Local JDCC Poet Performs at Shakespeare Festival

There were a lot of people at this year’s Alabama Shakespeare Festival’s Respect The Mic poetry slam, and among those was JDCC’s own poet, Matthew “Sylence the Poet” Kemp. The event, held on May 19, was hosted by published local Alabama poet Avery Carter and boasted the biggest turnout in the event’s three year history. Over 200 people came out to the Shakespeare Gardens to enjoy the live music and spoken word performances. Eight poets, along with Matthew, were chosen to compete in the Slam competition for the first place prize package. Guest performances included Avery Carter’s performance of “Jonesing for You” and musical performances by Constantine the Emcee. John Paul Taylor took first place, while Yolanda Carter and Zenobia Ranger took the runners up spots. JDCC would like to congratulate Matthew on being chosen to perform at this year’s Respect the Mic and also invite everyone to attend JDCC’s own poetry readings, The Lyrical Lounge, on the last Wednesdays of each month this semester in the Neal Auditorium at 11:00 AM.
JDCC SGA 2007-2008 Gets Underway

I want to welcome students to JDCC and encourage them to participate in the student organizations and activities being sponsored. Student organizational members, their sponsors, and the College will be inviting students to become part of a “Warhawks” culture. I look forward to encouraging, assisting, and interacting with students and sponsors to make this the best year ever. GO WARHAWKS!!!

Maurice Moore, Director of Student Life

This month will be a busy one for the SGA. SGA officers will be elected between September 10-14. The Candidates will be campaigning from September 3-7. Vote in the Leigh Library and in the Atmore Administration Building. There will be a blood drive on Brewton Campus on September 19 from 9-1 in the Student Center. On September 26 and 27 the SGA will hold a Voter Registration Drive, and there will be a Constitution Day Acknowledgment Display on September 27 in observance of Constitution Day. Come out and support our SGA activities!

JDCC Library Goes Wireless!!

The library, including its surrounding porches, is now a WiFi zone. If you have a laptop, please try out this new service and tell your friends!
The password is: 1jdccwirelessguest.

Psi Beta Meetings Begin

Psi Beta is a national honor society for community and junior colleges which promotes a mission of professional development of psychology students through recognition of excellence in scholarship, leadership, research, and community service. You do not have to be a psychology major to join, but this is encouraged. Psi Beta does fundraising to help the community with projects such as the angel Tree and the Food Bank. JDCC chapter held its first meeting September 4 and will meet every first and third Tuesday at 11 AM in Wallace 107. For more information, contact Beulah Patton, Advisor.

Phi Beta Lambda Up and Running

Phi Beta Lambda sponsor Jan House says that the JDCC chapter met on September 4 in Atmore and will meet in Brewton on September 10 at 11 AM in the Hines Building. If you are a Business, CIS, or Office Administration major, you are invited to join. See Ms. House for details.

JDCC Honor Programs

By Courtney Folsom

The JDCC Honor Programs for the 2007-2008 academic year has officially started. There are many students involved in this program, some returning, some new. The first official meeting was conducted by Program Director, Dr. Lyn Gill, on August 23. The students enjoyed a nice barbecue lunch as they discussed upcoming projects and trips. The big event in the works will most likely be a trip to New Orleans in December. Things are looking bright for other plans and projects as the term begins. The Honors students say they are glad to be in the program.
JDCC Fall 2007 Sports Begin

JDCC 2007 Volleyball Season Opens at Gadsden State
By Amanda Pullen

It may only be the beginning of the season, but the atmosphere and intensity were at a fever pitch for JDCC volleyball play at Gadsden State on August 24th and 25th, where our volleyball team and seven others participated in a season opening tournament. Each team had hopes to work off the rust from the off-season and prepare for the regular season, and JDCC did just that with a display of improved play in each match, ending with a two game sweep of Southern Union for our first match win of the season. On Friday night, prior to Saturday’s tournament play, the team had a conference match with host Gadsden State. Even though we lost in three games, it was good to get out there and do our best to win and learn from it. We’ve had a lot of practice, but it’s not the same as playing against real game competition. Admittedly, the team was a little nervous taking the court, and we didn’t play our best volleyball in the first game, but in the next two games the players really started to do their jobs, reeling off four and five points in row in both games. Come out and support us at our home games! Go Lady Warhawks!

JDCC Fall Baseball Set To Begin
By Whitney Qualls
We are hoping to have a good team this year. We have many new faces with lots of talent. The Fall has been extremely hot, yet we have endured the heat and have accomplished many objectives. We also have two new assistant coaches, Donovan Coker, a former Warhawk from last season, and Troy University graduate Brandon White. Both have been doing an exceptional job and are really excited to start the season. Our Fall season begins on September 7 with an away game at Bevill Fayette CC. Our first home game will be September 9 against Okaloosa Walton CC at 1 PM. Come out and support the team!

JDCC Nursing News
By Victoria Shonaike
The JDCC Nursing Department, directed by Dee Plummer, currently runs a two year Associate of Nursing program on the Atmore and Brewton campuses. Applications to the program are available online at www.jdcc.edu. The Nursing Department is involved in community projects such as Backpacks For Kids and Operation Underwear. Backpacks For Kids is an annual event which donates food items to local elementary schools, so food items are welcome any time. You may bring them to the Nursing Office in the Neal Building.

You “CAN” Help
Contributed by Kathy Mathieu
Not everyone is able to volunteer to help build a Habitat home or donate money, but most of us have empty aluminum cans that we could recycle to help support a worthy cause. The Brewton Habitat For Humanity not only raises funds to build affordable homes, it also contributes to cleaning up the environment. Since it takes between 100-500 years for an aluminum can to decompose, and 100 per cent of a can could end up as another can in as little as 60 days if it were recycled, doesn't it make sense to “save and recycle” instead of just throw it away? Toss your cans in the JDCC Student Center receptacles and help Habitat For Humanity build a house on CANS!

The JDCC QEP
The Quality Enhancement Plan (QEP) subcommittees and leadership team are busy developing a five year implementation plan. The topic of the QEP is: Improving Student Learning Through Early Engagement and Ongoing Assessment. The QEP vision statement is an outgrowth of our Institutional effectiveness Plan/Student Learning Outcomes and Mission Statement, which is combined with the surveys from faculty, staff, and students and with the benefits described in the student engagement literature review. These vision statements are as follows: 1) JDCC will improve learning outcomes by fostering student engagement through providing a college environment that enhances interactions between faculty, staff, and students. 2) JDCC will improve learning outcomes by providing connectivity across the curriculum. If you have ideas for improving learning outcomes through student engagement, email them to: qep@jdcc.edu
# September Events at JDCC

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**JDCC Bookstore Hours**

- **Brewton Campus**
  - M-TH 8 AM-1 PM
  - Closed Fridays

- **Atmore Campus**
  - M-TH 8 AM-4 PM
  - Friday 8 AM-3 PM

**JDCC Library Hours**

- **Atmore Campus**
  - M-TH 7:30 AM-4:30 PM
  - Friday 7:30 AM-3:30 PM

- **Brewton Campus**
  - M-TH 7:30 AM-8:30 PM
  - Friday 7:00 AM-2:00 PM

**The Learning Center Hours: Fall 2007**

- Mon. and Tues: 7:30 AM-7:00 PM
- Wed. and Thurs: 7:30 AM-8:30 PM
- Friday: 7:30 AM-3:30 PM

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