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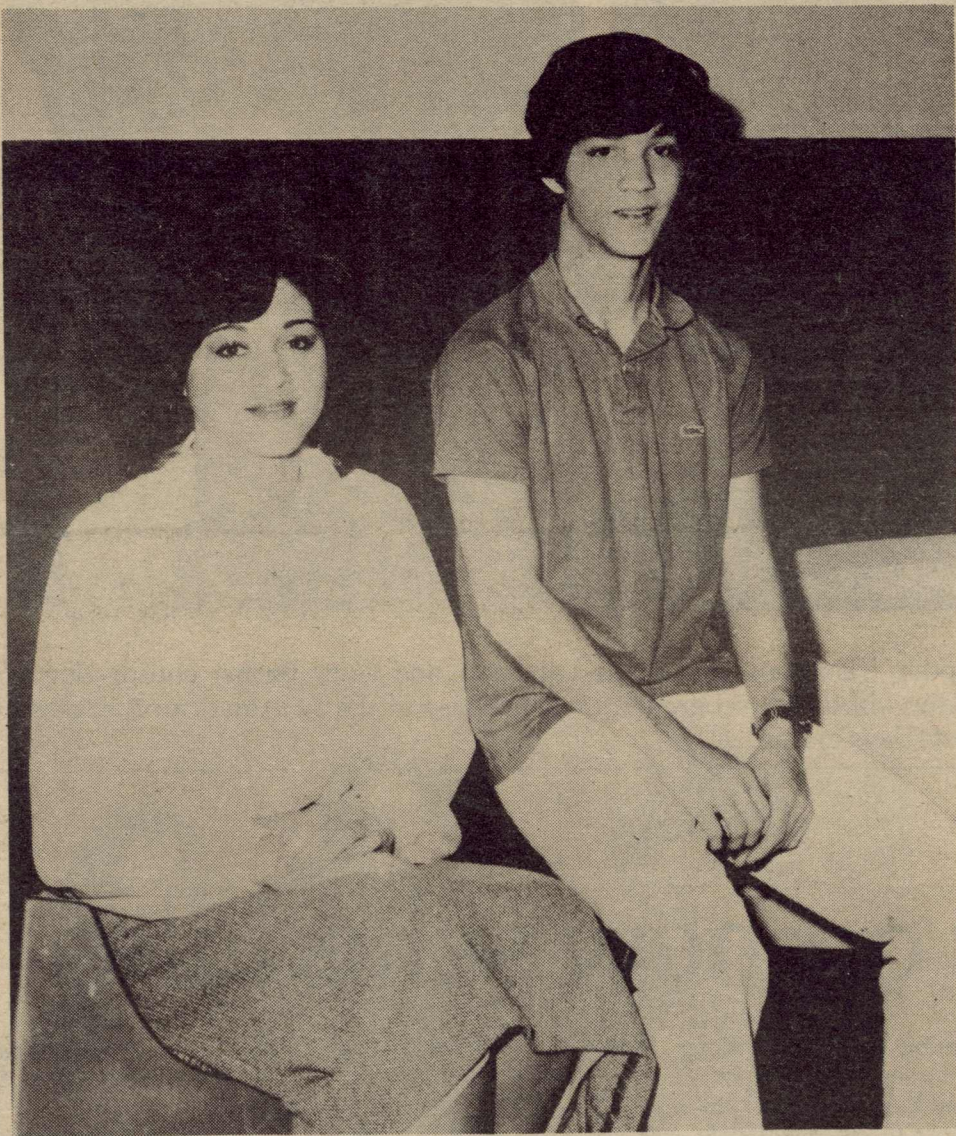
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## Who's Who elections...



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50,000 in state JC system...

## Enrollment up 17% at ECJC

By SCOTT LONG

Enrollment was up at ECJC 17% last semester, compared to enrollment from last year, as revealed by figures from the Office of Records and Administration. This follows a trend set by the whole state.

Enrollment in public junior colleges of Mississippi was 50,015 at the end of the first six weeks of school last semester. This is the first time in 58 years of Mississippi Junior Colleges that enrollment has exceeded 50,000. This figure is 4.35% greater than fall semester of 1979, or a total of 2,087 students.

A wide diversity of majors comprised the enrollment of last fall. The following is a list of majors and the number of students in each, used with permission from the Office of Records and Administration. Agriculture, 10; Business, 79; Business Education, 6; Elementary Education, 51; Secondary Education, 20; Industrial Education, 1; Engineering, 29; Home Economics, 14; Industrial Education, 1; Liberal Arts, 140; Pre Dental, 4; Pre-Medical, 18; Pre-Pharmacy, 4; Pre-

Nursing, 26; Music Education, Vocal, 10; Music Education, Instrumental, 2; Technical Intensive Business 40; Secretarial Science, 29; Drafting, 11; Data Processing, 39; Cosmetology, 20; Auto Mechanics, 20; Body and Fender Repair, 20; Electricity, 23; Refrigeration and Air Conditioning, 18; Machine Shop, 17; Radio and Television, 16; Welding, 26; Carpentry and Cabinet Making, 17; and Masonry, 19.

Seventeen of these 729 students were from other states. There were 415 full time academic day students, 120 full time technical students, 196 full time vocational students, 8 part time academic students, 2 part time technical students and 26 Evening academic students.

No figures as extensive as these are available on second semester at this time; however, a total of 737 students have been registered for this second semester.

Dean Rives stated, "We were well pleased second semester as well as first at this increase, and we are Continued on page 4...."

But, Ma I DO study!.....

## Sixty-eight earn academic honors first semester

Eighteen students maintained straight A's for first semester.

Named to the President's List for a 4 point average were:

Bruce A. Barnes, Bobby L. Butler, Richard Leslie Ferris, Mary K. Guin, Gwyn Annette Guthrie, Donda Ruann Hill, Susan Horton, Debbra Louise Killen, Dinah Fox Moss, William Michael tt, Joel Lindsley Nelson,

Melissa Ann Nester, Kent K. Peckham, Teddie S. Pope, Lorri Seal, Pamela Suzette Taylor, Sherry Lynn Winstead, Terrell Elton Winstead.

Fifty were named to the Dean's List for having a 3.5 average. These were:

Jamie Carol Adcock, L. Joan Alawine, Elizabeth Ann Appleby, Susan Carol Bane, Donna Jean Beatty, Christy Lynn Brantley, Eu-

genia Renee Brooks, Retha Ann Bryan, Linda Carlene Chaney, Cynthia Dean Cleveland, Randy James Cleveland, Tammie Lynn Fitzgerald, Philippe A. Gaillet, Mark Edwin Gunn, Florence Louise Harkins, Amy Jo Hendrix, Ginnie Maye Henley, Ralph Todd Henry, Sonjia Dee Herrington, Shellye Deshehea Hill, Pamela Kay Hillman, Sharon Marie Hudnall, Geneva

Ruth Hurley.

Gregory Travis Jackson, Bobby Ray Jayroe, Randall Eugene Lee, Marilyn Leah Livingston, Linda Lussier Lofton, Scott Franklin Long, Robert Kelvin Loper, William Cobert Lucy, Tammy Luke, Margo Rae Marveggio, Deborah Grace McBeath, Victor Gordon Merritt, Kimberly Ann Murphy, Lisa D. Myatt, Karen Ann Nichols, Bonnie Jean Nor-

mon, Jo Ann Posey, Shannon Ruth Richardson, Todd Alan Rogers, Terri Lynne Russell, Heather Teal Sammons, Ken Ray Stamper, Traci Lynn Stringfellow, Denise Diane Tatum, Lorraine Thrash, Tina Tumbling, Terry Wayne Warren, Zela Rebecca Wilkerson, Jesse Carl Wolfe, Lisa Fay Wolverton, Donald Gene Young.



# Hostage release doesn't stop anger

By SCOTT LONG

Recently we had two of the greatest highlights of the year, the inauguration of President Reagan and the release of the American hostages from Iran. The latter of these two events was foremost in the mind of Americans for the past year and three months. Just now, after their release, are the true facts of their captivity being revealed.

Of course I am relieved at their release; but still, I, like many Americans, feel anger towards the Iranians. I advocated military force after the first news of their being captured; and still do not favor friendly association with the revolutionary government. As much as I admired and respected President Carter's peaceful approach to the problem, I think his military action, although it was a failure, was the best thing he did about the situation. I also firmly believe the hostages were released when they were, because the Iranians feared President Reagan's totally new and probably forceful approach to the crisis. One that would harm Iran much more than help them.

The Reagan Administration will have a profound effect on America's foreign policies, not only in Iran, but in other nations as well, I think. I hope greater respect will be commanded by our officials. The fifty two hostages were subjected to inhumane treatment and their families to intense personal pain, but from this America has floundered and its citizens have felt a closer patriotism than I have ever known. I hope that in the future, this patriotism will continue and we will have the respect we once had as a great nation.



Captain Tennimon and Eddie Lawrence and Gary Barber cutting down the yellow ribbon in recognition of the release of the 52 American hostages held for 44 days in Iran.

Tuesday & Thursday A, B, C periods.....

## Opinions differ on new schedules

By SCOTT LONG

A survey was taken recently to get student and faculty reaction to the change in schedule this semester. The A, B, C,... periods on Tuesday and Thursday are only experimental and a wide diversity of opinions were obtained.

Mrs. Martha Graham had the following to say: "I don't like it. To me, the rhythm is wrong. At the end of fifty minutes I want to quit, and I still have half of tomorrow to go. Also, it is difficult to keep Monday, Wednesday and Friday classes at the same pace as Tuesday and Thursday classes."

Mrs. Sara Heard said, "It's just totally new to me...a new world. It doesn't bother me one way or another. I'm just waiting to see if it works or not."

Mr. Tommy Thrash was not affected by the change either. "I have the same

hours and the same student load."

Mr. J.E. Smith said, "All in all, it's good. We meet the class fewer times which means we have to work a little more, but once we're started, we get up and go. There are a few handicaps, but I think it's good."

Mrs. Kathryn Wright thought it was better also. She remarked, "I have a first period every morning but I'm always ready to go by seven thirty anyway, so I really have no objections whatsoever."

Mr. Bruce Guready agreed with Mrs. Graham on one count when he said "I guess it works out the same, but it's hard to keep up two identical classes that meet on two different period schedules."

Students also had some interesting comments and suggestions. Danny People said, "It's alright with me," but had this interesting

observation to make, "For some classes, such as English and Psychology, an hour and fifteen minutes is a little long, you tend to become bored. Math and Science are good for these periods because you have to work

problems and ask questions." Ted Pope agreed by saying "Some classes are better equipped to handle it than others."

Sandra Johnson said, "For a lot of people it's inconvenient and to others it

gets to be boring. I guess it just depends on the schedule."

Tony Dobbs is one of the people Sandra was talking about. He said, "A lot of the ABC class periods are too  
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## Baptist Student Union sponsors New Orleans Conference trip

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

Approximately 12 students who attend BSU activities will attend the New Orleans Baptist Seminary Student Missions Conference, February 20-22. The students will be accompanied by BSU director Miss Gladys Bryant and band director Mr. James Dykes. Those attending will leave Saturday morning and return on Sunday.

This years conference will

feature Bill O'Brien who is with the Foreign Mission Board, SBC. Singing groups such as Harvest Road from Denver Colorado and Harmony from Wichita Falls, Texas will provide entertainment for the conference. Also featured will be dramatic presentations and multimedia programming.

The conference offers opportunities to attend programs that deal with church planting, love with no

strings, the mission challenge of ethnic America, the volunteer missionary--a cast of thousands, witnessing to cults, music and missions, a road to reconciliation, career missions, God's call-My call, and mission service corp.

The total cost for the trip will be \$15.00 which includes meals and campus housing on a first come first serve basis.



# Who's Who favorites selected

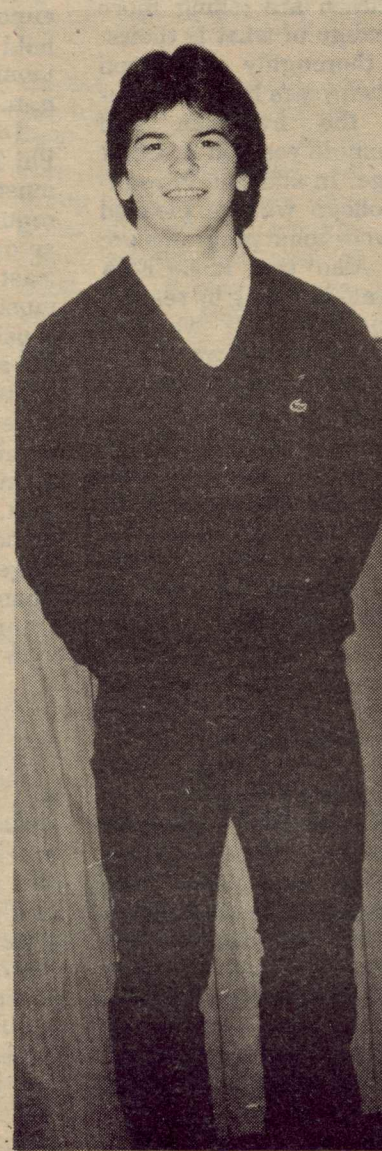


Sophomore Favorites: (bottom row, left to right) Cindy Cleveland, Ora Mae Floyd,

Leah Livingston; (top row) Bert Gilmore, Al Haralson and Scott Long.



Freshman Favorite girls: (Left to right) Diane Griffin, Karen Gray, and Vikki Jenkins.



East Central's Most Handsome, Jay Jones.

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

Miss Vicki Hamrick and Mr. Ted Pope were voted Mr. and Miss ECJC in Who's Who elections.

Vicki is a Home-Ec major from Enterprise. She is a member of the modeling squad and cheerleading squad.

Ted, a graduate of Philadelphia, serves as president of the SBA and photographer of the Tom-Tom. He is an engineering major and is a member of the engineering club.

Jay Jones of Forest was selected as most Handsome. He is a liberal arts major and an active participant in campus intramurals.

Sophomore favorites chosen by EC students were Cookie Floyd, from Louisville who is a member of the dorm council and is a Home-Ec major.

Leah Livingston also of Louisville was chosen a favorite. Leah serves as SBA treasurer. A data processing major, she was selected in Who's Who Among Junior College Students.

Cindy Cleveland from Union was also elected favorite. She served as 1980 Homecoming Queen and is a member of many campus organizations.

Gentlemen chosen favorites were Al Haralson a graduate of Sebastopol High School and a member of Wesley; Scott Long, a graduate of Philadelphia, a Pre-Pharmacy major and a member of the Phi Theta Kappa and Sigma Sigma Mu Tau and Bert Gilmore an Agriculture major and member of the SEA. Bert is a graduate of Sebastopol High School.

Freshman favorites selected by the student were Diane Griffin from Union who is a cheerleader and a member of the Fashion Squad.

Vikki Jenkins a graduate of Neshoba Central, a cheerleader and is an alternate member of the modeling squad.

Karen Gray was also chosen as a freshman favorite. She is a Business major and a member of the ECJC Players.

Gentlemen chosen to serve as favorites were Micah Hazelwood from Morrow, Georgia, who is a member of the ECJC Warriors Football team; Scott Quisenberry, a graduate from Enterprise and member of the football team, and Greg Winstead, a band member and graduate of Union High School.



# Cafeteria gets new asst. manager



Will Creemer slaves over a hot stove in the cafeteria.

By LEONARD LEE

Many of you have undoubtedly noticed a new face in the cafeteria lately, and wondered just who he is.

His name is Will Creemer and he is from Helena, Arkansas. He graduated from De Soto High School in 1976. He attended Phillips County Community College and the University of Arkansas at Little Rock prior to transferring to the University of Southern Mississippi. From there he will receive a B.S. degree in Hotel and Restaurant Administration in May. Prior to coming to ECJC, Will completed an internship at the Sheraton Inn of Gulfport, Mississippi. In December of 1980. He has also worked as a barten-

der and waiter at the Red Lobster Inn of Nashville, Tennessee and the Fifth Quarter Restaurant. Other work experiences include crew supervisor for the West Helena Arkansas Park Commission.

Will is scheduled to be at ECJC for ten to twelve weeks before being assigned to a unit as assistant, or location manager. While at EC he will be serving as assistant manager and welcomes your suggestions and comments. He enjoys a friendly chat and understands students problems. Will will assist you any way he can.

Will, who has celebrated his twenty-third birthday since arriving at EC, is single.

## Number of students up 2nd semester

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starting to have a higher retention rate for those coming next year, as well as a large number of first time students graduating from High School." He also said, "This is one of the highest enrollments we have ever had second semester. Ninety-three students of the increase enrollment were first time students.

Dr. Tucker said, "I particularly like to see an increase the second semester. It is easier to take students then, and it balances class sizes with first semester."

Dr. Wright had these comments to make. "First of all, for the last couple of years, fall enrollment has been down. For it to be up this fall was real pleasing, and the second semester

increase was very gratifying. The people of this institution are taking more advantage of what is theirs. I'm thoroughly convinced that two years here is better than the freshman and sophomore years at a senior college. In addition to regular college we are pleased that vocational programs are full. Also the PSE-CETA program is letting us reach a group of people we had never reached before."

Dr. Wright attributes the increase in enrollment to a change in priorities. "I think that people have altered their goals and are striving to reach them. We wish the people would let us help them, because they need us and we need them."

## Phi Theta Kappa initiation is scheduled for Feb. 20th

Cindy Cleveland, president of Phi Theta Kappa, announced that the PTK will hold their initiations ceremonies on Feb. 20 at 7:00 p.m. in the Gordon Room.

To become a member of Phi Theta Kappa a student must fulfill the following requirements. He must have an overall GPA of 3.4 on at least 12 academic hours. He must also pay all dues which consist of National dues of \$15 and local dues of \$5.

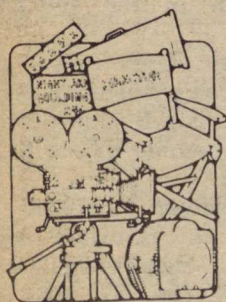
Students at ECJC who have met these requirements and are eligible for membership are: Jamie Adcock, Joan Alawine, Connie Bishop, Roger Broadhead, Eugenia Brooks, Linda Chaney, Early Clemons, Tammie Fitzgerald, Philippe Gaillet, Eula Gross,

Jimmy Gunn, Gwyn Guthrie, Flo Harkins, Amy Hendrix, Gennie Henley, Sonja Herrington, Shellye Hill, Pamela Hillman, Jerry Holt, Ruth Hurley, Debra Killen, Randall Lee, Virgie Lindley, Linda Lofton, Margo Marveggio, Dinah Moss, Kim Murphy, Lisa Myatt, Anne Marie Nelson, Melissa Nester, Danny Peoples, Lance Peoples, Terri Russel, Heather Sammons, Lori Seal, Ken Stamper, Traci Stringfellow, Lorraine Thrash, Zella Wilkerson.

The purpose of PTK is the promotion of scholarships, the development of leadership and service and the cultivation of fellowship among students of Junior Colleges in the United States.

The PTK has been involved in several projects this year. During the fall Cindy Cleveland, Rob Loper, Randy Cleveland, Denise Tatum, Dona Wolverton, and Retha Bryan attended the State Convention held in Natchez. Other members have been involved in selling mums and candy in an effort to raise money for the National Convention being held in Houston, Texas in March.

Mrs. Heard and Mr. Mason, advisors of the PTK, urge all members who are interested in attending the national convention to contact them. Also, any new members who have not paid their dues need to see Retha Bryan or Mrs. Heard.



## Movie reviews

By AMY ALLDAY

**FLASH GORDON**- Dino de Laurentis' filmed comic strip is as colorful and fast-paced as its dialogue is silly. Pro quarterback Flash Gordon and travel agent Dale Arden rocket to outer space to save the Earth from Ming the Merciless. Flash and Dale encounter many obstacles and adversaries in their quest. Rated PG

**NINE TO FIVE**-Tyrannical boss Dabney Coleman gets everything he deserves from his rebellious secretaries Lily Tomlin, Jane Fonda,

and Dolly Parton. Tomlin portrays the office secretary who is constantly passed up for promotion; Fonda is newly divorced, trying to make it on her own; and Parton is the brunt of office gossip, as being Coleman's mistress. As a team they're unbeatable. PG

**SEEMS LIKE OLD TIMES**-Goldie Hawn is a lawyer protecting her fugitive first husband, Chevy Chase, who has robbed a bank from her district attorney first husband, Charlie Grodin. A Neil Simon jewel. PG

Mr. Bob Heritage, a member of the faculty, announced recently a new addition to the family. Ryan Alan Heritage, a bouncing baby boy, was born at 2:17 a.m. Sunday, February 1, 1981. He weighed nine pounds and thirteen and a half ounces and was twenty one inches long. Mother and baby are doing well, but father is still a bit shakey. If any more facts are desired see Bob Heritage.





A musical melodrama....

# 'Little Mary Sunshine' cast chosen

By AMY ALLDAY

On Monday, February 2, auditions were held in the Fine Arts Center to cast members for the upcoming spring musical, "Little Mary Sunshine", by Rick Boseyer. The musical, which is a melodrama that takes place high in the Colorado Rockies at the turn of the century, will be presented in the Fine Arts Center March 24-28 (Tuesday-Saturday) at 7:30 p.m.

Several students auditioned for parts, and according to Mr. Bruce Peterson, Director of the musical, casting was no easy job. The roles cast were: MARY (the heroine) Joan Alawine of Union; CAPTAIN JIM WARRINGTON (a forest ranger) David Reynolds of Louisville; NANCY TWINKLE (Mary's maid) Heather Sammons of Louisville; BILLY JESTER (a forest ranger) Mark Gunn of Forest; ERNESTINE (a German opera singer) Retha Bryan, Neosho, Mi.; OSCAR FAIRFLAX (a general) Scott Long of Philadelphia; BROWN BEAR (chief of the Kadota Indians) Hugh Roland of Forest; FLEET FOOT (the last of the Kadota Indians) Charles Comans of Newton; and YELLOW FEATHER (renegade son of Brown Bear) Mike Childress of Louisville.

## Variable class times...

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long. The subject gets old after a while."

Jay Jones liked it for what seemed to be a very good reason. "I don't have any classes on Tuesday or Thursday."

Bobby Butler said, "I don't really mind it that much, but then anybody who can take three English courses at once can get used to anything."

Doug Crowell simply said, "I like it". To which Doug Hubbard simply replied, "I kinda like it myself."

David Reynolds pointed out one of the advantages when he said, "There is more time in the period so more material can be covered in a single class meeting."

These were just a few comments that were made of the schedule. There were observations and suggestions, perhaps some of these could be used by the administration when fall schedules are planned, to make what many people think of as a good schedule even better.



Members of the cast of **Little Mary Sunshine** are Joan Alawine, David Reynolds, Heather

Sammons, Mark Gunn, Retha Bryan, Scott Long (back) Mike Chidlriss, Charles Comans and Hugh Roberts.

## It's time for egg control

# First-hand account of insurrection

By SCOTT F. LONG

I have heard news cast and commentaries. I have read articles and editorials. I think it is my obligation as an editor to also give my ideas on this subject. What am I talking about, you ask? Weapons control I tell you. I shall talk about a different aspect of weapon control though. An aspect that affects you and I every day...or at least once a year. What aspect of weapons control am I talking about you ask? Egg control, I tell you.

Time was, when eggs were used only for food, just as their counterparts, the chicken... and the gun (which happens to be a weapon, therefore good for this example. Oh by the way for all you city people, contrary to your belief, cows are not raised behind the IGA. If you still haven't got the connection, guns were once used to shoot animals for food. Boy, some people, now where was I, oh yes. But then, at some time or another a group of relentless aborigines (otherwise known as teenagers) found that they could use the innocent articles as weapons. They were, at first, only used in season, a strange time of year known as All Hallow's Eve. They

then began to be used at other times of the year, though.

This past year seems to have been particularly bad in as much as egg assaults is concerned. The second week in August, immediately after appearing at the Neshoba County Fair, Governor Ronald Reagan was touring a ghetto of New York. While speaking to a group of citizens, he was the target of an egg shot. Fortunately, the President-Elect was

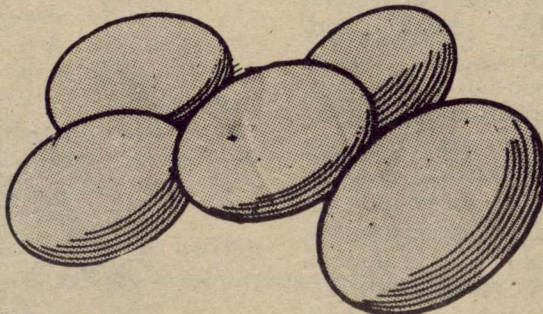
display of egg warfare. On the night of December 15, 1980, at 11:30 p.m., there was an insurrection. A group of revolutionary terrorists attacked a government vehicle just east of Scott Hall. It was a senseless attack. The security guard's car was hit. Approximately twenty rebels were roaming the streets armed with their weapons. Every person out was a likely target and in danger. The act was rash. There was no

served as a magnificent viewing place. I could see the search light as it peered through the darkness. I could see the rebels as they slowly advanced from hiding place to hiding place. I was reminded of the war days, when valiant German soldiers searched for rebel French in the same manner at St. Marie-Celeste.

Despite all they did, the faithful troopers did not capture one of the rebel soldiers. Each escaped to go about his daily activities as ordinary unsuspected college people, but admired as heroes by the townsfolk for whom they were fighting.

The eggs the rebels used were purchased at a nearby store, without proof of age or identification asked for by the proprietors. This can be done anywhere in the country. With this type of freedom, eggs (which do not need a machine to project them and are cheaper than regular weapons ammunition) will become one of the most widely used weapons of our time.

If this is not enough to prompt our lawmakers into passing legislation on egg control, then I'm afraid that our country will soon be the brunt of a brutal beating. And we will all be in the frying pan.



saved the embarrassment of having egg on his face. The same day, in Denver, a representative of the AFL-CIO was subject to a brutal egg barrage. He escaped without injury, although one Denver official was wounded. Presidential Candidate John Anderson also barely escaped harmful injury and shell shock in his cross-country campaign.

Much closer to home though was an appalling

reason for the assault. More troops were called out to guard against the crazed terrorists. The commanding constable ordered reserves from neighboring towns. The intrepid soldiers were searching the streets. They went through the hamlet with a twelve inch search light penetrating the shadows. I could see the action as it took place. Two rebel friends secreted me in their second story abode. It





Jo Ann Ernest goes up for a shot as Debbie McBeath and Shelia Welch wait for a rebound.

## Ladies are 10-10; Men fall to 4-21

The ECJC Warriorettes stand 10-10 for the season. Leading in scores for the year is sophomore, Debbie McBeath, with a 23.5 point average. Since Christmas the Warriorettes have won 4 of 10.

ECJC has defeated Co-Lin twice in recent weeks. Tuesday night's game ended in a 74-72 victory for the girls. Debbie McBeath poured in 24 points with 12 of those points coming on free throws. She was 12 for 18 at

the free throw line. Jo Ann Earnest and Shelia Welch each added sixteen to the winning effort.

Utica overpowered EC with a 71-61 victory which saw East Central hit only 32%. Three girls were in double figures. Debbie McBeath has 19, Jo Ann Earnest, 13; and Sandra Edwards, 12.

The girls lost a 67-70 heat breaker to Hinds, Jan. 26. Leading EC was Shelia Welch with 19 points. Debbie McBeath added 18, and Jo Ann Earnest had 12.

The Warriors stand 4 for 21 on the season, having posted victories over Meridian, Mississippi Delta, Pearl River and Gulf Coast.

In recent games the Warriors have fallen to Co-Lin 82-94; Utica, 90-101; and Hinds 66-84.

In the Co-Lin game, four men were in double figures. Aubrey Cox poured in 22 points. George Gray had 21. Mike Shirley followed with 18, and Mike Graves had 14.

Five men were in double figures as the Warriors fell to Utica. Aubrey Cox had 32; George Gray, 19; Mike Graves, 16; Mike Harvey, 11; and Mike Shirley, 10.

Mike Shirley led the Warriors with 18 points as EC was bested by Hinds. Mike Harvey and Aubrey Cox added 15 each to the losing efforts.

Aubrey Cox stuffs one home for an easy two points in the traditional Cox style.



## Intramural teams keep season going

By SUSAN ADKINS

Back from mid-term break the basketball teams here at EC bounded back ready and able. The scores from the games are as follows:

In the girls games the Ladies Allstars added to their tally by dowing Dwats Hotshots 40-33, and PW Cats 38-16.

Crazy Ladies are in the running with two games of their own. They squeaked by the Ladies Allstars 42-41 while crushing PW Cats 43-29.

Dwats Hotshots put a game in their pocket when they defeated PW Cats

54-36.

The Grandmaster Studs were right on top of things with two games of their own as they overpowered Blitz 69-65. Their second victory was when they rolled over NBA 97-35.

Right behind the Studs were the Showboats, adding another two games to their tally. They eased a victory from String music with the score 68-58. They also had the highest scoring game rolling right past NBA 112-38.

The rockets finished up this few weeks of play with NBA edging them 69-57.

## Individual sport tourney starts Feb. 21

By SUSAN ADKINS

Its time once again for the Individual Sports Tournament here at EC. The tournament begins February 2, 1981 with fierce competition in Ping Pong, Eight Ball, Snooker, Chess, Checkers, Spades, and Pool.

Ping Pong will host doubles as well as singles. Pool and Foosball will be played with partners.

Anyone who is interested in participating may sign up at the Student Activities Office by January 29, 1981. For more information please contact Mr. Glen Hicks or Mr. Mike Anderson.

EC'S Michael Harvey goes for two points in a recent Jones-East Central game.



After 30 years....

## Counseling biggest joy for BSU's Miss 'B'

BY LINDA DYKES and  
SCOTT LONG

Miss Gladys Bryant, Director of ECJC's Baptist Student Union, recently celebrated her thirtieth anniversary in student work.

Miss Bryant; or as students call her, Miss "B", was born in Covington County and grew up in Hattiesburg. She attended Clarke College and New Orleans Baptist Seminary.

After college she spent three years travelling throughout Mississippi promoting Baptist Training Union. January 15, 1951, Miss "B" became BSU Director at East Central. She was at East Central for five years before going to Itawamba Junior College in Fulton. In 1962, after six and a half years at IJC and much persuasion from a local committee at Decatur, Miss "B" returned to East Central.

Miss "B" finds the greatest joy in her BSU work to be counseling students. "I feel God's leadership and guidance when ministering to the needs of students. With God's help, I am able to see beyond the surface to the heart of the student's need".

"The most tiring and energy consuming part of BSU is in the trips. They are well worth the effort when you know that you are introducing students to people, places and circumstances that they may never have the opportunity to discover again."

Miss "B" feels that she has received the best cooperation than one could ask for from the Administration and Faculty at EC. "They have always been of the utmost help, and are really too numerous to name."

Student love is obvious whenever the name Miss "B" is mentioned. Scotty Goldman said, "I don't think we could have a finer director. She always has good advice to offer. No matter what the problem, she can relate to the stu-

dents view."

Lisa Wolverton, BSU secretary, said of her, "She's a very dedicated and hard working person." Steve McKay, who is chairman of Bible Study, remarked, "She is one of the finest Christians I know. She really means a lot to me and has helped me out many times." Despite the attempt of these students, words could not really express the love and gratitude of fellow students to this lady.

Miss Bryant was honored at Vespers on January 15. Special guests were Dr. and Mrs. Charles Wright, Mr. and Mrs. James Dykes and children and Mr. Ronnie Vaughn, who delivered the devotion.



Gladys Bryant, Director of the East Central Baptist Student Union, and Todd Rodgers, BSU President, holding the plaque presented to Miss 'B' on the 30th Anniversary of her student work.

## Modeling squad booked solid through March

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

The ECJC Fashion Squad, directed by Mrs. Alice Pouncey has begun the second semester with a filled calendar of high school performances and one local club show.

On Thursday, January 29, 1981, the squad visited Philadelphia and Union High Schools.

The girls made three appearances on Wednesday, February 4, 1981. They performed at Forest at 11:00 a.m. Scott Central at 12:00 and Sebastopol at 1:30.

On February 17, the squad will take on three more schools and leave the campus ready to perform at promptly 7:00 a.m. The list for that day will include Neshoba Central, Carthage, and Edinburg.

Models for the squad will open the month of March with performances at Hickory on the 5 along with Louisville and Noxapater on the 18. During these shows, the girls will begin modeling their own wardrobes of

spring fashions. By wearing their own clothes, the girls can portray their ideas of typical dress styles of ECJC students.

Also during March, the squad will conduct a Charm Clinic for girls ages 9-15. The clinic will be held in the Home-Ec room. The girls will divide into four groups and learn about hair styles, make-up, fashions, and modelling. Each group will stay in each category for a 15 minute session. Participants will receive samples of products and brochures.

To close out the month of March, the Fashion Squad will perform for the Business and Professional Women's Club.

Due to the excessive amount of other activities in the month of April, the squad will not have any performance dates.

Freshmen models Joan Alawine and Lisa Harrell expressed their thoughts on being first time members of the modelling team.

Joan stated, "We had our



first trip to Philadelphia and Union on January 29, and everyone enjoyed it. I think these trips will be learning experiences as well as fun times together for the squad".

Lisa said, "I think that I'm really going to enjoy being a part of the squad. It gives me an opportunity to do something that I really

enjoy. I really like the girls on the squad and I feel that we'll all get along great".

Sophomore model Di Jones said, "I have participated with the fashion squad for almost two years and each moment is not one to forget. I have had some really wonderful and exciting times".

## New library service makes more publications available

The books and periodicals of the Mississippi Library Commission, the college and university's libraries across the state, and the large municipal libraries are only a request away for East Central students. This service is available from the EC Library for the first time.

To take advantage of this service, students or faculty must make a request to the library by noon on Monday. The Mississippi Library Commission calls the local library each Tuesday morning to obtain requests. If the requested material is owned by the Commission and is

in, the material will be in the mail on Wednesday. Materials should arrive on campus by Thursday or Friday. If other libraries must be consulted, the material is mailed directly from there.

Copies of magazine articles and books are available for students. Faculty may

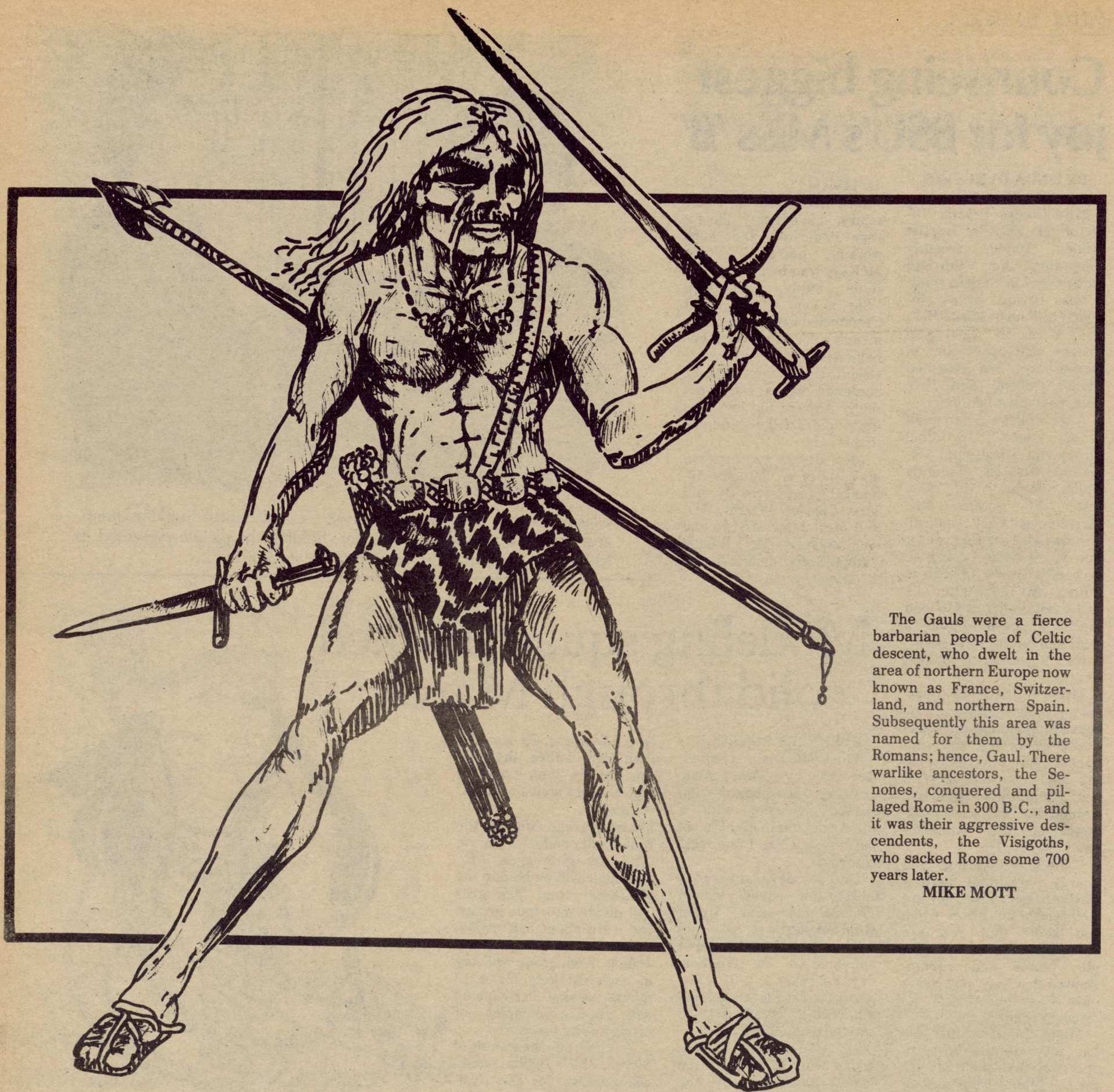
request audio visual materials.

Although there is no charge thus far for materials, only limited use of this service has been made. Mrs. Ann Burkes, librarian wants to emphasize the tremendous advantage of this service. "If students

plan ahead and make allowances for time, this can be a great asset to our library".

Materials can be ordered by subject, author, or title. However, requests should be made only for those items unavailable in the East Central library.





The Gauls were a fierce barbarian people of Celtic descent, who dwelt in the area of northern Europe now known as France, Switzerland, and northern Spain. Subsequently this area was named for them by the Romans; hence, Gaul. There warlike ancestors, the Senones, conquered and pillaged Rome in 300 B.C., and it was their aggressive descendants, the Visigoths, who sacked Rome some 700 years later.

MIKE MOTT

## New vo-tech center planned to serve PHS and NCHS

By ROBIN SHEPHERD

East Central Junior College has made plans for a new vocational center to be built in Philadelphia. The building is designed to help prepare the student who is interested in learning a trade before entering a junior or senior college.

The vo-tech center will offer five courses, or trades. The courses to be offered will be based on a survey that ECJC gave all high school students, grades 9

through 12. The students picked the trade they were most interested in. After all the sheets are tallied, the five most preferred courses will be the ones that the center will teach.

No definite plans have been made as to when the building will be constructed. Dr. Charles Wright, president at East Central, said it will be finished within the next two years.

As a lot of Neshoba County students have

known for years, the rivalry between Neshoba Central and Philadelphia still persists. Since there will be only one vo-tech center, the two schools will both be sharing the building. This will maybe ease some of the tension between the schools.

Dr. J.M. Blount donated 20 acres of land to the schools. Sites for the new building have not yet been determined.

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Recently initiated into Phi Theta Kappa are, left to right, 1st row: Jamie Adcock, Joan Alawine, Margo Marveggio, Melissa Nestos, Tracie Stringfellow, Zela Wilkerson; 2nd row: Teresa Fredrick, Connie Bishop, Gwyn Guthrie, Eula Gross, Lisa Myatt, Dinah Moss, Lori Seale, Anne-Marie Nelson; 3rd row: Ken Stamper, Linda Chaney, Early Clemans, Jr., Phil Guillet, Gennie Henley, Flo Harkins, Shelley Hill, Jerry Holt, Heather Summons, Ruth Hurley, Randall Lee, Lance Peoples.

## Names sought for Hall of Fame

Nominations are now open for the 1981 Hall of Fame. Membership in the Hall of Fame is one of the highest honors given to East Central Graduates. Selection is based on leadership, scholarship, character and contribution to the school.

Graduating sophomores may be nominated by faculty members, students, or administrators. To nominate a student for the Hall of Fame, a letter of recommendation must be submitted to Mrs. Alford, Tom-Tom sponsor, by March 20. All letters must be signed and should be turned in to the

communications office.

The letters should contain pertinent information about the student's participation in activities on campus. A minimum of a B average is necessary for nomination to the Hall of Fame. The average is based on the first three semesters at East Central.

Final selection is made by a secret faculty committee. The number of members of the Hall of Fame varies from year to year.

A picture of the 1981 Hall of Fame will be hung in the foyer of the Auditorium.

## New soph dorm mother....

## Her job is just like "Being back home"

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

For Miss Gloria Hollingsworth, being back at East Central is like "being back home".

Gloria has been selected as the new sophomore dorm mother. She came about this by visiting the campus and Dean Brackeen before Christmas holidays. She was asked to help out on week-

ends and then asked to fill the position permanently. She feels that her getting the job was a blessing because she has met so many people already.

When asked about her job as dorm mother she said, "I love it, it's great. She said all the girl's complaints are the same as when she was at EC which are the food and just school in general. Gloria also said, "The girls are young ladies and don't depend on me as a mother but I still find myself looking in my closet and under my bed at night."

In regard to her family, Miss Hollingsworth said, "I've always wanted a sister and now I have 63". Gloria is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. F.J. Hollingsworth of Lake, Ms. She has eight brothers, four younger and four older. She commented, "If getting too much love means your spoiled, then I'm spoiled". Her brothers occupations range from a doctor, a furniture store owner, a saw mill worker, and the rest of the eight are partners in her dad's asphalt plant.

Miss Hollingsworth, her-

self, has a degree in elementary education from USM. She has taught school in Mississippi and Tennessee. Gloria worked with her brother Dr. Jim Hollingsworth in his pediatric clinic while in Stillwater, Oklahoma. While in Tennessee, Gloria attended the Raznick Modeling School in

## Goldman elected new BSU president

Scotty Goldman of Philadelphia has been elected president of BSU for next year.

Other officers for the year are: Missy Watson, Music Chairman; Kathy Yarborough, Worship Chairman; Shellye Hill, Missions Chairman; and Bill Watson, Outreach Chairman.

Also elected were Clifton Seals, Publicity Chairman; Barbara Yates, Secretary; Steve Brock, Drama Chairman; Betty Daniels, Student Center Chairman; Sherry Roebuck, Paper Editor; and Traci Stringfellow, Fellowship Chairman.

Knoxville.

In 1974, Miss Hollingsworth graduated from ECJC. While at EC, she was SBA president, SEA president, a beauty, and homecoming maid. She was also a member of the All State Basketball Team, the annual staff, and Phi Theta Kappa. Miss Hollingsworth is presently taking courses at MSU and hopes to someday get enough hours to teach at a Junior College.

To Miss Hollingsworth, being back at EC as a dorm mother instead of a student gives her a chance to do things that she has always wanted to do. She now has time to play tennis and basketball, play jacks and jog. Aside all these activities, Gloria even finds time to paint. As a hobby, Miss Hollingsworth collects rainbows. She likes small ones, large ones or just anything that has a rainbow on it.

Gloria extended her appreciation to Ms. Kilpatrick for her help while she was getting adjusted to the new position.

In summation of her new job, her appreciation of those who have helped her

out, and just her way of thinking, Miss Hollingsworth said, "The promise of life and friendship is living in a rainbow."



Miss Gloria Hollingsworth

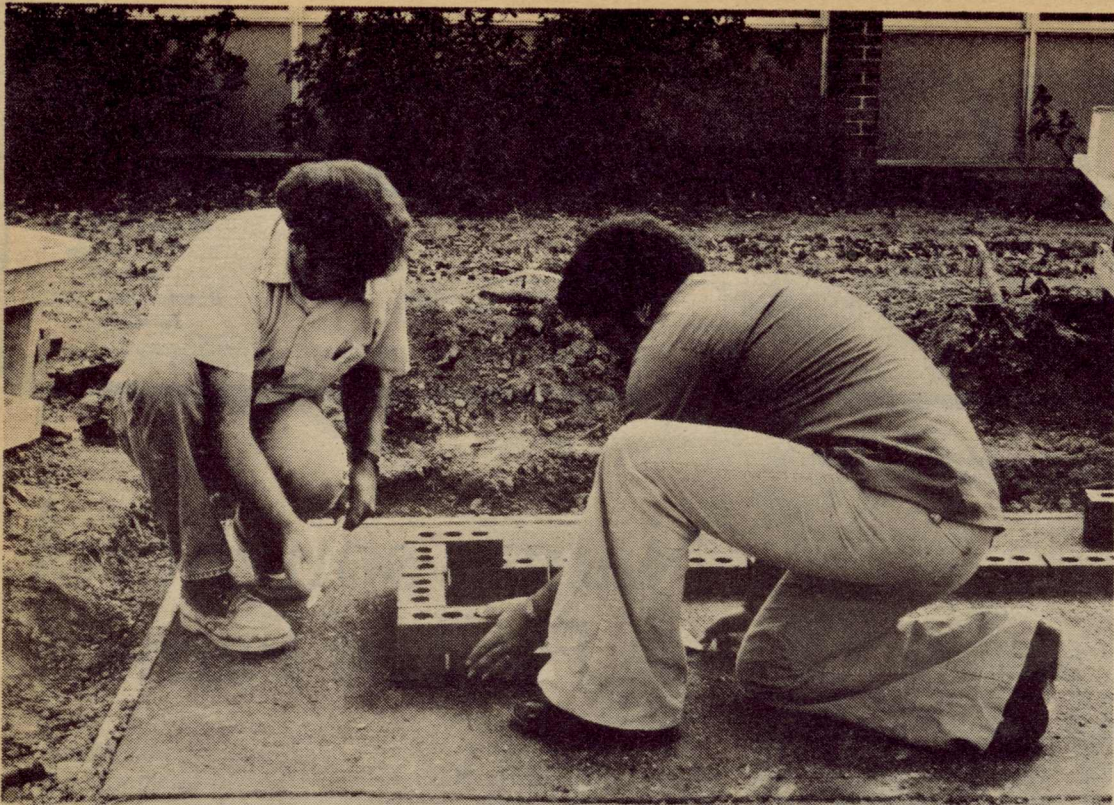
## Roebuck is asst. editor of Tom-Tom

Sherry Roebuck of Union has been selected Assistant Editor of the Tom-Tom for the remainder of the school year. She replaces Pam Taylor, who transferred to Mississippi State at the end of the first semester.

After serving one semester as a reporter on the paper staff, Sherry received the promotion for her hard work and dependability.

A graduate of Union High School, Sherry took journalism courses there and has taken the introductory course at East Central.





Masonry students beautify the campus with new benches as the college prepares for the coming accreditation committee.

### In New Orleans....

## BSU students attend 2 days of Student Missions Conf.

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

Several students who attend BSU activities along with Ms. Gladys Bryant (BSU director) and Mr. James Dykes attended the 1981 Student Missions Conference on February 20-22. The conference was held at the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

ECJC students attended only the Saturday and Sunday programs because of a conflict on Friday.

On Saturday morning, conferences were held on subjects like Church Planting, Witnessing to Cults, The Will of God, Christian Social Ministries and several more subjects of inter-

est. The students could attend two conferences of their choice. Also on Saturday, the group attended a worship service with speaker Bill O'Brien and special music by "Harvest Road" and "Harmony".

Saturday evening, "Harvest Road" presented a concert of old time favorite gospel songs and selections (contemporary). Also that evening there were media presentations from the Home Missions Board entitled "Baily", "The Rainbow People", and "Come Go With Me Into This Land".

On Sunday, the group attended a morning worship service and enjoyed the special music by "Harmony".

While in New Orleans, the young men stayed in the dorms on campus while the young ladies and Ms. Bryant stayed in apartments with families who are students at the Seminary.

Traci Stringfellow who stayed with Mr. and Mrs. Jim Barnes and son said, "We enjoyed our trip even more because Mr. and Mrs. Barnes opened up their home to us and made us feel very welcome". Shellye Hill and Missy Watson stayed with Mr. and Mrs. Mark Graham and two sons Bradley and Marty. Shellye said, "We really enjoyed the time that they took with us and the fellowship that we enjoyed in their home." Missy

added, "Mark and Lynn were fine Christian parents and had a great relationship with their boys. We really enjoyed being a part of their family for a few days."

Kathy Yarborough, Lisa Wolverton, and Betty Daniels summed up the trip by saying, "While we were in the homes of Mr. and Mrs. Barnes and Mr. and Mrs. Cowdry, we realized that even though we were away from home, there was love and concern from the couples. Other than the fun and fellowship, we enjoyed eating beignets which was a new treat for us."

## Accounting award won by Winstead

Perry Winstead, 1979 graduate from Union, has been awarded the Accounting Excellency Award at Mississippi State University. The award is based on academic achievement, leadership activities, and faculty recommendation.

Winstead will graduate from MSU in May with a degree in accounting.

While at East Central, Winstead was valedictorian of his class and a member of the Hall of Fame.

### At Holmes....

## Choral festival held Feb. 27, 28

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

The ECJC Choir attended the Mississippi Junior College Choral Festival on February 27 and 28. This year's festival was held at Hinds Jr. College in Raymond, Ms.

Upon arrival on Friday, the choir registered and assembled for mass choir rehearsal which included all Junior Colleges that were represented.

On Friday evening, the ensemble groups such as the Collegians performed. The Collegians sang "My Life", a Billy Joel song which featured Todd Vance. They also sang "Let Me Be The One" which featured Barbara Green and "I Will Always Love You" that featured Tracy Dempsey.

On Saturday, the choir practiced in mass rehearsal twice and then gave an individual concert at mid-morning. The numbers performed were "Upon This Rock"- John Ness Beck, "Dance To Thy Daddy"- Robert De Cormier, and "Hallelujah! We Shall Rise"- Thomas Williams.

Saturday afternoon and evening, the choir listened to the remaining concerts.

After all of the choirs had performed individually, the mass choir presented a concert. This year's mass choir was under the direction of Mr. Leroy Yarborough. He has served on the faculty of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary since 1976. He has also served as a music director, organist, minister of music, and other outstanding positions throughout the United States.

Music performed by the mass choir was "Canticle of Praise"- John Ness Beck, "Little Innocent Lamb"- Marshall Bartholomew, "Lacrymosa"- W.A. Mozart, "Say Where Is He Born" and "There Shall A Star"- Felix Mendelssohn, "Sure on This Shining Night"- Samuel Barber, "Five Canzonets"- Jean Berger, and "Thy Truth Is Great"- Ron Nelson.

The choir directors also met on Saturday to decide the seven songs for the mass choir to sing at next year's festival.

## Miss ECJC to be chosen April 10th

East Central's contestant in the Miss Mississippi Pageant will be selected April 10, 1981, in the Annual East Central Scholarship Pageant. This pageant is accredited with the stepping stone to the Official Miss America Pageant.

Eligibility for the pageant is as follows; Any person interested must be a female between age 17 and 26. She needs to be a graduate from high school and never to have been married. She must also be a citizen of the United States. The contestants will compete in talent, evening gown, and swimsuits. The winners will be honored as beauties in the annual. Any girl interested should see the pageant sponsor, Mrs. Martha Graham.



A table full of fun and fellowship at the BSU banquet.



# D'watts Hotshots, and Showboat win tournament titles

By MARGO MARVEGGIO

D'watts Hotshots won the Women's Intramural Basketball Championship Tuesday, February 24, in a thrilling contest over the Lady Allstars. After the smoke had cleared, D'watt's Hotshots had barely beaten a stubborn Allstars' team 40 to 35. Jan Robinson, who scored 16 points, and Janice Welch, who also contributed 16, provided the

Hotshots with the balanced offensive attack they needed to claim the number one position. The Lady Allstars, however, had two players, Deborah Johnson and Sylvia Lynch, in double figures, each scoring 10 points.

Members of the Women's Intramural Basketball Championship Team are Jan Robinson, Darlene Ezelle, Janice Welch, Renee Wilbanks, Callise McDill, Michelle Stokes, Lori Seal, Neci Peoples, Donna Wilkerson, Janie McMullan, Kay Kilpatrick, Zela Wilkerson, DeOnn Jones, Loretta Moffitt, Barbara Yates, and Gail Watkins.

In the men's tilt, the Showboats defeated String Music 55 to 51 in another close championship game. This game had a couple of shooters who each scored over half of his team's points. For the winning Showboats, Ricky Hornesburger pumped in 32 points, and Bobby Butler of String Music found the hoop for 26 points.

The Men's Intramural Basketball Championship Team consists of Gary Hawkins, Ricky Hornesburger, Bobby Hoyer, Nelson Triplett, Oliver Harkin, and Clint Moore.

## Wood, Cox & McBeath appear in star game

By MARGO MARVEGGIO

East Central's Coach Lucille Wood has been selected to coach the South women in the Mississippi Junior College All-Star Game which will be held at Holmes Junior College on March 31. EC Warrior Aubrey Cox and Warriorette Debbie McBeath have been chosen to participate in the annual all-star contest. Both outstanding players are sophomores.

## For "Little Mary Sunshine".....

# Back stage workers have big responsibilities

By AMY ALLDAY

When the curtain goes up March 27, at 7:30 p.m., the audience will be entertained by the musical "Little Mary Sunshine" by Rick Boeseyen. What they don't see, (or notice) is all the hard work put in by Mr. Peterson's Fundamental of Theater class and members of the Players. They are the folks who stage the production.

Helping Mr. Peterson in the role of Assistant Director is Dela Donald, who has perhaps the greatest responsibility. It is her duty to attend all rehearsals and to direct the rehearsals in Mr. Peterson's absence. Dela is also responsible for getting everyone on stage at the precise moment, making sure that things run smoothly during each performance.

Serving as Secretary to

the Director is Wanda Harris. Her job includes attending all rehearsals and taking down any notes or changes to be made, as well as typing up forms and letters.

Production Assistant Flo Harkins is kept busy attending rehearsals. She works with Mr. Peterson, and the other committee chairman in order to produce a successful musical.

Stage Managers Mev Thrash and Amy Hendrix, with helpers Raymond Reed and Lisa Harell, must make sure that the entrances and exits of the performers are timed precisely.

Janice West and Diane Jones, as House Managers, are responsible for seating the audience, keeping the auditorium free from disruptions, assisting the audience members in locating the restroom facilities, re-

mind them when intermission is over and the play is to resume, and in selecting and directing the ushers, who are members of the fashion squad.

Publicity is being handled by co-chairmen Donna Mayo and Amy Allday with help from Denise Tatum, Debbie Killen, and Lori Seal. They have been busy preparing notices of auditions, making posters to be sent to the towns in the five county area, writing articles for publication, sending letters to high schools and club organizations, and producing radio spots.

As Set Manager, Paul Freedman, along with set crew Roger Morgan, Pete Bailey, and Shane Moore, is in charge of changing and/or arranging the set for each scene.

Lights are to be operated

by Steve McKay and Barbara Yates, who are in charge of operating both the spotlights and the stage lights.

Connie Johnson was selected as Props chairman. Connie, along with Sandra Sam, and Ruthie Triplett, is responsible for collecting, sorting, and returning, any and all props used in the production.

Shannon Richardson and Sylvia "Sneakie" Griffin have the all important job of Costumes. They must collect the cast's, chorus' and dancers' correct measurements, check each costume as it arrives, do minor alterations, (sew on buttons, dart, hem, iron), and make sure each piece of the costume is safely returned.

Makeup will be handled by Sherry Roebuck, with help from ECJC's Cosmo-

tology Department. She must make sure that there is enough makeup for each performance, that the makeup is applied correctly, and that each character is properly made up, including hairstyle.

Vicki Salter is responsible for Ticket Sales. She has to keep accurate records of each ticket sold and every seat reserved for each night's performance. Assisting her will be some of the Fundamental of Theater students who will help sell the tickets in the business office each afternoon.

As one can see, many more people, other than the ones seen on stage, are involved in the production of "Little Mary Sunshine". Without the cooperation and dedication of these behind the scenes workers, the curtain could not go up.



Left to right are the people who recently attended the Dixie National Rodeo: Mr. Sanders, sponsor of the Agriculture club, Gary Moore, John Bush, Leo Beatty, Tony Adams and Bert Gilmore.

## BSU Valentine dinner

By SCOTT LONG

On February 12, the BSU held its annual Valentine Banquet. Over thirty students attended the gala event. The theme of the banquet was "It's Love That Makes The World." It was under the direction of Gigi Street, fellowship chairman of the BSU. The banquet opened with a welcome by BSU President Todd Rogers. Special music was provided by Tom Middleton. The speaker was Rev. Randy Turner, and the banquet was closed with a prayer by Cindy Cleveland.

Special guests included Rev. Gus Merritt, pastor of Clarke-Venable Baptist

Church, Rev. and Mrs. Randy Turner of Pocahontas Baptist Church, Clinton, MS; Tom Middleton; his guest, Holly Thompson, and pianist Alicia Farnham, all of Mississippi College.

Mr. Middleton's selection of songs included an Imperial favorite, "Praise the Lord", "Mountain Top"; and a drama/song by Ken Medema, entitled "The Place of Beginning Again". Rev. Turner's opening remarks included praise of director Miss Bryant and some encounters he had had with blind singer Ken Medema. He then gave some background on Valentine's Day, pointing out that the

first Valentine's Day stemmed from a Christian holiday honoring two St. Valentines who were both martyred on February 14. Exchange of gifts was originated by Geoffrey Chaucer, as well as the idea of romance. He then compared the American celebration with the customs of other nations. His message dealt with one of three kinds of love, that is the love of God. Rev. Turner expounded on this love with references from the Bible and personal experiences.

This year's annual Valentine Banquet was a learning time for all who attended, whether they were sweet-hearts or not.





Winners of the Individual Intramural games are, left to right, first row: Ricky Chesney, foosball; Leo Beatty, ping-pong doubles; Jeffrey Coleman, checkers; second row: Wanda Harris and Diane Jones, spades; Kerry Huddleston, foosball; third row: Kelvin Burley, ping-pong singles; Robert Wade, chess; fourth row: Bobby Jones, ping-pong doubles, and Jim Kilgore, eight-ball.

## Intramural winners place well in state JUCO competition

By MARGO MARVEGGIO

On February 2, 1981, the Individual Sports Tourney was held. Many students participated in the annual tourney in such events as ping-pong singles and doubles, checkers, pool, spades, chess, and foosball. In the singles division in ping-pong, Kelvin Burley claimed the title. Burley then teamed with Michael Charles to take the ping-pong doubles championship. In checkers, Jeffrey Coleman once again clinched the EC championship. Coleman also won the State Junior College checkers championship which was held February 27-28 at Gulf Coast Junior College's Jackson County Branch. This

was Coleman's second State Checkers Championship, having won the event both years he participated in it.

Jim Kilgore proved to be the best in pool in eight-ball. Kilgore also represented EC well by placing fourth in the State Championship. East Central's other winners were Diane Jones and Wanda Harris in the spades competition, who finished third in the State; Robert Wade, who placed fourth in the State in chess; and Kerry Huddleston and Ricky Chesney, fourth place finishers at State in foosball. Leonard Beatty and Bobby Jones represented EC at the State Championship instead of Burley and Charles in doubles' ping-pong.

## Girls, boys fall in first round

By MARGO MARVEGGIO

The EC Warriors and Warriorettes finished the 1980-81 basketball season in February in first-round losses in the South Division Playoffs. The Warriors fell to Gulf Coast 87 to 52 at Gulf Coast on February 16, and the Warriorettes found the Hinds Lady Eagles to be too much as they lost 59 to 52 in a contest at Hinds.

Aubrey Cox scored 26 points, and Mike Shirley added 13 to lead the Warriors in their losing effort against Gulf Coast. For the Warriorettes, the scoring went as follows: Debbie

McBeath had 18 points; Sheila Welch, 16; JoAnn Earnest, 8; Sandra Edwards, 4; Tina Tumbling, 2; Patricia Patrick, 2; and Kim Lee contributed 2 points.

On February 10, East Central hosted Utica Junior College for two basketball tilts. The Warriorettes came up short against Utica 70 to 58. A contributing factor in the outcome of the game was the 25 turnovers the Warriorettes committed. Debbie McBeath, Sheila the 1980-81 season was Aubrey Cox, who averaged 10 rebounds and 20 points per game, scored 461 points the entire season, and made

Welch, and JoAnn Earnest paced EC with 22, 18, and 16 points, respectively. Earnest also had 19 rebounds, and Welch grabbed 10 rebounds and shot 6 out of 7 free throws. Deborah Phillips also added 2 points.

The EC Warriors pulled out an exciting 81-80 victory over the Utica men with George Gray sinking 22 points and Mike Shirley tallying 21 points. Other scorers were Mike Harvey and Mike Graves, who each scored 14, and Aubrey Cox, who chipped in 10.

The top Warrior scorer for 51% of his field goals and 76% of his free throws.

Mike Shirley, who made 42% of his field goals and 86% of his shots from the charity stripe, averaged 14.2 points per game, and George Gray averaged 13.2 points per contest and made 44% of his shots from the field and 48% of his attempted free throws. In assessment of his 1980-81 Warriors' season, Coach Herman Robinson commented that this was his first losing season in 27 years of coaching and, thus, was disappointed in the final outcome. He assures everyone that he is looking for better recruits who will do a better job for the Warriors next year.

### Defeats Jones....

## Tennis team has full slate planned

By MARGO MARVEGGIO

The 1981 East Central Tennis Team began its season Tuesday, March 3, when Jones County Junior College's tennis team visited EC. Jones won the match 4 to 1, with Vanessa McKinney winning EC's only match.

Members of the tennis team are Cheryl Comans of Decatur, Vanessa McKinney of Carthage, Sonjia Herrington of Decatur, Margo Marveggio of Forest, Mark Henderson of Forest,

George Adams of Newton, and Victor Merrit of Decatur. Coach Joe Clark is the tennis coach.

The 1981 tennis schedule is as follows: March 16- Monday, Jones, there; March 17- Tuesday, Meridian, here; April 2- Thursday, Delta, there; April 6- Monday, Holmes, here; April 13- Monday, Delta, here; April 16- Thursday, Holmes, there; April 20- Monday, Meridian, there; April 23-24- State Tournament.



"Bo" Hawkins puts up a free throw shot in the Intramural championship game between the Showboats and String Music.

## PTK national convention is in Houston

By SCOTT LONG

The annual Phi Theta Kappa National Convention is scheduled for March 26-28, in Houston, Texas. This year's convention will be held at the Shamrock Hilton. Special guests at the banquets and programs will include Mr. Bert Lance, Texas dancer, Manning Smith, and Ohio State University professor, Dr. Roger Blackwell.

Attending from East Central Jr. College will be Mr. Rudolph Mayes and Mrs. Sara Heard, sponsors and about ten Phi Theta Kappans. They will leave Wednesday the 25th of March and return Sunday the 29th.

Also of interest to members of PTK is the upcoming Honors Institute. This year it will be held from June 7-12 at State University of New York at Purchase. The theme will be "The Plays the Thing". With the focus on theatre, the special guest will include Beth Henley, a new Mississippi Playwrite, Iris Siff, Managing director of the Nina Vance Alley Theatre, and Watson B. Duncan III, Professor of Drama at Palm Beach Jr. College, Florida, and mentor of Burt Reynolds and Monte Markham. Any member interested should see Mrs. Heard or Mr. Mayes.



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## Four named to Hall of Fame



SBA officers for next year are Missy Watson, Doug Hubbard, Tracy Stringfellow, and Kim Murphy.

## Hubbard elected BSU pres.

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

Three Louisville students took top positions in SBA elections held April 15-16.

Chosen as president for next year was Doug Hub-

bard, son of Mr. and Mrs. Doug Hubbard Sr. Doug's major is music

Traci Stringfellow, a pre-nursing major was elected as vice-president. She is the

daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lonnie Stringfellow of Louisville.

Missy Watson, also of Louisville will fill the position of secretary. She is a business major and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Glenn Watson.

Kim Murphy, from Philadelphia was elected SBA treasurer. She is majoring in education and is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. James M. Murphy.

Outgoing SBA officers are president Ted Pope, son of Mr. and Mrs. Dorman Pope of Philadelphia; vice-president Bert Gilmore of Sebastopol who is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Kendal Gilmore; Treasurer Leah Livingston daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Pharris Livingston of Louisville; and Secretary Debbie McBeath, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J.C. McBeath of Sebastopol.

Last year's SBA representatives are sophomores Al Haralson and Libby Appleby, freshman Sammy Buland and Kim Murphy, Lynn Livingston served as VICA representative. Representatives for next year will be chosen at the beginning of the fall semester.

Four sophomores have been named to East Central's Hall of Fame for 1981. Given the honor are Cindy Cleveland, Scott Long, Ted Pope, and Tina Tumbling.

Selection is based on scholarship, leadership, participation in school activities, character, potential for future accomplishment, and contribution to the school. Only graduating sophomores are eligible.

Cindy Cleveland, of Union, has been active campus-wide in a multitude of activities ranging from cheerleading to Phi Theta Kappa. She served two years as a cheerleader and two years in the band's auxiliary corps as a rifle girl. Since she plays both the flute and the piano, she has shared her talents by playing in the orchestra, for the Collegians, and in many other capacities on campus. Cindy was Homecoming Queen this year. Other campus activities Cindy has also participated in the Tom-Tom, while maintaining a 3.59 grade point average.

Scott Long, a graduate of Philadelphia High School, is

serving as editor of the Tom-Tom. He has been active in Phi Theta Kappa and has participated in the dinner theater and Spring Musicals both years at East Central. Scott plans to major in pharmacy at Ole Miss next year. Scott has also been a member of the choir for four semesters. Scott's grade point average is 3.67.

Ted Pope, of Philadelphia, is serving as SBA president for this school year. Ted has maintained a 4.0 grade point average while serving as photographer for the Tom-Tom, reporter for Alpha Alpha Epsilon, and a member of Phi Theta Kappa. Ted is an engineering major and plans to attend Mississippi State.

Tina Tumbling, a native of Newton, has been active in athletic activities on campus. She is a member of both the basketball and softball teams. She is a member of Wesley, Phi Theta Kappa, and the Tom-Tom staff. Her grade point average is 3.60. Tina plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi and major in pre-law.

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## EC VICA students take awards at state meet

By MARGIE DAVIS

Fifty-six VICA Students and five advisors attended the State Competition Leadership Conference on Wednesday, April 1. The ECJC VICA students entered fourteen contests that were held at the Coliseum Convention Center in Biloxi and placed in seven out of the fourteen contests.

The first place winners were Greg White and Fredrick Lyons. Greg placed first in radio and television repair, and Fredrick placed first in carpentry. Both Greg and Fredrick will represent Mississippi this summer in Atlanta at the National Leadership in Skill Olympics.

W.H. Smith was the

second place winner. W.H. placed second in audio body and fender repair. The opening and closing team composed of Mike Childress, Johnny Newton, Shane McNair, Delores Walker, Frances Hornesbarger, Roddie Fortenberry, and Sammy Breland, also placed second. The third place winners were Danny Peebles, machine drafting; Diane Purifoy, cosmetology; and Eddie Mayo, electricity.

Other students competing from ECJC were Gary Mayo, auto mechanics; Allan Barham, cabinet-making; Billy Nutt, welding; Kent Peckham, prepared speech; Luke Dobson, job interviews; Johnny Langdon and Myrt Lyles, masonry.

## Summer session begins May 21; day & night classes

Plans have been made and completed for the summer session of East Central Junior College. Registration will be held in room 60 of Newton Hall at 6:30 p.m. on May 21, or from 8:00 to 4:00 May 22-May 25 in the administration office.

The day session begins May 25 and ends June 26 for first semester and June 29-July 31 for the second semester. Night classes will meet May 25-August 1. Vocational classes will meet from May 25-July 31. Day

classes include Typewriting, the Psychologies, English composition, Fundamentals of Math, College Algebra, Chemistry, Biology, Physical Science, National Government, Marriage and Family, Shorthand, English Literature, Trigonometry, Physics, and World History. Night classes include Business Law, English Comp., Economics, Algebra, Basic Math, Music Appreciation, and Physical Science. All Vocational courses are being offered.



# Student apathy

By SCOTT LONG

A few weeks ago the drama department brought to this campus a professional group of actors from the Sheffield Ensemble Theatre, Biloxi, in the musical production BEANS. I attended both performances and thoroughly enjoyed it each time. It is my opinion that the school could profit from more activities of this nature coming to our campus.

It has been reported to me that many of the SBA sponsored dances run low in attendance, in fact only about 8% of the dorm students attend these dances. I think, perhaps, if the SBA would spend this money on dramas or concerts, there would be more student participation, even if the student had to pay for tickets in order to help pay for the groups. But then on the other hand a whole lot can't be said for student participation this year.

As all of you know this years "annual" Freshman-Sophomore prom has been cancelled "due to lack of interest." This lack of interest has two main contributors. First, the freshmen did not pay their dues. Second, and really more important, neither sophomores nor freshmen showed any interest in going to the prom this year. It is my sincere opinion that unless the students get off their duffs and get rid of this apathetic attitude that any and all student activities may cease to exist on this campus.

Students will seek out their own entertainment. The college should provide cultural enrichment that students would not be exposed to otherwise. That is what education is all about.

beginning this fall.....

## PTK scholarship limit increased \$100 at USM

HATTIESBURG--Dr. Aubrey K. Lucas, president of the University of Southern Mississippi, has approved a \$100 increase in all Phi Theta Kappa scholarships for junior college students who transfer to USM.

The encrease, bringing the scholarship to \$300 per transfer student, makes the monetary award the highest base scholarship for PTK members in the state. The scholarships have been scheduled to begin this fall.

"We thought that by increasing the PTK scholarships we could emphasize the University's admiration and support of students for their academic excellence, as well as their performance in other areas," said Billie Allen, director of High School and Junior College Relations at USM.

PTK is an honorary aca-

demic fraternity which initiates junior college students after they maintain a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and display an interest in extracurricular activities. Membership is maintained by keeping a 3.0.

"Alpha, the award winning USM alumni chapter of PTK, was the first of its kind in the state and fosters excellent recruits by sending via its members more personal information and transfer advice to the junior college chapter," said Jeannie Deen, assistant director of High School and Junior College Relations.

For additional information on the PTK scholarships, write Jeannie Deen at Southern Station Box 5166, Hattiesburg, MS 39401 or telephone toll free 1-800-222-1604.



Retha Bryan was named Miss East Central Junior College in the annual Scholarship Pageant. Sandra Johnson was named first alternate. Others named as beauties were Joan Alawine, Shannon Richardson, and Lisa Parker.

## Retha Bryan reigns at Miss ECJC 1981

By AMY ALLDAY

On Friday, April 10, 1981 at 7:30 p.m., the ninth annual Miss East Central Junior College Scholarship Pageant was held in the Fine Arts Auditorium. The Pageant, sponsored by the Wo-He-Lo Yearbook and Staff, consisted of twenty-one contestants.

The contestants competed in swim wear, evening wear, and talent. They also had a seven minute interview with the judges and were honored with a formal tea.

Crowned as Miss ECJC 1981 was Miss Retha Bryan. She won a \$500 scholarship to the school of her choice. Miss Sandra Johnson was chosen as first alternate. She won a \$100 scholarship to the school of her choice. Chosen as beauties were: Joan Alawine, Lisa Parker, and Shannon Richardson. Debra Johnson was voted the title "Miss Congeniality" by the other contestants.

Special entertainment was provided by the Fashion Squad, Mr. Heritage and some male members of the Choir, and Miss ECJC 1980, Cheryl Gibbon.

All of the contestants competed in talent. Cindy Cleveland, a sophomore

from Union, gave a flute solo to the popular song "Evergreen".

Dulcie Ewing, a freshmen from Philadelphia, displayed her baton and fire-baton twirling talents.

Retha Bryan, a sophomore from Neosho, Mo., played a piano piece entitled "Toccata".

Susan Adkins, a freshman from Union, gave her rendition of the popular song, "The Rose".

Debra Johnson, a sophomore from Walnut Grove, gave a dramatic presentation of Rudyard Kipling's poem "If".

Amy Hendrix, a freshman from Philadelphia, sang "The Impossible Dream" as her presentation.

Libby Appleby, a sophomore from Louisville, sang the popular song "I Honestly Love You".

Lori Seal, a freshman from Union, delighted the audience with a skit entitled "The Tea Party".

Joan Alawine, a freshman from Union, sang the hit song, "Can't Help Lovin' That Man of Mine".

Barbara Green, a sophomore from Walnut Grove, sang an original composition written by Mike Boyette, entitled "Once Again".

Lisa Parker, a freshman from Newton, presented a tap dance/song routine to the song "Let Me Entertain You".

Teresa Goodwin, a freshman from Newton, gave her rendition of the "Theme from Ice Castles" or "Looking Through the Eyes of Love".

Kim Murphy, a freshman from Philadelphia, sang "When You Remember Me".

Sharon Gilliland, a sophomore from Meridian, sang the hit "I Don't Know How to Love Him" from the Broadway hit "Jesus Christ Superstar".

Sandra Johnson, a sophomore from Walnut Grove, sang "Desparado", a hit from the Eagles.

Rhonda Rhodes, a freshman from Philadelphia, sang the popular song, "The Rose".

Michelle Stokes, a freshman from Louisville, captured the audience with her song, "Painting This Old Town Blue".

Felicia Jernigan, a sophomore from Louisville, sang "Rise Again".

Lisa Harrell, a freshman from Decatur, presented a skit entitled "Diary from a Soldier".

Shannon Richardson, a sophomore from Union, entertained the audience with a modern jazz dance to "Hello Texas".

Hiweda Jones, a sophomore from Philadelphia, sang Natalie Cole's hit "Our Love".



The two towers of the Verrazano-Narrows Bridge are so far apart that they were constructed five inches out of parallel in order to allow for the curvature of the earth.



Commencement is May 8

# Graduation Candidates

The 1981 graduating sophomores will hold their commencement exercises on May 8, 1981 on the football field or in case of rain, in Huff Auditorium, at 8:00 p.m. Those graduating include the following people and the degrees they will be receiving:

## ACADEMIC

Adams, George Luther, AA; Adkins, Nell, AS; Alexander, Stephanie Luann, AS; Alford, Martha Renee, AAS; Allday, Amy, AA; Baker, Kenneth L., AS; Bane, Susan Carol, AA; Barnes, Bruce N., AAS; Bilbro, Cam, AS; Black, Barry Dean, AAS; Brand, William Troy, III, AA; Brantley, Christy Lynn, AS; Bryan, Retha, AA; Burnett, Melissa Weir, AA; Cheatwood, Randall Scott, AAS; Childress, Thomas Michael, AAS; Cleveland, Cynthia Dean, AA; Cleveland, Randy James, AS; Cole, Patricia Gail, AA; Coleman, Jeannette, AA; Coleman, Jeffery, AS; Collier, Teresa Ann, AS; Collins, Karen Lynn, AA; Comans, Charles Wendell, AA; Comans, Cheryl Lynne, AA; Cox, Aubry Key, AA; Fielder, Gwendolyn Paulette, AS; Floyd, Ora Mae, AA; Gilmore K. Bert, AS; Gray, Tammy Kay, AA; Griffin, Sylvia Anne, AA; Guin, Mary K., AAS; Gunn, Mark, AA; Hamrick, Vicki Ann, AA; Hanna, Russell, AA; Haralson, Alfonzo Ray, AA; Harkins, Florence Louise, AA; Harris, Jeffery T., AS; Hill, Donda RuAnn, AA; Horton, Beverly Susan, AAS; Hudnall, Sharon Marie, AA; Hudson, Alice Loraine, AS; Jackson, Gregory Travis, AA; Jernigan, Felecia, AAS; Johnson, Anthony Bernard, AA; Johnson, Deborah Marie, AA; Johnson, Sandra Kaye, AA; Jones, Dianne, AA; Jones, Hiweda Denise, AA; Killen, Debbra Louise, AA; Livingston, Marilyn Leah, AAS; Long, Scott Franklin, AS; Loper, Rob, AS; Lynch, Sylvia Carnel, AA.

Malone, Sherry Denise, AA; Mayo, Donna, AA; McBeath, Deborah Grace, AA; McKinney, Vanessa Rea, AS; Merritt, Victor Gordon, AA; Mott, William Michael, AA; Murphey, Deborah Joy, AA; Nelson, Joel Lindsley, AA; Nichols, Karen Ann, AS; Norman, Bonnie Jean, AA; Pope, Teddie Sutton, AS; Posey, Jo Ann, AAS; Ray, Joseph Gordon, AS; Reed, Raymond Matthis, AA; Richardson, Shannon R., AA; Robinson,

Ronald, AA; Rogers, Todd Alan, AA; Roland, Hugh A., AA; Salter, Vicki Blackwell, AA; Sam, Sandra Dee, AA; Sanders, Patricia J., AS; Satcher, Retha Gail, AA; Seale, Deborah L., AS; Smith, Alice Marie, AA; Spears, Lanette Graham, AAS; Stone, Andy R., AS; Street, Julia Ann, AA; Stribling, Deborah Trenell, AA; Tatum, Denise Diane, AA; Thames, Sharon Ann, AA; Thrash, Lorraine, AA; Tidwell, Carla, AA; Trippe, Jancie C., AA; Tumbling,

Tina, AA; Walker, Dina Marie, AA; Warren, Terry Wayne, AS; Williamson, Dale, AS; Winstead, Terrell Elton, AA; Wolfe, Jesse Carl, AAS; Wolverton, Donna Jean, AA; Wolverton, Lisa Fay, AA.

## INTENSIVE BUSINESS Clerical

Barrett, Judy Faye; Beaty, Donna J.; Ellard, Johnnie Renee; England, Elizabeth Jane; Harris Debra Lynn; Harris, Wanda Faye; Henderson, Sarah Sue;

Love, Rosemary; McGaugh, Cheryl Diane; Moss, Dinah Fox; Reed, Joyce; Roberts, Bettye Delphine; Thompson, Gayle; Tucker, Dennis L.

## Secretarial

Able, Nancy; Green, Barbara; Hancock, Kathy Pierce; Laird, Rita Gail; Shephard, Die Ann.

## VOCATIONAL CERTIFICATES

Addy, Joe K.; Arledge, James T.; Barham, Julius Alan; Bender, Gary C.;

Brady, Charles L., Jr.; Burley, Kelvin; Byrd, John Kenneth; Fairchild, Morris Leland; Hankins, David; Harrison, Patrick K.; Loper, Winferd; Martin, Joel M.; McAdams, Leslie P.; McKay, Steve; Munn, Karen Sue; Nance, James Michael; Peddy, James H.; Richmond, Kenneth; Shelton David Keith; Strickland, Lance E.; Stuart, James Dewitt; Warren, Christy Lee; White, Gregory A.; Worrell, Jerry.

## PLAYER AWARDS--

East Central Jr. College students who received awards for their participation in the Dinner Theatre, Senior Day Plays, and Musical at the annual Players banquet include: Best Dancer, Shannon Richardson of Union; Best Small Part, Libby Appleby of Louisville; Best Line, Denise Tatum of Newton; and Best Girl Chorus Member, Donda Hill of Forest. (standing) Best Song, James Dykes, Orchestra Director; Best Line-Musical, Hugh Roland of Forest; Best Bit Part, Terri Donald of Philadelphia; Best Orchestra Member, Dulcie Dee Ewing of Philadelphia; Best Walk-On, Mike Boyette of Chunky; Best Male Chorus Member, Todd Rogers of Tupelo; and Best Character Role, Mike Childress of Louisville.



## ACTING AWARDS--

East Central Jr. College students who received acting awards at the annual Players Banquet are: (seated left to right) Acting Awards- Retha Bryan of Neosho, MO and Joan Alawine of Union; Scrapbook- Sherry Roebuck; and Outstanding Player- Flo Harkins of Thomastown; (standing) Outstanding Player- Kevin Winstead of Union; ECJC Players Award- Scott Long of Philadelphia; Acting Award- Charles Comans of Newton and Heather Sammons of Louisville; Acting Award and Most Congenial Award- Mark Gunn of Forest; Outstanding Players- Mike Mott and Dolin Shoemaker of Decatur and David Reynolds of Louisville.





# Sophs win last event to win Class Day



By SHERRY ROEBUCK

The freshmen were on top during Class Day Wed., April 15, until the last event which cost them the title of Class Day champs.

The events went back and forth with the sophomores winning the balloon race, the opening event. The freshmen had a chance to show their stuff by winning the next event, which was the sack race.

The third event was a delicate one. Jane Harthcock and Gary Barber proved their agility by winning the egg toss. Some, not quite so lucky ended up with egg on their face.

Next came the over and under which didn't prove so successful due to a little cheating from both sides. The freshmen returned, however to claim the piggy back competition. The balloon royal had to be cancelled because the competitors kept stepping on their balloons before the event could get started.

The sophomores took the next two events with ease. Mike stooped way down low to win the limbo event. James Mitchell played monkey and downed several bananas in a matter of seconds to capture the banana eating contest.

Francis Hornesburger and Cassandra Gillet exploited their arm strength to claim first and second place in the girl's softball throw.

There was no question as to who would win the men's softball. Randy Hornesburger, Mr. Super Jock himself, threw what seemed like a couple of hundred feet to win the event.

The car push went to the sophomores although the freshmen didn't do half bad.

The last two events were divided up. The freshmen took the relay race while the sophomores took the determining event which was the bunny hop.

Despite the fact that the sophomores won, there were no hard feelings, only fun and anxious await for next year.

As a main attraction for Class Day, everybody got to enjoy a little down home Gulf Coast Wrestling. Doug Hubbard, being the muscle man that he is, bravely took on James Mitchell who's only an extra large football player. Even though the match was just a little rigged, Hubb defeated Mitch to close out the 1981 Class Day events.

Class Day is sponsored by the Recreational Leadership class taught by Miss Lucille Wood.



"Southern Miscellany" .....

## Ethridge's essay in new release



Dr. Richard Ethridge looks over his recently published book.

The University Press of Mississippi has recently released a new publication titled *Southern Miscellany: Essays in Honor of Glover Moore*. The book is a compilation of essays by seven professors of history who were students of Dr. Glover Moore at Mississippi State University and who now teach or direct research in universities and colleges throughout the country.

Dr. Moore, who retired in 1977, was professor of history at Mississippi State for forty-one years. Dr. Moore's scholarly reputation rests upon his years as an instructor, his book *The Missouri Controversy*, which is a treatment of the complex subject that was temporarily resolved by the Missouri Compromise, and his meticulous supervision of those scholars who chose to study under his direction.

The essays included in *Southern Miscellany* range

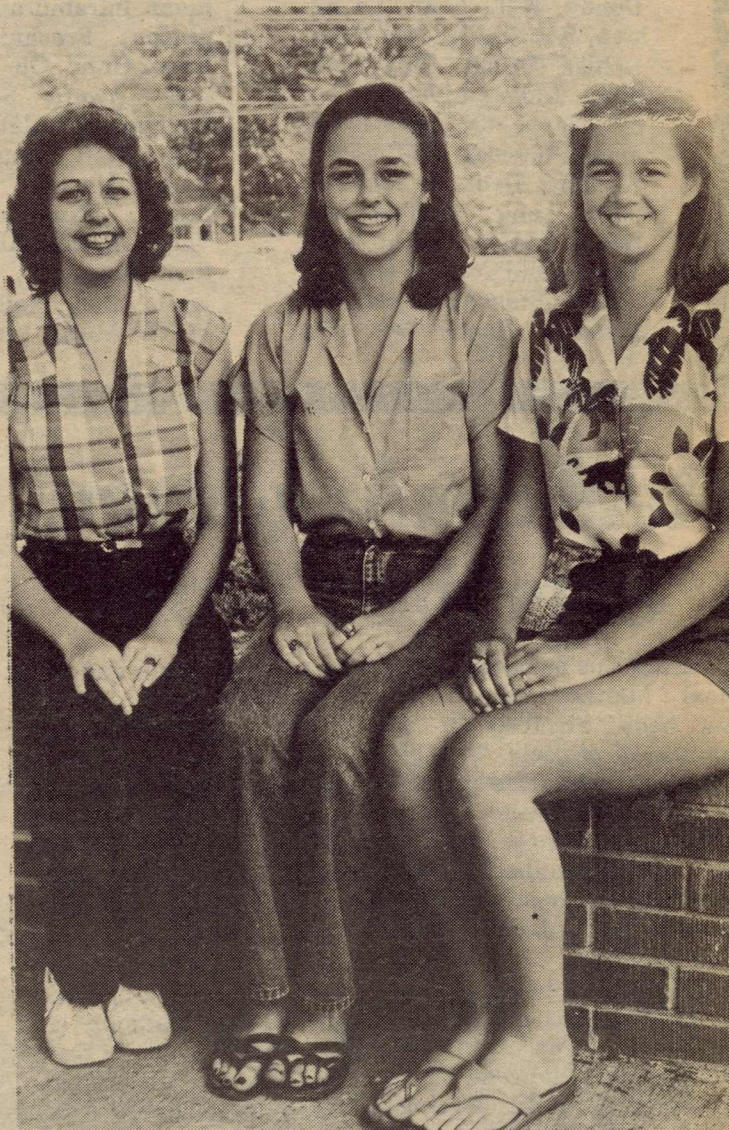
from the Civil War to civil rights and from yeomen to yahooism. The essay written for the volume by Dr. Richard C. Ethridge of the East Central faculty is titled "Southern Attitudes Toward Slavery and Secession in 1860 and Early 1861 as Reflected by DeBow's Re-

view." Dr. Ethridge holds the distinction of being the only Junior College professor to have an essay in the collection.

The book has received good reviews and will be a fine addition to any research library or any collection of writings about the South.



Members of the Junior College All-State Band are Retha Bryan, who was selected first flute for the state; Joe Williams, Debbie Killen, Heather Sammons, and Todd Vance.



### NEW EC CHEERLEADERS

Charlotte Comans from Decatur High School (left), and Kim Chamblee and Teresa Steele of Newton High School were recently selected to the East Central Jr. College cheerleader squad. They will join freshmen cheerleaders Teresa Goodwin, Vikki Jenkins, and Diane Griffin. Not pictured is Summer Posey from Neshoba Central High School, who was also selected.

Scotty Goldman, President.....

## BSU officers attend Leadership meet

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

The 1981 BSU officers attended the Leadership Training Conference at Gulfshore Baptist Assembly in Pass Christian on April 10-12. Ms. Gladys Bryant, director, Mr. Al Deaton, and several officers from last year attended the conference also.

This year's conference entitled "Equipped For Action" strived toward the goal of getting BSU officers prepared (both mentally and

spiritually) for their jobs next year.

During the conference, the officers attended meetings which included music by "New Light" from Jones Jr. College, a Bible study, and a message. Also during the meetings the officers gathered in small groups to meet a summer missionary and to get a prayer partner for the remainder of the weekend. Each meeting was different in way of Bible

study, message, and special music. Providing the variety for the weekend meetings were "Gift of Song", the Blue Mountain College Mime Team, and speakers from throughout the state.

During the day, the officers attended conferences according to their position. There were those for the BSU presidents and vice-presidents along with all other offices that a BSU might have. As an optional conference the officers were

allowed to attend special interest labs which were very helpful in preparing the individual for a responsible position.

While at the conference the participants had the privilege of meeting the 1981 Summer Missionaries. These students from various colleges will be serving throughout the United States and seven foreign countries.

This year's BSU officers

are: President- Scotty Goldman; Music Chairman- Missy Watson; Fellowship Chairman- Traci Stringfellow; Worship Chairman- Kathy Yarbrough; Missions Chairman- Shellye Hill; Outreach Chairman- Bill Watson; Bible Study Chairman- Rita Dobbs; Publicity Chairman- Clifton Seals; Drama Chairman- Steve Brock; Student Center Chairman- Betty Daniels; BSU Paper Editor- Sherry Roebuck; Secretary- Barbara Yates.



# 75 earn award honors

Seventy five awards were given at Awards Day on April 21. Awards included Academic awards, Alumni Memorial awards and Faculty Memorial awards. Receiving awards were:

Who's Who In American Junior Colleges: Libby Appleby, Retha Bryan, Randy Cleveland, Bert Gilmore, Donda Hill, Leah Livingston, Rob Loper, Ted Pope, Denise Tatum, Tina Tumbling, Mike Childress, Cindy Cleveland, Cheryl Comans, Sneakie Griffin, Flo Harkins, Deborah Johnson, Scott Long, Debbie McBeath, Mary Guin, Pam Taylor, and Terry Warren.

The French award was given to Randy Lee. The

Secondary Education award was given to Debbie McBeath. The ECJC Players award was given to Scott Long; Freshman Chemistry-Ken Stamper; ECJC Singers Award- Todd Rogers, Tom-Tom Award- Scott Long; Hall of Fame- Scott Long, Cindy Cleveland, Ted Pope and Tina Tumbling; Womens Intramurals- Jan Robinson; Freshman Math-Roger Gunn; Ole Miss Pharmacy Award- Scott Long; Sophomore Math- Donda Hill; ECJC Band Award-Percy Harvey; All State Band Members- Todd Vance, Debbie Killens, Heather Sammons, Joe Williams, and Retha Bryan. ROTC Medal Award/New-

ton DAR- Sylvia Lynch; Army Superior Cadet Awards- James Wood and Bert Gilmore. Mississippi State Award- Terrell Winstead and Ted Pope; Refrigeration and Air Conditioning- Keith Shelton; Welding- James Dooley; Electricity- Eddie Mayo, Machine Shop- Mike Nance. VICA State Competition winners were third, Carol Munn, Cosmetology; Danny Peoples, Drafting; Eddie Mayo, Electricity; Second place winners were W.H. Smith, Body and Fender; and the Opening and Closing Teams. First Place winners were Radio and T.V., Greg White and Fredrick Lyons, Carpentry. Vocational

Award- Joe Addy, and Technical Award, Mary Guin.

Alumni Memorial Awards include Mens Intramurals- Randy Cleveland; Phi Theta Kappa- Cindy Cleveland; Medical Services- Christy Brantly; Engineering, Ted Pope; Womens Basketball- Tina Tumbling; Elementary Education- Lorraine Thrash, Secretarial Science- Dinah Fox Moss; Football- James Mitchell, Men's Basketball- Aubrey Cox, Speech, Charles Comans.

Faculty Memorial Awards include Home Economics- Cookie Floyd, Freshman Engineering- Phil Gaillet and Biology- Zela Wilkerson.

The citizenship award went to Scott Long.

## Meal management eats their work

During this semester, the Meal Management Class has been involved in a number of projects. Two of these have been the preparation of luncheons. Each luncheon had three guests, two class members, who acted as the host and the hostess and the sponsor Mrs. Pouncey.

The first luncheon was planned around a Western theme. It was held on Wednesday, February 18, 1981 at 11:45 in the dinning room of the Home Economics Department. The teachers honored at this luncheon included Dean Rives, Mr. Hicks, and Mr. Dykes.

The second luncheon, an Easter luncheon, was held Wednesday, April 1, 1981. The guests included Mrs.

Burkes, Dr. Fisher and Miss Hollingsworth.

Both luncheons involved several hours of planning and preparation. The planning of the first luncheon was the responsibility of Alice Smith, Dianne Jones, Shannon Richardson and Linda Chaney. Kenny Baker, Stephanie Alexander, Cookie Floyd, and Michelle Stokes shared the planning and responsibilities of the Easter luncheon.

Each year the class tries to invite guests who never attended one of the luncheons.

The number of luncheons held each year depends on the number of students in the Meal Management Class.



"Mess ECJC" and lovely alternates, James Mitchell and Mike Boyette.

## Theater class gets close look at EMJC's play

Members of the Fundamental of Theater class and others associated with the Spring Musical were invited to view East Mississippi Junior College's dress rehearsal of the Rogers and Hammerstein's hit "South Pacific."

The musical opened April 14th and ran through the 16th. Curtain time was 7:30 p.m.

Mr. Cy Williams, a graduate of East Central Junior College, served as the director. Mr. Rick Thorley con-

ducted the orchestra.

The play, about nurses, spies, soldiers, natives and seamen, located on two islands in the South Pacific during WWII, was enjoyed by all.

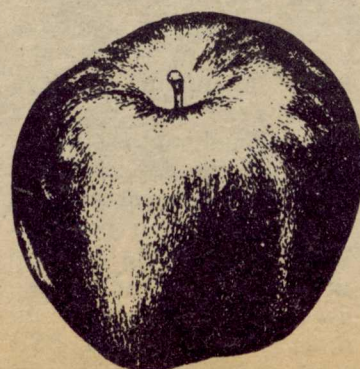
After the performance, the students were allowed backstage. They also got to meet the cast members and discuss the play.

Everyone agreed, the cast and crew of "South Pacific" did a great job, in this their second, musical production.

## Meal Management class.....

## Teachers Tea held April 22

The idea has been around for a number of years. That idea is the teachers tea. This



years tea was given Wednesday, April 22 at 2:00 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. in the Dining Room of the Home Economics Department.

The Teacher's Tea was the largest activity of the Meal Management Class. The arranging of the tea involved much time and preparation, which was under the supervision of Mrs. Alice Pouncey.

The purpose of the tea was to honor the faculty and staff of East Central Junior College. The special pur-

pose was to honor those in which 1981 made their twentieth year at East Central Junior College. This year Dr. Richard C. Ethridge and Mr. Olen Lavanne Newell were honored.

Some of the specialties featured at the tea were Cheese Balls, Pick-Me-Ups, Sausage and Biscuit, Spitz, Chocolate logs, Little Bits and others.

A large number of people responded to the over one hundred invitations that were sent out.



# Sun tan season is here.....

By IMA WATCHIN' YEW

In the Spring a young man's fancy turns toward... sunbathing. SUNBATHING?! Ah, but 'tis true. Over the past few weeks several of ECJC's male population have been caught soaking up the rays of the sun, so they will be able to flex their lean, muscular, TANNED bods for some admiring co-ed.

For those who are unaware, or uninformed, the roof of Scott Hall has been converted into a huge sun-deck. Because EC does not provide adequate facilities for male sunbathers, (could this be discrimination?), these brave, dedicated, resourceful men had no alternative but to risk their very lives and limbs in order to achieve the ultimate - a

perfectly even tan.

However, those afraid of heights have been spotted in select positions on the lawn of Scott Hall, the Home of the Sun Worshippers, relaxing in their favorite - you guessed it - LAWN CHAIRS. Unfortunately, those who do not possess, (Or cannot steal) one of these coveted pieces of furniture, have been seen

making the best of it with their old reliable blankets and/or sheets.

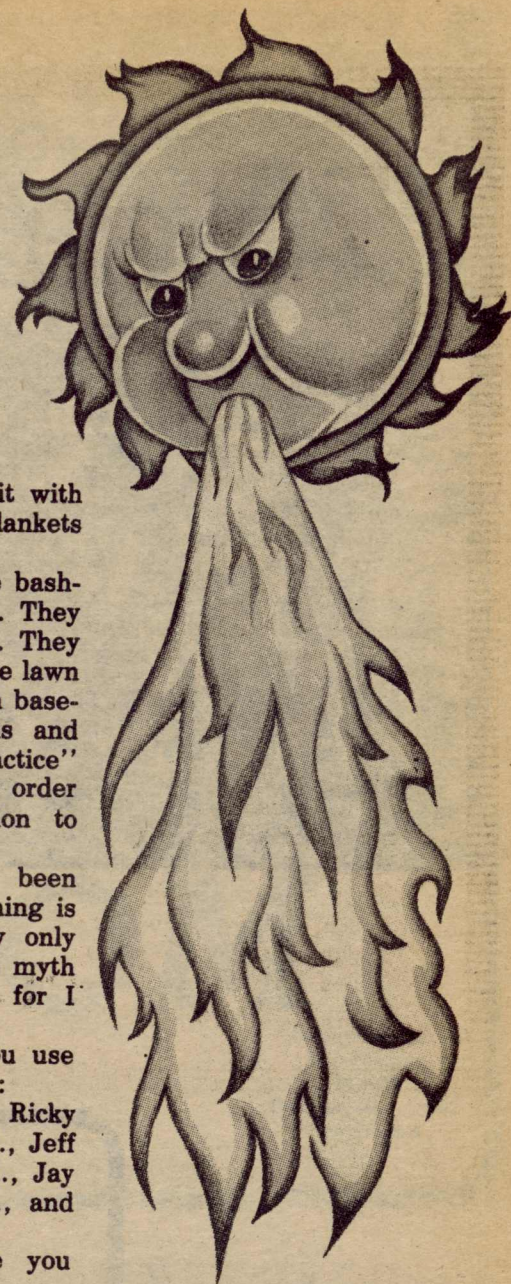
Then there are the bashful Sun Worshippers. They get their tan subtly. They vie for positions on the lawn and proceed to pitch baseballs, throw footballs and frisbees, and "practice" their golf swings, in order not to draw attention to themselves.

For years it has been believed that sunbathing is a ritual practiced by only females. But now the myth has been disproved, for I saw YOU.

P.S. Make sure you use plenty of suntan lotion:

Gary B., Jeff L., Ricky A., Bobby B., Carl F., Jeff H., Truitt N., Jim K., Jay J., Tony D., Bob Y., and Robert C.!

We'd hate to see you burn!



Debbie McBeath was named to the All-State Team. Jo Ann Earnest and Sheila Welch received Honorable Mention.



## 2ND IN STATE COMPETITION

The Open and Closing Team from East Central Jr. College's VICA Club placed second in state competition in Biloxi recently. Members of the team are: (seated left to right) Deloris Walker of Union, Francis Hornesbuger of Noxapater, and Kim Moore of Meridian. (standing) Johnny Newton of Forest, Shane McNair of Carthage, Roddie Fortenberry of Carthage, Sammy Breland of Philadelphia and Mike Childress of Louisville.

## STATE WINNER

W.H. Smith (left) of Union placed second in Body and Fender competition at the state Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA) contests in Biloxi recently. Smith is a student of Grover Shoemaker, (right), Auto Body and Fender instructor at East Central Jr. College.



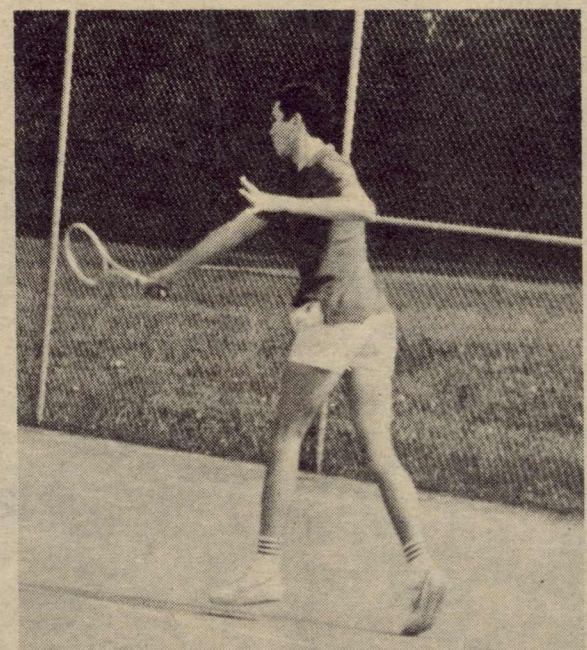


Winners of Girls' Softball intramurals are: (1st row) Susan Maddox, Debbie Seale, Tammy Gray, Christy McMullen, Ruth Wilkerson and Patricia Sanders. (2nd Row) Pat Cole, Carla Tidwell, Joy Murphy, Sherry Malone, Cam Bilbo, Dina Walker, and Gary Barber, coach.

The girls' softball team participated in the state tournament last week. Members of the team are: (left to right) Front Row: Janice Trippe, Susan Bane, Dawn Haberle, Nury Schuerr, Dianne Jones. Second Row: Casandra Gillett, Sandra Johnson, Barbara Green, Debbie McBeath, Sylvia Lynch. Third Row: Deborah Phillips, Deborah Johnson, Wanda Harris, Francis Hornesbuger, Tina Tumbling, and Sylvia Griffin.



Members of the ECJC Golf Team are Jay Jones, Terry Burns, James Wood (front L to R). (Back Row) Robert James, Tony Dobbs, and Joel Nelson. Nelson, number 2 ranked player in the state, was named to the All-State team.



Tennis player Victor Merrit practices for his state tournament match. Others who participated were Joe Douglas, Mark Henderson, and George Adams.



THE ECJC Centralettes are all decked out in their new uniforms. Kneeling, from left to right, are: Karen Tingle, Lori Seal, Karen Gray, Jan Robinson, Monica Killens, and Lisa Parker; standing: Traci Stringfellow, Betty Daniels, Annette Weaver, Kim Patterson, Donna Bounds, Donna Whitehead and Susi Adkins.



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## State money cuts cramps budget

By KENT K. PECKHAM

A late coming state decree has left the college in an unfavorable financial condition, and students are being required to make up part of the inbalance.

Says Dr. Charles Wright, "The college receives three

types of funding...(these being) state, county, and student fees. The state (this year) made appropriations which included funds for a 7% increase in employee salaries." Acting on this information, the college entered into contracts with it's personnel in which the 7% raise was included among the terms. However, on July 2, 1981 the State Department of Budget and Accounts reduced the raise from 7 to 3.5% which left the college to find the means of raising the additional 3.5% (approximately \$51,000) necessary to operate the institution.

As a result of the state's action, the school has adopted several policies designed to recoup the lost income. For example, money allocated for employee travel has been reduced as well as that provided for the purchase of utilities. Furthermore, department heads within the school system have been asked to reduce departmental budgets to the absolute necessities "without causing discomfort" or lowering the quality of education available to the students.

Students also will be affected by the state decision. For the first time in the history of the institution, the school is accessing a \$75 per

semester for the students who ride it's busses. This, says the administration, will help to defray the cost of fuel and repairs formerly paid in totality by the school. In addition, all students will pay a \$30 fixed fee at registration each semester, which will, in one year, bring the school approximately \$45,000.

Another attempt to save money is a change in the

policy governing the ordering of supplies. Formerly, needed supplies for the school were ordered on an annual basis, but beginning this year, department heads are being directed to order on a quarterly basis. It is believed that this change will cut down on the amount of material wasted.

Dr. Wright also encourages the students and faculty to be more energy con-

science and turn off all appliances when not in use. Residents in dorms with individual thermostat controls are reminded to turn the unit completely off when leaving the campus for the weekend.

Despite the current financial woes, the administration stresses that no programs or services have been curtailed or eliminated.

## Homecoming nominations

By STELLA BUCKLEY

Nominations for the 1981 Homecoming Court will be accepted on September 8 through September 12.

To nominate a candidate, a petition must be obtained from Dean Denver Brackeen. The petition must be signed by twenty-five students and returned to Dean Brackeen's office by September 12. The election will be held on September 16 and the run-offs will be held on September 18.

The Homecoming Court will consist of: three Freshmen maids, three sophomore maids and a Homecoming Queen. The runner up to the Homecoming Queen will be the Maid-of-Honor.

Nominees for Homecoming Queen must have a 2.0 average. There are no other requirements.

## Summer projects resurface streets; roofs are repaired

By Kent K. Peckham

This summer saw several massive revitalization programs take place on campus at a cost of \$109,098.

The most obvious of these efforts was the resurfacing of many of the school's streets and parking lots. Funding for the project came from state appropriations in concert with monies from the five counties which help to support the college.

The total cost of the project amounted to \$55,800. Also, a substantial saving was realized by using personnel already under re-

tension to paint the dividing lines rather than contracting the job.

As well as presenting a favorable image to visitors of the college, this improvement will provide a safer environment for students and be easier on auto suspensions than the previous surface.

Most students will never have occasion to notice the second refurbishing project but will appreciate it none the less.

At a cost of \$53,298, the Fine Arts Building and Administration Building have been reroofed; once

again funding was provided by both state and the supporting counties.

In the case of the Administration Building, the formerly flat roof was raised 4 inches in the center, providing improved run-off as well as dead air space for additional insulation which was installed during the reroofing process.

Exact figures for any energy savings brought about by the installation of the insulation are not available, but competent authority, Dr. Charles Wright, suggests that the building is decidedly cooler than it was last year at this time.



# SBA committees named for '81-82

The SBA has named students to the various school committees for the 1981-82 session.

## Committee Assignments

Student members of the Discipline Committee are Doug Hubbard and Missy Watson. The Student Library Committee is made up of Diane Griffin and Leasa McKay.

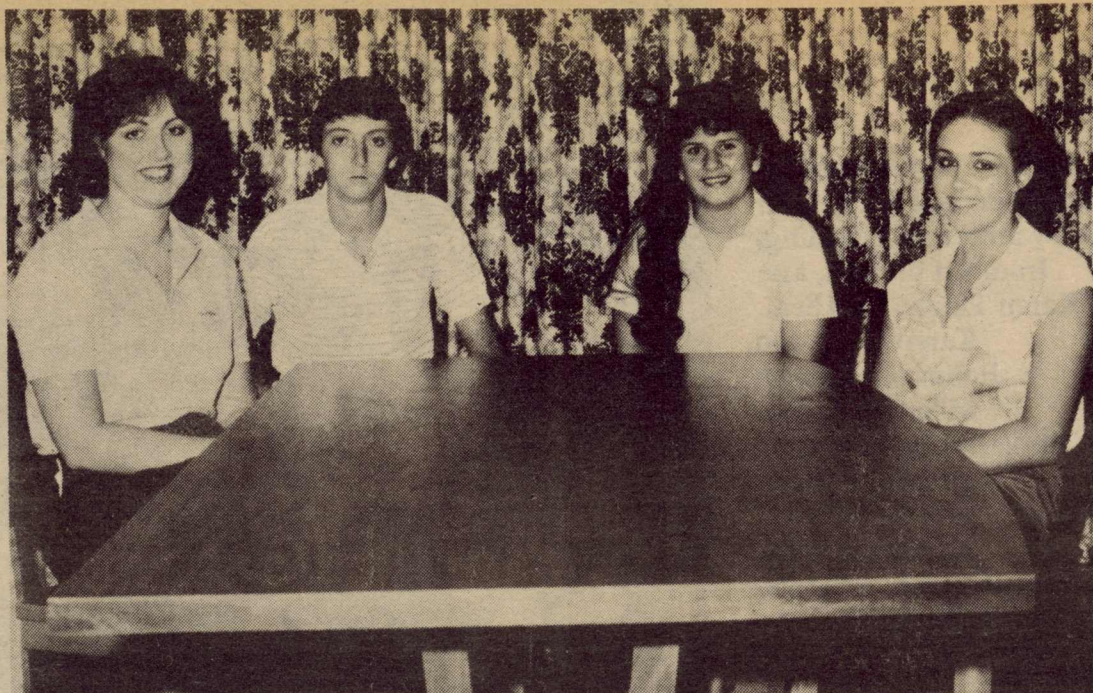
The Curriculum Committee is composed of Heather Sammons and Kevin Winstead.

The School Spirit Committee is composed of the cheerleaders, Bob Posey, Janice Welch, and Kevin Winstead.

Members of the Election Committee are Jamie Adcock, Jessie Davis, Scotty

Goldman, Ginnie Henley, Jerry Holt (Chairman), Ruth Hurley, Vikki Jenkins, Buddy Killen, Shelia McClure, Lisa Myatt, Kim Patterson, Sherry Roebuck, Paula Rogers, Randy Russell Terri Russell, Lori Seal, Mev Thrash, Shelia Welch, Joe Williams, Kevin Winstead.

Hospitality Committee members are Angie Adcock, Kim Chambly, Charlotte Comans, Betty Daniels, Rita Dobbs, Sandra Edwards, Darlene Ezelle, Elaine Fulton, Michelle Fulcher, Karen Gray, Diane Griffin, Sonjia Herrington, Shellye Hill (Chairman) Monica Killens, Leasa McKay, Summer Posey, Melody Smith, Janice Welch, Shelia Welch, Kathy Yarbrough.



SBA OFFICERS are eager to hear suggestions from the students. If you have some good ideas on how to make this a better school year, contact Missy Watson, Doug Hubbard, Traci Stringfellow, or Kim Murphy.

## Rev. Riley Burton heads BSU program

There is a new face on campus this semester. The Reverend Riley E. Burton, Jr., Pastor of Decatur United Methodist Church, is also serving as United Methodist Campus Minister.

Mr. Burton attended ECJC, graduated from Li-

vingston University, and Emory University, Atlanta, GA. While at East Central and Livingston, he was active in Wesley, the campus organization for United Methodist students.

Prior to coming to Decatur, Rev. Riley spent two years as associate pastor of First UMC in Monroe, LA, a church of 1800 members located near the campus of Northeast Louisiana University. Prior to that he was pastor of Summit UMC and worked with United Methodist students on Southwest Mississippi Junior College Campus and was on the faculty where he taught Bible.

He will be on campus available for visits with students. The UMC Campus Ministry Office is located above the Student Center.

## Class elections

By STELLA BUCKLEY

There will be a class meeting held on September 29 in the large auditorium to elect class officers.

The positions available are: President, Vice-President, Secretary and Treasury. Each class will also elect faculty sponsors. There are no requirements.

Please be sure to attend this meeting.

## Six EC alumni authors have works in campus library

By ROBIN HUDNALL

East Central Junior College has graduated thousands of students. Some who continued their education were successful, and others who failed at their particular fields.

We would like to introduce you to six (6) alumni students from East Central Junior College who are successful authors.

Fred Ray Blocker, who attended East Central Junior College from 1945-1946, presently lives in Edinburg. Mr. Blocker is a member of the Board of Trustees at East Central. He is a retired school teacher and is presently working on another novel.

Dan Young, a native of Winston County attended East Central from 1937-1939. He has taught at Southern University, Mississippi State, Delta State and is now Vice Chancellor

at Vanderbilt University in Nashville Tenn., where he taught English before attaining his present position.

Sarah Alatha Chaney a native of Hickory, Mississippi in Newton County, attended East Central from 1939-1941. She graduated from Mississippi Southern University. She taught school for one term in Chunky, Mississippi in Newton County. She was drowned at age twenty (20) in the Bowie River. The people who knew Sarah, said she was a great lover of life. She enjoyed being around people and nature.

Frances Jackson Thames, the wife of Jim Thames, attended East Central from 1933-1937. She was mother to Reginald and Billy Jack Thames, who are presently living in Newton County. She was an active participant in Civic Projects and

club work in Decatur, her home town.

Hedy Williams, an honor student at East Central attended this institution from 1959-1961. She was a member of the Tom Tom Staff.

Riley Munday, a Philadelphia native, attended East Central in 1938. Presently he is a Methodist Minister. He graduated from Mississippi College and the Baptist Seminary. He was Interim Minister in the Southern Baptist Church. He was poet Residence at Columbia College. Two of his books are in the fourth pressing and one is in the second edition.

All of these authors have books on display in the Library. We urge you to read some if not all, and see what East Central has to be proud of. We promise you good reading.

Full slate for fall.....

## BSU 'Share Seminar' is Sept. 16

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

The ECJC Baptist Student Union began preparation during summer vacation for this year's slate of activities.

The first event for this month will be the Share Seminar, Sept. 16. Conducting this year's seminar will be Ms. B.J. Frew from Hinds Jr. College. The purpose of this event is to show students ways to share their faith more effectively.

On Sept. 25-27 students will travel to the BSU State Convention in Columbus, MS. The convention offers

inspirational messages, music, and many other activities. Speakers for the convention are Dr. Chester Swor, a world known youth speaker, and Dr. Baker Cauthen of Richmond, Virginia. Linda and Bill Cates both composers and recording artists will conduct this year's music.

The BSU will close out September with Vocations Week to be held on the 28-30 and Oct. 1-2. This week will allow people from the community to share with students how God lead them

in their chosen vocation.

The month of Oct. will get underway with Mission Emphasis Week to be held the 5-8. This activity will also have guest speakers.

Closing out Oct. will be the annual Revival on the 18-22. This year's speaker will be Dr. Bobby Douglas from Chattanooga, Tenn. Micky Gentry from the First Baptist Church in Philadelphia will conduct the music.

The BSU officers are continuing their work in finalizing the activities for upcoming months.

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THE WARRIOR BAND members are sporting new uniforms this season. Giving a preview are Heather Sammons and Todd Vance.

Native of Afghanistan.....

## Foreign student enjoys EC

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

So often students and older adults take living in America as well as receiving an education for granted. To some however, it's a dream come true.

Said Nizamuddin Hashimi has been on campus at EC for about two weeks. He came to America to escape the Communist Party in Afghanistan. Said commented, "They want me to be a part of their Party, but I don't like it".

When asked if his stay here so far was satisfactory, Said stated, "I am very happy, the Americans and teachers here are helpful".

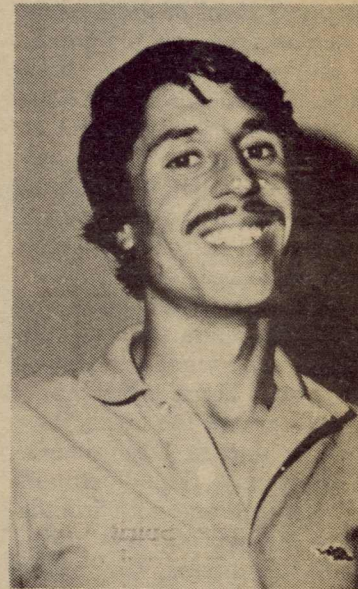
Said lives with his step-mother and two sisters near Conehatta. He stated that even though he has family here, in time he hopes to make new friends.

Even though Said is having little difficulty in learning, he did admit that there are quite a few differences in our way of doing things. For starters, we speak English where as he is used to the Persian language. Said said that he has had the most trouble with his English and driving tech-

niques. He also mentioned the fact that we as Americans are very liberal with what we say, while people in Afghanistan have to be cautious of what they say.

Not only are American schools different but also our sports. Said acknowledged his taste for volleyball which is a leading sport in Afghanistan. On our campuses we turn to football, basketball, and baseball. Speaking of football, Said stated that in Afghanistan the game of football is played more with the feet than with the hands. He said that here people use their hands and not their feet.

Said stated that his plans are to stay here due to the conflict in Afghanistan and continue his education here at East Central.



Said Nizamuddin Hashimi, a native of Afghanistan, is enrolled in classes at East Central

## Academic tutoring paying dividends

By SHELIA WELCH

The first step in any new direction is always filled with excitement, adventure, confusion, and personal challenges. As each person went through high school, he can remember how teachers and school authorities frequently watched over him. The protective days are over now and the sky is the limit.

There are two means of getting academic tutoring: the professor and the East Central Special Services for counseling and tutoring.

The Special Services program is based upon the increasing need to assist students in the understanding of a subject matter which was not clear in the previous class meeting.

The "FREE" tutoring program can mean the difference in successfully passing a course or completely failing it. Last year, 52% of the students enrolled in Special Services improved their mid term grade point average at the end of the first semester. 42.4% had above a 2.00 average while only 20% had less than a 1.00 grade point average.

The classes have already begun. There are approximately 70 vacancies in the tutoring program to be filled by freshmen and returning sophomores. It is important that students act now and prepare for the challenge instead of waiting until midterm after "all else has

failed."

Classes will be arranged at the convenience of the student to best satisfy his or her needs. Help is available if one desires it.

Qualified fellow classmates, recommended by the teachers, will be tutoring the classes. Each freshman who is interested should contact Mr. Henderson in the Agriculture Building or Dean Brackeen in the Student Service Building.



Larry Jackson is replacing Bob Heritage in the Music Department this year while Mr. Heritage pursues his doctorate at the University of Southern Mississippi.

## New IBM computer will upgrade data

By KENT K. PECKHAM

The proposed acquisition of a new computer system, manufactured by IBM and designated the Series 34, will improve student services as well as provide data processing students with the professional training necessary for employment in various high-technology fields.

"One year ago...to improve the institution's offering in the data processing program and services to students, a program was drafted (by the school) and submitted to the Department of Education (for the purpose of obtaining financial aid) under the Title II program of the Higher Education Act in the hope of securing an updated computer system for the college.", recounted Dr. Charles Wright, when queried. Initially, the program proposed by the college was rejected; not withstanding this set back, under the direction of Dr. Tucker, the presentation was over-

hauled and resubmitted for consideration by the Department of Education. The new package was accepted, and the school received federal aid amounting to \$88,724 for the purchase of the system.

The money received will be divided into 3 general categories for disbursement: (1) part of the funds will be spent for a study during which the school's needs will be determined, (2) part will be set aside for the instruction of faculty members in the operation of the system, (3) another portion will be used for the system itself and the installation costs.

In addition to the federal aid received, the State Vocational Education Department has agreed to supply monies not to exceed \$50,000 for other costs encountered in bringing the device into operation.

A potential problem is that the entire computer complex must be sanctioned by the Central Data Processing Authority; however,

the school foresees no difficulty in obtaining such authorization and hopes to accept delivery of the system in June of 1982.

As of yet, it is not known exactly with what information the computer will be programmed. According to College President Charles Wright, "we hope to develop our own programme (while) leaning on the other colleges in the area (which already have similar systems in operation.)" By so doing, the college will be able to save a large percentage of the programming costs as well as receive an imaginative program for a host of service and training purposes.

After installation, the IBM machine will provide a myriad of services to a widely diverse group of users. As well as providing training to data processing students, it can be used to keep records such as financial data, transcripts, and, in keeping with the times, play games such as chess or even (good Lord) Star Invaders.



# 12 out-of-staters are Warriors

Why would football players come hundreds of miles to play? Most of them come because they love the game. Some come because they hope to continue their education and athletic career at senior colleges. Some even come to earn their way through school, even though they could earn more money at a part-time job.

For some the two years here are made up of lonely weekends when everyone else goes home to Mother's cooking and the girls they left behind in high school. Others make the adjustment by going home with friends and discovering new girls. What happens, in many cases, determines whether they last the first semester or not.

On the Warrior team there are twelve out of state players. From Georgia, Alabama, and Louisiana they come to play the game. But how did they get here, and why do they stay? The reasons are as different as the men themselves.

Bob Yarbrough came to East Central because of the assistant coach at his high school. According to Bob, "Mississippi's junior colleges provide a great foundation." He believes that East Central can give a player the chance to play major college football in the future. Bob is a sophomore from Morrow, Georgia.



**OUT OF STATE PLAYERS** making their home field debut tonight are: front row, left to right, Jeff Knowles, Micha Hazlewood, Raymond Alley, Joe Douglas, Bob

Yarbrough, and Mike Ballew; second row: Bill Beuparlant, Mike Mason, Jim Kennamer, Paul Tatum, Joe Kennamer, Kyle Callaghan and Jay Brown.

Mike Mason also came to East Central at the recommendation of his high school coach. In explaining why he participates in East Central's football program, he said, I like the way it is run. Mike is a freshman from Birmingham, Alabama.

Scott Quisenberry is back at East Central for his

second year. His high school coach influenced his decision to come here. Scott says, "I like East Central's environment. For a junior college it's pretty good."

Raymond Alley, a sophomore from Forrest Park, GA, has made himself right at home in this area. He was given a recommendation by

his high school who had attended East Central. Raymond plans to continue his education in Mississippi at Southern.

Jay Brown, a sophomore, is impressed by the school's academic program as well as its football program.

Micah Hazelwood came to East Central because of a

recommendation from his high school coach, who knew Coach Pouncey. Micah is optimistic about the team's chances for the coming year. He said, "Things look pretty good so far. If we keep our heads right we ought to do pretty good." Micah is from Morrow, Georgia.

## Holmes eakes out 10-7 win

Last Friday night at Holmes Junior College, the ECJC Warrior football team was defeated in a very exciting game by the score of 10-7. Despite the fact that the game was played on

a wet field, those who were spectators thoroughly enjoyed it.

Holmes managed the only score in the first half and held a 7-0 lead at halftime.

Holmes scored again in the third quarter on a field-goal and led 10-0. However, in the final quarter East Center did the final scoring on a one-yard plunge by Warrior quarterback, Jim Kennamer.

Some feel that despite the score of the game, that East Central has an excellent team this year, and stands a great chance of winning the south half in the conference.

On Thursday night, Sept. 10, at 7:30 p.m., the Warriors will take on Copiah Lincoln Junior College here on the field located on the far-end of the campus. Perhaps with better playing conditions and all the support of the home fans, EC will make Co-Lin its first victim.

We ask that everyone that possibly can, to be on hand to root for the Warriors. Your support will certainly be appreciated.

**Jerry Holt**  
Sports Editor

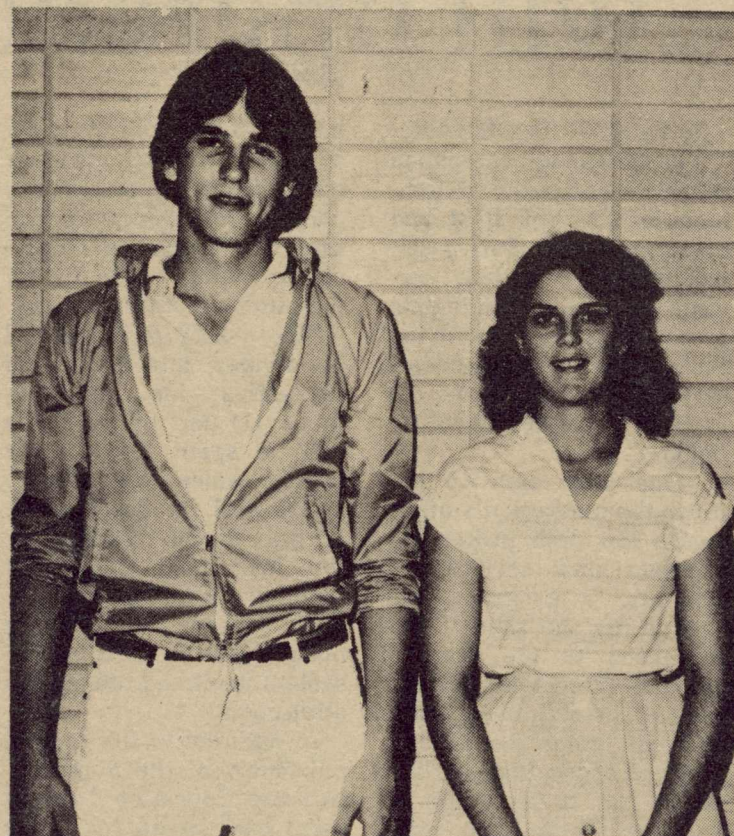
## Complete intramural slate being designed for campus

This year East Central has a full array of intramural sports for those who attend EC. The program is headed by Mr. Glenn Hicks and Mr. Mike Anderson. There is also a number of students who will help in calling the games.

First on the list of sports to be played this year is flag football. There are already nine teams (5 male teams, and 4 female teams) participating in the intramural league. Games are to begin this week, but at press time no schedule had been posted.

Immediately following flag football this year, an intramural volley-ball league will be formed. After volley-ball, basketball is next on the agenda. And finally in the spring, a softball league will be set up. All these activities are available for both male and female students.

Anyone who is interested in participating in intramural sports this year should see Mr. Hicks or Mr. Anderson in the office which is located in the game room in the student center.



**THE SBA SPONSORED** a Freshman Talent Contest to give freshmen and Sophomores an opportunity to get better acquainted. Winning the contest was Harold Dean (left), who sang "Three Times A Lady" while accompanying himself on the guitar. He was also asked to give an encore while the judges were out and again after the winners were announced. Pam Shelly (left), of Sebastopol, was the second place winner. She sang "God Smiled On Me." Marie Lewis was the third place winner.



# HOMECOMING

## Griffin reigns over '81 Homecoming

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

A vivacious personality and a continuous smile help serve as building blocks for this year's homecoming queen, Dianne Griffin of Union. Diane is the 19 year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dan Griffin.

At East Central Diane serves as a Warrior cheerleader. She is also a member of the Fashion Squad. Last year Diane was freshman maid at homecoming and was elected class favorite in the Who's Who. She is presently serving as sophomore class secretary.

This is the second time Diane has been elected homecoming queen. When she was a senior at Union High School, she was their homecoming queen. She won many other honors in high school. She was elected homecoming maid her freshman year and also cutest and class favorite. In her sophomore year she was

re-elected cutest along with friendliest. In her junior and senior years Dianne was chosen Best Personality, Homecoming Queen, and Miss UHS.

At UHS Diane was elected to many responsibilities in addition to her honors. She was a member of the student council for four years, a cheerleader for five years, and secretary of the student body her senior year. She participated in the Sportsman Club, FBLA, the Drama Club, FHA, and U Club.

In addition to Dianne's school honors, she was named an alternate to Miss Neshoba County. In that pageant she was named Miss Congeniality and Miss Photogenic in 1978 and 1979.

When Diane is not participating in the many activities that fill her busy schedule, she enjoys reading, playing tennis, riding



Diane Griffin (front left) will reign as homecoming queen at the festivities Saturday. Members of her court are Shelly Hill (front right); Donna Whitehead, Tammy Bates, Sommer Posey, Kim Murphey, Vikki Jenkins, and Traci Stringfellow.

horses, playing softball and participating in intramural sports here at East Central. Meeting new people is one of her favorite pastimes. She recently has added aerobic

dance classes to her schedule.

Diane loves East Central because it is such a small school and everyone is so friendly. She enjoys talking

with members of the faculty.

When she graduates in the spring, Diane plans to attend the University of Southern Mississippi and continue her education.

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## Court presentation at halftime

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

The 1981 Homecoming Court will be presented at half-time during the East Central-Itawamba game. Reigning as queen will be Diane Griffin of Union.

Maid of Honor will be Shelley Hill of Louisville. Shellye is the drum major for East Central's band. She also participates in the Phi Theta Kappa, Collegians, and BSU as Missions Chairman. Harold Dean of Quincy, Florida will serve as Shellye's escort.

Vikki Jenkins, a graduate of Neshoba Central High School, will serve as a sophomore maid. Vikki is an East Central cheerleader

and a member of the Fashion Squad. She is also active in intramural sports. As a freshman, Vikki was chosen as Class Favorite and Homecoming maid. Escorting Vikki will be Doug Hubbard of Louisville.

Sophomore maid, Traci Stringfellow is a graduate of Louisville High School. She is a member of the Phi Theta Kappa and the Centralettes. Traci serves as Student Body vice-president and BSU Fellowship Chairman. Traci's escort will be Steve Brock of Newton.

Kim Murphy, a graduate of Neshoba Central High School, will also serve as sophomore maid. She par-

ticipates in Phi Theta Kappa, SEA and SBA as treasurer. Kim is a member of ECJC's women's basketball team and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. Her escort will be Kreg Henry of Philadelphia.

Tammy Bates of Philadelphia will serve as a freshman maid. She is a graduate of Leake Academy, where she served as Library Club president her senior year. Tammy was selected Miss Teen of Neshoba County for 1980. She was Leake Academy's Homecoming Queen in 1980. She is Miss Farm Bureau of Neshoba County for 1981-82. At East Central, Tammy participates in in-

tramural sports. Her escort is Jeff Lee of Forest.

Donna Whitehead of Union is a freshman maid. She is a centralette and vice-president of the freshman class. She also participates in intramural sports. In high school she was an honor student and senior class favorite. Serving as her escort will be Scott Cooksey of Union.

Freshman maid Summer Posey is a graduate of Neshoba Central. At East Central, Summer serves as cheerleader and Social Chairman of Jackson Hall. She participates in intramural sports. At Neshoba Central Summer served as

cheerleader for six years and was chosen National Champion Cheerleader her senior year.

### Homecoming Calendar of Events

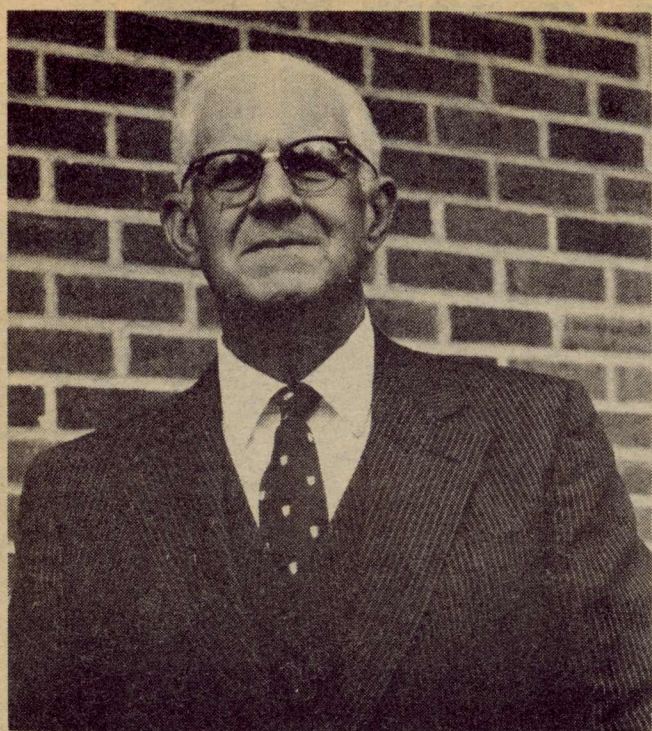
4:00 -- Parade Downtown Decatur

4:30 -- Reception, Fine Arts Building Honoring 1981 Alumnus of the Year, Dwight Mulholland

5:30 -- Alumni Banquet, Gold Room of Mabry Cafeteria

7:30 -- Ballgame Warrior Field Warriors vs. Itawamba  
Halftime of Game --  
Crowning of 1981 Homecoming Queen, Miss Diane Griffin





1981 Alumnus of The Year is Dwight Mulholland of Neshoba County.

## Students participate in leadership conference

Members of the East Central chapter of Phi Theta Kappa participated in the Fall Leadership Conference at Canton. Representing East Central were Heather Sammons, Lori Seal, Ruth Hurley, Jerry Holt and Linda Chaney.

The group attended workshops on duties of officers, year book preparation, ways

to carry out the honor theme and sponsor responsibilities. The conference was for PTK groups in Mississippi, Tennessee, and Louisiana.

Sponsors of the local chapter are Mr. Rudolph Mayes, Mrs. Sara Heard, and Mrs. Ann Burkes. Mrs. Burkes attended the workshop with the group.

## PTK initiation held

Phi Theta Kappa has extended an invitation to twenty East Central Students. Grade requirements for initiates are a 3.4 cumulative quality point average for freshmen and 3.3 for sophomores.

Phi Theta Kappa is a national scholastic society for junior college students.

Invited to join the organization are Lynda Adcock of Carthage, Barbara Ann Gardner of Forest, Larry Dean German of Forest, Betty Lynn Gregory of Decatur, Jimmy Roger Gunn of Forest, Karen Hamilton of

Newton, Vicki Harralson of Forest, James Hollingsworth of Lake, Vikki Jenkins of Philadelphia, Bruce Sweis of Philadelphia, Signa Carol Miles of Morton, Kent Peckham of Conehatta, Danny Peoples of Philadelphia; Sandra Savell of Union, Mev Thrash of Decatur, Rene Yvette Woodward of Union, Janie McMillian of Newton, James Wood of Louisville and Michelle Stokes of Nanih Waiya.

Initiation was held Thursday, October 8 in the conference room of the library.

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## ECJC'S Alumnus of the Year.....

# Mulholland selected for '81

Dwight Mulholland, one of East Central's staunchest supporters, has been named Alumnus of the Year for 1981. Mr. Mulholland was selected by the Alumni Association for the honor.

Very active in the East Central Alumni Association, Mr. Mulholland has served as president of the organization, county representative, and county vice-president.

A native of Neshoba County, he attended East Central from 1937 until 1939. He transferred to Mississippi State where he graduated with honors in

1941 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Agricultural Engineering.

In 1979 he retired from the U.S. Postal Service after 37 years as a Rural Letter Carrier. He was on the Board of Directors of the Rural Letter Carriers of the Fifth District of Mississippi

and President of that organization for two years.

He has served his state and community as President of the Parent-Teacher Council of the Mississippi School for the Blind, as Trustee of the Mississippi Sight Foun-

dation, and is presently serving as a Director of the Bank of Philadelphia, a Director of the Federal Land Bank of Newton and President of the Board of Directors of the East Mississippi Farmers Livestock Corporation of Philadelphia.

Mulholland is married to the former Avoncell Fau-

cette of Carthage. They have two daughters, Kay and Mrs. Kathy Irby, both of Collinsville. The Mulholland's live on a dairy farm in the Collinsville community.



Representing East Central at the Leadership Conference were Heather Sammons, Mrs. Burkes, Lori Seal, Jerry Holt, Ruth Hurley, and Linda Chaney.

## FCA organized on campus

By SHELIA WELCH

East Central has added another extra curricular organization on campus for the enjoyment and enrichment of the students. The Fellowship of Christian Athletes was organized to present to athletes and coaches the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord. Evangelism through fellowship is the idea behind FCA. It is an organization in which ordinary people help each other become better persons--better in the knowledge of what God can do if He is given control of a life.

The FCA is national in operation and is composed of men and women from the athletic/faith community who desire to advance the ministry of Christ in all areas of life. The Mississippi FCA is striving to reach the state for Jesus Christ by making disciples in Junior and Senior High huddles, College Fellow-

ships, and Adult Chapters. FCA believes that the family and the church are the only two institutions that carry out the "Great Commission." The FCA is not a substitute for church; instead it stresses the Biblical roles in family life.

To help carry out the goals at East Central the following officers were elected from the men's and women's chapter: Ken Eiland, a freshman basketball player from Louisville was elected president; Anthony Cunningham, a sophomore football player from Louisville was elected vice-president; James Wood, a sophomore member of the golf team, was elected treasurer; and Dale Reese, a football player from Hickory was elected secretary. Sponsors of the men's organization are Joe Clark and Ricky Vaughn.

In the women's group, Shelia Welch a sophomore from Decatur was elected

president. Angie Ryals a freshman from Louisville was elected vice-president. Sandra Edwards, a sophomore from Philadelphia, was elected secretary, and Dorothy Jackson from Walnut Grove was elected treasurer. All the women officers are members of the basketball team. The women's chapter is sponsored by Coach Lucille Wood.

The commitment of each FCA member is to serve its group through prayer, Bible study, and Christian fellow-

ship. The goal of every member and every group and every person can be found in Matthew 6:33 "Seek ye first the Kingdom of God and his righteousness and all these things shall be added unto you." By spreading the good news of the enjoyment of a life lived with Christ, these athletes hope to inspire others to live more like Christ lives.



# Choir seeks new members

By SHEILA WELCH

The Wesley Choir, under the sponsorship of Mr. Henderson, met Tuesday, September 28 to elect officers and make plans for future appearances. Appearances consist of the Fall musical and the Spring Festival, in which the group relates to its audience through singing praises of how God has moved in their lives. The group consisting of over thirty members welcomes students to participate and attend practices on Wednesday Night at 7:30 in the Fine Arts Building.

The elected officers were Sheila Welch, president; Constance Gates, vice president; Kathy Moore, secretary; Minnie Johnson, asst. secretary; and Ronnie Parker, treasurer.

Praising God through singing and fellowship is the intention behind the Wesley choir. Interested students are asked to see one of the officers. Additional keyboard players and lead vocalists are invited to share their God-given talents with the campus and the surrounding communities of the East Central District.

## '81 Dorm Council

Edna Beaver has been elected House Chairman for the Women's Council. Assisting her will be Vicky Harralson, secretary; Stella Posey, treasurer; Susie Wisenart, Religious Chairman; Lisa McKay and Augusta Harvey, Civic League Chairman; Summer Posey and Cindy Goodin, social chairmen.



Collegians for the year are (1st row) Heather Sammons, Stella Posey, Kim Graham, and Joan Alawine. (2nd row) David Felton, Shellye Hill,

Todd Vance, Pam Shelley, Jerry Holt, Kevin Winstead, Greg Vance, and Mike Boyette. (3rd row) Missy Watson and David Hackman.

## French Club officers

John Cumberland of Philadelphia has been elected president of LeCercle Francais (French Club) for the school year.

Also serving as officers are Todd Wall of Decatur, vice-president; Janie McMillan of Newton, treasurer; and Mev Thrash of Decatur, secretary-reporter.

The club's purpose is to help acquaint East Central's French students with the activities of their French peers. Club activities include a Christmas party where French foods are served, talks by natives of France, and movies and slides from France.

Mrs. Elisabeth Rowell, a native of France, is the club sponsor.



ROTC officers for the year are Bernard Lee, freshman representative and James Wood, president (front) and Foreign Swan, sophomore representative; Mattie Bur-side, treasurer; Augusta Hardney, secretary; and Sandra Edwards, vice-president.

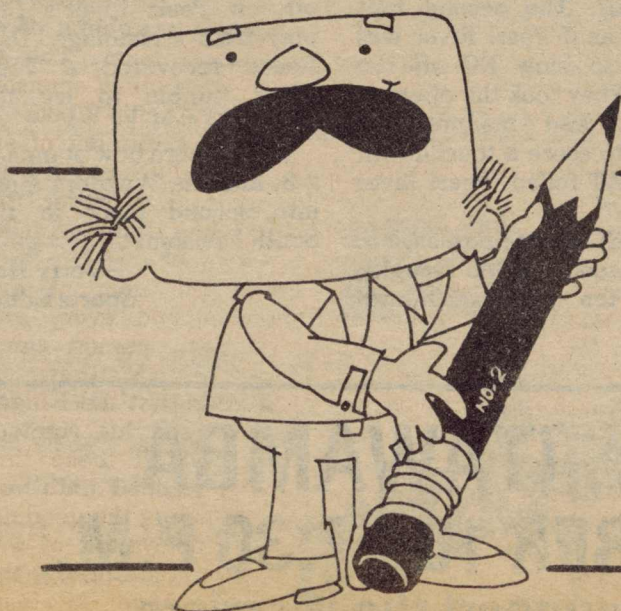
## Grant lets students attend MLT

As part of the Special Services Grant, East Central students will have an opportunity to attend the Meridian Little Theater productions during the coming season.

The Special Services Grant is basically a program for providing tutorial help for EC students, but a part of the budget is devoted to cultural enrichment for the students.

Mr. Henderson, who heads up the program on campus, announces that tickets for four productions will be available free of charge for students. The college will even provide a bus to Meridian. The first production is SOUND OF MUSIC, which will be presented October 20.

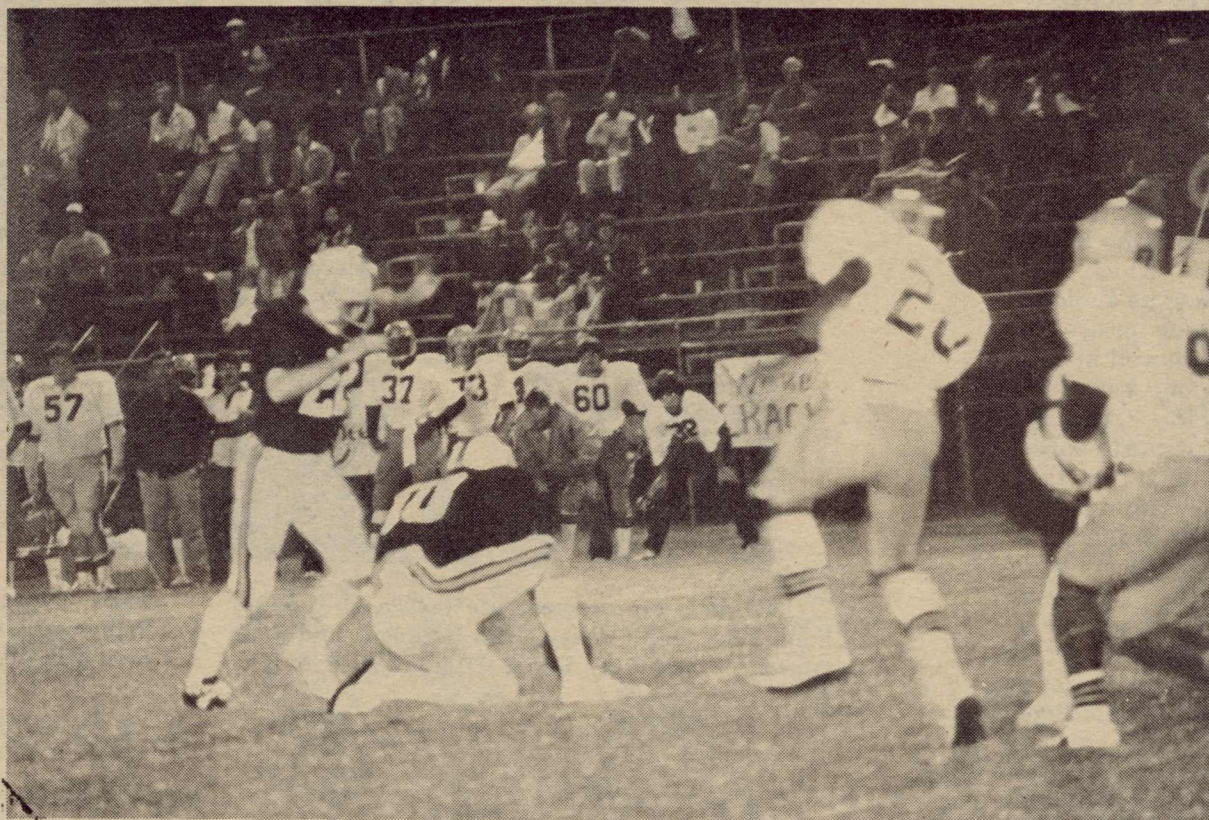
Any student who is interested in attending the show should watch the bulletin for the sign-up dates.



Final drop,  
add date  
is Oct. 14

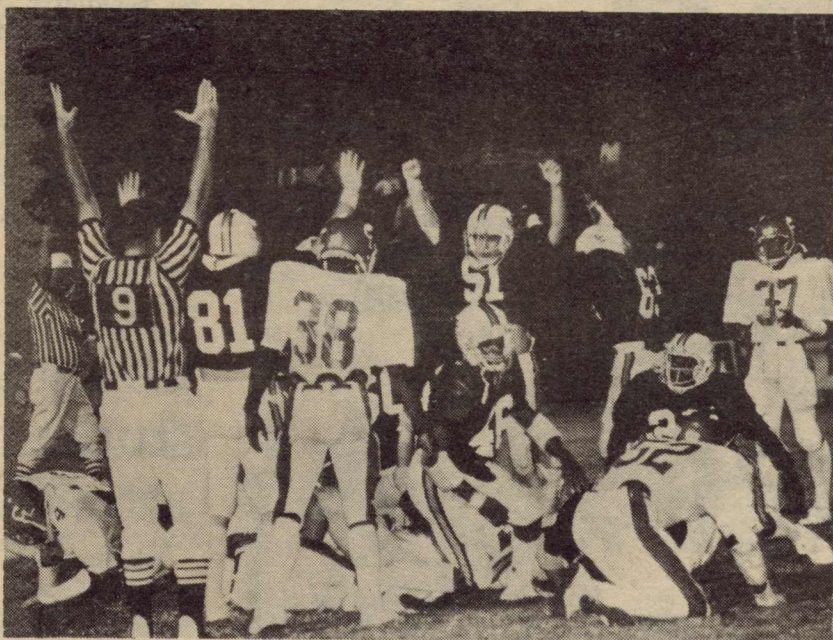
The last date for dropping a course with a grade of W is October 14. After that date, the student will receive G or an H, depending on whether he is passing or failing at the time of withdrawal. The G is given for withdrawing passing; the H indicates withdrawing failing.





# FOOTBALL

The Warriors Todd Wall (23) kicked a first half extra point out of Bob Posey's hold to put the Warriors ahead briefly 7-6 against Pearl River. Coming from behind in the closing moments, the Warriors scored from 40 yards out to win 21-18.



In the first victory of the season Ronnie Parker crossed the goal line with less than a minute to go in the first half. Blocking on the play were Joe Douglas (81), Ken Wallace, (51) and Early Clemons, (63). In the fourth quarter, Wayne Baucum made 2 TD's and Todd Wall kicked the extra points to put the Warriors on top 20-17.

## EC drops Pearl River in last minute victory

In one of the most exciting games of the year, the East Central Junior College Warriors upset nationally ranked Pearl River Junior College here in Decatur Saturday night. After a first quarter deficit of 6-0, the Warriors came back on a 40-yard touchdown pass from Micah Hazelwood to Ronnie Parker. The PAT was good by Tod Wall, and EC led by a score of 7-6.

Later in the second quarter, Pearl River scored again making the score 12-7. Pearl River held its lead going into the half. The second half began as if Pearl River was about to blow EC off the field. They took the opening kickoff and marched 77 yards to score a touchdown. The PAT failed. Pearl River led 18-7.

On EC's next possession, Hazelwood hit Joe Douglas on a ten yard touchdown

pass which culminated a drive of 80 yards. EC then decided to go for two points on the PAT. Hazelwood pitched back to halfback, Dale Reese who then fired a bullet to Tony Baker for the two. The score then stood at 18-15. This score held until EC managed to hold Pearl River on a fourth-and-one on their own 40-yard line. Then with 1:37 left in the game, Hazelwood threw a 42-yard bomb to Bruce McGee for the go-ahead touchdown. The PAT failed and EC led 21-18. Then, after the kickoff, on Pearl River's first play from scrimmage, Dale Reese recovered a Pearl River fumble to ice the victory.

EC's record now stands at 2-3, and the Warriors move into second place in the South Division.

—Jerry Holt  
Sports Editor

## Warriors hold 2-3 record

By JERRY HOLT  
Sports Editor

After a loss in their first game to Holmes, the ECJC Warriors defeated Copiah-Lincoln by a score of 20-17 in a hard-fought contest here in Decatur. On Sept. 17 EC traveled to Northwest Junior College and was defeated by a score of 26-7.

Two weeks ago, on Sept. 26, EC was defeated by Gulf Coast Junior College 24-14.

At press time the Pearl

River game, scheduled for Oct. 3, had not been played.

On Oct. 10 EC will host Itawamba for its homecoming. Everyone is invited to attend. The remainder of the EC football schedule is as follows:

Oct. 15 -- Hinds -- T  
Oct. 24 -- Jones -- T  
Oct. 31 -- Southwest -- H  
Nov. 7 -- East Miss. -- H

We request your full support by attending the remainder of the games this

season. We are expecting an exciting second half to this season, so be on hand to yell for the Warriors!

**ECJC vs. ITAWAMBA**  
**SAT., OCTOBER 10 - 7:30 P.M.**  
**Come out & support the Warriors**





# BASKETBALL

## East Central Junior College 1981-82 Basketball

### '81 season begins Nov. 9 at Meridian

By SHELLA WELCH

Since the first day of school, the Warriors and Warriorettes have been preparing for the date of November 9. Hard work and dedication can describe the players and coaches of the East Central Junior College Athletic Association. From 2:15-5:15 the gym is occupied by students who have pledged to be athletes and to contribute to the welfare of the team.

Whether hot or cool, rain or shine, basketball practice carries on. The weight program in which both teams participate in are the basics in their conditioning program. At the beginning of the season, the men were running outside and the women were conditioning inside. Now the ladies have taken to the streets and to the football field and bleachers

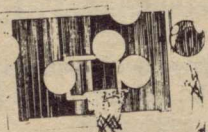
for the continuing process of strengthening and endurance.

Several Scrimmage games have been played by the men under the coaching of Herman Robinson. The women will also have several at a date later to be confirmed by Coach Wood.

Both teams look great and are really working hard. They asked for the support of the faculty members and the student body as they begin to approach the season that lies ahead. Circulating on the campus is a "WE SUPPORT THE WARRIORS AND WARRIOR-ETTES" page that will be placed in the basketball athletic program. Each person is asked to sign the page for one dollar and let the basketball teams know how much support they have.

Support our teams  
this  
season...

Be sure to sign  
the "We Support  
the Warriors-  
Warriorettes"  
page circulating  
on campus now..



Mon., Nov. 9	Meridian . . . . .	There
Thurs., Nov. 12	East Mississippi . . . . .	There
Sat., Nov. 14	Clark (Men) . . . . .	There
Mon., Nov. 16	Meridian . . . . .	Here
Thurs., Nov. 19	*Jones . . . . .	Here
Nov. 23-24	Tournament (Women) . . .	E. Miss.
Nov. 23-24	Tournament (Men) . . . .	Holmes
Thurs., Dec. 3	*Southwest . . . . .	Here
Mon., Dec. 7	*Pearl River . . . . .	There
Sat., Dec. 12	*Gulf Coast . . . . .	Here
Tues., Jan. 5	East Mississippi . . . . .	Here
Thurs., Jan 7	*Southwest . . . . .	There
Sat., Jan 9	Holmes . . . . .	Here
Tues., Jan. 12	*Gulf Coast . . . . .	There
Thurs., Jan 14	*Jones . . . . .	There
Sat., Jan. 16	Holmes . . . . .	There
Mon., Jan. 18	*Co-Lin . . . . .	Here
Thurs., Jan. 21	*Hinds . . . . .	There
Mon., Jan. 25	*Hinds . . . . .	Here
Thurs., Jan. 28	*Utica . . . . .	Here
Mon., Feb. 1	*Co-Lin . . . . .	There
Thurs., Feb. 4	*Pearl River . . . . .	Here
Tues., Feb. 9	*Utica . . . . .	There
Thurs., Feb. 11	Clark (Men) . . . . .	Here
Feb. 15-17-19	South (Men)	
Feb. 16-18-20	South (Women)	
Feb. 22-23	State (Men)	
Feb. 25-26	State (Women)	

\*South Division Games



## 1981 Football Cheerleaders

1981-82 East Central Junior College Cheerleaders are: (from left) Ruth Triplett of Louisville, Diane Griffin of Union, Sommer Posey of Philadelphia, Kim Chamblee of Newton, Charlotte Comans of Decatur, Teresa Goodwin of Newton, Jayna Hatcher of Louisville, and Vikki Jenkins of Philadelphia.



Nov. 4 and 5....

## Plans being set for Senior days

Tentative plans for Senior Day have been announced by Dean Denver Brackeen, East Central Dean of Students.

Instead of having six separate Senior Days as has been the custom, this year all five counties will come during a two-day period.

November 4 has been set up for Scott and Leake county students. November 5 has been set aside for Newton, Neshoba and Winston County high schools. During this two-day period, Dean Brackeen is expecting approximately 1,000 students to tour the campus.

Tentative plans call for arrival of the students between nine and ten o'clock each day. Tours will be given to small groups, and an assembly will follow for all students. The assembly program will include a welcome by Dr. Wright, a one-act play presented by the speech department, a fashion show by the modeling squad, and a musical presentation by the Collegians.

Box lunches will be served on the Mall. The afternoons will be devoted to special group meetings.

Senior Day is especially important to the recruiting program at East Central. Student registration provides the names, addresses, and phone numbers of students in the five-county area so that additional contact can be made with the student in the spring semester and throughout the summer.

## Stokes is president of HomeEc club

Michell Stokes of Nanih Waiya is president of the Home Economics Club on campus.

She will be assisted by Robert Covington of Philadelphia, vice-president; Kay Fryery of Philadelphia, secretary; and Romona Benton of Forest, reporter.

The Home Economics Club acquaints the members with the use of the tools and techniques of the Home Economics field; and it attempts to stimulate interest in that field.

One of the fund-raising activities of the club is the annual MESS East Central pageant in the spring.

Mrs. Alice Pouncey is sponsor of the club.

## Larry Jackson fills Music Dept. slot

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

Mr. Larry Jackson has filled the position of teacher and sponsor in the Music Department here at EC. He replaced Mr. Heritage who is presently working on his degree.

Larry was born May 29, 1954 in Boston, Mass. He is the son of a minister and has one brother who attends Texas A&M. He has moved extensively throughout his

life to places as far as Ipswich, England, although he has lived mainly in Northeast, MS.

Mr. Jackson graduated from high school in 1972 in Huntingdon, Tenn. From there he entered Freed-Hartman College and finished in 1976 with a BA in speech and a minor in voice. He then went on to Ole Miss where he completed requirements for a B.M. and

M.M. in Voice and an M.M. (Master of Music) in Composition.

After college, Larry taught at a Christian Jr. College in Montgomery, Alabama. He also worked on his doctorate at both Ole Miss and Southern.

Here at EC, Mr. Jackson teaches choir, voice, music appreciation, and sponsors a student singing group called The Collegians.

Among his interests are reading, Bible study, playing golf and racquet ball, needlepoint and obviously music.

Among his honors are selection as one of several Outstanding Young Men of America for 1981 and is presently a preliminary candidate for the 1982-83 White House Fellowship.

## Harvey Trapp named new EC Business Manager

Harvey Trapp, East Central Accounting teacher since 1972, has been named new business manager for the college. Mr. Trapp who took over his new position on October 1, replaces Pery Winegarden, who left to accept a position with the State Budget Commission.

A native of Philadelphia, Mr. Trapp holds an A.A. degree from East Central and a B.S. and a M.M.S. from Mississippi State University.

Before coming to East Central to teach, Mr. Trapp held accounting and supervisory positions in Meridian, Philadelphia, and Decatur. He is the owner of an accounting firm in Decatur.

Mr. Trapp says of his new job, "I am honored by the support shown to me by the board and the administration. I know that this is a big responsibility. But I am looking forward to the challenge of the job."



Harvey Trapp has been named new business manager.

## A.A.E. selects officers

Randy Russell of Decatur has been elected president of Alpha Alpha Epsilon, an organization for pre-engineering students and industrial arts majors.

Other officers are Terri Russell of Decatur, vice-president; Kevin Montgomery of Newton, reporter; Ricky Shannon of Lena, treasurer; and Roger Gunn of Forest, secretary.

Alpha Alpha Epsilon's purpose is to promote the social and economic welfare of the engineer and to

encourage and develop the efficiency of the engineers.

The club maintains the Andy Miller Garden which was developed in the area between Newton Hall and the student center. The garden is in honor of Mr. Andy Miller, a long-time

employee of the college who was given the nickname East Central's first engineer. The garden was established in 1974 by the AAE.

Dr. Shelby Harris is the club sponsor.

## Lost & Found Items

If any student has lost a personal item such as class ring, glasses, keys, etc., please go by the Lost & Found Box in Dean Brackeen's office.



# Tom-Tom, annual seek students' help

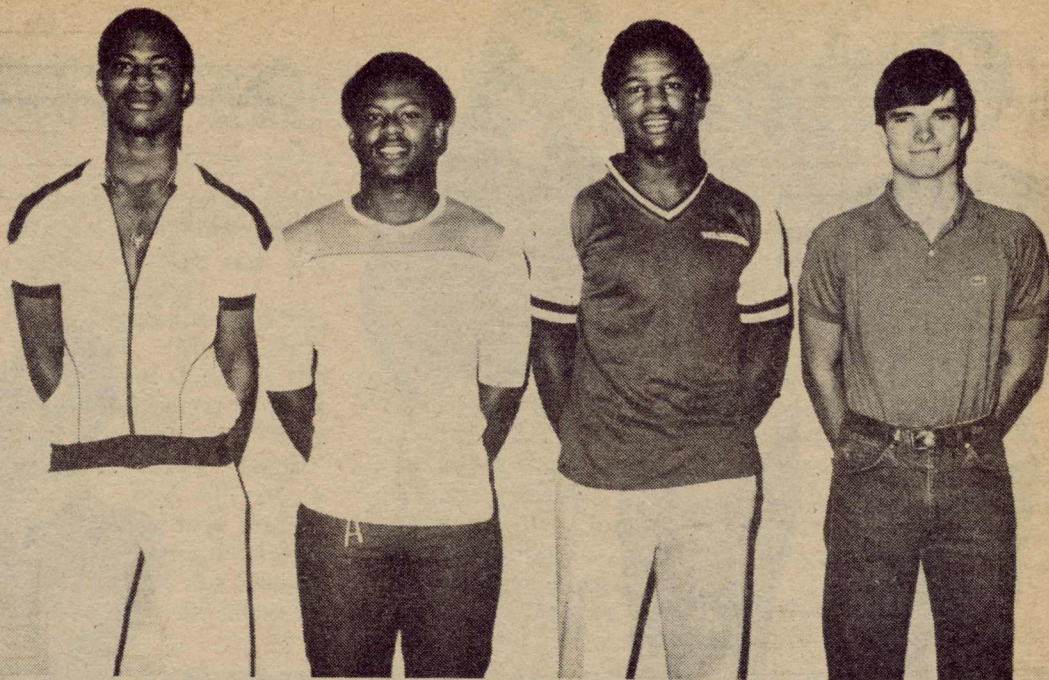
Students at East Central Junior College have two publications which are produced by the students, for the students. The monthly campus newspaper THE TOM TOM covers the news on campus.

Students are encouraged to participate in their newspaper by submitting story ideas, news items of campus interest, and other items of interest to the paper staff. Members of the executive staff of THE TOM TOM are Sherry Roebuck of Union, editor; Shelia Welch of Decatur, assistant editor; Kent Peckham of Conehatta news editor and Jerry Holt

of Hickory, sports editor. Paper sponsor is Mrs. Carrie Ann Alford.

The Wo-He-Lo recapps in words and pictures the activities, classes, and people each year at East Central. Mrs. Martha Graham is the annual sponsor.

Both the Tom-Tom and Wo-He-Lo invite any student who is interested to join their staffs. THE TOM TOM staff meets the first Monday of each month, eight period in room 105 of Newton Hall. Or interested students who would like to work on the annual may contact Mrs. Graham in the student services building.



East Central Junior College has recently organized Fellowship of Christian Athletes Huddle/Fellowship for men and women athletes who participate in varsity sports. The purpose of FCA is "To present to athletes and coaches and all whom they influence, the challenge and adventure of receiving Jesus Christ as Savior and Lord, serving Him in their relationships and in the fellowship of the Church." Officers for the men are (left to right) President-Ken Eiland of Louisville, Vice-President-Anthony Cunningham of Louisville, Secretary-Dale Reese of Hickory, and Treasurer-James Wood of Louisville. Sponsors for the men's FCA are Rickie Vaughn and Joe Clark.

## Moffitt is VICA '81-82 President

Patricia Moffitt from Louisville was elected president of the VICA Club at its first meeting of the year.

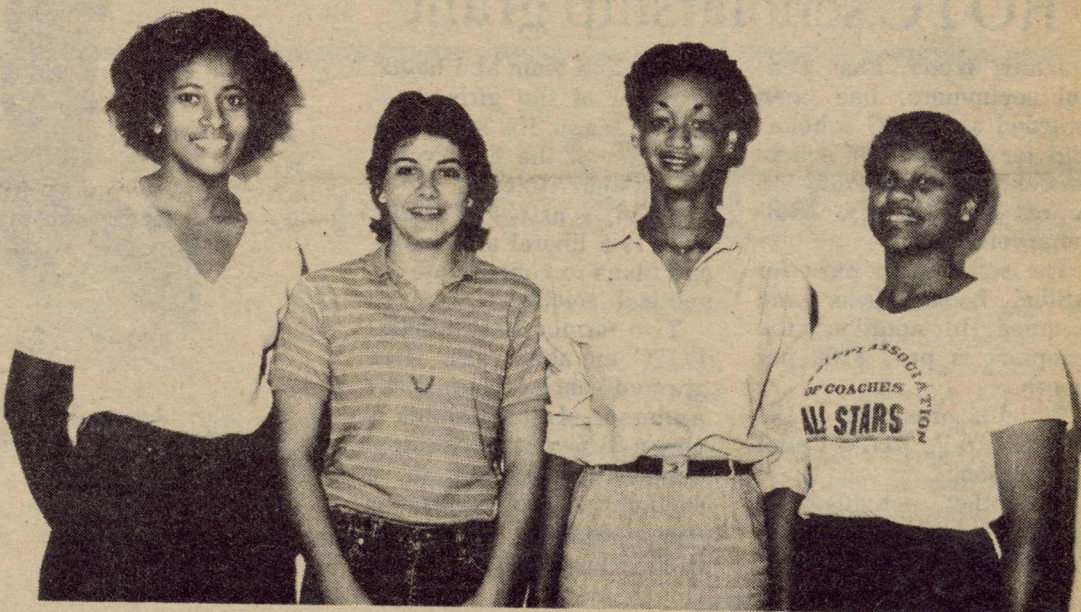
Other officers of the Club are Frederick Lyons, Philadelphia, vice-president; Toni Williams, Noxapater, secretary; Evie Seals, Nanih Waiya, reporter; Charley Walker, Newton, treasurer; Deborah McGee, Louisville, chaplin; Charley Baity, Lou-

isville, chaplain.

Membership in VICA has grown to 106 members this year. Plans are being made for a big year.

The first club activity for the year was a cookout on October 8.

Any vocational student who has not joined the organization may still join until November.



Women's officers are Shelia Welch, president, Angie Ryals, vice-president; Sandra Edwards, secretary; and Dorothy Jackson, treasurer.

## Lacy is frosh pres.

The Freshman Class will be headed this year by Robert Lacy of Union. Other officers are Donna Whitehead of Union, vice-president; Karen Tingle of Decatur, secretary; and Cindy Goodin of Louisville, reporter.

Evie Seals of Louisville

and Ted Manning of Philadelphia will represent the freshman class on the Student Body Association. Kevin Price is VICA representative to the SBA.

Sponsors of the class are Mrs. Pouncey and Mr. Shoemaker.

## Welch is soph prexy

Shelia Welch, a Decatur sophomore, will preside over the sophomore class this year. Elected to serve with her are Todd Wall of Decatur, vice-president; Diane Griffin of Union, secretary, and Dale Reese of Hickory, reporter.

Representing the class as SBA representatives are Elaine Fulton of Philadelphia, Randy Russell of Decatur, and Karen Gray of Union.

Faculty sponsors are Mrs. Lois McMulland and Mrs. Martha Graham.

## Second break-in reported in Recreation Center

By KENT PECKHAM

For the second time in two weeks the student recreation center has been robbed. The vending machines were broken into and the money taken.

Monday night, October 5, a person or persons gained entry through an upstairs door by use of a crowbar. They proceeded to systematically rob the machines in the game room as well as several machines in the student center proper. The thieves also unsuccessfully attempted to break into the money changer and safe.

Authorities remain perplexed by the case and no substantial evidence or leads have been unearthed. No estimate is available on the amount taken. The school asks that anyone having knowledge of or facts concerning the robbery promptly notify the sheriff's office.

Earlier this month, the game room had been robbed of approximately \$400.

## ECJC Players elect officers for new year

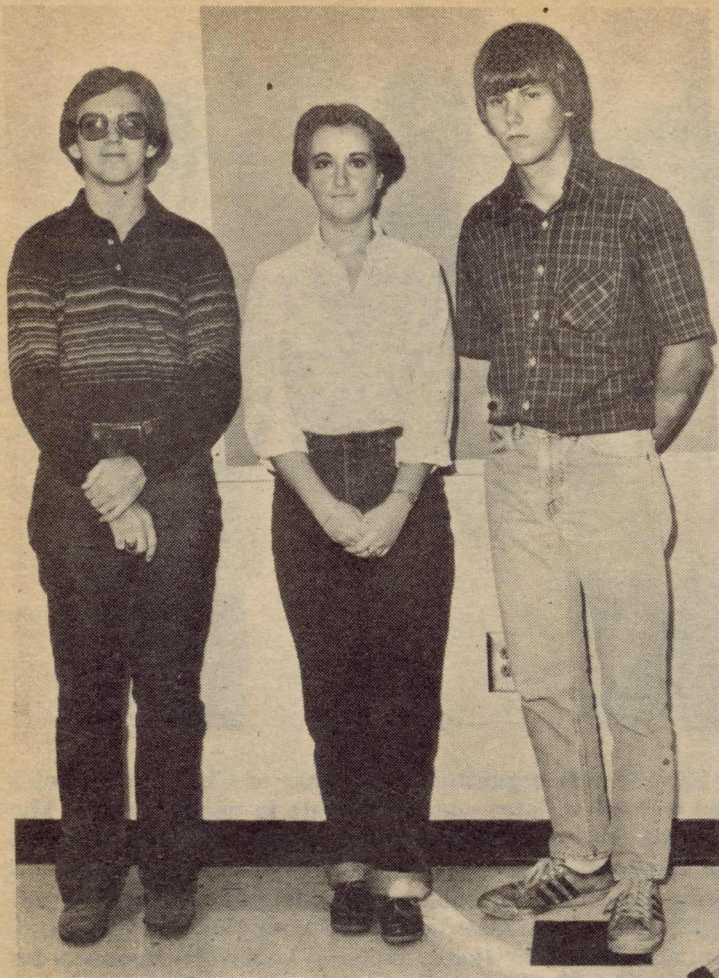
The ECJC Players have elected Kevin Winstead to serve as president for the 1981-82 school year.

Other officers are Jesse Davis, vice-president; Heather Sammons, secretary; and Joan Alawine, reporter. Terri Donald is responsi-

ble for play reading to select the 3 one-acts to be presented at the Dinner Theater. Tentative dates for the fall production are November 10-12.

Mr. Bruce Peterson is the sponsor of the organization.





Sigma Sigma Mu Tau officers are John Cumberland program chairman; Mev Thrash, secretary-treasurer; and Gary Moore, president.

## James Woods earns 2 year ROTC scholarship grant

James Wood, East Central sophomore, has been awarded an ROTC scholarship for the 1981-82 school session. The scholarship can be renewed for two additional years.

The scholarship pays for tuition, books, fees, and supplies. In addition, the recipient is paid \$100 per month.

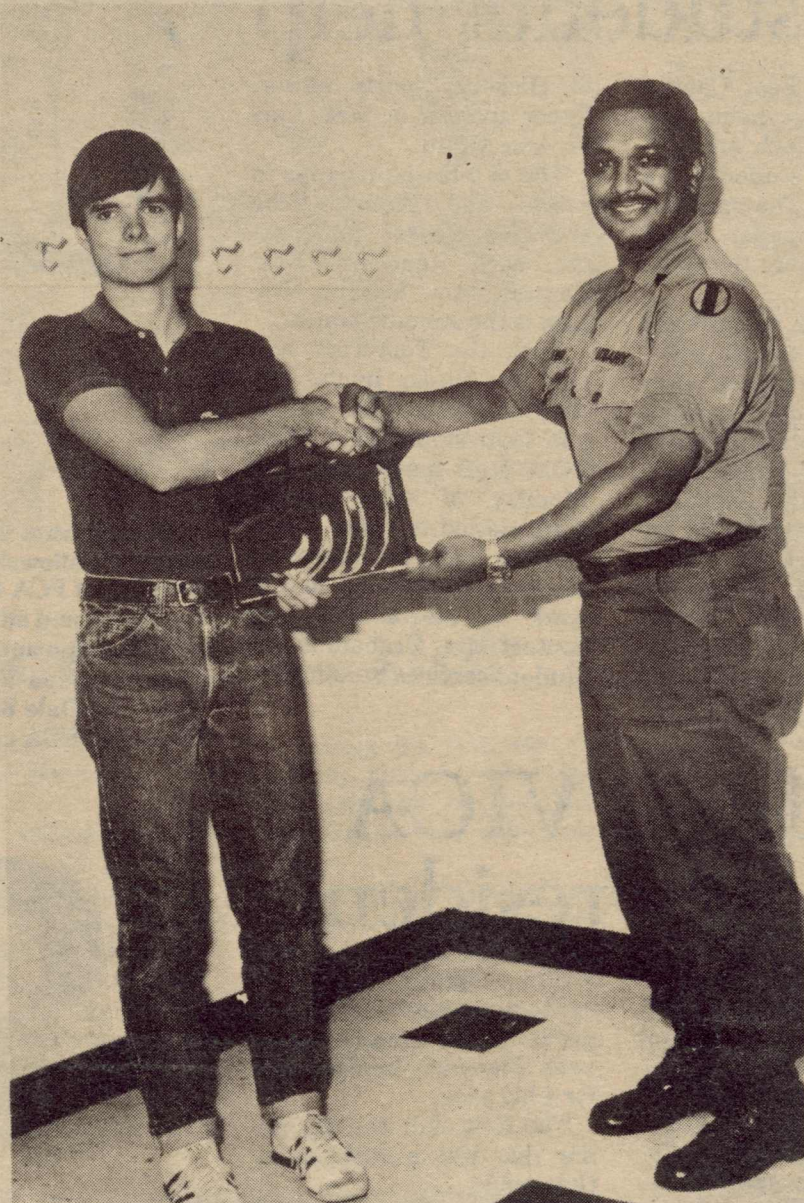
Wood is president of the East Central's ROTC Cadet Association.

His other activities on campus include being a member of Phi Theta Kappa

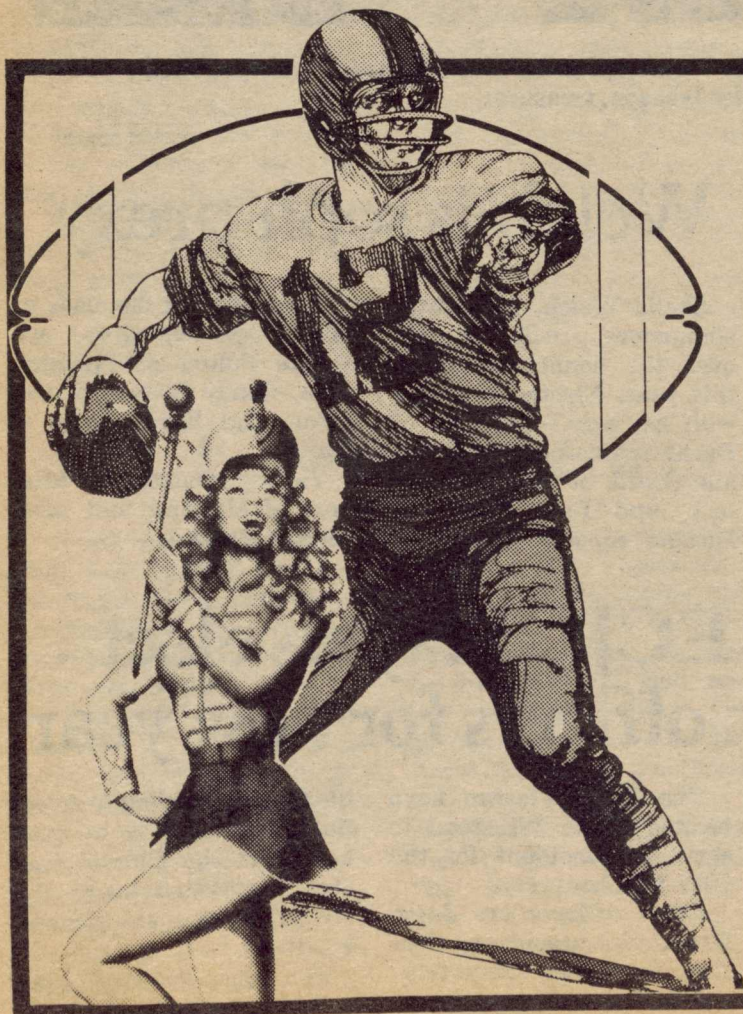
and the golf team and being manager of the girls' basketball team. He serves as treasurer of the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Wood, a native of Louisville, is a liberal arts major and plans to concentrate on political science.

Two former East Central ROTC members also were granted scholarships. Ricky Anderson of Philadelphia is now a junior at Mississippi State, and Dave Smith, a sophomore from Decatur is now attending Ole Miss on ROTC scholarships.



James Wood has been awarded an ROTC scholarship for the year. The award is being presented to him by Seargent Lawson.



# HOMECOMING

Saturday, October 10

4:00 P.M. - Downtown parade

4:30 P.M. - Reception honoring 1981  
Alumnus of the Year

5:30 P.M. - Alumni Banquet

7:30 P.M. - East Central vs. Itawamba

Halftime, crowning of the 1981  
Homecoming Queen & Court



# Profs demonstrate new talents(?)

By SHELIA WELCH  
"Ladies and gentlemen, boys and girls, cats and goats, (inside joke of those who were privileged enough to respond to the invitation presented by the Phi Theta Kappa member). Step inside and prepare yourself for the greatest thrill in talent's history. Since President Reagan has sent many of the employed to become unemployed,

ed, E.C. faculty members have dropped down to only a very few who shall continue to "hold" the school together.

Unemployment has caused ten of East Central's best to turn to careers that students thought someone who lectured the entire class period, or shhhd us in the library or those who just enjoyed giving students a hard time, could

never do. But on Tuesday night a sample was given of the talented and the not so talented.

To begin the audition for jobs, Mrs. June Vaughn sat down at the piano and began to peck out the tune to "Mary Had a Little Lamb" (booo.) but all of a sudden her little fingers began to play a beautiful rendition of the melody in which we all loved as

children. Congratulations on such an outstanding performance Mrs. Vaughn.

Mrs. Elizabeth Rowell the French Instructor sang two Christmas carols, Holy Night and Silent Night. What's so fantastic about that? It was in French. Excellent performance Mrs. Rowell.

Mrs. Anne Burkes, the librarian, favored us with a new version of "Cin-

derella" called "Rendacilla". Although the lady who was dressed in overalls had a slight speech impairment, she thinks she might make it big on the nationally known "Hee Haw".

Mrs. Gail Wood returned to her childhood with her mini-dress and lollipop to favor us with a piano solo written by the

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## 24 named to 'Who's Who list

Twenty-four sophomores have been named to Who's Who in American Junior Colleges for this school year. This award is conferred annually upon outstanding student leaders in junior colleges across the nation. Selections are made by campus nominating committees and are based on academic standing, community service, leadership ability and future potential.

Joan Alawine, from Union is active in the ECJC Players, French Club, BSU, Phi Theta Kappa, Modeling Squad, Collegians, and band. She was a 1980 school beauty. She plans to major in Broadcast Journalism.

Early Clemons, a graduate of Neshoba Central, is a Drafting major. A member of the football team, Early is a member of Phi Theta Kappa and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes.

Diane Griffin, of Union, is head cheerleader on campus. She is active in the Modeling Squad. She has been a member of the homecoming court for two years, and was class favorite last year.

Gwen Guthrie of Forrest is serving as vice-president of Phi Theta

Kappa. She has won numerous awards in 4-H. She is a business major.

Shellye Hill, a graduate of Louisville High School, is majoring in Accounting. She is drum major for the band, a member of the Collegians and the choir, missions chairman of BSU, and a member of Phi Theta

Kappa. Shellye was Maid of Honor in this year's Homecoming.

Jerry Holt, a graduate of Hickory High School, is president of Phi Theta Kappa, sports editor of the Tom-Tom, and a member of the Collegians and the choir. He is a member of the ECJC baseball team. Jerry is

majoring in banking and finance.

Ruth Hurley of Beulah Hubbard is active in Phi Theta Kappa, the band, and the players. She is majoring in Business Education.

Vikki Jenkins, a graduate of Neshoba Central, is a math major. On campus she participates

in Phi Theta Kappa, and the Modeling Squad. She is a cheerleader and secretary of Mu Alpha Theta. In homecoming, she served as both a freshman and a sophomore maid. Last year she was elected Freshman Favorite.

Randall Lee of Beulah Hubbard is majoring in social work. He is a member of both the football team and the baseball team. His other activities include the French club, Phi Theta Kappa and Fellowship of Christian Athletes. He won the French award last year.

Janie McMillan of Newton is majoring in Music and Elementary Education. On campus she is active in SEA, MENC, ECJC Players, Phi Theta Kappa, French Club and the band. She is secretary of MENC and treasurer of the French Club.

Kim Murphy, a graduate of Neshoba Central is majoring in Special Education. On campus, Kim is a member of the basketball team, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, SEA, and Phi Theta Kappa. She is secretary of SBA. In homecoming, Kim was sophomore

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Named to Who's Who in American Colleges and Universities were: (1st row) Gwen Guthrie, Lorri Seal, Diane Griffin, Vikki Jenkins, Traci Stringfellow, Mev Thrash, Joan Alawine, Michelle Stokes. (2nd row) Janie Kate McMillan, James Wood, Shellye Hill, Kevin Winstead, Ruth Hurley, Sherry Roebuck, Kim Murphy. (3rd row) Sheila Welch, Roger Gunn, Randy Russell, Jerry Holt, Randall Lee, Early Clemmons, David Reynolds.



# Mu Alpha Theta awards chapter on EC campus

Decatur, MS, November 25, 1981--East Central Jr. College has been honored this week by election to Mu Alpha Theta, an international junior college mathematics club.

The announcement was made by Dr. Harold V. Huneke, national secretary-treasurer, to Mu Alpha Theta and professor of mathematics at the University of Oklahoma where the national office is located.

Only those schools with excellent mathematics programs can earn membership in the club since all courses in mathematics and the qualifications of the mathematics facul-

ty and students are examined in detail by the club's Governors and National Officers.

To be eligible for membership, minimum requirements are that a student must have completed with distinction at least four semesters of college preparatory mathematics and be enrolled in the fifth semester. He also must have an overall grade average of at least a "B" in all of his high school work.

"Membership in Mu Alpha Theta is the highest possible for a high school or junior college student of mathematics," Dr. Huneke said. "Club activities consist of work

in areas of mathematics not usually covered in the classroom."

Mu Alpha Theta was founded in 1957 at the University of Oklahoma and has grown to more than 2,000 clubs in 46 states and Canada, Japan, Puerto Rico, the Canal Zone, Iceland, Turkey, Brazil, and Okinawa.

The club is co-sponsored by the Mathematical Association of America and the National Council of Teachers of Mathematics and has attracted the attention of top mathematics scholars in this country and abroad. Dr. Shelby Harris is the advisor to the club.

## Singing Christmas Tree planned for Dec. 6 and 9

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

The ECJC Choir presented a concert Wednesday, December 2, 1981 in the Fine Arts Auditorium.

The choir sang ten songs ranging from Negro spirituals to an arrangement of the all time favorite "Dixie".

The choir, under the direction of Mr. Larry Jackson, will present the

annual "singing Christmas tree" on Sunday Dec. 6 and Wednesday Dec. 9 at 7:00.

Other plans for the year include the Mississippi Jr. College Choral Festival which will be held in Jackson. The choir will also perform at area churches and will present a spring concert in April.



Scenes from the Dinner Theater— Kevin Winstead and Joan Alawine are deeply engrossed in conversation in "Boy Meets Family".

## Who's Who listings.... Continued from page 1....

maid.

Kent Peckham, of Conehatta, is a drafting major. He is assistant editor of the Tom-Tom.

David Reynolds, a graduate of Winston Academy, is a member of the football team, and the ECJC Players. He participated in last year's musical. He plans to major in geology.

Sherry Roebuck of Union edits the Tom-Tom and the BSU paper. She is active in intramurals and the ECJC Players. Her major is Liberal Arts.

Lori Seal is a computer science major from Union. Her activities on campus include the Centralettes, the Modeling Squad, Phi Theta Kappa,

and ECJC Players.

Michelle Stokes, a graduate of Nanih Waiya High School, is an Elementary Education major. She serves as president of the Home Economics Club. Her other activities include Phi Theta Kappa, SEA and intramurals.

Traci Stringfellow of Louisville is in Pre-Nursing. Her activities include Centralettes, BSU Fellowship Chairman, and SBA Vice-President. She was a sophomore maid in Homecoming.

Mev Thrash is a physical therapy major from Decatur. Her activities include Sigma Sigma Mu Tau, Phi Theta Kappa, French Club and ECJC Players. She is secretary

of both Sigma Sigma Mu Tau and the French Club.

Shelia Welch is an accounting major from Decatur. A member of the basketball team, Shelia is president of the sophomore class, the Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the Gospel Choir. She is also feature editor of the Tom-Tom.

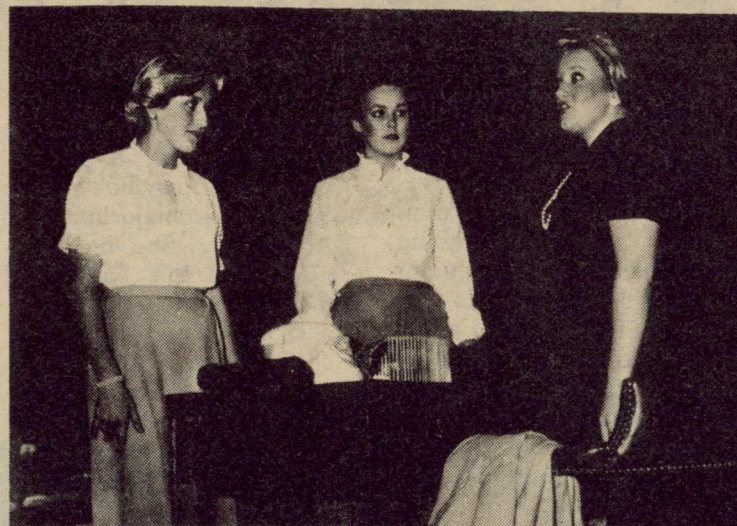
Kevin Winstead of Union is a speech communication major. Serving as president of the Players, he is active in the French Club, band, and Collegians.

James Wood of Louisville is majoring in Political Science. His activities on campus include Phi Theta Kappa, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the golf team. He is president of ROTC, and last year he won the Freshman Superior Cadet award.

Randy Russell an engineering major from Decatur, is a member of the football team. He is vice president of MAT, president of A.A.E., and SBA representative for the sophomore class.

Other members of Who's Who are Signa Miles and Roger Gunn, who are active in Phi Theta Kappa.

These students will be recognized in the seventeenth annual edition of Who's Who Among Students in American Junior Colleges.



In "Street of Good Friends", Donna Bounds, Kim Chamblee, and Rhonda Rhodes have become "street climbers".



Summer Posey and Ken Hackman have a park scene in "What's Wrong With the Girls?"

## THE TOM-TOM

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## Day of reckoning with grades approaches

By KENT K. PECKHAM

Well, we have partied away the better part of a semester...long nights enveloped by the fallout of an alcoholic haze, success and failure in love, and, at times, rare moments of insight. But now, as time rushes forward with stubborn persistency, we begin to realize that we have paid a harsh price for our preoccupation with self-gratification. Our grades we find, have plummeted

to a point somewhere twixt mediocrity and the depths of despair. We envision the chagrin of our parents as they open the all-important grade report. What then can we do to change the ill tide and so avoid the lash of parental anger?

Fortunately, the system within which we operate provides a "last gasp" for the cronic party-goer in the form of final examinations. Fol-

lowing are some tips for doing well on these exams:

(1) determine to sacrifice some party time to the vehement worship of the God of Knowledge.

(2) since we haven't studied all year, we must be content merely in becoming familiar with the material; memorization at this point is useless if not impossible.

(3) develop a schedule for study and adhere to it as if life itself depends

upon doing so.

(4) to avoid fatigue, limit study to one hour periods broken by rest periods of 10 minutes.

(5) select a study site free of disturbances (yes, this includes radio, TV, etc.)

(6) outline all important material and study until reasonably sure of it's content.

(7) pray to selected gods for insight and wisdom.



Bill Watson and Said Hashimi represented East Central at the Mississippi International Student Conference at Camp Garaywa.

## Mrs. Roberta Holt is accounting instructor

By SHERRY ROEBUCK

Mrs. Roberta Holt of Union has been selected as the new accounting teacher for East Central. She replaced Mr. Harvey Trapp who now serves as ECJC's business manager.

Mrs. Holt received a BS degree in Accounting and a MS degree in Business Administration from Mississippi Univer-

sity for Women.

Before coming to EC, Mrs. Holt was an accountant for Ergon, Inc. in Jackson for two years. She also served as an accountant for W.T. Blackwell in Philadelphia for two years.

Mrs. Holt is married to Harry Holt who is the owner and operator of Southern Audio Visual Repair in Union.

## Frosh-heavy basketball team has 2-6 worksheet

By JERRY HOLT  
Sports Editor

The East Central men's basketball team got off to a difficult start this season with a record of 2 wins and 6 losses. Scores of the earlier games were:

Miss. Delta 61 - EC 59  
Holmes 101 - EC 69  
Jones 82 - EC 79  
Meridian 88 - EC 69  
Meridian 68 - EC 73  
Clarke 83 - EC 98 W  
East Miss. 74 - EC 78 W  
Southwest 89 - EC 75

Outstanding players for the Warriors this season have been; Mike Shirley with a 21.4 game point average, Joe Ken-

namer with a 16 point average, Eddie Griffin with a 14 point average and an average of 12 rebounds per game, and Ken Eiland with a 10 point average.

Coach Robinson stated that "The whole team is made up of freshmen, except for Mike Shirley, and as the season goes along we will get stronger." Coach Robinson also said that he had been having good efforts from everyone on the team and that the main problem is due to the fact that "We are weak in rebounding because of a lack of height."

Finish 3rd in EMJC tournament....

## Warriorettes off to fast start with five wins, two losses

By SHELLA WELCH

The East Central Women's Basketball team has gotten off to a good start for the 1981 season. The Warriorettes are now sporting a 5-2 record with the losses coming from games against East Mississippi and Holmes Junior Colleges.

At the beginning of the season, November 9, 1981, EC put a whipping on Meridian, defeating them 83-62. Leading the pack in scoring was Joanne Earnest with 22 points and 11 rebounds followed by Stephanie Townsend with 11 points.

The second game against East Miss. did not come out with the same after effects. Scooba defeated the Warriors 80-61. Joanne Earnest and Stephanie Townsend led the Warriors in scoring again with 20 and 11 points respectively.

On November 16, the Warriorettes took advantage of their home court by defeating Meridian 71-63. Pam Coleman sunk 20 points followed by Stephanie Townsend with 18.

To keep up their winning streak, EC defeated Jones 90-79. Joanne Earnest once again led the Warriorettes with 23 points. Mattie Burnside added 16 while Pam Coleman and Shella Welch both added 15 and Stephanie Townsend added 12.

To begin the tournament at East Mississippi, EC took on the rivalrous Holmes Junior College. With EC leading 33-30 at half time Holmes came back to defeat EC 84-64. Neither Earnest's 17 points, Welch's 13 or Coleman's 12 points were enough to pull out the

victory, nor did 36 turnovers help the situation any.

The final afternoon of the Tournament, East Central defeated Gulf Coast 72-65 to come in 3rd place in the Invitational tournament. Townsend led the Warriors with 19 points followed by Burnside with 12, Earnest 11, and Welch with 10.

The season record thus far is 5-2 with a 2-0 conference record. The accumulative record for the Warriorettes is as follows:

Turnovers: East Central- 132, Opponents 121

Recoveries: EC- 81, Opponents- 68

Assists: EC- 41, Opponents- 14

Offensive Rebounds: EC- 94, Opponents- 69

Defensive Rebounds: EC- 134, Opponents- 122

Field Goals Att.: EC- 457, Opponents- 406

Field Goals Made: EC- 191, Opponents- 180

Free Throws Att.: EC- 104, Opponents- 110

Free Throws Made: EC- 59, Opponents- 73

Total Points Per Game: EC- 441, Opponents- 433

Points Averaged Per Game: EC- 73.5, Opponents- 72



JoAnne Earnest takes a shot in the Warriorettes game against Itawamba.





Receiving letter jackets in football are 1st row L to R: Andy Johns, Raymond Alley, Dean LeBlanc, Tod Wall, Bob Posey, David Reynolds, Ronnie Parker, 2nd row L to R: Joe Douglas, Eddie Goss, Fredrick Lyons, Sammy Breland, Bob Yarbrough, Joey Sharp, and Marcus Evans. Standing L to R: Wayne Baucum, Dave Doby, Bruce MGee, Tony Baker, Scott Quisenberry, Jim Kennamer, Jesse Hudson, Jerry Gallaspy, Randall Lee, Early Clemmons, Anthony Cunningham, and Micah Hazlewood.

## Talent

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one and only Beethoven.

Mr. Roudolph Mayes gave up his hunting career of deer and possum sized roaches to light up the stage when he played "You Are My Sunshine" on his harmonica. Keep blowing, Mr. Mayes.

Mrs. Ruth Ezelle and Mr. Larry Blackburn got everyone to relax as Mrs. Ezelle read the fairy tale "The Little Red Hen" to Mr. Blackburn, her great grandson. Their act was so well performed that the judges awarded them 2nd place.

Ms. Charlene Gray gave a glimpse of her talents when she sang and played "Could I Have This Dance" a popular tune from the movie "Urban Cowboy". Watch out Dallas and J.R. because here comes Charlene to take someone's position and show her southern skill.

Beware fans of Box Car Willie and Slim Whitman, Mr. Ovid Vickers is shining through as the next contender in music. The folk songs added humor and joy as he sung "Little Mary Fagan" and "Careless Love."

Ms. Gloria Hollingsworth changed the famous question "to be or not to be" to "to marry or not to marry" as she showed the three phases of marriage in her skit. She won first place, but the question still hasn't been answered. So, what's the answer Ms. H?

Dean Brackeen threw all of his other responsibilities away as he picked on his guitar the tune of "The Steel Guitar Rag". Third place was awarded for his spectacular performance.

The program was sponsored by the Phi Theta Kappa.

## EC Band performs in area parades

By SHELIA WELCH

East Central's band, composed of over 50 members including the Centralettes, flag girls, rifle twirlers and instrumentalists, has marched in Christmas parades since returning from the Thanksgiving holidays.

Monday, November 30 the parade was in Philadelphia.

Tuesday, December 1, the parade was in Union.

Thursday, December 3, the parade was in Louisville.

Friday, December 4, the parade was in Decatur and in Forest in the afternoon.

Monday and Tuesday the 6th and 7th, EC's black and gold marchers stepped down the street of Carthage and Morton.

The band enjoyed the performances and hopes that you were pleased and proud when they came marching up the streets of your home town.

## Basketball mid-season break

By JERRY HOLT

As of this time basketball is still under way in intramurals. It will pick up where it left off immediately following the Christmas break. Tournaments will take place at the middle or latter part of February.

Immediately following the basketball tournaments, intramural softball for men and women will begin (weather permitting). All students are urged to participate.

## Christmas brunch nets \$50

By SHELIA WELCH

The true and glorious meaning of Christmas was shown at East Central when the Music Club presented the Christmas brunch on Tuesday, December 1. The Music Club, a fund raising organization, is willing to raise money for any worthy cause. The mem-

bers usually donate money during this time but this year they decided to sell items and contribute the earnings to the welfare to help buy Christmas gifts for under privileged children. Approximately \$50 was raised by selling orange juice, sausage and biscuits, donuts, ham sandwiches, cokes and coffee.

Roy Crudup, the Vice President of the Music Club, said that "the program was a success, and it gave him a good feeling of sharing and helping those less fortunate." The Christmas spirit of giving and sharing pays off when one can see a child smile on Christmas morning. One should always remember what Christmas really stands for. This Christmas, make yourself a promise—a promise to give until you feel a wonderful and moving spirit within. Always remember that the more you give the more you will receive. It doesn't

mean to go to a famous expensive store and buy nice gifts. One can give of himself the greatest gift of all—the gift of love.

Merry Christmas!

## Warriors lose to Holmes in playoffs

By JERRY HOLT  
Sports Editor

The East Central Junior College Warrior football team ended the regular season with a heart-breaking last-minute loss to Scooba by a score of 31-27. However, EC did go to the playoffs losing to Holmes in the first game by a score of 24-15.

EC had four players who participated in the State All-Star game. These players were: Bob Yarbrough, Ronnie Parker, Tony Baker, and Jim Kennamer. Both Baker and Kennamer had TDs in the game.

## Five schools in tournament

By JERRY HOLT  
Sports Editor

On Dec. 9th, 10th, and 11th, East Central will host a High-School Invitational Basketball Tournament. Teams from the surrounding high schools of Union, Bay Springs, Decatur, Hickory, and West Lauderdale will participate.

EC hosts this tourney every year and hopes that our student body will take part. However, student IDs will not be valid at the ticket office.



Tony Baker, Bob Yarbrough, and Ronnie Parker participated in the annual Junior College All-Star Football Game. Also participating was Jim Kennamer, who is not pictured.