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HIGHER EDUCATION APPRECIATION DAY
WORKING FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE
FEBRUARY 2, 2016



Blake Wilson

Chairman of HEADWAE

Blake Wilson is President and CEO of the Mississippi Economic Council, a private sector organization with over 10,000 members from 1,100 different entities.

He came to MEC in 1998 from the Florida Chamber of Commerce where he served as Executive Vice President – and began his association career 35 years ago in Delaware with the State Chamber in his home state. He also spent 9 years as a newspaper reporter and editor.

Since joining MEC, the organization has focused on developing and implementing Blueprint Mississippi, a long range economic development strategy for the state with four pillars of progress – economic competitiveness, education and workforce, resources and infrastructure, and technology advancement.

He lives in Brandon with his wife, Ann, a retired public school teacher. They have three grown children.



Sean Suggs

**Vice President, Manufacturing
Toyota Motor Manufacturing Mississippi, Inc.
(Guest Speaker)**



Sean Suggs was named vice president of manufacturing at Toyota Mississippi in December 2015. In this role, Suggs is responsible for all areas of automotive manufacturing including body operations, paint and assembly and encompasses all areas of engineering, production and maintenance.

Prior to taking over as manufacturing vice president, Suggs served as the vice president of administration at Toyota's Blue Springs plant that produces the Corolla, Toyota's highest volume selling vehicle in the world.

Suggs' automotive career began in 1998 at Toyota's vehicle assembly plant in Princeton, Indiana where he was hired as a Team Leader. During his 10-year tenure, he served several roles and was named general manager of quality planning in 2008. In this leadership role, Suggs oversaw professional development, vehicle quality and manufacturing quality for current and new model production.

Prior to rejoining Toyota, Suggs most recently served as director of strategy, administration and human resources from 2011 to 2013 at Nissan's North American headquarters in Franklin, Tennessee. During his five years with Nissan, he also directed production quality at the company's manufacturing and assembly plant in Canton, Mississippi.

In addition to helping shape Toyota Mississippi's future, Suggs is also building on the advancement of the Toyota Way in the community through personal service. He currently serves as a board member for the Center for Manufacturing Excellence at the University of Mississippi, the Toyota Wellsprings Endowment Committee, the Community Development Foundation and the Tree of Life Clinic. In the past, Suggs supported several state and regional nonprofit and economic development organizations in Tennessee and Mississippi.

Suggs earned his Masters of Business Administration degree from Auburn University in 2010 and a Bachelor of Science degree from Oakland City College in Oakland City, Indiana in 2000.

Sean and his wife, Janet, reside in Tupelo, Mississippi, which places him close to his six children and their families.



PHIL BRYANT
GOVERNOR

February 2, 2016

Dear Friends:

As Governor of the State of Mississippi, I am pleased to welcome you to the Mississippi Association of Colleges and Universities 29th Annual Higher Education Appreciation Day-Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE). I commend the students and faculty being honored at this year's event and look forward to your influence on our state's future.

Recognizing the hard work and dedication of those working in higher-education in our state is both an honor and a necessity. Mississippi is working hard to support instructors and students at colleges and universities. I am especially proud of our strides in supporting students of education. They are tomorrow's teachers and will be instrumental in leading Mississippi's education system to ever higher heights.

The work of the Mississippi Association of Colleges and Universities creates a positive impact on our entire state, and I appreciate your dedication to promoting scholarship and lifelong excellence. Mississippi is a better place thanks to your leadership and vision.

I welcome you to Jackson and to your state Capitol. I wish the organizers, the students, faculty, and guests a very successful event.

Sincerely,

Phil Bryant
GOVERNOR



State of Mississippi
Office of the Lieutenant Governor
TATE REEVES
Lieutenant Governor



The Honorable Tate Reeves
Lieutenant Governor
State of Mississippi

February 2, 2016

Dear HEADWAE Honorees:

As Lieutenant Governor of Mississippi, it is my honor to welcome you to the State Capitol today to acknowledge your many contributions to higher education. I want to thank each of the honorees, students and faculty members, for your outstanding commitment to academic achievement.

Our institutions of higher learning have invested in these bright young leaders, and today, I want to extend my congratulations for your success. I applaud your commitment to excellence and continued determination, which is truly making an impact on our state's educational system, and therefore, improving our state's workforce and overall economy. Your commitment to academic achievement, campus leadership, and community service has all contributed to the success that has brought you here today.

Thank you for your efforts in helping us propel Mississippi forward. Again, it is my pleasure to congratulate you on your significant accomplishments, and I wish you great success in all of your future endeavors.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tate Reeves".

Tate Reeves
Lieutenant Governor



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Tony T. Yarber - Mayor

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February 2, 2016

Greetings,

On behalf of the City of Jackson, it is my absolute pleasure to welcome the 29th Annual Higher Education Appreciation Day and its visitors to our great city. The heartbeat of Jackson, Mississippi, is made evident through the dedication and diligence provided by its citizens, businesses, and organizations. As a city, we are extremely proud of the achievements and goals that are embodied and celebrated through this event, and we commend the Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning, the honorees, their families, and all guests who have come to partake in this wonderful day.

The City of Jackson is genuinely interested in making sure that all of its citizens have the best possible opportunities to succeed and to participate in culturally and morally relevant events. This event is an example of the excellence that is happening within our city and our state. As you honor talented students and faculty members from each of the state's public and private institutions, we thank you for highlighting the achievements of those who walk in excellence. I applaud you for your determination to be a catalyst for progress and academic success.

Whether you have come from near or far, we encourage you to indulge in the cornucopia of restaurants, museums, parks, and historic landmarks that make this city the jewel it has become. If there is any way that we can continue to support your efforts, please feel free to let us know.

Again, welcome to the great City of Jackson. We graciously appreciate your service.

Regards,

Tony T. Yarber
Mayor, City of Jackson



**STATE OF MISSISSIPPI
INSTITUTIONS OF HIGHER LEARNING**

Glenn F. Boyce, Ed.D.
Commissioner of Higher Education

February 2, 2016



Dear HEADWAE Honorees:

Welcome to the Higher Education Appreciation Day--Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE) Luncheon as we celebrate its 29th Anniversary. It is my pleasure to congratulate all of the students and faculty members selected to represent their institutions for this important occasion.

Created through legislation introduced by Representative Cecil Simmons, this day is set aside to recognize outstanding faculty members and students from each college in the state, including public universities, public community college and private two-year and four-year institutions. The students and faculty chosen for this recognition excel in the classroom and have a tremendous impact on their campuses and communities through their leadership and service. Your commitment and dedication are evident in all you do.

I would like to thank HEADWAE Chair Blake Wilson for his ongoing support of education, from pre-kindergarten through universities. He recognizes the importance of building strong relationships between the business leaders and educators and understands the crucial role our institutions, faculty and students play in the future of our state. His leadership has served as a vital link between the worlds of business and education and both have been the beneficiaries.

I would also like to thank Mr. Sean Suggs, Vice President of Manufacturing for Toyota Motor Manufacturing Mississippi, Inc. for delivering the keynote address. He leads 2,000 Mississippians as they work to build the popular Toyota Corolla, recently passing the half-million mark and achieving this milestone faster than any other Toyota plant in the country. I know he will engage and inspire us with his remarks today.

Again, congratulations to all of the honorees. I hope this day will be one you will remember fondly for many years to come.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "Glenn F. Boyce". The signature is fluid and cursive.

Glenn F. Boyce, Ed.D.
Commissioner of Higher Education



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February 2, 2016

Dear HEADWAE Honoree:

Congratulations on receiving this prestigious honor! You are considered among the best and brightest in Mississippi's higher education system.

Student honorees have invested wisely in the future. Whatever career aspirations you have, you are positioning yourself to be successful.

Faculty honorees have invested much time and energy to prepare students for their futures. Your servant leadership and passion for teaching makes a difference in the lives of people.

I offer special recognition and appreciation to our event sponsors. Sponsor support demonstrates commitment to the future of our state. I am appreciative of the Mississippi Legislature for their role in making higher education a priority.

Finally, I hope that each honoree will make Mississippi your permanent home. Our state is blessed to have a creative and intelligent citizenry, and the future of our state depends on bright, energetic people like you.

Again, congratulations to each honoree and good luck in the future!

Sincerely,

Dr. Andrea Mayfield
MCCB Executive Director



MISSISSIPPI ASSOCIATION OF INDEPENDENT COLLEGES AND UNIVERSITIES

February 2, 2016

On behalf of the seven independent colleges and universities, I join our colleagues in the higher education community in expressing our gratitude to the Mississippi Legislature for establishing and continuing a program which recognizes and encourages excellence in higher education. There are many outstanding faculty and students in our colleges and universities who often go unnoticed and sometimes feel unappreciated. The program has served as another way to recognize and express appreciation to all faculty, staff, and students who have excelled in their various academic pursuits.

Congratulations to the faculty and student honorees that are recognized this year. Each is to be commended for setting a worthy example for all who are interested in and support academic excellence. We express appreciation for your dedication, commitment, and determination to develop your talents and abilities in such outstanding ways. It is our hope that you will continue to excel and successfully invest yourselves in your academic pursuits and service to others.

The continued development of our state is directly related to the quality of its leadership. We are grateful to the members of the legislature who recognize and support excellence as found in our institutions of higher learning and deeply appreciate their efforts in establishing The Higher Education Appreciation Day-Working for Academic Excellence Program.

Sincerely,

E. Harold Fisher

E. Harold Fisher, Executive Director
Mississippi Association of Independent
Colleges and Universities

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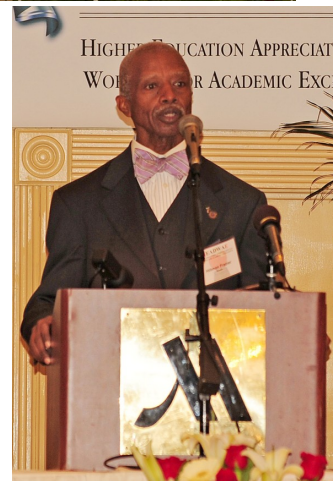
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The Mississippi Legislators, Mississippi Association of Colleges and Universities, Steering Committee Members and the honorees sincerely thank all of the corporate sponsors for their continued contributions to the HEADWAE program and for their commitment to recognizing and supporting academic excellence in higher education.

A MESSAGE FROM THE LEGISLATURE

The Higher Education Appreciation Day Working for Academic Excellence (HEADWAE) program was established by the Mississippi Legislature to honor academically talented students and faculty members who have made outstanding contributions in promoting academic excellence. The Appreciation Day is our way of saying “thank you” for your commitment to the future of Mississippi. It is an honor and a privilege for the Legislature to recognize these honorees for their outstanding achievements. We wish them every success as they pursue their personal and professional goals.



lights

HEADWAE HONOREES

2015 - 2016

INSTITUTION	STUDENT HONOREE	FACULTY HONOREE
Alcorn State University	Nanatte Patrice Boyd	Lixin Yu
Belhaven University	Missy Samsel	Don O'Neal Berryhill
Blue Mountain College	Joshua Levi Cox	Beverly Hemphill Moffitt
Coahoma Community College	Tre'Voris Word	Patrina Chena Thompson
Copiah-Lincoln Community College	Lauren Faith Ward	Margaret S. Britt
Delta State University	Mikel Debarcus Sykes	Ethan A. Schmidt
East Central Community College	Benjamin Derek Pace	Jenna Henderson Wright
East Mississippi Community College	Matthew David Addy	Andrew B. Sesser
Hinds Community College	Robert Harrison Hunter	Jeffrey Dwain Hughes
Holmes Community College	Taylor Paige Adcock	Stacey Elaine Coulter
Itawamba Community College	Julianna Marie Garner	Betsy Mann Chesnutt
Jackson State University	Anthony Charles Keyes, Jr.	Fengxiang X. Han
Jones County Junior College	Faith Marie Anderson	Meri Ford Newell
Meridian Community College	Alysia Shaw	Otis Gowdy
Millsaps College	Manish Fulton Harrigill	Jesse Beeler
Mississippi College	Mary Elizabeth McRae	Stephen D. Cook
Mississippi Delta Community College	Hannah Lise Leflore	Mary Ruth Evans Brindley
Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College	Jaycie Lynn Yott	Mary Ann Sison
Mississippi State University	Joseph Monroe Dodd	Cody P. Coyne
Mississippi University for Women	Brianna Elizabeth Warner	Kim Whitehead
Mississippi Valley State University	Toney Aaron Williams	Xiaoqin Paul Wu
Northeast Mississippi Community College	Jeremy Blake Farrar	Bryan Patrick Mitchell
Northwest Mississippi Community College	Kayleigh Morgan Sims	Thomas Jeffrey Triplett
Pearl River Community College	Renelle Elena Failla	Henry R. Setze
Reformed Theological Seminary	Adam Charles Parker	Charles Malcolm Wingard
Rust College	Janicia Shanel Mitchell	Marco Tyrone Robinson
Southeastern Baptist College	Justin Wayne Rhodes	Shirley Hodges Hendricks
Southwest Mississippi Community College	Abigail Christine Hooks	Susan George Hedges
Tougaloo College	Quanisha D. Ford	Arthur McLin Jr.
University of Mississippi	Roderick Rhodes Bridges, III	Robert D. Brown
University of Mississippi Medical Center	Ellen Elizabeth Gillis	Thomas Harvey Adair
University of Southern Mississippi	John Davenport	Elaine Fontenot Molaison
Wesley Biblical Seminary	Stanley Brian Lewis	Rick Boyd
William Carey University	Eric Daniel Warren	Daniel Crowell Browning, Jr.

ALCORN STATE UNIVERSITY

ALCORN STATE, MS • PRESIDENT: ALFRED RANKINS, JR.



NANETTE PATRICE BOYD

CLASS STANDING: Junior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Mathematics

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.88 GPA; Deans List; President's Scholar

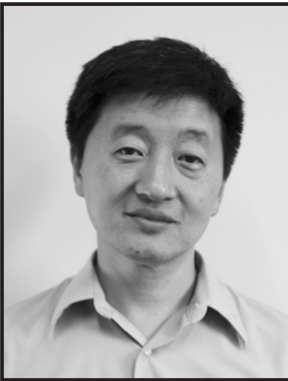
COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Society of Leadership and Success; Alpha Chi Sigma; McNair Scholar

CAREER GOALS After graduating from Alcorn State University, I plan to attend graduate school to attain a M.S. in Applied Mathematics. Upon completion of graduate school, I plan to work with the government or in the private sector.

HIGH SCHOOL: Vicksburg High School, Vicksburg, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: The late Dr. Nolan Boyd (Father) and Dr. Gwendolyn Boyd (Mother)

HOMETOWN: Vicksburg, MS



LIXIN YU

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Professor, Department of Mathematics & Computer Science

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 15 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 19

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: UNDERGRADUATE: BS, Library Science, Beijing University, 1985. **GRADUATE:** MLS, State University of New York, School of Information Science and Policy; PhD, Information Science, State University of New York, 1996

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: KDD in Spatial Cartographic Information Retrieval, Library Trends; Geographic Information Systems in Library Reference Services; Development and Challenge; Reference Librarian; Assessing the Efficiency and Accuracy of Street Address Geocoding Strategies, Proceeding of GIS/LIS '97 Annual Conference.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Chairman, SIG Visualization, Image and Sound, American Society of Information Science; Chairman, Florida Chapter, American Civic Activities

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: May Yu; Son: Michael Yu

HOMETOWN: Vicksburg, MS

BELHAVEN UNIVERSITY

JACKSON, MS • PRESIDENT: ROGER PARROTT



MISSY SAMSEL

CLASS STANDING: Senior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: English

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA

CAREER GOALS: Teaching

HIGH SCHOOL: Jackson Academy

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Mark and Beth Samsel

HOMETOWN: Clinton, MS



DON O'NEAL BERRYHILL

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Professor/Chair, Sports Medicine and Exercise Science

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 13 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 49

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BA, Physical Education Harding University, 1962. **Graduate:** MA, Physical Education Memphis State University, 1966; EdD, Exercise Science University of New Mexico, 1969; PhD, Kensington University Nutritional Biochemistry Human Anatomy Human Physiology

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: "Assessment of Specific Fitness Components in Weightless Conditions" NASA Grant Loveless Clinic, 1967; "The Comparison and the Effects of Running, Exercising on the Treadmill, and Exercising on the Bicycle Ergometer at Equal Heart Rates on Specified Components of Physical Fitness" National AAHPER Convention, 1968; "Methods of Achieving and Maintaining Physical Fitness for Prolonged Space Flight," 1969; "Comparing Selected Indices for Measuring Health," 1975; "Antioxidant Effects on Free-Radical Pathologies," 1979

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: American College of Sports Medicine, 1965 to present

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Optimist International, 1970 - 1975

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Anne B. Berryhill; Children: Don O. Berryhill, Jr., Melanie B. Hulsey, and Elisa B. Barden

HOMETOWN: Searcy, AR

BLUE MOUNTAIN COLLEGE

BLUE MOUNTAIN, MS • PRESIDENT: BARBARA CHILDERS McMILLIN



JOSHUA LEVI COX

CLASS STANDING: Junior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Biology Major with a Chemistry Minor

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; President's List, Dean's List

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: American Chemical Society (2013-2015), BSU Council Member (2015), Peer Educator (2014), Welch Colleague (2013-2014)

CAREER GOALS: My goal is to become a family physician. I plan to open a primary care clinic locally and serve the Lord by participating in mission work throughout the world.

HIGH SCHOOL: PikeView High School, Princeton, West Virginia

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Samuel and Bobbie Cox

HOMETOWN: Middleton, TN



BEVERLY HEMPHILL MOFFITT

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Instructor of Education

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 7 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 7

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BS, Psychology, Blue Mountain College, 1975. **Graduate:** Teacher Certification Requirements, Blue Mountain College - the University of Mississippi, 1980; MAEd, Elementary Education, University of Mississippi, 1982; Education Leadership Certification Requirements, Mississippi College, 1987

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Southern Sentinel, Tippah County Teacher of the Year, Delta Kappa Gamma (Alpha Psi Chapter); Red Rose Award Blue Mountain College, Alumna of the Year Tippah County Development Foundation; Outstanding Leadership Award The Mississippi Reading, Journal, Vol.9, No.1 - "The Joy of Reading"

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Mississippi Reading Association, Executive Board, Treasurer Mississippi Early Childhood Association; Past-President Delta Kappa Gamma (Alpha Psi Chapter); Vice President Kappa Delta Pi, Alpha Delta Psi, Counselor Blue Mountain Literacy Council, Treasurer

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: TARGET (Tippah and Ripley Growing Excellent Together), Board Member City of Ripley, Kidz World, Coordinator Tippah County Fair Association, School Day Coordinator

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Tom S. Moffitt; Son: Heath S. Moffitt

HOMETOWN: Ripley, MS

COAHOMA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

CLARKSDALE, MS • PRESIDENT: VALMADGE T. TOWNER



TRE'VORIS WORD

CLASS STANDING: Sophomore

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Pre-Medicine

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society member, Highest Average in Math and Science Club

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Chief of Staff Student Government Association, Honors Program member, Math and Science Club Member

CAREER GOALS: There is no greater love than the love for your fellow man. I have a love for the entire human race, and this is why I plan to use the extensive knowledge and skills I gain as a physician of internal medicine to provide treatment to adolescents, adults, and the elderly.

HIGH SCHOOL: Southaven High School, Southaven, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Aaron T. Gunn III and Adrian Denise Word

HOMETOWN: Friars Point, MS



PATRINA CHENA THOMPSON

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Instructor, Math and Science

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 2 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 2

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BS, Chemistry, Alcorn State University, 2004. **Graduate:** MS, Physical Chemistry, Jackson State University, 2006; PhD, Physical Chemistry, Jackson State University

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: "Human Bacteria in Street Vended Fruit Juices: A Case Study of Visakhapatnam City, India" Internet Journal of Food Safety Vol. 8, 2006 "Guanine-Aspartic Acid Interactions Probed with IR-UV Resonance Spectroscopy" Physical Chemistry Chemical Physics, 2012 "Density Functional Theory Study on the Interaction Between Keto-9H Guanine and Aspartic Acid" Journal of Molecular Modeling, 2011

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: American Chemical Society Tri-Beta Honor Society, Beta Kappa Chi Honor Society Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Alcorn State University Alumni Association-Life Member, Volunteer for U.S. Salvation Army, Community Coordinator of Free ACT Workshops for High School Students, Community Coordinator of Free Tutoring for the MS Biology State Exam, Volunteer for Cure for Cancer Walks/Runs/Fundraisers

HOMETOWN: Bassfield, MS

COPIAH-LINCOLN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

WESSON, MS • PRESIDENT: RONALD E. NETTLES



LAUREN FAITH WARD

CLASS STANDING: Sophomore

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Biology

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.38 GPA

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Vice-Presidents List

CAREER GOALS: To become a nurse

HIGH SCHOOL: Terry High School

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Tanya Case and Robbie Ward

HOMETOWN: Byram, MS



MARGARET S. BRITT

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Teacher, Computer Science Department and Faculty Development Trainer

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 19 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 19

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BS, Business Education and English, University of West Alabama, 1972. **Graduate:** Masters, Business Technology, Mississippi College, 1982; EdS, Computer Technology, Mississippi State University, 2000

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Co-Lin Academic Instructor of the Year, Co-Lin Career Technical Instructor of the Year NISOD, Co-Lin High Performance Award, Ann Bradberry High Performance Award

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Delta Kappa Gamma Teacher Society Cengage National Technology Power User

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Gene Britt; Sons, Kyle and Russ; Mother-in law of Natalie Warner Britt;

Grandmother to Preston and Bentley

HOMETOWN: Brookhaven, MS

DELTA STATE UNIVERSITY

CLEVELAND, MS • PRESIDENT: WILLIAM LAFORGE



MIKEL DEBARCUS SYKES

CLASS STANDING: Senior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Social Science Education/History, Minor - music

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.19 GPA; Albert Nylander award Pi gamma mu; Social science honor society; Phi Alpha Theta - history honor society

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Omicron Delta Kappa member two-term student body president; Former orientation leader; Selected for the Washington center internship program this past summer; Vice President of IHL student body presidents council; Delta State University Bobby Rowe Outstanding Leadership award

CAREER GOALS: Teacher, administration, public education advocacy, politics

HIGH SCHOOL: Winona Secondary School, Winona, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Debra Sykes and Michael Sykes

HOMETOWN: Winona, MS



ETHAN A. SCHMIDT - *In Memoriam*

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Assistant Professor of American History, Division of Social Sciences and History

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 2.5 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 8.5

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BA, History, Emporia State University; BA, Political Science, Emporia State University. **Graduate:**

MA, Emporia State University, American History; PhD, The University of Kansas, Colonial America, Indigenous People, Atlantic History

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: The Divided Dominion: Social Conflict and Indian Hatred in Early Virginia (2015) Native Americans in the American Revolution: How the War Divided, Devastated, and Transformed the Early American Indian World (2014). "Beyond the New England Frontier: New England Native American Historiography Since 1965," Historical Journal of Massachusetts, Summer 2013.

Texas Tech University President's Excellence in Teaching Award, 2010-2011 Texas Tech University Spencer A. Wells Faculty Award History Department Nominee, 2009-2010

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Phi Alpha Theta History Honorary Society, 1997-2015; Organization of American Historians Associate; Omohundro Institute of Early American History and Culture; American Historical Association, 2002, 2006, 2012; American Society for Ethno history, 2006-2015

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Served as the Director of the First Year Seminar Program at Delta State. Organized Delta State University's inaugural Native American Heritage Month celebration, 2014. Member, Delta State University Diversity Committee.

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Elizabeth Schmidt; Children: Connor, Dylan, and Brianna

HOMETOWN: Cleveland, MS

EAST CENTRAL COMMUNITY COLLEGE

DECATUR, MS • PRESIDENT: BILLY W. STEWART



BENJAMIN DEREK PACE

CLASS STANDING: Sophomore

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Liberal Arts

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; 8th grade Outstanding Student Award; Special Honor Roll 9th thru 12th grade; Special Distinction High School Graduate; Philadelphia Rotary Club Student of the Month; 12th grade English Award; 12th grade Social Studies Award

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: President's List Scholar; Aaron R. Davis Memorial Scholarship; ACT Scholarship; President, Phi Theta Kappa-Theta Xi Chapter; Co-President, Warrior Corps; President, President's Council

CAREER GOALS: My career goal is to attend the University of Mississippi Medical Center School of Dentistry and become a dentist to provide oral healthcare to the people of Mississippi.

HIGH SCHOOL: Neshoba Central High School, Philadelphia, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Derek and Patty Pace

HOMETOWN: Philadelphia, MS



JENNA HENDERSON WRIGHT

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Mathematics Instructor

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 3 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 3

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BS, Mathematics Education, Troy University, 2009. Graduate: MS, Statistics, Mississippi State University, 2012

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Horizon Award, Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Phi Theta Kappa Advisor; Pi Mu Epsilon; Kappa Delta Pi

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Youth Sunday School Teacher; Choir Member

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Eric Wright

HOMETOWN: Banks, AL

EAST MISSISSIPPI COMMUNITY COLLEGE

SCOOPA, MS • PRESIDENT: RICK YOUNG



MATTHEW DAVID ADDY

CLASS STANDING: Sophomore

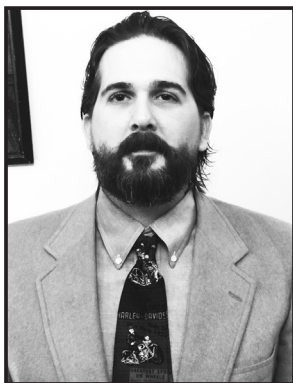
MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Computer Networking Technology

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 2.78 GPA

CAREER GOALS: Network Analyst

HIGH SCHOOL: Homeschooled, Starkville, MS

HOMETOWN: College Station, TX



ANDREW B. SESSER

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: IST Instructor

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 9 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 9

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: AAS, Applied Science, East Mississippi Community College, 2005

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Lamplighter recipient, NTHS A+ Certified, Network+ Certified, Security + Certified

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: EAITP sponsor

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Amy Sesser; Children: Rain and Maisy

HOMETOWN: Columbus, MS

HINDS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

RAYMOND, MS • PRESIDENT: CLYDE MUSE



ROBERT HARRISON HUNTER

CLASS STANDING: Sophomore

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Computer Engineering

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; Elected as Phi Theta Kappa Officer Vice President Selected for International Study Honors program membership; Member of Honors Executive Student scholarship; nominated for Who's Who among American community and junior colleges

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: President's Scholar Honors Scholarship; Leadership Scholarship; International Studies scholarship; ACT President's scholarship

CAREER GOALS: I hope to work as a computer engineer for the US Army Corps of Engineers in Vicksburg upon graduating. I am also interested in Cybersecurity and would like to use my engineering skills to improve software security.

HIGH SCHOOL: Homeschool, Hermanville, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Bobby Hunter and Lindy Hunter

HOMETOWN: Port Gibson, MS



JEFFREY DWAIN HUGHES

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Curriculum Coordinator of Mathematics

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 27 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 27

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BS, Mathematics, Mississippi College, 1984. Graduate: MS, Mathematics, University of Mississippi, 1987

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Co-author of College Algebra and Precalculus Textbooks, Hinds CC; Outstanding Academic Instructor Award, Hinds CC; Phi Theta Kappa Teacher of the Year Award, Hinds CC; Academic Instructor Life Star Award

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Past President of LaMsMATYC (Louisiana-Mississippi Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges); AMATYC (American Mathematical Association of Two-Year Colleges); Past President of HCCEA (Hinds Community College Education Association); MFACJC (Mississippi Faculty Association for Community and Junior Colleges)

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Part-time Minister of Students at a Church

FAMILY INFORMATION: Brother: Kenneth Hughes

HOMETOWN: Richland, MS

HOLMES COMMUNITY COLLEGE

GOODMAN, MS • PRESIDENT: JIM HAFLEY



TAYLOR PAIGE ADCOCK

CLASS STANDING: Sophomore

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Pre-Pharmacy

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; STAR Student; Valedictorian; President's List

COLLEGE HONORS: Phi Theta Kappa Officer-College Project Head; Holmes Plus Scholar; Chemistry work study; Ambassador; Baptist Student Union member; Academic Tutor

CAREER GOALS: After graduating from Holmes Community College, I plan to obtain a Doctor of Pharmacy degree from the University of Mississippi.

HIGH SCHOOL: Central Holmes Christian School, Lexington, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Jeremy and Beth Adcock

HOMETOWN: Sallis, MS



STACEY ELAINE COULTER

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: English Instructor and Writing Center Director, English Department

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 9 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 15

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BA, English, Mississippi College, 1998. Graduate: MA, English, Wake Forest University, 2001; PhD, English, Claremont Graduate University, 2015

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Dissertation: The Evolution of Indian Women's Empowerment in the Novels of Kamala Markandaya; Humanities Teacher of the Year Award (Holmes Community College), 2014; "You Are a Writer" in For Our Students (textbook), published 2009

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Reuben Harvey; Son: Jackson Harvey

HOMETOWN: Prentiss, MS

ITAWAMBA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

FULTON, MS • PRESIDENT: MIKE B. EATON



JULIANNA MARIE GARNER

CLASS STANDING: Sophomore

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: English Education-Coaching

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; High School-Valedictorian; Hall of Fame College-President's List

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Who's Who Among Students in American Community and Junior Colleges, Member of the Region 23 Women's Basketball team

CAREER GOALS: Graduate from ICC and transfer to Blue Mountain College to attain my master's degree in English and a minor in coaching. I plan on becoming a teacher/coach and working in the area where I live.

HIGH SCHOOL: West Union Attendance Center, Myrtle, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Mother: Lorie Garner

HOMETOWN: New Albany, MS



BETSY MANN CHESNUTT

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Instructor, Natural Science Division

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 7 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 7

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BS, Biological Engineering, Mississippi State University, 2002. Graduate: MS, Biomedical Engineering, University of Virginia, 2004; PhD, Biomedical Engineering, University of Memphis, 2008

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Recipient of Mississippi INBRE Curriculum Development Grant (2015-2016); NISOD Excellence Award Recipient (2012); Fulbright Grant to the Netherlands (2007-2008)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Mississippi Association of Physicists, member of the executive board American Association of Physics Teachers, member of two year college committee and conference session chairman American Society of Engineering Education, member ICC Faculty Association Secretary (2011-2014)

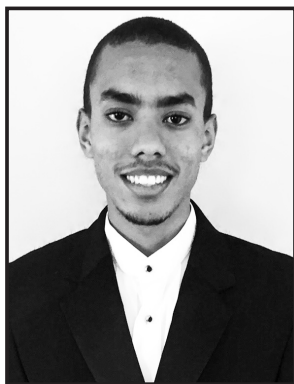
CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Director of ICC Faculty Association 5K to raise money for children of ICC students and faculty with cancer; Helping Hands food pantry; Member of ICC team - St. Jude 5K

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Phillip Chesnutt; Daughter: Susannah Chesnutt

HOMETOWN: Fulton, MS

JACKSON STATE UNIVERSITY

JACKSON, MS • PRESIDENT: CAROLYN MEYERS



ANTHONY CHARLES KEYES, JR.

CLASS STANDING: Junior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Chemistry

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; Best Chemistry Undergraduate Student- Freshman 2013-2014; Best Chemistry Undergraduate Student-Junior 2014-2015; President's List 2013-2015 Beta Kappa Chi Honor Society; National Honor Society (Jackson State University Chapter); MARC (Maximizing Access to Research Careers (USTAR Scholar; Presidential Scholarship Recipient Fall 2013-Present Day; American Chemistry Society Member (JSU Chapter); Presented summer research at ABRCMS 2014, San Antonio; Presented summer research at University of Mississippi Medical Center 2014; Presented summer research at University of Illinois Urban-Champaign 2015; Presenting Research at ABRCMS November 2015

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: President's Scholar: Chemistry Award

CAREER GOALS: Plan on receiving Ph.D. in Organic Chemistry. I plan to attend UIUC or UC Berkeley.

HIGH SCHOOL: Discovery Canyon Campus High School, Colorado Springs, CO

HOMETOWN: Colorado Springs, CO



FENGXIANG X. HAN

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Associate Professor, Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 4 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 17

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BA, Environmental Science, 1984. Graduate: MS, Environmental Chemistry, 1987; PhD, Biogeochemistry, 1998

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Editorial Board of Water, Air, & Soil Pollution; Editorial Board of Soil & Sediment Contamination; Editor-in-Chief of Journal of Bioremediation & Biodegradation

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Division Chair, Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, MS Academy of Science -2015-2016; Division Vice Chair, Chemistry and Chemical Engineering, MS Academy of Science 2014-2015; Academic Advisor for ACS JSU Chapter 201-2016

JONES COUNTY JUNIOR COLLEGE

ELLISVILLE, MS • PRESIDENT: JESSE R. SMITH



FAITH MARIE ANDERSON

CLASS STANDING: Sophomore

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Mathematics Education

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.87 GPA; Harold B. Meadows Memorial Scholarship, JCJC Letter J Award, Collins Rotary Club Scholarship; Greg and Nancy Sullivan Scholarship, Seminary High School Superintendent's List; Seminary High School Special Honors Graduate; Seminary High School Hall of Fame; Mississippi Scholar; Algebra I SATP Perfect Score Award

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Student Government Association Senator-Mathematics Department; JCJC Phi Theta Kappa; JCJC Charles Pickering Honors Institute

CAREER GOALS: My career plans are to start out teaching at a high school, hopefully in Mississippi, and "learn the ropes." After I become comfortable with what I learn in a high school, I plan to go back to school and attain a master's degree in order to try to teach at a junior college. If I am successful at a junior college, I may then possibly continue my schooling in order to attain my PhD and teach at a senior college.

HIGH SCHOOL: Seminary High School, Seminary, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Tracy West and Joe Anderson

HOMETOWN: Seminary, MS



MERI FORD NEWELL

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Woodwind/Music Instructor

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 27 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 29

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BS, Music Education, Applied Music Certificate, Elon University, 1979. **Graduate:** MME, University of Southern Mississippi, 1988; Additional Doctor of Music Education work, 1988-89

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Academic Excellence Nominee, JCJC 2014 Publication: Teaching the Beginning Flutist MS Bandmasters Newsletter, 2014 Flute 101: A Survival Guide for Band Directors, Publication and Presentation MS Bandmasters Fall Clinic, 2005 Phi Delta Kappa Professional Honor Fraternity for Educators 1989 Marcella Rawls Saecker Outstanding Senior Girl Award: 1979, Elon University

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Music Teachers National Association; MS Music Teachers Association (State Woodwind Chair 1996-2007); Music Educators National Conference Mississippi Junior/Community College Band Directors Association; National Flute Association

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Member GFWC/MFWC Cosmopolitan Club of Petal (serve as secretary, State Arts Chair for MFWC 2014-2016); Past team captain (7 years), Petal United Methodist Church Relay for Life team (team raised 48,000. over 7 years for cancer research!); Administrative Council Chair 2011-2015, Petal United Methodist Church

FAMILY INFORMATION: Husband: Willie H. Newell; Sons: Frank Newell, Scott Newell; Daughter-in-law: Cierra Newell; Grandson: Silas Newell

HOMETOWN: Petal, MS

MERIDIAN COMMUNITY COLLEGE

MERIDIAN, MS • PRESIDENT: SCOTT ELLIOTT



ALYSIA SHAW

CLASS STANDING: Second Year

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Medical Laboratory Technology

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; 2014 and 2015 Academic Scholarship recipient; 2015 MCC MLT Scholarship Award

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: President's List

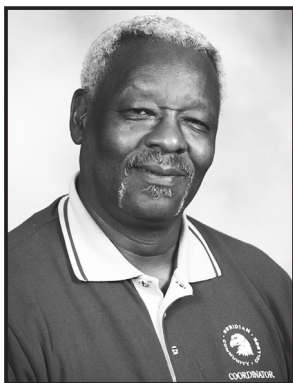
CAREER GOALS: To become a Medical Laboratory Technician and eventually a Medical Laboratory Director

HIGH SCHOOL: Aliceville High School

OTHER COLLEGES: University of West Alabama, Livingston, AL, B.S. Biology

FAMILY INFORMATION: Guardian, Mary Spencer

HOMETOWN: Aliceville, AL



OTIS GOWDY

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Program Coordinator/Instructor

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 11 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 11

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BS, Auto Mechanics, Mississippi Valley State University, 1972

Graduate: MSCE, Counseling/Psychology, University of West Alabama, 2012

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: MCCer of the Month; Lamplighters Award; Third Party Tester for State of MS; Truck Driver 2 Million Mile Accident Free Award

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: National Public Funded Truck Drivers Association

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity; Sunday School Superintendent

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Mrs. Dorothy Gowdy; Children: Dr. Otis Gowdy, Jr., Maurice Gowdy, Demetria Gowdy Boykin, and Melody Smith

HOMETOWN: Meridian, MS

MILLSAPS COLLEGE

JACKSON, MS • PRESIDENT: ROBERT PEARIGEN



MANISH FULTON HARRIGILL

CLASS STANDING: Junior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Biochemistry Major/Economics Minor

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.975 GPA; 2015 William H. Tribette Scholarship Winner

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Student Body Treasurer Beta Beta Beta Phi Eta Sigma

CAREER GOALS: I would like to attend an MD-MBA program after graduating from Millsaps. I would like to be a practicing physician that also works in investment.

HIGH SCHOOL: Madison Ridgeland Academy, Madison: MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Ray and Monica Harrigill

HOMETOWN: Madison, MS



JESSE BEELER

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Professor of Accounting

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 23 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 27

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BS, Accounting, Missouri State University, 1985. Graduate: MBA, Missouri State University, 1988; PhD, University of Texas at Arlington, 1994

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: CPA Mississippi

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Jonell Beeler; Daughter: Angelia Wade; Step-Daughter: Sarah Williamson; Step-Son: Robert Williamson

MISSISSIPPI COLLEGE

CLINTON, MS • PRESIDENT: LEE G. ROYCE



MARY ELIZABETH MCRAE

CLASS STANDING: Senior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Mathematics

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.35 GPA; Mortar Board Honor Society; Presidential Scholar; Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Student Body President; President of Student Senate, 2014-15 -2013-14; Senator of the Year-Laguna Social Tribe officer; Welcome Week Leadership Committee

CAREER GOALS: After graduation, I plan on pursuing a career in either actuarial science or higher education.

HIGH SCHOOL: Tishomingo County High School, Iuka, Mississippi

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Kirby and Pamela McRae

HOMETOWN: Tishomingo, MS



STEPHEN D. COOK

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Professor, Department of Art, Mississippi College

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 31 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 36

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BA, Mississippi College, 1973. Graduate: MFA, University of Mississippi, 1975; Certificate in Printmaking, Royal College of Art, London, 1976

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: University Fellow, University of Mississippi, 1973-75; ITT International Fellow, London, 1975-1976, Royal College of Art; Who's Who in American Art; Who's Who in America; Distinguished Professor of the Year, Mississippi College, 1975

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Southern Graphics Council, past President

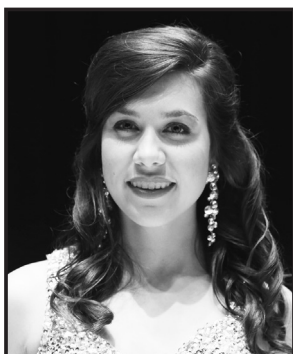
CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Member, Northminster Baptist Church

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Jeanne Wells Cook

HOMETOWN: Jackson, MS

MISSISSIPPI DELTA COMMUNITY COLLEGE

MOORHEAD, MS • PRESIDENT: LARRY NABORS



HANNAH LISE LEFLORE

CLASS STANDING: Sophomore

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Music

GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; President's list, Phi Theta Kappa honor society member

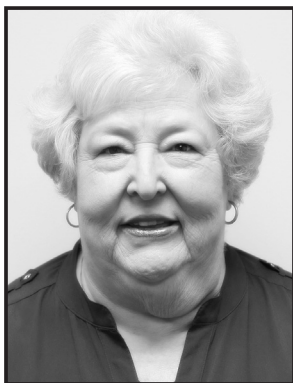
COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Miss Mississippi Delta Community College, 2015

CAREER GOALS: I would like to get my master's degree in Speech and Hearing Sciences and become a Speech Pathologist.

HIGH SCHOOL: Homeschooled, Greenwood, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Stan Leflore and Jan Leflore

HOMETOWN: Greenwood, MS



MARY RUTH EVANS BRINDLEY

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: English Division Chair

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 19 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 19

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BS, English and History, University of Memphis, 1968. Graduate:

MEd, English Education, Delta State University, 1993

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Humanities Teacher of the Year, 2011; William Winter Scholar, 2007; Lamplighter, 2002; US Holocaust Memorial Museum Teacher Fellow, 1997

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Two-year College Association of MS; Two-year College Association Southeast MS; Community College Creative Writing Association

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Mid-Delta Arts Association Board; 20th Century Club of Indianola

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: John M. Brindley; Son: John (Myra); Daughter: Anne (Ray); Grandchildren: Claire, Collin, Brindley and Allie

HOMETOWN: Indianola, MS

MS GULF COAST COMMUNITY COLLEGE

PERKINSTON, MS • PRESIDENT: MARY S. GRAHAM



JAYCIE LYNN YOTT

CLASS STANDING: Sophomore

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Electrical Engineering

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.87 GPA; Honors College Scholarship; ACT Presidential Scholarship; Reflections Member Scholarship; Dean's List Fall 2014; President's List Spring 2015

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Phi Theta Kappa; President Student Government Association; Member-At-Large Campus Activity Board; Vice President Dog - Pound; Vice President Multicultural Club; Member Freshman Resident of the Month

CAREER GOALS: To earn an associate's degree from Mississippi Gulf Coast Community College and earn bachelor's degree in Electrical Engineering from Mississippi State University.

HIGHSCHOOL: Long Beach Senior High School

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Joseph Yott, Sr. and Lynn Yott

HOMETOWN: Long Beach, MS



MARY ANN SISON

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: History Instructor, Honors Director, Social Studies Department, MGCCC, Jackson County

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 12 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 20

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BA, Anthropology, University of New Orleans, 1976. Graduate: MA, History, University of Southern Mississippi, 1982; PhD, History, University of Southern Mississippi, 1997

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Publications: Oalman, Mary Ann. "Southern Railroad Folklore." Louisiana Folklore Miscellany, 3(5): 19-32; 1975 "Teaching the Mexican Revolution." USM National History Day - Revolution, Reaction, Reform in History; Spring 2001; Phi Theta Kappa Advisor Awards; Mississippi Humanity Council Teacher Award; William Winter Faculty Scholar

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Phi Theta Kappa - Honors; Faculty Scholar, 2010; Regional Advisory Board, 2009-2011; Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society Latin American Studies Association; Mississippi Faculty Association

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: MS Vietnam Memorial Archive; History Day Judge; Relay for Life; MS Vietnam Memorial Archive; History Day Judge; Relay for Life; MORA

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Gustave F.P. Sison, Jr.; Children: Nathan and Tess

HOMETOWN: Long Beach, MS as of 1986 (Native of New Orleans, LA)

MISSISSIPPI STATE UNIVERSITY

MISSISSIPPI STATE, MS • PRESIDENT: MARK E. KEENUM



JOSEPH MONROE DODD

CLASS STANDING: Senior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Economics – Pre-medicine

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.47 GPA

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Student Association President; Reflector Opinion writer; MSU Mascot Team member

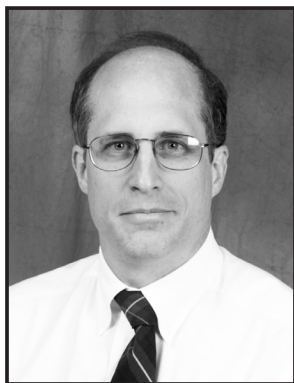
CAREER GOALS: A career in Emergency Medicine

HIGH SCHOOL: Picayune Memorial High School, Picayune, MS

OTHER COLLEGES: Pearl River Community College, Poplarville, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Sherman and Rebecca Dodd

HOMETOWN: Picayune, MS



CODY P. COYNE

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Tenured Professor, Basic Sciences, College of Veterinary Medicine

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 22.5 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 34

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** Colorado State University at Fort Collins, 1974-1977; DVM, Colorado State University at Fort Collins, 1981; Surgery Internship, Univ. of California at Davis, 1981-1982; DACVIM, Diplomate Veterinary Internal Medicine, Univ. of California at Davis, 1982; Internal Medicine Residency, Univ. of California at Davis, 1986-1988. **Graduate:** PhD, Radiopharmacology, Univ. of California at Davis, 1986

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Fludarabine: Synthesis, Pharm Drug Delivery Res 2015. Synthesis of gemcitabine utilizing a UV-photoactivated gemcitabine intermediate: anti-neoplastic cytotoxicity against resistant mammary adenocarcinoma. Cancer Ther: Breast Cancer Issue 2012. Synthesis of a covalent epirubicin utilizing a UV-photoactivated anthracycline intermediate. Cancer Biother Radiopharm, 2012. Comparative Diagnostic Pharmacology. 2006. Isolated Viable Nematode Intestinal Cells. US Patent

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: American Veterinary Medical Association; American College of Veterinary Internal Medicine; American Society of Clinical Oncology; elected member 1994; American Academy of Veterinary Pharmacology; American Society of Clinical Pharmacology and Therapeutics

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Joan Cadillac-Coyne

HOMETOWN: Parker, CO

MISSISSIPPI UNIVERSITY FOR WOMEN

COLUMBUS, MS • PRESIDENT: JAMES B. BORSIG



BRIANNA ELIZABETH WARNER

CLASS STANDING: Senior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Political Science/Women's Studies

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.83 GPA; President's List-Spring 2013, Fall 2013, Spring 2014; Dean's List-Fall 2012, Spring 2015 Dave Evans Scholarship

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: MUW Ina E. Gordy Honors College Outstanding Women's Studies Student Spring 2014; Research Presentation at 2015 National Collegiate Honors Conference; 2015 Truman Finalist; 2015 Columbia University Summer Public Health Scholar

CAREER GOALS: I intend to attend Samford University's Cumberland School of Law as a member of the Class of 2019. After graduating, I intend to practice law in the area of health policy, particularly in the area of reproductive health and rights.

HIGH SCHOOL: Harrison Central High School, Gulfport, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Mother: Michele Warner

HOMETOWN: Gulfport, MS



KIM WHITEHEAD

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Associate Professor, English and Religious Studies; Interim Director, Ina E. Gordy Honors College

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 12 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 17

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BA, English and Political Science (double major), Jacksonville State University, 1983 **Graduate:** PhD, Religion, Literature, and Women's Studies, Institute of the Liberal Arts, Emory University, 1994

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: MUW Faculty Member of the Year, 2015 MUW Humanities Professor of the Year, Mississippi Humanities Council, 2009 book: The Feminist Poetry Movement (University Press of Mississippi)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: President, Mississippi Philological Association, 2015-2016

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Past Member, Board of Directors, Columbus Arts Council, Columbus Past Member, Board of Directors, Hitching Lot Farmer's Market, Columbus

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Kendall Dunkelberg; Son: Aidan Dunkelberg

HOMETOWN: Horton, AL

MISSISSIPPI VALLEY STATE UNIVERSITY

ITTA BENA, MS • PRESIDENT: WILLIAM B. BYNUM, JR.



TONEY AARON WILLIAMS

CLASS STANDING: Senior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Music Education

GPA & ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.83 GPA; Distinguished Scholar, Honor Scholar, President's Scholar

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Full Academic Scholarship Outstanding Music Student Outstanding Jazz Pianist

CAREER GOALS: After graduation, I plan to begin my music education profession through teaching. It is my desire to become a recognized mentor motivating students to succeed in life. I will also continue my studies through graduate school

HIGH SCHOOL: Alief Hastings High School, Houston, Texas

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Aaron Williams and Bessie Williams

HOMETOWN: Houston, TX



XIAOQIN PAUL WU

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Associate Professor, Department of Mathematics, Computer and Information Sciences

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 10 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 16

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BS, Math Education, Central China Normal University, 1979-1983. **Graduate:** MS, Mathematics, Xiamen University, 1988-1991; MS, Computer Science, Mississippi State University, 1998-2000; PhD, Mathematics, Mississippi State University, 2001-2006

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Hopf bifurcation analysis in delayed differential equations with two delays, Dynamics of Continuous, Discrete and Impulse Systems, 2015; Bogdanov-Takens singularity for a system of reaction-diffusion equations, J. Math. Chem., 2015; Bautin bifurcation for the Lengyel-Epstein system, J. Math. Chem., 2014; Zero-Hopf bifurcation analysis for a Krawiec-Szydlowski system of business cycles with two delays, Dynamic Systems and Applications, 2014; A Hopf bifurcation analysis for a Kaldor-Kalecki model of business cycles with two different delays, Communications in Applied Analysis, 2014

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Mississippi Academy of Sciences

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: CS/Math Session organizer, the Mississippi IT Day; Vice Chair of CS/Math Session, the annual meeting of Mississippi Academy of Sciences; Member of Honors Convocation Committee, Mississippi Valley State University

FAMILY INFORMATION: : Zhihong Wang; Daughter: Pauline Wu Wang

HOMETOWN: Tianmen, Hubei, China

NORTHEAST MS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

BOONEVILLE, MS • PRESIDENT: JOHNNY L. ALLEN



JEREMY BLAKE FARRAR

CLASS STANDING: Third Year

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Architecture

GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.82 GPA; Presidents List 2013-2014; Drafting and Design Student of the Year

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Phi-Theta-Kappa Associates Degree; Computer Aided Drafting and Design

CAREER GOALS: I plan to graduate with a bachelor's degree from a school of architecture and design commercial businesses.

HIGH SCHOOL: East Union Attendance Center, Blue Springs, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Kelly Farrar and Sheila Farrar

HOMETOWN: Blue Springs, MS



BRYAN PATRICK MITCHELL

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Faculty, Director of Bands, Fine Arts

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 9 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 6

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** AA, Music Education, Northeast Community College, 1999; BM, Music Education, University of Mississippi, 2001. **Graduate:** MM, Music Education, University of Mississippi, 2003

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Several music compositions with DEV Music Company; T.O.P. Award at NEMCC

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: P.A.S. (Percussive Arts Society); NEMBDA (Northeast Mississippi Band Directors Association); Faculty Association (NEMCC)

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Minister of Music at Smith Chapel C.M.E. Church

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Leslie Mitchell; Son: Luke Mitchell

HOMETOWN: Athens, MS

NORTHWEST MS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

SENATOBIA, MS • PRESIDENT: GARY L. SPEARS



KAYLEIGH MORGAN SIMS

CLASS STANDING: Sophomore

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Elementary Education

GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; Phi Theta Kappa Academic Hall of Fame nominee multiple highest average achievements

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Phi Theta Kappa member Academic Hall of Fame nominee

CAREER GOALS: I intend on graduating in May 2018 with a bachelor's degree in elementary education and endorsements in math and science. I then plan on acquiring a job as an elementary school teacher close to my hometown of Randolph (Pontotoc), MS.

HIGH SCHOOL: South Pontotoc Attendance Center, Pontotoc, Mississippi

OTHER COLLEGES: Mountain College, Blue Mountain, MS no degree achieved-dual enrollment in high school

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Dana Sims and Billy Sims

HOMETOWN: Randolph, MS



THOMAS JEFFREY TRIPLETT

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Assistant Director of Bands, Fine Arts

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 9 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 9

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BMed, Music Education, University of Southern Mississippi, 1991

Graduate: MMed, Music Education, Delta State University, 2000

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Phi Mu Alpha (Sinfonia), Mississippi Bandmaster's Association, International Trombone Association

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Laura Dilatush Triplett; Children: Madison Grace Triplett, Aubrey Anne Triplett, Laura Elisabeth Triplett, and Margaret Elaine Triplett

HOMETOWN: Senatobia, MS

PEARL RIVER COMMUNITY COLLEGE

POPLARVILLE, MS • PRESIDENT: WILLIAM A. LEWIS



RENELLE ELENA FAILLA

CLASS STANDING: Sophomore

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Mechanical Engineering

GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.91 GPA; Member of Phi Theta Kappa, Iota Mu Chapter; Recipient of the Pearl River Community College STEM Scholarship

COLLEGE HONORS: Co-President of Phi Theta Kappa, Iota Mu Chapter; elected to be one of the sophomore maids on Pearl River Community College's 2015 homecoming court, third runner up and voted Miss Congeniality in the 2015 Miss PRCC Wildcat Pageant

CAREER GOALS: To graduate from Mississippi State University with a degree in mechanical engineering and ultimately work for an engineering firm. I also would like to mentor young women in the fields of engineering and science

HIGH SCHOOL: Mother of Divine Grace accredited home-school program, Ojai, California

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: David and Cindy Failla

HOMETOWN: Picayune, MS



HENRY R. SETZE

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Instructor of Physics, Mathematics, and Engineering, Department of Science, Mathematics, and Business

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 16 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 18

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BS, Physics, University of Alabama at Birmingham, 1988. **Graduate:**

MA, Physics, Duke University, 1990; PhD, Physics, Duke University, 1994

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Lower Pearl River Valley Foundation Grant Recipient

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: American Association of Physics Teachers

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: U.S. Navy Submarine Force Veteran

HOMETOWN: Petal, MS

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ADAM CHARLES PARKER

CLASS STANDING: Senior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Master of Divinity

GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.74 GPA

CAREER GOALS: Pastoral Ministry

HIGH SCHOOL: Stafford Jr./Sr. High School; Stafford, KS

OTHER COLLEGES: B.A. in Philosophy from Grand Canyon University, Phoenix, AZ

FAMILY INFORMATION: Wife: Arryn Parker

HOMETOWN: McPherson, KS



CHARLES MALCOLM WINGARD

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Assistant Professor of Practical Theology

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 2 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 2

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BA, Political Science, The University of the South, 1980. **Graduate:** DMIN, Greenville Presbyterian Theological Seminary, 1992; MDIV, Vanderbilt Divinity School, 1984

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Minister, Presbyterian Church in America

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Site Council Raines Elementary School, Jackson, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Lynne Wingard

HOMETOWN: Conway, AR

RUST COLLEGE

HOLLY SPRINGS, MS • PRESIDENT: DAVID L. BECKLEY



JANICIA SHANEL MITCHELL

CLASS STANDING: Junior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Sociology/Criminal Justice

GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.9 GPA; E.A. Smith Honor's Society, UNCF; Mellon Mays Undergraduate Fellowship; President's List

CAREER GOALS: After attaining my bachelor's degree in sociology from Rust College, I plan to pursue both my master's and doctoral degree in sociology from another Historically Black College or University. After furthering my education, I will go on to be a professor at an HBCU.

HIGH SCHOOL: Lift for Life Academy High School, Saint Louis, MO

FAMILY INFORMATION: Mother: Janice Lathan

HOMETOWN: Saint Louis, MO



MARCO TYRONE ROBINSON

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Assistant Professor of History

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 12 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 12

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BA, History, Jackson State University, 2001. **Graduate:** MA, History, Jackson State University, 2003; PhD, History, University of Mississippi, 2010

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Association for the Study of African American Life and History; Southern Historical Association; Organization of American Historians; The Southern Conference of African American Studies

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Board Member of the DeSoto County African American History Symposium Board; Member of the Holly Springs Community Development Corporation

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Tracy Robinson; Children: Jay Robinson, Leah Robinson, Kya Robinson, and Otavion Jackson

HOMETOWN: Hernando, MS

SOUTHEASTERN BAPTIST COLLEGE

LAUREL, MS • INTERIM PRESIDENT: DANNY PITTS



JUSTIN WAYNE RHODES

CLASS STANDING: Junior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Bible

GPA: 3.6

HIGH SCHOOL: Sylvia Bay Academy, Bay Springs, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Christie Rhodes

HOMETOWN: Bay Springs, MS



SHIRLEY HODGES HENDRICKS

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Adjunct Professor, Psychology Department, Southeast Baptist College

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 1 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 3

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BS, Psychology, Shorter University, 2006 ; BA, English, Shorter University, 2006. **Graduate:** MS, Counseling Psychology, The University of Southern Mississippi, 2010; PhD, Experimental Psychology, The University of Southern Mississippi, 2014

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Madson, M. B., Bullock, E. E., Speed, A. C. & Hodges, S. A. (2008).

Supervising substance abuse treatment: Specific issues and a motivational interviewing model. In A. K., Hess, K. D., Hess, & T. H., Hess. (Eds.). Psychotherapy Supervision: Theory, Research, and Practice (2nd ed). New York: John Wiley and Sons.

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Residential Therapist at Crossroads Counseling

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Client Advocate at Laurel CPC

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Phillip Hendricks; Son: Sebastian Hendricks

HOMETOWN: Griffin, GA

SOUTHWEST MS COMMUNITY COLLEGE

SUMMIT, MS • PRESIDENT: J. STEVEN BISHOP



ABIGAIL CHRISTINE HOOKS

CLASS STANDING: Sophomore

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Marketing and Accounting

GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.9 GPA; Speech Award

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Miss SMCC; Student Government Association President; Phi Theta Kappa Vice-President of Leadership; Redline dance team co-captain; Bear Tracker; Quiz Bowl team member; baseball team statistician

CAREER GOALS: To attain a master's degree in marketing and accounting and work in either profession.

HIGH SCHOOL: North Pike High School

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Clayton and Tonya Hooks

HOMETOWN: Summit, MS



SUSAN GEORGE HEDGES

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Instructor, Division of Social Science and Business

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 16 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 22

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BSW, Social Work, Mississippi University for Women, 1980.

Graduate: MSW, Social Work, The University of Alabama, 1982

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Mississippi University for Women Alumnae Achievement Award; Lamplighters; Phi Theta Kappa Distinguished Advisor Award; Rotary International Paul Harris Fellow

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Licensed Certified Social Worker; member, National Association of Social Workers; Mississippi Community College Leadership Academy

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: McComb School District Board of Trustees; Mississippi University for Women Alumnae Association Past President; member of Centenary United Methodist Church

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Jim Hedges; Children: John Hedges and Lisa Hedges

HOMETOWN: McComb, MS

TOUGALOO COLLEGE

TOUGALOO, MS • PRESIDENT: BEVERLY W. HOGAN



QUANISHA D. FORD

CLASS STANDING: Senior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Child Development

GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.73 GPA; Senior Child Development major; FAME Mentor, James Patterson Scholar; Provost Scholar; National Alumni Scholar; Union United Church of Christ Scholar; Kappa Delta Pi Education Honor Society; 2015 recipient of the Tougaloo Alumni Chapter Scholarship in Washington, DC; Gamma Omicron Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority; mentor for the 21st Century Community Learning Center, Tougaloo College campus; volunteer to assist students with their daily activities.

CAREER GOALS: My career goals include giving back to the community and becoming an educator. My dream has been to become a teacher since first grade. Eventually, I would like to open an academy to enhance and further children's leadership, academic, social, physical, and spiritual aspects. I plan to further my education by enrolling in graduate school and later attaining a specialist or doctoral degree. I believe I will be a great educator and will definitely continue to serve others by keeping my faith in God and in myself.

HIGH SCHOOL: Greenville-Weston High School, Greenville, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Liesa Ford and Keith Boston

HOMETOWN: Greenville, MS



ARTHUR MCLIN, JR

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Associate Professor, Chair, Department of Elementary Education

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 8 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 16

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BA, Music - Music Theory and Composition, Univ. of New Orleans, 1977. **Graduate:** Extended Studies Advance 20th Century Music Composition Studies - Paris, France, 1985; MS, Music 20th Century Contemporary Music Composition, Univ. of New Orleans, 1990; EdS, Community College Teaching Specializing in Elementary and Secondary Music Education, AR State Univ., 1995; EdS, Psychology and Counseling, AR State Univ., 2002; EdD, Educational Leadership, AR State Univ., 2002

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: National Society of Collegiate Scholars Award "Distinguished Member;" Department of Educational Leadership, Curriculum, and Special Education Outstanding Ed.D. Student; Recipient of the Eugene Smith Award; Respect Community Service Award For Services Rendered to the Joneboro, AR Community; Outstanding and Dedicated Service Award to the St. Bernard Group Home for Emotionally Disturbed Boys; Meraux, LA Volunteer Service Award for services provided to students of the AR State University Counseling Center, 2003-2004

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: American Psychotherapy Association; Kappa Delta Phi Mid-south Educational Research Association (MSERA)

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: President for Concerned Citizens of the Rankin County Community; Serve as a therapist voluntarily for children and adolescents in the community who needs assistance; Give free music lessons to students in the community who want to learn how to play a musical instrument; Sunday school and Bible studies teacher for 9 to 13 year old children

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Patricia Toney-McLin; Children: Arthur McLin, III and Megan Elizabeth McLin

HOMETOWN: New Orleans, LA

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI

UNIVERSITY, MS • CHANCELLOR: JEFFREY VITTER



RODERICK (ROD) RHODES BRIDGES, III

CLASS STANDING: Senior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Public Policy Leadership/Mathematics and Arabic

GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.75 GPA; Tricia Lott Leadership Scholar; Sally McDonnell-Barksdale Honors College Member; Chancellor's Honor Roll Recipient

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Associated Student Body President (2015-16); Phi Kappa Phi Honor Society (2015); Omicron Delta Kappa Honor Society (2015); Associated Student Body "Senator of the Year" (2014); Lambda Sig ma Sophomore Honor Society President (2013-14); Associated Student Body Freshman Council President (2012-2013); Omicron Delta Kappa "Freshman Leader of the Year" (2013)

CAREER GOALS: Upon graduation, I hopefully will be attending Officer Candidacy School for the Mississippi National Guard. In searching for the occupation that best suits my strengths in the military, I may apply to seminary or a divinity master's program next year to become a member of the Army chaplain candidacy program.

HIGH SCHOOL: Madison Central High School, Madison, MS

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Roddy Bridges and London and Thomas Wagner

HOMETOWN: Madison, MS



ROBERT D. BROWN

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Professor, Political Science, College of Liberal Arts

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 24 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 24

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: **Undergraduate:** BS, Political Science, Northern Illinois University, 1985. **Graduate:** PhD, Political Science, Indiana University, 1993

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Elsie M. Hood Outstanding Teacher Award, University of Mississippi, 2015; Faculty Achievement Award for Outstanding Teaching and Scholarship, University of Mississippi, 2006

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Southern Political Science Association; Midwest Political Science Association

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Support a variety of local and national charities, including: United Way of Oxford, Wounded Warrior Project, ASPCA, Memphis Area Golden Retriever Rescue

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Laura Diven-Brown; Son: Sean Brown

HOMETOWN: Buffalo Grove, IL

UNIVERSITY OF MISSISSIPPI MEDICAL CENTER

JACKSON, MS • VICE CHANCELLOR: LOUANN WOODWARD



ELLEN ELIZABETH GILLIS

CLASS STANDING: Select

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Medical Pharmacology

GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 3.63 GPA; American Heart Association Pre-doctoral Fellowship; American Physiological Society Physiologists in Industry Novel Disease Model Award; American Society of Nephrology Kidney STARS Scholar; Water and Electrolyte Homeostasis Pre-doctoral Research Recognition Awardee; American Heart Association Hypertension Early Career Award

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: President, Graduate Student Body; Mentoring Chair, Associated Student Body; UMMC Dean's Scholarship; UMMC Excellence in Medical Pharmacology Award; UMMC Dean's Service Award

CAREER GOALS: My long-term career goal is to become a principal investigator with a productive research program that focuses on my interests in cardio-renal disease in hypertension.

HIGH SCHOOL: Briarcrest Christian High School, Eads, TN

OTHER COLLEGES: Furman University, Greenville, SC, Psychology B.S. University of Mississippi Medical Center, Jackson, MS, Biomedical Sciences M.S.

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Jerry and Margaret Gillis

HOMETOWN: Memphis, TN



THOMAS HARVEY ADAIR

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Professor of Physiology, School of Medicine

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 35 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 38

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BS, Biology/Chemistry, Michigan State University, 1972. Graduate: PhD, Biomedical Sciences, University of Texas Medical Branch, 1980

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: 173 peer reviewed research articles and abstracts; 10 Physiology review books and chapters; NHLBI Research Career Development Award Carl G. Evers Teaching Awards, UMMC, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2013; Hembree Teaching Award, UMMC, 2014

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: National Board of Medical Examiners, Step 1 Item Writer 2004-08 American Dental Association, Item Writer. 1991-1995 Editorial board member or reviewer for more than 20 research journals Course Director, Physiology 625/725 at UMMC for 25 years Instructor and Item Writer for Kaplan-Med, 1998-present

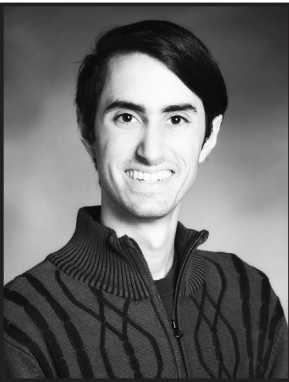
CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Donations to Stewpot, Fraternal Order of Police, religious organizations Soccer coach, Baseball coach, Cub Scout Leader

FAMILY INFORMATION: Children: Paul, Mark, and Sean

HOMETOWN: Flint, MI

UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHERN MISSISSIPPI

HATTIESBURG, MS • PRESIDENT: RODNEY BENNETT



JOHN DAVENPORT

CLASS STANDING: Junior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Kinesiology Major/Dance Minor

GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; President's List, Presidential National Merit Scholar, Lambda Sigma, Phi Eta Sigma, Golden Key Honor Society, Phi Kappa Phi

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Student Affairs Student Service Scholarship; the Bruce and Virginia Wilgus "Making a Difference" Award; Honors College Ambassadors President; Student Government Association Outstanding Leader Award

CAREER GOALS: Pursue a career in the field of recreational sports

HIGH SCHOOL: Homeschooled

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Al and Phyllis Davenport

HOMETOWN: Moss Bluff, LA



ELAINE FONTENOT MOLAISON

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Professor and Chair, Department of Nutrition and Food Systems

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 12 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 16

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BS, Dietetics, University of Louisiana at Lafayette, 1994. Graduate: MS, Nutrition & Dietetics, Louisiana Tech University, 1996; PhD, Nutrition & Food Systems, University of Southern Mississippi

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: Dannon Institute's Academic Mid-Career Nutrition Leadership Institute; Distinguished Researcher, University of Southern Mississippi, College of Health; Mississippi Healthcare Hero, Class of 2012, Mississippi Business Journal; Outstanding Faculty Service, University of Southern Mississippi, College of Health; More than 25 peer-reviewed research publications and more than 30 graduate student research projects

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Academic Member, Board of Directors, Association for Specialized and Professional Accreditors; Past Chair, Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition and Dietetics; Chair, Expanded Standards Committee for the Development of Degree-Based Standards, Accreditation Council for Education in Nutrition & Dietetics; Member of the Academy of Nutrition & Dietetics; Faculty Senate

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Andrew Molaison; Daughter: Sophie Molaison

HOMETOWN: Opelousas, LA

WESLEY BIBLICAL SEMINARY

JACKSON, MS • PRESIDENT: JOHN E. NEIHOF, JR.



STANLEY BRIAN LEWIS

CLASS STANDING: Senior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Masters of Arts in Apologetics

GPA: 3.87

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Dean's List

CAREER GOALS: Part-Time Ministry

HIGH SCHOOL: Byram High School, Byram, MS

OTHER COLLEGES: Hinds Community College - Associates in Drafting; Columbia Southern University - Bachelor of Fire Science

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Heidi Lewis

HOMETOWN: Jackson, MS



RICK BOYD

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Assistant Professor of Biblical Studies

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 2 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 4

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BSME, Mechanical Engineering, University of Illinois, 1988

Graduate: MDiv, Divinity, Asbury Theological Seminary, 1997; PhD, London School of Theology, 2012

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: Member of Evangelical Theological Society; Institute for Biblical Research; Society of Biblical Literature

FAMILY INFORMATION: SPOUSE: Jodi

HOMETOWN: Urbana, IL

WILLIAM CAREY UNIVERSITY

HATTIESBURG, MS • PRESIDENT: TOMMY KING



ERIC DANIEL WARREN

CLASS STANDING: Senior

MAJOR/MINOR FIELD OF STUDY: Major: Religion, Minor: Business Administration

GPA AND ACADEMIC RECOGNITIONS TO DATE: 4.0 GPA; Placed on the President's List every trimester since my first year at Carey; Induction into Alpha Chi Honors Society

COLLEGE HONORS HELD: Member of the Carey Scholars Honors College

CAREER GOALS: Pastoring a church

HIGH SCHOOL: Faith Academy Mobile, Alabama

OTHER COLLEGES: Jones County Junior College

FAMILY INFORMATION: Parents: Robert Warren and Catherine Warren

HOME TOWN: Mobile, AL



DANIEL CROWELL BROWNING, JR.

TITLE/DEPARTMENT: Professor of Religion and History

YEARS OF SERVICE AT THIS INSTITUTION: 25 • **YEARS OF SERVICE IN HIGHER EDUCATION:** 27

ACADEMIC CREDENTIALS: Undergraduate: BSE, Industrial Engineering, UA Huntsville, 1980. **Graduate:** PhD, Biblical Backgrounds and Archaeology, Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary, Fort Worth, TX, 1988

PUBLICATIONS/HONORS/AWARDS: 1996. "The Strange Search for the Ashes of the Red Heifer." Biblical Archaeologist (June 1996).

1998. "The Hill Country is Not Enough for Us: Recent Archaeology and the Book of Joshua." Southwestern Journal of Theology (Fall 1998)

2001. "Various Small Finds: Loomweights." Amihai Mazar and Nava Panitz-Cohen, Timnah (Tel Batash) II: The Finds from the First Millennium BCE. Jerusalem: Institute of Archaeology, the Hebrew University of Jerusalem. 2012 "Assyria and the Eighth-Century Hebrew Prophets". Biblical Illustrator (Winter 2012-13) 2015. "Mesopotamia in the Time of the Patriarchs." Biblical Illustrator (Fall 2015)

PROFESSIONAL AFFILIATIONS: American Schools of Oriental Research; Israel Exploration Society; Society of Biblical Literature

CIVIC ACTIVITIES: Church; Baptist Medical and Dental Mission International

FAMILY INFORMATION: Spouse: Felicia J Browning; Daughters, Sarah B. Etheridge and Rachel B. Browning

HOMETOWN: Huntsville, AL

STATE OF MISSISSIPPI

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THE MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE
2015-16 SENATE

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Gary Jackson	15	Choctaw, Montgomery, Oktibbeha, Webster	Sean J. Tindell	49	Harrison
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Vacant	25	Hinds, Madison			
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Hillman Frazier	27	Hinds			
Sollie Norwood	28	Hinds			
David Blount	29	Hinds			
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Videt Carmichael	33	Clarke, Lauderdale			
Juan Barnett	34	Forrest, Jasper, Jones			

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THE MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE 2015-16 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Dana Criswell	6	DeSoto	Kabir Karriem	41	Lowndes
Steve Hopkins	7	DeSoto	Carl Mickens	42	Lowndes, Noxubee, Winston
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Lataisha Jackson	11	Panola, Tate	Karl Oliver	46	Carroll, Grenada, Leflore, Montgomery, Webster
Jay Hughes	12	Lafayette	Bryant W. Clark	47	Attala, Holmes, Yazoo
Steve Massengill	13	Benton, Lafayette, Marshall, Union	Jason White	48	Attala, Carroll, Holmes, Leake
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Chris Brown	20	Itawamba, Lee, Monroe	Oscar Denton	55	Warren
Donnie Bell	21	Itawamba, Tishomingo	Philip Gunn	56	Hinds, Madison
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Jim Beckett	23	Calhoun, Grenada, Lafayette, Webster	Joe Bomgar	58	Madison
Jeff Hale	24	Desoto	Brent Powell	59	Rankin
Dan Eubanks	25	DeSoto	John L. Moore	60	Rankin
Orlando Paden	26	Bolivar, Coahoma	Ray Rogers	61	Rankin
Kenneth Walker	27	DeSoto	Tom Weathersby	62	Copiah, Rankin, Simpson
Robert Foster	28	Bolivar, Sunflower, Washington	Deborah Butler Dixon	63	Hinds, Warren, Yazoo
Linda F. Coleman	29	Bolivar, Sunflower	Bill Denny, Jr.	64	Hinds, Madison
Robert E. Huddleston	30	Bolivar, Quitman, Sunflower, Tallahatchie	Christopher Bell	65	Hinds
Sara R. Thomas	31	Bolivar, Humphreys, Sunflower, Washington	Jarvis Dortch	66	Hinds
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			Adrienne Wooten	71	Hinds
			Kimberly L. Campbell	72	Hinds, Madison
			Cory Wilson	73	Madison

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THE MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE
2015-16 HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, CONT

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Randy Rushing	78	Leake, Newton, Scott	Carolyn Crawford	121	Harrison
Blaine "Bo" Eaton	79	Jasper, Smith	David Baria	122	Hancock
Omeria Scott	80	Clarke, Jasper, Jones			
Steve Horne	81	Clarke, Lauderdale			
Charles Young, Jr.	82	Lauderdale			
Greg Snowden	83	Lauderdale			
William Shirley	84	Clarke, Jasper, Newton			
America Middleton	85	Claiborne, Franklin, Jefferson, Warren			
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