

# Wood College

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Mathiston, MS  
President: Robert T. Sandin

## MAGGIE LEWIS

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Computer Graphics/Art

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.00 GPA

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Secretary of International Club; Member of Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society

**Career Goals:** To educate myself so that I can be a better mom, wife and citizen; to be able to help my family, and to help others and contribute to making my community and state a better place to live

**High School:** Eupora High School, Eupora

**Spouse:** Pat

**Home Town:** Eupora



## SANDRA J. GRYCH

**Title, Department:** Associate Professor of Communications

**Years Service at Institution:** 16      **Total Years of Service:** 16

**Academic Credentials:**

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.A.	Telecommunications	Oral Roberts University	1980
M.A.	Journalism	University of Mississippi	1982
Advanced Studies in Communications		Mississippi State University	

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** College Public Relations Association of Mississippi, five awards; *History of Webster County*, contributor; numerous articles to local/regional/national publications

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Society of Professional Journalists; College Public Relations Association of Mississippi, Past Board Member; North Central Mississippi Arts Council, Past Board Member and Publicity Chairperson; Mississippi Gem and Mineral Society, Current Assistant Treasurer

**Civic Activities:** Campaign Worker for National Congressional Office and Mayoral Race; Member of Mathiston United Methodist Church, Certified Lay Speaker and Lay Leader

**Hometown:** Mathiston



# William Carey College

Hattiesburg, MS  
Interim President: Larry Kennedy

## JONATHAN MICHAEL CELORIA

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Major: History Minor: Philosophy

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.92 GPA; Recipient of Rotary Scholarship. Studying Philosophy in England next year

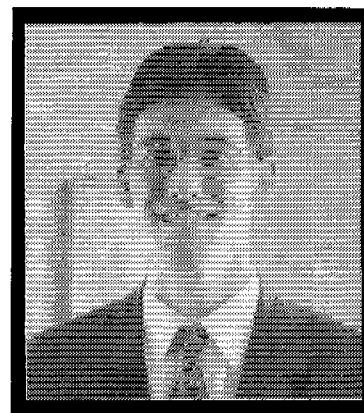
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Member: Pi Kappa Delta, Omicron Delta Kappa, Pi Gamma Mu, Alpha Kai, William Carey Speech and Debate Club; participated in the Junior Level Voice Recital

**Career Goals:** Philosophy/Theology professor and Baptist preacher

**High School:** Home School

**Parents:** Alan and Jan Celoria

**Home Town:** Smithdale



## DANIEL C. BROWNING, JR.

**Title, Department:** Associate Professor of Religion

**Years Service at Institution:** 7      **Total Years of Service:** 9

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.S.E.	Industrial Engineering	University of Alabama	1980
M.Div.		Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary	1984
Ph.D.	Archaeology/Biblical Backgrounds	Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary	1988

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** "Iron Age Loom Weights From Timnah," in *Tell Batash (Timnah) II: The Finds from the Iron Age II*, eds. A. Mazar and G. Kelm, Qedem Series (Jerusalem: Hebrew University, forthcoming); numerous other articles; Research Fellow, Albright Institute of Archaeological Research, Jerusalem, 1988

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** American Schools of Oriental Research; Israel Exploration Society; Society of Biblical Literature

**Civic Activities:** Active church member; PTA

**Family:** Spouse: Felicia Children: Sarah Elizabeth and Rachel Bethany

**Hometown:** Hattiesburg



# Wesley College

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Florence, MS  
President: Sam Bruce

## MARCUS CHAPMAN BUTLER

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Biblical Literature, Christian Education

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.49 GPA

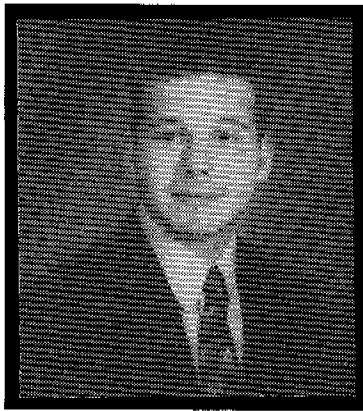
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Freshman Class President; Vice President of Student Body; Student Body President; President of Ministerial Union; Senior Class President

**Career Goals:** Counseling and youth ministries

**High School:** North Cobb High School, Kennesaw, Georgia

**Spouse:** Jennifer

**Home Town:** Alworth, Georgia



## AARON MCCARVER

**Title, Department:** Dean of Students

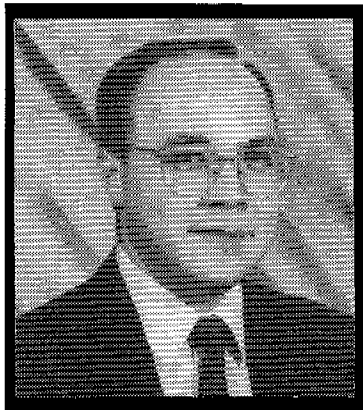
**Years Service at Institution:** 7      **Total Years of Service:** 7

**Academic Credentials:**

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.S.	Christian Education	Wesley College	1987
M.A.	English	Mississippi College	1990

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Co-author, *"Over the Misty Mountains"* (appeared on Christian Best Seller List for five months); Co-author, *"Beyond the Quiet Hills"* (just published in November); both books written with Gilbert Morris; contracted with Bethany House Publishers for three more in series

**Hometown:** Florence



# Wesley Biblical Seminary

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Jackson, MS  
Interim President: Harold Spann

## JAMES WELDON GREER

**Class Standing:** Senior

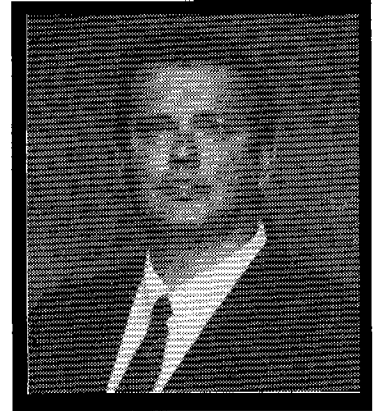
**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Pastoral Theology

**GPA:** 3.96 GPA

**Career Goals:** To serve the church and the Lord through pastoral ministry and Biblical scholarship

**High School:** Campbellsville College

**Home Town:** Cruger



## WAYNE W. WOODWARD

**Title, Department:** Director of Library Services  
Professor of Bibliography and Research

**Years Service at Institution:** 19      **Total Years of Service:** 32

### Academic Credentials:

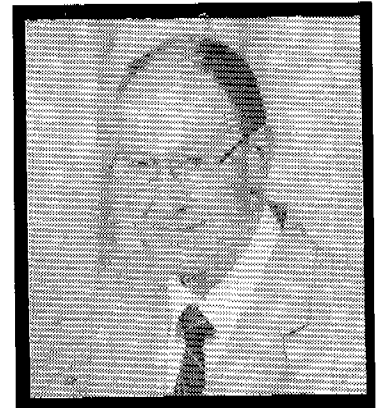
<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>
B.A.	Religion	Taylor University
B.D.	Theology	Asbury Theological Seminary
M.A.	Education	Appalachian State Teachers College
M.S.	Library Science	University of Kentucky

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** American Theological Library Association; Central Mississippi Library Connect, Past Chairperson; Mississippi Library Association; Association of Christian Librarians, Past President

**Civic Activities:** Sunday School Teacher at Alta Woods United Methodist Church

**Family:** Spouse: Corinne    Daughters: Gail and Karen

**Hometown:** Jackson



# University of Southern Mississippi

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**Hattiesburg, MS**  
**President: Horace Fleming**



## **JULIE MARIE JARRELL**

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Speech Communications

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.75 GPA; Golden Key National Honor Society; Omicron Delta Kappa, Order of Omega; Gamma Beta Phi; Phi Eta Sigma; Alpha Lambda Delta; Lambda Sigma, Community Service Chair; National Scholarship Recipient; Gamma Alpha Epsilon; President's List, National Dean's List; Dean's List; Most Outstanding Freshman Woman; Sorority's Best New Member

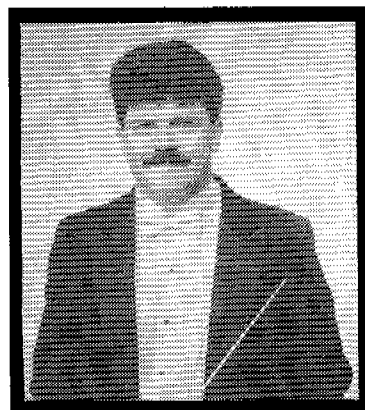
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Student Government Association, President, 1996-97; Student Relations Director, 1995-96; Associate Director, 1997-98, Senator, 1994-95; Delta Gamma Sorority, President, 1996-97, Vice President, Rush, 1995-96; Anchor Splash Chair, 1994-95;

**Career Goals:** Attorney, Government Public Service in Mississippi

**High School:** Pascagoula High School, Pascagoula

**Spouse:** Mr. & Mrs. John A. Jarrell

**Home Town:** Pascagoula



## **TIMOTHY KOCH**

**Title, Department:** Associate Professor and Director of Choral Conducting and Ensembles, School of Music

**Years Service at Institution:** 3      **Total Years of Service:** 4

### **Academic Credentials:**

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.M.E.	Voice and Conducting	Illinois Wesleyan University	1984
M.M.	Conducting	University of Illinois	1987
Ph.D.	Conducting	Eastman School of Music	1995

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Invited to conduct USM Symphony and Chorus at New York City's Lincoln Center in New York premiere of works by Samuel Adler, May 1998; contract to record a compact disc for Albany Records, "The Music of Samuel Adler" featuring the USM Symphony and Chorus; Publication: "The Choral Music of Peter Eben" In *American Choral Review*; Numerous awards including: American Choral Directors Association Award Finalist

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** State President-Elect of American Choral Directors

**Civic Activities:** Parkway Heights Methodist Church, Hattiesburg Historic Neighborhood Association

**Family:** Wife: Barbara

**Hometown:** Hattiesburg

# University of Mississippi Medical Center

Jackson, MS

Vice Chancellor for Health Affairs: A. Wallace Conerly

## JUDY H. GRAY

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Nursing

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** Bachelor of Business Administration and Masters of Business Administration, University of Mississippi; Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges; Dean's List; NSNA Critical Care Scholarship Recipient.

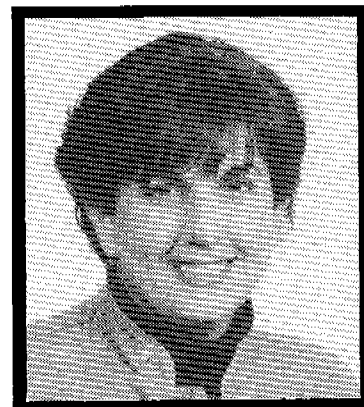
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Secretary/Treasurer, National Student Nurses' Association, Inc.; Board of Directors, The Foundation of the National Student Nurses's Association, Inc.; American Nursing Association, "Partners in Program Planning in Adolescent Health;" Mississippi Association of Student Nurses' Hall of Fame

**Career Goals:** To combine nursing and business degrees for a challenging and innovative career in the health care field

**College:** University of Mississippi

**Spouse:** Sam

**Home Town:** Madison



## BARBARA POU ROGERS

**Title, Department:** Professor of Nursing

**Years Service at Institution:** 7

**Total Years of Service:** 28

### Academic Credentials:

Degree	Major	University	Year
BSN.	Nursing	University of Mississippi	1965
MN	Nursing	Montana State University	1970
MS	Pathology	Colorado State University	1977
Ph.D.	Nursing	University of Arizona	1981

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Seven referred articles; seven abstracts; obtained more than \$109,700 in NIH Grant Funding for Research; Named District Nurse of the Year, 1996; Named Outstanding Alumnus (Nursing Chapter, UMC), 1995; Received the Excellence in Research Award (Theta Beta Chapter, Sigma Theta Tau, UMC), Excellence in Research Award (Theta Beta Chapter, Sigma Theta Tau, UMC), 1995; Named Research Nurse of the Year by the Mississippi Nurses Association, 1993

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** American Association for the Advancement of Science; Sigma Xi (UMC Chapter); Council of Nurse Researchers of American Nurses Association; American Diabetes Association; Phi Kappa Phi

**Civic Activities:** American Cancer Society, Board Member, 1985-1988; American Cancer Society, Public Education Commission Member, 1988-1990; Community Stewpot Clinics and Food Pantry Volunteer, 1991-1992

**Spouse:** John

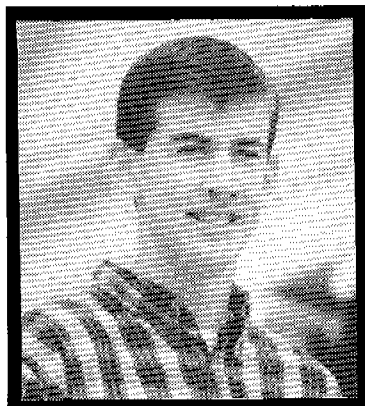
**Home Town:** Jackson



# University of Mississippi

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University, MS  
Chancellor: Robert C. Khayat



## SAMUEL CALVIN THIGPEN

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Chemistry and Math Major

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; Taylor Medalist, Chemistry; Phi Kappa Phi; 1st Team Academic All-American, Spring 1997, Track and Field; 3rd Team Academic All-American, Fall-Winter 1996-97, Cross Country; Mortar Board; Omicron Delta Kappa; Newman Scholarship; Honors College; Gamblin Scholarship Nominee; Gamma Beta Phi

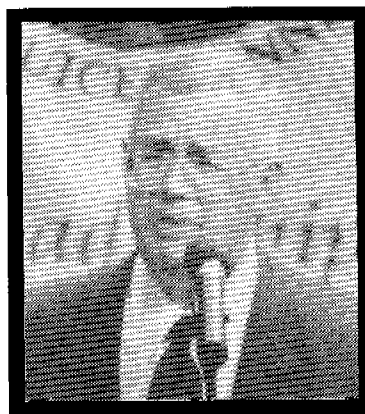
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Associated Student Body President; ASB Senate, 3 years; ASB Senate Student Affairs Committee, 2 years; ASB Book Exchange, Committee Chairman; Sigma Nu Fraternity, Chaplain, Marshal, Scholarship Chairman

**Career Goals:** To do the very best, to be a physician, to be open to opportunities

**High School:** Jackson Academy, Jackson

**Parents:** Dr. and Mrs. J. Tate Thigpen

**Home Town:** Jackson



## COLBY H. KULLMAN

**Title, Department:** Professor of English, College of Liberal Arts

**Years Service at Institution:** 14      **Total Years of Service:** 28

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.A.	English	Depauw University	1966
M.A.	English	University of Chicago	1968
M.Phil.	English	University of Kansas	1973
Ph.D.	English	University of Kansas	1981

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Theatre Companies of the World, Editor (2 volumes, 1986); Speaking on Stage: Interviews with Contemporary American Playwrights (Co-Editor with Philip C. Kolin, 1966); Studies in American Drama: 1945-Present (Co-Founder and Co-Editor with Philip C. Kolin, 1986-94); and numerous articles

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Board of Directors of College English Association and Yoknapatawpha Arts Council; National Advisory Boards of William Inge Theatre Festival and Mississippi Delta Tennessee Williams Festival; and Board Member of the University of Mississippi's Chapter of Phi Kappa Phi

**Civic Activities:** Yoknapatawpha Arts Council, Theatre Oxford, Promote Oxford - University Committee, and Founder of YAC's Jr. High School Writing Contest

**Home Town:** Oxford

# Tougaloo College

Tougaloo, MS  
President: Joe A. Lee

## CHILESA JOY JONES

**Class Standing:** Junior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** English/Political Science (Double Major)

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 G.P.A.; Presidential Scholar, 4.0 Scholar; Alpha Lambda Delta Honor Society; Presenter at National Undergraduate Literature Conference (Weber State University), CBS Scholar; Harambee Photography Winner, 1st (1996), 3rd (1997); Harambee Poetry Winner, 3rd (1996)

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Student Government Association, Vice President; Miss Sophomore (1996-97); Miss Pre-Law Society, 1997-98; Tougaloo Ambassadors for Meritorious Scholars, Secretary; Student Support Services Tutor; Family Life Center Mentor; Concert Choir; Student Government Association President's Award, 1997; Student Government Association Advisor's Award, 1997

**Career Goals:** Attend law school, practice international law and eventually enter the political realm, develop a community outreach center for inner-city children

**High School:** Springdale High School, Springdale, Arkansas

**Parents:** Eddie and Maxine Jones

**Home Town:** Springdale, Arkansas



## GIOVINA CHINCHAR

**Title, Department:** Associate Professor of Biology

**Years Service at Institution:** 12      **Total Years of Service:** 20

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.S.	Biology Education	State University of New York, Geneseo	1965
M.A.	Biology	State University of New York, Geneseo	1970
Ph.D.	Zoology	Indiana University	1977

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Recipient of NSF Predoctoral Fellowship; Outstanding Teacher Award, 1991; HEADWAE Nominee and Outstanding Teacher of the Year Award, 1990; Favorite Teacher Award, 1995; Who's Who Among American College Teachers, 1997

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Member: Regional American Society of Microbiology, Mississippi Academy of Sciences, Mississippi Association of Biologists

**Civic Activities:** Member of St. Richard Catholic Church; Supporter of Habitat for Humanity and the Community Stewpot

**Family:** Spouse: Gregory Children: Edmund and Jeffrey

**Hometown:** Jackson





# Southwest Mississippi Community College

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Summit, MS

President: Horace C. Holmes

## JILL C. CHILDRESS

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** History

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; President's List; Western Civilization Award, 1996-97; Introduction to Computer Award, 1996-97; Newton James Scholarship Award for Political Science or History Major, 1997

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Phi Theta Kappa, President; Omicron Delta Chapter Member of Southwest Mississippi Community College Scholars' Bowl team, 1996-97 and 1997-98; Invitation Only Honor's Forum, Leadership Class, Spring 1997; Pine Burr Staff Writer

**Career Goals:** To teach history on the community college level

**High School:** Parklane Academy, McComb

**Parents:** Mr. & Mrs. Rex Cowart

**Home Town:** Summit



## JOSEPH W. JUNEAU, JR.

**Title, Department:** Rotary Drilling Instructor

**Years Service at Institution:** 14.5

**Academic Credentials:**

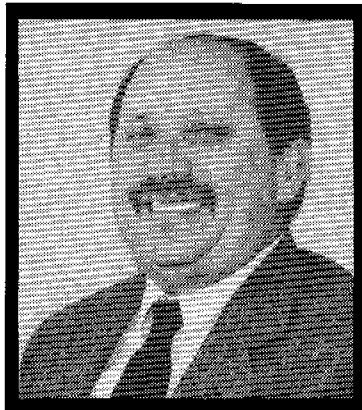
<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>
A.A.	General	Southwest Mississippi Community College
Further studies at University of Southern Mississippi		

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Articles written in National Ground Water Association (Water Well Journal); National Driller's Buyers Guide; Groundwater Age Magazines

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** National Groundwater Association; American Vocational Association and Mississippi Association of Vocational Education; American Technical Education Association; Mississippi Waterwell Contractors Association; Louisiana Ground Water Association

**Family:** Spouse: Dot Children: Graig and Daryl

**Home Town:** McComb



# Southeastern Baptist College

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Laurel, MS  
President: Jentry Bond

## ROBERT A. BENNETT

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Bible/Secondary Education

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** President's List, Dean's List, Who's Who Among American College Students, Nominee

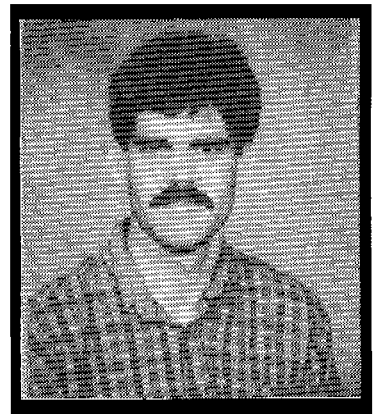
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Ministerial Alliance; Student Body Council; Who's Who for Southeastern Baptist College

**Career Goals:** Teach Biblical Studies; further my education and work for Ph.D. and Th.D.

**High School:** East Marion High School, Columbia

**Parents:** Mary Bennett

**Home Town:** Sumrall



## JAMES SALISBURY

**Title, Department:** Professor, Bible and Christian Education  
Financial Aid Administrator

**Years Service at Institution:** 1 ½ **Total Years of Service:** 5

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
A.A.	General Education	Jacksonville College (Texas)	1968
B.S.	Social Science	East Texas State University	1971
M.R.E.	Christian Education	BMA Theological Seminary	1990
Post-Grad Work	Education	Lamar University	1980-81

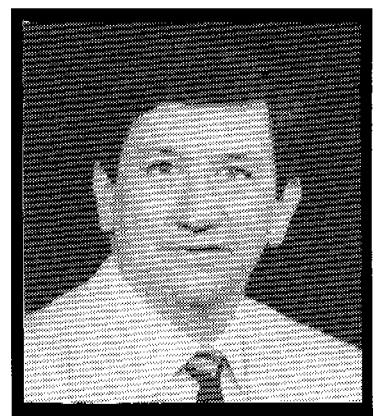
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Author of numerous articles for Christian Education Digest (BPH); Writer of Youth Sunday School lessons and teacher helps for Baptist Publishing House since 1986; Listed in 1972 edition of Outstanding Young Man in America

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Member: MASFAA - Mississippi Association of Financial Aid Administrators; SASFAA - Southern Association of Financial Aid Administrators

**Civic Activities:** Member, Laurel Kiwanis Club

**Family:** Children: Joshua Ryan and Jami Pauline

**Hometown:** Laurel



# Rust College

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**Holly Springs, MS**  
**President: David L. Beckley**

## **SEDRICK ANDERSON**

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Biology

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.60 GPA; Minority Access to Research Careers Scholar; UNCF/MERCK Scholar, UNCF/Ronald McDonald Pre-Medical Health Scholarship; UNCF/Burton G. Bettingin Scholarship; UNCF Premedical Scholar

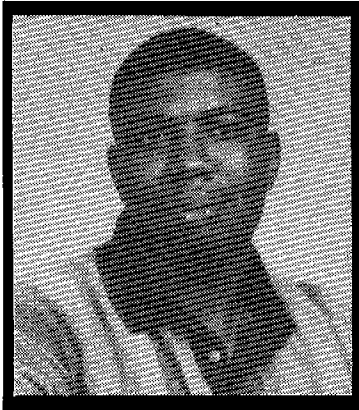
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc; KRS Chi Beta Phi, President; Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society; Pre-Med Council; Leader Forum; Pre-Alumni Club, Vice President

**Career Goals:** M.D. in Internal Medicine and Ph.D. in Microbiology

**High School:** H. W. Byers High School, Holly Springs

**Parents:** Mrs. Mable Anderson and Leroy Anderson (deceased)

**Home Town:** Holly Springs



## **KAREN A. BASKERVILLE**

**Title, Department:** Assistant Professor of Biology  
Coordinator of Mid-South Alliance for Minority Participation, Division of Science and Mathematics

**Years Service at Institution:** 2      **Total Years of Service:** 2

### **Academic Credentials:**

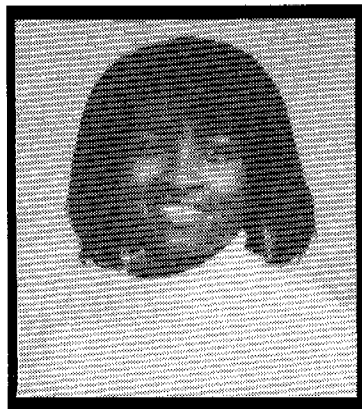
<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.A.	Chemistry with Biochemistry emphasis	Northwestern University	1990
Ph.D.	Anatomy and Neurobiology	University of Tennessee	1996

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Four publications and six abstracts, IMHOTEP Leadership Society; National Institute on Aging Minority Dissertation Research Grant; APA Minority Fellowship Program in Neuroscience; Academic All-American College Scholar; Academic Excellence and Service Award (UT, Memphis); Young Scientist Award; Society for Neuroscience/NINDS Minority Travel Fellowship

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Society for Neuroscience; Mississippi Environmental Education Alliance; Liaison for UNCF HIV HIOPE Program

**Civic Activities:** Sunday School teacher; member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority; Volunteer Brain Demonstrator (Pink Palace Museum), UT Summer Science Camp, Volunteer

**Hometown:** Holly Springs



# Reformed Theological Seminary

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Jackson, MS  
President: Luder G. Whitlock

## KATHLEEN L. HOLLENBECK

**Class Standing:** Second Year

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** M.A. Biblical Studies

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.96 GPA

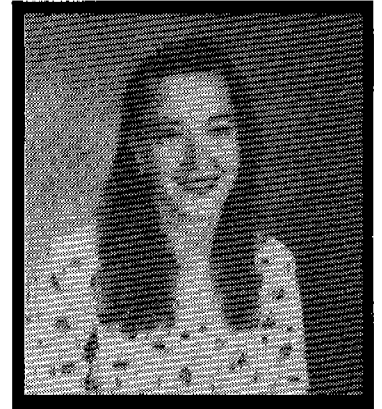
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Cabinet, Students for Missionary Inquiry,  
Reformed Theological Seminary

**Career Goals:** Missions, Evangelism, Church Planting, Overseas Biblical  
Colleges

**High School:** Marshalltown High School, Marshalltown, Iowa

**Spouse:** Dale

**Home Town:** Jackson



## WILLIAM L. HOGAN

**Title, Department:** Professor of Preaching

**Years Service at Institution:** 7      **Total Years of Service:** 7

**Academic Credentials:**

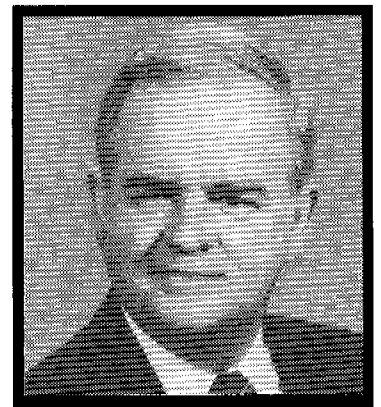
<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.A.	Economics	Rice University	1955
Th.M.	Theology	Dallas Theological Seminary	1959
Th.M.	Theology	Columbia Theological Seminary	1961
D.Min.		Westminster Theological Seminary	1983
Doctor of Divinity		Eastern College	1984

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Evangelical Homiletics Society,

Member of the Executive Committee

**Family:** Spouse: Jane    Daughters: Marion, Amy (deceased)

**Hometown:** Jackson



# Pearl River Community College

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Poplarville, MS  
President: Ted J. Alexander

## SHAUNA STOCKSTILL

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Physical Therapist Assistant

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.9 GPA; President's Honor Roll; Citizenship Award for 1997

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Physical Therapy Assistant Class, President

**Career Goals:** Succeed in graduating and working in a physical therapy clinic and continue in education courses to further knowledge as a physical therapist assistant

**High School:** Tulsa Memorial High School, Tulsa, OK

**Parent:** John B. Stockstill

**Home Town:** Laurel



## STANLEY L. HILL

**Title, Department:** Program Director  
Dental Hygiene Technology

**Years Service at Institution:** 5 **Total Years of Service:** 5

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.S.	Biology	University of Southern Mississippi	1975
D.M.D.	Dentistry	University of Mississippi School of Dentistry	1979

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Full American Dental Association

Accreditation of Dental Hygiene at Pearl River Community College, 1994; Selected Number One Technical Program by Mississippi Association of Vocational Educators, 1995; Public Education Forum Award for Excellence, 1996; Community College Exemplary Instructional Program by the American Association of Community and Junior Colleges, 1996

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** South Mississippi Dental Society; Mississippi Dental Association; American Dental Association; Consultant on Accreditation for American Dental Association

**Family:** Spouse: Debbie Children: Kelly and Candace

**Home Town:** Hattiesburg



# Northwest Mississippi Community College

Senatobia, MS  
President: David M. Haraway

## ANN-CLAYDON COMER

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Pre-Nursing/Science (pursuing a B.S.N.)

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.94 GPA; President's List; Phi Theta Kappa; National Deans' List; Rotary Student of the Month; Computer Science and Math Tutor for the Student Support Services program

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Presidential Scholarship recipient; Student Recruiter; Bat Girl for the Northwest Mississippi Community College Baseball Team; Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges; Member: Science and Math Club, and the ACE Club

**Career Goals:** To become a neonatal nurse practitioner

**High School:** Magnolia Heights, Senatobia

**Parents:** Mr. John Comer and Dr. Marilyn Bateman

**Home Town:** Hernando



## PATSY HOBSON MCGILL

**Title, Department:** Cosmetology Instructor  
Northwest's Benton-Marshall Center

**Years Service at Institution:** 16 **Total Years of Service:** 16

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
Certificate	Cosmetology	Northwest Mississippi Community College	1960
Additional Study	Vocational Education	University of Central Arkansas	1979
Additional Study	Vocational Education	Mississippi State University	1981-97

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Northwest Alumni Association, Secretary/Treasurer since 1990

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Serves on Program Committee in the Association of Cosmetology Instructors; developed programs for the Annual Association of Professional Development Workshop and the State Vocational Conference; Northwest Cosmetology Instructors, Chairperson

**Civic Activities:** Volunteer Services for the local nursing home for resident hair care, preschoolers, and special needs students for cosmetology services; leads students in work on float entries; involved in community projects as a Northwest representative

**Family:** Spouse: Wayne Daughter: Monica Grandchildren: Carley, Courtney and Carol

**Home Town:** Ripley

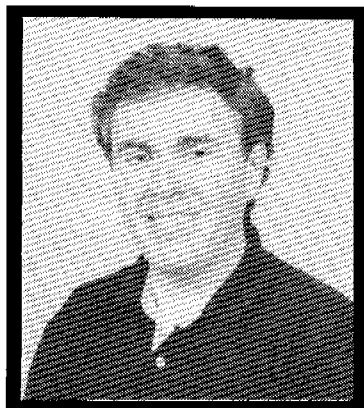


# Northeast Mississippi Community College

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Booneville, MS

President: Joe M. Childers



## JOSEPH B. EATON

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Pre- Engineering

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA

**College Honors/Offices Held:** President of Phi Theta Kappa

**Career Goals:** To become an engineer

**High School:** Baldwyn High School, Baldwyn

**Spouse:** Evelyn Eaton

**Home Town:** Baldwyn



## BETTIE S. AKERS

**Title, Department:** Mathematics Teacher

Mathematics/Science Division

**Years Service at Institution:** 26.5 **Total Years of Service:** 26.5

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
A.A.	Math Education	Northeast Mississippi Community College	1958
B.S.	Math Education	Blue Mountain College	1960
M.A.	Curriculum & Instruction		
	Minor in Mathematics	Memphis State University	1962
Ed.D.	Curriculum & Instruction		
	Minor in Mathematics	Memphis State University	1975

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** American Mathematical Association of Two Year Colleges; Mississippi Teachers of College Mathematics; Mississippi Council of Teachers of Mathematics; National Council of Teachers of Mathematics; Mississippi Faculty Association of Junior and Community Colleges

**Civic Activities:** Daughters of the American Revolution; Church Clerk; Sunday School Teacher of the College Career Class; Church Choir

**Family:** Spouse: Freddie Children: Sterling and Jina Granddaughter: Emily

**Home Town:** Booneville

# Mississippi Valley State University

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Itta Bena, MS  
President: William W. Sutton

## JOSEPH COTTON

**Class Standing:** Junior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Art Major with emphasis in Visual Communications

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.9 GPA; Mississippi Valley State University's Honors Convocation Award; Alpha Phi Alpha Scholarship; President's Scholar; High Honors Scholar; ranked in the top five students at Mississippi Valley State University

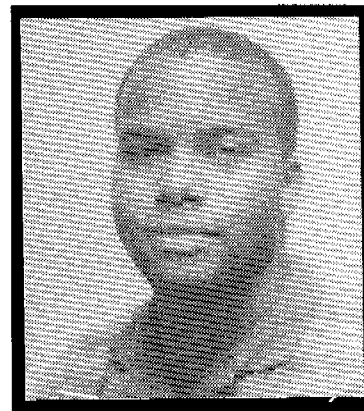
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Artwork shown in the Mississippi Museum of Art; Various awards in poster competitions; Designed brochure for the MVSU's Writing Project's Teacher Teaching Teachers Workshop; Cartoons featured in *Abstractions* Newsletter; Youth Taken' Action, Inc.

**Career Goals:** To own illustration and graphic design company

**High School:** Grenada High School, Grenada

**Mother:** Naomi Cotton

**Home Town:** Grenada



## JOHN E. JOHNSON

**Title, Department:** Assistant Professor  
Department of Industrial Technology

**Years Service at Institution:** 29      **Total Years of Service:** 30

### Academic Credentials:

Degree	Major	University	Year
B.S.	Industrial Arts	Mississippi Valley State University	1970
M.S.Ed.	Industrial Arts	Jackson State University	1984
Ed.S.	Industrial Arts	Jackson State University	1988

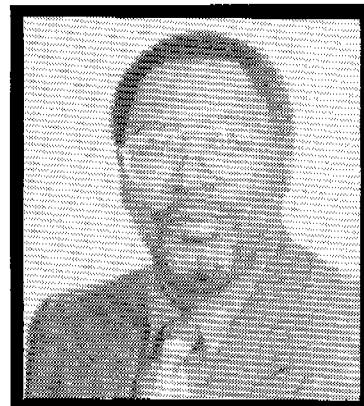
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Departmental Teacher of the Year Award, 1980-81; Diversified Technology Award, 1987; Computer Numerical Control Award, 1988

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Academic Scholarship Committee; National Association of Industrial Technology; Mississippi Valley State University, LeFlore Alumni, President; Financial Aid Scholarships Committee; American Vocational Associations University Safety, Chairman; Faculty Athletic Representative

**Civic Activities:** Superintendent, Deacon, Business Manager, Church Treasurer and Youth Leader at Tabernacle M.B. Church; Partners in Progress; Judge for Cultural Arts Reflections Program

**Family Information:** Spouse: Nola Children: Carla, Edward, Lashundar, and Stephanie

**Home Town:** Itta Bena





# Mississippi University for Women

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Columbus, MS  
President: Clyda Stokes Rent

## ARTHUR R. HARPER, III

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Theater/Music

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.5 GPA; Mortar Board National Academic Honorary, 1997-1998; Torch Academic Honorary, 1996; Honors Program, 1994-present

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Student Government Association, President (1997-1998); MS Student Body President's Council Treasurer, 1997-1998; MUW Administrative Council Student Representative, 1997-1998; Hottentots Leadership Honorary President, 1997-98

**Career Goals:** To attend seminary and receive ordination as a United Methodist Minister, to serve as pastor of a United Methodist Church

**High School:** Indianola Academy, Indianola

**Parents:** Mr. & Mrs. Arthur R. Harper, Jr.

**Home Town:** Grenada

## JAMES R. KELLER

**Title, Department:** Associate Professor of English  
Director of Honors Program  
Division of Humanities

**Years Service at Institution:** 5      **Total Years of Service:** 10

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
A.A.		Edison Community College	1982
B.A.	English	University of South Florida	1984
M.A.	English	University of South Florida	1986
Ph.D.	English	University of South Florida	1991

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Book: *Princes, Soldiers, and Rogues: The politic Malcontent of Renaissance Drama*, 1993; numerous articles on Renaissance drama, film studies, and contemporary fiction; numerous presentations at professional meetings; Honors: Phi Kappa Phi; Faculty Member of the Year, Mississippi University for Women, 1997

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Modern Language Association; National Collegiate Honors Council; Freshman Year Experience Conference, University of South Carolina

**Civic Activities:** Partners in Progress; Judge for Cultural Arts Reflections Program

**Home Town:** Columbus

# Mississippi State University

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Mississippi State, MS  
President: Malcolm Portera

## MICHAEL E. RICHARDSON

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Political Science

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.4 GPA; Dean's List

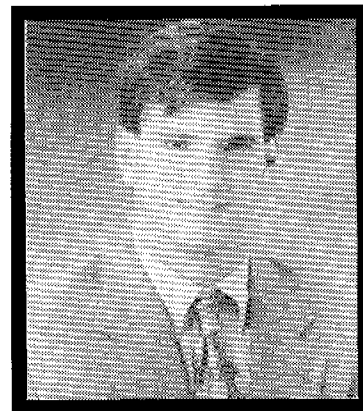
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Student Association President, 1997; passed the Foreign Service Oral Assessment Phase of Officer Selection on April 21, 1997 in St. Louis, MO; Elder Statesmen, 1997; Interfraternity Council Rush, Chairman, 1997; Student Association Judicial Council, Chair, 1995-1997; Political Science Scholars Forum, President, 1995-1997

**Career Goals:** To work for the United States Department of State in the area of international development and foreign relations

**High School:** Vicksburg High School, Vicksburg

**Parents:** Bobby E. Richardson and Dorothy W. Richardson (deceased)

**Home Town:** Vicksburg



## W. GLENN STEELE

**Title, Department:** William L. Giles Distinguished Professor  
Head, Department of Mechanical Engineering

**Years Service at Institution:** 18      **Total Years of Service:** 18

### Academic Credentials:

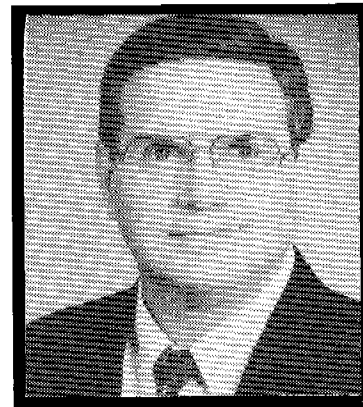
<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.S.	Mechanical Engineering	Mississippi State University	1968
Masters	Mechanical Engineering	North Carolina State University	1970
Ph.D.	Mechanical Engineering	North Carolina State University	1974

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Named Associate Fellow of the American Institute of Aeronautics and Astronautics, 1996; designated 1996 Outstanding MSU Mechanical Engineering Faculty Member by the Pi Tau Sigma Honorary Society; received best paper awards at national meetings of the American Society for Engineering Education, 1993, and the Instrument Society of America, 1995; published one book, two book chapters and 26 journal articles and presented 48 technical papers at national and international professional meetings

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** American Society of Mechanical Engineers; Member of the Board on Performance Test Codes; American Society for Engineering Education; American Society of Heating, Refrigerating, and Air Conditioning Engineers International Organization for Standardization (ISO) (Technical Committee Member), Society of Automotive Engineers (Technical Committee Member)

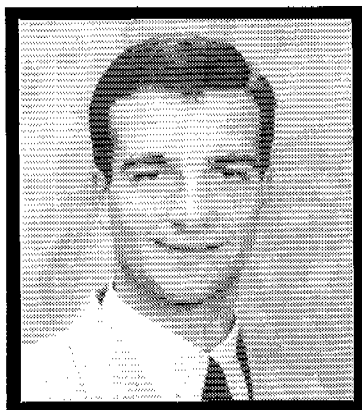
**Family:** Spouse: Cherie Children: Amy, Holly, and Carrie

**Home Town:** Starkville



# Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College

Perkinston, MS  
President: Barry Mellinger



## MARKO KOSTIC

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Electrical Engineering

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; Academic Honors; Annual Physics Award; Annual General Chemistry Award; Annual History Award; Honorable Mention for Short Story in Creative Writing for Mississippi Community Colleges

**College Honors/Offices Held:** President of Phi Theta Kappa, Gamma Hu Chapter; President of Delta Club, Engineering Club

**Career Goals:** Finish college as an electrical engineer, get masters in physics, and do research in field of electromagnetic waves

**High School:** Glenwood Springs High School, Glenwood Springs, Colorado

**Parents:** Nikola and Vida Kostic

**Home Town:** Glenwood Springs, Colorado



## JOAN E. FITCH

**Title, Department:** Instructor

**Years Service at Institution:** 25

**Total Years of Service:** 27

### Academic Credentials:

Degree	Major	University	Year
B.A.	German & English	University of Southern Mississippi	1970
M.A.	English	University of Arkansas	1971
Ph.D.	German & English	University of Southern Mississippi	1982

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Publications: "Matryona's House: A Reflection of Solzhenitsyn's Major Ideas;" "Eudora Welty's Chronicling of Mississippi History" - both in *Mississippi Philological Quarterly*; Honors: Instructor of the Year Award, 1987; 1997 Winner of National Faculty Recognition Award in Team Category from Consortium for Community College Development; Writer of 2 Award Winning Grants from NEH and AACC for establishing "The World"

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Phi Kappa Phi; National Council of Teachers of English; Community College Humanities Association; Jefferson Davis Faculty Association, Past President; World Shakespeare Association

**Civic Activities:** Former trustee for Harrison County Library Board; Fundraiser for March of Dimes and Habitat for Humanity

**Family:** Spouse: David

**Home Town:** Gulfport

# Mississippi Delta Community College

Moorhead, MS  
President: Bobby Garvin

## MICHAEL MCDONALD

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Drafting Design Technology

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA

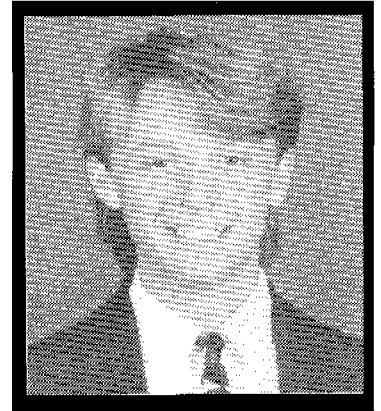
**College Honors/Offices Held:** VICA Leadership Award; Architectural Drafting Achievement Award; First VICA Leadership Award (State of Mississippi) Mississippi Delta Community College; President of Local and State VICA

**Career Goals:** To set up own construction business

**High School:** Indianola Academy, Indianola

**Parents:** Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McDonald

**Home Town:** Indianola



## SHELLEY B. CRUTCHER

**Title, Department:** Instructor of Business and Office Technology

**Years Service at Institution:** 26      **Total Years of Service:** 26

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.S.E.	Business Education	Delta State University	1961
M.A.E.	Counseling & Business Education	Western Kentucky University	1971
M.A.E.	Additional Studies	Delta State University, Mississippi State University, & Western Kentucky University	

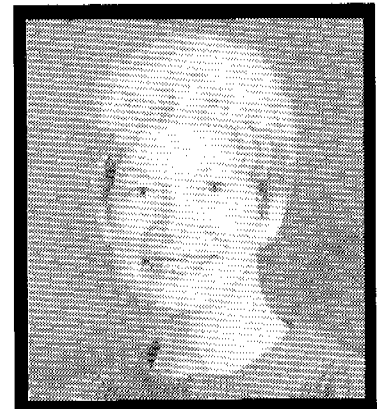
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Women's Athletic Association Award; Outstanding Young Women of America; Personalities of the South Award

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** MBEA; MDCC Faculty Association; NBEA; SBEA

**Civic Activities:** Volunteer: March of Dimes; Cancer Fund, Heart Fund, Kidney Fund; Bible Moderator; Presbyterian Women's Circle, First Presbyterian Church, Greenwood, MS

**Family:** Spouse: Jim

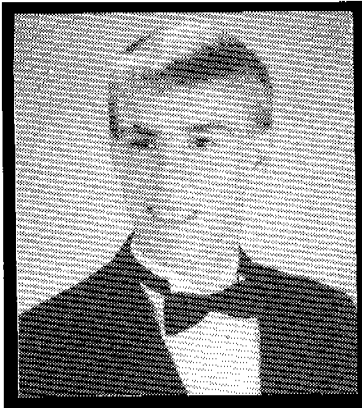
**Home Town:** Greenwood



# Mississippi College

Clinton, MS

President: Howell W. Todd



## TOM STEWART LEE, JR.

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Major: History/Pre-Law; Minor: Business Administration

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; Omicron Delta Kappa; Mortar Board; 1997 Alpha Chi Scholar Athlete of the Year; Alpha Lambda Delta; Phi Alpha Delta Pre-Legal Fraternity; Phi Alpha Theta Historical Fraternity; 1997 American Southwest Conference Academic Baseball Honor Roll; 1997 MC Baseball Scholastic Award; 1996 Gulf South Conference All Tournament Baseball Team; 1995 Marathon Oil Collegiate Baseball All Tournament Team

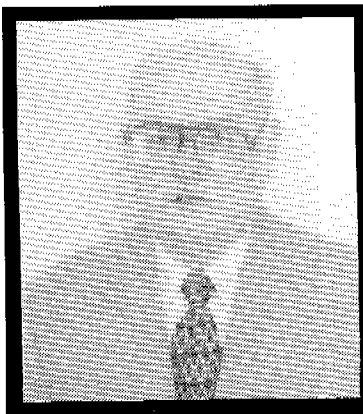
**College Honors/Offices Held:** President, Student Government Association; Treasurer, Student Government Association; President, Alpha Chi; Vice President, Pi Gamma Mu Social Science Fraternity; Co-chairman, Athletic Advisory Committee; Student Senate; Secretary of Athletic Affairs, Student Government Cabinet

**Career Goals:** Attend law school and enter the legal profession

**High School:** Forest High School, Forest

**Parents:** Judge and Mrs. Tom S. Lee

**Home Town:** Forest



## BILL P. STARK

**Title, Department:** Professor of Biology

**Years Service at Institution:** 21      **Total Years of Service:** 21

### Academic Credentials:

Degree	Major	University	Year
B.S.Ed.	Biology	Southeastern Oklahoma State	1965
M.S.	Biology	North Texas State University	1972
Ph.D.	Biology	University of Utah	1974

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** More than 90 articles published in scholarly journals; co-author of one book; Mississippi College Distinguished Professor, 1981; Mississippi College Distinguished Lecturer, 1988

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** North American Benthological Society; North American Plecoptera Society, Past President; Mississippi Academy of Sciences; Central States Entomological Society; Biological Society of Washington

**Civic Activities:** Volunteer with Clinton Community Nature Center

**Family:** Spouse: Lida Children: Rene Stark Roberts and Edith Stark

**Home Town:** Clinton

# Millsaps College

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Jackson, MS

President: George M. Harmon

## PATRICIA E. SANFORD

**Class Standing:** Junior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Business Administration

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; Dean's List; Phi Eta Sigma Freshman Honorary

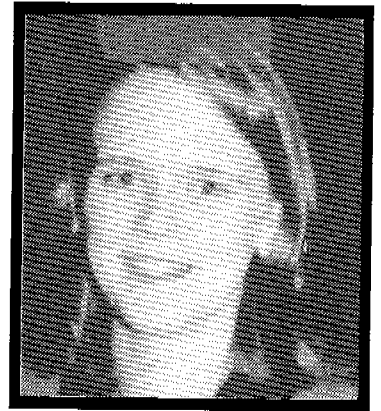
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Tribette Scholarship Award; Campus Ministry Team Midtown; Project Co-Chair; Budget Review Committee

**Career Goals:** To work as a Human Resources Manager for a large financial services firm

**High School:** Columbus High School, Columbus

**Parents:** Mr. and Mrs. Robert E. Sanford

**Home Town:** Columbus



## ROBERT H. KING

**Title, Department:** Former Vice President and Dean of the College

**Years Service at Institution:** 17      **Total Years of Service:** 34

**Academic Credentials:**

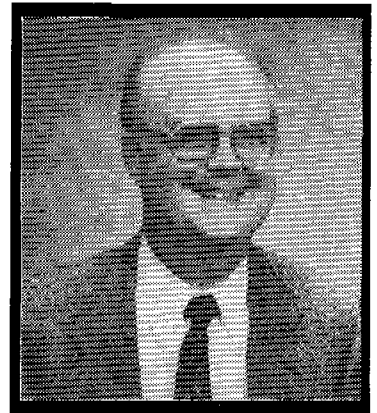
<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.A.	History/Literature	Harvard University	1957
Ph.D.	Religious Studies	Yale University	1965

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Phi Beta Kappa, Harvard; Julia Archibald High Scholarship (Yale); Distinguished Professor, Millsaps College, 1997; *Christian Theology: An Introduction to Its Traditions and Tasks*, Co-editor with Peter Hodgson, Fortress Press, 1982, rev. 1985; book review article on "*Faith on Earth: An Inquiry into the Structure of Human Faith*" by H. Richard Niebuhr

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Member of Institutional Review Board of the Methodist Medical Center; Member of Mid-South Regional Planning Board for Project LEARN; former Vice President, Board of Directors WMPR-FM Public Radio Station

**Family:** Children: Paul and Jennifer

**Home Town:** Castle Rock, Colorado

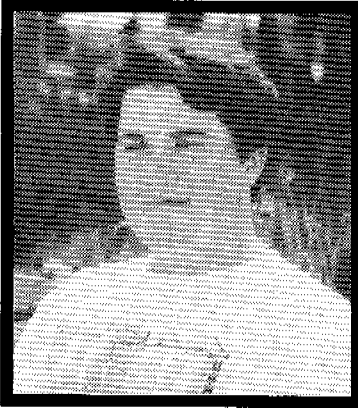


# Meridian Community College

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Meridian, MS

President: William F. Scaggs



## ERIK BROWN

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Computer Engineering

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.0 GPA (on a 3.0 scale); Phi Theta Kappa International Honor Society, Recipient of Nicmitz Math Scholarship

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Phi Theta Kappa, Chapter Vice President, and MS/LA, Regional Vice President; Manager of Meridian Community College's Baseball Team

**Career Goals:** After completing at least a B.S. in Computer Engineering, to work for the FBI in the computer division

**High School:** The Mississippi School for Mathematics and Science, Columbus

**Parents:** H. A. And Tanzie Brown

**Home Town:** Toomsba



## BETTY PURVIS

**Title, Department:** Instructor, 2nd year Coordinator,  
Associate Degree Nursing Program

**Years Service at Institution:** 25.5 **Total Years of Service:** 25.5

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.S.	Nursing	Baylor University	1962
M.S.	Nursing	University of Southern Mississippi	1979

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Meridian Community College's 1990 Outstanding Teacher Award; 1995 Meridian Community College Foundation Summer Study/Travel Award; MCCer of the Month, June, 1996; 1990 Lamplighter

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Vice President, Meridian Community Faculty Association, 1984-85; President, Meridian Community College Faculty Association, 1985-86; Treasurer, Mississippi Faculty Association, 1986-88; Member: National Organization for Associate Degree Nursing, Mississippi Organization for Associate Degree Nursing; MCCFA, MFA, and Meridian Community College Alumni and Friends

**Civic Activities:** Member and Sunday School Teacher, Enterprise Baptist Church

**Family:** Spouse: James Children: James, Vanessa, and Robert (Bob)

**Home Town:** Enterprise

# Mary Holmes College

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West Point, MS  
President: Elvalee Banks

## TORA CLARK

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Accounting

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.8 GPA; Who's Who Among American College Students; Alpha Kappa Alpha Scholar Student; National Honor Society; and in top 10 of class

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Presidential Award; Student Support Services, Outstanding Student; the Dean's List; SGA, President; Math and Science Club, President

**Career Goals:** To attend the University of Southern Mississippi or University of Alabama to successfully attain an accounting goal

**High School:** Southeast Lauderdale High School, Meridian

**Parent:** Laura Baskin

**Home Town:** Meridian



## BETTE J. S. JACKSON

**Title, Department:** Professor, Ph.D.

Division of Mathematics and Natural Sciences

**Years Service at Institution:** 9      **Total Years of Service:** 24

### Academic Credentials:

Degree	Major	University	Year
B.A.	Secondary Ed. (Biology)	University of Central Florida	1973
M.S.	Biology	University of Central Florida	1978
Ph.D.	Zoology	Mississippi State University	1981

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Phi Kappa Phi; Sigma Xi; Faculty Member of the Year, 1995; Author or Co-author of 37 scientific publications and 49 popular publications; contributor to three ornithological books, including: *The Illustrated Encyclopedia of Birds*, and *The Atlas of Bird Migration*

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Elective Member, American Ornithologists' Union; Periodic Literature Reviewer, American Ornithologists' Union; Past Elected Council Member, Wilson Ornithological Society; Past President, Mississippi Ornithological Society; Past Associate Editor of The Journal of Field Ornithology; Member, First United Methodist Church, PTA

**Civic Activities:** Member of First United Methodist Church, and PTA

**Spouse:** Jerome    **Children:** Steven Brent and Matthew

**Home Town:** Starkville

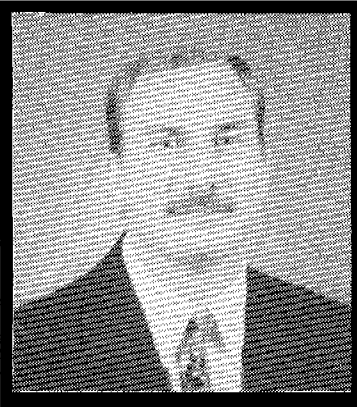




# Magnolia Bible College

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**Kosciusko, MS**  
**President: Gary Kirkendall**



## JESSE V. WALKER

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Bachelor of Theology

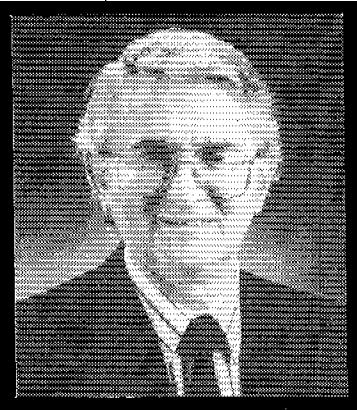
**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.00 GPA; President's List, 1996-1997

**College Honors/Offices Held:** B.S. in Education (Cum Laude), Southern Illinois University; U.S. Navy Senior Chief Personnel Manager for 19 years, Retired

**Career Goals:** To obtain a master's degree in Bible and to continue helping others by sharing my education and to pursue mission work

**High School:** Hesperia High School, Hesperia, MI

**Home Town:** Winona



## JOHN T. SMITHSON

**Title, Department:** Associate Professor, Speech and History  
General Education Division

**Years Service at Institution:** 13      **Total Years of Service:** 13

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.A.	Speech	David Lipscomb University	1962
M.A.	Speech	Purdue University	1970
M.A.	History	Mississippi State University	1989

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Magnolia Bible College Alumni Association Appreciation Award, 1996; several articles written in religious papers

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Phi Alpha Theta History Honorary

**Civic Activities:** Starkville High School Band Boosters, Treasurer (3 years); Mississippi State Track and Field Official since 1985

**Family:** Spouse: Ann    Daughters: Lisa Lammons and Amy Grant  
Five grandchildren

**Home Town:** Starkville

# Jones County Junior College

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Ellisville, MS

President: Ronald Whitehead

## JOEL I. CULBERSON

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Management Information Systems

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.00 GPA; Member of Phi Theta Kappa; Letter "J" Award; Strickland Business Scholarship

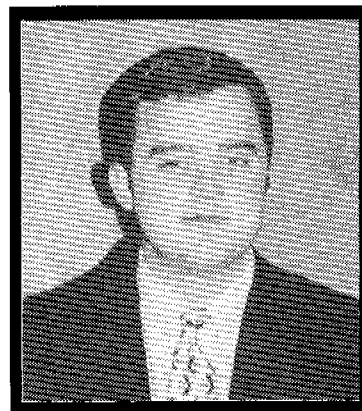
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Secretary, Phi Theta Kappa

**Career Goals:** Information management position

**High School:** Quitman High School, Quitman

**Parents:** Mr. and Mrs. Joel T. Culberson, and Ms. Amelia Culberson

**Home Town:** Quitman



## LARRY J. HESS

**Title, Department:** Physics Instructor  
Science Department

**Years Service at Institution:** 31      **Total Years of Service:** 31

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.S. in Educ.	Physics	Central Missouri State University	1959
M.Ed.	Math	Mississippi State University	1967
Adv. Work	Physics	University of Southern Mississippi	

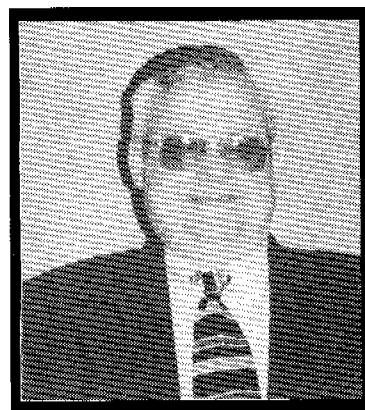
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Lamplighters, 1993

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Mississippi Association of Physics (MAP); Two-year Community College Physics (TYC21); National Society of Professional Engineers (NSPE); American Association of Physics Teachers (AAPT); Faculty Advisor for the Jones County Junior College Engineering Society chartered by the Southeast Area Chapter of the Mississippi Engineering Society (MES)

**Civic Activities:** Involved in church related activities

**Family:** Spouse: Reba    Children: Mary Ann and Michael Richard

**Home Town:** Laurel

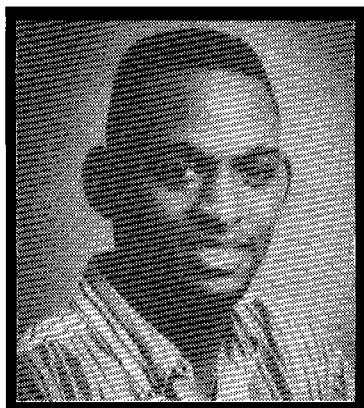


# Jackson State University

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Jackson, MS

President: James E. Lyons, Sr.



## CORY WOFFORD

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Mass Communications/English

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.871 GPA; Chips Quinn Scholar; Dean's List; Who's Who Among American Colleges; All-American Scholar; Alpha Chi National Honor Society; Highest GPA in the Department of Mass Communications

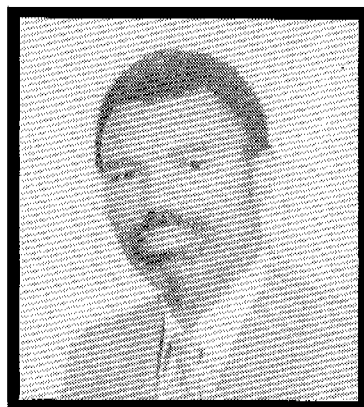
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Vice President of National Association of Black Journalists; Mass Communications Club; Alpha Epsilon Rho Broadcasting Society; SGA Representative; Associate Editor of the Sphinx Magazine for Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

**Career Goals:** To become a reporter/anchor for one of the four major networks and to own some type of media entity

**High School:** Lanier High School, Jackson

**Parents:** Mrs. Eddie Mae Wofford

**Home Town:** Jackson



## ROOSEVELT GENTRY

**Title, Department:** Professor of Mathematics  
School of Science and Technology

**Years Service at Institution:** 23      **Total Years of Service:** 29

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.S.	Mathematics	Jackson State University	1968
M.S.	Mathematics	Rutgers University	1970
Ph.D.	Mathematics	Rutgers University	1974

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Two mathematical research papers; Jackson State University's Top Technology Innovation and Leadership Award; AT&T Faculty Award; Certificate for presenting math talks at Milwaukee, WI conference; recognition for appearing in two biographies. Selected by WTVS, Channel 56 Education Website of Detroit, MI to contribute to a "What Math?" Web Page.

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** American Mathematical Society, Committee of Arrangements; National Association of Mathematicians, Editor of Journal; MS Teachers of College Mathematics, Resolution Committee; National Council of Teachers of Mathematics, Lecture Committee; Mathematical Association of America, Committee on Computers in Math Education.

**Civic Activities:** Sole sponsor of academic church scholarship; developed computer software for free use by students; free lecturer of math organizations and public schools.

**Family:** Spouse: Eula Children: Eunette, Carmen Renee, and Velsie Elaine

**Home Town:** Jackson

# Itawamba Community College

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Fulton, MS  
President: David Cole

## TONYA L. JOHNSTON

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Office Systems Technology

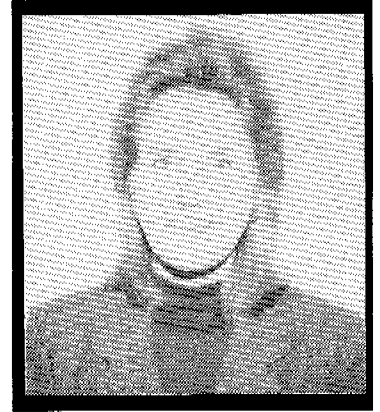
**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; President's List Honoree

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Phi Theta Kappa, Secretary; Phi Beta Lambda, Member

**Career Goals:** To obtain a position with a company that encourages personal growth

**High School:** Shannon High School, Shannon

**Home Town:** Slatillo



## LARRY ARMSTRONG

**Title, Department:** Chair of Communications Division

**Years Service at Institution:** 30      **Total Years of Service:** 30

**Academic Credentials:**

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>
B.S.	Education	Mississippi State University
M.Ed.	Education	Mississippi State University

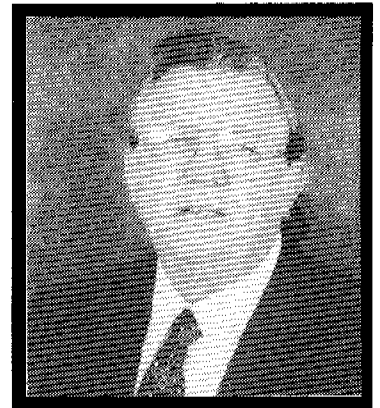
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Authoring a substantial section of Research in Teaching Excellence; Coordination of Presentation on Articulation at AACC Convention; Organizing the North Mississippi Association of Teachers of English; Publishing numerous short stories and poems

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** President of North Mississippi Association of Teachers of English

**Civic Activities:** Active in church

**Family:** Spouse: Pam    Children: John and Andrea

**Hometown:** Fulton

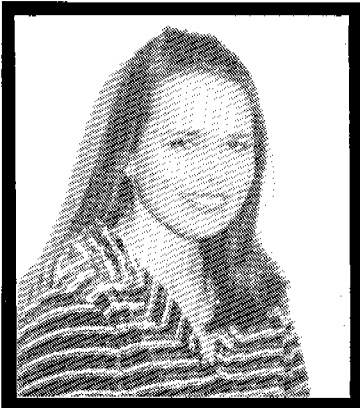


# Holmes Community College

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**Goodman, MS**

**President: Starkey A. Morgan, Sr.**



## **SUZANNE BRADY**

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Pre-Nursing

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; Phi Theta Kappa  
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Phi Theta Kappa Historian; Math and Combined Sciences Club

**Career Goals:** To continue my education at the Medical Center in Jackson  
**High School:** Kosciusko High School, Kosciusko

**Parents:** James and Carol Brady

**Home Town:** Kosciusko



## **BETTY SUE ADAMS**

**Title, Department:** Mathematics Instructor

**Years Service at Institution:** 12      **Total Years of Service:** 12

### **Academic Credentials:**

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
Certificate	Business & Office Technology	Holmes Junior College	1967
B.S.	Secondary Education	Mississippi State University	1980
M.Ed.	Secondary Education	Mississippi State University	1986

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Holmes Community College Representative to Lamplighters, 1992, and to NISOD, 1994; Math/Science Department Coordinator, Ridgeland Campus, 1990-92; Recipient of Robert Giles Distinguished Phi Theta Kappa Advisor Award, 1996; the Continued Excellence for Advisors Award, 1997.

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Member: Mississippi Teachers of College Mathematics and Mississippi Council of Teachers of Mathematics, and Phi Theta Kappa Advisors Association; past member of Phi Theta Kappa Advisory Board for the MS/LA Region; lifetime member of the Holmes Community College Alumni Association

**Civic Activities:** Coordinated and worked with Phi Theta Kappas on activities to benefit St. Jude Children's Hospital, The Ryan White Foundation, ETV, Sunnybrook Children's Home, The Home Place, and Grace House

**Family:** Spouse: Joe Children: Susan and Jeff

**Home Town:** Madison

# Hinds Community College

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Raymond, MS  
President: Clyde Muse

## ELISA ANN CARNEY

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** International Business

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; President's Scholar; Who's Who Among Students in American Community/Junior Colleges; Phi Theta Kappa Inductee

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Associated Student Government, President; Phi Theta Kappa, President; District Associated Student Government Senator

**Career Goals:** To promote American exportation, as well as importation for the benefit of the world's economy

**High School:** Quitman High School, Quitman

**Parents:** JoAnn and Kenneth Carney

**Home Town:** Quitman



## BILLIE L. BANES

**Title, Department:** Farm Management Instructor

**Years Service at Institution:** 36      **Total Years of Service:** 36

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.S.	Animal Husbandry	Mississippi State University	1961
M.S.	Animal Science	Mississippi State University	1965

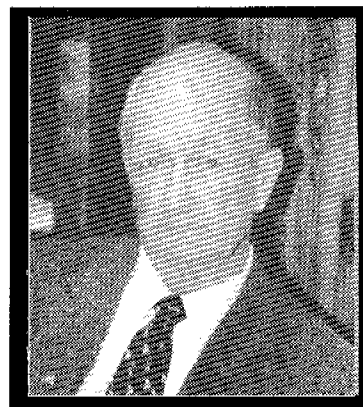
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** 1984 MSU Block & Bridle Award for Outstanding Contributions to Youth; 1989 3E Award, Emphasis on Excellence and Enrichment, from Hinds C.C.; 1992 Paul F. Newell Award for Outstanding Leadership to the Junior FFA Livestock Program; 1994 Inductee into the Mississippi Cattlemen's Hall of Fame; 1997 Outstanding (Distinguished) Vocational-Technical Instructor, from Hinds C.C.; have judged numerous livestock shows, including The Dixie National

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Faculty Advisor to the Agriculture Club; Member: Farm Bureau, The Hinds County, Mississippi, and National Cattlemen's Associations, the Soil Conservation Service; on Board of Advisors of Beef Cattle Improvement Association

**Civic Activities:** Member of Raymond United Methodist Church, Board of Trustees, Administrative Board, Men's Club, and Sunday School Teacher; Volunteer at the Hinds County Penal Farm, working with alcoholics; Volunteer at the Mississippi Baptist Hospital Chemical Dependency Center and the Baptist Hospital Chemical Dependency Center, and the Baptist Children's Village; work with 4-H and FFA members on their livestock projects.

**Family:** Spouse: Carol    Children: Stephen, Kenny, and Brad

**Home Town:** Raymond

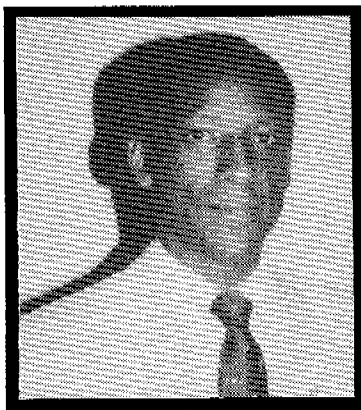


# East Mississippi Community College

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**Scooba, MS**

**President: Thomas L. Davis**



## **ANTHONY C. RHODES**

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Computer Programming Technology

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.63 GPA, President's List, Dean's List

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Phi Beta Lambda, 1996-97; First Place Winner and National Fifth Place Telecommunications Competition Winner; Phi Theta Kappa, Member at Large; Phi Beta Lambda, President; Delta Epsilon Chi, Member at Large

**Career Goals:** Operate a community computer learning center serving the low income community

**High School:** Lakenheath American High School, Lakenheath, England

**Spouse:** Julie Ann

**Home Town:** Columbus



## **KAREN P. QUARRELS**

**Title, Department:** Instructor, Adult Basic Education  
ABE/GED and Literacy Programs

**Years Service at Institution:** 10      **Total Years of Service:** 10

### **Academic Credentials:**

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.S.	Forest Resource Mgt.	University of Illinois	1985

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Lamplighter, 1997; MAACE Teacher of the Year, 1992

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Mississippi Association of Adult and Community Education (MAACE)

**Civic Activities:** Church of Christ Lads to Leaders; school band booster

**Family:** Spouse: Jess Daughter: Larkin

**Home Town:** Mayhew

# East Central Community College

Decatur, MS  
President: Eddie M. Smith

## EMILY E. BULLOCK

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Psychology

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.82 GPA; MUA Alpha Theta; Phi Theta Kappa; ACT Scholar; National Dean's List

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Who's Who Among America's College Students; President of ECCC Players (Drama Club); Warrior Corps (Student Recruiting Team); Best Supporting Actress for ECCC production of *Rumors* and *Mame*; President's Council

**Career Goals:** Clinical research at a university

**High School:** Newton County High School, Decatur

**Parents:** L. B. and Ann Bullock

**Home Town:** Decatur



## VIRGINIA B. PACE

**Title, Department:** Instructor, English Department  
Cheerleader Coach, and Student Newspaper Advisor

**Years Service at Institution:** 6      **Total Years of Service:** 6

### Academic Credentials:

Degree	Major	University	Year
B.S.	Speech/English	Mississippi State University	1976
M.Ed.	English Education	Mississippi State University	1988

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Selected to 1996 Lamplighters; Outstanding Humanities Instructor, 1995

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** National Council for Teachers of English; Mississippi Council for Teachers of English; Past President, Newton County Association of Educators; Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, Chapter Treasurer; Board of Directors for Miss Meridian and Miss New South Scholarship Pageants

**Civic Activities:** Volunteer, State Games of Mississippi and St. Jude's

**Family:** Spouse: Sammy      Children: Amy and Jennifer

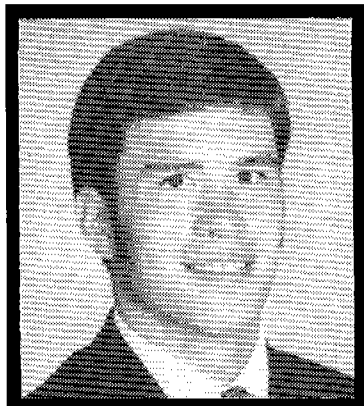
**Home Town:** Decatur





# Delta State University

Cleveland, MS  
President: Kent Wyatt



## CHRISTOPHER L. SHELBY

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Pre-Medicine/Biology

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.76 GPA; Elliott Scholar, Jessie White Scholar; Freshman Mathematics Award; President's List; Alpha Epsilon Delta, Treasurer; Beta Beta Beta

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Student Government Association, President; SGA Cabinet Member of the Year; Omicron Delta Kappa; MS Student Body Presidents' Council, Vice President; Interfraternity Council, Secretary/Treasurer; Kappa Alpha Order, President/Secretary; Delta State University Orientation Leader; Order of Omega; Student Alumni Association Treasurer; American Chemical Society

**Career Goals:** Plan to attend medical school and become a pediatrician upon graduation

**High School:** Madison Central, Madison

**Parents:** Johnny M. & Sheryl Shelby

**Home Town:** Madison



## ROSE STRAHAN

**Title, Department:** Professor, Chair of Mathematics Department

**Years Service at Institution:** 29

**Total Years of Service:** 29

### Academic Credentials:

Degree	Major	University	Year
A.A.	Mathematics	Hinds Junior College	1961
B.S.	Mathematics	Mississippi College	1963
M.C.S.	Mathematics	University of Mississippi	1968
Ed.D.	Mathematics Education	University of Florida	1980

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** S. E. Kossman Outstanding Teacher Award, 1997; Director of Delta Mathematics Project, Award for Excellence in 1993; Certificate of Commendation from National Council of Teachers of Mathematics via Mississippi Council, 1986; Who's Who in American Education, 1992-93; Delta Kappa Gamma Woman of Distinction, 1997; 33 presentations at state, regional, national meetings

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** National Council of Teachers of Mathematics; Mathematical Association of America, Secretary/Treasurer, MS/LA section; Mississippi Council of Teachers, President, Secretary; Delta Kappa Gamma, Treasurer, 1st V. P., 2nd V. P.; Kappa Mu Epsilon, Faculty Sponsor

**Civic Activities:** First Baptist Church, Adult Sunday School Teacher; Cleveland Exchange Club, Membership Chair, Director

**Home Town:** Cleveland

# Copiah-Lincoln Community College

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Wesson, MS  
President: Howell Garner

## FIONNA BROWN

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Office Systems Technology/Accounting

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 4.0 GPA; September Student of the Month; 1996-97 Outstanding Tutor Award

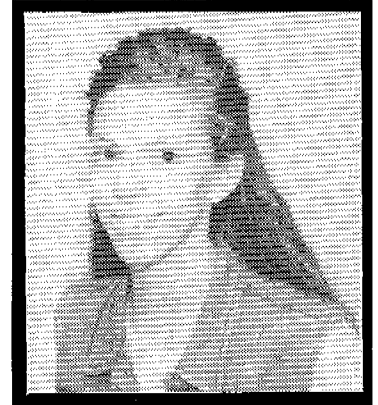
**College Honors/Offices Held:** President's List; National Dean's List; Full Scholarship Recipient; Phi Beta Lambda, Treasurer; Phi Theta Kappa, Secretary

**Career Goals:** To obtain a position in an office that will utilize my skills

**High School:** Living Heritage Academy, Lewisville, Texas

**Parents:** Steve and Barbara Brown

**Home Town:** Natchez



## MARIEA TORREY

**Title, Department:** Instructor, Business Technology Department

**Years Service at Institution:** 15      **Total Years of Service:** 15

### Academic Credentials:

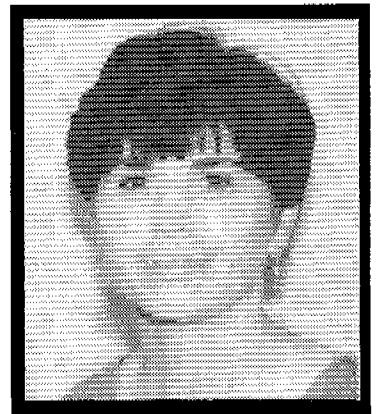
<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.S.	Business Education	University of Southern Mississippi	1976
M.Ed.	Business Education	Mississippi College	1990

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** National Institute for Staff and Organizational Development (NISOD) award recipient for the Co-Lin, Natchez Campus, in 1992; an article entitled, "Shorthand—Required, Desired, or Retired?" published in the *1990 Mississippi Business Education Association Yearbook*

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Member: National Business Education Association, Mississippi Business Education Association; served on the Executive Board as Community College Representative, 1992-95, Treasurer, 1995-1997; served on the Mississippi Business Technology Curriculum Development team for Office Systems Technology for both secondary and post-secondary teams; Member of Mississippi Educational Computing Association (MECA)

**Family:** Spouse: Joe Children: Joshua and Candice

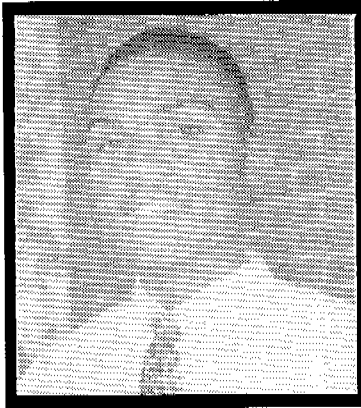
**Home Town:** Natchez



# Coahoma Community College

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Clarksdale, MS  
President: Vivian M. Presley



## DERRICK DERRELL MOORE

**Class Standing:** Sophomore

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Pre-Nursing

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.51 GPA; Academic Scholarship; Member of Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Member of Math and Science Symposium

**Career Goals:** To become a nurse practitioner

**High School:** Coahoma County High School, Clarksdale

**Parents:** Johnnie and Yvonne Moore

**Home Town:** Clarksdale



## CLEMTINE BROWN CATCHINGS

**Title, Department:** Instructor of Chemistry  
Science and Mathematics Department

**Years Service at Institution:** 31      **Total Years of Service:** 31

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
A.A.	Elementary Education	Natchez Junior College	1956
B.S.	Chemistry	Tougaloo College	1959
M.Ed., Sc-Ed.	Chemistry	Tuskegee Institute	1966

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Outstanding Teacher Award; Outstanding Parent - from PTA of Myrtle Hall #3; Basileus of the Year Award, 1989; Outstanding Soror of the Year Award, 1995; selected as faculty member for Lamplighter Project

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Co-Chairman, Science/Math Department; National Science Teachers; Sponsor, Science and Mathematics Symposium Club; Chairman Judicial Council; Basileus of Iota Delta Omega Chapter Alpha Kappa Alpha, Inc.

**Civic Activities:** Member of Mayor's Welcoming Committee; Local Member of American Cancer Society and Delta Blues Association

**Family:** Spouse: Robert      Children: Alfred and Christopher

**Home Town:** Lyon

# Blue Mountain College

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Blue Mountain, MS  
President: E. Harold Fisher

## IRIS KAY CAMPBELL

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Elementary Education

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.988 GPA; President's Scholar;  
Cap and Gown Honor Society

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Named Most Dependable Student;  
Secretary/Treasurer, MAE-SP; Member of Kappa Kappa Iota and Eunomian  
Society

**Career Goals:** To teach elementary students, preferably second or third  
grade, and to work on master's degree and teach college level courses

**High School:** Coldwater High School, Coldwater

**Spouse:** Mike Campbell

**Home Town:** Bruce



## G. EDWARD LUDLOW

**Title, Department:** Associate Professor, Organ and Church Music  
Department of Music

**Years Service at Institution:** 36      **Total Years of Service:** 36

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.F.A.	Music Education	University of Florida	1959
M.M.	Music (Organ)	Drake University	1961
Diploma	Organ	University of Copenhagen	1962

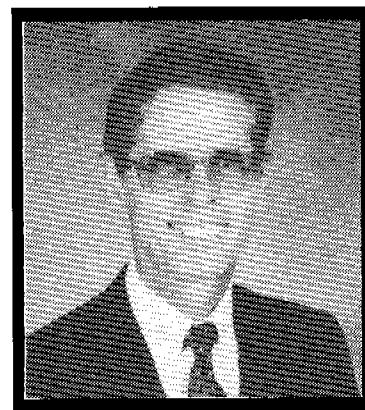
**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Thirty-six faculty recitals; numerous  
Exchange, Quest, and AGO recitals; Outstanding Faculty Member;  
HEADWAE Honoree; Who's Who in American Education; Outstanding  
Educators of America; Yearbook Dedication; Fulbright Fellow; Who's Who  
Among America's Teachers

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** AGO; Dean, North Mississippi  
Chapter AGO; Mississippi Baptist Church Music Conference

**Civic Activities:** Deacon, Lowrey Memorial Baptist Church; Junior High  
Sunday School Teacher; Church Music Director; Volunteer Fireman

**Family:** Spouse: Anita Sons: Mark and David Three granddaughters

**Home Town:** Ripley



# Belhaven College

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**Jackson, MS**  
**President: Roger Parrott**



## ABIGAIL MARIE LAVALLEE

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Music/Piano Performance

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.977 GPA; Junior Marshall 1996-97; President's List (4 semesters); National Dean's List; Charles R. Rugg Scholar-Athlete Award; Chaminade Caldwell-Middleton Music Scholarship; Halbrook Certificate for Academic Excellence Among Athletes

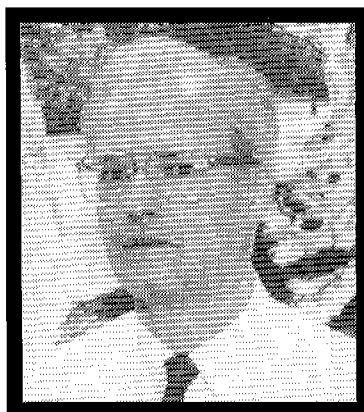
**College Honors/Offices Held:** Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges; Outstanding Young Americans Nominee, 1997; Music Leader of Student Missions Fellowship; Resident Assistant

**Career Goals:** To glorify God by pursuing graduate school in music and/or teaching music

**High School:** Home School

**Parents:** Louis and Martha Lavallee

**Home Town:** Jackson



## BRUCE BEZAIRE

**Title, Department:** Associate Professor of Art  
Chair of the Art Department

**Years Service at Institution:** 5      **Total Years of Service:** 11

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.F.A.		University of Windsor	1970
M.F.A.	Painting	Southern Illinois University	1972

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Won awards as painter and as illustrator; One Man Shows: 1982, Hamilton, Ontario; 1986, 1988, 1990, Toronto, Ontario; Three Man Show, 1992, Seoul, South Korea; Work in Public and Private Collections: Mississippi, Tennessee, Minnesota, Michigan, Florida, California, Ontario, Manitoba, Alberta, British Columbia, and South Korea.

**Civic Activities:** Adult Bible School Teacher, Colonial Heights Baptist Church

**Family:** Spouse: Cheryl    Children: Joel and Emily

**Home Town:** Jackson

# Alcorn State University

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Lorman, MS  
President: Clinton Bristow, Jr.

## CECILIA NEWSOME

**Class Standing:** Senior

**Major/Minor Field of Study:** Chemistry

**GPA and Academic Recognitions to Date:** 3.77 GPA; Alpha Kappa Mu National Honor Society; Who's Who Among College Students; Dean's List Scholar; Presidential Scholar; National Merit Scholar.

**College Honors/Offices Held:** Khem Klub; Wesley Foundation, President; ASU Gospel Choir; Mississippi Alliance for Minority Participation, Vice President & Chaplain; Alpha Kappa Mu, Vice President

**Career Goals:** To become a successful chemical engineer

**High School:** Crystal Springs High School, Crystal Springs

**Parents:** L. J. and Maybelle Newsome

**Home Town:** Hazlehurst



## TROY J. STEWART, SR.

**Title, Department:** Professor of Chemistry  
Chemistry and Physics Department

**Years Service at Institution:** 22      **Total Years of Service:** 26

### Academic Credentials:

<i>Degree</i>	<i>Major</i>	<i>University</i>	<i>Year</i>
B.S.	Chemistry	Alcorn State University	1971
M.S.	Analytical Chemistry	Howard University	1974
Ph.D.	Analytical Chemistry	Howard University	1976

**Publications/Honors/Awards:** Lim, D.K., Ito, Y., Stewart, Troy J., Hoskins, B. and Ho, I.K., 1987. "Toxicity Study of Continuous Administration Physostigmine Salicylate," Department of Pharmacology and Toxicology, University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, MS (eight other publications)

**Professional Affiliations/Offices Held:** Alpha Kappa Mu, Advisor and former National President; Member: MS Academy of Science, MS Sciences Teachers Association, Beta Kappa Chi, Beta Beta Beta, American Chemical Society, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Sigma Xi National Research Society; Alcorn State University Alumni, Lifetime Member

**Civic Activities:** YMCA Volunteer Coach; Walker for Mayor Campaign Committee; Locust Grove Youth Leader; Hands-On Science Workshop Presenter; Sunday School Teacher and Community Volunteer Tutor.

**Family:** Wife: Linda Children: Troy, Jr. and Terrell

**Hometown:** Vicksburg

