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Leigh Library Renovation Begins

By Leigh Ann Wiggins

As many of you have noticed, the bookshelves are all empty in the Leigh Library. This is because it is undergoing renovation! Library Director Jeffery Faust has the details. He says that the renovation will begin in May and last through the summer. Aho & Associates will be the architectural firm carrying out the project. Interior walls will be removed to allow more open space, and the “new” library will extend out onto the current porch areas. Not only will there be more areas for comfortable seating, but there will also be more study-carrels. This new arrangement will create an additional 500 linear feet of additional shelving. Now there are no excuses not to hit the books! During the renovation, a temporary JD library will be housed in the Wallace Building, Room 107. We look forward to seeing and using the finished project in the fall.

You're Invited!

Nurse Pinning Ceremony
May 4, 2009 at 6 PM
in the
Patterson Auditorium.
Reception follows.
AND
Spring 2009 JDCC
Graduation May 11
6 PM
in the
Patterson Auditorium



Librarian Kim Coale and Library Assistant Tonya Nelson are keeping the library services going in the temporary library location in Wallace 107.



Director of Library Services, Jeffrey Faust, looks over the plans for the updated, renovated, larger Leigh Library.

The Word Asks, “Where Are They Now?”

By Courtney Folsom

It's that time of year again: the end of the semester. For many JD students, this will mean moving on to the next stages of life. As a special to *The Warhawk Word*, several former JD students have answered our question of “Where are they now?” Their answers prove that students who start here really can go anywhere. Former students interviewed were Matthew Kemp, former editor of the *Word*, now attending AUM and working towards a bachelor's degree in English; Xavier Brooks, who graduated in May 2008, now attending Troy as a math major; Aaron Lambert, who also graduated in May 2008, is pursuing a degree in Forensic Anthropology at Auburn; Kyle Baggett, last year's Miss JD, now attends the University of South Carolina; Brenna Ball transferred from JD in 2008 and now attends UWF, pursuing a degree in elementary education; Tyler Evans transferred to Auburn in the fall of 2007 and is majoring in political science with hopes to attend law school in 2011; Brittany Gibson transferred to Auburn in Dec. 2008 and is still attending as a junior. When asked the question, “How did JD help you get where you are?” most agreed that going to JD saved them money, and it helped to boost their GPA since the college experience was less overwhelming and allowed them to focus on classes. Brittany Gibson said, “JD helped in the sense that it enabled me to have the college experience without actually having it thrown in my face, per se. It also really helped boost my GPA for acceptance into Auburn and for scholarship opportunities.” Many students here enjoy things about JD besides the learning and experience and classes. When asked what their favorite part was, the former students gave varied answers. Brittany Gibson and Matthew Kemp both agreed that the people they met, including the professors, were the best part. (Continued on page 2) **(Where**

TRIO Achievers' Reception

JDCC's Student Support Services, also known as TRIO, hosted the TRIO Achievers' Reception and Awards Ceremony on April 24, 2009, in the Brewton ATN Center. Guests were welcomed by TRIO Director Dr. Beth Billy. Welcoming remarks were presented by Sherry Martin and Vanessa Kyles, and Laura Henry presented the "Student Perspective." Dr. Billy then recognized TRIO achievers, and Leadership Awards were presented to Antonio Glover and Laurel Tucker by Anita McCreary, Transfer Specialist. Dr. Marilyn Nicholson, Counselor, then presented Citizenship awards to Laura Henry, Jewell Wiggins, and Jasmine Stallworth. Joyce Elliot, TRIO Secretary, then presented Perseverance Awards to several students, including, Joshua Bailey, Jessica Bordayo, Marcella Hughes, Karl Kast, Katrina Lee, and Andrea Rankins, who were in attendance at the reception. A delicious array of refreshments was served, and a wonderful Slide Show was provided by Monica Smith. Congratulations to all TRIO Awards Recipients.



TRIO Awards Recipients who attended the reception are, left to right: Andrea Rankins, Laurel Tucker, Jasmine Stallworth, Joshua Bailey, Katrina Lee, Jewell Wiggins, Karl Kast, Laura Henry, Marcella Hughes, and Jessica Bordayo.

JDCC's SGA Recognizes President Brittney Rogers

By Leigh Ann Wiggins

The SGA would like to recognize outgoing SGA President, Brittney Rogers for a job well done. Throughout the past year at JD, Brittney has helped organize many events for everyone at JDCC. To just name a few, during the past year JD has hosted or been involved with SACS, QEP, the SGA Haunted House, Christmas Angel Tree, and JDCC diversity events. Although all of those things were a success, the one event that seemed to be over the top this year was Relay for Life. Brittney has done a great job, and her dedication and hard work has really paid off. We wish her luck as she transfers to Faulkner University on a volleyball scholarship. Brittney says, "It has been a year that I will never forget, and I hope that whom ever is the upcoming SGA president can fill my shoes and make things even better and more eventful at JDCC. It has been an amazing year, and being SGA president has allowed me to meet many new people, and I made a lot of new friends that I hope to keep for life!" We are proud of Brittney and wish her luck at Faulkner.

are They? cont.) Brenna Ball and Tyler Evans both stated that they enjoyed the Honors program with Dr. Gill. Xavier Brooks enjoyed tutoring students, as well as being involved in several other clubs on campus. Working with Coach Gainer and the basketball team was Kyle Baggett's favorite JD memory. In honor of JD's graduation coming up, we asked these former students to give the students who are about to move on some advice. The following is what they had to say. Matthew Kemp says, "The only advice I can give would just be to make sure your things are in order. Go to the offices and make sure your graduation and transfer paperwork is all in order. Go by and have a final talk with your friends on staff (I'm hoping you've made some by then!) and don't be stressed!" Xavier Brooks says, "People will doubt you, laugh at your ideas, but it is important that you persevere!!!!!" Aaron Lambert says, "Get ready for some difficult times." Kyle Baggett says, "Go get em tiger." Brenna Ball says, "My advice to upcoming graduates is to prepare themselves for what is up ahead and don't give up when the going gets tough. Take advantage of all that JD has to offer before you leave." Tyler Evans says, "Life is short, make sure you get a job doing what you enjoy doing." Lastly, Brittany Gibson says, "STUDY for your tests!! GO TO CLASS!! Take good notes. Look over them daily. Utilize the library/study groups." A big thanks goes out to our former students who contributed, as well as a "Good luck" for those who will soon be joining them!

JDCC 2009 Awards Day

JDCC's Annual Awards Day Recognition Program was held on April 29, 2009, in the Woodfin Patterson Auditorium. JDCC President, Dr. Susan McBride, welcomed guests, and David Jones, Dean of Students Affairs, presented opening remarks. Awards were then presented by representatives of the Business and Social Services, Humanities and Fine Arts, Math and Science, Applied Technology, and Nursing and Allied Health Services Divisions. Dr. McBride then recognized Jonathan McMath and Allen Bell as members of the Alabama All-USA Academic Team, and Dean of Instruction, Kathleen Hall, then recognized students named to the Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges. Dean Jones then presented the John M. Tyson Jr. Award for Most Outstanding Student Recognition to Allen Bell, Academic, and Sharon Newby, Technical. He then presented Brittney Rogers with the Mayors' Award of Excellence. Sponsors for Phi Theta Kappa, the Honors Program, SGA, and Student Support Services then recognized outstanding students active in their programs, and Dr. McBride concluded the program by presenting Transfer scholarships to Brandon Douglas, UWF; Susan Tran, UAB, and Maggie Crutchfield, UA. She also recognized two organization sponsors, Beulah Patton of Psi Beta, and Loletta Redmon of PTK, for their hard work and service, as each will be stepping down from these positions in the coming year.

Cheerleader Tryouts

Cheerleader tryouts will be held May 12, 2009.

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Lady Warhawks Softball Team Advances to State!

By Jessica Morris

The Lady Warhawks had a jam packed schedule during the month of April, but this didn't stop them from going on an eleven game winning streak! The team had twenty two games, with an overall record of 14-8 and a conference record of 13-6. Their conference record for the entire season, which was 14-7, landed the team in the second place spot in the conference. The team's hard work and dedication, along with its conference record, allowed them to advance to the state tournament in Alabaster, Alabama, being held from May 1 through the 5th. Because the team received a first round bye, they did not play their first game until Saturday, May 2 at 4 PM. The Lady Warhawks played the winner of Calhoun and Shelton State's game, and they won. However, since then, the team has been sidelined by rain delays. Congratulations, and good luck girls, on the rest of the tournament. GO WARHAWKS!!!!

JDCC Baseball Season Ends Season With a Playoff Spot!

By Donovan Coker

With a sweep this past weekend over Wallace State Selma, the Warhawk baseball club got a chance to enter the State Tournament on May 9th. All the Warhawk club had to do was wait for the results of two other games, the game between Chattahoochee Valley and Faulkner State, and the game between Southern Union and Wallace State Dothan. These game results would determine what place the team would finish in conference and also if they would go to the State Tournament. The Warhawks got the results of the games Saturday afternoon, and with these results are going to the State Tournament as the 4th place seed in the South! This means that the Warhawks will face the 3rd seed in the North conference, currently Calhoun, on May 9th. The winner of the game will then face the number 1 seed in the North, Shelton, on Sunday, May 10. This year has been great for the Warhawk club. The team has fought hard and deserves to go to the tournament. The team has not let up on any game that has been played and will continue to battle at all odds. It has been a while since the Warhawks have made the State Tournament, so it feels good to have the school and the program going again. It shows that the program is heading in the right direction and improving every year. A special thanks goes to Dr. Susan McBride, David Jones, and others who have helped keep athletics a part of the institution. So, from the coaches, current players, future players, and fans of the baseball program, "Thank you." Congratulations to the Warhawks and best of luck in the tournament! GO WARHAWKS!!!

JDCC PTK Members Attend Annual Convention

Members of the Jefferson Davis Community College chapter of Phi Theta Kappa recently attended the society's 91st annual convention in Grapevine, TX. Representing the JDCC chapter at the event were students James Hamric, Maggie Crutchfield, Demetrius Barksdale, and Loletta Redmon, advisor. At the convention, nearly 1,141 chapters competed for the society's most coveted awards. The Hallmark Awards Program is the society's capstone awards competition, annually recognizing excellence in programs that promote the Phi Theta Kappa Hallmarks of Scholarship, Leadership, Service and Fellowship. Exceptional members, officers, advisors, college administrators and chapters are recognized annually at the Phi Theta Kappa International Convention for their achievements. Phi Theta Kappa International recognized the Alabama Regional team as one of the three most "Distinguished Regional Officer Teams" in the nation. Allen Bell II, representing the JDCC Alpha Eta Lambda chapter, served as Alabama Regional Vice President of Service. Demetrius Barksdale accepted the award on behalf of Allen and JDCC. While at the convention, students attended workshops relating to the society's study topic "The Paradox of Affluence: Choices, Challenges, and Consequences" and to the society's International Service Initiative "Operation Green." Dr. Fareed Zakaria, Newsweek editor and CNN Host, and Robert F. Kennedy, Jr., environmentalist and attorney, addressed the convention on America's role in exercising its global power and influence. Sue Smith, Director of Education and Training for Keep America Beautiful, praised members for their efforts in cleaning up their communities and protecting the environment. Terry Music, Chief Mission Delivery Officer for the



James Hamric, Maggie Crutchfield, Sponsor Loletta Redmon, and Demetrius Barksdale at the PtK Convention in Grapevine, Texas.

American Cancer Society, gave her heartfelt thanks to the society for the over two million dollars it has raised for the American Cancer Society Relay for Life. Student President Allen Bell II, and officers Andrew Lambeth, Jonathon Mize, and Jonathan McMath, lead the Alpha Eta Lambda chapter. Loletta Redmon and Dr. Dan Wagner serve as chapter advisors.

May 2009 Events at JDCC

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 Baseball JD vs. Wallace-Selma 1 PM	2 Baseball JD vs. Wallace-Selma 12 PM
3	4 Final Exams Nurse Pinning Patterson Auditorium 6 PM	5 Final Exams	6 Final Exams	7 Final Exams	8 Final Exams	9
10	11 2009 Graduation Patterson Auditorium 6 PM	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21 Summer Term Registration	22	23
24	25 State Holiday Memorial Day	26 Summer Term Classes Begin	27	28	29	30

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