonville school board renamed the

school in her honor.

During a time when few elementary schools were accredited, Mrs. Stone helped the elementary school obtain accreditation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools.

Among Mrs. Stone's major efforts was raising funds for scholarship endowments for students in Alabama's state-supported colleges and universities. She was known as the "Scholarship Lady" in the Alabama Federation of Women's Clubs. The AFWC Kitty Stone Graduate Scholarship is named in her honor.

Mrs. Stone's husband, Dr. Ernest Stone, who died in 1989, also lived a life dedicated to education. He was superintendent of education and finally served as president of Jacksonville State University from 1971 until his retirement in 1981.

Mrs. Stone was involved in dozens of community, state and national organizations and

received numerous awards and distinctions.

An Alabama native, Mrs. Stone was born in Hollins, Clay County and taught in various counties throughout the state. She was a graduate of Jacksonville State Teachers College, which later became Jacksonville State University. She served as a professor of education at the University of Alabama in the summers of 1942 and 1943, began teaching at the Jacksonville Elementary Laboratory School in the summer of 1944 and was named director of the elementary school in 1948.

Throughout her career, she was also selected to serve on committees for the United States Department of Education.

Survivors include a son and daughter-in-law, Lt. Col. (ret.) William "Bill" and Sandra McCurdy Stone of Jacksonville, and three grandchildren, Dr. Staci Lynn Stone of Murray, KY, Steven Ernest Stone of Jacksonville and Jeffrey Howard Stone of Florence.



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ROTC Alumni Chapter Banquet a Huge Success



Pictured are (left to right): Chapter President Colonel (Ret) Joe Creel, JSU President Dr. Bill Meehan, Guest Speaker and Military Alumnus of the Year, BG "Butch" Pair, and JSU Professor of Military Science, LTC David Merris.

The ROTC Alumni Chapter's Homecoming Banquet was held on November 3, 2000, in conjunction with Homecoming. The Banquet was a huge success enjoyed by one of the largest turnouts in several years. Chapter President Colonel (Ret) Joe Creel, '65, introduced the Military Alumnus of the Year and banquet speaker, Brigadier General Carlos "Butch" Pair, '70. General Pair is the Chief of Staff, Headquarters, United States Transportation Com-

mand, Scott Air Force Base, Illinois. Honored guests in attendance included JSU President and Mrs. Bill Meehan, and past JSU President and Mrs. Harold McGee.

This year's event included recognition of JSU ROTC Korean War Veterans. Led by event Co-chairs MG (Ret) Ivan R. Smith '51 and Dr. Joe Hagan '51, several of the veterans gave riveting vignettes of their combat experiences. A number were recognized as having received the Army's third highest decoration for bravery in combat, the Silver Star.

Joe Creel introduced the chapters newly elected Officers and Directors for the year 2001. They include; President - MG (Ret) Larry E. Lee '57; 1st Vice President - LTC (Ret) Bruce Pickette '68; 2nd Vice President - MG (Ret) Ivan R. Smith '51; Secretary/Treasurer - LTC (Ret) Joe Serviss '69. Directors: MG (Ret) Fred H. Casey '57; COL (Ret) Joe Creel '65; LTC (Ret) Bill Stone '69; Dr. Joe Hagan '51.

As the outgoing Chapter President, Joe Creel presented an original pen and ink print of a Gamecock to each of the Officers and Directors who had served with him during his tenure as president. Incoming President Larry Lee recognized Joe as the founding member and mainstay of the organization and thanked him for his leadership, organizational skills and commitment in establishing and developing an outstanding chapter.

Been promoted? Honored? Awarded?

Recently moved? Married? Had a baby?

What's up with you and your family?

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We look forward to hearing from you!