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## Board of Trustees names Haffey ninth Holmes President

*Following the departure of Dr. Glenn Boyce, a familiar face takes over as president.*

By Frankie Weatherby  
Staff Reporter

Dr. Haffey, 37, who grew up in Ebenezer, was recently named the ninth president of Holmes Community College. Dr. Haffey graduated from Holmes in 1997 and then received three degrees from Mississippi State University: a bachelor's degree in business administration in 1999, a master's degree in business administration in 2000, and a PhD in community college leadership in 2007. He graduated summa cum laude both in the doctoral and master's programs and cum laude in the bachelor's program. He was also a member of Phi Theta Kappa at HCC.

Dr. Haffey said that upon being named president, the first thing he did was "take a deep breath, ask God for wisdom and guidance, and begin tending to daily tasks." He said that it is the college's goal to work and support the communities Holmes serves, and that "whenever there is something unique about a community that we can help develop, we want to be there, whether it is offering academic, career-tech, workforce, or enrichment programs."

In 2003, Dr. Haffey served as a workforce coordinator and WIA director at Holmes, and in 2007, took over as director of financial aid. While in the workforce position, he collaborated with business and industry to determine training needs and worked with area Chambers of Commerce and Economic Development Authorities to help attract industries and assist industries already established. As the financial aid director, he handled nearly \$25 million in federal grant, student loans, Sumner Grants and performance scholarship for the college. His past as financial aid director shaped the



priorities Dr. Haffey has today.

"We want to make sure that the college is in excellent financial shape, and that we have a "rainy day" fund established to always provide a safety net to our people in the event of an economic downturn or natural disaster that may strike one of our campuses,"

Dr. Haffey said. "If you have that built in security, you can afford to be aggressive and innovative with your offering without worrying about the risk of failure."

In the summer of 2010, he replaced

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## Grenada Center receives \$200,000 donation

Staff Photo/Reports



On September 29, Holmes was given a generous donation of over \$200,000 by the James M. Robertson Trust. Robertson was a veteran banking executive from Grenada for over 45 years who passed away in 2012.

"Jimmy was a dedicated supporter of the Grenada community and instructed me to use a large portion of his remaining estate to help Holmes Community College," said Hayes Branscome, trustee of Mr. Robertson's trust. Robertson worked in his hometown of Calhoun City at an early age, where he began earning extra money by sweeping offices, delivering newspapers and working in a grocery store.

About a month after high school graduation, Robertson began working at the Calhoun City branch of Grenada Bank.

Robertson did not know much about the banking business when he began working as a bookkeeper and teller. Just before World War II began, Robertson was drafted into the military and later served a year in North Africa, a year in Italy, and a year in Vis – an island in the Adriatic Sea. Upon his return from the war, he married LaVerne Flemming of Columbia, and returned to banking.

The Robertsons moved to Grenada in 1955, where he served as a loan officer and later as a member of the Sunburst (Grenada) Bank board of directors. He was very active in the community, serving as president of the Grenada Rotary Club, among many other community building ventures.

Robertson's gift is directed to the Physical Therapy Assistants Program, recently established on the Grenada campus, and will be a part of HCC's Capital Campaign which is nearing its \$11 million goal.

Anyone having questions about supporting HCC is urged to contact The Holmes Community College Development Foundation at 662.472.9017 or at dharman@holmescc.edu.

## Ridgeland Campus offers full service GED Testing Center

From Staff Reports



Pictured are (left to right) Angie Burrell, administrative assistant/GED test administrator, Kosciusko-Attala Center; Nancy McRight, director of Adult Basic Education (ABE) and GED program, Kosciusko-Attala Center; Brooke Hood, GED instructor, Ridgeland Campus, and Lina Lopez, GED testing administrator, Ridgeland Campus.

Holmes Ridgeland Campus is now offering a full-service GED preparation and testing center, open to the public, in the McGowan Workforce Training Center. The Certified Pearson Vue Testing Center, which includes Adult Basic Education (ABE) classes, is available for those who have not completed high school or wish to increase their functioning

level to enter college, training, or the job market. The staff is committed to making the process of obtaining a GED as simple as possible and to providing guidance for those who wish to continue studies at Holmes.

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**COME BE A PART OF HOMECOMING '14!**  
**SATURDAY, OCT. 18**  
**EVENTS BEGIN AT 10 A.M. AND**  
**THE BULLDOGS PLAY AT 6 P.M.**  
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## School Shooting Themed Merchandise: Thoughtful Tribute or Tasteless Trend?

By **Glennasha Brown**  
Staff Reporter

Fashion is an artistic expression, using a mannequin as the canvas. In fashion, there aren't any limits. From Chanel's hula hoop purse to Agatha Ruiz de la Prada's upside down umbrella skirt, fashion pushes the boundaries on what is accepted in the "mundane" society. Often times, fashion pushes limits in a lighthearted, whimsical way. On the contrary, fashion labels, like Urban Outfitters, push boundaries

offensively, insensitive of its effect on the consumers.

In September, as a part of their vintage sweatshirt collection, Urban Outfitters placed one "Kent State Vintage Sweatshirt" on sale online for \$129. The shirt is pink tie-dyed, fading into blotches of red, with faux blood splatter and holes to highlight the "distress and fray" look.

Who were they aiming to buy such a repugnant item? The hipster clothing chain has been blunt about

their target audience, based on the limited sizes and price of their items - slim, 18-24 adults in the upper middle or upper class. The company received such a backlash from the general public, causing them to end any further manufacturing of the item. The majority perceived this as a chilling reminder of the school shooting that occurred May 4, 1970.

The National Guard shot into an unarmed crowd of 2000 people at a protest against the Vietnam War at Kent

State students.

Urban Outfitters responded that they never intended to allude to the Kent State shootings and regret the way it was perceived. I don't believe that.

My initial reaction was similar to the majority—poor taste. But then, as an artist and appreciator of the arts, I considered the voice of the artist.

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## Stop and Frisk Our Freedom

By **Blair Ballou**  
Submitted

"To serve and protect," was once the motto that every police officer in the United States of America had to swear by. This motto was once well respected and held dear by every man or woman who put on their badge and uniform. Recently, however, this motto has been literally removed because of its growing lack of validity, giving rise to the new motto, "to serve and predict." New policies being put into place like Search and Frisk make one question who is actually being protected. Because of the rise in crime in some areas of NYC there have been some new controversial crime prevention methods like Stop and Frisk put into place to try and stop crime before it happens. Search and Frisk is a practice being implemented in the streets of NYC that should have everyone worried.

Search and Frisk is a policy passed by the Supreme Court in 1968 that gives police officers the right to stop, question, and frisk a person suspected of wrongdoing, requiring a motive less than probable cause and, if they see fit, arrest them. The given reason behind this practice is the Broken Window Theory. The Broken Window Theory was created by Social Scientist James Q Wilson in 1982. Wilson believes that conformity and society have had a major impact on crime rate. He believes that in order to maintain order, one must send signals of what will and will not be tolerated through the public. The NYC officers are now enforcing those same principles. In addition to the authority given by Stop and Frisk for making an arrest without a warrant, an officer may stop a person in a public place located within the area of such officer's employment when he reasonably suspects that such person is committing, has committed, or is about to commit either a felony or a misdemeanor defined in the penal law, and may demand a name, address, and an explanation of his conduct. This ruling basically gives officers the right to incorporate legal prejudice and discrimination into his or her daily duty. It might not seem urgent to many, but they should take into account that our great nation was built upon freedom,

and if these officers are given the right to legally discriminate against some of us, our freedom has no meaning. I take issue with this practice because it's a direct violation to our 4th Amendment Right, because a majority of the stops are racially motivated, and because the practice is overall ineffective.

The 4th Amendment to the Constitution of the United States of America states, "The right of the people to be secure in their persons, homes, and papers, against unreasonable searches and seizures, shall not be violated, and no warrants shall issue, but upon probable cause, supported by the oath, and particularly describing the place to be searched, and the persons or things to be seized." Protection from unreasonable search and seizure, meaning search and seizure without a warrant is prohibited. Search and Frisk directly goes against this amendment. Police are given an unconstitutional right to invade your personal space. To me, this says the police of New York City are above the Bill of Rights. If they can ignore our constitutional rights with such ease, there is literally no telling what other injustices will be considered acceptable.

"When I caught word that my 21-year-old-son, who is also a student at Harvard, had been stopped by NYC Police more than one time, during the short summer he spent as a Wall Street intern, I was highly upset," said Christopher Smith, author of "What I Learned About Stop-and-Frisk From Watching My Black Son." He went on to say, "On one occasion, while wearing his best business suit, he was forced to lay face-down on a filthy sidewalk because, let's be honest about it, because of the color of his skin."

Clearly the Stop and Frisk practice is racially motivated. In 2013, New Yorkers were stopped by officers 685,724 times. Of those times, 605,328 were completely innocent, 350,743 were African-American, 223,740 were Latino, 61,805 were Caucasian, and 341,581 in total were ages 14-21, according to "Stop and Frisk Data" from New York Civil Liberties Union (NYCLU). Not only does this statistic show how ineffective Stop and Frisk is, it also shows how outrageously racially motivated the practice is. The numbers show that the majority of those being stopped, questioned, and frisked are young black males. I do not see how this policy is any different from regular discrimination. If an officer can view a Harvard student in business attire as suspicious and in need of questioning, I'm wondering what their true intentions are.

The icing on the cake of this ordeal has to be the complete mediocrity and inefficiency of this practice. In 2014,

New Yorkers were stopped by the police 191,558 times; during those stops, 169,252 people were found totally innocent ("Stop and Frisk Data").

This statistic itself shows how ineffective this practice is in catching these supposed "criminals" before they commit crimes. According to Adam Gabbatt's article on "Theguardian.com," of the 150,000 arrests from 2009-2013, 2 percent led to an actual conviction for a violent crime. The small percentage of convictions from this practice can easily be connected to unwanted confrontation from officers toward pedestrians. Basically a majority of the arrests from Stop, Question, and Frisk come from a problem that the officers instigated. If the only problems that you are solving are the problems that you create in the process, this practice needs to be greatly reconsidered.

Although Stop and Frisk is viewed as immoral and unconstitutional to many, to others, the procedure is completely necessary. Those who agree may see it as a bittersweet situation but find it vital to the security of the city. Michael Borone, political analyst for the "Washington Examiner," thinks this practice "actually protects African-Americans in New York City." Borone said, "This police practice's effectiveness is not in doubt, because the number of homicides fell from a max of 2,605 in 1990, to 952 in 2001, and to only 414 in 2012." Borone feels that even though this system does have a few kinks in it, for the majority, it is a completely effective practice and should be continued regardless, which I find ridiculous. Borone is clearly not on the receiving end of these frequent racially prejudiced stops, so clearly he lacks a realistic view of what is truly going on.

In conclusion, after reviewing both sides of this situation, I see Stop and Frisk has potential to be an effective police practice, but until they find a common ground where our 4th Amendment right is not violated, until a majority of the stops are not racially motivated, and until the practice shows some signs of effectiveness, I am completely against Stop and Frisk. Until they fix this practice, there will always be civil unrest. Once the day comes where everyone gets treated equally, there might truly be peace and officers can start being well respected once more.

**Blair Ballou is a sophomore marketing and business major from Brandon.**

## Terrorism: Have the Terrorist Won?

By **Carl Smith**  
Staff Reporter

Terrorism is defined by The FBI (18 U.S.C. § 2331) as the use of a violent act or acts to intimidate or coerce a civilian population. Many Americans today are living in fear of terrorist attacks. They are scared to visit large events, travel to largely populated areas, work in areas with a large number of centrally located employees, and even afraid for their children to attend schools in fear of an attack. These people are altering their normal way of life because of this fear. If people live in constant fear because of terrorism, the terror have achieved their mission, which is to instill fear and change the normal pattern of a society causing conflict and confusion. People should be cautious but not terrified to live a normal life, which would deprive the terrorist of winning.

The same thing happens almost every day on a micro-level in communities. When an escaped prisoner, or dangerous criminal is believed to be loose in a town, many will lock themselves in their homes until the person is caught. They have become a prisoner by their own fear. If we compare this example on the macro-level, many Americans have become prisoners and the terrorist have won. This is not intended to say that we should ignore the threat or the possibility of terrorist attacks, only that we should be diligent in our surroundings. Our government is constantly changing and adapting the anti-terrorist strategy to lessen the possibility of such large scale attacks. I, for one, refuse to give up my freedom because of fear.

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## Haffey (continued from front)

Jack Holmes as vice president of the Grenada Center. As vice president at the Grenada Center, he saw the center maintain an average enrollment of 1,480 students during the fall semester and 1,375 in the spring semester. He also saw the construction and completion of a new building near the University of Mississippi Medical Center come to fruition. Dr. Haffey was also over the Information Technology Department, which is responsible for nearly 7,000 students along with all of the faculty and staff at all three loca-

tions. From January 2008 - May 2012, he was also an adjunct business law instructor.

"I don't think it is much of a secret that I am a fairly young president within our system," Dr. Haffey said. "But, I hope one thing that the various positions I have held prepared me for is mature decision-making. I enjoy change; I wake up every morning excited about what new things we

can do. However, one thing I have learned is to sit back and study your environment, gather as much information as you can, and then move decisively with your decisions when possible. With that being said, I do not see major changes that need to be implemented at the college during the next several months. I want a story to be in every local paper about something good HCC is doing every week.

We've already made some small daily improvements, and that will snowball into major initiatives over the years. Our college overall is in excellent shape, and that is a tribute to Dr. Boyce's and others leadership the last several years."

Dr. Haffey and his wife Rae Anne have two children; Hayley and Hudson. They are members of First Baptist Church in Kosciusko.

## GED (continued from front)

As of January 2014, candidates desiring to obtain GED certification are now required to take the new computer-based form of the test and no paper and pencil tests will be administered. The HCC GED center provides classrooms and a testing facility where candidates can take preparation courses, receive individual assistance in study methods/plans, take the official practice test, and then take the actual test, all in one place.

In addition to offering test preparation classes, HCC will also be offering vouchers for certain candidates to take the test free of charge. During ABE and GED classes, Brooke Hood, GED instructor on the Ridgeland Campus, will assess students to see if they meet a certain criteria. If they do not meet the criteria, they will take the GED practice test, but if they score well, they'll get a voucher to take the \$120 GED

test for free.

"The Holmes Ridgeland Campus has served as a GED testing facility for years, but now the center is 'fully loaded,' so to speak," said Lina Lopez, GED testing administrator, HCC Ridgeland Campus. "We offer candidates everything they need, from prep courses and a testing facility to assistance transitioning into their next step after obtaining the GED. We also offer what we refer to as a 'pathway to Holmes.' For those who are interested in a program or just taking some classes at HCC, we help with registration, enrollment, and coordinating them with the appropriate staff members to make their experience as positive as possible."

In the past year, GED-recipient students have represented the largest group entering Holmes, and in that year, have generated over \$1 million

for the college. These students are found in various career technology and career certification programs, as well as in many of the academic programs.

"Meeting our staff at Holmes during the GED process helps the students establish beneficial relationships," Lopez said. "That link to the college and the relationship building is so important, as we can help them make their way into their next phase of life, whether it be taking college courses or moving on into the workforce. We are more than just a testing center; we're here to help these students be successful and hopefully retain some of them to thrive at our institution."

Those interested in enrolling in the ABE/GED classes on the Ridgeland Campus can contact Brooke Hood at (601) 605-3433 or [bhood@holmescc.edu](mailto:bhood@holmescc.edu).

Holmes also offers a Certified Pear-



son Vue Testing Center at the Attala Educational Center in Kosciusko. For more information, contact Angie Burrell, GED test administrator, at [aburrell@holmescc.edu](mailto:aburrell@holmescc.edu) or 662-290-0808.

Interested candidates who do not wish to take the classes will register and pay for the computer-based GED test online by going to [www.ged.com](http://www.ged.com). For more information, candidates can go to [www.gedtestingservice.com](http://www.gedtestingservice.com) where they will find a one-stop shop with personalized study plans, skills assessment, career information, and more.

## New Facility for Kosciusko

By **Carl Smith**  
Staff Reporter

Attala County will soon be the home of a new modern HCC Educational Center.

Construction began Oct. 6, with an estimated completion goal of six to 12 months.

Nancy McRight, Attala Educational Center director, says classes will continue as normal in the present building until the new facility is operational.

The Attala Educational Center has lots to offer Kosciusko and the surrounding counties.

McRight points out that the Center not only offers training for the local business and industrial workforce, they also offer academic classes and serve as an area GED testing center.

## Hunter Engineering donates welding robot to Goodman CTE Department

Staff Photo/Reports

Through a generous donation from Hunter Engineering in Durant of an ESAB robot with an estimated value of \$16,000, welding students at HCC in Goodman will begin training with a welding robot in the spring semester. Students will be able to program a particular product into the system, and the robot will then add the welding joints.

Hunter Engineering Plant Manager Wayne Bowling stated that the company recognizes robotics as one of the technologies needed to stay competitive in today's marketplace and felt that the donation of a robot to the welding program would enhance the students' skills.

Bowling stressed that to compete

globally, companies in the U.S. must win the battle on quality, service and delivery. "If you are going to be competitive, you can't beat them [other markets] with price," he said. "You are going to have to beat them with quality, delivery and service. You can't ignore price so that's where robots come into play. You have to take the best technology to narrow that gap between their labor costs and your labor costs. With the use of robots, Bowling said that welding rejects have gone to zero.

"The robot tracks the seam and adjusts the program to match the part



you are welding," Bowling explained. "The quality is unmatched.

"We've gone heavily into robotics here," he added. "We have invested millions of dollars into this plant and you have the largest robotic running cell in the automotive service industry. You wanted to help Holmes by donating the robot. We want you [Holmes students] to be able to weld, but more importantly, we want you to advance to the next level because we are going to need robot operators."

"Since we are a global company, we have to have employees who are capable of helping us be dominant not only in Holmes County, the state, the South or the U.S., but in the world," he said. "If you want me to win the World Series, you've got to give me World Series players, and Holmes helps us do that."

Bowling himself came from a community college background. "I used to tell people that I used to sit where you are sitting," Bowling said. "With the help of a community college, I have been able to achieve the position I have today. Without a community college, I don't think I could have done that."

Bowling said that Hunter acknowledges the value of the community college by offering scholarships to their employees to attend classes at Holmes. He noted that many of the employees have continued their education to receive their bachelor's and/or master's degrees.

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Staff Photo/Reports

The Holmes cheerleaders recently visited Blair E. Batson Hospital, Mississippi's only hospital for children, and donated books for the patients there.

The squad was given the opportunity to visit activity rooms, patient rooms, and walk the hallways interacting and encouraging the children and their families. The cheerleaders also had a surprise visit with the 2014 Miss Mississippi, Jasmine Murray.







## General Activities for the Day

Saturday, October 18, 2014  
On the Goodman Campus

10:00 a.m. Baseball Inter-Squad Game

11:00 a.m. Softball Alumni Game

12:00 p.m. Little Bulldog Zone (for the kids) opens in the Grove Coliseum opens  
Art Department opens (until 2 p.m.)

1:00 p.m. Lunch in the Grove (until 2 p.m.)

1:15 p.m. Jazz and Steel Drum Bands performance in the Grove

2:00 p.m. Annual Alumni meeting in the Library

Art Exhibit opens in the Library

2:30 p.m. Honorees recognition in McDaniel Auditorium

3:00 p.m. Connection! performance in the McDaniel Auditorium

3:45 p.m. Coachmen performance in the Chapel on the Hill

4:00 p.m. Drama production in the Fine Art Building; kids welcome

4:30 p.m. Parade begins at Cook Dorm

## Two alums to be recognized during Homecoming

*Trina D. George and Dr. Samuel Massey, Jr., will be honored on Oct. 18 as Alumna of the Year and Distinguished Service Award recipient, respectively*

From Staff Reports

### Trina D. George

Holmes Community College is recognizing Trina N. George (class of '93), Mississippi State Director for USDA Rural Development, as the 2014 Alumna of the Year. The award will be presented on Oct. 18, at this year's Homecoming Celebration, held on the Goodman Campus.

George was appointed to Mississippi State Director for USDA Rural Development by President Barack Obama and the Obama Administration in June 2009. She has made history by being the first woman appointed in this position for the state. An important advocate for rural communities throughout the state, George is responsible for assisting residents in rural areas with 40 programs designed to improve the economic stability of rural communities, businesses, residents, farmers and ranchers. These programs include providing affordable housing, water systems upgrades, and

economic development efforts, as well as providing grant and loan assistance to local governments and non-profit organizations.

Prior to her appointment to State Director, George served as Special Projects Coordinator for Congressman Bennie Thompson in the House Committee on Homeland Security District Office in Greenwood for 15 years. There she was responsible for coordinating outreach services, participating in district development events and working with federal agencies to resolve constituent issues. Although George took the position working with Congressman Thompson just one year after graduating from Holmes, her education did not stop there. She received her bachelor's degree in computer science from Mississippi Valley State University in 1999, her masters of science in instructional technology from Mississippi State University in 2004, and is currently a Ph.D. candidate in the Public Policy and Administration program at Walden University in

Baltimore, Md. She also holds a Professional Certificate in Management and Leadership from the NeighborWorks Training Institute of America in Washington, D.C.

During her time at Holmes, George was an honor student and a member of the Student Government Association.

George continues to stay involved in the community today, serving on many civic organizations, educational committees and volunteer groups. She is also a Board Member for the Heart of the South Girl Scouts Council which serves Northern Mississippi and Southern Tennessee. Her awards and recognitions include National 2014 Unsung Hero Award from the Organization of Professional Employees in USDA; Mississippi Business Journal 50 Leading Business Women in Mississippi; 2012 Delta Regional Authority's Delta Distinguished Award; Grenada Chamber of Commerce Hometown Hero Award, and Grenada School District Parent of the Year award. She has three children: a son, Stephen, and twins, Sterlin and

Shaunna.

### Dr. Samuel Massey, Jr.,

The 2014 Distinguished Service Award recipient is Samuel Massey, Jr., M.D., (class of '53) an ENT-otolaryngologist, medical missionary, and retired colonel of the U.S. Air Force. The award will be presented on October 18 at this year's Homecoming Celebration held on the Goodman Campus.

Upon graduating from Pelahatchie High School at the age of 16, Dr. Massey moved to San Antonio, Texas, to enter the enlisted ranks. One month later, he became a charter member of the U.S. Air Force. He served with a B-29 bomber group in Spokane, Wash., for six months before completing a short tour of a

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Perhaps, there is artistic merit behind this bloodstained sweatshirt.

This could be a real artistic interpretation of the Kent State shootings, forcing the audience to remember how those forces put in place to protect us hurt us, or even a chilling reminder of school shootings period. Art doesn't please everyone; art is meant to provoke emotion and push boundaries. Most people are not looking into this because of other controversial items, such as "drunk Jesus" shirt, a pro

"depression" shirt, and "eat less" shirt. Over the past decade, they have offended African Americans, Jews, Native Americans, eating-disorder awareness groups, just to name a few.

The mainstream crowd, those within Urban Outfitters target audience, do and wear things in complete ignorance. Think about the ice bucket challenge. It stood for something positive, of course. But, a lot people were so wrapped up in the challenge, they ignored the message. Aside from

that, many hipsters of mainstream are so focused on creating this perfect "fashion, hipster" image, they do and wear things just to look cool.

However, most of those in the Urban Outfitter's target audience are rather ignorant, so they wouldn't even focus on the artistic value. They would look at the design cosmetically as "distressed" and "grungy." Those are the trends for fashion today. That's my main issue with the growing hipsters in mainstream. They do not care what they

wear, even if it is offensive. Artistic value could still be in question, but the majority agree in the poor taste of the design. Plus, Urban Outfitters confirmed how oblivious they were of the Kent State Shootings allusion.

Urban Outfitters makes a name for stirring controversy, so I will not be surprised if they make another offensive design while staying in business.

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Bowling asserted, "Holmes is an unbelievable resource and is always eager to help. I believe in them because they've earned my respect and belief in them. They keep performing and keep helping us. I'm always looking at how I can help Holmes because it comes back tenfold."

Bowling said he looks forward to the Career/Technical Meet & Greet each year. "I think it's very important for the students when we come and talk to them," Bowling said.

"We want them to know we are making it hard to get a job at Hunter. We have tried to tell them what the world is really like. You have got to make

yourself stand out. Don't think just because we are nine miles down the road, we are eager to hire you," he said. "We want world-class players, and we will be picking through the ones who will take us to the top. No doubt Hunter is the world-class leader in automotive service equipment. We stay number one by getting good people."

Bowling anticipates Hunter's working relationship with Holmes through Career/Technical Education and Workforce Development to continue and even strengthen. The partnership with Hunter is one of several robust business and industry partnerships that serves to enhance the education and opportunities for welding students in Goodman.

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longer tour at the Ramey Air Force Base (AFB) Puerto Rico during the start of the Korean War.

Upon discharge, he entered Holmes Community College, where he obtained his degree in mathematics and science. Following graduation from Holmes in 1953, Dr. Massey received his medical degree from University of Tennessee College of Medicine in 1956. After nearly 12 years of working in a medicine and surgery practice in Picayune, he entered Tulane Medical School to specialize in otolaryngology and head and neck surgery. He received board certification in otolaryngology, cosmetic/plastic surgery and facial plastics and

reconstructive surgery.

Upon finishing his training at Tulane, Dr. Massey opened his own practice in Oak Ridge, Tenn., while simultaneously joining the Tennessee Air National Guard where he was promoted to colonel and clinic commander in 1980. During this time, he completed the professional military education courses of Air Command and Staff College, Air War College, and the National Defense University. Just as Dr. Massey was on the brink of retirement, the AF offered him the positions Chief of ENT and Chief of Surgery at Eglin AFB in Valparaiso, Fla., and he accepted. After completing his four-year contract with Eglin, he

returned to San Antonio to serve as Chairman of the Department of Otolaryngology for Wilford Hall Medical Center. In 1993, he was honored with The Excaliber Award as the Air Force's Outstanding hosen as the National Recipient for the Annual Humanitarian Award by the Academy of Otolaryngology.

Following his stint at Wilford Hall, Dr. Massey was selected as Commander of the Air Transportable 45,000 Cuban and 15,000 Haitian boat people. He returned to Cuba twice more as a volunteer as Professor Surgery. Dr. Massey returned to Eglin AFB as a flight surgeon and over the tenure of his last 12 years of duty, held teaching

positions at Tulane, University of Mississippi, University of Texas, U.S. School of Clinical Sciences Medical Schools, and Army Schools of Aerospace Medicine. He is on the editorial review board for the Aviation, Space, and Environmental Medicine Journal and served on the Space Shuttle Medical Launch and Recovery Team.

Dr. Massey, now retired, is a full-time medical mission volunteer, and said he will go "any place, anywhere, anytime," to help those in need. He and his wife, Jamie Boleware Massey of Jackson, reside in Brandon and have six children and 11 grandchildren.

## Johnson Named Rookie Business Educator of the Year



NaTunya Johnson of Holmes was named 2013-2014 Rookie Educator of the Year during the Mississippi Business Education Association (MBEA) Conference in Gulfport on Sept. 19. An event of the annual conference is the recognition of an outstanding business educator with five years or less teaching experience as the rookie educator of the year.

Johnson received her bachelor of business administration and marketing from Mississippi State University and her MBA from Delta State University. Her Educational Specialist in curriculum and instruction serves Johnson well as she works with others at Holmes to develop curricula for both Business & Office Technology (BOT) and Workforce Development. In fact, she is

leading the department through the development of an exciting new BOT option for Fall 2015. At Holmes, she currently serves as a fulltime BOT instructor, the BOT Department Chair, and a sponsor for Phi Beta Lambda business society.

"I tell my students that they must hone their skills now so that they are prepared and marketable for the workforce in the future," Johnson said. "I also tell them that they must keep the faith and continue to propel forward - not stopping until they reach their goals."

Johnson said that her corporate training experience of 12 years with the State of Mississippi Employees' Health Plan with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Mississippi prepared her for the transition to fulltime teaching, something she had always wanted to do. She joined the faculty on the Ridgeland Campus of Holmes in Fall 2010.

Johnson is a member of the Mississippi Business Educators Association, American Academy of Professional Coders, American Health Information Management Association, Jack and Jill of America, Inc., and Anderson United Methodist Church. She and her husband, Michael, have one daughter, Nadya.

## Coulter Named Holmes Humanities Teacher of the Year

HCC English Instructor and Writing Center Director Stacey Coulter has been named the 2014 Humanities Teacher of the Year for Holmes.

A native of Prentiss, Coulter obtained a B.A. in English from Mississippi College and a M.A. in English from Wake Forest University. She also plans to complete her dissertation and obtain her Ph.D. in English at Claremont Graduate University in Claremont, Cal., in spring 2015. Prior to Holmes, Coulter taught English courses at Davidson County Community College, University of LaVerne, Copiah Lincoln Community College, as well as Mississippi College. She has been a faculty member at HCC since 2006.

As part of her award, Coulter will present "You Can't Go Home Again: Women's Agency in the Novels of Kamala Markandaya" on Nov. 4 in the McGowan Workforce Training Building auditorium on the Ridgeland Campus. Her presentation is adapted from a chapter from her dissertation, which focuses on five of Markandaya's novels. Her presentation will explore Markandaya's seventh novel, "Two Virgins," in which she depicts a female character who attempts to live outside the traditional boundaries of behavior for a young woman in 1960s India. Starting with "Two Virgins,"



Markandaya begins to find potentially long-term avenues for women's empowerment. During her time at Holmes, Coulter has taught developmental English courses, English Composition I and II, and British Literature.

"I enjoy the challenge of teaching writing classes, as I look for new ways to engage students in the process of improving their writing and research skills," Coulter said. "I also value the opportunity to work with student writers in a one-on-one setting in the writing center."

Coulter and her husband, Reuben, have one son, Jackson, and three dogs.

She will be recognized by the Mississippi Humanities Council at the 2015 Humanities Awards Reception in February at the Old Capitol Museum in Jackson.



## Sen. Cochran visits the Grenada Center



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(left to right) Margaret Davis, HCC Board of Trustees member; Jessica Coker, Regional Admissions Counselor of UM Grenada; Dr. Rick Gregory, Executive Director of UM Grenada; Sen. Thad Cochran; David Putt, CEO of UM Medical Center Grenada, and Dr. Jim Haffey, President of HCC, gathered for a round table discussion when Sen. Cochran stopped by the Grenada Center on Aug. 11 to talk with administrators about their hopes and concerns for the upcoming year. "The Community College system is noted and distinguished because

because of the long history, the rich traditions, and the outstanding student graduates who have turned out to be very influential in their careers and I appreciate you carrying on that tradition," Senator Cochran said. "My parents both worked in education so I know how important it is to the future of our state and what a challenging job teachers have." Sen. Cochran has served the State of Mississippi for six consecutive terms and will run for re-election this November.

## Pegg, Galtelli, and Poole named Lamplighters '14



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In September, instructors (left to right) Jennie Pegg of the Grenada Center, Mark Galtelli of the Ridgeland Campus and Mary Leigh Poole of the Goodman Campus represented Holmes at the 2014 Lamplighter's Conference held at Coahoma Community College. The Lamplighters Program began in 1990 by the Academic Deans Association to honor excellence in teaching.

Pegg, who currently teaches mathematics, came to Holmes in 1985 as an adjunct instructor and has been full-time since 2002. She holds a bachelor's degree from Converse College and a master's degree from Delta State University. She is former president of the MCMA, former president of Delta Kappa Gamma and former secretary of

MAMTE (Mississippi Association of Mathematics Teacher Educators). She is a lifetime member of the Junior Auxiliary, member of MAMTE, member of MADE (Mississippi Association for Developmental Education), member of LaMsMATYC, member of MCMA and member of Delta Kappa Gamma.

Galtelli, who currently teaches emergency medical sciences at the Ridgeland Campus, has been at Holmes for

## Hill conducts at MS ACDA for second year in a row

Joel Hill, director of choral and vocal music at Holmes, represented his institution well for the second year in a row serving as a conductor for the Mississippi American Choral Directors Association (ACDA) Summer Conference July 21-23. The conference, held annually at the Natchez Eola Hotel and The Prentiss Club, featured headliner Dr. Mack Wilberg, conductor of the world-renowned Mormon Tabernacle Choir, along with the nine educators invited to conduct by the Mississippi ACDA.

The Mormon Tabernacle Choir has presented their weekly Sunday morning radio and TV broadcast, "Music and the Spoken Word," live from The Tabernacle at Temple Square in Salt Lake City, Utah, every week for 85 years. They also can be seen on the PBS channel during the holiday season on their annual broadcasts, "Christmas with the Mormon Tabernacle Choir."

The nine individuals invited to conduct each year include educators from middle school, high school, community college, and university levels. Hill was the only community college director to conduct at the inaugural event in 2013, featuring headliner composer and professor, Dr. Andrea Ramsey. In 2014, he was one of two community college choral conductors. In addition to serving as conductor, Hill also sang in the conference's first two Conductors' Choruses.

"Last year, it was a distinct honor to be invited by Mississippi ACDA to conduct and lead several of my esteemed colleagues. It meant a great deal to be

recognized in that special way," Hill said. "This year, a university colleague was unable to conduct, so he asked me to step in for him, as he knew I had conducted the previous year. God worked things out to where I was able to conduct again, and this time on the same concert as Dr. Wilberg. Having the chance to sing with my peers and colleagues from so many educational levels is an enormous honor in itself, but being given the chance to serve as a featured conductor on the same concert as the principal conductor and composer of the Mormon Tabernacle Choir is definitely one of the most memorable moments of my career."

Hill conducted in conjunction with a rehearsal and concert series, where small vocal chamber ensembles perform in a progressive concert "crawl" tour of some of the more popular historic antebellum homes of Natchez, including the Natchez Visitor Center. The final night of the conference concludes with a formal concert at the unique and ornate St. Mary Basilica in downtown Natchez. Over 100 music educators from 11 states attended the conference.

Hill not only serves as director of chorale and music on the Goodman Campus, but also as conductor for the Concert Chorale and an a cappella pop ensemble, The Coachmen Singers. He also teaches private voice and other music education classes.

HCC the past seven years. He has a bachelor's degree from the University of Mississippi. He is a certified medical transport executive and has presented at multiple national air medical conferences on complex clinical and leadership issues affecting health care. He is a gubernatorial appointment to the Emergency Medical Services Advisory Council, member of the Mississippi Trauma Advisory Council, chair of the Mississippi State Burn Committee, co-chair of the Central Trauma Prehospital PI Committee, and founding member and current secretary treasurer of

the Mississippi Association of Air Medical Providers.

Poole, who currently teaches biology, has been at Holmes for 12 years. She holds a bachelor's degree from Mississippi College. She continued her studies at Delta State University before receiving her master's degree from Mississippi College. She served as district representative of 2YC3 from 2010-12 and is a member of ACS.

## Plan to Participate in Pink O Ween Walk-A-Thon for Breast Cancer

From Staff Reports

Healthy@Holmes, a wellness group on the Goodman Campus, invites all students, faculty, and staff to participate in the Pink O Ween walk-a-thon to raise money for Breast Cancer awareness and research. All three campuses will participate in this event which will be held on the track at the Goodman campus on October 31. Breast Cancer has directly or

indirectly affected everyone at some point. This is a worthy cause that not only benefits those with breast cancer, but gives us an opportunity to have a college wide fellowship.

Departments are encouraged to form four-man teams with matching pink-themed costumes and signs. This is a worthy cause that you don't want to miss.

## Soccer Sidekicks going strong in Ridgeland

By Erikka Dawson Staff Reporter/ Submitted photo



Every great hero has someone beside them to offer support and encouragement. Where would Batman be without Robin? How would Sherlock solve mysteries without Watson? And what would Holmes Community College soccer teams in Ridgeland do without Soccer Sidekicks?

The Soccer Sidekicks is a co-ed student organization that meets during the fall semester to support the Holmes soccer teams. The students receive one credit hour for attending every home game in Ridgeland. It only cost them \$25 for a t-shirt and admission to the games. Anyone can sign up even if they do not know how the game of soccer works. Freshman sidekick Avery Huff says that there are students that sit together and are willing to explain the rules. Huff joined the Sidekicks because she used to play soccer, and she wanted to be around it again.

Soccer Sidekicks is now in its second year of running. Allison DeWeese is the sponsor and works at HCC in Ridgeland as the career technical counselor. Amanda Lindsey is the previous sponsor who helped start the program that now supports the soccer teams. Some ways the Sidekicks promote their team is by making posters for the games, putting together snacks for the players, and cheering on the men and women's teams while wearing their matching Soccer Sidekicks shirts.

According to Huff, students should consider joining the Sidekicks next fall because it gets you more involved around campus. The soccer teams appreciate seeing a group of their fellow students cheering them on in the stands. Sidekick Ariel Wolfe said, "The soccer team will stop and ask if we are going to be at the next game." The shouting and clapping of the crowds is an exciting way to ensure the team fights to make their fans proud with a win. The city of Ridgeland can rest easy knowing that their HCC superheroes have their trusty Soccer Sidekicks to help them conquer any nemesis soccer team that dares to challenge them.

## MMBC visits Ridgeland

By Na'Shekia Mosley Staff Reporter

On Sept. 24, speaker Luke Yancy, the third president and CEO of the Mid-South Minority Business Council (MMBC) Corporation, visited Holmes work training force. MMBC is a not-for-profit organization that brings in Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprises (M/WBE) together with the Mid-

South's largest Corporations. Yancy's speech encouraged every business owner, whether they were future business owners or present owners, "to know your business framework." Yancy said that "Solo is dead" and that "no person should go into business alone; team work is the best work."

## Healthy head to toe: Zumba in Grenada

By Carl Smith Staff Reporter/Photographer



If you are looking for a way to "Get your sweat on" the Grenada Campus now offers a health and wellness initiative. The program meets every Tuesday and Thursday from 2-3 p.m. in the Corey Forum. All employees and students are encouraged to join. Classes incorporate a total health and wellness makeover through weight loss, better nutrition, and a Zumba workout. "Zumba is a fitness program that

combines music, dance, interval, and resistance training" says Bronwyn Robertson, student activities coordinator in Grenada. She also explains that Zumba meets the Department of Human Services recommendations of weekly aerobic exercise.

Tori Costilow of Grenada is the Zumba instructor for the new Healthy Head to Toe (HH2T) program that started the Spring Semester 2014. Robertson said that, "It is my hope that more people will start to attend because it's been my experience, once you do Zumba regularly, you'll absolutely love it while experiencing benefits to your overall health."

## HolmesPlus Gathers in Goodman

Staff Photo/Report



On August 18, the Holmes Plus students and advisors met at the Holmes House on the Goodman Campus for a cook-out. Holmes Plus is an organization for those students who demonstrate a proven aptitude in the mathematical and scientific areas. The program also challenges, engages, and enhances the student's insight into the world of math and science.

## Bring on the drama: HCC Drama Dept. in full swing

By Glenneasha Brown Staff Reporter Submitted photo



(left) Students at the summer theatre camp placed their trust in their peers' hands through team building exercises on the Goodman Campus Aug. 12-14. This exercise generates positive energy as the students express their excitement with smiles. (right) Cast members keep in character rehearsing "Ollie and Stanley Owl" by Edith Weiss. The HCC theatre department will perform "Ollie and Stanley Owl" on Oct. 18 at 4 p.m. in the Fine Arts Building in Goodman as part of Homecoming festivities. They will also tour elementary schools, including Canton Academy, Kosciusko Lower and Middle, East Webster and Winona Elementary to perform the play.

## COMING UP...

10/15 - Faculty/Staff/Alumni Appreciation Soccer Game Freedom Ridge Park, Ridgeland 5 p.m.

10/15 - Paint Slide on the Hill Goodman Campus 6 p.m.

10/16 - University Transfer Fair Grove on Goodman Campus 9:30 a.m.-noon

10/16 - Financial Aid Workshop CCN Room, Library, Ridgeland 1:30-2:30 p.m.

10/16 - Spencer's: Theatre of Illusion Corey Forum, Grenada 7 p.m., \$10 tickets See Arts and Lecture Series on Holmes website for details

10/21 - MS Songwriters Showcase McGowan Center, Ridgeland 6:30 p.m.

10/22 Fall Fest-Ridgeland Campus

10/31 - Pink "O" Ween Walk-A-Thon Track at Goodman Campus TBA by Healthy@Holmes





Holmes student and Chick-Fil-A employee **Christina Bracey** gives away free iced coffee cards at the Chick-Fil-A booth set up on the Ridgeland Campus on Sept. 24.



**Photo by Laurie Alvis Staff Photographer**

(Above) Holmes students **Rebekah Holden** of Flowood and **Laurie Alvis** of Madison wear their campaigning t-shirts in support of fellow student **Paulette Vargas**, who ran for and later won Student Body Maid.



The HCC sophomore baseball players take a minute off from practice to pose for the camera.



Holmes Ambassadors represent HCC at the Third Annual Community College Apex Leadership Summit July 22-24 at The University of Mississippi. Pictured above are some of the Grenada Ambassadors and below, Ridgeland Ambassadors.



Trumpets blare and music fills the air in Branch Stadium during halftime of the HCC vs. Northwest CC on Oct. 2.



Holmes softball players gear up for practice on a lovely day in Goodman.



Dazzlers entertain the crowd at half-time during the Holmes vs. Northwest CC football game on October 2.



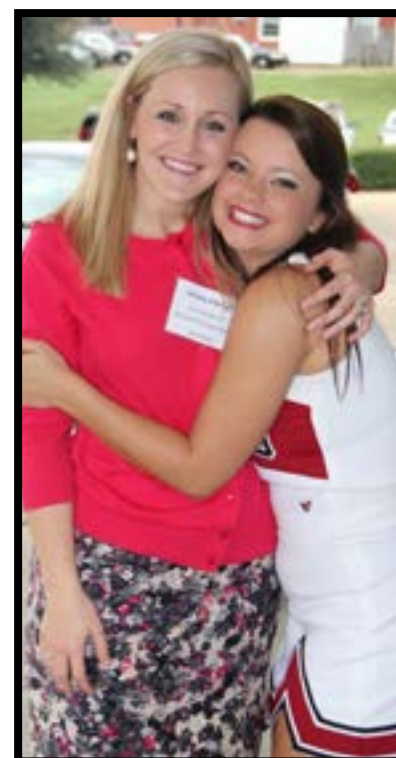
**Elizabeth Posey** and **Brooke Alvis** of Madison, both of whom are home-schoolers duel enrolling at Holmes Ridgeland Campus as seniors in high school, enjoy the beautiful day.

**Photo by Laurie Alvis Staff Photographer**



Welding Instructor **Ben Lewis** takes care of business on the Goodman Campus.

(right) Alumni Director/PR Specialist **Hilliary O'Briant** stops for a photo with cheerleader **Shelby Johns**.



District Director of Communications and Associate Athletic Director for External Relations **Steve Diffey** is a good sport, participating in the ASL Ice Bucket Challenge on behalf of Holmes at Meet the Bulldogs.

## Step up to the mic at Open Mic on Ridgeland Campus

By **Glennasha Brown Staff Reporter**

Photos by **Laurie Alvis Staff Photographer**



Pictured is (left) **Jennifer Byrd** discussing her poetry and (right) **Joshua Dilmore** showing off his artwork.

The Creative Arts Club iCREATE hosted their first Open Mic in the Writing Center on Sept. 4. The Open Mics are for the iCREATE club members and others to showcase their unheard voices through artistic expression.

The Open Mics will become a regular on Ridgeland's Holmes campus. Open Mics are the second and fourth Thursdays every month, with each Open Mic following a theme.

The "Come as You Are" theme of the past meeting allows the members and those interested to have artistic freedom to perform what they feel. Subdued changes to the Writing Center set the tone for Open Mic. iCREATE transforms the Writing Center from a

tutoring center to a lounge for the artistic-inclined community. iCREATE creates an informal yet intimate environment between the artist and audience, as students sat on the ground instead of the chairs and lit the Writing Center with a single dim lamp instead of florescent lights.

The Creative Arts Club rises from the ashes, with the support of the English Department, led by its main sponsors Steve Deaton and Arnetra Pleas. iCREATE is different from the creative arts club a few years ago because iCREATE is opened to all students interested in the arts, such as poetry, spoken word, music, visual art, and dance.

## Need prayer before a test? Join BSU in Grenada

Photo by **Carl Smith Staff Photographer**



The Baptist Student Union (BSU) at the Grenada Campus is a great place for Christian fellowship and provides the chance to take a much needed break from classes. **Jeremy Richey** is the part-time director of the BSU program, and he is also the youth and children's minister at First Baptist Church in Grenada, Miss.

"Everyone is welcome, all students, employees, denominations, and ages," Richey says. "Come for the food, stay for the fellowship."

Lunch is provided each week by local churches. Devotion is given by

ministers from Grenada County or surrounding areas. Although Richey has been the part time director for a short time, the program has been meeting at noon every Wednesday in the Corey Forum for more than three years.

Richey plans to have more events such as cookouts to enable more students to share in Christian praise and fellowship. He reminds students and staff at the Goodman Campus to visit their weekly BSU Program as well.

## STUDENT SPOTLIGHTS

### Ridgeland Campus



**Name:** Elizabeth Posey  
**Nickname:** Posey, Pose  
**Hometown:** Madison  
**Major:** Pre-Nursing  
**Classification:** Senior in high school dual-enrolling  
**Pets:** A yellow lab, Bach, an orange and white cat, MacKintire, and a calico cat, Sparkle  
**Favorite food:** My dad's grilled chicken with provolone cheese  
**Favorite TV show:** NCIS  
 What would most people be surprised to know about you? I've always wanted to study abroad.  
**Favorite place to visit:** Smokey Mountains, Columbus (where my family has land), and the beach.  
**Accomplishment most proud of:** God giving me the opportunity to work with special needs kids.  
**Future goal:** To be a successful nurse, and to get married and have a family.  
 How do you like spending your days off? Spending time with friends.  
**Motivation:** My dad, who I strive to be like.  
**Three things you love most in the world:** Family/friends, music, and sports.  
**Why did you choose Holmes?** I wanted to get basic courses out of the way, and I'd heard Holmes was a great school with great teachers.

### Goodman Campus



**Name:** Alexis Monshae DeJhon  
**Nickname:** Lexis  
**Hometown:** Madison  
**Major:** Criminal Justice  
**Classification:** Sophomore  
**Job:** Cashier/Hostess at Cock of the Walk/ Reservoir  
**Pets:** None  
**Favorite food:** Anything with cheese in it.  
**Favorite TV show:** Love and Hip Hop ATL  
 What would most people be surprised to know about you? That I am a drummer girl, and I hate going outside.  
**What is your favorite place to visit?** My family in Laurel.  
**Accomplishment most proud of?** Balancing school and work.  
**Future goal:** Obtaining my Phd in criminal Justice at Jackson State.  
**How do you like spending your days off?** Spending time with my best friend from Hinds.  
**Motivation:** God motivates me in my daily trek.  
**What or who are three things you love most in this world?** My parents, siblings, and my passion for helping people.  
**Why did you choose Holmes?** Because my talents landed me a scholarship and this community college was the best.

### Grenada Center



**Name:** Selby Ackman  
**Nickname:** Selbs  
**Hometown:** Grenada  
**Major:** General Studies  
**Classification:** Freshman  
**Job:** Full-time student  
**Pets:** Two cats, Bo and Binx.  
**Favorite food:** Chicken (Grandparents owning KFC in Grenada helps!)  
**Favorite TV show:** Friends  
**Future goal:** I plan to become a psychiatrist at the Mississippi State Hospital in Whitfield  
**How do you like spending your days off?** With my family.  
**Motivation:** Jesus is my motivation in life.  
**Three things you love most in the world:** God, family, and chicken.  
**Why did you choose Holmes?** I wanted to start getting acclimated to college life while completing core classes at a more feasible cost.



## Football Scores

<b>Hinds</b> 28-21	<b>East Central</b> 6-14
<b>PRCC</b> 14-28	<b>Miss. Delta</b> 27-8
<b>Itawamba</b> 3-19	<b>Northwest</b> 28-14
<b>East MS</b> 0-49	

## Remaining Football Games:

- **Coahoma**  
10/18/14  
6 p.m./Home  
**\*\*Homecoming**
- **Northeast**  
10/23/14  
6:30 p.m./Away



Pictured is sophomore quarterback **Jamarion Benson** of Crystal Springs, throwing a pass.

*Staff Photo*

## Bulldog fans have several ways to follow all of the Bulldog Football action

*From Staff Reports*

Bulldog fans have several ways to follow all of the action during Bulldog football games at Holmes Community College and away from campus. In August, Holmes signed on with the Wi-Fi Streaming Network to bring video from the events and also continues to provide radio coverage over the Bulldog Football Network through our three-station network.

WSN (Wi-Fi Streaming Network) allows Holmes to use two camera angles to provide the action on the field and the sidelines with the team, Cheerleaders, Dazzlers and Bulldog Marching Band.

All of the action can be viewed at

holmesccmedia.com on a computer, tablet or cell phone. The Bulldog Football Network can be heard live on the air on 101.1 FM, 103.9 FM or 100.1 FM or by going to breezynews.com. You can also add the Breezy app to either your iPhone or Android device.

The games will also be archived and those productions will be available to be purchased upon request. If you are interested in purchasing a copy, please contact Associate Athletic Director for External Relations Steve Diffey at [sdiffey@holmescc.edu](mailto:sdiffey@holmescc.edu) or call (662) 472-9068 for more information.

## Softball players recognized for work in the classroom

*From Staff Reports*

The Holmes Softball Team from 2013-14 was recently recognized by the National Fastpitch Coaches Association for their work in the classroom during the 2013-14 school year. To go along with this team honor, seven players were recognized individually by having a 3.5 GPA or higher.

The team GPA was 3.02 and ranked 25th in the country.

Current players Leann Boyles, Shelby Hoover, Tam Jenkins, Kelsey Kelly and Brett Whitlock along with alumni Katherine Pennington and Samantha Meadows each had a 3.5 GPA or better and were recognized by the NFCA.



Pictured are (top, left to right) **Leann Boyles, Shelby Hoover, Tam Jenkins, Kelsey Kelly**, (bottom, left to right) **Samantha Meadows, Katherine Pennington, and Brett Whitlock**.

## Coach Koonz hosts weekly radio show



Holmes Head Football Coach Jeff Koonz held his first Jeff Koonz Coaches Show on August 26 at Sombra Mexican Kitchen, and continues to host the show at Sombra each Tuesday night at 7 p.m.

Coach Koonz presents his weekly awards to outstanding players, interviews various guests, and on certain nights, the Holmes cheerleaders attend to entertain the live audience.

(left) Pictured is **Coach Jeff Koonz**.



## Cheerleaders held Mini Bulldog Cheer Camp

*From Staff Reports*

In August, the Holmes Community College Cheerleaders held their first ever "Mini Bulldog Cheer Camp" for girls ages 5-13.

The campers enjoyed a day full of learning cheers, chants, bang songs, a tunnel run, and dancing with Bully. The campers also performed during the season opener game against Hinds on August 28.

## Men's/Women's Soccer Remaining Games:

Date:	Opponent:	Location:	Time: (W/M)
10/15/14	Itawamba	Home	4 p.m./6 p.m.
10/17/14	Northwest	Away	1 p.m./3 p.m.
10/22/14	East Central	Home	12 p.m./2 p.m.
10/28/14	MACJC Quarters	Home	TBA



**Garrett Watson** of Vicksburg and **Macaulay Gibson** of Brandon celebrate their score on Northwest Community College on Sept. 16.



(right) **Courtney Nolan** of Pearl battles a Southwest Community College player for the ball on Sept. 23.

*Staff Photos*

## Men's Soccer

Co-Lin	2-1
Southwest	0-0
Pearl River	1-4
Co-Lin	6-0
Hinds	0-2
Itawamba	0-5
Northwest	3-1
East Central	2-1
Southwest	3-1
Meridian	1-0
MGCCC	0-4
Hinds	2-3

## Women's Soccer

Co-Lin	7-0
Southwest	4-1
Pearl River	0-3
Co-Lin	4-1
Hinds	0-1
Itawamba	2-1
Northwest	1-2
East Central	1-3
Southwest	2-0
Meridian	2-2
MGCCC	2-1
JCJC	0-5
Hinds	0-8

## Basketball Schedule

Date:	Opponent:	Location:	Time:
11/03/14	Co-Lin CC	Home	6/8 p.m.
11/06/14	Baton Rouge CC	Away	11:30 a.m./1:30 p.m.
11/10/14	LSU-E/William Carey JV	Home	5:30/7:30 p.m.
11/13/14	Meridian CC	Away	5:30/7:30 p.m.
11/15/14	S. Univ. Shreveport	Home	2/4 p.m.
11/17/14	Pearl River CC	Away	5/7 p.m.
11/20/14	Hinds CC	Home	6/8 p.m.

## Breezy 101 to broadcast 18 basketball games

*From Staff Reports*

Eighteen HCC Basketball Games return to the airwaves this season on 101.1 FM, breezynews.com or by adding the Breezy News app to your iPhone or Android device.

Included in the broadcasts are: Nov. 3, Co-Lin, 6/8 p.m.; Nov. 13, at Meridian, 5:30/7:30 p.m.; Nov. 20, Hinds, 6/8 p.m.; Dec. 4, Northwest, 6/8 p.m.;

Jan. 6, at Hinds, 5:30/7:30 p.m.; Jan. 15, Baton Rouge, 6/8 p.m.; Jan. 20, Miss. Delta, 6/8 p.m.; Feb. 2, Coahoma, 6/8 p.m.; Feb. 16, at East Miss., 5:30/7:30 p.m.

All home division games will be broadcast live at holmesccmedia.com.

## Soccer streaming

*From Staff Reports*

Holmes soccer is streaming live every game through the WiFi Streaming Network (WSN), as of August 2014. Bulldog fans can look forward to watching and listening all athletic events this upcoming season through WSN.





# Meet The Growl Staff



## Laurie Alvis

**Hometown:** Madison

**Major:** Liberal Arts

**Campus:** Ridgeland

**About me:** I love sports, and I've been on the tennis team here at HCC since last year. I also love art, and enjoy doing anything from painting and drawing to basically any kind of craft. My favorite food is pasta, and I really love coffee. I enjoy spending time with my friends, watching movies, shopping and photography. I plan to attend MSU as a junior next year.



## Gleneasha Brown

**Hometown:** Jackson

**Major:** General Studies/Plan to be a broadcast journalism major next year

**Campus:** Ridgeland

**About me:** I am the president of iCREATE. Poetry is my passion. If I'm not writing, I'm not thinking, and I'm always thinking. I love thrift shopping because I travel back in time without leaving the present. Aside from my severe love of Chinese food, I love living a life creatively and vividly.



## Erikka Dawson

**Hometown:** Flowood

**Major:** Communications

**Campus:** Ridgeland

**About me:** I consider myself a real go-getter. When I'm not studying hard or working at the local coffee shop, I can be found shopping for movies and music. Scary movies are my type of comedies. I never get tired of eating Mexican food or pizza, which is great for me because I can't cook well for a 24 year old.



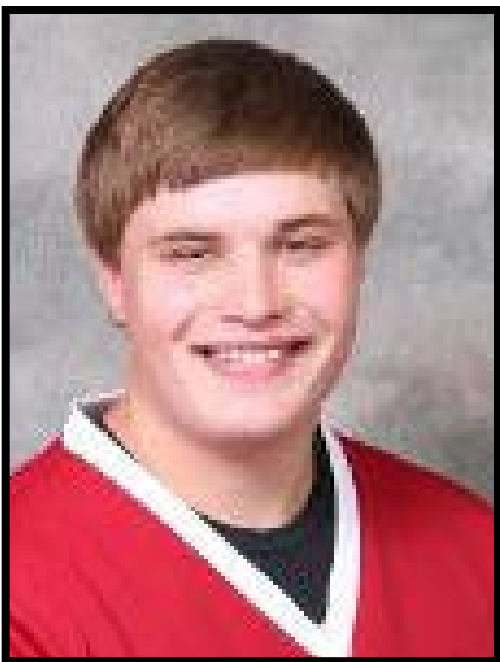
## Na'Shekia Mosley

**Hometown:** Benton

**Major:** Business Administration

**Campus:** Ridgeland

**About me:** I am a sophomore. I attend Steve Chapel church; there I am a praise dancer of 12 years. I like to spend time with my family. I enjoy helping others, shopping, and going fishing. I have a puppy; her name is Princess.



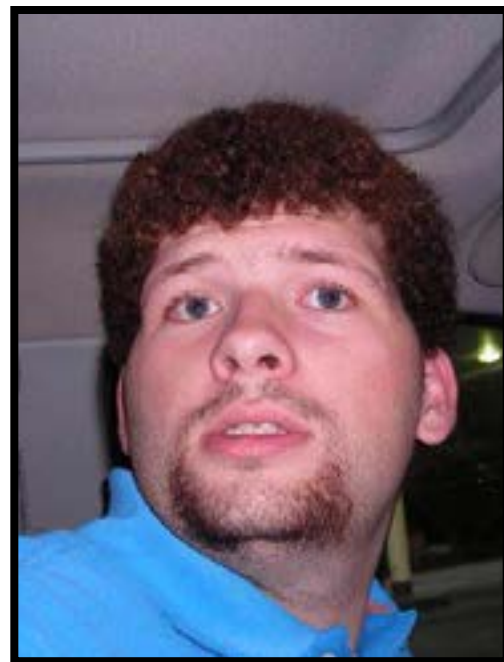
## Austin Purvis

**Hometown:** Benton

**Major:** Sports Information

**Campus:** Goodman

**About me:** A Holmes cheerleader, SkillsUSA member, and President's List honoree.



## Cody Ruth

**Hometown:** Grenada

**Major:** General Studies

**Campus:** Grenada

**About me:** I'm a business administration and history major who dreams of one day starting an organic farm. A few things I love: MSU, cycling, running, hiking, antique shopping, camping with my kids, traveling, the beach, gardening, cooking, rotel chicken spaghetti, the show Scandal, James Patterson books, and the color orange.



## Carl Smith

**Hometown:** Grenada

**Major:** Criminal Justice

**Campus:** Grenada

**About me:** I will complete my AA in criminal justice in December 2014 and begin at Ole Miss in January 2015. I also completed my AAS in paramedicine last December. My main hobby is photography, and enhancing or manipulating photos using Lightroom or Photoshop programs. I worked as a paramedic for close to 20 years, including working as a remote medic on a dive vessel, and three years as a remote medic in Iraq.



## Frankie Weatherby

**Hometown:** Sallis

**Major:** Computer Engineering

**Campus:** Goodman

**About me:** I'm a non-traditional student who enjoys reading, cooking, spending time with family, and playing golf. Most of all, I am a God-fearing man, who also doesn't mind lending a helping hand when needed. My favorite food is pasta and my favorite color is red.

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