

Alumni What is your current occupation, and where do you live?

I am the Chief of the Metropolitan Atlanta Rapid Transit Authority Police Department (better known as MARTA) I live in Covington, Georgia.

Spotlight When did you graduate from JSU, and what is your favorite memory from your school years?

I graduated in May, 1985 with a degree in criminal justice. I have so many great memories of JSU: the lifelong friendships that I developed are priceless but if I had to choose a few they would be pledging Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Spring'84 and homecoming week long events.

What have been your most important accomplishments since leaving JSU?

Some of the highlights have been getting married, having a child, being a police

What skill did you acquire at JSU that helped you the most?

The communication skills from speech class help me today. I still use those tips

What "life advice" would you give to JSU students today?

Follow your dreams, not anyone else's. It's all right if you're not sure what you want to do when you graduate, but always have that degree to fall back on when you need it.

Chief of Police, MARTA Police Departmen Chief Wanda (Gresham) Dunham



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Dr. William A. Meehan, President

Dear Alumni,

In this issue, JSU alumni in healthcare professions and the College of Nursing and Health Sciences are highlighted as one of the outstanding sectors of Jacksonville State University. This group represents a strong force in the university's service mission to communities throughout Northeast Alabama.

Our alumni and students work at Sarrell Regional Dental Centers in Anniston, Heflin and Talladega. Jeffrey A. Parker, a marketing professor at JSU says the center only hires "the best and the brightest, which normally means they are from JSU." Our alumni work in positions ranging from dental assistant to

insurance administrator to human resources manager, all providing free services to deserving children with Medicaid or ALL-KIDS insurance. Additional details about the dreams the center has and the ones they fulfill are located on page 12.

Many patients at Erlanger Hospital in Chattanooga, Tenn. are also benefiting from a JSU alumnus thanks to the skills of Dr. Stephen Brackett. The feature story on page 15 tracks Brackett's life from his decision to attend JSU to his current life as a hospital resident.

With a "STEP" in the right direction, JSU's College of Nursing and Health Sciences Strategic Teaching for Enhanced Professional Preparation Program (page 18) is succeeding in helping licensed RNs obtain higher education goals while still fulfilling personal and occupational duties. Sybil Roark tells Gem how she returned to JSU for her master's in nursing while working and raising children. In this article she explains how she searched for "a quality education" and why JSU had "the best program for [her] needs and desires."

These inspiring stories, as well as many more, can be found throughout this issue of Gem of the Hills and every day throughout the world. Thank you for the positive impact you, as ISU alumni, have on countless people and organizations.

Sincerely,

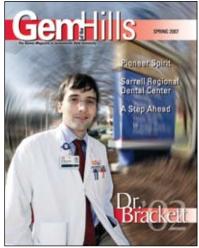
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William A. Meehan, President

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The life of a JSU grad working to save the lives of others.

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CCBA Named Top 10% of all Business Schools

Jacksonville State University's College of Commerce and Business Administration was named in the top ten percent of all business schools in the United States for the second consecutive year by the Princeton Review's Best 237 Business Schools (Random House/Princeton Review), now available for business school applicants nationwide for 2007.

The Princeton Review, known for its annual college rankings based on surveys of students attending the schools it profiles, praises JSU's business program for its convenience, affordability and personalized attention. JSU's two-page profile includes information about academic, student life, admissions, and career and placement programs.

The online version of JSU's profile can be viewed at http://www.princetonreview.

com/mba/research/rankings/rankings. asp; simply search the site using the name Jacksonville State University.

The book features eleven ranking lists of the top ten schools in categories ranging from best academics to best career prospects.

The rankings are based on *The Princeton Review's* surveys of students attending the schools profiled in the book and on institutional data obtained from the schools. *The Princeton Review* surveyed 16,000 business school students, asking them to rate their schools on several topics and to report on their experiences at the institutions.

According to editors, "The College of Commerce and Business Administration at Jacksonville State University offers a small, predominantly part-time AACSB-accredited MBA program that students praise for its convenience, affordability, and "personalized attention."

According to Dr. William T. Fielding, dean of JSU's College of Commerce and Business Administration, the ranking adds further weight to the college's accreditation through the prestigious AACSB (the Association to Advance Collegiate Schools of Business). Fielding said, "Among 7,000 business schools worldwide, AACSB has

accredited only 500, and we are in the top half of that 500."

According to the surveys, students expressed satisfaction with JSU's program and praised the school's administration. One student wrote, "It has a good vision and is focused." Another said JSU's professors are "well-read, detail oriented, and dedicated." And another said the faculty has "good experience in the fields in which they teach."

Says Fielding: "I am very happy about the recognition of our program as a high quality business program. This makes our students' degrees more valuable, and as a result, they have a better chance of getting the job they want."

The Princeton Review is a New York City-based company known for its test-prep courses, education services, college and grad school admission services, and books published by Random House. Among them are Best 162 Medical Schools and Complete Book of Graduate Programs in the Arts and Sciences, also just published in updated 2006 editions. The Princeton Review is not affiliated with Princeton University or ETS.

Spring Fling '07 & kentucky derby Sponsored by the JSU 60's Group Each year, the JSU 60's Group (those graduating or attending between the years 1960-69) host a Spring Fling. This year, they have decided to open up the event to any member of the JSU family, regardless of the years you spent at JSU! Come out and enjoy the fun, sun and surf with other JSU alumni at the Phoenix V amenities such as tennis courts, hot tubs, indoor and outdoor pools, sauna, exercise room, and BBQ grills, to name a few! The Phoenix V is centrally located approximately 5 miles east of Highway 59. Contact the office of alumni affairs at 800-231-5291 ext. 5404 for more information.



Retired Employee Loses Her Battle with Cancer

(Information taken from Margaret Anderson's article in the Jacksonville News)

Carol Smith, who worked as support services coordinator in the College of Commerce and Business Administration at Jacksonville State University for 14 years, passed away January 11, 2007.

Ms. Smith was a well-loved resident of Jacksonville. Carol's friend Kenneith Calvert remembers working in charitable organizations with her. "Carol did so much volunteer work that we could give her the title of 'Miss Volunteer of Jacksonville," said Calvert. "So many groups will miss the extra hands and feet she provided."

Born in Bluffton, Ohio, Carol received a bachelor's in education from Bluffton College. She worked as a home economist for Ohio Power Company and later served as district director for Camp Fire Girls in Albuquerque, N.M. She was a reservationist for Braniff Airlines in Dallas and Kansas City, Kan., and worked for the U.S. Government at Sandia Base and White Sands Missile Range in New Mexico. Later she was a service representative with AT&T in Washington, D. C.

Ms. Smith retired from JSU August 31,1998 and immediately became involved in the JSU retired faculty/staff club, serving as its president in 2006.

Carol donated her body to the Gift of Body program offered by the Alabama Organ Center, the International Institute for the Advancement of Medicine and the University of Alabama at Birmingham.

Carol was an advocate for donating one's body to help others. This can be done by registering at the Alabama Organ Center, 1-800-252-3677.

JSU Mourns Loss of Dr. Effie W. Sawyer

Dr. Effie W. Sawyer, author of *The First Hundred Years: The History of Jacksonville State University*, 1883-1983, died December 18, 2006 in Meridian, Mississippi.

A native of Kemp County,
Mississippi, Dr. Sawyer was employed
by Jacksonville State University as the
executive secretary to Presidents Dr.
Houston Cole and Dr. Ernest Stone.
Dr. Sawyer attended evening classes and
completed a Bachelor of Science degree in
general business with two minors, English
and economics. In 1984, she received
the honorary doctorate presented by JSU
President Dr. Theron E. Montgomery.

Dr. Sawyer spent over two years researching university records, exploring through photo archives, and interviewing faculty members to chronicle the history of the university in The First Hundred Years: The History of Jacksonville State University, 1883-1983. Her experience as a faculty member and student provided a personal glimpse into the growth and changes of the university from its beginning as the State Normal School to a teaching college to the current university. She included biographical portraits of each of the university's presidents, countless photos, personal letters, and financial records of the institution.

The First Hundred Years: The History of Jacksonville State University, 1883-1983 is available online at http://www.jsu.edu/depart/library/chanticleer/First_Hundred_Years/.

Services for Dr. Sawyer were held December 20, 2006, at DeKalb United Methodist Church. Dr. Sawyer was 86 years old.

FACT:

JSU reached a milestone recently...51,802 alumni!

INTERESTED IN BEING AN ADVISOR FOR YOUR FRATERNITY OR SORORITY?

If so, please contact
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Your assistance will be greatly appreciated!



The student alumni committee at JSU, College of Nursing and Health Sciences greatly values the Nursing Alumni and would like to request assistance

from former students in the development of the Alumni Newsletter. If you are interested in participating with the newsletter, please send a 150 word summary containing highlights of accomplishments, promotions, outstanding achievements, speaking engagements, advances in education, or involvement in community activities in which you have engaged as a practicing nurse. Submission and contact information is below:

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Deadline for submission is JULY 1, 2007

Dr. David L. Walters Awarded the National Band Association's "Mentor Award"



Dr. David L. Walters, Director Emeritus, Jacksonville State University, was awarded the National Band Association's "Mentor Award" January 18, 2007, at the Alabama Music Educators Association's In-service Conference at the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa for his accomplishments and contributions throughout his professional life.

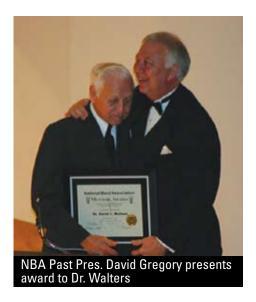
The event marked Dr. Walters as the first recipient of the prestigious NBA Mentor Award. Presenting the honors, Dr. David Gregory, past president of the National Band Association, spoke on Walters' career highlights and noted the gentle unassuming nature he carries through life.

During the conference, the Saks
High School Band, under the direction
of Gene Inglis, performed in concert with
Dr. Walters and Dr. Gregory. As a former
student of Dr. Walters, Inglis said he was
particularly honored to have played a part in
the nomination process for the award, as did
other former students in the NBA impacted
by Walters' direction.

Present at the concert were two of Dr. Walters' children, Marda and Joe, his wife Jeannie and many others to support and enjoy the event.

The plaque given to Dr. Walters reads as follows:

National Band Association Mentor Award in recognition of your years of distinguished service to the art of making music. Presented by the many grateful students for whom you have been an inspiration. The National Band Association honors Dr. David L. Walters.



Jim Bennett (right), chairman of the JSU

Jim Bennett Received National Fraternity Award

Jim Bennett ('62), chairman of the JSU Board of Trustees, was named one of seven recipients of the national Phi Mu Alpha Signature Sinfonian Award for 2006. The selection, as part of the inaugural class, recognizes alumni members who have achieved a high standard of accomplishment in their chosen profession, occupation or service work.

Also included in the list were jazz legend Maynard Ferguson and Dr. Bobby Adams, president of the National Band Association.

Bennett, who joined the EN chapter of the national music fraternity as a student at Jacksonville State in 1958, was recognized for his success in government, winning election twice to the Alabama House of Representatives, three times to the State Senate, and two times as secretary of state. He currently serves in Gov. Bob Riley's cabinet as commissioner of labor.

At JSU, Bennett played trumpet in the Southerners from 1958-1960 and was editor of *The Collegian*, the campus newspaper and predecessor of *The Chanticleer*.



HPER Department's Outstanding Alumni

The Department of Health, Physical Education and Recreation at Jacksonville State University is proud to announce Jerry B. Simmons as the Outstanding Alumna and Mr. Terry "Shaky" Hodges as the Outstanding Alumnus of 2007.



Ms.
Simmons
received her
BS in physical
education in
1971. She
is presently
teaching
physical
education
at Weaver
Elementary

School in Weaver, Ala. Her related professional experience includes coaching girls' gymnastics, volleyball, softball,

basketball, and track and field.

Since 2002, Ms. Simmons has sponsored the Flippers and Jumpers gymnastics demo team for the American Heart Association. Ms. Simmons was inducted into JSU's Hall of Fame in 1999, awarded Teacher of the Month, participated in the pilot school for the state of Alabama grant, and has received the Jump Rope for Heart Grant for the past two years. She is an active volunteer for the American Cancer Society, Multiple Sclerosis Foundation, Senior Olympics, Habitat for Humanity, and Parent Teacher Organization.



Mr. Terry
"Shaky" Hodges,
former football
player for JSU,
graduated in
1950 and went
on to have
a successful
coaching career.
Mr. Hodges

was the head football coach at Hokes Bluff High School and Florala High School. He later moved to Tucker High School in Atlanta, Ga., where his overall record was 77-22. Coaching career highlights include winning three regional championships and being selected Coach of the Year in 1957 and 1963. After coaching, he moved into administration, where he was the coordinator of athletics and physical education for fourteen years in the county office before retiring.

In 1982, Mr. Hodges was selected as one of the 100 greatest athletes in the first 100 years of JSU, and in 1989, he was inducted into the JSU Athletic Hall of Fame. Mr. Hodges was honored in 2003 when he was selected to the All-Century Football Team.

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WANTED OUTSTANDING JSU ALUMNI OF THE YEAR NO MINATION We are searching for JSU's most outstanding alumni to be nominated for the National Alumni Association's Alumni of the Year awards. To be selected, an alum must be nominated by a fellow classmate, friend or family member. A nomination form can be obtained from the Alumni Affairs Office at 800-231-5291, ext. 5404, or online at www.jsu.edu/alumni. A committee, made up of member of JSU's Alumni Board of Governors, reviews each nomination and selects the most deserving candidates. Recommendation letters are strongly encouraged as well as current biography and /or resume. **NOMINATION DEADLINE IS JUNE 1, 2007!** JSU has many alumni worth of this honor and recognition but remember, alumni can't be selected if they aren't nominated by someone! Contact the alumni office today to nominate someone for the 2007 Alumni of the Year awards.

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JSU Alumnus Elected Chair of the America Institute of Certified Public Accountants



Jacksonville State University alumni continue to prevail in their respected fields. An outstanding example is Mr. Jimmy Williamson of Gadsden, Alabama. Mr. Williamson, who received a BS in accounting in 1971, was recently elected by the governing board of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants to lead the 340,000-member organization. He is 94th person to hold this prestigious position since the institution creation in 1887.

Mr. Williamson's successful career is proven with his many professional achievements. He is a senior partner with the accounting firm of MDA Professional Group P.C., a member and past president of the Alabama Society of Certified Public Accountants, recently named by Accounting Today as one of the profession's 100 Most Influential People for 2006, and he also held a position with the Internal Revenue Service. In 2005, Mr. Williamson was also named as ISU's National Alumni Association Alumnus of the year.

Captain Donnie Ray Belser, Jr., Is the First JSU ROTC Commissionee Killed In Action Since the Vietnam War.

Capt. Belser was born Dec 311978, at Fort Stewart, Georgia. He was educated in Germany and in the Calhoun County System. He graduated with honors from Saks High School in Anniston, Alabama. While there, he was a member of the matching band, captain of the wrestling team, and state champion in the 130-pound division. Capt. Belser graduated from Jacksonville State University with honors with a Bachelor of Science degree in criminal justice in 2001 and was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant on April 27, 2001. At JSU, he joined ROTC, participated in the Ranger Challenge Program, and graduated from Airborne School in 1999.

He attended the Ordnance Officer Basic Course at Aberdeen Proving Grounds. His first assignment was with the Bravo Company, 299th Forward Support Battalion, in Schweinfurt, Germany, where he served as a platoon leader. He deployed with his platoon for six months in support of Task Force Falcon in Kosovo. Capt. Belser served as a Maintenance Control Officer

for 2nd Brigade Combat Team, 1st Infantry Division. Capt. Belser again deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II, in Tikrit, Iraq. His next duty position was as the Bravo Company Executive Officer in Ballad, Iraq.

Capt. Belser then served as the Support Operations Maintenance Officer and deployed out of sector to Mosul, Iraq, as the officer in charge of the Logistics Task Force. Upon re-deployment, Capt. Belser was instrumental in re-setting the 2nd Brigade Combat Team's Power in preparation for their deployment to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom IV.

Capt. Belser arrived at Fort Riley, Kansas, in April 2006 and was assigned to the 610 Brigade Support Battalion, serving as the support operations maintenance officer. He was reassigned to a MiTT team and, after graduating from Class IIIa, he deployed to Iraq, where he served as the logistics trainer on Transition Team.

Capt. Belser's awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal (posthumous), the Purple Heart

(posthumous), the Army Commendation Medal, the Army Achievement Medal, the National Defense Medal, the Kosovo Campaign Medal, the Iraqi Campaign Medal, the Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal, The Army Service Ribbon, the Overseas Ribbon (2nd award), the NATO Medal, the Combat Action Badge, and the Parachutist Badge.

Capt. Belser is survived by his wife, Marshawn, and their children, Morgan and Myles.



Capt. Donnie Belser and daughter

News

Trustees Approve University's New Strategic Plan

"Unless commitment is made, there are only promises and hopes; but no plans."

-Peter F. Drucker, educator

According to a survey by Cohen and March, many universities fall into a planning trap. While they may have a strategic plan, they let it go stale and outdated, or never really commit to it in the first place.

Jacksonville State University is determined to never fall into any of those categories.

For more than a year, the university's Strategic Planning Committee, appointed by President Bill Meehan, has worked very hard to formulate a dynamic strategic plan supporting JSU's vision, mission statements, and seven institutional goals. The plan was approved by the JSU Board of Trustees on January 22, 2007.

Although a nod from the trustees might suggest to some 'mission accomplished,' the approval of the plan actually indicates work is just beginning.

Jacksonville State University operates in a rapidly changing environment mandating a proactive approach to creating a desired future. This approach requires continuous thoughtful review of past challenges and successes, evidence-based decision-making, prioritization of resource allocations, and broad-based participation by students, administration, faculty, and staff. The implementation of the new strategic plan is a renewal of the university's commitment to these values.

The plan incorporates:

- ongoing attention to how JSU teaches citizenship and leadership to students;
 - guaranteeing the highest quality

educational programs;

- promotion of the university's role in research and service;
- development and maintenance of a robust learning community;
- maintenance of cutting-edge technology that will meet the demands of an ever-changing learning environment, preparing our students for future success;
- increased efficiency and effectiveness of the university's administrative processes and services;
- sound financial planning assuring adequate fiscal resources for the university.

Surveys sent to the university community of faculty, staff, administrators, and students have played an active role in the formation of the plan. Early in the process, more than 2,100 members of the JSU community responded to a survey helping identify

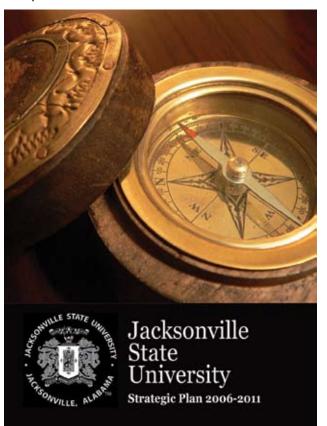
the university's core values. The JSU community also responded to a survey about the new university vision statement.

Before JSU's Strategic Plan was approved by the trustees, the university surveyed faculty, staff, administrators and students. Of the seventeen items included, at least 80 percent of those surveyed agreed or strongly agreed with every item except "the strategic plan is attainable within the next five years," for which 76.6 percent of the respondents agreed or strongly agreed. More than 90 percent of those surveyed agreed "the strategic plan is relevant to the university's mission."

From the beginning, Jacksonville State University President William A. Meehan sought broadbased participation in the development of the strategic plan. Increased participation from students, faculty, and administration will continue to be a cornerstone of the strategic plan's implementation.

The Strategic Plan Committee met promptly after the plan's approval to prioritize strategies and plan a kick-off meeting that will take place in February. Quarterly committee update meetings, the presentation of reports to the community and trustees, and regular updates to the strategic planning website will ensure smooth sailing as the plan continues to help the university chart its future course.

- -- Angie Finley, Office of Institutional Research and Assessment
- -- Compass photo on strategic plan cover courtesy of Bernardo Riviera



FACT:

During the fall of 2006 2,253 JSU students took at least one online course. Of these, 789 took only online courses.

Don't Miss Out On The...



The All-Sports Pass is being offered for the first time as an all-inclusive season ticket for every regular season home Gamecock athletic event. The All-Sports Pass allows general admission to over 100 athletic events for FOUR Jacksonville State Fans at the price of \$250.00! For more information on the All Sports Pass call (256) 782-TIXX (8499) or visit www.gamecocksports.com today! This pass will be available for purchase summer 2007.

Photographic Services Now Has An Online Photo Store

JSU Photographic Services began offering a new service in September 2006 in the form of an online Photo Store. Users can search, browse and purchase thousands of JSU related photos directly from the site, using a credit card, money order or personal check. Photos are available in a variety of sizes and finishes and are shipped directly to the customer. Images cover a wide spectrum, from athletic events to aerials of the campus. To access the store, go to www.printroom. com/pro/jsu, or contact University Photographer Steve Latham for more information, at 256-782-5341 or email at stlatham@jsu.edu.





-REALTYBID.COM CEO TONY ISBELL'87 HELPS
REVOLUTIONIZE REAL ESTATE AUCTION INDUSTRY

hrough a chance meeting with an industry executive while in college, Tony Isbell, a 1987 Jacksonville State University management/marketing graduate, was introduced to the real estate auction industry. Since that time, he has spent nearly twenty years learning its inner workings, and through RealtyBid.com, the online real estate auction firm he cofounded, he has become a major player in revolutionizing the industry.

Isbell is the CEO/president and co-founder of RealtyBid International, LLC, the parent company of RealtyBid.com, the nation's leader in, and a pioneer of, online real estate sales. RealtyBid.com, a web site that some in the media have dubbed "the eBay of real estate," was the brainchild of Isbell and Executive Vice President/Co-founder Mike Keracher, who, after working together for several years in the traditional real estate auction world, formed their own real estate auction company in 1999.

After a couple of successful years in the live auction business with their own company, Isbell and his partner became intrigued by the prospect of using the Internet to conduct a portion of their business and began exploring online auction applications and implementing them into their sales process. The use of the Internet as a means of assisting real estate auction sales was so advantageous for the company that in January 2001, RealtyBid.com was formed for the purpose of selling real estate exclusively through online auctions. Almost six years later, RealtyBid.com has sold more than 4,000 properties online and is currently selling 100-200 properties online per month. To date, the company has auctioned more than \$300 million worth of real estate online.

According to Isbell, RealtyBid.com specializes in the expedited sale of real estate through its innovative online auction platform, and with access to databases of more than 2.5 million real estate buyers,

it has become one of the most vocal advocates for the use of Internet technology as a means of bringing real estate buyers and sellers together. RealtyBid.com hosts bidding events for several classes of real estate, including homes, condominiums, ranches and land, commercial properties, builder and developer events, international properties, and bank-owned assets.

Isbell said, "The Internet provides a more efficient process for taking bids, managing and selling properties, and tracking sales. It also provides a more cost effective process for conducting auctions. The Internet has allowed us to break down geographic boundaries so that bidders can bid on properties anywhere in the country from anywhere in the world."

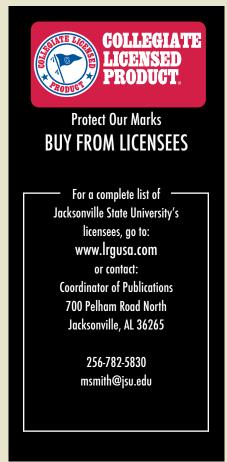
RealtyBid is headquartered in Rainbow City, Ala., but its reach is truly global. Properties from forty-eight different states, Mexico, and Costa Rica have been auctioned via RealtyBid.com to buyers all over the country and the world. "In the past year, we've seen some very exciting things happen at this company. For example, we've sold Texas properties to California buyers, and Florida properties to New York buyers. We've sold U.S. properties to buyers in Australia and the United Kingdom. One really amazing story centers around the sale of a small home in Alabama to a female soldier in Iraq who placed bids from a satellite laptop computer. These opportunities were not possible before the Internet."

According to Isbell, the appeal of RealtyBid.com is a practical matter. "RealtyBid.com and online auctions, in general, provide a value opportunity. RealtyBid.com sells discounted homes, and that is a great enticement for homebuyers. We offer potential buyers the opportunity to purchase discounted real estate from motivated sellers. Additionally, we offer agents and developers an accelerated sales timeframe and quick access to a

phenomenal database of proven potential buyers and investors. And, we can offer exposure that agents and developers can't generally generate for themselves."

RealtyBid.com's web site has been highlighted in coverage by Business 2.0 magazine, MSNBC.com, the San Jose Mercury News, The Wall Street Journal, Newsday (NY), the Los Angeles Times, the Philadelphia Inquirer, and the Associated Press, as well as by real estate industry leaders RISMedia. com and Inman News.

In November, Isbell and RealtyBid.com were named one of America's top real estate teams and were listed as part of "The Real Estate Top 200," a national awards ranking sponsored by *The Wall Street Journal*, the REAL Trends real estate news web site, and Lore Magazine.







SARRELL REGIONAL DENTAL CENTER

By Anne Muriithi

The Sarrell Regional **Dental Center for** Public Health, with locations in Anniston. Heflin, and Talladega, is a non-profit organization believing "everyone deserves world class treatment, no matter where you are from, your income or your beliefs. [They] are deeply committed to these values and in providing high quality dental health." Providing comprehensive dental treatment services at no charge to patients ages three to twenty with Medicaid or **ALL-KIDS** insurance. SRDC is filling the need Cardiologist Dr. Warren Sarrell recognized in the area.



A health assessment performed by the University of Alabama at Birmingham School of Public Health was undertaken at the request of the Calhoun County Community Foundation to examine issues of access to health care and the health status of the population.

"The study found that the third most deficient healthcare delivery problem was dental care to economically disadvantaged children," says Brandi Mangum, director of marketing for Sarrell Dental Centers and JSU alumna.

In 2001, Dr. Sarrell, along with local dentists Dr. Bruce Cunningham, Dr. Donald King, Dr. Wayne Townsend, and Dr. Timothy Kerper created a committee to review the best possible response to the community's dental crisis. Their solution: to create a dental center providing assistance to those children shown in the study requiring the most dental service. Out of the plan, the Calhoun County Dental Center was created.

Ready and with a dentist, the dental center opened its doors to the public January 6, 2004. Mangum said the opening of the dental center was very difficult because recruiting a dentist to work with underprivileged children and Alabama state Medicaid re-imbursement was thought to be undesirable. After much conversation with

the Associate Dean of UAB Dental School Dr. Thornton, the dental center was able to commit two pediatric residents per week. All three centers are now partnered with UAB.

After a year, it was evident the center needed to hire a full-time person to oversee operations. In January 2005, Jeffrey A. Parker, a marketing professor at JSU (recently retired with a successful background as CEO for several large corporations), was hired as the center's CEO and produced positive operational results within his first month on board.

This non-profit organization employs more than forty people, JSU alumni and students filling many of these spots. Mangum said her experience at JSU gave her a great understanding in business and marketing.

"Mr. Parker's business policy course and sales course at JSU most definitely helped me the most," said Mangum. "Those two classes really taught me about how to handle situations that would occur in an executive meeting or objections in a sales presentation. Without these two classes, I do not think I could have made it in the real world work environment."

"We hire the best and the brightest, which normally means they are from JSU. Our interns are given responsibility with

accountability," said Parker. "We pride ourselves on giving students doing their internships here a taste of 'the real deal.' If they excel here and it is what they would like to do, we love to keep them here even after graduation." Burt Arthur completed his internship for JSU with Sarrell Dental Center, and was hired as the financial manager in May of 2005, and went on to become the director of operations.

Because of the deeply rooted values and success of the staff, Sarrell Regional Dental Center was cited as an Outstanding Organization for 2006-2007 by the National Football League Alumni Atlanta Chapter. The NFL Alumni is a non-profit service organization of former professional football players working voluntarily on behalf of youth and charity. The center is the first in the state to receive this honor.

The Sarrell Regional Dental Center began in Anniston, expanded to Heflin and Talladega, and continues to grow. Sarrell Regional recently opened Sarrell Regional Optical Center in Heflin, providing optical services to children on Medicaid and ALL-KIDS.

Chairman of the Medical Center Memorial Foundation Don King said part of the foundation's strategic plan for Wellness Connection is to provide needed dental services to more children. To



complete this, the foundation donated a 40-foot Blue Bird bus to the SRDC. Outfitted with state-of-the-art equipment, the mobile dental unit hit the road in February. SRDC Graphic Designer Cristina Almanza, a JSU grad, designed a wrap to go on the bus. It is a dental office on wheels, providing care to children all over the state of Alabama who might otherwise not receive any dental services.

"Words cannot express how grateful we are to the Medical Center Memorial Foundation for this most generous gift. It will allow us to further extend our reach to help underserved children in Calhoun, Cleburne, and Talladega counties as well as outlying counties in Alabama," stated Parker. The mobile unit is staffed full time with a dentist, hygienist, and assistant.

The clinic's vision for the future is to continue to expand and help as many children as possible. Recently, an optical center in Heflin opened, also for children on Medicaid or ALL-KIDS. The optical center shares a similar culture to the dental ones.

Sarrell Dental treated more than 8,600 children in 2006. The centers use state-of-the-art technology, each working completely paperless. Treatment rooms have flat screen TVs above the dental chairs so the children can watch cartoons while getting their teeth cleaned.

The waiting room welcomes and entertains with bright blue and green paint across the wall. Each picture on the wall is labeled in English and Spanish; there is a bright yellow "sun" / "sol" and more. And the paintings aren't the only bilingual bonuses to the centers—all offices are staffed with English and Spanish speakers as well.

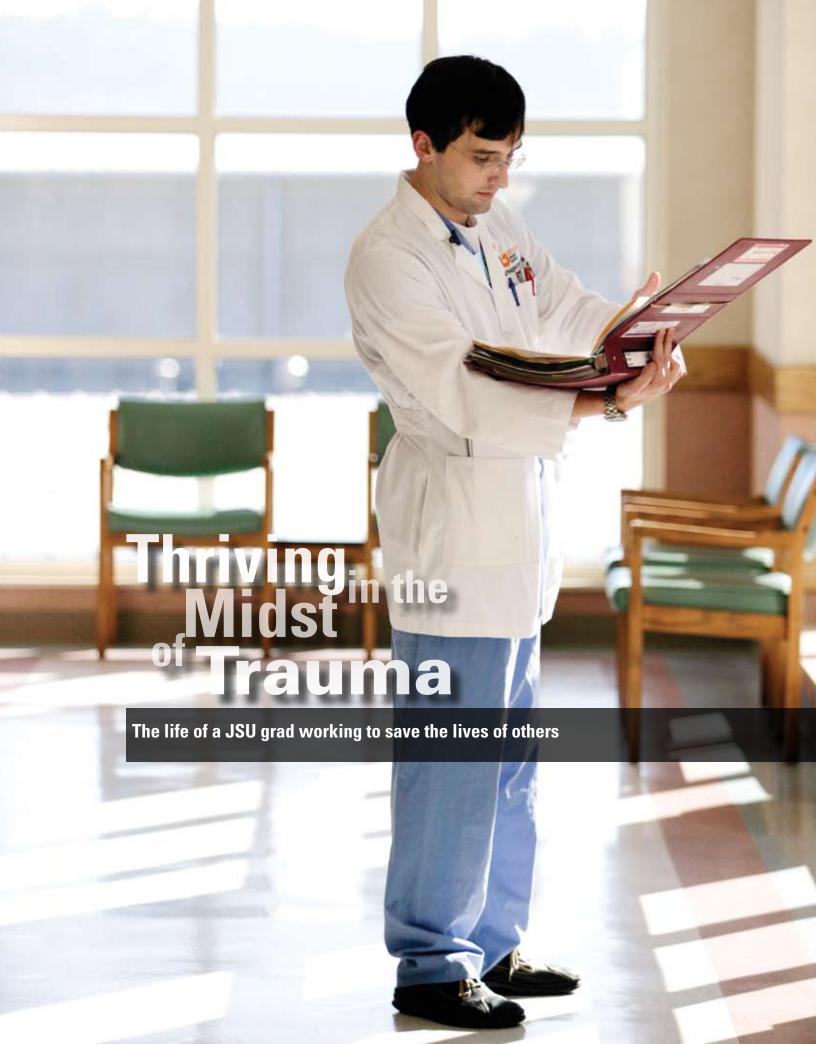
"We try to make it a fun experience for the kids so that they want to come back and get into a routine of good oral hygiene," says Mangum. Additionally, the clinics have a no cavities club so children who do not have cavities can pose for pictures with a large stuffed tiger and have their picture posted on the club wall.

The center offers comprehensive dental services including cleanings, fillings, crowns, and other services as a gift to families in need. They use high standards of practice for public companies in a non-profit environment, with no debt and no acceptance of donations. In two years, Sarrell went from being the smallest dental center in the county to the largest in the state.

For more information, contact Anniston office, 256-741-7340; Heflin office, 256-463-2700; Talladega office, 256-315-494; or email office@sarrelldental.org. Patients are seen by appointment only, and office hours and days vary by location.









n today's doctored television world of Grey's Anatomy, ER, House and Dr. 90210, it can sometimes be hard to tell fact from fiction. For first-year surgical resident Dr. Stephen Brackett, it is just part of his everyday job. Brackett graduated from Jacksonville State University in the spring of 2002 with a bachelor's degree in biology and a minor in chemistry. He immediately entered medical school at the University of Alabama at Birmingham, completing four years of training and, at the age of 26 is halfway through his first year in the surgical residency program at Erlanger Hospital in Chattanooga, Tenn., as Stephen Ronald Brackett, M.D.

GEM recently sat down with Dr. Brackett to find out what a day in his life is like and what path led him to his profession as a surgeon.

A typical day in the residency program

Dr. Brackett's alarm clock begins buzzing at 4:45 every morning. Because of his location, this is a luxury. His apartment is a mere three minutes away from the hospital, where he must arrive between 5:00 and 5:30 am. He hits the floor running with pre-rounds, which involves going over his patient list prior to visiting them with the attending on duty. He evaluates how each

individual patient has progressed through the night and reviews the case before beginning rounds. After rounds, there is usually a conference the residents must attend to learn particulars on a case.

Then, after a break for lunch, if there are not any immediate cases, Dr. Brackett is back on the floor completing paperwork for charts, scheduling rehab if needed, and releasing patients to go home. If there is an operation scheduled he can scrub in on, he begins preparing for that case. On a normal day, he leaves the hospital between 6:00-7:00 PM.

Residents work eighty hours a week during their program but are not allowed to work more than thirty hours at one time. If a resident is on call, he or she arrives at the hospital by six o'clock in the morning and does not leave until noon the next day, pending a scheduled operation. "Long hours are just something you get used to," says Dr. Brackett. "With some surgeries, you can be in the operating room for eight hours or more; you learn to deal with it."

A surgical residency lasts five to six years. Each year, the resident rotates between multiple "services" such as trauma, pediatric, general surgery, and vascular among others. Dr. Brackett is in his "A service" rotation, which involves critical care patients. Out of the different services, the orange service is the one where residents actually perform more of the surgeries and procedures. Residents can expect to spend one to two months on each service through the year.

Brackett says, "You would think that the orange service might be my favorite because we get to do more, but actually the trauma service is what I like best so far." He likes it because "it is a fast-paced rotation and you are constantly busy doing something." Even though he did not do much trauma work in medical school because he was "scared of it," once he actually started in the service, he says the fear went away.

According to Brackett, doctors in their first year of residency are not allowed to handle surgeries by themselves. By the end of the first year, a resident, depending on his skill level, will be allowed to perform amputations and insert portacaths for chemo patients among a few other things. As the years progress and more skills are acquired, the resident is allowed to do more procedures by him/herself. By the third year,

every resident travels to other hospitals in the area for different service training.

Learning by performing

Brackett says a misconception some of today's medical television shows portray is that there is a group of interns sitting up in an "operative theater" above the operating room. "That is simply not the case," says Brackett. "I am actually in the operating room helping the chief do whatever needs to be done, which may include tying knots or holding skin or organs away from the actual procedure area to give the doctor more room." When asked his opinion on *Grey's Anatomy*, he replied that he believes it is unrealistic and, like most of us, he does not want to go home on his time off and watch what he has been doing all day.

The path to procedures

There was not a single event that led Brackett to his decision to become a doctor. He did not have a revolution or experience an Oprah "ah ha moment." According to Brackett, growing up his parents always told him he would be a doctor, so that is the path he started down. He credits his dad with his decision to become a surgeon.

As a little boy, he remembers his dad being mechanically inclined and the two of them building race cars. Like his dad, he likes to work with his hands and "fix things." Brackett relates this to his current career. "With an operation, you have the potential to cure the patient. You can't always fix the problem, but you have the opportunity to, whereas in internal medicine you can only treat an illness."

Since he grew up in Gadsden, Ala., Jacksonville State University was close to home and just the right size for Brackett. "The scholarship money that I received was hard to compete with," says Brackett, so he enrolled at JSU on a full four-year tuition scholarship. He says his classes at JSU provided him a level playing field with medical students having an undergraduate degree from Harvard or Yale. He believes one of the advantages of JSU's biology department is its great faculty. "They are willing to work with you one-on-one to help you with research projects, and that is something that medical schools look for in their applicant pool," says Brackett. While at JSU, he was a member of the Southerners for one year, held an office in the student government association, was a member of the Pi Kappa Phi fraternity, was a peer



counselor, and orientation coordinator, as well as Mr. Jax State 2001.

Maintaining a balance between studies, work, and a social life took more effort once Brackett began medical school at UAB in the fall of 2002. Although he has a full schedule, he prescribes himself some "down time" during the week to hang out with friends or catch up on shows he TiVos like *Saturday Night Live* and *American Idol*.

Brackett's first memory of medical school is his anatomy class. It is the first big class for a med student, the time when he/she receives a cadaver for dissection over the course. He remembers looking forward to the class until the day came to get his cadaver. "I knew at noontime we were going to be going downstairs to the anatomy lab, pulling the wrapper off someone's dad, mom, or child that had donated their body to science, and it terrified me," says Brackett. But once they got "Harold" (the name they gave their cadaver) and made the first incision, everyone's nerves calmed a bit.



Brackett spoke about the donor program and how invaluable it is to med students to be able to learn the anatomy in such a way and how the students believe it makes them much better doctors. Each year, the residents host a donor service for the families whose loved ones donated their bodies. They talk to the families about how much they appreciate their gift. "It is a very emotional service," says Brackett, "but it is nice to be able to say thank you to the families who are helping me become a better doctor." The donor service at UAB is named after Brackett's anatomy teacher, Dr. Casey, who grew up in Jacksonville, Ala.

New resident on the floor

When asked about the transition from being a fourth-year medical student to a first-year resident, he says the shift was "very scary." Just like many college graduates, he was forced to leave his friends behind and start "the first real job [he] had ever had." Brackett says the paperwork alone,





with insurance, benefits and taxes, was overwhelming. But the biggest changes are that he is now the responsible party and has to make life-changing decisions regarding patient healthcare.

In medical school, the students basically do what the doctors tell them to do. As a resident, Dr. Brackett is making decisions on treatment, and even though he is still under the supervision of an attendant and chief, he has to do more on his own. The long hours are another change. As a medical student, Brackett says the doctors were a little more lenient with the number of hours required because they knew he had studying to do as well. But as a resident, eighty hours a week is something to get used to. He also finds it interesting that he is now one of the residents teaching the med students. He always tries to remember what it was like to be the student when he is helping them work through a procedure. "I remember the residents who were nice to me and those who were not, and how much of a difference it made to me, and I try to be helpful," says Brackett.

Dr. Brackett's plan is to work in plastic surgery. He is interested in trauma and transplants as well, but likes the idea of plastics and the immediate reward of seeing the work upon completion. He will be studying for the next four years to "sit for his boards" and take a written and oral examinations to be certified as a plastic surgeon. Once he receives that certification, he says he can start paying back his debt from medical school and get some sleep.

A STEP Ahead.

What is STEP?

JSU's College of Nursing and Health Sciences (CNHS) is known for its innovative, student-focused approach to baccalaureate nursing education. Years before other universities were developing distance learning strategies, JSU offered flexible, alternative scheduling for registered nurses seeking a Bbachelor of nursing degree. Almost twenty years ago, the CNHS began classes one day per week for licensed RNs; by 1994, lectures were delivered via videotapes with on-campus class meetings limited to three times per semester. By 2003, CNHS launched a completely online program for RNs.

The STEP Program (Strategic Teaching for Enhanced Professional Preparation) is designed to help licensed RNs obtain their educational and professional goals while fulfilling their personal and occupational responsibilities. Once general studies requirements are met, upper division nursing courses can be completed in as little as one calendar year. STEP recognizes the past academic and experiential knowledge of the registered nurse; therefore, RNs are awarded thirty-five hours of Advanced Placement credit upon completion of the first semester coursework.

Currently, there are almost 140 students in the STEP Program at JSU. STEP admits students three times a year with about 60 students in each class. Approximately 85% of STEP students are balancing work, families and academics.

For additional information, please contact Dr. Phyllis Waits, assistant professor/director STEP Program, College of Nursing and Health Sciences at 1-800-231-5291, (256) 782-5423 or e-mail pwaits@jsu.edu.



Sybil Roark is a "true child of Alabama." She grew up in Bessemer, Alabama, and is a 1978 graduate of Jefferson State Community College with an Associate in Applied Science in nursing. Through the JSU College of Nursing and Health Sciences STEP program, she earned her Bachelor of Science in nursing from JSU in 1998. She then earned her Master of Science in Nursing from JSU in 2000 as one of first students to enter the MSN program at JSU. Currently, Roark is a nursing faculty member at Calhoun Community College.

Why and how did you become a nurse?

The nursing profession has been the best career choice for me. As a high school student, I was already interested in helping professions, and explored several career options. Deciding on the nursing profession, I applied to two schools, and was accepted by both—one was a four-year degree program and one was a two-year degree program. As my parents' income was limited, I chose the two-year degree program to save them the expense of a four-year school.

The associate's degree in nursing program (at Jefferson State Community College in Birmingham) was excellent, however, I graduated feeling much like most new grads... I was scared to death!

Was returning to school part of your original plan?

I always intended to further my education, but I married and began to have a family, so my needs and wants took second place at that time. Working as a nurse with an associate's degree, I believed that I was a good nurse, but I also felt that there was a piece of the profession that I was missing. I had always enjoyed the learning process, a quality which would eventually serve me well.

Tell us about returning to school to earn your bachelor's...

I worked as a nurse and reared my children for about ten years, then began to gradually work on my academic courses in the evenings, and whenever I could fit classes into my lifestyle and responsibilities. After a few years, I had the academic base to begin my BSN program. I considered several options for the BSN, but I had to continue to provide income for my family, and traditional programs were not an option. There were not

many programs to choose from at that time (early 1990's). I wanted not only the availability of a non-traditional program, but I insisted on a quality education concurrently. Jacksonville State University seemed to have the best program for my needs and desires. Class meetings that were scheduled two to three times per semester were quite manageable. There were video lectures to watch, and tests were scheduled for class meeting times. Clinical experiences were arranged by the student with approved preceptors and clinical sites. This type of program was unique and progressive and allowed for individual freedom and choices.

What was it like going back to school?

One experience that I always remember fondly was the day that I had to perform skills "check-off" for my advanced health assessment class. I was so nervous, I felt nauseated, my heart was pounding, my knees felt weak. But, one particular faculty member was so patient and reassuring that I made it through the skills performance without any problems. That faculty member is still a part of the JSU College of Nursing and still corresponds with me from time to time. One of the major assets of the Jacksonville State University College of Nursing and Health Sciences is the faculty and staff. There is a genuine sense of caring and professionalism conveyed by the faculty and staff.

So you earned your Bachelor of Science in nursing. Where do you go from there?

While feeling elated and tired simultaneously upon earning my BSN, I always knew that I would probably work toward the master's degree at some point in my life. About six months after earning the BSN, I began to look at some of the MSN programs. I began to research admission to the JSU MSN program. I completed necessary paper work, had my interview and found that I was accepted.

What was your experience with Distance Education like?

The program at that time was not a completely online program. There were classes to attend, a full day once per week. However, I could continue my nursing management position by scheduling myself around that Thursday class day, so the program was still one of the most workable

programs in the state. Research papers and other activities could be accomplished outside of work and class time with creative scheduling and self-motivation. The program allowed for input from the student, as students chose their own "population of interest," and this input tended to keep me motivated to continue the hours of research and writing involved.

Now you are a part of the nursing faculty at Calhoun Community College. How did JSU prepare you for this new role?

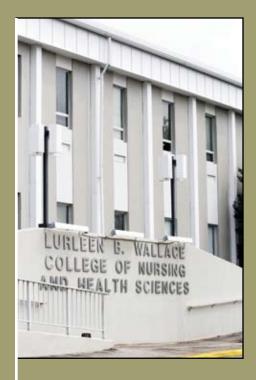
Working as nursing faculty now, I still remember those exemplary faculty members from JSU and try to personify their traits of kindness, understanding and patience. I work with nursing faculty who are products of several different MSN programs. Apparently, the JSU MSN is ahead of the curve with the inclusion of technology in the program. I found myself to be much more proficient with Microsoft PowerPoint, Excel and teaching technology in general, than many of my cohorts. I cannot remember how many PowerPoint presentations I produced during my MSN student career, but I know that the technology aspect of the program is much more progressive than most.

What's next?

I have recently applied to two wonderful doctoral programs. Acceptance decisions for both schools will be made in the spring of 2007. I plan to earn a doctoral degree and continue to teach nursing for the remainder of my career. A faculty member at JSU once told me that a position as a nursing faculty member would be the "hardest job you would ever love". Sound advice.

FACT:

JSU Nursing program enrollment has increased by 92% during the past five years.



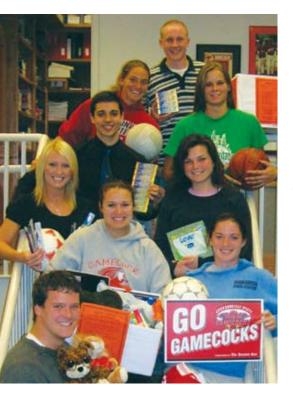
Master of Science in nursing, College of Nursing and Health Sciences

JSU's Master of Science in nursing (MSN) program was approved by the Alabama Commission on Higher Education in June 1998 and welcomed its first 19 students in the fall of 1999. Since December 2000, 66 students have graduated from the program, offering preparation as a clinical nurse specialist with a major in community health.

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Sports



JSU Student Athletes Aid Children in Iraq

acksonville State's Student Athlete Advisory Committee (SAAC) took on a special project to aid children in Iraq. Their project, MISSION POSSIBLE: GAMEcock Strength-Gamecocks Aiding Middle East- took place during October and November 2006. JSU Strength and Conditioning Coach Scott Austin is currently stationed in Iraq working with the Marine Corps Civil Affairs Group. Coach Austin is helping to rebuild the infrastructure of the country and helping build a stable environment for the children of Iraq. The SAAC collected school supplies, athletic balls, personal hygiene items, clothes, and toys to send to school-aged children in the town where Coach Austin is located. These items were collected from student athletes as well as from other JSU faculty, staff and students.

This project is one of numerous community service projects the SAAC participates in throughout the year. Other projects include reading at local elementary schools, sponsoring a can food drive for Christmas, and sponsoring a Home Run Derby and basketball game to celebrate National Student Athlete Day in the spring. The mission of SAAC is to provide a link of communication between JSU student athletes and the athletic department administration. It also provides a support system for student athletes to discuss various issues specific to the rigors of student athlete life. The organization represents the best interests of student athletes and their experience in higher education while encouraging campus unity and spirit among teams, students and supporters.

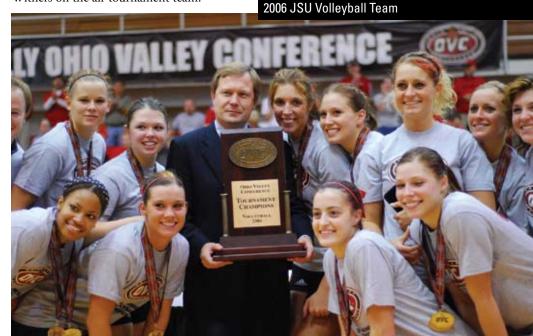
JSU Volleyball Claimed Second Ohio Valley Conference Title in 2006

The Jacksonville State volleyball team made history claiming its second Ohio Valley Conference Tournament title this past November. In a hard-fought 3-0 win over the sixth-seeded Southeast Missouri Redhawks, the Gamecocks used their school-record 19th straight win to take the OVC Tourney during the finals at Pete Mathews Coliseum. This victory also earned the Gamecocks a second visit to the NCAA tournament.

"This one is special in a different way because it is at home and in front of our home crowd," JSU head coach and 2006 OVC Coach of the Year Rick Nold said. "It is totally different than last year in that we came in here as the favorite. It says a lot about our team, coming in on the winning streak and being able to stay focused and take care of business."

Senior setter and team captain, Emily Withers was named the tournament MVP. This Cincinnati native capped an outstanding senior season by breaking the school's all-time assists record. Senior Joi Watts and junior Abbey Breit joined Withers on the all-tournament team.

"Everybody knows that we are extremely close off the court, and that definitely helps us on the floor," Withers said. "It really hasn't sunk in yet. It's hard to believe it's my last year, and I couldn't think of a better way to go out."



Rachel Countryman: Teacher, Coach, and Player

By Lori Tippets
The Jacksonville News



Every great now and then, you come in contact with an extraordinary athlete, an athlete who is the real deal. Rachel Countryman is such a person.

Countryman, 24, will be starting her second year as a geometry teacher and softball coach at White Plains High School. Countryman was selected Class 1-3A Coach of the Year by *The Anniston Star* for her team's performance, and improvement, in softball.

The Steele, Ala., native was grateful for her first teaching and coaching experience at White Plains. "I'm from a small town," says Countryman, "I interviewed at a lot of different places and prayed about going to White Plains, I know that is where I'm supposed to be. It's a great place that reminds me of home. Ms. Miller, the principal is a great woman, and there is a great faculty. I'm just at peace that White Plains is where I should be."

It only takes being around Countryman a very short while to see her sincerity; she glows when she talks about the sport she loves, and her love for not only the game of softball but for those that she coaches. While Countryman admits that she hopes for her team to get better and have a good experience, she is also very quick to talk about an aspect that she feels is most important, teaching her athletes how to act off the field as well as on the field.

"The main reason I'm coaching girls this age is I know that they are impressionable and I want them to know that they need to have character. I want them to get better as softball players. I have a heart for them, and I want them to know that someone cares about them and wants them to succeed." While teaching and coaching are important aspects of Countryman's life, there's another important aspect as well.

Many who followed Countryman thought of her as the best shortstop in the entire Ohio Valley Conference. Others even pitted her against shortstops across the nation, claiming Countryman to be the best.

JSU softball coach Jana McGinnis realizes what she had in the outstanding player. "In a coach's career there are only a handful of players that have a complete package as a person and player; Rachel is one of them," comments McGinnis. "She has high standards both on and off the field."

Countryman's stats during her collegiate career were great enough to have people across the nation sit up and take notice, particularly one of the best to ever play the sport, Dr. Dot Richardson, two time Olympic Gold Medal winner, now an orthopedic surgeon.

Richardson was among the main movers and shakers to develop a professional fast pitch softball league for those elite players in the sport. With the announcement that softball would be dropped from the Olympics in 2012, the formation of the league became even more critical. Richardson became commissioner of the new league.

The PFX (professional fast pitch x-treme) Tour began its initial season this year. The tour was designed for not only the greats in the sports of softball, to include many Olympic players like Lisa Fernandez, Laura Berg, Stacey Nuveman, Jessica Mendoza, Lovianne Jung and Tairia Flowers but for fans and amateurs alike.

Countryman was shocked when Richardson phoned. "When Dot Richardson called me I thought it was a prank," laughs Countryman. "She said, 'I was wondering if you wanted to play professional softball for me.' I've been playing since the end of May."

Countryman admits that there are moments when she can't believe that she's playing. "I'm playing softball with players I've watched for a long time. Everyone is a legend. Some are Olympic players. As a child, you think about playing with them or against them. It is a dream. God definitely had a hand in this. Who would ever think a girl from Jacksonville would get an opportunity like this. I'm soaking it up. There are moments when I step onto the field that I just can't believe it."

It wasn't only her athletic talents that convinced Richardson to draft Countryman into the pro ranks, but her presence off the field as well. Richardson knows that Countryman is an excellent role model, just what the new profession is looking for, and will help inspire the young people following the sport.



With Alumni

Peer Counselor Alumni Reunion Weekend









Former JSU Peer Counselors came back to campus for a reunion weekend. The event was attended by over 100 alumni.

Alumni Support Student Scholarships



Many of JSU's Alumni Chapters provide scholarships for deserving students. Shown here are just a few of the scholarship recipients for 2006. Thanks to our alumni who have contributed to chapter scholarships. These students appreciate your generosity.



Pictured above are: Jennifer Barksdale (top) and Audrey Tulley, Nick Folds and Jessie Goldman (bottom)

Upcoming Events and Reunions

Calhoun County and STAT Spring Shrimp Boil April 12, 2007

Gamecock Gala April 21, 2007

Greater Huntsville Area Alumni "State of the University" Dinner April 24, 2007

Dekalb County Alumni dinner and Theatre Event April 26, 2007

Birmingham Area Alumni "State of the University" Dinner May 10, 2007

Calhoun County After-Hours at Struts in Oxford June 7, 2007

Birmingham Area Alumni Iuncheon at Lloyd's Restaurant July 21, 2007

FAB 40's and Nifty 50's Reunion September 29, 2007

J-Club Reunion October 20, 2007

International House Program Reunion, Orlando, Florida May 16-18, 2008





Current JSU students who are members of the STAT Club (Students Today, Alumni Tomorrow,) are attending alumni functions for networking and to find out what lies ahead after graduation. Pictured above: STAT members attend the Criminal Justice Alumni Dinner as a part of the Homecoming festivities.

Event Pictorial:

JSU alumni everywhere are gathering and having fun. Pictured below are scenes from just a few alumni events held over the past few months.



Criminal Justice Alumni Chapter Dinner



Atlanta Area Aluni After-Hours at Ledo's Pizza in Norcross



Class of 1956 50-Year Reunion



Greater Rome Area After-Hours event at the Waterfront



Greater Washington, D.C. Annual Alumni Dinner at the Hotel Washington



Florida Panhandle After-Hours event in Destin



FAB 40's and Nifty 50's Reunion



Blount County Alumni Dinner



Calhoun County After-Hours at Sports Nut



Birmingham Area Alumni After-Hours at Ross Bridge

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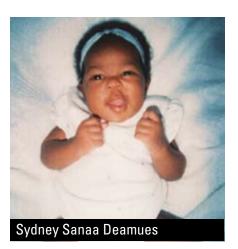
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Merry Nelson Albro,'92/'93, and her husband Mike announce the birth of their daughter, Jolie Shay, 5 October 2006. Mrs. Albro is a guidance counselor at Ardmore High School, Ardmore, Ala. She was a member of Gamma Sigma Sigma Sorority at JSU and was active in the Baptist Campus Ministry. They reside in Decatur, Ala.



▲ John Bryant,'93, and Jennifer Burns Bryant,'98/'01, announce the birth of their daughter, Lynleigh Blair, 10 July 2006. Mr. Bryant was a member of Kappa Alpha Order at JSU, and Mrs. Bryant was a member of Phi Mu Sorority. They reside in Leeds, Ala.

▼ Stephanie Doss-Deamues,'94/'97, and her husband welcome the birth of their daughter, Sydney Sanaa, 2 May 2006. Mrs. Deamues has served on the JSU Alumni Board of Governors as a chapter president in Tennessee. They reside in LaVergne, Tenn.



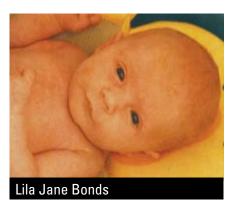


▲ Shawn Wells,'94, and his wife Shawna announce the birth of their son, Michael, 10 December 2006. Mr. Wells was a member of the JSU rifle team. He helped train Olympic hopefuls in Colorado for many years. He is now a corporal with the Lake County Sheriff's Office in Tavares, Fla. They reside in Eustis, Fla.



▲ Kristi Regner Babb,'97, and her husband Michael announce the birth of their son, Jackson Douglas, 21 July 2006. He has a big sister, Sydney, who is 4. Mrs. Babb was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority at JSU and was a peer counselor. They reside in Cullman, Ala., where Mrs. Babb is a library media specialist at Garden City Elementary and Welti Elementary Schools.

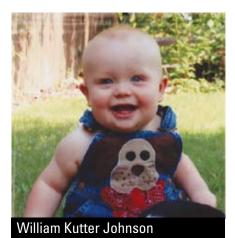
Amanda Lockmiller Divine,'98, and her husband David welcomed their first son, David Adam, on 13 July 2006. They reside in Gadsden, Ala. Mrs. Divine is a Pharmacist.



▲ Scott Alan Bonds,'95/'96/'03, and Janna Wright Bonds,'97/'99/'03, welcomed the birth of their daughter, Lila Jane, 4 November 2006. Mr. Bonds played football at JSU and was involved in the Baptist Campus Ministry. He is employed as principal at Sloman Primary School in Marshall County, Ala. Mrs. Bonds was a member of the JSU Marching Ballerinas and is employed as a school counselor at Douglas High School in Marshall County. They reside in Guntersville, Ala.



▲ Bob Boyle,'97/'99, and his wife Leanne Jordan Boyle,'98/'02, along with their son Wil (2), announce the birth of Madeline Claire on 6 October 2006. Mr. Boyle served on the SGA and as a peer counselor at JSU. He currently works for the University of North Florida as Associate Director of Housing Operations. Mrs. Boyle, who was a member of Phi Mu Sorority and served as a peer counselor at JSU, is a registered nurse at St. Vincent's Hospital in Jacksonville, Fla.



▲ Aimee Brock Johnson,'97, and her husband Brandon announce the birth of their son, William Kutter, on 18 August 2005. Mrs. Johnson was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority at JSU, served as Panhellenic president and as a peer counselor. They reside in Southside, Ala.

Robert "Bubba" Colquett, '98, and his wife Heather welcome the birth of their daughter, Madeline Elizabeth, 21 May 2006. Mr. Colquett is a preschool teacher with Bright Horizons. They reside in Louisville, Ky.

Melissa Nugent Stockton, '99, and her husband Hayden announce the birth of their daughter, Olivia Faith, 16 March 2006. They reside in Pinson, Ala., where Mrs. Stockton is employed by the State of Alabama. While at JSU, Mrs. Stockton was a member of Delta Zeta Sorority and the JSU Volleyball team. Mr. Stockton attended graduate school at JSU and served as an assistant football coach for the Gamecocks. He is now defensive coordinator at Clay-Chalkville High School.

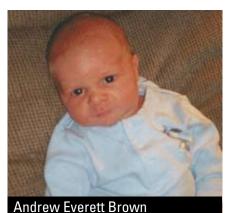
2000-06

Ricki Wynn Coleman,'00/'02, and her husband Randy R. Coleman, Jr.,'02, announce the birth of their daughter, Maya Katrell, 29 November 2005. Mr. Coleman played football for JSU and was a student coach. He is a teacher in Coweta County, Ga., and also is an assistant football and baseball coach. Mrs. Coleman was a graduate assistant athletic trainer at JSU. She also teaches in Coweta County and serves as the assistant athletic trainer at East Coweta High.



Kamryn Ranae Smith

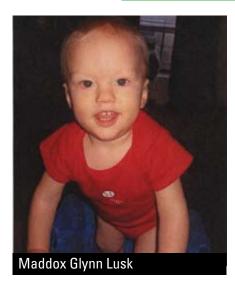
▲ William Bradford "Brad" Smith,'00/'01, and his wife Kristin Cooper Smith,'03/'05, announce the birth of their daughter, Kamryn Ranae, 4 April 2006. Mr. Smith played baseball for JSU and Mrs. Smith was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority. They reside in Oxford, Ala.



▲ Heather Plew Brown,'02, and her husband Richard welcomed the birth of their son, Andrew Everett, 12 September 2006. Mrs. Brown was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority at JSU. They reside in Beech Grove, Ind.

Retraction:

In our last issue, we listed the wedding of Braxton E. Wade, '02, and Natalie L. Spinks in error. The marriage has not yet taken place. We apologize for the error in reporting the wedding.



▲ Danni Lusk,'04, and L. Glynn Lockaby,'05, welcomed the birth of their son, Maddox Glynn, 24 August 2005. Ms. Lusk was the editor-in-chief of the JSU campus newspaper, The Chanticleer, during 2004-2005. She currently is working for a weekly newspaper in Gadsden, Ala. Mr. Lockaby was a member of Sig Ep Fraternity and is the former advertising director for The Chanticleer. They reside in Jacksonville, Ala.

Weddings

1970-79

William Bedford Davis,'70, and Mary Carol Paseur, 2 December 2006, in Scottsboro, Ala.



▲ Deborah Williams Barham, '71/'74, and Tsuneo Kano,'73, 15 November 2006. Both were members of the International House Program at JSU. They reside in Madison County, Ala.

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Philip Harold White, '87, and Jane Elizabeth Gibbins, 4 November 2006. Mr. White is self employed in Springville, Ala.

1990-99

Terrie Lynn Conley,'90, and Willie Frank Tyson, 10 June 2006, Munford, Ala. A member of Sigma Theta Tau nursing honor society, Mrs. Tyson is employed with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Alabama. They reside in Munford, Ala.

David Pinkard,'91, and Sheila Neslin, 28 October 2006, Rome, Ga. Mr. Pinkard is employed by Northwest Georgia Regional Hospital.

Julie Lin Curvin,'94/'01, and Jeffery Scott Samples, 14 July 2006, Gadsden, Ala. Mrs. Samples is employed by the Calhoun County Board of Education.



▲ Melissa Downing,'94, and David Harlan, 9 September 2006, Adairsville, Ga. Mrs. Harlan is employed by Jack in the Box restaurants as a human resource manager. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta sorority at JSU. They reside in Franklin, Tenn.

Stephen Edward Guest, '94, and Shanna Hutchins, 9 September 2006. Mr. Guest is self employed.

Anita Leigh Yother,'94, and Timothy Ray McNeal, 14 October 2006, Anniston, Ala. Mrs. McNeal is employed by LA Weight Loss in Oxford, Ala. Christopher M. Calvert, '95, and Marnie L. Epple, 12 October 2006, Arkansas. Mr. Calvert is employed with the National Weather Service at the Radar Operations Center in Norman, Okla. They reside in Moore, Okla.

Lee Shane Browder, '96/'98, and Courtney Anne Goldenberg, '05, 5 October 2006, Kiawah Island. Mr. Browder is a former graduate assistant coach for the JSU women's basketball team. He is employed as an assistant principal at Cherokee County

High School. Mrs. Browder is employed as a history teacher at Gadsden City High School. Scott Jarrard McKendree,'98, and Sara

Anne Nelson, 22 July 2006, Birmingham, Ala. Mr. McKendree is employed by AmSouth Bank.

Karen Varner Sprayberry, '98, and Russell Walker Jones, 8 July 2006, McClellan, Ala.

Julie Campbell Glenn,'99, and William Edward Gilchrist, 17 July 2006. Mrs. Gilchrist was a member of Delta Zeta Sorority at JSU and is employed by Etowah Middle School.

2000-07

Richard Todd Cole,'00, and Kristen Mallory Moore, 16 December 2006, Opelika, Ala. Mr. Cole is employed by Valley High School.

Capt. David L. "Davy" Godfrey, Jr.,'00, and Kelli Kathleen Lee,'05, 17 July 2006, JSU Alumni House. Mrs. Godfrey is currently pursuing her master's degree at JSU. She is employed by Family Services Center. Capt. Godfrey was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program and is serving in the U.S. Army Transportation Corps.



Mr. and Mrs. Lee Hinkson

▲ Lee Anthony Hinkson,'00/'02, and Kelly Elizabeth Nye,'03/'04, 10 June 2006, Jacksonville, Ala. Dr. Meehan, JSU President, delivered the wedding tribute to the couple. Mr. Hinkson played baseball for JSU and Mrs. Hinkson played basketball. She currently holds the all time 3-point shooting record (158) at JSU, helping to lead the Lady Gamecocks to four straight winning seasons. She is employed by the Paulding County (Ga.) Board of Education as a teacher/coach. Mr. Hinkson, a left-handed pitcher, helped lead the team to winning seasons from 1996-1998. He holds the record for most wins in a season as a pitcher (10). He is also a teacher/coach for Paulding County. They reside in Dallas, Ga.

Amanda Lea Lackey,'00/'04, and Staff Sgt. Jamey Warren McCain, April 2006, Jacksonville, Ala. Mrs. McCain is employed by the Okaloosa County (Fla.) School System. They reside in Fort Walton Beach, Fla.

Heather LeeAnn Mayes,'00, and Lucas Tommie Powell, 25 June 2006, Guntersville, Ala. Mrs. Powell played basketball for JSU. She is employed by the Dekalb County Board of Education. Mr. Powell is currently pursuing his degree at JSU.

Wendy Marie Owens,'00, and Ryan Key, 26 August 2006, Gadsden, Ala. Mrs. Key is employed by Gadsden Regional Medical Center.

Stephen Vincent Sims, '00, and Courtney Lee Schwartzenburg, 23 September 2006, Tuscaloosa, Ala. Mr. Sims was a member of Alpha Tau Omega fraternity at JSU. He is employed by U.S. Investigation Services.

Mary Frances Williams,'00, and William Shaw Stewart, 24 June 2006, Springville, Ala. Mrs. Stewart teaches at North Fayette Elementary School in Atlanta, Ga.

Jason Floyd Addison,'01, and Sarah Frances Nobles, 26 June 2006, Hilton Head, S.C. Mr. Addison is currently a student at Life University, Marietta, Ga. They reside in Atlanta, Ga.

Louis Harviley, Jr., '01, and Candice Marie Bennett, 17 June 2006, Adamsville, Ala. Mr. Harviley is employed with Ogihara Corporation in Birmingham, Ala.

Allyson Long,'01, and Blake Tyler, 7 October 2006, Okaloosa Island, Fla. Mrs. Tyler is employed by the Etowah County (Ala.)Board of Education at John Jones Elementary School.

Douglas Richardson,'01, and Alison Meleia Bailey, 15 July 2006, Calera, Ala. Mr. Richardson is employed with Colonial Bank

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Larry G. Abrams '72/'74 Clifford E. Akins '92 Kannyetta Showette Ammons '00 Perry D. Andrews '83 Keshia Dawn Ashley '05 Timothy Marshall Ballard '90/'04 Eleanor Marie Berberich '91 Belinda Kay Blackburn '74/'05 Holli Michelle Blass '03 Janis Milwee Bolt '68 James Bryan Bonds '87 Emily Sides Bonds '87 Kay Aderholdt Boozer '69/'96 Leanne Jordan Boyle Robert Joseph Boyle '97/'99 Catherine Roberts Brownell '82 Glendy J. Bryant '03 Ginger Waddell Bunn '95 Matthew Ryan Burns '05 Terri Jackson Cameron '82 Jack P Causey '95 Vernon S. Chapman III '62 Robert Charles Clements '95 Alice Fave Cleveland '99 Joey Alan Crews '99 Dana Cronin, Jr. '99 Janna Leigh Culpepper '05 Adrianne D. Curvin '96 Joan Smithey Dawson '63 Diane Waits Dobson '80 Henry J. Dobson, Jr. '68/'81 David Lewis Eason '80/'81 William Larry Eiland '91 Debra R. Elgin Lee Elgin '06 Karen Witherspoon Ellis '84 Martha Elton '52 Janet Folsom Fisher '87 Robert Joseph Fowler '96 Dr. Nancy J. Fox '80/'86 Jennifer Marie Bell Frank '99/'03 Vincent Stephen Frank, Jr. 94/'99/'03 Jonathon Fuller '92 Phillip L. Gambrell '72

Amy Elizabeth Gannon '06

in Montgomery, Ala., as a senior programmer. They reside in Alabaster, Ala.

Jodie Melinda Smith,'01, and Jeffery Wayne Thompson, 8 April 2006. They reside in Alexandria, Ala.

Jeanette Williams,'01, and Kevin Robinson, 26 August 2006, Pontiac, Ill. Mrs. Robinson is employed by QEK-General Motors, Naperville, Ill. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority at JSU.

Danya Golden,'02, and Jon-Caleb Wright, 24 June 2006, Attalla, Ala. Mrs. Wright is employed by Rainbow Middle School.

Andrea Martin,'02/'04, and Chad Rains, 24 June 2006, Scottsboro, Ala. Mrs. Rains was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority at JSU. She is employed by Gadsden High School in Gadsden, Ala.

Kelli Lynn Patterson,'02/'05, and John Frank Hendon, 10 June 2006. Mrs. Hendon was a member of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority at JSU and is employed by Knight Enloe Elementary School in Roanoke, Ala.

Tara Ashley Rhodarmer,'02, and 1st Lt. Nathan Paul Applebaum,'04, 12 June 2006, Copenhagen, Denmark, and reaffirmed stateside at a celebration on 30 December 2006. Mrs. Applebaum was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority at JSU. She is working with the Red Cross in Germany. 1st Lt. Applebaum was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program and is currently stationed in Idar-Oberstein, Germany. He was a member of the ISU rifle team.

April Joy Schrimsher,'02, and Joel Sutton Williams, 15 July 2006, Decatur, Ala. Mrs. Williams is a social worker at Huntsville Hospital in Huntsville, Ala.

Anthony Duane Scott,'02, and Heather Marie Ingram, 29 July 2006, Kingston, Ga. Mr. Scott is employed with the Alabama Department of Examiners of Public Accounts.

Rasul Taghiyev,'02/'05, and Leslie Erin Whiteside, 5 July 2006. They reside in Calhoun County, Ala.

William Nicholas Thornton,'02, and Dorothy Elizabeth "Dottie" Hallman, 19 August 2006, Anniston, Ala. Mr. Thornton is employed by Alabama Specialty Products in Munford, Ala.

Kenny Randall Boman,'03, and Elizabeth Ann Whitworth, 16 December 2006. Mr. Boman is employed by the Hoover (Ala.) City School System.

Joey Haymon,'03, and Kristen Wright, 4 October 2006. They reside in Powell, Ala.

Danny Kimble, Jr.,'03, and Gerri Mitchell, 15 July, 2006, Talladega, Ala. Mr. Kimble is employed by the University of Alabama as a graduate assistant football coach.

Torey O'Mar McDaniel,'03, and Brandi Nixon,'04, 22 July 2006, Lyerly, Ga. Mr. McDaniel played football for JSU and is employed as a teacher at Chattooga County High School in Summerville, Ga. They reside in Rome, Ga.

April McGinnis,'03, and Jonathan Hathaway, 15 July 2006, Ohatchee, Ala. Mrs. Hathaway is employed by Stringfellow Hospital in Anniston, Ala.

Bethany Marie McGlothin,'03, and Joshua Allen Weathersby, 21 October 2006.

Matthew Owens,'03, and Dana Carol Jackson,'06, 26 August 2006. Mrs. Owens is a freelance graphic design artist working for Threefold Design. Mr. Owens is employed by McWaters and Associates and is also doing freelance graphic design work for Threefold Design.

Kevin Michael Shannon,'03, and Monica Regine Svetz, 16 December 2006, Hartselle, Ala. Mr. Shannon played football at JSU. He is employed as a teacher/coach for Austin High School.

Sean Spraley,'03, and Chan Shyu, 5 August 2006. Mr. Spraley is employed by the Federal Aviation Administration as an airway transportation specialist. He is also a technical sergeant in the U.S. Air Force Reserves.

Chasta LaDoria Varner,'03, and Jonathan Hunter Breland, 7 October 2006. Mrs. Breland is employed by the Jackson County School System as a teacher.

Jana Lee Bowman,'04, and Cyrus Scott Butterworth, 23 September 2006, Bowdon, Ga. Mrs. Butterworth is employed by the Alabama Department of Revenue.

Tikesha Nikia Bynum,'04, and Tavarus Cosper,'04, 11 November 2006. Mrs. Cosper is employed by Thankful Baptist Church. Mr. Cosper is employed by the Anniston Ordinance Depot.

Tasha D. Canady,'04, and Eric W. Ruffin, 17 June 2006, Birmingham, Ala. Mrs. Ruffin was employed as a registered nurse at UAB Hospital. They reside in Nashville, Tenn.

Candice Jo Christopher,'04, and Cass Wesley Brown, 12 August 2006, Gadsden, Ala. Mrs. Brown was a Ballerina with the

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JSU Southerners. She is employed by UAB Hospital in Birmingham, Ala.

Jeremy Franklin, '04, and Jana Farris, 19 January 2007. Mr. Franklin is employed with U.S. Steel as an emergency specialist.

Philip Michael Hollingsworth,'04, and Jillian Dawn Gamble, 1 July 2006, Pittsburg, Tenn. Mr. Hollingsworth was active with the Baptist Campus Ministry at JSU. He is employed by the City of Jacksonville's Parks and Recreation Department in Jacksonville, Ala.

Dawn Honeycutt, '04, and Chris Tumlin, 2 September 2006. Mrs. Tumlin is employed by the Gadsden Treatment Center in Gadsden, Ala.

Reggie Jenkins, '04, and Shay Davis, 26 August 2006, Attalla, Ala. Mr. Jenkins is employed by the Social Security Administration.

Crystal Gail Lingerfelt, '04, and Ronald Lee Chambless, 24 June 2006. Mrs. Chambless is employed as a teacher at Geraldine (Ala.) Elementary School. They reside in Fyffe, Ala.

Somer Ashleigh Maze,'04/'05, and Joel Nicholas Nowak, 23 September 2006, Rainbow City, Ala. Mrs. Nowak is employed as a counselor at the Cherokee County Children's Advocacy Center. Mr. Nowak is currently a student at JSU.

Dustin Myers, '04, and Angela Malsy, 23 September 2006, Jacksonville, Ala. Mr. Myers is employed as an assistant manager for Wal-Mart.

Joshua Ryan New,'04, and Aleah Tyler Cooper, 12 August 2006, Anniston, Ala. Mr. New is employed by the University of Tennessee in Knoxville, Tenn.

Stacy Michelle Silvey, '04, and Jared Kyle Gray, 30 September 2006, Gadsden, Ala. Mrs. Gray is currently pursuing a master's degree at JSU and is employed by the Calhoun County Board of Education at Pleasant Valley Elementary School.

Jeremy Wade Sims, '04, and Kacee Hall Kirkland,'05, 24 June 2006, Dothan, Ala. Mrs. Sims is currently pursuing her Ph.D. in biochemistry at Georgia Institute of Technology in Atlanta, Ga. She was a member of Phi Mu Sorority at JSU. Mr. Sims, a member of Delta Chi Fraternity at JSU, is employed with Barnes & Noble in Atlanta, Ga.

Chris Smith,'04, and Jessy Snyder,'04, 8 July 2006, Gadsden, Ala.

James Wilson Vasquez,'04, and Alicia Danielle Manners, 29 July 2006, Jacksonville, Ala. Mr. Vasquez is employed at The Pentagon in Washington, D.C. Mrs. Vasquez is a student at JSU.

Sheree Evette Westbrooks,'04, and Henry C. Lindsey, Jr., 29 July 2006, Anniston, Ala. Mrs. Lindsey was a member of the JSU Show Choir. She is employed by the Oxford City School System at Dearmanville Elementary School in Oxford, Ala.

Thomas Brian Yarbrough,'04, and Brooke Nycole Chaney married in the fall of 2006. Mr. Yarbrough is employed by People's Independent Bank in Scottsboro, Ala.

Cristina Leigh Allison, '05, and Michael Brent Dunn, 24 June 2006, Gadsden, Ala. Mrs. Dunn is employed by Southern Care Home Health/Hospice. Mr. Dunn is currently pursuing his degree at JSU.

Jason Clay Arnold, '05, and Hillary Elizabeth Brandon, 15 July 2006, Hollywood, Ala. Mr. Arnold is employed by the Scottsboro City School System in Scottsboro, Ala.

Joshua Aric Bearden, '05, and Heather Ann Connelly, 7 October 2006, Tuscaloosa, Ala. Mr. Bearden is employed by the Polk School District in Cedartown, Ga.

Emily Sue Boozer,'05, and Randall Scott Ginn, 4 November 2006, Alexandria, Ala. Mrs. Ginn is employed by Alexandria High School in Alexandria, Ala.

Jessica Renee Bryant, '05, and John Mark Boucher, 2 September 2006. Mrs. Boucher was a member of the JSU Southerners. She is employed by Rapaport Academy Preparatory School in Waco, Tex.

Charlotte Beth Cooper,'05, and John Charles Millard, 24 June 2006, Rome, Ga. Mrs. Millard is employed by the Floyd County (Ga.) Schools as a teacher.

Adam Spencer Crowe, '05, and Jennifer Ann Ainsworth, 30 September 2006, Leawood, Kan. Mr. Crowe is employed as the Platte County Emergency Response Planner for bio-terrorism in Kansas City, Mo.

Justin Davis, '05, and Anna-Marie Lessley, 5 August 2006. Mr. Davis is employed by Crown Pontiac Nissan in Hoover, Ala. They reside in Hoover.

Jason Ross Dawson, '05, and Abbey Meghan Teague, '06, in a private ceremony held 5 August 2006, Gulf Shores, Ala. A reception was later held 12 August 2006 in Centre, Ala. Mrs. Dawson is employed by

the Northeast Alabama Law Enforcement Academy, McClellan, Ala. Mr. Dawson is employed by Union State Bank in Cedar Bluff, Ala.

Jeffrey Kent Ellard, '05, and Erica Magan Boozer, 23 September 2006, Gadsden, Ala. Mr. Ellard is employed by Skyline Steel in Atlanta, Ga.

Cory Richard Etter, '05, and Wendy Kay Robertson, '06, 24 June 2006, Tallapoosa, Ga. Mrs. Etter is employed by Haralson County Board of Education in Buchanan, Ga. Mr. Etter is employed by Cider Ridge Golf Course in Oxford, Ala.

Amy Brooke Galloway, '05, and Roger Heath Davidson, 24 June 2006, Geraldine, Ala. Mrs. Davidson is employed by the Polk County (Ga.) School System. Mr. Davidson is pursuing his degree at JSU.

Mary Allison Garner, '05, and Barry Gene Rogers, Jr., 24 June 2006, Cave Spring, Ga. Mrs. Rogers is employed at Cherokee County High School in Centre, Ala., as a family and consumer science education teacher.

Jennifer Hamilton, '05, and Rustin Reaves, 17 June 2006, Destin, Fla. Mrs. Reaves is employed by White Plains (Ala.) Elementary School and The Animal Medical Center. Mr. Reaves is pursuing his degree at JSU.

Jennifer Kay Johnson, '05, and Brandon Chance Fell, 5 August 2006. Mrs. Fell is employed with the University of Alabama Health Services Foundation in Birmingham, Ala.

Holly Jones, '05, and Terry Pearson, 20 July 2006, Springville, Ala. Mrs. Pearson is employed by the Wal-Mart Vision Center and the Dekalb County (Ala.) School System. They reside in Collinsville, Ala.

Laramy Heath Jones, '05, and Amy Jean Stephens, '06, 29 July 2006, Fort Payne, Ala. Mrs. Jones was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority at JSU.

Jenny Rebecca Lister, '05, and Mathew Randall Moon, 23 September 2006, Gadsden, Ala. Mrs. Moon is an assistant buyer for Books-A-Million in Birmingham, Ala.

Lance Miller, '05, and Stephanie Gilmer, '06, 28 October 2006, Oxford, Ala. Mr. Miller is employed by Miller Farms in Oxford.

Brittney Michelle Mitchell,'05, and Todd Derrick Klueger, 4 November 2006, Scottsboro, Ala. Mrs. Klueger is presently employed by Mountain Lakes Behavioral

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David A. Glenn '90 Sarita Joyce Gooden '03 Andrew Christophe rGreen '05 Barbara Pullen Green '74/'77 Karen Bonds Green '76/'79 Jason Derek Green '97 Jeffery Scott Grider '90 Anthony Clark Hall '87 Paul Morris Haynes '65 George Lamar Haynes '69 Phyllis Jone sHenson '70 Pamela Pierce Hill '02 Lee Anthony Hinkson '00/'02 Kelly Nye Hinkson '03/'04/'05 William F. Huggins '83 Nancy Ringer Ivester '61 Kathleen Kemp Jester '80/'84 Bonnie Gray Jones '88 Donald Allen Jones '90 Cambrey M. Jordan '05 William M. Koehler '89 Christopher Paul Kuszniaj '03 Dennis Keith Lancaster '83 Michael Chad Lincoln '02 Ashley Rainer Lincoln '02 Mike Wayne Lindon '79 Richard O. Lindsey, Jr. '83 Jane Porter Lovvorn '03 Katie Mac Taggart '01 Suzanne Russell Marshall Carol Ligon McGinnis '82/'86/'06 Jana Bright McGinnis '91/'92 Wendell B. McLain '80 Larry P. Means '70 Robbie Boozer Medders '74/'94 Dan E. Medders '88 Scott Lane Milam '85 Heather Cynthia Miller '05 SusanOwens Minton '80 Charles W. Moore '85 Timothy Brian Mount '05 L. Robert Nelson '05 Margenia Casey O'Neal Kelly MacMillan Osterbind '88/'01

Sharon A. Padgett '88

Health Care in Guntersville, Ala. as a family and child therapist.

Heather LaKave Moses,'05, and Kevan Brian Hall, 4 November 2006, Guntersville, Ala. Mrs. Hall is employed by Huntsville City Schools as a teacher. They reside in Huntsville, Ala.

Lindsay Nicole Mullins,'05, and Jamie James Vann, 7 October 2006, Huntsville, Ala. Mrs. Vann is employed by the Huntsville Police Department as a dispatcher.

Jessica Erin Owens,'05, and Jeremy Paul Barker, 16 September 2006, Blountsville, Ala. Mrs. Barker is employed at Retina Consultants of Alabama at Callahan Eye Foundation Hospital in Birmingham, Ala.

Emily Susan Ryals,'05, and David Brandon Balenger, 26 August 2006. Mrs. Balenger is employed by the St. Clair County (Ala.) Department of Human Resources.

Stephen Lynn Smith,'05, and Laura Nicole Williams, 8 July 2006, Starkville, Miss.

Jolie Suzanne Stephenson,'05, and Wesley Reagan Roberts, 16 December 2006, Glencoe, Ala. Mrs. Roberts is employed as a teacher with the Gadsden City Schools at C.A. Donehoo Elementary in Gadsden, Ala.

Tabatha Lynn Thomas,'05, and Dustin Scott Greenwood, 7 July 2006.

Kimberly Nicole Belyeu,'06, and Jonathan Ray Cash, 7 October 2006, Gadsden, Ala. Mrs. Cash is employed as a registered nurse with Children's Health Systems in Birmingham, Ala. She was a member of the JSU Southerners.

Stephanie Nicole Brand,'06, and Kevin Alexander Anglin, 28 October 2006.

Stefanie Nicole Carnes,'06, and Joshua Seth Terrell, 24 June 2006, Horton, Ala.

Lee Ann Clontz,'06, and Beau Justin Stewart,'06, 22 July 2006, Glencoe, Ala. Mrs. Stewart is employed by Glencoe First United Methodist Church.

Kristi Danae Clough,'06, and Wesley Blake Walker, 26 August, 2006, Jacksonville, Ala. Mrs. Walker is employed by Doctors Med Care in Jacksonville, Ala.

Miriam A. Cruz,'06, and Dustin Little,'06, 14 October 2006, Rome, Ga. Mrs. Little is employed at Top O' the River in Gadsden, Ala., and is a translator for the Etowah County Department of Human Resources. Mr. Little is employed at Eastwood Middle School, Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Renee Danielle Culler,'06, and Willie Jacob Parker, 5 August 2006, Arab, Ala. Mrs. Parker is employed at Marshall Medical Center North in Arab.

Keri Fulenwider,'06, and Corey Galloway, 8 July 2006. Mrs. Galloway is employed by Prattville Primary School in Prattville, Ala.

Bethany Marie Joy Garrard,'06, and Paul Brian Johnson, 16 September 2006, Glencoe, Ala. Mrs. Johnson is employed by TV 24 and is co-owner of Boaz Health Hut.

Eric Tarpley Heaton,'06, and LaTishia Artella Gaskin, 1 July 2006. Mr. Heaton is employed at Honda Manufacturing in Lincoln, Ala.

Chad Everett Gilchrist,'06, and Samantha Lauren Smith, 12 August 2006, Oxford, Ala. Mr. Gilchrist is employed by Room by Room Furniture. Mrs. Gilchrist is pursuing her degree at JSU and will graduate in April 2007. She is employed by The Surgery Center in Oxford.

Amber Jolene Gillies,'06, and Mathew Scott Strother, 12 August 2006. Mrs. Strother is employed by Sarrell Regional Dental Center for Public Health in Anniston, Ala.

Marja Jones,'06, and Jared Whitaker, 1 September 2006, Albertville, Ala. Mrs. Whitaker is employed at Marshall Medical Center South.

Kristina Michelle Morgan,'06, and Nathan Louis Siegal, 9 June 2006, Las Vegas, Nev. Mrs. Siegal is employed as a salon manager in Atlanta, Ga.

Tawan Rosha Nevels,'06, and Peyton Deandre Marbury, 23 September 2006, Baldwyn, Miss. Mr. Marbury is pursuing his degree at ISU and is employed by Cleburne Mental Health Center as a mental health rehabilitation instructor. He is a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity at JSU.

Russ Preston Newton,'06, and Katherine Anne Nelson, 6 May 2006, Jacksonville, Ala. They reside in Anniston, Ala.

Cassidy Blair Norred,'06, and Brandon Scott Whitman, 15 July 2006, at the JSU Alumni House. Mrs. Whitman is a teacher at Oxford Elementary School in Oxford, Ala.

Jeanna Elizabeth Sansing,'06, and Beren Daniel Gossett, 15 July 2006, Ashville, Ala. Mrs. Gossett is employed at Ashville Elementary School as a teacher.

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Sandra Jean Sorrell,'06, and Michael Ryan Coleman, 19 May 2006, Ashville, Ala. They reside in Tuscaloosa, Ala.

Kendall Andrew Taylor, '06, and Candace Dunn, 14 October 2006, Anniston, Ala. Mr. Taylor was a member of Phi Mu Alpha Music Fraternity and the Southerners at JSU. Mrs. Taylor is currently pursuing her degree at JSU. She is a member of the Chamber Winds Musical Performance Ensemble.

Obituaries

(all information obtained from obituary notices unless otherwise stated)

CORRECTION: In our previous issue, we listed the death of an alumna in error. We reported the death of Catherine Louise "Kay" Trotter Jordan, '48, Boaz, Ala. She emailed us to assure us that she is alive and well! The Alumni Office apologizes to Mrs. Jordan, her family, and friends for this error.

DID NOT GRADUATE OR DATE OF GRADUATION UNKNOWN

Dr. Virgil Benson, 17 December 2006, Pell City, Ala. He taught chemistry at JSU for 32 years.

Dr. Thomas G. Nicholson, Professor Emeritus from the JSU College of Criminal Justice, 24 December 2006, Mississippi State Veterans Home, Kosciusko, Miss. He taught 18 years at both JSU and the University of Texas, Permian Basin, in Odessa, Tex. He was a retired Special Forces lieutenant colonel with the Military Police Corps of the U.S. Army and served in Vietnam. Memorial donations may be made to the Parkinson's Disease Foundation, 1359 Broadway, Suite 1509, New York, NY 10018.

John Edwin Hodges, Sr., Gadsden, Ala., 13 December 2006. He had been employed in the accounting department at Republic Steel until 1970. He also established the John E. Hodges Insurance Agency in 1964. Mr. Hodges was active in many civic and social organizations and loved to travel and play golf.

Walter John Maher, Anniston, Ala., died recently in Anniston. A veteran of World War II, he attained the rank of major in the Air Force. In his professional life, Mr. Maher held positions in sales and management. He

was active in local civic, social and veterans organizations.

Lamora Allen Martin, Goodwater, Ala., 4 January 2007. Mrs. Martin taught in the Clay County School System for several years and retired from the Tallapoosa County School System with 40 years of service at Hackneyville High.

Cleo Nelms King, Gadsden, Ala., 23 December 2006. She taught school for 39 years, retiring at the age of 62.

Peggy Pruet, Talladega, Ala., 21 December 2006. Ms. Pruet had been a school teacher in Blount County. She was 100 years old.

Ewing Glover Storey, Huntsville, Ala., died in December 2006. Mr. Storey taught at Dean's Chapel and was both teacher and principal in Trenton before joining the military in 1942. A veteran of World War II, he served in the Navy as a member of the Fighting Seabees and fought in the South Pacific. Afterwards, he continued his role as an educator for returning troops through the Veterans Administration. He also enjoyed a career with Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., retiring after many years of service.

Lois Louise Cassidy Stallworth,

Birmingham, Ala., 25 November 2006. She was 100 years old. Mrs. Stallworth taught for many years in the Fort Payne and Dekalb County School Systems.

Gerald R. "Jake" Ayers, Scottsboro, Ala., 15 June 2006. Mr. Ayers attended JSU in the 1960s and played football. He was very active in his church activities in Union City, Tenn.

Clyde D. Baker, Guntersville, Ala., 4
September 2006. He became a lawyer at age 50 after a career in the space program; attended 9 different colleges and universities studying 5 different fields; was presented the Pioneer in Space Award in 1991 by the United Daughters of the Confederacy, and received 8 awards while working at Redstone Arsenal in Huntsville, including NASA's Medal for Exceptional Scientific Achievement in 1971. He retired in 1973 as chief of the Astrodynamics and Guidance Theory Division, Aero-astrodynamics Lab at Redstone Arsenal. He was married to Mary Cobb Baker, '47.

George Robert Bowlin, Ashville, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of his death. Mr. Bowlin played baseball for JSU. **Stella C. Brown**, Locust Fork, Ala. The office was notified by the post office of her death. Ms. Brown was a retired teacher in the Blount County School System.

Roy G. Davidson, Sr., Birmingham, Ala. The office was notified by his son of Mr. Davidson's death. He attended JSU in the 1920s.

Otis R. "Jackie" Jackson, Anniston, Ala., 31 July 2006. Mr. Jackson played football at JSU and was active in the Sixties Group of alumni. He was an executive for many years with the Boy Scouts of America organization in both Alabama and Florida. Mr. Jackson also was director of personnel for two companies in Georgia and owned and operated several small businesses. His son, Hayes Jackson, '00, is also a JSU grad.

Jimmie Lee McCoy, Columbus, Ga. He played football at JSU.

DeForest M. Nolen, Ashland, Ala., 31 October 2006. He was aWorld War II veteran with duty in the South Pacific. Mr. Nolen served as chief operating officer and engineer for Tri-County Telephone Company, Inc. during which time he saw it grow from 650 telephones to over 10,000 telephones, becoming Alabama's largest independent telephone company.

Derek Lane Warren, Alexandria, Ala. He played football for JSU in 1988 and 1989.

P.O. Wilson, Anniston, Ala., 28
December 2006. He began his business career with Barber Dairy for ten years in management and then began his career in the automotive industry with Shaver Pontiac in Birmingham. He served in World War II in the Air Force but returned to the automotive business afterwards. He did remain in the reserves, retiring as a lieutenant colonel with 28 years of service. As his knowledge and experience of the auto industry grew, the Pontiac Corporation offered him his own dealership in his choice of locations. In 1954, he opened a dealership in Anniston.

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Tommie Darby Head, 36, Roanoke, Ala., 25 September 2002. Information that she is deceased was provided to the Alumni Office by a family member.

Eileen Dooley, 37, Nashville, Tenn. The Alumni Office was advised during the annual phonathon of Ms. Dooley's death.

New Life Members of the JSU Alumni **Association**

(July, 2006 - January, 2007)

Sybil Parris Parker '56/'74 David Keith Patterson '89 Carla Byrom Patterson '89/'99 Michael Angela Pearson '79 Bradley A.Plante '91 Debra Sharlee Pollard '82/'02 Phyllis Ann Poore '82 Elizabeth Potter '04 Mark Eric Rehm '88 LuAnn Jackson Roy '86 John B. Royal '95 Brent A. Satterfield '87/'90 Alyce Brechbiel Sewell '92 Thomas Young Shields '77 Sherry M. Shows '05/'06 Jamie B. Simpson '05 Lisa Bowman Smith '02 Dustin Neal Smith '03/'05 Margaret Swann Smith '48 W. Blake Strickland '92 Angela Brague Strickland '92 Brenda Garrett Summerville '95 Cheryl Naylor Taylor '71 Hellen Joyce Thompson '87 Donald Howle Thompson '88 Dena Meek Tracy '93/'96 John Robert Tracy '97/'02 Nancy MooneyhamTurner '90/'91 Theresa Vandergriff '81 Ellen Ann Tibbetts Vincent '91 John David Walker '78/'91 Tamela Denise Warren '92 Ann Burnham Wells '81 Linda A. West Tonya Michelle White '94 Emily Horsfield White '95 Jimmy Ray Whited '99/'00 Emily Renee Williams '05 Tony Alexander Williams '86 Wilma D. Williams '98 Valerie Jean Woman '02/'04 Alison Kay Wright '03 Tracy D. Wright '92 Amy C. Wright '93 Alice Whitten Wudarczyk '98/'01

W. Albert Waldrop,'37, Union Grove, Ala. The Alumni Office received this information through the phonathon.

1940-49

Doris Norton Campbell,'40, Gallant, Ala., 23 September 2006. She had taught at Walnut Grove and Altoona from 1945 to 1962.

Edwerta Carpenter,'40/'59, Jacksonville, Ala. Ms. Carpenter was a teacher and principal for the Anniston City Board of Education from 1941 to 1980.

Mary Nell Owsley,'40, Birmingham, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of her death.

Jerry B. Hulsey,'41, Fort Payne, Ala., 6 October 2006. Mr. Hulsey was an Air Force World War II veteran. He was a teacher and coach at Lawrence County High prior to serving in WWII. He later became head basketball coach and then principal at Dekalb County High and was inducted into the Dekalb County Sports Hall of Fame as one of its charter members in 1997. Mr. Hulsey retired from Gadsden State Community College in 1981 after serving 15 years as chair of the Social Sciences Division. He played basketball and baseball while at Jacksonville State and has served on the JSU Alumni Association's Board of Governors.

Lebus Dowling Wheeler,'43, Cedartown, Ga., 30 March 2006. The Alumni Office was informed by his wife of his death.

Louise Pinion Wilson,'43, Favette, Ala., 20 November 2006. She and her husband operated a lumber company in Hamilton, Ala., from 1946 to 1968. Mrs. Wilson was well known as an artist and creator of hats designed from Alabama forest products. She spent a lifetime promoting visual arts and received awards honoring this devotion and service. Also interested in genealogy, Mrs. Wilson organized the Tuscaloosa Genealogical Society in 1975.

Mildred Boozer Williams,'43, Jacksonville, Ala., 25 August 2006. For 41 years she was an elementary school teacher and taught in Gadsden, at the Williams School in Calhoun County, at Constantine in Anniston, at Jacksonville Elementary, at Head Start in Anniston and at Norwood School in Anniston. An avid JSU supporter, she was a life member of the Alumni Association.

Capitola Stanfield Pratt,'44, Nashville, Tenn., June 2006. Mrs. Pratt had taught for 37 years and was a volunteer for 17 years at St. Thomas Hospital. The Alumni Office was notified by her daughter of her death.

Donald "Boky" McClellan,'45, Weaver, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of his death. Mr. McClellan played football for ISU.

Sara Katherine Segrest Stevenson,'45, Jacksonville, Ala., December 2006. She was a retired teacher from the Jacksonville City School System and from JSU. Mrs. Stevenson was married to Horace Stevenson, '33, a retired teacher and coach from the Jacksonville School System. He is also deceased.

Samuel Frank Morris, '46, St. Simons Island, Ga., date of death unknown.

Maye Cofield Strain,'46, Wedowee, Ala., September 2006. Mrs. Strain had been a teacher for 42 years with the Randolph County School Board and was active in the local garden club.

George Gordon "G.G." Blair,'47, Ashland, Ala., 3 November 2006. He was a longtime educator at various schools throughout Clay County; the last 28 of his 36 years in education were at Bibb Graves High School where he later served as principal. Mr. Blair was an Army Air Force veteran of WWII, serving in battles in Europe, and was awarded numerous decorations and citations for his service and valor. He was a successful cattle rancher and timber producer, elected the first president of the Clay County Cattlemen's Association, and instrumental in establishing catfish production in Clay County.

Eunice Ramona Haynes Cooley,'49, Wedowee, Ala., 6 October 2006. Mrs. Cooley was a longtime educator in Calhoun County.

Eula May York McCurdy,'49, Ider, Ala., 26 November 2006. Mrs. McCurdy had taught for 38 years at Ider Elementary School. She also served as church clerk at Macedonia Primitive Baptist Church for 60 years.

Marzell Culberson Motley,'49, Huntsville, Ala., 12 October 2005. Mrs. Motley had taught in the Huntsville City Schools for a year. She then served as personal secretary to General John Medaris, commander of the U.S. Army Ordnance Missile Command at the beginning of the space program in Huntsville. She left federal service and served as church secretary for

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Faith Presbyterian Church for 17 years before returning to federal service and retiring in 1993. Mrs. Motley was married for 39 years to Charles E. Motley, '49, prior to his death in 1989. She was a member of the ISU International House Program.

1950-59

Floyd M. Clark, Jr.,'50, Anniston, Ala., 8 September 2006. He was retired from A.G. Edwards & Son, Inc. as vice president and branch manager of the Anniston office. Mr. Clark was also a WWII veteran and served in the Air Force.

Lois Stoddard Lyon,'50, Arab, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of her death. She was married to William Beamon Lyon, '49, also deceased.

O. M. Nix,'50, Bessemer, Ala. He played baseball for ISU.

Nell B. Still,'50, Fort Payne, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of her death.

Thelma Gaines Anderson,'51, Anniston, Ala., 5 October 2006. A Navy veteran, she was also retired from the Anniston Army Depot with 42 years of service..

Kathryne Walker Gardner,'51, Anniston, Ala., 22 June 2006. Mrs. Gardner had been employed by the Calhoun County Board of Education.

Peggy Stevens O'Berg,'51, Yuba City, Calif. The Alumni Office was notified by a family member of her death. She was a retired teacher.

Hugh Pinckney "Peasoup" O'Shields,'51/'70, Oneonta, Ala., 7 January 2007. A WWII veteran, Coach O'Shields played football for JSU. He coached football, track and basketball for 32 years at Cleveland and Oneonta, and his teams won state championships in football, track and cross country. Coach O'Shields was inducted into the Alabama High School Hall of Fame, the JSU Sports Hall of Fame and the Blount and Dekalb County Sports Hall of Fame. He was married to Ruby Letherwood O'Shields,'51, who is a retired principal with the Oneonta City Board of Education.

Harry Calvin Howell, Jr., '53, Gadsden, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of his death.

James W. "Shag" Richey, '53/'60, Ashville, Ala., 28 July 2006. A standout basketball player in high school and junior college, he

earned a scholarship to play for JSU. He served as captain both seasons and led the team in scoring as a junior with 349 points. His most memorable moment in playing at JSU was when the team defeated the famous University of Alabama Rocket Eight 67-64. Mr. Richey was recognized by JSU as one of its top 100 athletes in the school's first 100 years. He was inducted into the JSU Hall of Fame 1990-91. He was also inducted into the Dekalb County Sports Hall of Fame and the St. Clair County Sports Hall of Fame. Mr. Richey served as head basketball coach at Sylvania, taught at Centre, and served as principal at Ashville High before being elected superintendent of education for St. Clair County. His wife, Elvelier "Vecie" Shanks Richey, '55, was also a longtime educator before her retirement. She said, "He has given us a sense of a life well spent, a time on earth well spent, and a heritage of lasting meaning."

Vivian B. "V.B." Ward,'53, Rockford, Ala., 29 November 2006. Mr. Ward was a member of the JSU basketball team and was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program. He served in the Army in the Korean Conflict. He retired from the National Guard with the rank of lieutenant colonel. Mr. Ward was employed by the Coosa County Board of Education for 32 years. He served as principal of Richville and Rockford Schools.

Florence S. Burkhalter,'54, Higdon, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office that she is deceased.

Altha Thompson DeLoach,'54, Montgomery, Ala., 7 September 2006. She taught school in Etowah County for 26 years.

Dr. Lester Mitchell Sims,'55, Trussville, Ala., 1 June, 2002. A WWII veteran, he served as a naval aviator. Dr. Sims was a longtime educator, recently retiring as Director of Educational Services at Medical Center East. He also served for several years as Dean of Business Affairs at Jefferson State

Charles E. Keel,'57, Cullman, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of his death.

Community College.

Lindell L. Cummins,'58/'72, Hueytown, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of his death.

Helen Fry Davidson,'58, Gadsden, Ala., 16 November 2006. Mrs. Davidson had taught at and retired from Emma Sansom High School with many years of service.

Eugene Franklin Johnson,'58/'62, Jacksonville, Ala., 23 November 2006. Mr. Johnson was an Army veteran. He taught chemistry, biology, and science at Alexandria High School for 28 years.



Ethel Boatner Reaves, '58/'65/'69, Jacksonville, Ala., 29 July 2006. Mrs. Reaves retired from ISU where she taught English from 1969 to 1984. She was a published author, prolific gardener, gracious

hostess, and locally renowned artist. Mrs. Reaves was a member of Phi Mu Sorority at ISU.

Charlie Hugh Rice,'58, Jacksonville, Ala., 6 December 2006. He was retired from the Oxford City Board of Education where he served as principal at Oxford Elementary School.

Ottis Lee Williamson,'58, Gadsden, Ala., 22 December 2006. He had served as an executive with Compass Bank. Mr. Williamson was active with the Baptist Campus Ministry and was a cheerleader at ISU.

Edgar Boyd,'59, Cleveland, Tenn. He was a member of the JSU Southerners.

Billy G. Howell,'59, Pell City, Ala., 31 December 2006. Mr. Howell was an Air Force veteran. He spent his entire 34-year career as an educator in St. Clair County, serving as a teacher at Iola Roberts and Pell City High, counselor at Duran Junior High, principal at the former Pell City Intermediate School (now Walter M. Kennedy), and also at Pell City High. He went on to coordinate the trade and industrial program at Pell City High. He then served as principal at Ragland High and completed his career as a supervisor with the St. Clair County Board of Education.

Wallace E. Hudgins,'59, Lincoln, Ala., 30 January 2007.

Forrest Carter Tate,'59, Anniston, Ala., 2 September 2006. He was a WWII veteran, serving in the Army during the Korean War. He was a civilian chemist at Robins Air Force Base in Warner Robins, Ga., and at Anniston Ordnance Depot in Anniston from where he retired. In 1978, he received a Special Achievement Award for sustained Superior Performance from the Department of the Air Force.

1960–69

Edna Moore Brown,'60/'66, Jacksonville, Ala., 25 September 2006. Mrs. Brown taught English for 24 years at Jacksonville High School.

John Winfred Fox,'60, Montgomery, Ala., 4 October 2006. Mr. Fox was an Army veteran and had been commissioned through the ISU ROTC program. He had operated the Hackneyville Country Store for many years and was currently a self-employed car dealer.

John H. Dunlap, '61, Birmingham, Ala. Doris T. Paslay Standridge,'61,

Jacksonville, Ala., 17 October 2006. She was the guidance counselor at Jacksonville High from 1962 to 1989.

Rayford E. Talley,'62, Cullman, Ala., 8 September 2006, of pancreatic cancer. He played football at JSU and was commissioned through the university's ROTC program. He began his legendary coaching career at Bibb County before going to Cullman to coach junior high and then the varsity team. He then coached at Falkville and Hanceville until he retired in 1989, leading the team to three appearances in the state semifinals as well as many playoffs. Mr. Talley coached for over 30 years.

Virginia Hall Whiteside,'62, Rabbittown Community, Ala., She was a retired elementary school teacher at Weaver Elementary.

Robert F. Blumhagen,'63/'64, Columbus, Ga., died in 1995. The Alumni Office was recently notified by his wife

Helen of his death. William O. "Billy" Chitwood,'63, Dearmanville, Ala. He was a former English Literature Professor at ISU.

Thomas Brindley Coggin,'63, Cullman, Ala., 24 July 2006. A former Morgan County circuit judge, Mr. Coggin died in a plane crash. He was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program and served in the Army Corps of Engineers during which time he wrote groundbreaking computer programs in accounting and tax reporting. He was also a farmer and enjoyed woodworking. He loved flying and volunteered for Angel Flights to transport sick children to treatment centers.

Posie Eugene Price,'63, Cumming, Ga. Ival M. White,'63, Logan, Ala., 13

January 2007. She taught in Cullman County at Arkadelphia, Dowling and Cold Springs, finishing at Logan where she retired in 1984.

Terry Joe Brown,'64, Gardendale, Ala., 4 July 2006. He was a retired Air Force Captain and was employed as an insurance claims supervisor with AIGA.

Robert Luther Morton,'64,/'72/'83, Montgomery, Ala., 1 August 2006. He played baseball for JSU and was commissioned through the ROTC program. Mr. Morton had been employed by the State Department of Education. The Alumni Office was notified by his daughter of

Nancy Tuck Nabors, 64, Moody, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of her death. Mrs. Nabors was a member of the Baptist Campus Ministry at JSU.

Ruth Boggs Taylor,'64/'67'/68, Jacksonville, Ala., 20 October 2006. She retired from the Calhoun County School System in 2000 with 35 years of service as an English teacher. She most recently taught at Pleasant Valley High School. Mrs. Taylor also taught part time at Gadsden State Community College at McClellan, and at JSU.

Rita Jo Strickland Gilbreath,'65, Crossville, Ala., 17 July 2006. Mrs. Gilbreath was a retired elementary school teacher from Crossville who also taught adult education in Albertville.

Linda Ann Kilgore Williams,'65,

Cohutta, Ga., 12 December 2005, of cancer. She also earned her master's degree from the University of Tennessee at Chattanooga and her Ed.S. Degree from Lincoln Memorial University. Mrs. Williams taught at Moreland Elementary in Coweta County (Ga.) and at Cohutta Elementary and Varnell Elementary in Whitfield County (Ga.). She is survived by her husband, James V. Williams, '64, three children and eight grandchildren.

Helen McCord Thompson,'66, Alexander City, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of her death.

Carol Hand Stringer,'67, Rainbow City, Ala., 9 January 2007. Mrs. Stringer was a member of the JSU Marching Ballerinas. She taught at Etowah County Alternative High School and retired from there after 27 years

Roberta Haynes Paul,'69, Birmingham, Ala., 9 June 2006.

1970-79

Rodney Victor Allred, '70/'80, Rome, Ga., 18 December 2006. Mr. Allred was an Army Vietnam veteran. He also served in Cambodia, Okinawa, and Germany. Mr. Allred was an educator retired from the Chattooga County (Ga.) Board of Education.

Louis P. Botta, Jr., '71, Birmingham, Ala., 18 June 2006. Mr. Botta served in the Army National Guard. He was employed in sales at ICJ Shoes in Tarrant.

Warren Lee Matthews,'71, Bluffton, S.C. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of his death.

Carol Davis Gossett,'72/'79, Centre, Ala., 11 January 2007. She was a retired teacher with the Cherokee County Board of Education, having taught elementary school for 34 years.

Jeanette Burke Miller Edwards,'72, Montgomery, Ala., 1 September 2006. She taught history and political science at Westminster Christian School in Gadsden for 18 years.

Eva Mae Lee Hinton,'72, Huntsville, Ala., 15 September 2006. Mrs. Hinton retired from the Huntsville City School System in 1983.

Gladys Carson Williams West,'72, Hoover, Ala., 20 December 2006. Mrs. West served as librarian at JSU, at Fort McClellan, and with at the Elba Public Library.

Mitchell Clinton Barron,'73, Oxford, Ala., 19 August 2006. He was very active in his Masonic Lodge.

Opal Williams Coffey, 73, Albertville, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of her death.

Donald Frank Gilmore,'73, Anniston, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of his death. Mr. Gilmore was a member of the International House Program at JSU and was commissioned through the ROTC program.

John Glenn Hardy,'73/'77, Sylacauga, Ala., December 2005. He was a member of the ISU cross country team. Mr. Hardy was chair of the School of Business at ITT. He also taught for several years at Auburn University-Montgomery.

Sandra "Sandy" Kaye Hipps Meadows,'73, Homewood, Ala., 12 July 2006. Although she began her career with Compass Bank, Mrs. Meadows spent most of her career with the United States Postal

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Service working with postal security in the main branch in downtown Birmingham.

Ronnie F. Drake, 74, Leesburg, Ala., 15 June 2006. He was the owner of Leesburg Citgo gas station.

Vickie Griffin Crawford,'74/'79, Athens, Ala., September 2006. She taught school at Elkmont and then served as the librarian for Athens Middle School.

Terry F. Pruitt, 775, Gadsden, Ala. The Alumni Office was informed by the post office of his death.

Hoyt Dewayne Cabaniss, 76, Sylacauga, Ala., 2 July 2006. A former Sylacauga councilman, he was retired from Kimberly Clark with 35 years of service. While there, he served as president of Labor Union 595. In 1973, Mr. Cabaniss was appointed an auxiliary State Trooper by the late Governor George Wallace, who also appointed him sheriff of Talladega County. He also served as a bodyguard to Governor Wallace during his presidential campaign. He served on the state Board of Equalization under Sen. Howell Heflin and Congressman Bill Nichols.

Wayne Tyree,'76, Nances Creek, Ala., 31 December 2006. Mr. Tyree was retired from Fort McClellan. He was employed with the city of Oxford as an Inspector. Mr. Tyree was president of the North Alabama Saddle Club Association and an active member of the Big Oak Saddle Club. He also was past president of the Circle C Saddle Club.

Willie Ed Heard, 777, Oxford, Ala., 12 November 2006.

Betty C. Newell,'77, Gadsden, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of her death. Ms. Newell was a teacher with the Etowah County Board of Education.

Marsha Morrison Burttram,'78/'87, Gadsden, Ala., 8 January 2007. She was a lifelong teacher in Alabama at schools in Gadsden, in Russellville and in Marshall County.

Dianne Allen Boozer,'78, Alexandria, Ala., 8 September 2006. She was a retired contracting specialist with 22 years of service at Anniston Army Depot.

Edith Queen Jennings Elston,'78, Anniston, Ala., 21 January 2007. Mrs. Elston was a cheerleader for JSU. She was retired from the Talladega County Board of Education.

Kenneth Dale Hill, '78, Fyffe, Ala., 9 June 2006. A Vietnam and Desert Storm veteran, Mr. Hill served in the Air Force and in the

Army National Guard. He retired after 18 years of service. The Alumni Office was notified by his wife of his death.

James Donald Reid,'78, Hoover, Ala., 22 June 2006. He was a veteran of the U. S. Army Special Forces (Green Berets) and was the recipient of numerous meritorious medals and decorations during his years of service.

J. C. Williams,'79, Bessemer, Ala.

1980-89

Janice Whisenant Hinds,'80/'82, Macon, Ga. The Alumni Office was notified by the post officeof her death.

Glenda Roe Rice,'80, Gadsden, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office that she is deceased.

Jimmy Peppers, '81, Boaz, Ala. Jan Watson Waid, '83, Pelham, Ala., 10 January 2006. The Alumni Office was notified by her parents that she is deceased.

Willard Ralph Summerlin III,'88, Huntsville, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of his death.

1990-99

Max Veldon Knight,'90, Boaz, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of his death.

John Mitchell Jenkin,'91, Denmark, S. C. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of his death.

Linda Gail Roberson, '91, Northport, Ala. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of her death.

Akbar Karrien Mitchell,'92, Seaside, Calif. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of his death. He was a member of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity at JSU.

Lt. Col. William Anthony Westendick,'92, Tallavana, Fla., 10 January 2007. He was retired from the U.S. Army after 29 years of service.

Felicia Amanda Watkins, '93, Gadsden, Ala., 9 September 2006.

Jean Young Lanterman, '95, Marietta, Ga., 19 January 2006. Mrs. Lanterman was employed as a registered nurse at Kennestone Hospital. She had been a member of the JSU Southerners. The Alumni Office was notified by her mother that she had died January 2006.

Marcus Adam Wright,'97, Southside, Ala., 19 November 2006. He had worked as a nurse in numerous hospitals across the state and was currently the administrator of the Long Term Care Hospital in Tuscaloosa.

Alice P. Doyle,'99, Atlanta, Ga., 25 December 2005. She was a devoted JSU fan and life member of the JSU Alumni Association. The Alumni Office was notified by her family of her death.

2000-06

Pamela Delores Ware,'00, Fairburn, Ga. Norman Isdore Carrin,'04, Jacksonville, Ala., 28 September 2006. Mr. Carrin was an Air Force veteran. He taught as a graduate assistant at JSU and worked as a resident assistant. He was very active in community service.

Lei Jin,'04, Alpharetta, Ga. The Alumni Office was notified by the post office of her death.

Jeannie A. Coffey Morgan, '04, Glencoe, Ala., 1 August 2006.

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Kory Chapman, Millbrook, Ala., a standout football player at JSU who finished his two-year career with 1637 rushing yards and 12 touchdowns and set the single game rushing record with 298 yards on 29 carries (against Tennessee Martin) as a senior, has made the Indianapolis Colts' roster. Mr. Chapman, who helped JSU to win the 2003 Ohio Valley Conference Championship, was one of only four running backs retained by the Colts.

Pamela B. Stinson, White Plains, Ala., former Executive Secretary to the Vice President for Institutional Advancement at JSU has been named Executive Secretary to the President of JSU, Dr. William A. Meehan. Mrs. Stinson has worked for JSU for the last 20 years. Before coming to JSU, she was a legal secretary for attorneys in Anniston at the firm of Merrill, Porch, Doster & Dillon for J. Todd Caldwell, and for Bolt, Isom, Jackson & Bailey. Both of her daughters attend JSU.

1959 and Before

E. C. "Baldy" Wilson,'49, Glencoe, Ala., was inducted into the Etowah County Sports Hall of Fame in January 2007. He was a

four-year basketball and two-year football letterman in high school. After serving in the Army, he was a three-year football and oneyear basketball letterman at Jacksonville State. He coached football at Glencoe High (1949-67), earning 13 winning seasons, competed in seven Etowah County post-season games and won the Charity Bowl in 1966 and 1967. He also coached the basketball team (1950-65), winning five county titles and earning a trip to the state tournament in 1957. Mr. Wilson was named "State All-Star Coach" in 1959, and in 1967, he was named "Etowah County Coach of the Year." He served as superintendent of Etowah County Schools, 1976-84. He was chosen JSU's Alumnus of the Year in 1987. From 1996 to 1999, Mr. Wilson was inducted into the Patriot's Hall Of Honor, Alabama High School Sports Hall of Fame, and the JSU Gamecock Hall of Fame. Both a city park in Glencoe and the football stadium at Glencoe High have been renamed in his honor. Mr. Wilson has also served on the ISU Alumni Association's Board of Governors.

1960-1969

Fred Allen Greer,'62, Sumiton, Ala., a special education teacher, was recently selected Walker High School's Teacher of the Year for his extraordinary work as an educator. He has been an educator for over 20 years and has been in special education at Walker High for the last eight years. Commissioned through JSU's ROTC program, Mr. Greer served three years in the Army Signal Corps at the Panama Canal. He remained in the Army Reserves and Alabama National Guard for almost 30 years, retiring as a lieutenant colonel.



▲ Linda (Thrower/Searway) Rainwater,'64/'68, Lorton, Va., a former professor of English at JSU for 19 years, has written her first novel, THE SECOND

MILAGRO, published in 2006. It is a suspense tale of corporate espionage, kidnapping, and forgotten love. Recently featured and praised in the New York Times Christmas Book Review, the story takes the reader from the red dirt roads of Alabama to the silver mines of Mexico. It is available at local bookstores and online (www.amazon.com) and is available in CD, MP3 CD, and cassette versions. Visit Mrs. Rainwater's website at www.lindarainwater.com. She was a member of Alpha Xi Delta Sorority at JSU.

Rev. Bobby H. Welch,'65, Ormond Beach, Fla., retired in August 2006 as pastor of First Baptist Church in Daytona Beach, Fla., after 32 years. He is currently completing his second one-year term as president of the Southern Baptist Convention. He plans to stay in the church and will become pastor emeritus, giving assistance to the new senior pastor. Rev. Welch was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program and played football for JSU. He served in Vietnam and left the Army with the rank of captain. He also became a Paratrooper, Ranger, Jungle Expert and Green Beret, receiving the Bronze Star with "V" device for bravery, Purple Heart, Air Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, and other decorations. Rev. Welch was selected as JSU's 2004 Alumnus of the Year.

Ruth Gunter Mitchell, 67/82, Eastaboga, Ala., retired Calhoun County teacher and wife of Gordon E. Mitchell, '66/'75, retired superintendent of the Calhoun County Board of Education, has published her first novel, Nothing But the Blood. The novel is set in Calhoun County and is available through her website, www. ruthguntermitchell.com, or from amazon. com, Waldenbooks.com or booksurge.com. Mr. and Mrs. Mitchell's daughter, Tonya Mitchell Reid,'91, is a psychometrist for the Etowah County Board and Education and daughter, Audrea Mitchell Blevins,'05, teaches at Shelby County Elementary School.

Judy Craddock Andrews,'68, Sylacauga, Ala., retired from teaching (after 32 years) in May of 2000. She is now working at her church (First Baptist of Sylacauga) as music secretary and church pianist. She also accompanies the senior high choir and is director of the younger children's choir. Mrs. Andrews was a member of the JSU Marching Ballerinas.

Jennifer A. Brown,'69, Eclectic, Ala., has been named dean of Auburn University Montgomery's School of Education. She previously served as dean and graduate coordinator for the School of Education. Ms. Brown has been employed at AUM for 30 years.

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Ginger Rich Adkins,'70/'78, Albertville, Ala., has taught economics at Snead State Community College for 24 years. She is an advisor to the Phi Beta Lambda Club at Snead State. In June 2006, she attended Phi Beta Lambda's national conference in Nashville and received an award for 20 years of working with the club.

Verna Jay Law Noah,'70, Piedmont, Ala., is teaching at Jacksonville Christian Academy. She has been an educator for over 30 years.

Louis Phil Ray, '70, Rome, Ga., was selected as one of the more than 100 principals throughout the state to be named Georgia High Performance Principals by the governor's and state superintendent's office. He previously taught and coached at Piedmont, Ala. for six years, was principal and coach at Boaz for 24 years and served as assistant principal at Pepperell High School in Georgia for a year before becoming principal, where he has served for the past four years. Mr. Ray is married to Lynda Naugher Ray,'69.

Ira Roland Houston,'75, Anniston, Ala., is now head football coach at Jacksonville High School. He previously served as teacher and coach at Oxford High, Childersburg, and Weaver and was an offensive line coach and defensive coordinator for the ISU football team.

Larry Archer,'72, Russellville, Ala., has joined the Bank Independent as area president for the Franklin County area. He has 33 years of banking experience, having most recently served as senior vice president for Hometown Bank of Alabama in Oneonta.

Myron K. "Kent" Anderson,'72, Sewanee, Tenn., has been selected by Cowboys & Indians Magazine and WORDHARVEST as winner of the annual Tony Hillerman Writers Conference mystery short story contest. His story, "Going Back...To Where You Wanted To Be In The First Place," was published in the March 2007 issue of Cowboys & Indians. Mr. Anderson serves as Assistant U.S. Attorney for the Eastern District of Tennessee. His story was chosen from more than 266 entries received from professional and amateur writers throughout the United

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States., England and Canada. He was a member of the JSU International House Program.



▲ Jeff McCool, '73, Daphne, Ala., is employed as a public health environmental supervisor with the Alabama Department of Public Health, Seafood Branch, Mobile, Ala. He was awarded the Environmentalist of the Year for the State of Alabama by the Alabama Environmental Health Association for exemplary service to the State of Alabama and its citizens. Mr. McCool played baseball for JSU.

Linda Walters Burdette,'74, Anniston, Ala., has been named chief executive officer (CEO) at Stringfellow Memorial Hospital. She spent 18 years as chief operating officer at Stringfellow and served as interim CEO until her appointment in December 2006.

Harold E. Oakes,'74, Montgomery, Ala., has been promoted by Alfa Insurance to regional vice president of claims managing Alfa's Southern District (southern half of Alabama and state of Mississippi). Mr. Oakes has been with Alfa since 1977, starting as an adjuster.

David A. McPherson,'74, Columbus, Ga., retired in March of 2006 after reaching the rank of colonel in the Alabama Army National Guard and serving full time for more than 25 years. His total military service exceeded 31 years. In his final assignment, Col. McPherson served as garrison commander of the Ft. McClellan ARNG Training Center in Alabama. He is married to Angie Ledbetter McPherson,'82/85, and now works as a Department of Defense contractor. Mrs. McPherson serves as the principal at Stowers Elementary School at Ft. Benning, Ga. Col. McPherson was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program. He was also a member of Delta Chi Fraternity at JSU.

James Camp, 75, Tarrant, Ala., was promoted to the rank of colonel on 6 October 2006 in a ceremony at Madigan Army Medical Center, Fort Lewis, Washington, where he currently serves as laboratory manager. Col. Camp has served in the Army reserves and on active duty for a total of 34 years.

Leland M. Fuller,'76, Talladega, Ala., has been appointed the new general manager for the Coosa Valley Electric Cooperative. He has served for nearly 24 years as the cooperative's chief financial officer and human resources manager.

P. Edward Gettys, Jr., '76, Stevenson, Ala., is a new teacher at Scottsboro Junior High. Mr. Gettys played tennis for JSU.

Joni Roberson Baker, '76, Talladega, Ala., is Director of the Child Nutrition Program for the Talladega City Schools. The schools' nutrition program was recently showcased in the Fall 2006 issue (Number 25) of *Hot Topics: A Newsletter for the Foodservice Industry From Hatco Corporation*.

Leon DeHaven,'76, Tempe, Ariz., retired 3 July 2006 after more than 36 years of Federal service, having started his career at 17 as an Army cook. In November 2004, upon retirement from the Army Reserves as a lieutenant colonel, he was awarded the Legion of Merit. After law school, he was a law clerk in the U.S. Attorney General's Office in San Diego, Calif. Mr. DeHaven has worked for the Social Security Administration, Internal Revenue Service, and Defense Logistics Agency. In 1999, he became an asylum officer for Legacy INS and now USCIS, where he conducted affirmative interviews and Asylum Prescreening Interviews in California and Arizona. Mr. DeHaven has done refugee processing in Cuba, Haiti, and six African countries.

Judith Johnson Haley, 76, Acworth, Ga., has joined Bayer Properties LLC's design and construction division as administrative assistant in pre-development providing support to the senior vice president and other team members.

John "Kirk" Giles,'77, Gurley, Ala., has been promoted to captain with the Huntsville Police Department. He has been with the department since joining its Ranger program in 1972 and becoming an officer in 1977. apt. Giles is also a graduate of the prestigious FBI National Academy in Quantico, Va.

Gary H. Tate,'77, Birmingham, Ala., has been promoted to the position of clinical administrator with Behavioral Health

Systems, Inc.. Mr. Tate has been employed with the Birmingham company for more than six years.

Jeffrey K. Stout,'78/'80, Dothan, Ala., has been promoted to president of SunSouth Bank. He previously served as president of another local bank in Dothan. Mr. Stout will also become the bank's senior lender, concentrating on commercial and real estate lending. He was a member of Kappa Alpha at JSU.

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Brenda Lindley Anderson,'81, Huntsville, Ala., recently received a Special Service Award from NASA. Mrs. Anderson works at Marshall Space Flight Center in Huntsville. The award was presented for outstanding effort in identifying Ares Upper Stage Preliminary Hazards and in supporting the Launch Abort System concept study and requirement development. "Ares" is the new launch vehicle which will be pressed into service upon the retirement of the shuttle fleet in 2010. Mrs. Anderson works on vehicle integration in the preliminary design of the Ares launch system.

Honor Mosley Bell, Sr.,'81, Pensacola, Fla., was recently presented the President's Volunteer Service Award by President George W. Bush in person. Mr. Bell is the founding chair of 12 volunteer programs in Pensacola and is a one-on-one mentor in the Escambia County (Fla.) School District. He is also a member of the Governor's Commission on Volunteerism and Community Service. These volunteers are designated as USA Freedom Corps Greeters.

Robert Luther Phillips,'81/'87, Anniston, Ala., is now teaching at Kitty Stone Elementary School in Jacksonville, Ala. He has been an educator since 1981 in the Calhoun County area. Mr. Phillips is married to Laura Albright Phillips,'92, principal of The Donoho School (Lower division).

Vanessa A. Jackson Austin,'82, Harvest, Ala., owns and manages Austin's Bookkeeping Service and CABBIT Designs in Harvest. She loves writing poetry and has had a book recently published. *Live On: Inspirational Poems & Quotes* is now available through AuthorHouse (www.authorhouse.com).

Arthur Donald "Donny" Jones,'82/'89, Collinsville, Ala., is the new principal at Collinsville School. Mr. Jones was serving as interim principal at the school. He has more than 23 years of educational experience with 16 of those years at Collinsville School.



Left to Right: Mr. Brewer; Dr. Ed Meadows, President of Lurleen B. Wallace Community College; and Harold Johnson, former Chemistry and Science Instructor at Snead State Community College.

▲ Johnny C. Brewer, '83, Boaz, Ala., is an instructor of speech communications at Snead State Community College. He recently attended the 7th Annual Alabama Master Teacher Seminar, an honor in itself because the selection process for seminar participants is very competitive among Alabama's most outstanding two-year college instructors. Mr. Brewer has over 22 years as an educator. He was chosen "Glencoe Teacher of the Year" in 1993 when he was band director at Glencoe High. In 1999, he was selected "Academic Faculty of the Year" for Snead State and was nominated for the Alabama College System Chancellors' Top Educator Award. In 2003, he was honored with the first "Educator of the Year" award from the Boaz Chamber of Commerce. Mr. Brewer is also well known for his local theatre productions, receiving the Whole Backstage (Theatre) Lifetime Achievement Award in 1998.

Charlie L. Boren,'83, Bessemer, Ala., has been named new head football coach at St. Clair County High School. He previously was head coach at Bibb County High and has 13 years of experience as a head football coach.

Cindy Iliff Pair,'83/'86, Weaver, Ala., is now teaching at Pleasant Valley Elementary School in Jacksonville, Ala. She has 23 years of experience as an educator at Saks Elementary.

Ltc. Kevin Lancaster,'84, is currently serving in the Army at Ft. Lewis, Wash., and is on the list for promotion to full colonel this year. He is married to Joan Teresa Williams

Lancaster,'83, who is retired from the Army Nurse Corps and is now serving as a critical care nurse at Madigan General Hospital at Ft. Lewis.

Kristi Page Martin,'84, Birmingham, Ala., has been promoted to clinical administrator with Behavioral Health Systems, Inc. Ms. Martin has been with the company for seven years. She previously worked with Bradford Health Services and C.E.D. Mental Health Center.

Phil E. Sanford,'84, Woodstock, Ga., has been promoted to director of technology at Customer Business Solutions, an independent company funded by The Coca-Cola Company. Mr. Sanford joined Coca-Cola Enterprises in 1990.

Steven Tyndall,'84, Peachtree City, Ga., has begun his 22nd year as a professional music educator. He has been at Rising Star Middle School, Fayetteville, Ga., for 10 years where his symphonic band has consistently received superior ratings at district level Bands of America Large Group Performance Evaluation. Mr. Tyndall was a member of the JSU Southerners as well as the former Spirit of Atlanta (now Spirit of JSU) drum and bugle corps.

Ltc. Joel C. Williams,'85, Prattville, Ala., is currently attending the Army War College at Maxwell Air Force Base.

Robert "Mitch" Coby, '87, Guntersville, Ala., is the new divisional president of BancorpSouth. He has been with BancorpSouth since 2000. He is married to Laureen Smith Coby,'87/'00, a reading specialist for the Marshall County Board of Education.

Grover H. Kitchens II,'87/'89, Gadsden, Ala., was recently awarded the Chancellor's Staff Member of the Year Award in November 2006. Mr. Kitchens is bookstore manager and political science instructor at Snead State Community College. He also serves as president of the Etowah County Chapter of the JSU Alumni Association. Mr. Kitchens was active in the Baptist Campus Ministry at JSU and served as a peer counselor.

Susan Pfeil Harvey,'88, Anniston, Ala., is now teaching at White Plains High School. She has taught at Anniston Middle and Northside Methodist Academy.

Ltc. Mark Sullivan,'88, and his identical twin Ltc. Tim Sullivan,'88, made a bit

of history last summer when they took command of battalions at Fort Benning, Ga., within a month of each other. It is the first time identical twins have led battalions at the base in its entire history. Both were commissioned through the JSU ROTC program and served in Iraq during Operation Desert Storm in 1991. They returned from the war in Iraq in 2003. Both have earned Bronze Stars, senior parachutist badges, medals for Korean defense, Kuwait liberation, and Global War on Terrorism. Both were selected jointly as the 2006 JSU Military Alumnus of the Year and were honored at the 2006 Homecoming activities.

Darren Joseph Hamby,'89/'98, Pleasant Valley, Ala., is a new teacher at Pleasant Valley High. He previously taught at The Donoho School and at White Plains.

Teresa Johnson Ramey,'89, Lithonia, Ga., has been hired as dean of students at Francis Marion University in Florence, South Carolina. She previously served as interim dean and associate dean of students at Spelman College, assistant dean of students at Texas Tech, and has worked at Aiken Technical College, Case Western Reserve University, and the Georgia Institute of Technology.

1990-1999

Nancy Melissa Howle Dyer,'90/'96/'03, Alpine, Ala., has been named the new principal at Graham Elementary School in Talladega. She has been with the Talladega City School System for nine years. She served as assistant principal at Zora Ellis Junior High for the past four years.

Kimberly Brown McPherson,'90,

Trussville, Ala., has been named St. Clair County Administrator. She is also a certified public accountant. Mrs. McPherson's county government work experience includes serving as executive director of business and financial affairs for the Jefferson County Board of Education. Prior to that, she served as an account examiner for the State Examiners of Public Accounts and as a part-time account-

Jeff L. Smith,'90, Hazel Green, Ala., has joined First Southern State Bank as vice president and branch manager of the bank's Higdon office. He has 16 years of bank-

ing instructor at Gadsden State Community

College.

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ing experience, most recently serving as vice president and branch manager for a bank in Huntsville, Ala.

Marcia Johnson Stallings,'90/'94,

Jacksonville, Ala., is now a guidance counselor at Jacksonville High School. She previously taught in Rome, Ga., and at Anniston Middle School. She also served as a guidance counselor at Ohatchee High and Saks High.

Christopher T. Young,'90, Ocilla, Ga., is coaching and teaching at Irwin County (Ga.) High School. He has been married to a "south Georgia peach" for 13 years and they have one son.

Carolee Ausborn,'91/'06, Southside, Ala., is in her first year of teaching at Jacksonville High School. She was a member of Delta Zeta Sorority at JSU.

John R. "Ricky" Ray,'91, Gadsden, Ala., chairman and CEO of The Exchange Bank of Alabama and The Gadsden Corporation, has been elected president of the Alabama Bankers Association.

Emily Mendiola Sims,'91/'98, Weaver, Ala., is now teaching at Pleasant Valley High School. She previously taught at Jacksonville High for seven years.

Linda A. Mitchell,'92/'01, Augusta, Ga., has joined the faculty at Augusta State University as an assistant professor of social studies education in ASU's Department of Teacher Education.

Lorie Lasseter Burnett,'93/'94,

Southside, Ala., is teaching at Jacksonville High School. She has eleven years of secondary and one year of postsecondary teaching experience (JSU and Gadsden State). Mrs. Burnett was a member of the JSU Marching Ballerinas.



◀ Mark E. Harrison,'95, Fort Payne, Ala., has been named the new director of marketing and public relations for Dekalb Regional Medical Center in

Fort Payne. He will also serve in the same capacity for the Medical Center's sister hospital, Cherokee Medical Center, in Centre, Ala. He previously served as city editor for the *Times Journal* in Fort Payne. While at JSU, Mr. Harrison served as managing editor and news editor for *The Chanticleer*.

Lisa Marie Mallett,'95/'98,

Jacksonville, Ala., is now teaching at Pleasant Valley Elementary. She has eleven years of teaching experience, having previously taught at Kitty Stone Elementary. Mrs. Mallett is married to Ken Mallett, '96/'05.

Dana Hollingsworth Prickett,'95, Jacksonville, Ala., is now teaching at White Plains Elementary School. She previously taught for ten years in the Piedmont School System.

Kathy Barnes Richey, '95, Rainbow City, Ala., is teaching at Jacksonville High School. She previously taught at Ragland High, Etowah Middle, and Etowah High.

Brian L. Jett,'96/'00/'06, Fort Payne, Ala., was named principal at Williams Avenue Elementary School recently. He had served as assistant principal at the school.

Candy Fortune Seeger,'96, Jacksonville, Ala., is working as a bookkeeper in the Central Office of the Calhoun County Board of Education.

Chad Allen Hudson,'97/'04, Jacksonville, Ala., is now teaching at White Plains High School. He previously taught at Springville High and Saks High.

Pam Cranmer McElroy,'97, Weaver, Ala., is now teaching at Pleasant Valley Elementary School. She previously taught at Saks Elementary.

Gretchen Cobb Weathington,'97,

Dearmanville, Ala., is teaching at Jacksonville High School. She previously taught at Saks High School for several years.

Raymond Wayne Carden,'98, Ohatchee, Ala., was named assistant vice president of Noble Bank & Trust, Anniston, Ala. Mr. Carden played football for JSU.

Clint Kirkland,'98/'00, Huntsville, Ala., has been named vice president, commercial lending, for Colonial Bank's Huntsville Main Office. He has 12 years of banking experience, previously serving as a commercial lender and business banker at another financial institution. Mr. Kirkland was a member of the Kappa Alpha Order at JSU.

Heather M. Kusayanagi,'98, Boaz, Ala., has been named executive assistant to the director of the Gadsden Museum of Art. She previously worked as a staff writer for *The Sand Mountain Reporter* and, more recently, as

director of Sylvan Learning Centers in Boaz and Rainbow City.

Donna Moore Thompson,'98/'01,

Weaver, Ala., is now teaching at White Plains Elementary School. She previously taught at Golden Springs Elementary. Mrs. Thompson was a member of the JSU Marching Ballerinas.

Jeannie "Keri" Acevedo Kelly,'99, Birmingham, Ala., recently graduated from Cumberland School of Law. She is a magna cum laude graduate of JSU.

Derrick L. Richardson,'99,

Birmingham, Ala., serves as director of public policy for the Birmingham Regional Chamber of Commerce. He is the first African American to hold this position. Mr. Richardson has spent his career serving in various capacities in the political and legislative arenas. The Alabama Legislative Black Caucus highlighted his efforts during the 2006 legislative session with an award as a trailblazer and successful lobbyist. He was also recently profiled in the inaugural edition of Who's Who in Black Birmingham. He previously served as partner with Epps, Richardson & Associates, a Maryland-based public interest consulting firm providing services to elected officials, not for profits and private companies. In 2004, he was selected for a Congressional Internship in the D.C. office of the Honorable Artur Davis. He is also an Army veteran, completing eleven years with the Guard and Reserves, serving two rotations in Panama.

Rod L. Scott,'99/'06, Jacksonville, Ala., is in his first year as an educator and is teaching at White Plains High School.

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Stacey Holcomb Johnson,'00,

Albertville, Ala., is a licensed social worker for the Hospice of Marshall County. After recently completing a certification program, she is now qualified to act as a consultant/facilitator for grief support groups. Under her leadership, the hospice has hosted national speakers on grief, as well as bereavement programs for all ages. Mrs. Johnson was a member of Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority at JSU.

Jonathan Nix,'00, Gadsden, Ala., has been named the new head football coach at Ashville High. He previously led the Ashville Lady Bulldog softball team to a third place finish last May and has coached in several schools in Georgia.

Wesley Ginn,'01/'05, Alexandria, Ala., is now teaching at Pleasant Valley High School. He has five years of previous experience having taught at White Plains and Alexandria.

Diane Hall,'01/'03, Jacksonville, Ala., is teaching at Kitty Stone Elementary in Jacksonville. She has four years of teaching experience.

Melody Turner Holden,'01, Jacksonville, Ala., is teaching at Jacksonville High School. She has four and a half years of prior teaching experience with the St. Clair County School System.

Steven Miles,'01, Talladega, Ala., is the new operations manager at PPG Talladega for Staff Management, Inc. He previously served as the CSEPP-EMA Planner/Operations Manager for the Talladega County Emergency Management Association.

Leigha Young Burnham,'02, Silver Creek, Ga., currently teaches at Armuchee (Ga.) High School. She has been an educator since 1995 and has spent her entire teaching career in Floyd County Schools. Prior to Armuchee, Mrs. Burnham taught at Coosa High School and Model High. She was recently named Floyd County Schools "Teacher of the Year" in Rome, Ga., which put her in the running for the Georgia Teacher of the Year program.

Jocelyn E. "Josie" Connell,'02, Saginaw, Mich., was recently promoted to co-anchor the two-hour weekday morning show at WNEM-TV5, the CBS affiliate in the Saginaw area. She also won her first Emmy this year for a piece she did on teens and cell phones. While at JSU, Ms. Connell was news director for 92J (campus radio station) and served as president of SPJ. She graduated summa cum laude with a 4.0 average.

Tara Roper Hood,'02/'06, Pleasant Valley, Ala., is now teaching at Pleasant Valley Elementary School. She has four years of previous teaching experience.

Alaina Wilbanks Moore,'02, Pisgah, Ala., is the new reading coach at Rosalie Elementary School.

Monica Headrick Phillips,'02, Sylvania, Ala., is a new teacher at the Pisgah School.

John Martin Doyle,'03, Albertville, Ala., has taught and coached for more than three years at Guntersville High School.

Jordan Roland Houston,'03, Oxford, Ala., is now teaching at Jacksonville High School. He previously taught at Oxford Elementary.

Angela Elizabeth Reaves,'03, Anniston, Ala., is now teaching at White Plains Elementary School. She previously taught at Wellborn Elementary.

Erica Finch Russell,'03, Scottsboro, Ala., is a new teacher at Collins Elementary in Scottsboro.

Andrew Tarver, '03, Lincoln, Ala., was recently named as the new head varsity baseball coach at Pell City High School. He is also an assistant football coach at the school and is in his fourth year at Pell City. While at JSU, Mr. Tarver played baseball for the Gamecocks.

Michelle Allison Conner,'04/'05, Jacksonville, Ala., is teaching at Kitty Stone Elementary School. She previously served as an instructional assistant in a multihandicapped classroom. Ms. Conner was a member of the JSU Southerners.

Jonathan P. McNutt,'04, Scottsboro, Ala., is now an instructor at Caldwell Elementary School. He previously taught at D.A.R. School in Grant, Ala.

Jenny Sue Moore,'04/'06, Auburn, Ala., has been selected Five Points Elementary School's Teacher of the Year for 2006-07 in just her second year as an educator! She is currently doing postgraduate work at JSU.

Vivian "Kathan" H. Spears,'04, Jacksonville, Ala., is teaching at Kitty Stone Elementary in Jacksonville. She previously taught at Wellborn Elementary.

Clayton Jared Sprayberry, '04, White Plains, Ala., is now teaching at White Plains High School. He previously taught at schools in Carroll County (Ga.). Mr. Sprayberry played football for JSU. He is married to Kimberly Frames Sprayberry,'99.

Gaylon Tuggle,'04, Guntersville, Ala., is a coach at Guntersville High School and has been an educator for three years. He previously taught at D.A.R. High School.

Michelle E. Williams,'04, Albertville, Ala., is a teacher at Cherokee School and has been an educator for two years.

Christopher E. Boggs,'05, Fort Payne, Ala., is a new teacher at Dutton School. Mr. Boggs played football for JSU.

Kenneth "Slade" Carden, '05, Valley Head, Ala., is a new teacher at the Pisgah School.

Allison Crow,'05, Jacksonville, Ala., is now teaching at White Plains Elementary School. She previously taught at Saks Middle School. Ms. Crow was a peer counselor while at JSU.

Jennifer R. Curren,'05, Alexandria, Ala., has been hired as sales executive for The Anniston Star newspaper. She started at The Star as an advertising sales executive in the summer of 2006.

Cambrey M. Jordan,'05, Nashville, Tenn., is an online recruitment specialist selling CareerBuilder.com online recruitment products. Ms. Jordan was a member of Zeta Tau Alpha Sorority at JSU and was a student assistant with the JSU Alumni Office. She currently serves as president of the Middle Tennessee JSU Alumni Chapter of the JSU National Alumni Association.

Annie M. Holt,'05, Fort Payne, Ala., is the new elementary counselor at Skyline School.

2nd Lt. Bradley L. Keef,'05, Fort Payne, Ala., recently graduated from the Armor Officer Basic Course at Fort Knox, Ky. He is assigned to the 131st Armor Division, Calera, Ala. Lt. Keef was commissioned through the ISU ROTC program.

Melinda McDonald,'05, Jacksonville, Ala., is in her first year as a teacher and is at Pleasant Valley Elementary School.

Ronnie H. Preston, Jr., '05, Pleasant Valley, Ala., is in his first year as a teacher and is at Pleasant Valley High School. He was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program.

Jennifer Hamilton Reaves,'05, Weaver, Ala., is in her first year of teaching at White Plains Elementary School.

Amanda "Mandi" Reynolds,'05, Jacksonville, Ala., is a staff writer for The Piedmont Journal. She previously was employed by The Daily Home in Talladega where she was a copy and design editor.

Jeff D. Tubbs,'05, Scottsboro, Ala., is a new teacher at Scottsboro Junior High School.

Robert Lawrence Cochran,'06, Jacksonville, Ala., is in his first year as an educator at Jacksonville High School.

Candi Lynn Cronan,'06, Piedmont, Ala., is in her first year as an educator at White Plains Elementary School.

Jesse D. Daniel,'06, Fort Payne, Ala., is a new teacher at Bryant School.

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Laura Alise Guyton,'06, Rainbow City, Ala., is in her first year of teaching at Jacksonville High School. Ms. Guyton was in the JSU A Cappella Choir.

Kim Jo Hass,'06, Scottsboro, Ala., is the part-time assistant principal and part-time band director with the Hamilton County (Tenn.) School System. She previously served as band director at Scottsboro High.

Wesley Alex Heath,'06, Hokes Bluff, Ala., is in his first year of teaching at Pleasant Valley High School.

2nd Lt. Evan M. Jamieson,'06,

Columbiana, Ala., recently was commissioned through the JSU ROTC program. He will be assigned to a specific Army corps to serve on active duty or may choose to serve in the National Guard or Reserve. He will also attend the officer basic course relating to his particular military occupational specialty or job.

Katie Orelia Johnson,'06, Alexandria, Ala., is in her first year as a teacher at Pleasant Valley Elementary School.

Susan Key Maxwell,'06, Alexandria, Ala., is in her first year as a teacher at White Plains High School.

Caroline Diane Middendorff,'06, White Plains, Ala., is in her first year of teaching at Kitty Stone Elementary School.

2nd Lt. John M. Miles,'06, Woodland, Ala., has been commissioned through the JSU ROTC program and will be assigned to either a specific Army corps on active duty or with a National Guard or Reserve unit. Lt. Miles will also attend an officer basic course relating to his military specialty or job.

Brittney Robinson Page,'06, Jacksonville, Ala., is in her first year as an educator at Kitty Stone Elementary School.

Brenda K. Davis Russell,'06,

Fredericksburg, Tex., is the new executive director and Head Start director of the Stonewall, Fredericksburg and Harper Head Start programs. Mrs. Russell has traveled the United States extensively, speaking and mentoring teenagers in the areas of problem solving, crisis, trauma, foster care, adoption, juvenile correction, and spiritual matters.

Joshua Andrew Turner, **'06**, Jacksonville, Ala., is in his first year as a educator at White Plains High School.

Kristin Wells, '06, is in her first year of teaching at White Plains High School.

Abbie Lauren Wilbanks,'06, Jacksonville, Ala., is in her first year as an educator at Jacksonville High School.

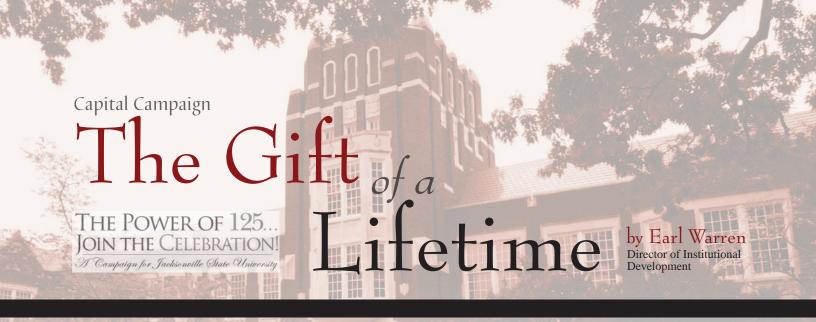
FACT:

During the fall of 2006 there were 2,007 JSU students over the age of 30.



FACT:

233 International students representing 70 countries attended JSU in the fall of 2006.



It is no secret that Jacksonville State University depends upon its alumni for support. Many of our alumni are not familiar with the appropriations process at our state capital in Montgomery, Alabama, regarding funding at state colleges and universities. Less than half of our university budget comes from state funding. As one former trustee stated, "Jacksonville State and many universities in Alabama have gone from state supported to state assisted". Therefore, it is imperative that we have strong support from alumni, and friends both public and private for Jacksonville Sate University to maintain cutting edge programs with the quality you have come to expect. For JSU to remain a first—rate institution, we must have support from our constituents.

The Department of Institutional Development plans and implements support for the Annual Fund and other special solicitations based on the identified and projected needs which support the objectives of the University.

As many of you know, the University is involved in a historic The Power of 125...Join The Celebration! Capital Campaign that began in 2004 and will conclude in 2008. This campaign offers unprecedented opportunities that will extend far into the future. The goal is \$25,000,000, and we are currently at 70 percent of reaching that goal with just under two years remaining.

The 13 projects of the Capital Campaign are vital to our campus and will continue to transform Jacksonville State University as a public teaching institution that provides educational, cultural, and social experiences for a diverse undergraduate and graduate student population.

Next year, 2008, will mark for Jacksonville State University 125 years of greatness. While we have many activities taking place between now and then to lead up to this great celebration, its only fitting that we start preparing for another 125 years of excellence. How will we do this? First and foremost, we must join together and commit ourselves to progress, to greatness, and to investing in our students and our future. Second, we must continue to involve our alumni both with inkind support and financial support. This will provide leverage when we solicit corporations and foundations who will sometimes ask what the alumni participation rate is when it comes to giving back to the university.

In most cases, if you have ever given to JSU then most likely, you have given to the Annual Fund Campaign. Our phonathon serves as a driving force, and many of the gifts made to JSU through our Annual Fund come through students speaking with alumni during our phonathon. Funds received through our Annual Fund are used where the need is greatest unless the donor earmarks it for a specific cause, i.e., College of Education, Athletics, College of Commerce and Business, just to name a few. The Power of 125...Capital Campaign is a comprehensive fund-raising effort designed to support all five colleges of Jacksonville State University as each continues to strive for excellence in its particular field.

Although both campaigns are important and critical to the success of Jacksonville State University, usually Annual Fund gifts are gifts of cash, but could be securities, pledges, etc. The Power of 125... Capital Campaign donations are most often major gifts or special gifts made over a period of time consisting of pledges, short term trusts, life insurance gifts, Charitable Remainder Trusts, and real estate, just to name a few.

Ten Good Reasons to Support the Annual Fund

The Jacksonville State University Annual Fund is more critical than ever to the continued success and excellence our alumni and constituents have come to expect. To remain competitive with other institutions of higher education, we need your support. Here are ten additional reasons why it is important:

- 1. Tuition covers less than 40 percent of the actual cost of educating a Jacksonville State University student. The resources the annual fund provides each year are one of the few sources of income bridging the gap between what tuition provides and the total operating budget. Generous alumni support strengthens the Jacksonville State experience for all students.
- 2. More than 80 percent of all students will receive some type of financial aid this year. Jacksonville State University is responding to the continued need of financial assistance for students and their families. JSU is competitively recruiting the most academically qualified students regardless of their financial circumstances.
- Annual gifts fund enable Jacksonville State University to retain and attract outstanding faculty who are the best within chosen professions.
- 4. Alumni giving rates serve as the barometer by which corporations and foundations rate alumni involvement. The results are a major consideration for these groups when deciding to make large contributions to colleges and universities.
- 5. College guidebooks such as *U.S. News & World Report*, *Barrons and Fiske* use alumni donation participation rates as the sole criterion to rate alumni satisfaction when completing overall institutional quality ratings. To move up (or maintain status) in the rankings and increase our alumni participation rate will attract quality students.

- 6. The participation rankings noted above also serve to increase the value of a degree from Jacksonville State University, thus enhancing the degrees of all JSU graduates, past, present, and future.
- 7. There are some areas that depend on support from annual gifts. Such areas include innovative academic programs, faculty and research, campus technology, and many more.
- 8. Annual giving makes a substantial impact. It would take an additional 2 million dollars in the endowment, or an additional tuition charge per student, to support what annual fund gifts provide each year.
- 9. Giving reaffirms your commitment to Jacksonville State University and its mission.
- 10. One student educated at Jacksonville State University can positively impact the lives of thousands.

These are all good, but I can't imagine where I would be if I had not attended and graduated from Jacksonville State University, a large reason in and of itself. The degree I received transformed my life and provided secure financial ground on which to build my family. This is not only a reflection of my life, but thousands of our alumni, who can attest that JSU provided a sound educational foundation for their current successes. It is my hope you will consider a charitable contribution to JSU in 2007 so this tradition of excellence may continue. -Earl Warren

Gift to JSU's ports Medicine Program

Two JSU graduates, Mike and Shelley Suco, made a wonderful gift to the "Power of 125...Join the Celebration!" capital campaign in support of



Shelley and Mike Succo with their two children Isabella and Michael Jr.

the sports medicine program. Shelley graduated in 1994 and received a BA in political science. She was a member of the Phi Mu Fraternity and served as treasurer for the student government association. Shelley was a Marching Ballerina in the Southerners, and upon graduation, worked as a buyer with Just for Feet Corporation and later went to American Wholesale Book Company. Today she enjoys being the CEO of the Suco household and spending time with their two children. Mike graduated from JSU in 1990 and received a BS in business. He was a member of the Kappa Sigma Fraternity and enjoyed his student work in athletic training. Upon graduation, Mike began his career with Ernest and Julio Gallo Wines where he held several sales and management positions in both Florida and South Carolina. Today, he is the director of marketing and key accounts for Coca-Cola Bottling Company United, Inc. in Birmingham, Ala. Mike's civic involvement has included the YMCA Corporate Board, Hispanic Business Council, Fiesta Hispanic Festival, Petroleum and Convenience Marketers Association and the Eagle Point Homeowners Board. Mike and Shelley have two children, Isabella, four, and Michael, Jr., one. They reside in Birmingham, Alabama, and are very active in Valleydale Church.

Mike's time at JSU began in athletics, and he feels supporting this area will continue excellence in athletic training. He remembers working with Jim Skidmore when there were only three or four athletic trainers in the department, which now has three full-time staff and more than twenty student workers. Mike and Shelley's commitment to this program will create new opportunities for students planning to incorporate athletic training into their activities while at JSU.

Mike was a local kid with city and university ties, and he came to me many years ago in a time when I only had three or four students helping with sports medicine coverage. He worked very hard mainly in the football, basketball, and baseball areas. On occasion, since Mike graduated, I have seen him a few times, and he never fails to have a smile on his face and a positive attitude. I am pleased to note that he has given back much more than I thought he attained when he was with us. My plans are to upgrade the athletic training area at Pete Mathews Coliseum, and this gift will certainly help jumpstart the project.

-Jim Skidmore Asst. Athletic Director, Athletic Training

JSU Honors Sperry Snow

by Renee' Robertson Development Officer

The Association of Fundraising Professionals, Greater Birmingham Chapter, celebrated National Philanthropy Day at a luncheon

on November 14, 2006. National Philanthropy Day is internationally recognized by more than 28,000 professional fundraisers in 186 chapters in the United States, Canada, Mexico, Hong Kong, and Singapore. The luncheon honored the 25 years of philanthropy that has shaped Birmingham and the surrounding communities. As members of AFP, the JSU Office of Institutional Development and University President, Dr. Meehan, took the opportunity to recognize one of our very own alumni, Sperry Snow, who has made a tremendous impact, not only as an ambassador for JSU, but also for the Birmingham community, and currently serves as the president of the JSU Foundation, Inc. The luncheon focused on individuals, volunteers, and organizations who choose to serve by giving of time, talents, and resources for the betterment of others, our communities and society as a whole. In the Birmingham Business Journal, the chairperson of the Philanthropy Day Committee, Despina Vodantis, said about the luncheon, "It honors the few who have responded the many called, who have used their blessings to bless others in need. And it is a day of hope for those in need who have found a helping hand in their time of want and sorrow."

Philanthropy Day is a national event that is recognized by more than 28,000 fundraisers. President Dr. Meehan took time to recognize our own alumni, Sperry Snow, who currently serves as President of JSU Foundation, Inc.



Ways to GIVE

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| 4 | OUTRIGHT GIFTS | Outright gifts may be in the form of cash, securities, real estate or personal property | Gifts of cash and of appreciated property will provide you with an income tax deduction for the fair market value of the gift. | The fair market value also will be applied toward the campaign goal. |
| | MATCHING GIFTS | Many companies will match gifts that their employees make to charitable organizations. A list of matching companies is available from the Foundation, or you may wish to inquire at your company to see whether it matches your charitable contributions. | You can double or even triple the impact of your gift—at no extra cost to you. | The matching gift from your company will be added to your own gift in determining the amount to be applied toward the campaign goal when you submit a completed matching gift form. (Varying restrictions may apply from some matching companies) |
| | FIVE YEAR PLEDGES | Payment of your pledge over the next five years. | You can consider a larger commitment because payments can be extended over five years. | The total value of that pledge, plus any anticipated matching gifts, may be counted toward the campaign goal. |
| | CHARITABLE GIFT ANNUITY | A contract between you and JSU Foundation for a gift in exchange for a life income. A special kind of gift annuity, called the deferred gift annuity, permits you to make a gift to JSU now in exchange for a guaranteed life income, beginning at a future date. | A charitable gift annuity provides a guaranteed fixed income for you and/or others. The amount of income you receive is based upon your age at the time you make the gift. By deferring the income, you increase both the amount of your charitable deduction and the amount of income you will eventually receive from your gift. | The gift portion of a charitable gift annuity counts at full face value toward the campaign goal. |
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| | BEQUESTS | You may include JSU in your will for a specific amount, a percentage of your estate, or a remainder gift after bequests to individuals have been paid. | Estate tax deduction for full value of your bequest to JSU. | Certain restrictions apply to counting bequests toward the campaign goal. Please consult your development officer. |

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Appreciation Day

Donor Appreciation Day Festivities

On November 11, 2006 the Institutional Development Office hosted a reception in honor of Donor Appreciation Day with more than 30 capital campaign donors back on campus. The Power of 125...Join the *Celebration!* campaign has reached over 70% of its \$25 million goal, and the university wanted to show gratitude to those who have been such a big part of that success. Donors gathered at the alumni house for a reception with fellowship, food and refreshments before the football game against Samford. University President, Dr. William A. Meehan and Head Football Coach, Jack Crowe addressed the crowd of donors to talk about the campaign and the impressive impact it has had on the university in both academics and athletics. Following the reception, the donors enjoyed watching a great football game where the Gamecocks defeated the Samford Bulldogs 55-7 and a halftime show with over 1,000 alumni marching the field in celebration of the 50th Anniversary of the Marching Southerners. Jay Whorton, Class of 1952 was a donor at the reception and he reflected on the day's festivities,

"The day was superb. In fact, each time I visit the campus, I am amazed at the progress that has occurred. With all of these exciting improvements, we as graduates and supporters of JSU need to contribute our resources and financial means to continue to make the strides we all desire."

Scholarship Students Express Gratitude

Fulfilling A Student's Dream

Emily Shierling, a senior elementary education major from Talladega, Ala., came to JSU because of our reputation for a quality education program within the College of Education and Professional Studies. For her senior year, she is the recipient of the donor-funded Elliot Trust Scholarship. "I had a great teacher when I was in elementary school who helped me through some tough times when I was young, and I have always wanted to teach and provide that kind of support for another child." says Shierling. "My scholarship has motivated me to excel in school and achieve my dream of becoming a teacher."



Emily Shierling



Emily in the classroom

Providing Opportunities for Success

Katherine Czaja, a senior accounting major from Addison, Ill., came to JSU on a softball scholarship. After two years of playing softball, she found her heart leans more toward a full-time student position than an athlete. She was the recipient of the McGhee Scholarship for non-Alabama residents for her freshman year and is currently the recipient of the King Toyota Scholarship valued around \$1300 per semester. "I am so thankful for my scholarship because it has afforded me the opportunity to enjoy my work and school without the added stress of trying to pay for my education." Katherine says she has always enjoyed math and is anxious to graduate in May and get a job in accounting.



Katherine Czaja



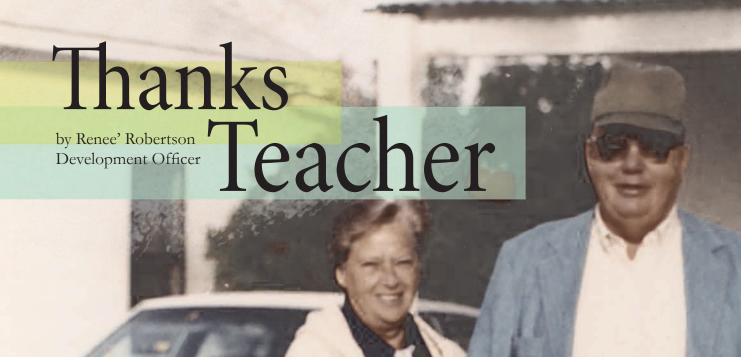
Margaret and David Copeland at Donor Appreciation Day Reception

David and Margaret Copeland have helped to provide funds for ISU's Continuing Education program through a creative gift of a life insurance policy. David received his bachelor's degree in accounting from JSU in 1962 and earned a Master's in Business Administration in 1980. From there he worked at an accounting firm in Anniston, Ala. and went on to own a practice in Gadsden. In 1985 he began working for the JSU Center for Economic Development, and in 1990 he was put in charge of starting the Continuing Education program at JSU. When he left as director of Continuing Education in 2001, the program had grown to more than 12,000 students! David's ties to JSU run deep: both of his daughters and his first wife graduated from JSU. His new wife, Margaret Relfe Copeland, is a faculty member in the English department at JSU and earned her Master of Science in Education in 1992 and a Master of Arts in 1998.

"JSU is very special to my family," David says. "Whether it was as a student, an employee, or as a parent, it has always been a pleasure to be involved with the JSU community." David chose to designate his gift to the Office of Continuing Education because he still believes strongly in its mission of providing continuous learning opportunities to enhance health, social, intellectual, and leadership qualities by extending knowledge, skills, and educational resources to the region.

How to give a gift of life insurance:

The JSU Foundation is named as both owner and beneficiary of a new or existing life insurance policy. If there are premiums yet to be paid, you pledge to reimburse JSU for those premiums. You will receive an immediate income tax deduction for any current value of the policy, and the amount of premiums is deductible as a charitable contribution. The current value of the policy, plus the amount you pledge to pay in premiums over the next five years, may be counted toward the campaign goal. If you would like further information about making a gift to JSU through a life insurance policy, please contact the Office of Institutional Development at 256-782-5605.



Catherine and Bill Peacock on their farm in Rockmart, GA.

f you can read this, thank a teacher. If you grew up in the state of Alabama, Tennessee, Georgia, Florida, South Carolina, Missouri, Wyoming, or Arizona that teacher could have been Bill or Catherine Peacock. For more than 30 years, Mr. and Mrs. Peacock lived in numerous states around the country and held many teaching roles. Students across the country were touched by their love of education.

Mrs. Peacock grew up on a farm in Riverside, Ala., and earned her teaching certificate from Judson College in Marion, Ala. She taught for six years in Pell City before deciding to enroll at JSU to earn her bachelor's degree in teaching. Her late husband, Bill Peacock, grew up in Rockmart, Ga., and played football for the University of Alabama before coming to JSU. Meeting in the College of Education at JSU in 1950, they both went on to earn a master's degree in education from Peabody College in Nashville, Tenn.

In 1986, they retired from teaching and settled on Bill's family farm in Rockmart, Ga. Their oldest son lives in Wyoming with his family and Mrs. Peacock's two grandsons. Her other two children live in Rockmart, and she stays very close to them. Mrs. Peacock recently made a wonderful contribution of \$300,000 to endow the Bill and Catherine Peacock Scholarship for students in the College of Education and Professional Studies who plan to enter the field of teaching.

Mrs. Peacock is thrilled to have the opportunity to create the scholarship in honor of her and Bill's time at JSU. "We had such a great life being able to teach and feel that we earned a great education at JSU," says Mrs. Peacock. "I wanted to be able to provide the same opportunities for students today to earn their degree in education from such a great institution."

Mrs. Peacock takes higher education opportunities very seriously. She is a former Jacksonville State University teacher education graduate with 37 years teaching experience in the public school systems in numerous states. Mrs. Peacock's generous \$300,000 scholarship contribution is substantial, and will certainly go a long way to benefit the selected applicants as they matriculate through the program. Our college considers Mrs. Peacock to be a true Gem of the Hills!

- Cynthia Harper, dean College of Education and Professional Studies



Dr. Cynthia Harper, Dean of College of Education and Mrs. Peacock



University President, Dr. William A. Meehan and Mrs. Peacock

Preston O. Wilson

Local Philanthropist by Sissy Spence • Development Officer



Preston O. Wilson was widely known as a philanthropist who donated time and money to several social and non-profit organizations throughout the state. He volunteered for the Christian Life Center, Knox Concert Series and served as chairman of the United Way's fund raising campaign. Wilson and his wife, Margaret, believed in their community, and it was demonstrated throughout their time in Anniston, Alabama. Music was also an inspiration for the Wilsons, and because of this love, Margaret donated a Steinway piano to Judson College in P.O.'s honor. Today, many enjoy performances on the Preston O. Wilson Hamburg Steinway Concert Grand Piano. Their philanthropy did not end with Judson College, where P.O. served as Trustee for more than twentythree years. Their commitment to music and academic excellence in their community was extremely important. In September 2006, the Wilsons made an extraordinary gift to the "Power of 125...Join the Celebration!" campaign at Jacksonville State University in support of the newly proposed center for musical arts. P.O. and Margaret understand that music is one of JSU's flagship programs and investing this gift will continue the excellence in music education and training for generations to come.

Preston O. Wilson, born December 12, 1911, in Seville, Georgia, and died on December 28, 2006. Many remember Mr. Wilson for his bright personality and his warm smile. His accomplishments were countless. Mr. Wilson attended Massey Business College and the University of Alabama in Birmingham. His professional career included service as an accountant and auditor and forty five years as an automobile dealer in Anniston, Ala. He was a longtime member of Parker Memorial Baptist Church, having served on numerous committees, and was a past president of the Baraca Sunday School Class. He held a record of perfect attendance during his thirty nine years of membership with the Anniston Rotary Club and was a member of the Anniston Country Club for fifty years. He was a 32nd Degree Scottish Rite of Freemasonry and a retired LTC in the U.S. Air Force, having served his country in World War II.

On behalf of Jacksonville State University, we pay a special tribute to the life of Mr. Preston O. Wilson and will be forever grateful for his remarkable generosity to our university and our community. We will forever miss his smiling face and humble service. P.O. has been an inspiration and loving supporter to me throughout our years together. I was encouraged by his dedication to his volunteer work, and he was always a delight to be around. I am excited about what is happening with JSU and the growth potential, not only for Jacksonville, but our entire community. My great-grandson is considering JSU for the fall.

- Margaret Wilson

For more information on the Power of 125...

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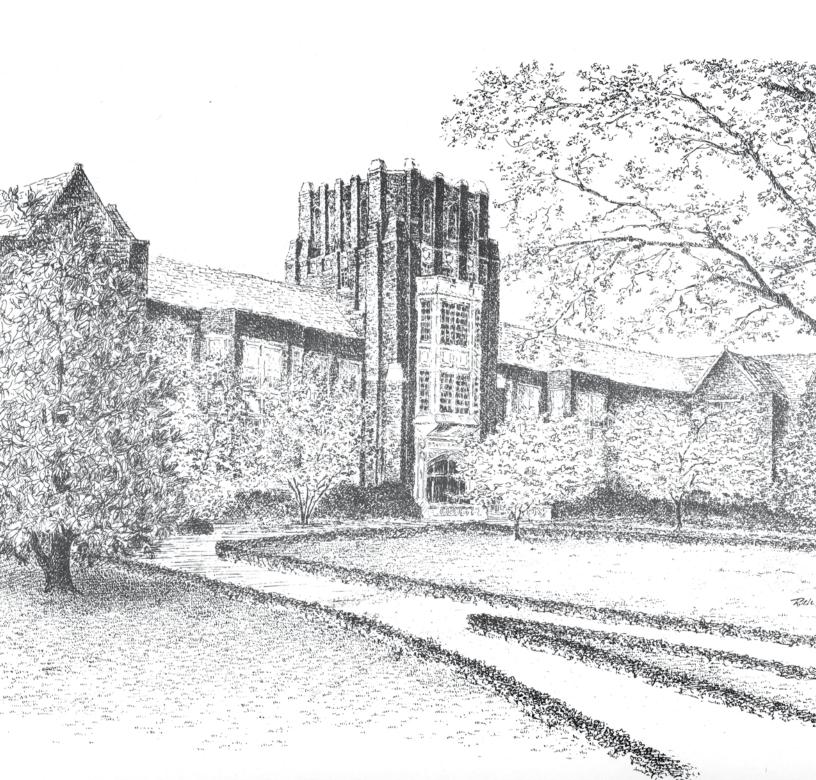


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Jacksonville State University is proud to announce that we have surpassed our goal of \$1 million in current and planned gifts for the Athletic Scholarship Endowment Program. When we started the campaign, we realized the move to Division I would require an increase in the number of athletic scholarships. The challenge was issued, and we have now surpassed our original goal. In fact, one of our contributors - Pete Mathews - established more than one athletic scholarship. The Gamecock Athletic Department now provides more than 300 scholarships for men's and women's athletics. Scholarships may be endowed through cash contributions, securities, appreciated stocks, real estate and planned giving. Assets from the Athletic Scholarship Endowment are used to reduce expenditures for the overall athletics department. Our contributors are playing a significant role in reducing the financial burden on the University for our athletic program. We appreciate very much the following people who have made current or planned gifts of at least \$50,000 in support of JSU's Athletic Scholarship Endowment.

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becoming ever more dependent on the faithful support of alumni, friends, and organizations who believe in JSU's mission. Honorary members of the Mimosa Society have contributed from \$2,500 to \$4,999 this past year. Their commitment to making Jacksonville State University the best undergraduate institution in the state of Alabama is greatly appreciated.

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Holaway (Gary and Sandra) **Scholarship:** Established by Ms. Sandra Holaway in memory of her husband Gary, former member of the Southerners and past president of the Gray Echelon. The recipient will be selected by the JSU marching band director and will go to a full-time undergraduate student who is a member of the Southerners, is enrolled in the College of Education and Professional Studies, and is majoring in early childhood or elementary education. Only students who demonstrate academic aptitude shall be eligible for this award. Recipients of the scholarship must march in the fall semester to receive the award.

Ingram Memorial Scholarship:

Established by the family of Mr. Stanton B. Ingram for the benefit of deserving students who are members of JSU's International House Program.

Jackson Company

Scholarship: An annual scholarship established by Mr. Larry Jackson for the benefit of a Saks High School (Anniston, Alabama) student who demonstrated good citizenship. The scholarship will be selected by the Saks High School Scholarship Committee.

Jenkins Scholarship: Established by Mr. Julian Jenkins, an Anniston architect, for the benefit of a JSU or transfer student who is a sophomore student or above with a designated major in art, who has demonstrated, in the opinion of the art faculty, an exceptional creative ability and dedication to the arts.

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Johnson (J.C.U) Scholarship: Established by Ms. Elizabeth

Lloyd Johnson in memory of her husband. The scholarship will benefit deserving junior, senior or graduate Students from Calhoun County majoring in education.

Jones (James H. and Myra Hume) Scholarship: Established in memory of Dr. James H. Jones and Myra Hume Jones by former members of the International House Program, friends, associates, and children of Dr. and Mrs. Jones. Award of the scholarship shall be made to a full-time undergraduate student who is a member, in good standing, of the International House Program.

Jones (Joseph C., Jr.) Memorial ROTC Scholarship: Established by Reverend and Mrs. Joseph Jones in memory of their son, Joseph, Jr. The scholarship is reserved for ROTC cadets enrolling in Military Science III or IV. Selection is made by the Professor of Military Science.

JSU Alumni Association Scholarship: An endowed scholarship established by JSU's National Alumni Association for the benefit of deserving students.

JSU Faculty Women's Club Scholarship: Established by the Faculty Women's Club of Jacksonville State University for the benefit of a deserving young lady from Calhoun County.

Justice Scholarship: Established to honor Karen A. Justice '93, upon her graduation from Jacksonville State University by family friends Bill and Liz Roberts of Birmingham, Alabama. This scholarship will benefit deserving students enrolled in the College of Nursing.

Mr. and Mrs. Steve Kendrick Scholarship: Established for a deserving JSU CCBA students who are pursuing management or accounting majors, and who are residents of the state of Alabama and who graduated from an Alabama high school. The first scholarship will be awarded in fall of 2009.

Kennamer Scholarship: Established by Bob and Lou Kennamer of Anniston, Alabama, for the benefit of a junior or senior enrolled in the College of Commerce and Business Administration.

Mr. Kennamer is a member of the Jacksonville State University Board of Trustees.

King Memorial Scholarship:

An annual scholarship established by the Greater Anniston Business and Professional Association through proceeds from the Sunny King Charity Golf Classic. The scholarship, which is established in memory of Mr. E.D. "Sunny" King, Jr., will benefit a deserving student from Calhoun County.

King Toyota Entrepreneurial Scholarship: Established in memory of Mr. E.D. "Sunny" King, Jr., a prominent Calhoun County automobile dealer, by Toyota Motor Sales U.S.A. Inc., and Southeast Toyota Distributors, Inc., for the benefit of a deserving student in the College of Commerce and Business Administration.

Knighton Memorial Scholarship: Established in memory of Ms. Audrey Knighton to benefit Social Work majors during the Field Instruction Phase of their instruction.

Kroc (Ray A.) McDonald's Scholarship: Established by Mc-Donald's of Jacksonville to benefit deserving employees attending Jacksonville State University.

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Lee (Loy Scott) Memorial ROTC Scholarship: Established by Major General (Ret.) and Mrs. Larry E. Lee of Ohatchee, Alabama, in memory of their son, Loy Scott. The scholarship is reserved for ROTC cadets in Military Science III or IV. Selection is made by the Professor of Military Science.

Lindsey Scholarship: Established by Mr. Billy S. Lindsey of Anniston, Alabama, for the benefit of a deserving student.

Longshore Memorial Scholarship: Established in memory of Mr. Morris and Ms. Essie Longshore by their daughter, Betty Longshore Cameron. The scholarship will benefit full-time undergraduate students who demonstrate academic aptitude.

Louise Rhodes Clark Scholarship: Established by Dr. Louise Rhodes Clark, who retired in 1982 as the head of the home economics department. The scholarship will benefit deserving students in family and consumer sciences.

Lovett Scholarship: Established by Mr. Opal R. and Ms. Opal A. Lovett for a deserving student majoring in history, English, or art who has achieved sophomore or higher status. Mr. Lovett was the University's photographer prior to his retirement. Ms. Lovett taught in the English department prior to her retirement. Ms. Lovett has been selected as an emeriti faculty member.

Lowery Memorial Scholarship: Established in memory of Ms. Mary L. Lowery for a deserving student in family and consumer sciences.

Madison County Alumni Association Scholarship: Established by this alumni chapter for the benefit of deserving students from

Madison County.

Manes Memorial Fund: Established through a Trust Agreement from the Agnes McIntyre Manes Foundation to assist deserving students with emergency loans.

Manners Scholarship: Established by Mr. Lee and Ms. Jetta Manners for the benefit of deserving students majoring in art. Ms. Manners worked in the Office of Admissions and Records until her retirement. Mr. Manners was head of the Department of Art when he retired. Mr. Manners has been selected as an emeriti faculty member.

Matt Morris Cheerleading Scholarship: Established in memory of Matt Morris, a JSU cheerleader who lost his life in an automobile accident. Scholarship will benefit a deserving JSU cheerleader.

McBride (Grady E., III)

Memorial ROTC Scholarship: Established by JSU ROTC commissionees of years '68 and '69 in memory of Grady McBride, '68, who was killed in action in Vietnam. The scholarship is reserved for ROTC cadets enrolling in Military Science III or IV. Selection is made by the Professor Military Science.

McClendon (Eloise Y.) Memorial Scholarship: Established in memory of Mrs. Eloise Y. McClendon, a former JSU Foundation board member for the benefit of deserving students.

McNabb (Jerry W.) Memorial ROTC Scholarship: Established by classmates in memory of Jerry McNabb, '59, who was killed in action in Vietnam. The scholarship is reserved for ROTC cadets enrolling in Military Science III or IV. Selection is made by the professor of Military Science.

McSpadden Scholarship: Established by Mr. and Mrs. Clyde McSpadden in honor of Mr. McSpadden, JSU professor emeritus,

for deserving science education majors.

McWhorter (Earlon and Betty) Scholarship: Established by Earlon and Betty McWhorter of Anniston, Alabama, for the benefit of deserving upper-level or graduate students who have demonstrated academic aptitude and who have demonstrated involvement in campus functions and organizations.

Moersch Nursing Scholarship:

Named in honor of Dr. Barbara L. Moersch of Jacksonville, Alabama, by family and friends for the benefit of a deserving upperlevel student majoring in nursing.

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Established in honor of Dr. Theron E. Montgomery, president emeritus of JSU, for the benefit of a deserving student. The Northeast Alabama Phi Beta Kappa chapter makes the selection.

Wallace A. Nabors Scholarship:

Established by Dr. Alice and Mr. Greg Cusimano for the benefit of a full-time undergraduate student who is a graduate of Glencoe High School, Etowah County, Alabama. Must be admitted to the College of Education and Professional Studies with an overall GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Nixon (Alethea) Marshall County Alumni Scholarship: Established in memory of Ms. Alethea Nixon who was a volunteer firefighter. The scholarship is for the benefit of a junior or senior who graduated from Marshall County High School or a transfer from Snead State and who is majoring in emergency management.

Northeast Alabama Military Officers Association (MOAA) ROTC Annual Scholarship:

The association established this scholarship for deserving ROTC cadets. It is reserved for students enrolling in Military Science III or IV. Selection is made by the Professor of Military Science.

Nursing Alumni Chapter Scholarship: Established by this alumni chapter for the benefit of deserving students majoring in nursing.

Omega Psi Phi Fraternity Theta Eta Chapter Annual

Scholarship: Established by the Theta Eta Chapter to promote the education of a deserving full-time, freshman or sophomore undergraduate student.

Manila Henegar Brooks Pachoud Scholarship:

Established for the benefit of a deserving student enrolled in the College of Education and Professional Studies.

Parker Scholarship: Established by Mr. Jeffrey A. Parker for the benefit of a deserving senior-level student in the College of Com-

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Pearce, Bevill, Leesburg & Moore Scholarship: Established by the Birmingham accounting firm for a deserving upper-level student majoring in accounting.

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Pell Scholarship: Established in honor of Mr. Charley Pell, former JSU head football coach, by his former players and friends.

Phi Beta Kappa Association Scholarship: Established by the Northeast Alabama Phi Beta Kappa Association for the benefit of a deserving upper-level student.

Physical Plant Association Scholarship: Established by members of the University's physical plant for the benefit of its employees and families.

Piedmont Alumni Scholarship: Established for the benefit of deserving students from Piedmont.

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Reaves Memorial

Scholarship: Established in memory of Dr. James A. Reaves, former vice president for academic affairs, for the benefit of a deserving student.

Richey (Tom) Scholarship:

Established in honor of Mr. Tom Richey for the benefit of a deserving student enrolled in the College of Education and Professional Studies.

Robinson (Ernest) Scholarship: Established by Ernest Robinson for the benefit of a deserving student majoring in nursing.

Rogan (Major James P.) ROTC Annual Scholarship: Established by Robert E. Rogan to benefit deserving students enrolling in Military Science courses and of a class standing of junior or senior.

ROTC Alumni Chapter Scholar-

ship: Two chapter scholarships are awarded annually to deserving ROTC cadets. The scholarships are reserved for ROTC cadets in Military Science III or IV. Selection is made by the Professor of Military Science.

Saks High School Good Citizenship Scholarship:

An Annual Scholarship estab-

lished by Mr. Larry Jackson for the benefit of a Saks High School (Anniston, Alabama) student who demonstrated good citizenship. The scholarship will be selected by the Saks High School Scholarship Committee.

Savage (Kay Webb & Perry L., M.D.) Family Scholarship: Established by Dr. Perry L. and Ms. Kay Webb Savage of Birmingham, Alabama, for the benefit of deserving students who are children of employees of Alabama Orthopedic & Spine Center. Students from Piedmont, Alabama and Calhoun County will have second preference in the award of this scholarship.

Savage (Jerry) Memorial ROTC Scholarship: Established by Mr. Tom Gilbreath of Boaz, Alabama, in memory of his classmate, Jerry Savage, '67, who died while on military active duty. The scholarship is reserved for ROTC cadets in Military Science III or IV. Selection is made by the Professor of Military Science.

Sentell (Mark A.): Established by Mark A. Sentell for the benefit of deserving students enrolled in College of Business and a member of the Human Resources Management Society that he founded in the early 80's.

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SouthTrust Bank Scholarship:

Established by SouthTrust Corporation of Birmingham, Alabama, for the benefit of deserving students enrolled in the College of Commerce and Business Administration.

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hawk, infant son of Paul and Connie Sparrowhawk of Jacksonville, Alabama. The scholarship will benefit deserving undergraduate members of the Southerners who are enrolled in summer courses.

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Established by Ms. Barbara T. Wilson on her retirement from Jacksonville State University. The scholarship will benefit a full-time undergraduate student enrolled in the elementary education or secondary health and physical education. Only students who have a 2.5 through 4.0 grade point average, have been an Alabama resident for a minimum of seven years prior to applying, and have completed at least 30 hours of their education at Jacksonville State University shall be eligible for this award.

Wilson (Clyde and Jerry) Scholarship: Established by Dr. and Mrs. Jerry B. Wilson for the benefit of deserving students majoring in education.

Woodrow Scholarship: Established in honor of Ms. Ann Jackson Woodrow, a 1977 graduate of JSU's Lurleen B. Wallace College

of Nursing. The scholarship will benefit deserving students admitted to the nursing program.

Yocum (Dr. Virginia): Established in honor of Dr. Virginia Yocum to promote the education of junior level, full-time, undergraduate enrolled in the Department of Family and Consumer Sciences. Must have a minimum GPA of 3.0 or higher.

Young Scholarship: Established in tribute to Ms. Ruth L. and Mr. Millard V. Young, Sr., for the benefit of a deserving student from Piedmont, Alabama. The Millard V. Young, Sr. family and the Martha Young Norton family established the scholarship.

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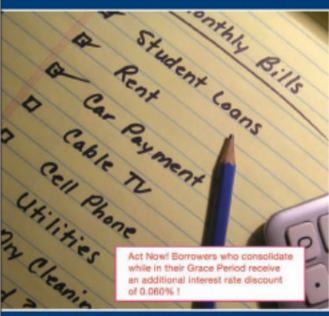
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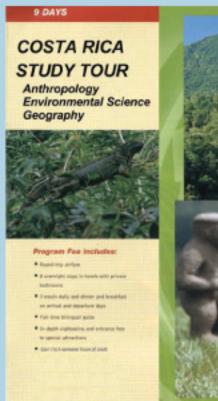


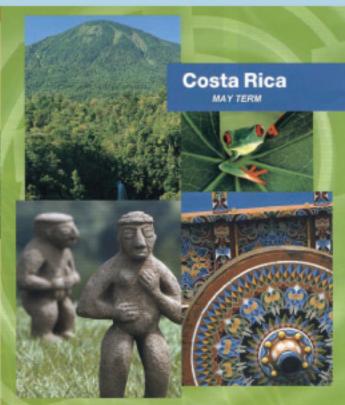


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Day 1 Right to Costa Rica, landing in San Jose.

Day 2 Travel to the Arenal Region visiting the INBioparque theme park and research station created by the National Institute of Biodiversity and The Poas Volcano and nearby hot springs.

Day 3 Excursion to Sarapiqui river, the heart of Costa Rica's banana producing region, for bird watching and whitewater rafting.

Day 4 Visit the Arenal Volcano and take a boat excursion across the volcano's lake

Day 5 In the Monteverde region, spend a half-day in the Santa Elena Cloud Forest with a forest canopy tour to see bromeliads and orchids as well as brightly colored quetzals among the lush flora.

Day 6 Travel to the Central Pacific Coast to enjoy its sandy beaches, a rocky coastline, and lush rainforests.

Day 7 Visit the Manuel Antonio National Park with its white, sandy beaches to see the squirrel monkey and the two-toed sloth.

Day 8 Travel back to San Jose via the picturesque town of Sarchi.

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