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"The Priceless Reach"

The 2004 academic year promises to be one of rememberance. The theme for the Uticanite is, 'The Priceless Reach.''The memories this edition will attempt to capture are priceless. Your being a part of this academic experience is not coincidental. It is predestined, therefore, within your reach..

Mr. Tim Rush, Dean of Students, demonstrates his skills on the grill during Community Day activities held in August. By the end of the day, Dean Rush was not the only person who considered him "The Master Chef."

The College doesn't savor begin when a student enters high school, it begins a process of maturation а child when the mind allows venture to beyond a moment. There he/she to begins see. That vision takes him/her into a world worth exploring. In that world he/she discovers their

meaning, their purpose. It all starts when one person decides to "reach" and realizes that it extends beyond a value system.

Education is "Priceless."

J'Kyah Newman is a toddler in the Freddie Jackson Child Care Development Center. She is getting prepared to work at the Arts and Crafts Station, one of several stations designed to aid students in their learning and development.





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LaTonya Thomas, Miss Utica Campus, center, and her girls gather on the plaza for a few minutes of refreshing and relaxation, chatter and chips before heading of to their next class.

Their goal is to keep it real and education is as real as it gets.

Pictured with Tomas are, from left, Arean Alston, Shatira Weathersby, and LaShunda Griffin.

Below, a goup of children burn of a little energy before eating. The competition was intense with no entry dropping out before the end of the race. Therefore, they were all winners.

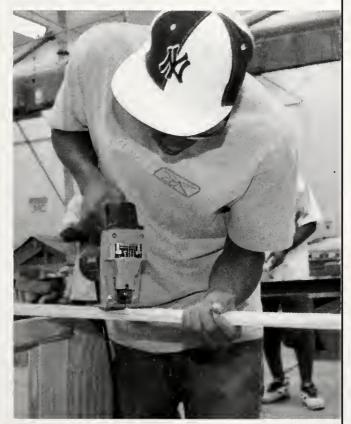
Mrs. LaKetha Berry, child development technology instructor, in back, coordinated the children games during Community Day festivities.



Jalon enjoys the sunshine and a good book that just so happens to be a reading assignment. She wastes no time in getting started.

Jalon is a freshman residence hall student from Camden.





Left, Building Construction student does his share in the completion of a classroom project that required participation from each individual. The class divided the project up into sections and they each performed a task that was graded by the instructor, Mr. Leonard Knight.

Making a Difference In the Life of One Individual...

Priceless!

Yet, within your grasp!



Dr. Davis is captured during Thanksgiving Dinner Program held Sunday, November 23, 2003, where she Mistress of Ceremony. The Boyd Gym.



Dr. Davis, left, was selected to represent thirty year employees during the 2003 Centennial Coronation Ball. Also pictured are, Mrs. Ellestene Turner and Mrs. Deborah Danner whose combined years equal seventy to make a total of 100 in honor of the Centennial.

Dr. Davis and Ms. Jean Green discuss ideas on displaying the Holzclaw Touring Exhibit on which they worked collaboratively. The Exhibit went on tour in February 2003. The Exhibit was first displayed at the Vicksburg Southern Heritage Complex.



he eyes of a man are shallow and will allow one the vision of a specific distance and parameter. So, when we look with our eyes, we see with our eyes. When we look with our hearts, the value of one man expands our

human comprehension. Therefore, in dedicating this 2003-2004 Uticanite, we looked with our hearts and saw one individual whose charge to this institution is "priceless."

Dr. Shirley Hopkins-Davis, the Uticanite Staff proudly dedicates this 2003-2004 edition to you.

Your tireless efforts and unmatchless allegiance have not been obscured. The Utica Campus Family appreciates and recognizes you even though we sometime forget to say "thank you" for all you do.

A Job Well Done...

Priceless!





Pictured left: Dr. Davis is pictured with Ms. Jean Green, wearing vintage clothing from the 1900s, and Mrs. Verna Rollins, granddaughter of Utica Campus founder Dr. William H. Holtzclaw. The picture was taken during the opening gala of the William H. Holtzclaw Touring Exhibit.

Dr. Davis and Ms. Green planned and coordinated the exhibit.

Dr. Davis is pictured with nationally- known operatic soprano and great grandaughter of Dr. Willam H. Holtzclaw and Dr. Bobby Cooper following a concert by Johnson which was sponsored as a fund-raiser for the restoration of the Holtzclaw Mansion.

Centennial Update

"Embracing the Legacy, Upholding the Promise"

Dr. Shirley Davis and Ms. Jean Green presented the Holtzclaw Touring Exhibit.

The Utica Campus celebrated 100 years during the 2003 academic school year. A number of activities were held in celebration of that honor. The founder, Dr. William H. Holtzclaw and his accomplishments were at the focus of most the activities held. Although many of the activities remembered the school's founder, they were inclusive of those individuals who have continued the legacy of Dr. Holtzclaw making this institution what it is today.

Pictured on the next several pages are activities that were held in celebration of the school's 100 years.

Nine were inducted into the first Utica Campus Sports Hall of Fame.

Distinguished Alumni Awards Ceremony honored graduates from several areas of profession. Pictured is Attorney Gregory Davis.

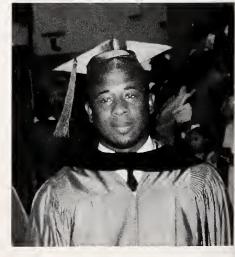
Students from Russia visited the Campus as a part of National Library Week.

The day all college students look forward to. Graduation was held Sunday, May 18, 2003, with Dr. Henry Johnson, State superintendent of Education, as keynoter.









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The 2003 Centennial theme, "Embracing the Legacy, Upholding the Promise," was never more befitting than during the Founder's Day celebration which was the highlight of the year. The U.S. Secretary of Education, the Honorable Rod Paige, delivered the keynote address. His message focused on the accomplishments of the Utica Campus and stressed the importance of "no child left behind."

Having worked at the Utica Campus from 1957-1963, Dr. Paige was among family and friends. Pictured right with Dr. Paige is Mr. Jobie Martin, a long time friend and HCC Board of Trustee member.

Below, he greets Mr. Hinds AHS, Larry Taylor, and other Hinds AHS students.





The Utica Campus was founded in 1903 by Dr. William H. Holtzclaw. Representatives from the Holtzclaw family attended many of the year long activities. Pictured above is Mrs. Verna Rollins, the granddaughter of Dr. Holtzclaw. Mrs. Rollins also delivered the keynote adddress at the Black History Month Program that was held February 11, 2003. Rollins' daughter, Opera Diva, Anita Johnson performed, along with Opera Tenor William Brown, in a benefit concert for the restoration of the Holtzclaw Mansion during the 2002 fall semester. Pictured above, the Utica Campus Choir performed a spiritual selection.

Pictured right, Dr. Paige adds a little humor to his message as he reflects on his years as an employee at the College.

Paige worked at the Utica Campus in several capacities. He was a teacher, basketball coach and football coach. His tenure at then Utica Junior College lasted from 1957-1963.









Founder's Day 2003

"Embracing the Legacy, Upholding the Promise"

The day began with a Prayer Breakfast and Memorial Service that honored the accomplishments of all previous presidents of the College. A candle was lit recognizing each of the college's nine former and present leaders. The candle lighting ceremony was performed by family members of the honorees or the honorees themselves. There were also several prayers. Those prayers included A Prayer of Thanksgiving, A Prayer for Peace, A Prayer for Unity, and A Prayer for Progress. Dr. George Barnes, Utica Campus vice president, ended the program with remarks.

Following the Prayer Breakfast and Memorial Service, the Founder's Day Program began with the Honorable Rod Paige, United States Secretary of Education, delivering the keynote address.

Over 500 guests were in attendance to hear Dr. Paige's message. Included in the guests were media from throughout central Mississippi.

The Centennial Planning Committee was recognized by the Board of Trustees for their work on the Centennial activities. Following the program, the College dedicated the Workforce Development Center, The William H. Holtzclaw Memorial Cemetery, The original site of the Utica Normal and Industrial Institute, and the Utica Campus Bell Tower in which bricks on the Tower floor were purchased and engraved as a fundraiser for the restoration of the Holtzclaw Mansion. Throughout the day, groups were visiting the Bell Tower in search of their name and to admire the restored landmark.

The day ended with a reception for the entire Campus.

Members of the Founder's Day Committee were Mr. Charles Bell, Co-Chairperson, Dr. Mae Cathryne Jackson, Co-Chairperson, Mrs. Deborah Danner, Ms. Pamela Garrett, Mrs. Anita Griffin, Ms. LaTonya Rankin, Mrs. Carolyn Samuel, Mrs. Jacqueline Sullivan, Ms. Martha Terrell, Mrs. Ellestene Turner, Ms. Sheila White, Mr. Rodney Warfield, Constance Cash, and Deidra Wilcher.

Members of the Centennial Planning Committee were Dr. George Barnes, Dr. Eugene Gaston, Mr. Tim Rush, Dr. Jesse Killingsworth, Mrs. Ellestene Turner, Ms. Willie Ealey, Mr. Robert Strong, Mrs. Monocia Conners, Mrs. Tiffany Chaney, Dr. Shirley Davis, Mr. Charles Bell, Dr. Bobby Cooper, Mr. Charles Porter, Ms. Jean Green, and Mr. Randy Minton.











Above left, Dr. Barnes cuts the ribbon during the dedication of the William H. Holtzclaw Memorial Cemetery. Assisting Dr. Barnes are, Mr. Warfield, Rodney left, and Dr. Shirley Davis.

Left, the J. D. Boyd Gymnasium was filled with people from all walks of life. They came to hear what the Secretary of Education had to say. Pictured, above left, are members of the Holtzclaw Family standing at the grave side of Dr. Holtzclaw following the dedication ceremony.

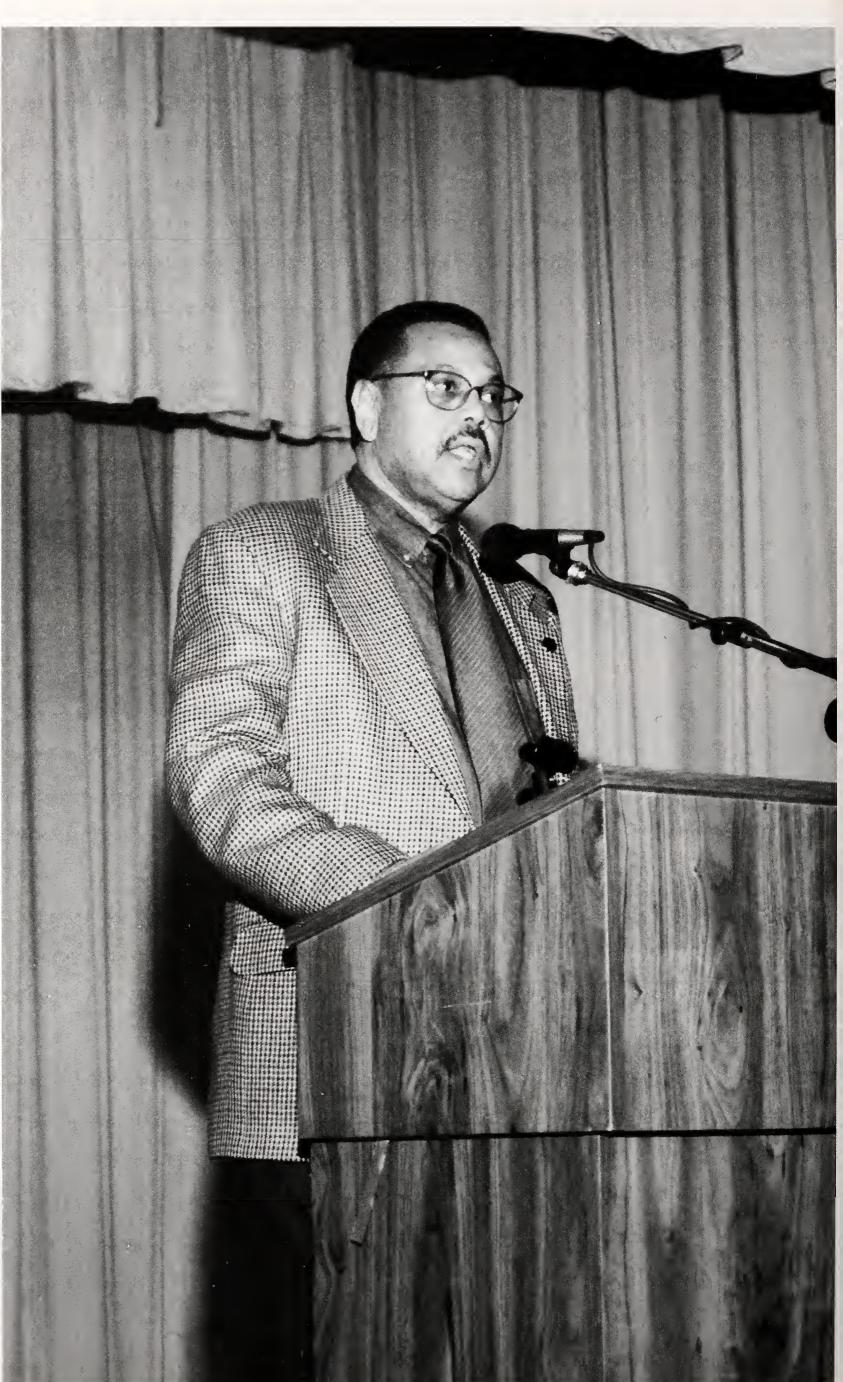
Pictured above, Dr. Paige salutes the crowd as he receives a standing ovation for his profound message. The Holtzclaw Exhibit was organized by Ms. Jean Green and Dr. Shirley Davis. Green is pictured below exhibiting attire from the Holtzclaw era.



Above, Cordel Wren, Mr. Utica Campus, did the invocation for the premiere of the Holtzclaw cxhibit.

Pictured right, Dr. George Barnes, Utica Campus vice president, welcomes the audience to the Holtzclaw exhibit which was held at the Southern Cultural Heritage Complex in Vicksburg.

The event was held on February 10, 2003.



William H. Holtzclaw Touring Exhibit

In its 100th year celebration, the Utica Campus presented The William H. Holtzclaw Touring Exhibit as a testament to the Holtzclaw legacy, depicting the early years and also the Utica Campus at present. This exhibit represents a magnificent demonstration that the administration, faculty, students, and community are "Embracing the Legacy, Upholding the Promise." Included in the exhibit are vintage photos of supporters, faculty, students, and organizations Holtzclaw started, buildings constructed with students and community labor, Holtzclaw's home and family, and books about Holzclaw. To bring continuity to the exhibit, professional staff developed a video. The collage of the present campus was done by Randy Minton, art instructor,

and LaTonya Rankin, multimedia specialist. The display panel and other photos were arranged by Jean Greene, Utica Campus librarian.

After developing the programs and physical plant of the school, Holtzclaw shared the school and community's accomplishments by writing and printing at the Utica Institute, The Black Man's Burden by 1915, making him one of the first blacks in Mississippi to have a published work.

William Henry Holtzclaw died in August 1943, in his home on the campus which he founded 40 years earlier. The epitaph inscribed on his tomb describes the life of a great man: "He built his monument in the hearts of men."









Pictured left and top are parts of the Exhibit. Pictured top, Mrs. Verna Rollins, the granddaughter of Dr. Holtzclaw, photgraphs the exhibit. Pictured right is Dr. Shirley Davis who coordinated the Exhibit and worked tirelessly to ensure the success of this project. Pictured left and top are parts of the Exhibit.

Sports Hall of Fame

During the Centennial Celebration, the Utica Campus instituted the Sports Hall of Fame. The banquet and award ceremony took place on March 17, 2003, in the J. D. Boyd Gymnasium. The program was a grand success, filling the gym with people from across the United States.

Dr. Eugene Gaston, dean of instruction, served as master of ceremony of the event.

Dr. Barnes, Utica Campus vice president, and Dr. Clyde Muse, HCC president, greeted the crowd of several hundred people.

Pictured right, Dr. Barnes presented the inductees as Dr. Muse awarded them their plaques.

Those inductees included Alonzo Bradley, Cleveland Green, James Kinnard, Robert Moreland, Earl Joe Nelson, Louise Harris Nichols, Lester Owens, Dr. Roderick Paige, Robert Strong, and Booker Young.







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The honorees were greeted and honored by their families and friends. Accomplishments of the group included having received the state Governor's Merit Award of Excellency, National Player of the Year for College Division, Conference Tournament Champion, and being chosen to play in the professional league.

Pictured above:

Mrs. Monocia Connors, president of the Utica local Alumni chapter, announced the establishment of the Utica Campus Athletic Alumni Chapter.









From top: Louis Nichols; James Kinnard; Cleveland Green; Robert Moreland, and Alonzo Bradley. HCC President, Dr. Clyde Muse presented the honorees with plaques.

After the honorees received their plaques, they each responded.

The closing remarks were given by Utica Campus Men Basketball Coach, Ralph Moore. From top:Robert Strong; Joe Nelson; Nelson, J.Louis Stokes and friend; Coach Lester Owens; and Booker Young. HCC President, Dr. Clyde Muse presented the honorees their plaques.









Honors and Awards Day

The Honors and Awards Day Program was held April 15, 2003, in the Amphitheater of the Walter Washington Academic and Administration Building. Mississippi State Senator John Horhn delivered the keynote address.

Students were recognized for their academic performance and community service. Among those recognized were Who's Who In America, President's Scholars, Dean's Scholars, Divisional Scholars, and Outstanding Organizational participants. A Special Awards Presentation was also presented. All of the prgrams were represented. From each of the three areas: Academic, Technical, and Career, an outstanding student was selected.

Kristi Sanders, General Studies, received the Outstanding Academic Student of the Year Award. Lacretia Szaabo, Child Development Technology, received the Outstanding Technical Student of the Year Award, and Victoria Jefferson, Barbering, received the Outstanding Career Education Student of the Year Award.

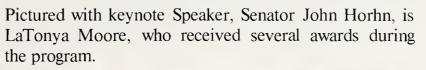


Students from all of the different academic, technical, and career areas were on hand to receive awards. Their friends and classmates came out to support the program. Sophomore Englis major Pequette Williamson introduced the keynote speaker, Senator John Horhn, representative for Senate District 26.

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Utica Campus Vice President Dr. George Barnes congratulates Kristy Sanders, Outstanding Academic Student of the Year. Sanders is a General Studies major.







A group of honorees gathered for a photo shoot following the Honors and Awards Day Program. Pictured among the group are representatives from the different programs of study.

Utica Campus Vice President Dr. George Barnes is captured with Senator John Horhn following the Honors and Awards Day Program in which Senator Horhn served as keynote speaker.

The Winter Homecoming

On Saturday, February 15, 2003, as a part of the Centennial Celebration, the Utica Campus honored a few of it's own. The Winter Homecoming recognized graduates of the Utica Campus who had made significant contributions to the College, community, and this country. The areas in which the honorees were recognized are as follows: U.S. Congress, MS Legislature, Chancery Court, Medical Physicians, Medical Professionals, Doctoral Degrees, Attorneys, College Presidents, County, Town, and City Officials, Commissioned Military Officers, Principals (past & present), Outstanding Alumni Officers, Outstanding Entrepreneurs, Journalists and Authors, Distinguished Pillar of the Community Award, and Distinguished Benefactor's Award.

Pictured right: Utica Campus Vice President Dr. George Barnes and wife Doris, receive the Distinguished Benefactor's Award for the Dr. George & Doris Barnes Endowed Scholarship. Assisting in the awards presentation is Mrs. Monocia Connors, Alumni Relations chair.



Pictured above: HCC Vice President for Business Services, Mr. Adam Distinguished Benefactor's Award for Jenkins, and wife Margaree are awarded the Distinguished Benefactor's the Centennial Scholarship and Brick Awards for the Adam and Margaree Jenkins Endowed Scholarship. Campaign and Fundraising Campaign. Presenters of the award were Utica Campus Vice President, Dr. George Barnes, and Mrs. Monocia Connors, Alumni Relations chair.





Dr. Shirley Davis is awarded the



Program presenters were Monica Lacey & Cordel Wren, Mr. & Miss Utica Campus; Deidra Wilcher & Larry Taylor, Mr. & Miss Hinds AHS; Constance Cash, Student Government president; and Mrs. Deborah Danner, Program Presider.

Registration: Gwen Strong and Ruth Washington; Photographer: Robert Anderson; Hostesses: Nicole Robinson and Megan Bolton; Entertainment: The Utica Jubilee Singers, under the direction of Dr. Bobby Cooper.

Below: Honorees enjoy viewing pictures of years ago and comparing the different eras. Viewing the picture are past National Alumni presidents, Monocia Connors, Shirley Richardson, and Ann Harper.







Distinguished Benefactor's Award was presented to Mrs. Ellestene Turner for the Ellestene Turner Endowed Scholarship.

Former Utica Campus Dean of Students, Mr. Johnny Crisler, receives the Outstanding Entrepreneurs Award.





Ms. Delois Thompson receives the Outstanding Alumni Officer's Award.

HCC Development Foundation representative, Ms. Betty Carraway, accepts the Distinguished Benefactor's award on behalf of Mrs. Dorothy and Louise Miley for the H.H. Davis Memorial Scholarship.





Former Utica Campus Biology Instructor, Ms. Hampton, accepts the Journalists and Authors Award on behalf of her son and daughter-in-law, Larry and Vicky Hampton.

Mr. K.C. Allen receives the Outstanding Alumni Officer's Award.





Pictured far left is Mrs. Goldia Revies, who was awarded the Journalists and Authors Award.

Pictured left: Supervisor George Smith receives the County, Town, & City Officials Award.

Teacher Education Conference "Make Learning Happen: TEACH"



Cindy Simmons, from the State Dept. of Ed. presented a workshop on "Standardized Testing and the No Child Left Behind Act."



There was intense concentration on completing asssignments given by Algebra Project presenters.



Students demonstrated great interest in the Algebra Project Workshop.



Dr. Gloria Daniels, chair of the Education Division, and LaTonya Moore, education major, served as program presiders.

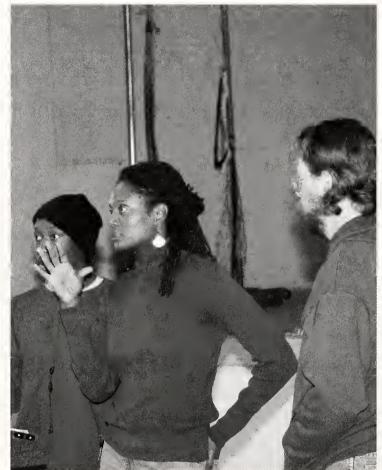


JPD Officer, Archie Hodge, presented a workshop on "Promoting a Safe Learning **Environment Is** Everybody's Business!"

Several hundred educators, community supporters, middle and high school students interested in teaching, and college students from across the State were in attendance at the 7th annual Teacher Education Conference held November 14, 2003. Mrs. Myra Buckley and Dr. Shirley Davis coordinated the Conference.







Pictured top: A JPS representative of the Algebra Project spoke with students on the topic "Get Hooked On Algebra Now!" Dr. Robert Moses from JPS is founder of the Project and coordinated the workshop.

Pictured right: Wesley Williams, director of the MS Teacher Center, spoke on "Meeting All of Your Educational Needs and Future Educator Clubs of America - Why join."











Pictured from left: Mr. Frank Yates, MAE Executive Director; Dr. Tom Kelly, HCC Academic Dean; Dr. George Barnes, Utica VP; Mrs. Myra Buckley, Teacher Ed. Coordinator, Dr. Earl Watkins, JPS Superintendent, and Dr. Clyde Muse, HCC President.



Pictured far left: Dr. Earl Watkins, superintendent of Jackson Public Schools, delivered the keynote address at the 7th annual Teacher Education Conference. Dr. Waltkins' message focused of what he termed one of the greatest professions in the world, teaching. He linked the success of all other professions to the skills, dedication, and care of a teacher.

Dr. Watkins said the teaching profession is one to be taken seriously. He said teachers are called. Educators are called because of the impact, positive or negative, they can have on a child's life.

Dr. Watkins' message was interrupted several times by applauses from the audience. At the conclusion of Dr. Watkins' message, he received a standing ovation.

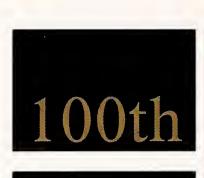
Pictured left: HCC President Dr. Clyde Muse offered greetings to the hundreds of guest and welcomed them to the Conference.



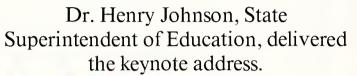


Left: Dr. Barnes, Utica Campus Vice President, introduced the keynoter, Dr. Earl Watkins.

Right: Dr. Edward Wiggins, Carver Middle School Principal, presented a workshop on the topic, "Middle School Students Preparing To Teach: Getting It All Together."

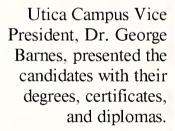


Commencement Convocation





Several hundred graduates participated in the commencement exercises. Left: Tina Tanner poses with Media Technology Instructor, George McQuitter.









Cordel Wren, Mr. Utica Campus, receives his Associate in Arts degree from Dr. Barnes. Wren was a Music Education major from Jackson. The 100th Commencement Convocation was held Sunday, May 18, 2003, in the J.D. Boyd Gymnasium. Employees joined the graduates in the graduation ceremony, adorning their graduation attire representing their majors and degrees.



Dr. George Barnes, Vice President for the Utica Campus, introduced the speaker for the 100th Commencement Convocation, Dr. Henry Johnson, State Superintendent of Education. Dr. Barnes also presided over the program.





There is silence as the graduates march in and take their seats. The only sound is that of the musicians playing "God of Our Fathers" as the processional.

"Embracing the Legacy, Upholding the Promise" served as theme for the 100th Commencement

participants Program included members from the Hinds AHS JROTC, posting the colors; the Hnds AHS Band, processional and recessional; Invocation and Benediction, Rev. Horace Buckley, Cade Chapel M.B. Church; Remarks & Conferring of Degrees, Dr. Clyde Muse, HCC President; Presider & Introduction of Speaker, Dr. Barnes, Utica George Campus Vice President; Address, Keynote Dr. Henry State Johnson, Superintendent of Education; Music, Dr. Bobby Cooper and the Utica Campus Choir and Jubilee Singers; Presentation of Candidates, Hinds AHS Principal Robert Strong & Utica Campus Dean of Instruction Dr. Eugene Gaston; Assisting with Conferring of Degrees, Registrar Ellestene Turner & Hinds AHS Asst. Principal Bruce Baker.

C o m m e n c e m e n t Committee Members

Dr. George Barnes Dr. Eugene Gaston Mrs. Loretta Gandy Mrs. Carolyn Addison Mr. Bruce Baker Mr. Charles Bell Dr. Bobby Cooper Mrs. Monocia Connors Mrs. Velma Harris Mr. Joe Huffman Mr. David Kelly Mr. Rajeev Khatkhate Dr. Jesse Killingsworth SFC Howard Lewis Mr. Ralph Moore Mr. Lester Owens Mr. Tim Rush Ms. Willie Ealey-Stokes Mr. Robert Strong Mrs. Ellestene Turner Mr. Michael Williams



Graduates received the Associate in Arts and the Associate in Applied Science degrees. Career Certificates were also awarded.

Left: Phi Theta Kappa & Honor Scholar Chiquita Collier and Magna Cum Laude Kristy Sanders lead the graduation line.



The Utica Campus Choir, under the direction of Dr. Bobby Cooper, performed two selections, "Lift Every Voice and Sing" and "Little Innocent Lamb." Dr. Hugh Ellis Stevens

The William Holtzclaw Library displays a fine collection of Dr. Hugh Ellis Stevens' art work. Pictured right is a painting entitled, "Home."





There were several pieces of Dr. Hugh Ellis Stevens' art on display. Pictured with an unfinished work of Dr. Stevens' is Dr. George Barnes, Utica Campus vice president; Dr. Shirley Davis, Title III coordinator; and Ms. Jean Green, librarian. Dr. Davis and Ms. Green coordinated the exhibit. The unfinished piece is of Dr. Robert Smith, a Jackson physician.

Dr. Stevens taught Art at Utica Junior College for 11 years beginning in 1958. He later joined the Jackson State University faculty as an Art Instructor. His last position with JSU was as Assistant Dean of Liberal Arts.



Art Exhibit







On permanent display in the William H. Holtzclaw Library is the oil painting of Dr. Hugh Stevens entitled, "Strumming." "Strumming" is pictured left and top left. Dr. Stevens' work can be seen in oil, pencil, pen, and charcoal.

The pieces in this exhibit were loaned to the Holtzclaw Library by Mrs. Christine Stevens, widow of Dr. Stevens'. Two other examples of his work are on display in the library. "The Holtzclaw Mansion" is on display in the Black Heritage Collection and "The Banjo Player" is on display in the Parent/Family Center.

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Whitehead, a sophomore general studies major receives one-on-one attention from Dr. Cathryne Jackson, chairperson of the Natural Science Division & math instructor.

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Opening doors to the future

The Utica Campus offers a variety of academic, career, and technical programs. From these programs, students select the one that best fits his or her interest. The programs range from a one year requirement to a two year requirement. After graduation, the student may enter into the workforce or into a four year institution, depending on the program of study selected.

Whether graduating at the top of your class or merely just graduating, the reward has great benefits. Your goal is to earn a degree, learn a skill, or develop in a particular trade. Once that has been accomplished, your future begins to look a little brighter. You have something to offer. You reached.

To attain success...

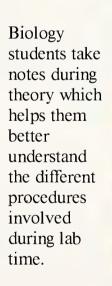
Students from building construction demonstrate their skills by framing a storage house.



Amanda Sledge from Raymond spends time between classes studying.



Friends make time for each other. These friends also enjoy group study in the library.



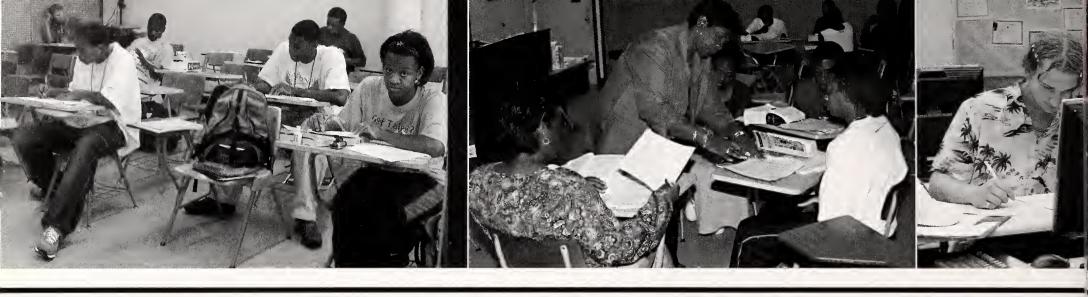
These students are anxious to get to their midmorning class. They are focused on their goal which is to get a degree.







Priceless!







"I believe the impulse to teach is fundamentally altruistic and represents a desire to share what you value, and to empower others, I am not talking about the job of teaching so much as the calling to teach. Most teachers I know have felt that calling at some time in their lives." Herbert Kohl

Above: Ms. Ammie McCurley, biology instructor, performs an experiment showing the effects of sugar and other chemicals once heat is applied.

Right: Twanna Byther is given a test in Mr. Tate's sociology class.





"Education must not simply teach work. It must teach life."

W.E. B. Du Bois

Above: Students are engaged in independent study. They each work at their own pace.



Mrs. Barbara Stokes, English instructor, moves about the room checking on the progress of the students' work.

There is a science to just about everything man does. The key is learning it.

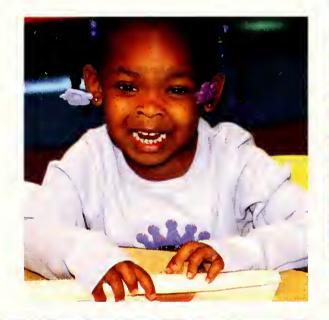
Teach Me!

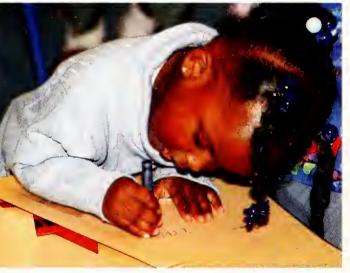
Education is a tool that should never be used to seperate people; instead, it should be used to bring them together. We learn from each other; therefore, we grow. It is when we size a man based on the knowledge he has attained from a book, that we demonstrate how little we know.

The Utica Campus Family prides itself on teaching and learning. The administration, faculty, and staff impart their knowledge and wisdom to the many students who have intrusted their educational beginnings into their hands. In the process of giving to the students, there is much received.

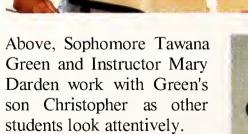
Students come to the Utica Campus from all walks of life, having different goals, objectives, aspirations, and needs. It is the desire of the Utica Campus Family to meet each student at whatever point he or she needs. Right, freshman Child Care major, Tennisha Johnson ties the shoe of toddler Antane'q.

Below, Alicia Jones works in the Art Center. She poses for the camera and smiles, "*cheese*."





Kayla Fisher develops her motor skills. She is determined to draw and color something her imagination has created.



Sleeping is Dorian German.

Right: Freshman Foresse Redmond and Instructor Mary Darden work with students in the Art Center.









Child Development

Child Care Lab Extends Its Services

The Child Development Technology Program has 69 students enrolled with two instructors. The Utica Campus Child Development Technology Program was the first junior/community college in the State to receive national accreditation, which was awarded in December 1993. That accreditation is from the National Association of the Education of Young Children. Every three years the Program is evaluated by personnel from the national office for re-certification purposes. This academic year, 2003-2004, the program is scheduled for its third evaluation.

The Child Development Technology Program sponsors a Child Care Conference each year where national child care professionals serve as speakers and or performers. State and local child care professionals also conduct various workshops during the conference which is usually held in April during the National Week of the Young Child. The Utica Campus conference carries the national theme, "Children's Opportunities - Our Responsibilities."

The Child Development Technology Program is a two year Technical Program. The instructors are Mrs. Marilyn Davis and Mrs. Laketha Berry.

Teach Me!

There is a child And he says. "Teach Me." The wondering, curious, discovering child... Awed at the beauty, the rhythm, the process. Teach me to know How and where is my world, and why am I me, Where do I end and others begin? Teach me!









Above:SophomoreBrendaHenderson,left,andMrs.LenoraMurrayworkwiththetoddlers.

Pictured left: Freshmen child care majors Schwonda Rogers and Audrey Humphrey work with pre-schoolers. The students are enjoying snack time.

Above: Alexis is a mobile infant.

Murray Aside from the normal 20 n the pre-schoolers the Freddie Jackson Child Care Center was previously able to left: enroll, an additional seven child infants and toddlers have majors been added.

> "It's a new experience, but we are enjoying it," says Mrs. Mary Darden, Center director.

Welding and Cutting

Welding is a one-year Career Program. Upon graduation, students are skilled to enter the workforce.

The instructor is Mr. Freddie Edwards.

The Welding and Cutting Program includes Shielded Metal Arc Welding, Flux Cored Arc Welding, Gas Metal Arc Welding, Pipe Welding, Plasma Arc Welding, Carbon Arc Welding, Oxyfuel Cutting, Gas Metal Arc Aluminum Welding, and Gas Tungston Arc Welding.

Students learn to clean their tools and equipment before and after each project.

Protective gear is needed when performing any kind of welding. The correct clothing, hand wear, foot wear and eye wear are all a part of being an effective welder.

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Students are behind a protective covering when welding which keeps any flying objects or debris from traveling outside of the welding area.



Career Education Programs

Residential Carpentry Technology



Students are taught the safe and correct way to use the saw, one of the most used instruments in Carpentry and Construction.

The Residential Carpentry Program is a one-year Career Program designed to prepare students to enter the workforce upon completion. Graduates receive a certificate of completion.

Mr. Leonard Knight is the instructor.



The Residential Crapentry class consists of students who are interested in working with their hands. Precision is a must in this field. Pictured are, from left, Instructor Leonard Knight, Chris Hyder, Milo Rucker, Bobby Thomas, William Slater, and Chris Armstrong.



Instructor Leonard Knight and Chris Armstrong work out the dimensions for building a storage house.

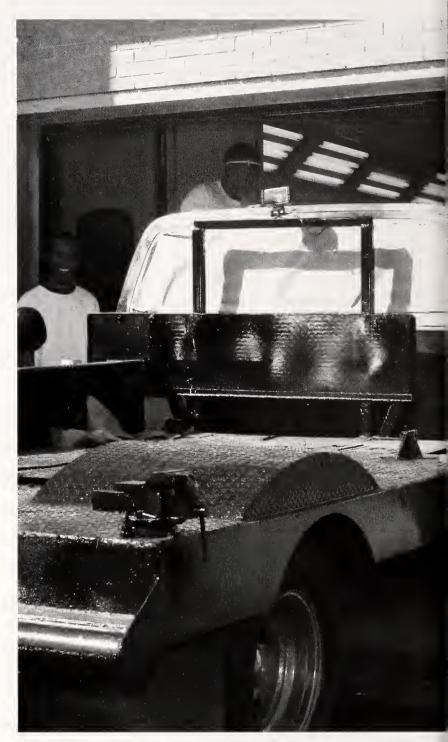
Each of the students is required to complete a project before graduating.

Auto Body and Collision Repair Technology

Auto Body and Collision Repair Technology is an instructional program designed to prepare students for entrylevel jobs in the collision repair and refinishing trade. Upon completion of this program, students are prepared for entrylevel positions as body frame and refinish technicians. Students are provided theory, practical repair, and refinish work beginning with basic applications and progressing on to heavy collision repairs requiring major body and frame alignment and panel replacement. The instruction includes all phases necessary to teach collision repair including glass replacement, trim replacement, and cosmetic and structural repairs.

The Auto Body and Collision Repair Technology program is under the leadership of Mr. Robert Jacobs.

Pictured right is Donnie Cavalier at the front right of the truck who is seen sanding the body of a Ford pick-up before painting. Cavalier is a sophomore. At the front left of the truck is Marcus Roper, a sophomore from Edwards. Roper is taping the truck. Courtney Edwards, from Bolton, is providing the humor.





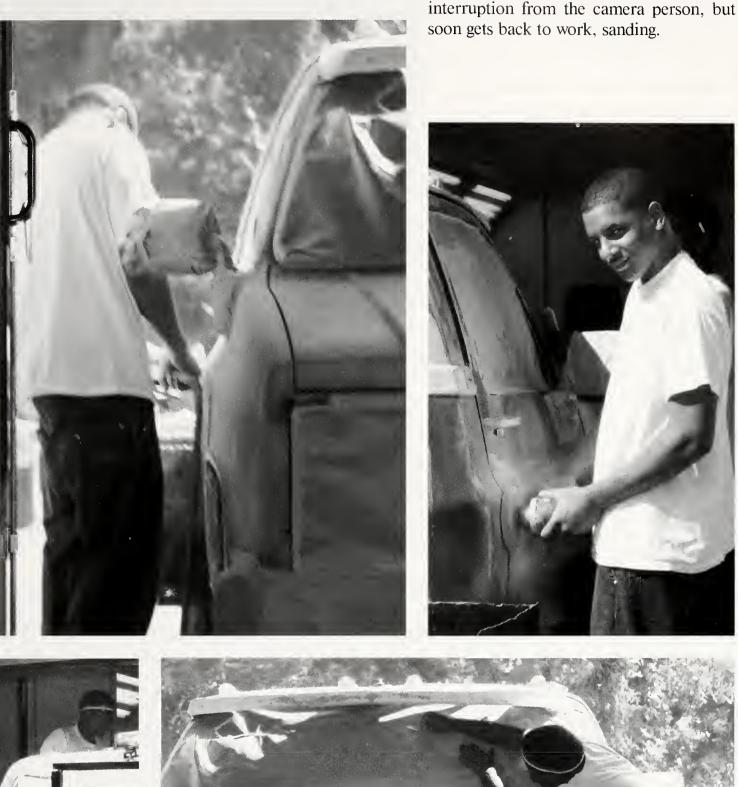
Above: Jessie, from Hermanville, knocks the dents out of the truck getting it ready for painting as Marcus looks on. Right: Vernon Hunter notices the camera while Fredrick Jones offers a wave. They work as a team in sanding, taping, and preparing the car for the paint booth.

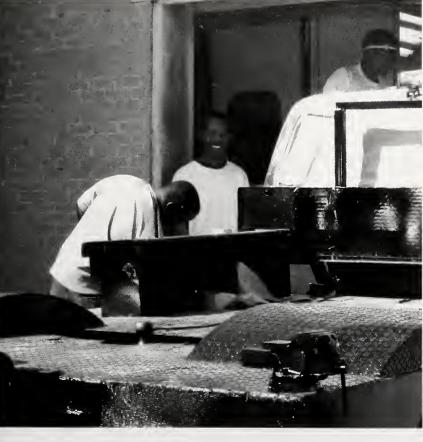






Below: Donnie Cavalier checks the padding on the sander for excessive wear.





After taping the back of the truck, "Wet Back" finishes his job and prepares to wash his car as Courtney Edwards enjoys the time off. Marcus Roper, however, continues until the job is complete. Marcus Roper moves to the back of the car to inspect for possible tears in the material used to protect the windows during the painting process. The 2003-2004 Auto Body and Collision Repair Technology class enrolls twenty-five students from Jackson, Edwards, Utica, Crystal Springs, Hermanville, Fayette, Hazlehurst, Vicksburg, and Port Gibson.

Below: Donnie Cavalier doesn't mind the

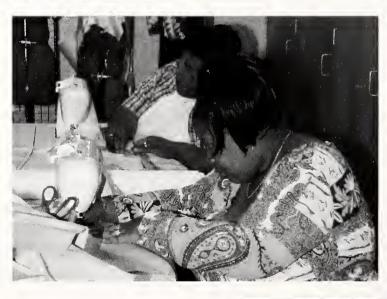


Clothing The and *Textile* Services students work on several major projects during the year. They play a major role in the selection of the gowns to be worn during the Homecoming Coronation Ball. They also sponsor a winter and spring fashion show where the latest fashions are modeled along with their own creations.











Top: Across from spools of threads of various colors is Gertrude Chatman who observes the workings of her classmates.

Above: A freshman student threads the machine in preparation for heming a pair of pants.

Above: Wytika and Sandrella work on garments for the Homecoming Coronation Ball.

Above right: Tee Adams assists Carlos Jackson in the preparation of sewing.

Right: Instructor, Mrs. Verlene Redfield, solicits the support of freshman, Erica, in laying out a pattern.



Clothing and Textile

From threading the bobbin to making the final stitch



The Clothing and Textile Services program prepares students for entry-level occupations in the clothing and textile industry. The program includes, but is not limited to, construction, fabric, fabric design, fabric care, pattern design, principles of clothing selection and construction, fitting and alteration, custom tailoring, clothing maintenance, home furnishing, and textile testing.

Mrs. Verlene Redfield is the instructor.

Upon completion of the Clothing and Textile Services program, graduates are prepared to go directly into the world of work.











Above:Andreamakesafloralblousetobewornduringthefashionshowtheclasssponsorseach year.

Left:Sonya Howard helps to layout pattern for cutting. Howard is a freshman from Utica. Each year, the skills of students from the Clothing and Textile Services program are utilized in making the gowns to be worn during the H o m e c o m i n g Coronation Ball ceremony.

Food Production Management Technology

The Food Production and Management Technology program prepares students to go directly into the work force or to continue their education at a four-year institution. Students may receive a certificate or an associate of applied science degree upon graduation. The 2003-2004 class has approximately twenty-five students enrolled.

Throughout the year, the Food Production and Management Technology class prepares food for various occasions such as Bosses Day, International Association for Administrative Professionals Day, the Coronation Ball, the Senior Day Counselors Luncheon, and others.

The program is under the supervision of Mrs. Carolyn Samual.



Pictured above: Sheila Collins, left, a sophomore from Jefferson County, and Emmitt Ward, from Vicksburg, cut the edges off the bread in preparing to make pimento sandwiches.

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Dr. Killingsworth tries to cut his birthday cake. Actually, it is a mock birthday cake made from a gift box and beautifully decorated by Octavis Davis, a sophomore from Port Gibson.



Pictured are scenes from the preparation of food for the surprise birthday party of Dr. Jesse Killingsworth, dean of the Career and Technical Education Division, and from the actual party.

Left: Tee Adams prepares the bacon for club sandwiches as Gertrude Chatman toasts the bread for the sandwiches. They both as freshmen. In background: Michael Miller prepares the punch.

The birthday menu included club sandwiches, pimento sandwiches, deviled eggs, tuna and crackers, a fruit tray, mints, a variety of cakes, and punch.



Octavis Davis, a sophomore and owner of Nook's Bakery in Port Gibson, presents the beautifully decorated birthday cake.

Dr. Killingsworth prepares to cut the first slice.





Mike poses for the camera

as he adds the finishing

touch to the punch.

After several attempts to cut the birthday cake, Dr. Killingsworth finally discovers that something is wrong with either the knife or the cake.





Far left: Octavis Davis supervises Roderick Reese as he takes the cake from the oven and lets it cool before she begins decorating it.

Carnika Evans, a freshman from Edwards, prepares deviled eggs for the party.

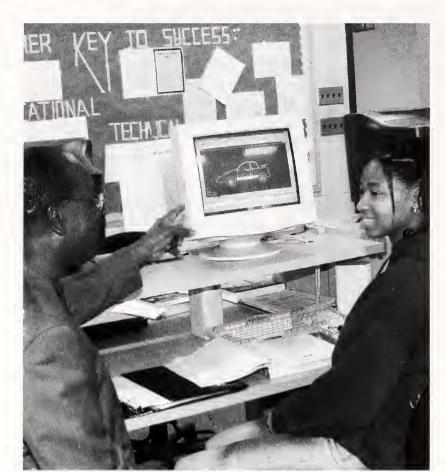


Tee Adams and Octavis Davis slice the cakes for the party. Davis baked and decorated all of the cakes for the party.

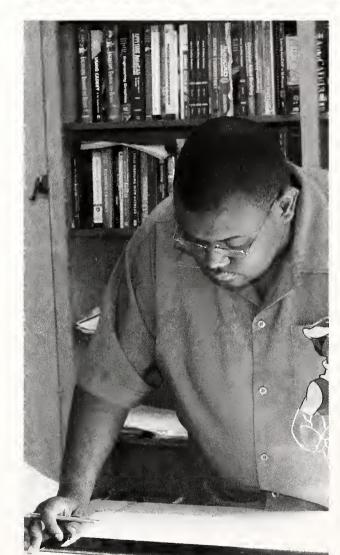




Drafting and Design Technology



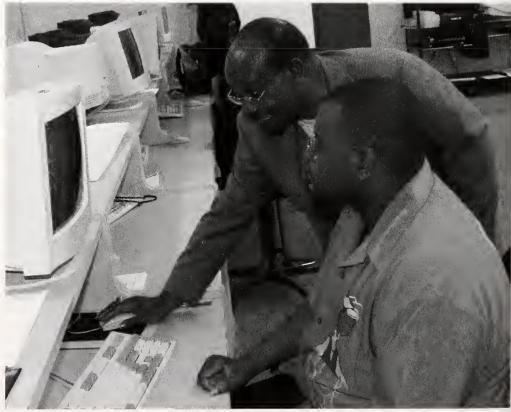
Tonya Fritzgerald, a freshman from Fayette, has drawn a model of a car she hopes to one day design. Instructor Lester Owens views the model and offers suggestions after praising her drafting and design skills. Drafting and Design Technology is a two-year Career and Technical Education program. Gradautes are awarded the Associate of Applied Science degree.



Marcus Webb^t is a freshman drafting student from Edwards.

Instructor Lester Owens demonstrates a few design techniques as Webb takes note.





Electronics Technology

The purpose of the Electronics Technology curriculum is to provide instruction necessary for a student to become a competent electronic technician. Graduates of the curriculum will be eligible for entry level employment into any of the options in the field of electronics. Graduates will be qualified to correlate the activities of

scientific research, engineering, and production for a variety of occupational fields. A graduate of the Electronic Technology curriculum will possess the ability of working and communicating directly with engineers, scientists, and other technical personnel in their specialized area.



Electronics instructor, Mr. Dwight Price, checks circuits in the process of completing a repair job.

Technology Worldwide

Alonzo Jefferson, a freshman from Utica, checks the monitor after successfully completing a classroom project.





The Power of Words: Reading and English

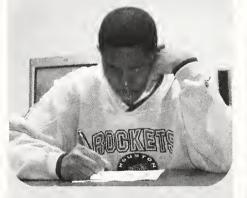
Right: Ms. Wiggins, reading instructor, gives the instructions for completing the reading assignment that is due at the end of the class period.



Ms. Wiggins works one-onone with a student.



Reading assigments are often a part of the daily schedule in the reading lab.

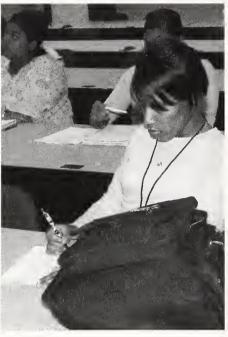


Working independently is a part of learning.



Mr. Waddell teaches, reviews, and tests to develop good writers.

Below: Stephanie Polk realizes the importance of taking notes and reviewing them later.





Above: Students receive instructions before beginning their test.



"The function of education is to teach one to think intensively and to think critically. Intelligence plus character - that is the true goal of education."

Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

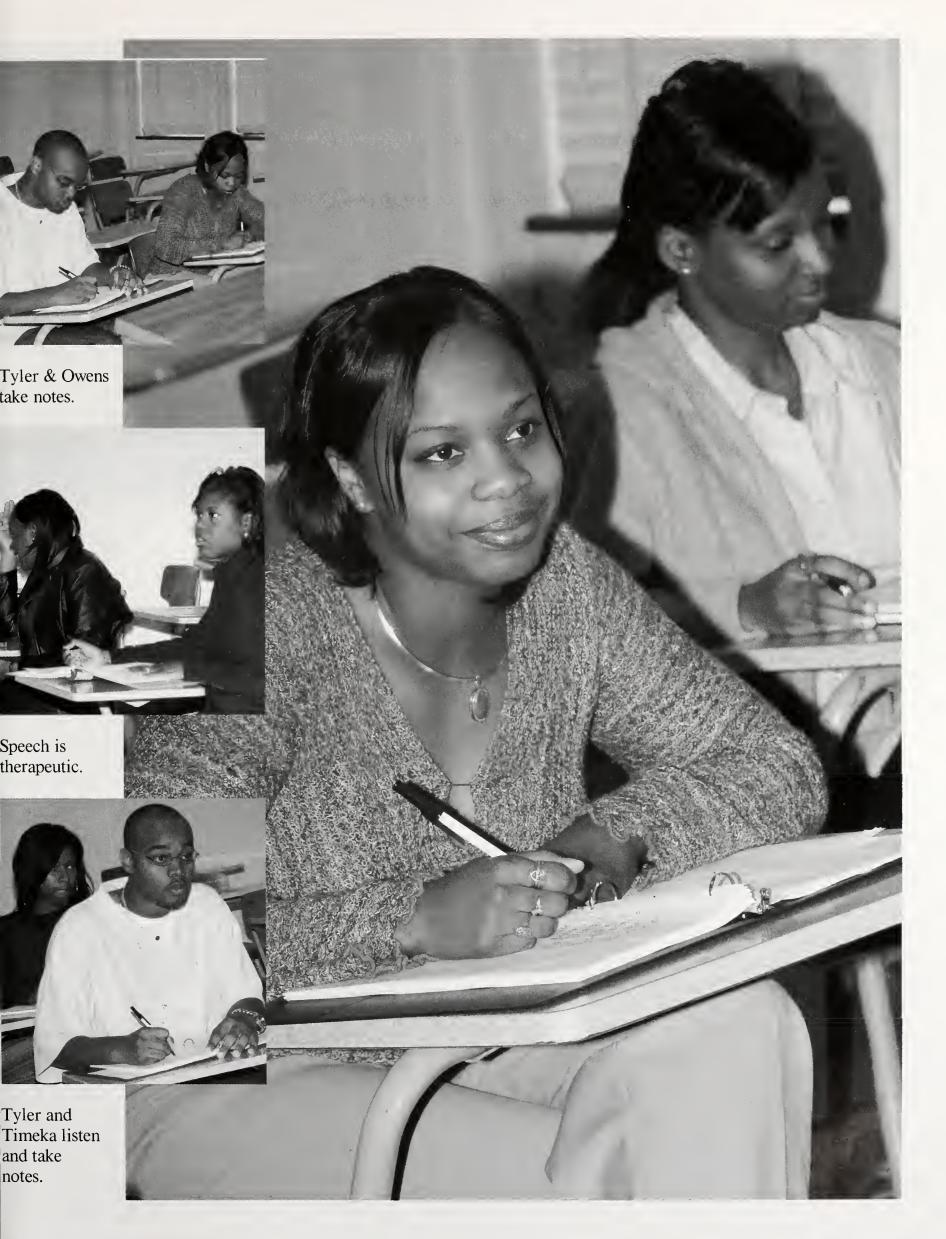


Mr. Waddell, English instructor, checks the students' work following a classroom assignment. Chanka Davis, a freshman from Utica, seeks assistance in understanding exactly what the assignment includes.

Biological Science



Oral Communications



Music Education

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Dr. Cooper teaches music theory and history.



The Jubilee Singers practice and practice again.



The instruments must be in perfect harmony with the voices.

Math-Business Technology-Child Development Technology-Art



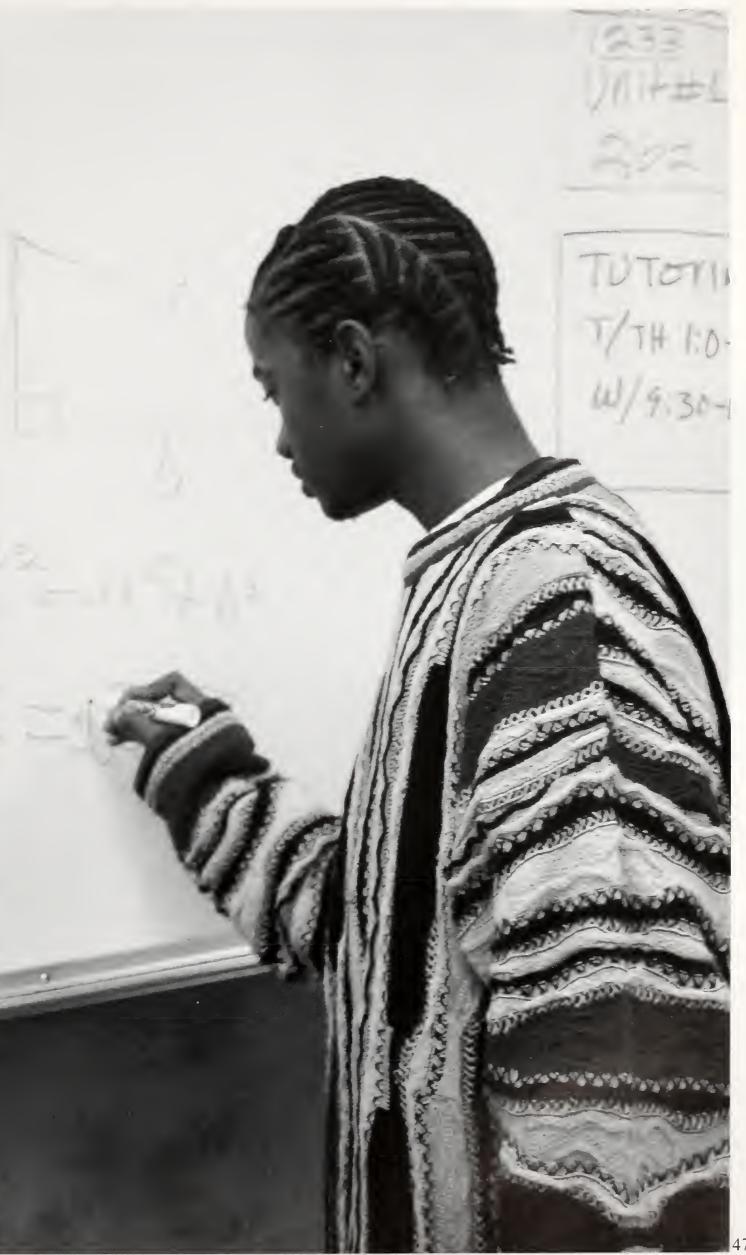
Business Technology class at work.



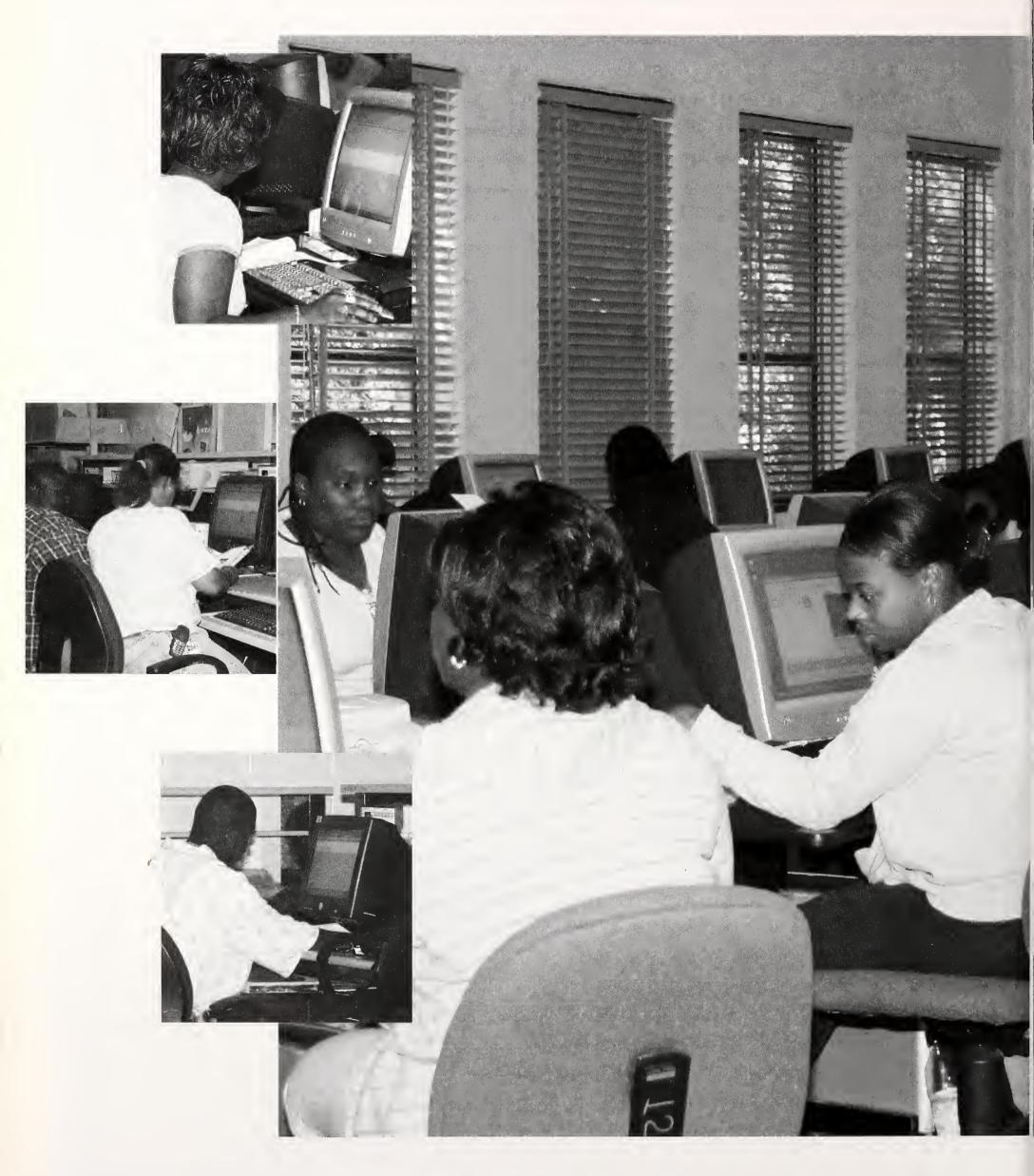
Child Development Technology class listens.



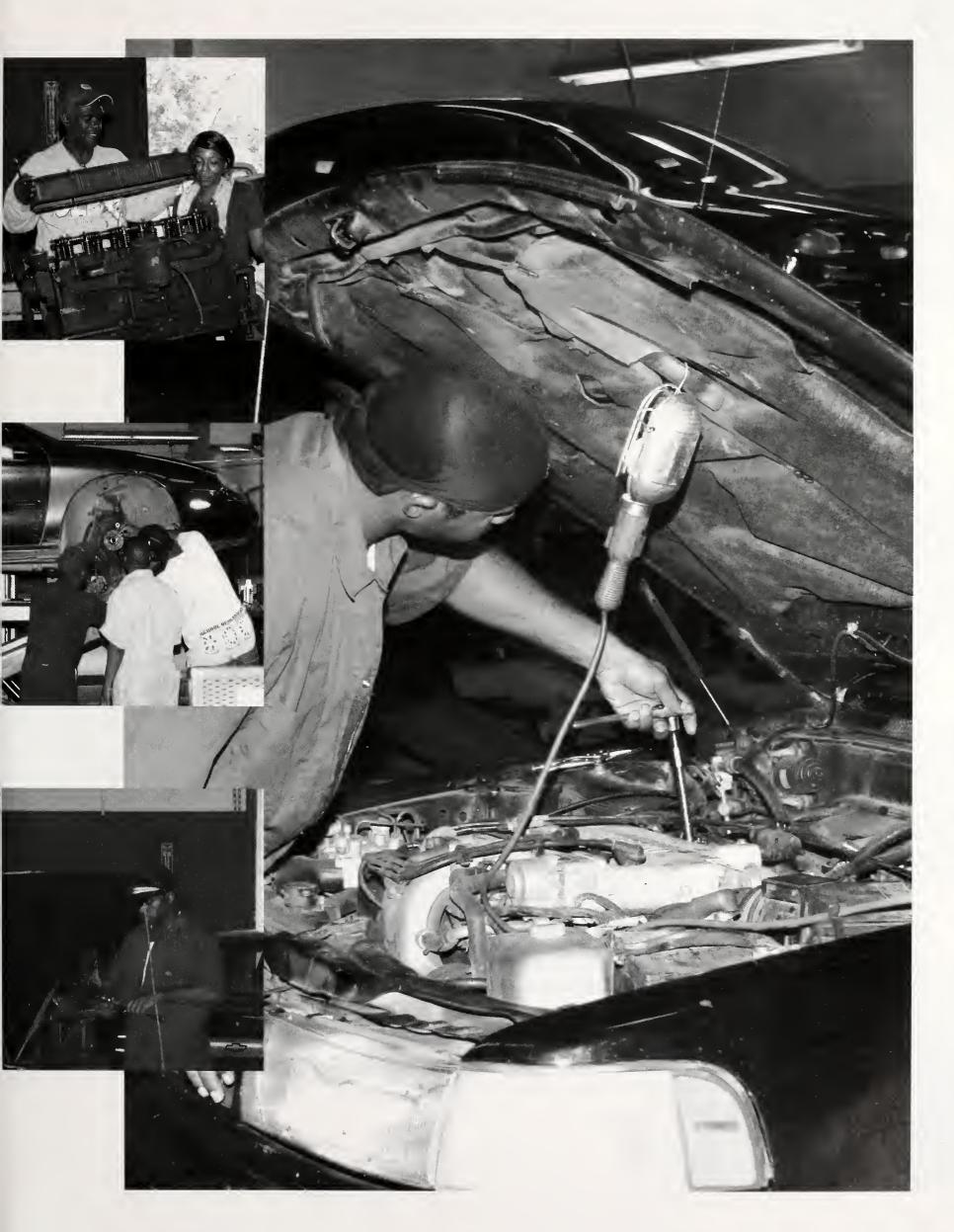
James volunteers to show what he understands about solving Algebra problems.



Computers: Making the difference



Auto Mechanics



International Association for Administrative Professionals (IAAP) - Employee Chapter



Front row from left: LaTonya Moore (student) Mrs. Doris McClure Mrs. Gwendolyn Strong Ms. Jackie Braggs, president

Back row from left: Ms. Katrina Felton Ms. Cynthis Jones Mrs. Jackie German Mrs. Deborah Danner Mrs. Ester Owens Ms. Delois Thompson Mrs. Amanda Hubbard Ms. Martha Terrell

Child Development Technology

Sophomores-

LaKisha Davis Gwendolyn Gibson Alice Gilmore Tawana Green April Haynes Brenda Henderson Kristina Jones LaToya Jones Catherine McGee Asheley Rice Luticia Stamps Rashandra Turner Kinyarda West Freshmen Akiyah Allen Jessica Allen Suretha Banks Ruby Barber Sparkle Barnes Antrese Berry Roshanda Coleman Jessica Covington Rae Evans Dell'atte Hicks Audrey Humphrey Keva Johnson Laquanda Johnson



Tenneshia Johnson, Ortega Jones, Canetra MacKey, Marquita Marshall, Shelby Moore, Ciji Neal, Teketta Neal, Stephanie Polk, Forescee Redmond, Latiscal Robinson, Schwonda Rogers, Mary Smith, Twanika Sojourner, Jacquelyn Thomas, Rashandra Turner, and Glenda Wilson, Mrs. Marilyn Binion-Davis and Mrs. LaKetha Berry, advisors.

"Honor is the reward for what you g

"Honor is the reward for what you give."

The Utica Campus offers a variety of academic and career and technical programs. From these programs, students select the one that best fits his or her interest. The programs range from a one year requirement to a two year requirement. After graduation, the student may enter into the workforce or into a four year institution, depending on the program of study selected.

Whether graduating at the top of the class or merely just graduating, the reward has great benefits. The goal was to earn a degree, learn a skill, or develop in a particular trade. Once that has been accomplish, the future begins to look a little brighter. You have something to offer. You reached.

Teamwork...

Priceless!

(IAAP)

seated from left: Kasandra Henderson & Danielle Minor

Back from left: LaTonya Moore & DeLois Thompson, advisor

Computer Science

Arinelle White, Titus Carver, Jason Nevels, Travis Boyle, Mrs. Dcborah Danner, advisor, Byrtina White, Danielle Minor, LaKeisha Adams, Janet Harris, Jan Brown, MaShandra Shelby, Ciji Fosselman, KaShaun Evans, Mamie Terrell, Eva Epps, Alisha McDonald, and Mrs. Sarah Wilkerson, co-advisor





Food Production

Nekia Shaw, Carneka Evans, Michael Jones, Shuwanda Jordan, Alice Wilson, Micha Miller Shelia Collins, Roderick Reese, Markeith Jordan, Dejuan Dunson, Keneesha Washington, Chrissy Robinson, Shanta Davis, Shantena Davis, Emmit Ward, Corey Berry Keddrick Redmon, Mrs. Carolyn Samuel, advisor

Cosmetology Club

Rashida Brown, Valeria Butler, Kimberly Clark, Nakaya Davis, Schana Dotson, Adrian Finley, Tristina Goodlett, Annie Grant, Venetria Hill, Chander Jenkins, Kim Johnson, Lakesh Johnson, Latannia Miller, Latoya Noble, Deidra Parker, Velina Reynolds, Sherry Shorter, Angenita Smith, April Sterling, Angela Sullivan, Cigi Taylor, Shequita Taylor, Christy Washington, Latorsha Wright, Chiquitta Floyd-teacher trainee, Mrs. Ida Thomas, advisor





Art Club

Houston Perry Tennessee Williams Mr. Randy Minton, advisor Byrtina White LaTasha Lofton Roderick Brown



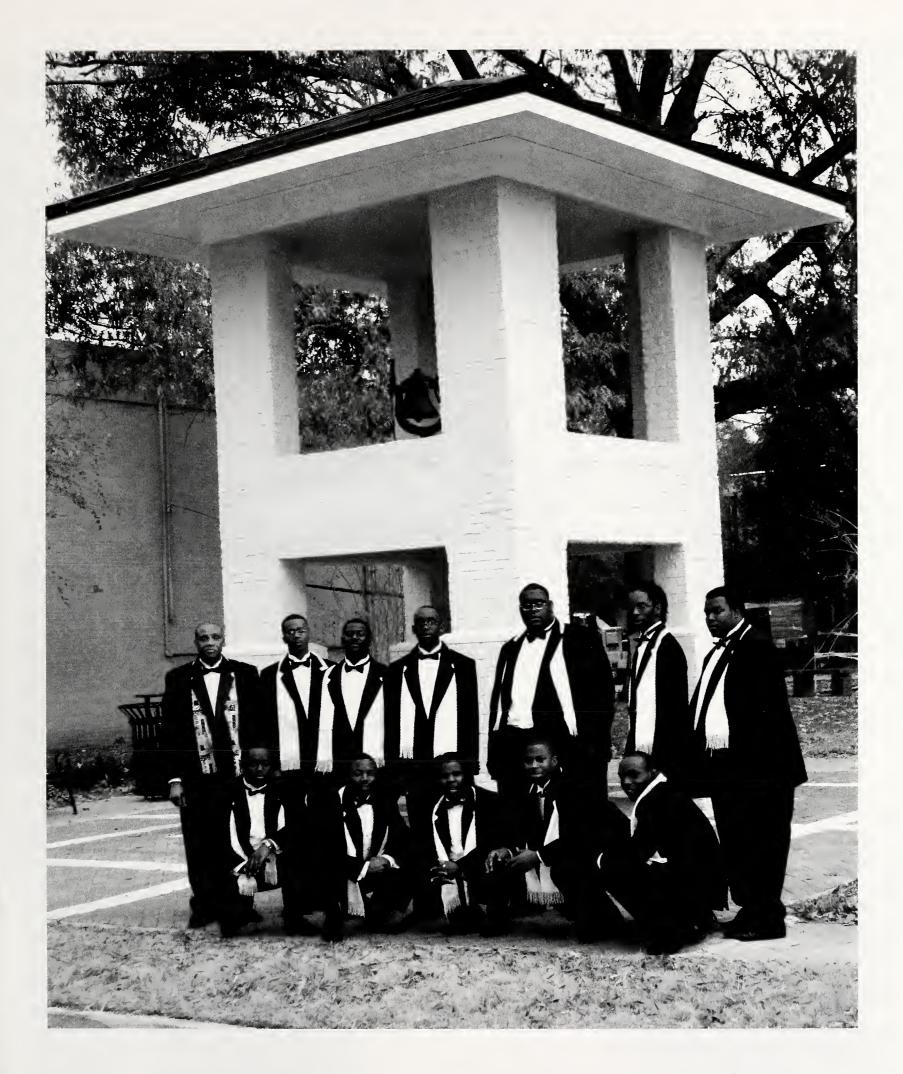
Utica Campus Gospel Choir



Sopranos: Tifany Tyler, Jessica Anderson, Janice Johnson, Samantha Jones, Peronica Jones, Antrese Berry, Josetta Moore. Altos: Samantha Clark, Carashia Foster, Latesha West, LaToya Price, Arean Alston, Veronica Davis. Tenors: Juan Camache, DeJuan Dunson, Tevin Stubbs, Daniel Griffin, Corey Monston, Daniel Powell, Sammie McGee, Jard Tinnon, Jr., Xadier Weeks, Larry Rockett, Keddrick Redmond. Baritones/Basses: Matthew Larry, Patrick Johnson, Donnell Williams, Houston Perry, Corey Berry, Johnthan Jackson, Valdemor Hill. Dr. Bobby Cooper, director.

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Utica Jubilee Singers



Members of the Utica Jubilee Singers are Jard Tinnon, Jr., Tevin Stubbs, Jr., Corey Monston, Patrick Johnson, Corey Berry, Larry Matthews, DeJuan Dunson, Daniel Powell, Valdemor Hill, Daniel Griffin, Houston Perry, and Sammie McGee, accompanist. Dr. Bobby Cooper is director.

Clothing Textile



Members of the Clothing Textile Club are Serena McDonald, Gertrude Chatman, Sandra Walls, and Samanda Troy. The advisor is Mrs. Verlene Redfield.

> Miss Clothing Textile Miss Tee Bingham

Modeling Club

Modeling Club: Shameka Turner, Andrea Ruffin, Serena McDonald, Erica Williams, Julia Green, Tee Bingham, Gertrude Chatman, Samanda Troy, Santrila Epps, Mrs. Evans, Ashley Thomas, and Sandra Walls. The advisor is Mrs. Verlene Redfield.

Misss Modeling Shameka Turner

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Miss Student Support Services- Antrese Berry

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Student Support Services

Student Support Services members: Jessica Davenport, Roland Christian, Jolena Gray, Isaac Williams, Twanika Sojourner, Charlene Williams, Antrese Berry, Jesmeber Ralson, Gemario Brooks, Laquanda Johnson, Chandra Dean, Laura Watson, Muhammad Newton, Markeeta Carson, Byrtina White, Nikki Daggins, Danielle Durr, and Karen Williams. The advisors are Mrs. Maude Jordan and Mrs. Sylvia Walker.

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Mr. & Miss Usher Stephen Smith & Tarita Edwards

Usher Club

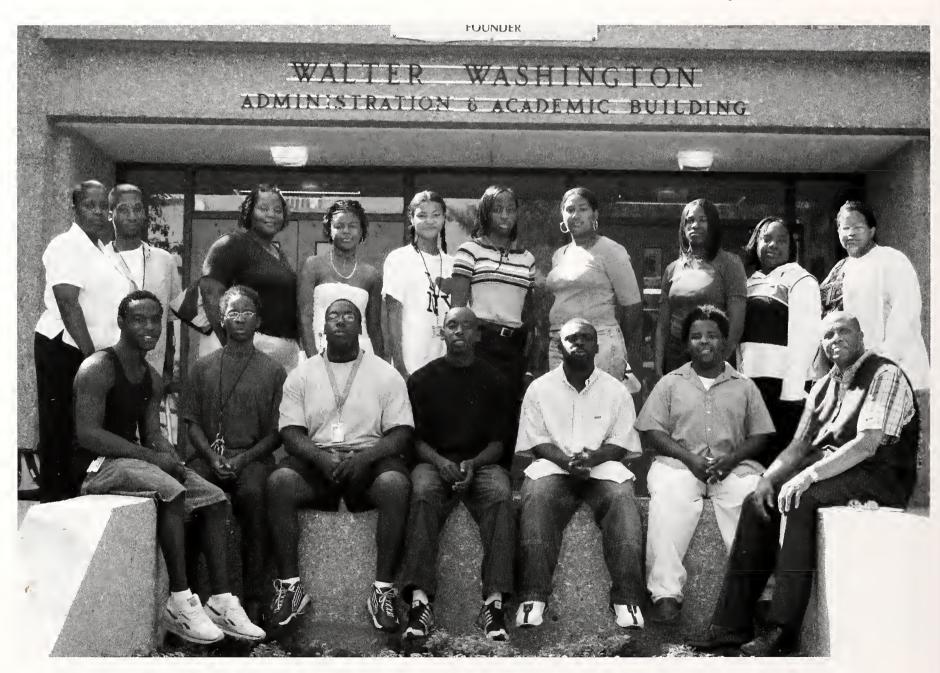


Usher Club members: Jessica Davenport, Terrance Crump, Eric Williams, Tarita Edwards, Thomas Ward, Tyrone Ferrell, Arinell White, Danielle Durr, James Haley, Jr., Antoinette Davis, Andrea Johnson, Keneesha Washington, Andrianne Jenkins, LaTonya Moore, and Lance Earnest. The advisors are Mrs. Monocia Conners and Mrs. Chris Watkins.



United Campus Ministry

Mr. & Miss United Campus Ministry Daniel Griffin & Janice Johnson



United Campus Ministry members: Peronica Jones, Daniel Powell, Latoya Price, Tevin Stubbs, Larry Rockett, Jalon McGee, Patrick Johnson, Carlos Williams, Chandra Dear, Janice Johnson, Tiffany Tyler, Rolanel Christia, Andrianne Jenkins, Byrtina White, and Daniel Griffin. The advisors are Dr. Bobby Cooper, Mrs. Carolyn Samuel, and Mrs. Amanda Hubbard.



Mr. & Miss VICA- Shaka Zulu and Tonya Fritzgerald

Vocational Industrial Clubs of America (VICA)



Front from left: Michael Gilmore and Chander Jenkins. Second row from left: Larry Whitfield, Michael Jones, and Mr. Fredie Edwards, advisor. Back row from left: Mrs. Chris Tanner-Watkins, advisor, Shaka Zulu, Roderick Daniel and Tonya Fritzgerald.



Miss Sociology Shanute Pendleton

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Sociology Club

Sociology Club members: Alice Wilson, president; Emmitt Ward, vice president; Michael Miller, secretary; Shanute Pendleton, treasurer; LaTonya Moore, reporter. The advisor is Mr. Floyd Tate.

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Miss Esquirette Twyla Johnson

Esquirette Club



Esquirette Club member: Twanna Byther, Twyla Johnson, Kashun Evans, Carneka Evans, Shawanna Jordan, Krystal Manson, Nekia Shaw, Shantena Davis, Shanta Davis, Natalja Stewart, Armelia Holmes, Timeka Wright, Jan Brown, Janet Harris, Tarita Edwards, and Ophelia Thornton. The advisor is Mrs. Sharon Kimble.



Mr. & Miss Utica Connection - Patrick Bernard & LaToya



Utica Connection

Utica Connection members: Brinisha Price, Marquita Hall, Twani Harris, Jennifer Rabon, Mamie Terrell, Chandra Dear, LaToya Martin, Patrick Bernard, and Courtney Smith. The advisors are Mr. Charles Bell and Mr. Deyed Darbandi.

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Mr. & Miss AQPi Daryl Quinn & Ashlie Pollard

AQPi



AQPi members: Latoya Martin, Twani Harris, Brinisha Price, LaToya Bishop, vice president, Ashlie Pollard, Victoria Harris, Laura Wilson, Thomas Ward, president, Daryl Quinn, James Hales, Andrea Johnson, secretary, Adrianne Jenkins, treasurer, Johnathan Thomas, Donnell Stewart, Justin Fleming, Charnell Riles, and O'Keyin Riles. The advisor is Mr. Charles Bell.





"When you really want love, you will find it waiting for you."

In man's reach to attain the best that life has to offer, certain events must take place. Whether he walks the path alone or encounters friends along the way, his destiny rests with his desire. The annual Thankggiving Dinner was held Sunday, November 23, 2003. Rev. John Cornelius delivered the keynote address.

The annual Teacher Education Conference was held Friday, November 14, 2003. JPS Superintendent, Dr. Earl Watkins, was keynoter.





The annual Christmas Choir Concert was held Tuesday, December 9, 2003, in the William H. Holtzclaw Library.

Mr. Ronnie Agnew, Clarion Ledger executive editor, delivered the keynote address at the Black History Program on Feb. 4, 2004.

Dr. James Davis, pastor of Big Bethel AME Church in Atlanta, GA., was the keynoter at the program celebrating the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., on Jan. 15, 2004.







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Thanksgiving Dinner

The annual Thanksgiving Dinner was held Sunday, November 23, 2003, at 3PM in the J. D. Boyd Gymnasium. Rev. John Cornelius, Pastor of Pratt Memorial United Methodist Church in Jackson, delivered the keynote address. Dr. George Barnes, Utica Campus vice president, left, recognized the guests and offered remarks. Other program participants included Dr. Bobby Cooper and the Utica Campus Choir, music; Rev. Rob Hill, pastor of Utica United Methodist Church, grace and benediction; Mrs. Magdalene Johnson, Hinds AHS home economics instructor, occasion; Mrs. Barbara Stokes, Utica Campus English instructor, introduction of guest speaker; and Dr. Shirley Davis, program presider.

Mr. Charles Bell serves as chairperson of the Thanksgiving committee. Mrs. Carolyn Samual is vice chairperson.





The Utica Campus Choir, under the direction of Dr. Bobby Cooper, performed several selections during the program.

Above: Dr. Shirley Davis, Title III Coordinator, served as presiding officer of the Thanksgiving program.







Left: Rev. John Cornelius, pastor of Pratt Memorial United Methodist Church in Jackson, delivered a message befitting the occasion and centered around the theme, "Together, Let's Be Thankful."

Right: Mrs. Barbara Stokes, Utica Campus English instructor, introduced the guest speaker, Rev. John Cornelius.





Below: TaShauna Jones, Utica Campus alumnae, were among the guests in attendance at the Thanksgiving Dinner.

Below: Hinds AHS Home Economics Instructor, Mrs. Magdalene Johnson, presented the occasion.





Left: Several hundred community supporters, Utica Campus employees, and HCC employees from other locations attended the annual Thanksgiving Dinner. Valley Innovative Services, under the leadership of Mrs. Lula Metzger, provided the meal.



Above: Dr. Clyde Muse, HCC President, offers remarks and recognizes special guests. Far left: Mr. and Mrs. Charles and Madelyn Bell participate in the congregational hymn, "We Gather Together."

Christmas Choir Concert

The Music Department sponsored its annual Christmas Choir Concert on Tuesday, December 9, 2003. The concert was held in the William H. Holtzclaw Library at 11:20 a. m. The conductor of the concert was Dr. Bobby Cooper who serves as choir director and chairman of the Humanities Division. Ms. Judy Walker served as accompanist for the concert.

Pictured, top: Mrs. Carolyn Addison, contralto soloist, sings "Sweet Little Jesus Boy." Mrs. Addison also serves as Utica Campus and Hinds AHS music instructor.

Pictured right: Daniel Powell, student gospel choir director, dramatically leads the choir members from one scale to another.









Dr. Bobby Cooper directed the Jubilee Singers in their performance. The Jubilee Singers performed four selections. The songs were "Away In a Manger" by Alice Jordon, "The Salvation Is Created" by Paul Tschesnoff, "Amen" by Jester Hariston featuring Tevin Stubbs, tenor, and "De Mornin' Come" arranged by Wenedell Whalum featuring Matthew Larry, baritone. The Jubilee Singers were accompanied by Ms. Judy Walker.



Carisha Foster, soloist, performs "It's My Time." The picture inset is Foster's high school choir director from Greenville Western High School (Mrs. Jones brought two bus loads of choir members from Greenville to the concert).

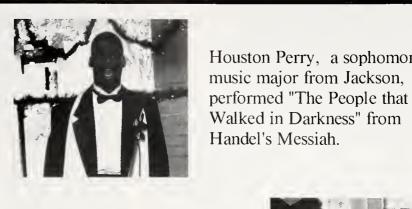
Right: Sammie McGee, a sophomore music major from Collins, served as accompanist for the concert choir.

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Arean Alston, a sophomore music major from Memphis, Tennessee, served as accompanist for the gospel choir.



Houston Perry, a sophomore





Dr. Bobby Cooper introduced the choir and Jubilee Singers and thanked the audience for their support.

Antonio Chambers, guest percussionist and former choir member, accompanied the choir and Jubilee Singers. Chambers, 1999 Mr. Utica Campus, now teaches at Wilkins Elementary School in Jackson.







Jimmie Lewis, former choir member and guest soloist, performed with the choir. One of his renditions was "Jesus, Oh What a Wonderful Child."



Strategies for Growth in Professionalism. Go for the Gold."



The Utica Magnolia Chapter (UMC) of IAAP chose as the theme for the 2003 Boss Day Program, "Will The Real Bosses, Please Stand Up."



Left: Mrs. Darlene Emerson, postmistress, and Mrs. Maude Walker, bookstore manager, share in honoring their supervisor, Mr. Charles Bell.

Above: Mr. James Jordan, retired social studies instructor and presiding officer, kept the audience alert and in laughter with his humor.

Right: Ms. Mirriam Torrey, duplicating manager, and Mrs. Erica Petrus, administrative assistant, share in the celebration. They both are IAAP members.





The International Association of Administrative Professionals recognized their bosses in a special luncheon. Ms. Jackie Braggs and Mrs. Lillian Grigsby, UMC President and Vice President, offered greetings and invocation, respectively. Mr. James Jordan, retired social studies instructor, served as program presider.

Above: Bosses are presented gifts. Mrs. Ellestene Turner, registrar, chats with IAAP member, Mrs. Lois Barnes, standing. Seated with Turner is, left, Mrs. Doris McClure, Title III administrative assistant, and Mrs. Gwen Strong, registrar administrative assistant.

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Dr. Mae Jackson, Natural Science Division chair, delights in the gesture of kindness of the IAAP members and the humor of the presiding officer, Mr. James Jordan.

Mrs. Chris Tanner-Watkins, special populations instructor, assists in presenting gifts. Dr. Eugesne Gaston, Dean of Instruction, receives a gift as Mr. Tim Rush, Dean of Students, looks on.

Boss Day Appreciation Program

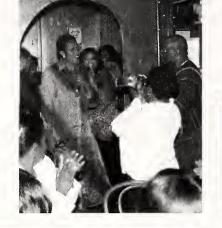
Boss Day Program and Luncheon October 15, 2003 Ples McCadney Building Room 206

Honorees

Mr. Bruce Baker Dr. George Barnes Mr. Charles Bell Ms. Tiffany Chanay Dr. Shirley Davis Dr. Eugene Gaston Ms. Jean Greene Dr. Eldridge Henderson Mr. Joe Huffman Dr. Mae C. Jackson Ms. Maudie Jordan Dr. Jesse Killingsworth Mr. Bobby Pamplin Dr. Priscilla Robinson Mr. Timothy Rush Mr. Robert Strong Mrs. Ellestene Turner

The celebration began for Dr. Davis with the arrival of a limousine in front of her house to take her to...well - some place unknown.

Dr. Davis prides herself on being knowledgeable of whatever is going on. However, this event was one that completely took her by **Surprise!**

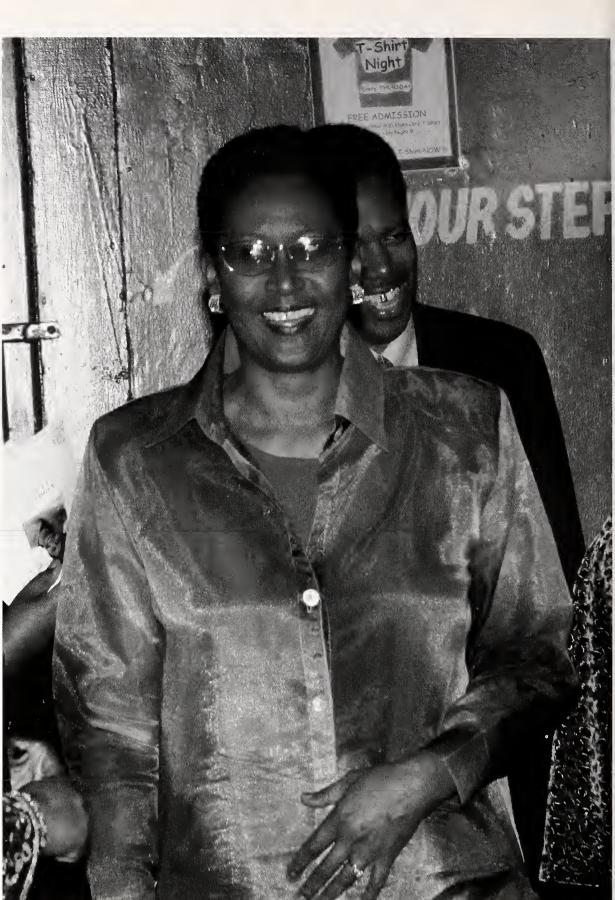


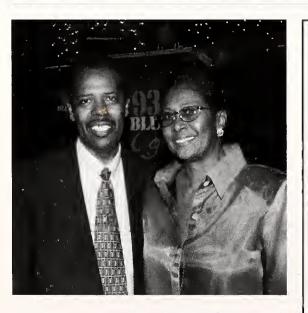
Dr. Shirley Marie Diggs Hopkins-Davis 1973-2003



Eloquently saluting Dr. Davis on her retirement were Dr. Eugene Gaston, dean of instruction, right, and Mr. Tim Rush, dean of students.







Mr. and Dr. Sam and Shirley Davis take a moment to pose for the photographer.

A group of friends of Dr. Shirley Hopkins- Davis planned a surprise party to celebrate her 30 years of service to the Utica Campus of Hinds Community College. Invitations were extended to former colleagues, her church family, and friends, along with community members and leaders. The celebration entitled "A Gathering of Friends" was held Friday, December 12, 2003, at 6 PM at the 930 Blues Cafe' located at 930 North Congress Street in downtown Jackson.



Pictured are some of Dr. Davis' church members from Pearl Street AME in Jackson

State Representative Mary Coleman presented Dr. Davis a proclamation from Governor Ronnie Musgrove proclaiming December 12 as Dr. Shirley Hopkins-Davis Day in the state of MS. Coleman also presented Davis a proclamation from Congressman Bennie Thompson.

Below: Ms. Jean Green presided over the program and served as one of the program's coordinators.

Far right: The elation and joy were too much for Dr. Davis to contain. N o n e t h e l e s s , t h e grandiosity of her speech was sublime.



'A Gathering of Friends''



Left: Dr. Jackson, friend of Dr. Davis, jokes of having pulled off the surprise celebration. Below: Dr. Davis is pictured with State Representative Mary Coleman.









Pictured congratulating Dr. Davis are former husband, Clarence, Dr. Bobby Cooper, and a community friend.

'I was so in awe upon entry into the 930 Blues Cafe'! The evening was simply wonderful. I don't think I've ever enjoyed anything any more than I enjoyed my retirement reception Friday, December 12, 2003. I thank each of you for contributing to the creation of this beautiful memory for me. Everything was perfect because many of you were there. To those of you who could not be there but contributed in any way to the success of it, I want you to know that the evening was marvelous! It began with my chariot awaiting in the form of a white limousine. The surprise continued throughout the evening. You write the ending! I will be eternally grateful to each of you for the love shown at my retirement. I have enjoyed every day of work at Utica and with Hinds. I regret nothing! Again, thanks a whole BUNCH!" Shirley Marie Diggs Hopkins-Davis 1973-2003 30 years



Pictured with the honoree are, from left, glamour girls Ms. Jean Greene, Mrs. Tiffany Chanay, Dr. Mae C. Jackson, Mrs. Doris McClure, and Dr. Priscilla Robinson. This group of ladies planned the celebration.

Bridgewater student discusses the child care program in her country as Mrs. LaKetha Berry, Utica child care instructor, looks on.

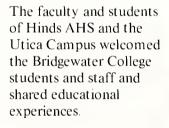


Ronald Hicks, music major, sings a solo during one of the programs held during National Library Week.

National Library Week



The William H. Holtzclaw Library kicked off National Library Week 2003 with a Cultural Exchange Program. Bridgewater, England students and staff visited the College and shared the similarities of their school life with those of the Utica Campus and Hinds AHS.









The Bridgewater College students soon realized the many similarities of the schools in their country and the United States. There were many fun and exciting moments. The Cultural Exchange Program was a Phi Theta Kappa activity. The Bridgewater group was hosted by the Phi Theta Kappa Honorary Society from the Raymond Campus under the leadership of Kristi Sather-Smith.

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The Cultural Exchange Group from Bridgewater, England Mr. and Miss Utica Campus, Cordel Wren and Monica Lacey, welcome the students to the Utica Campus

Author, Betty Jackson discussed Kelly, her book, The Day After Tomorrow, and shared her writing experience during National Library Week. Jackson is a native of Fayette.

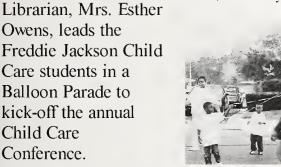


Reading Is Fundamental



Child Care Conference.

Honor student LaTonya Moore speaks to the Bridgewater guests about extra curricula activities. She was editor of both the college yearbook and newspaper staffs, Phi Theta kappa, the Education Club, Usher Club, and many others.









Mrs. Jean Greene, director of Library Services, welcomes each group during the week-long celebration of activities which were held in the William H. Holtzclaw library. Greene served as hostess of each activity.

"National Library Week is always one of excitment and fun," says Ms. Jean Greene, director of Library Services.



The Mahogany Dancers performed a routine during one of the programs held during National Library Week. The Mahogany Dancers are under the leadership of Mrs. Esther Owens, librarian.

Pictured with Mr. Ronnie Agnew, center, keynote speaker and Clarion Ledger executive editor, are, from left, Dr. Jesse Killingsworth, program presider; Mrs. Jean Greene, committee member; Mrs. Maudie Jordan, chairperson; and Dr. George Barnes, Utica Campus vice president.

Below: Dr. Jesse Killingsworth, program presider, gives the order of the program.





Above: Mr. Ronnie Agnew, center, keynote speaker, chats with Dr. Jesse Killingsworth, program presider, and Dr. George Barnes, Utica Campus Right: The audience vice president following the participate in singing program. the Negro National

Above left: The Utica Campus Choir and Jubilee Singers entertain the audience with two selections. The Choir and Jubilee Singers are under the direction of Dr. Bobby Cooper.







Right: The audience participate in singing the Negro National Anthem, "Lift Every Voice and Sing," written by James Weldon Johnson.



Black History Month

"Before Brown, Beyond Boundaries: 50th Anniversary of Brown vs Topeka Board of Education"

The achievements of African Americans are too monumental to be recognized in such a minimal span of just one month. None the less, throughout the United States, the month of February is set aside in recognition of African American achievement. The Utica Campus Black History Month committee planned, as one of many events during that celebration, a general assembly.

The program was held Wednesday, February 4, 2004, with Mr. Ronnie Agnew, executive editor of the Clarion Ledger Newspaper, as keynoter. Other program participants included Brandon Cooley, Mr. Utica Campus, invocation; The Utica Campus Choir and Jubilee Singers under the direction of Dr. Bobby Cooper, musical selections; LaTarius Hicks, Miss Hinds AHS, the occasion; The Mahogany Dancers under the direction of Mrs. Esther Owens, a dance; Mrs. Jean Greene, director of library resources, poetry reading; and Dr. George Barnes, Utica Campus vice president, introduction of speaker and remarks. Dr. Jesse Killingsworth, dean of Career and Technical programs, served as program presider. Committee members

Mrs. Maudie Jordan, chairperson Ms. Rosetta Young, secretary Mrs. Doris McClure, secretary Mrs. Tiffany Chanay Mrs. Jean Greene Mrs. Sharon Kimble Mrs. Gwendolyn Strong Mr. Floyd Tate Mrs. Sylvia Walker Miss LaTonya Thomas Mr. Brandon Coolev











Left:Mr. Ronnie Agnew, executive editor of the Clarion Ledger Newspaper, delivered the kevnote address during Black History Month. Mr. Agnew serves as the first African-American editor of the state's largest newspaper.

Above left: The Mahogany Dancers performed in celebration Black of History Month. The from Dancers range elementary to high school students. Mrs. Esther Owens, Utica Campus librarian, is choreographer of the Dancers.

Right: Pictured with keynote speaker, Dr. James L. Davis, third from left, are, from left, Mrs. Maudie Jordan, committee chairperson; Dr. Shirley Davis, co-chairperson; and Dr. George Barnes, Utica Campus vice president.

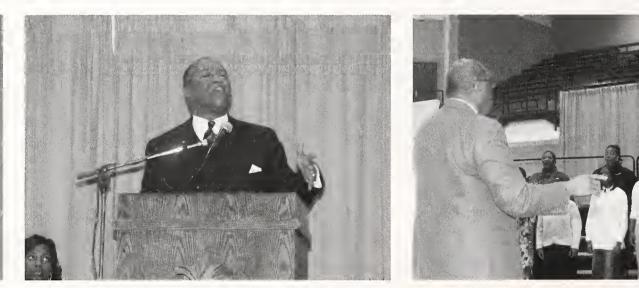
Below:Mrs. Sharon Kimble, program presider, announced the order of the program.





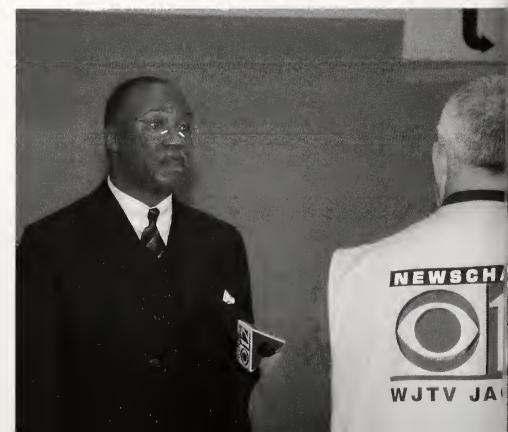
Above: Dr. Davis captivated the attention of the audience from the beginning of his message and kept the stadium filled crowd mesmorized until the end. Throughout Dr. Davis' message it seemed there were no highs and lows. There was a continuous high and the audience signified it with silence and occasional thundering applauds.





Above right: The Utica Campus Choir and Jubilee Singers performed two selections entitled, "Wonderful" and "Hush, Somebody's Calling My Name." The Choir and Jubilee Singers are under the direction of Dr. Bobby Cooper.

Right: After the program, Dr. Davis was enterviewed by WJTV newschannel 12.



Dr. Martin Luther King's **Birthday** Celebration

"Before Brown, Beyond Boundaries: 50th anniversary of Brown vs Topeka Board of Education"

The achievements of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. are to be admired by any individual with a zeal for justice and a love for humanity. The birthday of this great "drum major for justice" is recognized as a national holiday thoughout the United States. The Utica Campus Black History Month committee planned a celebration of Dr. King's birthday with a general assembly in his honor.

Dr. James L. Davis, pastor of Big Bethel AME Church in Atlanta, Georgia, delivered the keynote address. The program was held Thursday, January 15, 2004, in the J.D. Boyd Gymnasium. The program included a solo, "Lift Every Voice and Sing," with Ronald Hicks, a music major, leading, and the audience participating; a scripture by Jasmeila Jackson, Mr. Hinds AHS; a prayer by Brandon Cooley, Mr. Utica Campus; two musical selections by the Choir and Jubilee Singers under the direction of Dr. Bobby Cooper; the occasion by LaTonya Thomas, Miss Utica Campus; and introduction of speaker and remarks by Dr. George Barnes, Utica Campus vice president. Mrs. Sharon Kimble served as program presider.

Committee members

Mrs. Maudie Jordan, chairperson Ms. Rosetta Young, secretary Mrs. Doris McClure, secretary Mrs. Tiffany Chanay Mrs. Jean Greene Mrs. Sharon Kimble Mrs. Gwendolyn Strong Mr. Floyd Tate Mrs. Sylvia Walker Miss LaTonya Thomas Mr. Brandon Cooley



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Above left: The audience participated in singing the Negro National Anthem. "Lift Every and Sing," writ-Weldon Johnson.

Left: The audience was ad joined.

Above left: LaTonya Thomas, Miss Utica Campus, gave the occasion.

Above: Ronald Hicks, Voice a sophomore music major, led the ten by James audience in singing "Lift Every Voice and Sing."

Senior Day



Students in the Auto Body and Collision Repair Program man their display.



The Teacher Education Department exhibits their program.

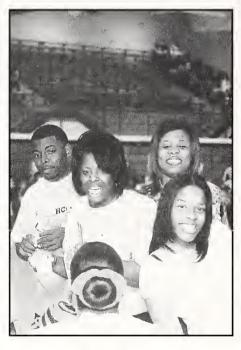


The Media Technology Department represents during Senior Day.



The audience is greeted by various administrators, graduates, and student leaders.

Several hundred high school seniors from the District's five counties visit the Utica Campus for Senior Day. The students are given a tour of the Campus, receive assistance in completing documents needed for enrollment such as financial aid and housing forms, and the students visit with the different departments in which they have a particular interest.





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Featured are the Division of Natural Sciences, Food Services, and the Barbering Department. During Senior Day, some of the Barbering students demonstrate various cuts and styles to sell their program.







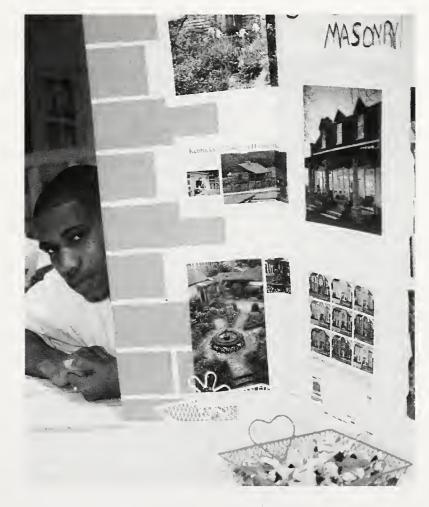




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Student Government representative and honor student, LaTonya Moore, greets the students with an overview of the Campus and what to expects as a student.



The Career Programs were well represented during Senior Day activities. Each program displayed works of their skills which were done in the classrooms.



Features

A man's value can always be found within

Knowing Thyself...

History Instructor Sharon Kimble is scheduled to travel to South Africa with Oprah Winfrey.



Seated at the head table during the Coronation Ball Ceremony were administrators from the College and High School.

Jacqueline Erinne is one of eight students selected as Who's Who Among Students In American Community and Junior Colleges.



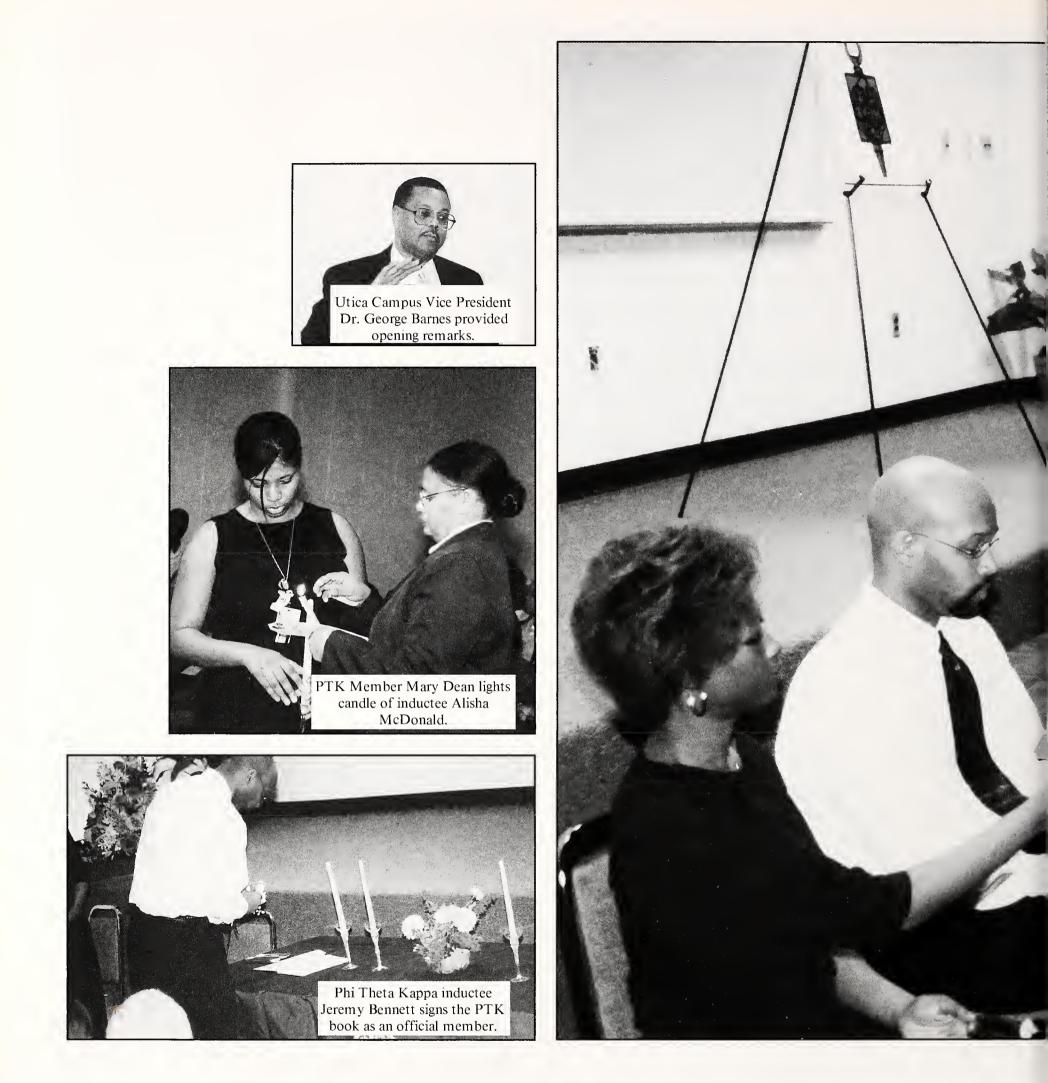
The Student Government Organization serves as laision between the students and the administration

Priceless!

Jefferson High School from Fayette was among many marching bands to participate in the Homecoming Parade.







The Alpha Beta Xi Chapter of Phi Theta Kappa held it Spring induction ceremony in February. Five new members were inducted. They were Alisha McDonald, Suzette Lewis, Jason Nevels, LaTonya Moore, and Jeremy Bennett. Phi

Induction

Theta Kappa members who assisted in the ceremony were Shirley Broom, Phi Theta Kappa Jacquelyn Erinne, Kassandra Henderson, and Mary Dean. Other program participants included Chiquita Collier, poetry reading; a speech and invocation, Mary Dean; occasion, Mrs. Ammie McCurley, PTK advisor; recognition of guests, Mrs. Barbara Stokes, PTK advisor; and closing remarks, Mr. Tim Rush, dean of students.



Phi Theta Kappa was established in 1918 by the presidents of the Missouri Junior College for Women. It is the only internationally acclaimed honor society serving two-year institutions which offer associate degree programs. Two year college presidents and administrators of associate degree programs of four year schools have continually recognized membership in PTK as an honor and privilege. Membership is given added significance by the fact that the Society is recognized by the American Association of Community Colleges as the official honor society for two-year colleges. The purpose of PTK shall be to recognize and encourage scholarship among two-year college students. To achieve this purpose, PTK shall provide opportunity for the development of leadership and service, for an intellectual climate for exchange of ideas and ideals, for lively fellowship for scholars, and for stimulation of interest in continuing excellence.

Cooley and Thomas salute each other before going to the stage to be officially crowned Mr. and Miss Utica Campus 2004.

Mr. & Miss Utica Campus Brandon Cooley & LaTonya Thomas

randon Cooley is a sophomore Barbering major from Greenwood Mississippi. Cooley is a member of the New Foundation Missionary Baptist Church and an honor graduate of Provine High School where he participated in a variety of clubs and organizations. In high school, he was elected Mr. Freshman and Senior Mr. Beau. He enjoys playing basketball, fishing, barbering, and listening to music. Cooley is a member of the Barbering and Leadership clubs. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. James and Debra Dodd.

Thomas is a sophomore general education major from Jackson. She is an honor graduate from Provine High School where she served as co-captain of the 4-A State Champion Lady Rams basketball team. Thomas served as vice president of the freshman class and was elected Miss Freshman 2003. Presently, Thomas is a member of the United Campus Ministries, Peer mentoring, Education and Drama clubs, Who's Who Among College Students, captain of the Lady Bulldogs basketball team, and others. She is the daughter of Mr. Frank Boston and Ms. Mary Thomas.



During the Homecoming game between Hinds AHS and McLaurin High School, the kings and queens pose for the camera.



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Miss Utica Campus, LaTonya Thomas, smile to the audience after her official crowning by Utica Campus vice president Dr. George Barnes.

Utica Campus Vice President, Dr. George Barnes, prepares to crown Mr. and Miss Utica Campus 2003-2004.









Pictured above: Mr. and Miss Utica Campus lead the Homecoming Parade in downtown Utica.

Pictured left: Dean of Instruction, Dr. Eugene Gaston, presents the king and queen with gifts. Pictured above: King Cooley and Queen Thomas take their royal stroll to the stage to receive their crown. Cooley and Thomas were elected by the student body as Mr. and Miss Utica Campus in April 2003. The ceremony of their official crowning is held each year during the Homecoming festivities held in October.

Who's Who Among Students



LaTonya Moore



Josetta Moore



LaTonya Thomas



Luvenia Jordan



Byrtina White



Kassandra Henderson

21st Centurv Role Models...

In American Community Colleges



Jacqueline Erinne



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Students selected as Who's Who Among Students In American Community Colleges have been chosen based on their academic achievement, community service, leadership in extra curricular activities, and potential for continued success. They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1400 institutions of higher education in all fifty states and several foreign nations.

Student Government Organization



The Utica Campus Student Government Organization is the key student organization. Its purposes are to promote the general welfare of the college, to provide active participation in student matters and activities, and to actively train participants for leadership positions. Representatives plan and coordinate student activities. Members are Kassandra Henderson, president; Terrance Crump, vice president; and Suzette Lewis. Mr Charles Bell is advisor.

Priceless!

Mr. & Miss Freshman Thomas Ward & Andrea Johnson



These students were chosen to represent the freshman class by their peers.

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Mr. & Miss Sophomore Arinell White & LaToya Moore



Arinell White is a business education major from Jackson. He is a member of the Usher and Computer Science clubs. White is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Arinell and Carmencita White.

LaToya Moore is a nursing major from Edwards. She is a member of the Usher and Esquirette clubs. Moore is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter and Francis Thomas.



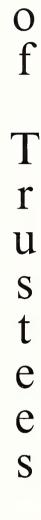
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Mr. Rickey Clopton Copiah County



Dr. Cardell Williams Claiborne County



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Dr. James McCullouch Hinds County



Dr. Ginger Smith Hinds County



Mr. Dale Sullivan Copiah County



Mr. D. G. Fountain, Jr. President - Hinds County



Mr. Robert Pickett Vice President - Warren County



Dr. James Price Warren County



Dr. Lelia Rhodes Hinds County



Mr. Talmadge Portis, Jr. Hinds County



Dr. William Dodson Rankin County



Mrs. Josephine Hosey Claiborne County



Mr. Lynn Weathersby Rankin County



Dr. Phyfa Eiland Secretary-Hinds County

Caring People...

Priceless!

Dr. George Barnes - Vice President for Utica Campus, Vicksburg-Warren County Branch, and Administrative & Student Services

To the Utica Campus Family

"The Priceless Reach"

The Uticanite serves as a source of documentation for many treasured memories, and the yearbook for 2003-2004 is no exception. In this volume as we observe these past experiences, which have a profound influence upon our present and future, we anticipate the recollections of the stories presented about our campus. Keeping in mind that education produces a myriad of interests to record, we applaud these selections that reflect life's varied twists and turns and ideas and suggestions of college endeavors. This book shows the predicaments that we sometime find ourselves as well as the victories we conquer.

Frequently, we dream of things that are costly and priced beyond our reach; however, the story told in this priceless collection is within our reach. Within our reach we have a composite of precious ventures of knowledge and challenges all woven together to produce a priceless gem. We attempt to offer adventures in learning that channel and increase academic mastery and promote creativity on the college level. Also, we are proud of the opportunities to enrich and enhance the academic skills as well as coping skills that are necessary to become successful and give positive returns to others.

A yearbook serves several significant purposes, and as you peruse these selected events and situations captured for various settings, we expect you to gain a genuine perspective of our institution. We want you to view the pictures and the outlook of this book as a launch designed with the intent to make this year the most productive one ever.

Our book reflects the light side of education and the vast amount of hard work that must be employed to gain the proper outcome. We hear of ideas many times, but we encourage you to actually read about and observe the variety of activities and important occurrences that play a role in molding a well rounded student, ready to step into the levels of higher education or the world of work.

We aim to open your eyes to change and assist you in reaching for priceless treasures that will propel you into a dynamic encounter with education. The intricate aspects of the learning and growing process denoted in these graphic images reveal that we strive to gain insights into our future. We encourage each of you to go beyond the boundaries and set goals that require effort, dedication, and determination.

Respectfully yours, Dr. George E. Barnes Vice - President

Pictured with Dr. Barnes is his wife, Doris.



Dr. Clyde Muse - President of the Hinds Community College District



Message from the President

What a year this has been for the Utica Campus of Hinds Community College! A centennial celebration of this location's 100 years of achievement gave everyone a look at the history of the Utica Campus as well as defining a progressive path for the future.

With the anniversary activities culminating at the annual Founder's Day commemoration on March 19, 2003, employees, students, alumni, and friends marked a year of events and activities that brought significant attention to the rich heritage and tradition of this campus. Building dedications included the Workforce Development Center, Bell Tower and Holtzclaw Memorial Cemetery, one of many reminders of the contributions of the Utica Campus founder W. H. Holtzclaw. A fund-raising effort was also begun to rebuild and refurbish the Holtzclaw Mansion, which is designated as a Mississippi Landmark Building by the state's Department of Archives and History.

Holtzclaw's great-granddaughter Anita Johnson, a nationally-known operatic soprano, gave an unforgettable performance in the new Cain-Cochran Hall Hogg Auditorium on the Raymond Campus. This was a memorable concert in not only that Johnson paid homage to her great grandfather, but also that this was the first recital held in this recently-opened facility.

While homecoming week saw alumni return for special gatherings, one of the main attractions during the centennial year was a visit on Founder's Day by U. S. Secretary of Education Dr. Rod Paige. Paige served as a teacher and coach at the institution from 1957 to 1963 and was inducted into the campus's first Sports Hall of Fame in 2003.

Extraordinary times like these at Hinds Community College are what make this institution stand out among the rest. Making the effort to remember the accomplishments of those who went before us and, at the same time, advancing the vision for the future are key to the success and survival of great educational establishments. As the Utica Campus has celebrated its achievements since 1903, it also continues to reach for the stars in providing an innovative, quality education for those who pass through its doors.

Sincerely, Clyde Muse

"Inspirations of Royalty

The Mahogany Dancers pay tribute to the Royal Court. Ball Coordinator, Mrs. Marilyn Binion-Davis is accompanied by husband to the Ball.

Coronation Ball

The Utica Campus Homecoming festivities were held October 16 and 17. The featured attractions were the Coronation Ball and the Parade. The honorees during the Homecoming festivities were Mr. and Miss Utica Campus, Brandon Cooley and LaTonya Tomas. The Coronation Ball was held Thursday, October 16 at 8 p.m.

in the J.D. Boyd Gymnasium. Representatives from the different clubs and organizations paid tribute to the Royal Court. The Theme for the Homecoming festivities was, "Inspirations of Royalty."

The Parade was held Friday, October 17 at 2 p.m. in downtown Utica.



Sisters Mrs. Jacqueline Sullivan, left, and Mrs. Deborah Danner grab a snack during the dance which was held after the Ball.

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Enjoying the festivities of the dance was LaKisha Davis who helped with the photography during the Ball.





Above: Ball Coordinator, Mrs. Barbara Stokes, takes a minute to enjoy the ceremony.

Pictured left: Representatives from clubs and organizations paid tribute to the Royal Court.

Coronation Ball 2004

LaToya Martin & Escort Miss Utica Connection

Brandon Causley & Karen Williams Mr. & Miss Education

Lee Kirby & Brinisha Price Mr. & Miss Student Union

Jimmy Jones & Courtney Smith Mr. & Miss CLAW

Houston Perry & Shanta Stockett Mr. & Miss NATS

Jonathan Jackson & Samantha Jones Mr. & Miss MENC

Kenosha Walton & Veronica White Mr. & Miss Science

Darryl Quinn & Ashlie Pollard Mr. & Mis AQPi

Jeremy Wilson & Serena McDonald Mr. & Miss Family & Consumer Science

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Brandon Washington & Samantha Clark Mr. & Miss Cheerleading

Antrese Berry Miss Student Support Services

Roy Richardson & Josetta Moore Mr. & Miss Phi Theta Kappa























"Inspirations of Royalty"







Eric & Tawana Byther Mr. & Miss Phi Beta Lambda

Charnell Riles & Escort Miss Newspaper Staff

Kenneth Jenkins & LaQuanda Smith Mr. & Miss Library







Muhammad Newton & Nataja Stewart Mr. & Miss Drama

Titus Carver & Ciji Fosselman Mr. & Miss Computer Science

Freddie Brown & Christy Washington Mr. & Miss Cosmetology

Ali McKnight & Brenda Rogers Mr. & Miss Barbering

Xaddier Weeks & Twayla Johnson Mr. Esquire & Miss Esquirette

Stephen Smith & Tarita Edwards Mr. & Miss Usher

Shaka Zulu & Tonya Fritzgerald Mr. & Miss VICA

Cory Berry & Sheila Collins Mr. & Miss Food Production

Meguel Henyard & Shawana Coleman Mr. & Miss Physical Education











Coronation Ball

Mr. & Miss Choir Tevin Stubbs & Tiffany Taylor

Mr. & Miss Cosmetology Alvin Spencer & Clency McGrew

Miss Sociology Shunta Pendleton & Escort

Mr. & Miss Chess Club Jared Tinnon & Byrtina White

Mr. & Miss SGO Corey Hazelton & Kassandra Henderson

Mr. & Miss Dormitory Matthew Larry & Letesha West

Mr. & Miss IAAP Patrick Johnson & Felicia Whitehead

Miss Javonda & Escort

Miss Clothing & Textile Tee Adams

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Ball guest -Jacqueline

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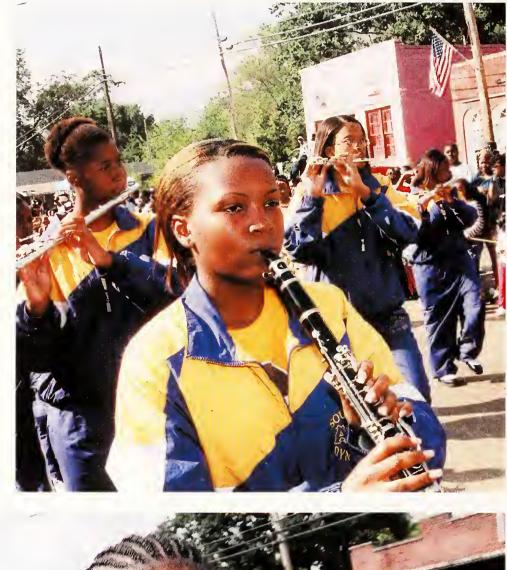
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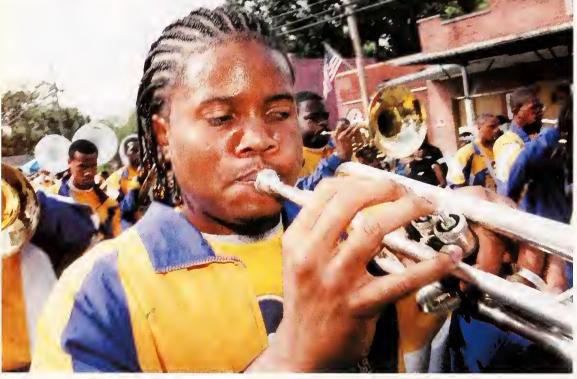


Performing a tribute to the Royal Court is the Jubilee Singers under the direction of Dr. Bobby Cooper.



The Mahogany Dancers perform during the Ball in honor of the Royal Court. The Mahogany Dancers are under the direction of Mrs. Esther Owens. The Port Gibson High School Marching Band was among several to participate in the Utica Campus Homecoming Parade.









Twani throws candy to the crowd of people who came out to witness the Homecoming Parade in downtown Utica on Friday, October 17, 2003.



Several of the different programs decorated floats to represent their area.

"Inspirations of Royalty"





The crowd receives a double treat, the attraction of the many decorative floats and candy of many assortments.



Leading the Utica Campus Homecoming Parade is the Utica Campus Vice President Dr. George Barnes. Escorting the Vice President is Mrs. Maude Kendrick, bookstore manager.

The highlight of the Homecoming Parade was the Hinds AHS Marching Band. The sights and sounds were awesome.









The Jefferson County Marching Band had an impressive showing during the Homecoming Parade.

Pictured above: Community organizations participated in the Parade.

Pictured right: The Utica Campus Aerobic Angels participated in the Homecoming Parade. Pictured are, from left, Mrs. Carolyn Samuel, Mrs. Sharon Kimble, and Mrs. Chris Watkins.

"Inspirations of Royalty" served as Homecoming theme.





Christy was a beautiful representation of the Cosmetology Program.



The excitement of the crowd was at an all-time high. Main street in downtown Utica was filled with decorative cars and floats and with bands and dancers galore.



There are very few things in life nicer than sharing moments with friends. Pictured right: When asked what she was going to bring her Utica Campus friends back from Africa, the picture says it all.



The October morning began a little different than usual for history instructor Sharon Kimble. Instead of going to her classroom to teach, she was honored as a result of her teaching. The guest of honor arrived around 8 a.m. to be greeted by hostess, Mrs.Ellestene Turner, and other members of her Utica Campus family.

Congratulations,

Mrs. Kimble



Kimble views the names of colleagues who gave her a copy of the book, **Cry the Beloved Country.**



Kimble Travels to South Africa

A select group of people from Oprah W infrey's Book Club will accompany her to South Africa after reading the novel, <u>Cry the Beloved Africa.</u>

Hello Ms. Winfrey,

My name is Sharon Kimble. I am a 36 year old wife and mother of two boys' ages 18 and 8. Recently, I began teaching History at a small historically black community college in Utica, Mississippi. Previously, I taught in the public school system in Jackson, Mississippi, where we often took history building trips across the United States. It has always been my goal to expose students to as much as I possibly can. Students in rural Mississippi often time have not traveled outside of their communities. I occasionally talk with my family and my students about someday being able to sponsor a trip to Africa. That's a little easier to do with college age students. I would be able to better respond to my students if I could first see a little bit of the country myself. I was elated when I heard the title of your most recent book club pick.

The novel, <u>Cry the Beloved Country</u>, has been one of my favorite classroom assignments since I first discovered the movie a few years ago. I immediately realized that it could be the ideal teaching tool to connect the two movements, Apartheid and the Civil Rights Movement. That's when I located and read the book. After reading the book and viewing the video along with a classroom discussion, the students are asked to look a little deeper into the Civil Rights Movement in the U.S. and Apartheid in South Africa in order to complete the research paper. Students are asked to pay special attention to the judicial system, the gold mines versus cotton plantations, views of Christianity, and the bus boycotts. This has proven to be an eye opening experience for my students. Students who are too young to have experienced these things often go home and talk with



Kimble shares in a bit of humor with friends who came to share in her honor of being selected as one chosen to travel with Oprah Winfrey to Africa.

English teacher, Barbara Stokes, congratulates Kimble and gets an autograph as a gesture of humor.



Coffee With Kimble

their parents and grandparents about the movement. Not only are they learning about a defining moment in history, but now there is a dialogue between parents and children about their own family history and culture. This is why I teach!

In closing, if I am chosen as one of those blessed viewers to travel to South Africa with you, it would be a dream come true. It is one thing to teach civil rights and apartheid to my students, but to be able to travel to South Africa and to tour the country can be one of the defining moments in any teacher's life. This will especially be an outstanding experience for one whose life's work is to help students to connect with the past in a way that will encourage them to focus on not allowing this history to repeat itself.

Thank you for the opportunity and I look forward to hearing from you.

Sharon C. Kimble

Pictured left, Kimble reads the letter she wrote to Oprah Winfrey that earned her a trip to South Africa with the famous talk show host. Kimble is pictured, right, with two of her students who are excited about her





honor and being a part of her class.

Kimble said she wrote the letter in hopes of being selected, but never putting a lot of thought into the

idea that it would really happen for her. She is excited.

Being selected to visit South Africa with Oprah Winfrey...

Priceless!

Administrative Council

The Administrative Council serves as an advisory council to the vice president. Their duties include (a) meeting monthly and submitting a status report and projections for activities and personnel under their jurisdiction (b) serving as a liaison between the vice president and personnel under their jurisdiction, and (c) advising the vice president with regard to guidelines and procedures for the college.

Not pictured is Mr. Joe Huffman, director of transportation and maintenance.

Dr. Eugene Gaston Dean of Instruction

> Mr. Tim Rush Dean of Student Affairs

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Mr. Robert Strong Principal, Hinds Agricultural High School pictured with Strong is his wife, Gwendolyn



Ms. Loretta Gandy Administrative Assistant to the Vice President



People

"The strength of a man is found in his deeds"

Giving unselfishly of thyself...

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Priceless!

Utica Campus Vice President, Dr. George Barnes, receives a hug from former employee, Hampton, during the Winter Homecoming celebration.

Computer science instructor, Mrs. Deborah Danner, left, chats with HCC Board member, Dr. Gnger Smith, during Founder's Day activities.

Officer Percy "Big Dog" Terrell, left, and Dean of Students, Tim Rush, share in a little lite humor while browsing around campus.

Ms. Georgia Wiggins, reading instructor, smiles during one of her classes.

Alumni K.C. Allen, left, and former Utica Campus acting president, Dr. Rudolph Waters, share in memories of old during a visit to the campus.











It was a honor to have Cordel represent the Utica Campus as Mr. Utica Campus during its Centennial Celebration.

Cordel was a role model during his two years at the Utica Campus. He was active in several clubs and organizations. Among those included Who's Who Among Students In American Community Colleges, The United Campus Ministries, the Utica Campus Choir, and The Utica Jubilee Singers.

Cordell graduated from the Utica Campus in May 2003 and passed the torch of Mr. Utica Campus on to his successor on Thursday, October 26, 2003, at the Coronation Ball Ceremony held in the J.D. Boyd Gymnasium. One week later, Cordell departed this life on Friday, October 24, 2003.

A Tribute to Centennial King Cordel Wren & Long Time Employee Dr. William Cornelius

Flames That Will Forever Glow

Dr. William Cornelius served this institution for thirty years. He was a professor and an administrator. His tenure ranged from 1969- 1999.

Dr. Cornelius was a professor of sociology and psychology and served as director of the Student Support Services Program until his retirement.

He departed this life on Monday, September 29, 2003.

Dr. Cornelius' friends and colleagues remember him as one who gave cheerfully and loved unconditionally.



Clubs and organizations arc vital to the total development of a college education. They help to develop leadship skills, teamwork, social skills, and friendship. The Utica Campus prides itself on developing the total individual and that development is nurtured by a spirit of "family."



Reaching From the Inside Out

obody knows what's on the inside of an individual except maybe that particular individual. However, when an individual is challenged or

threatened, he or she encounters an inate man that perhaps has never been experienced. Education causes a man to reach within himself to discover a greater individual.

Teachers challenge you to read when the world says its time to party. Those in need challenge you to sacrifice your time to community service when others say it is time for relaxation, and you challenge yourself to go to the library to do research when your eyes say they are too tired to see. It is all a part of what is on the inside challenging you to come out. You are being threatened. What do you propose to do? The threat of self destruction is man's greatest enemy. You can declare defeat.

Involve yourself with positive thinking, people, and action.

Focus on helping yourself by helping others.

Know that education is the key only when it unlocks doors for others to walk through.

Know that the greatest Being is not yourself but the man who reigns Supreme.

Understand there is a season to plant and one to harvest: Good planted, good harvested. Nothing planted, nothing harvested.





Barbering students Jacks and Motion speed off to class after finishing a nourishing meal of vegetables, seafood and pasta.



Nothing helps food to digest as well as being in the company of friends. Akelia Allen refreshes her thirst as Jeffrey and friend leave for class.

The College grill is a popular place throughout the day. Students and employees alike enjoy the daily menu of chicken tenders, fries, and salad. Other items include hot wings, chili cheese fries, pizzas, hamburgers, nachos and corn dogs.







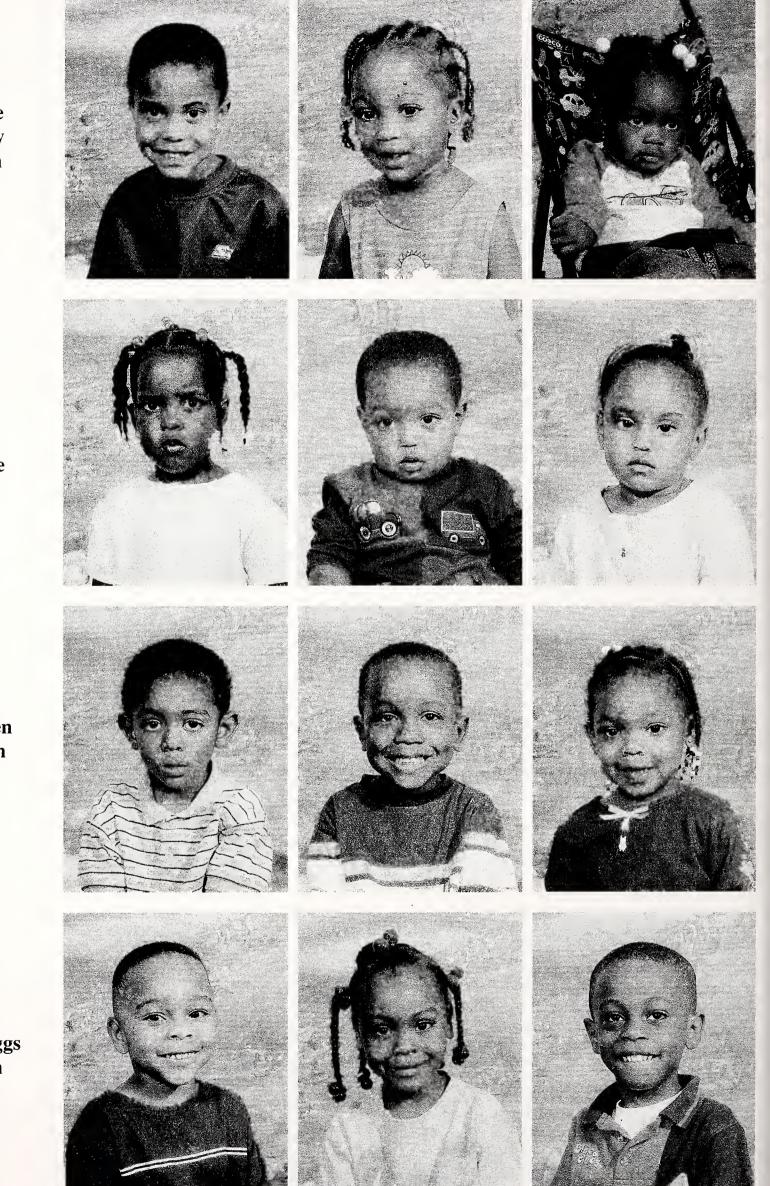
Mrs. Ammie McCurley's biology lab students are involved in studying the parts of a microscope. The microscope is used to identify various specimen.

Left: Mahammed is a sophomore who enjoys writing poetry. He is on his way to his dorm room for a moment of relaxation before his next class.



Tanneshia makes a fashion statement in all pink. She stops and poses for the camera after leaving the residence halls. Tanneshia was visiting a friend who resides in the dormitory. She is a freshman from Crystal Springs.

Freddie Jackson Child Care Students



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Christopher Green Jamaal Jefferson Alicia Jones

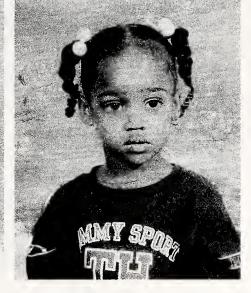
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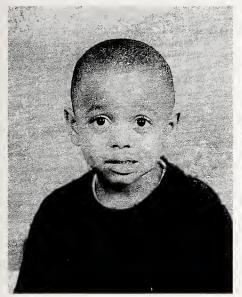
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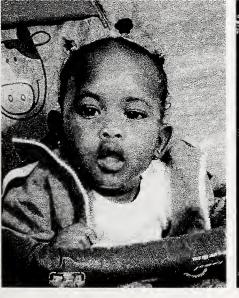
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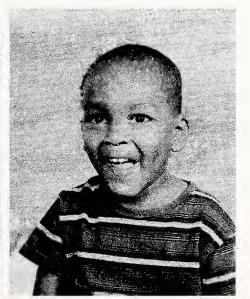




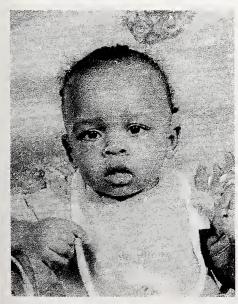
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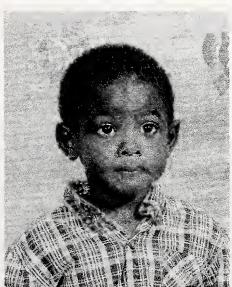






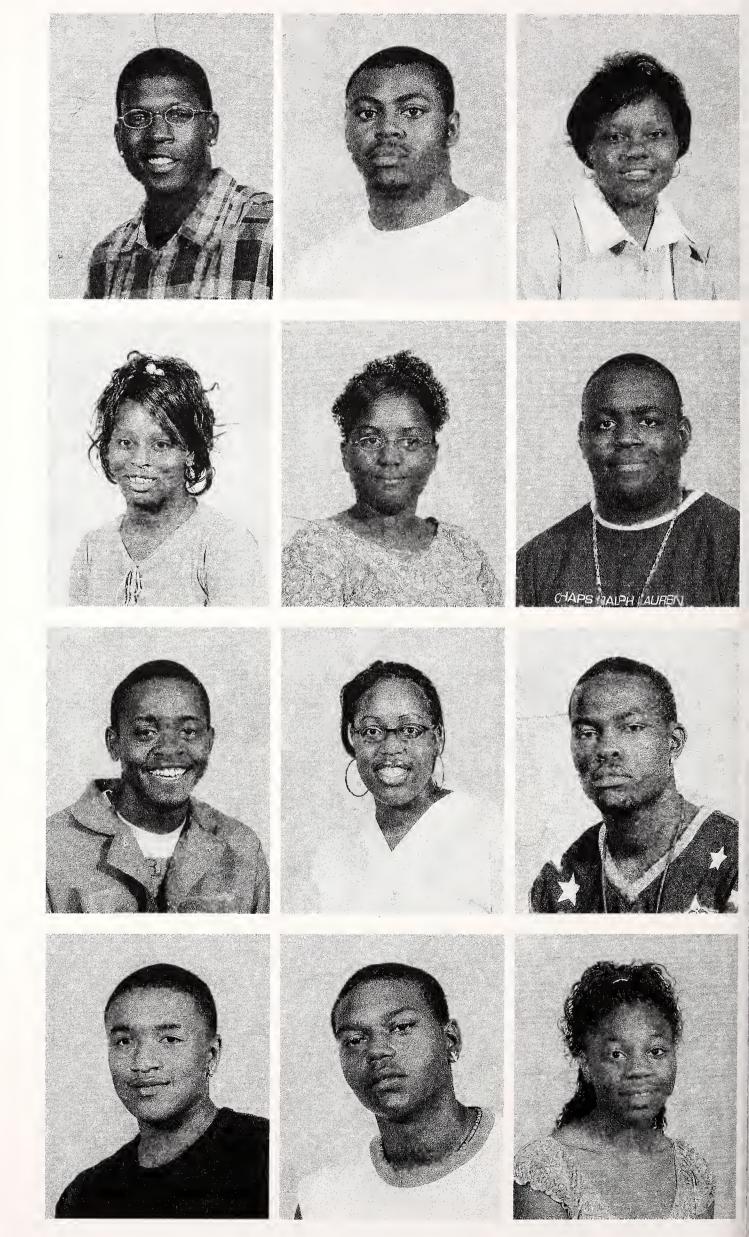
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Freshman Class



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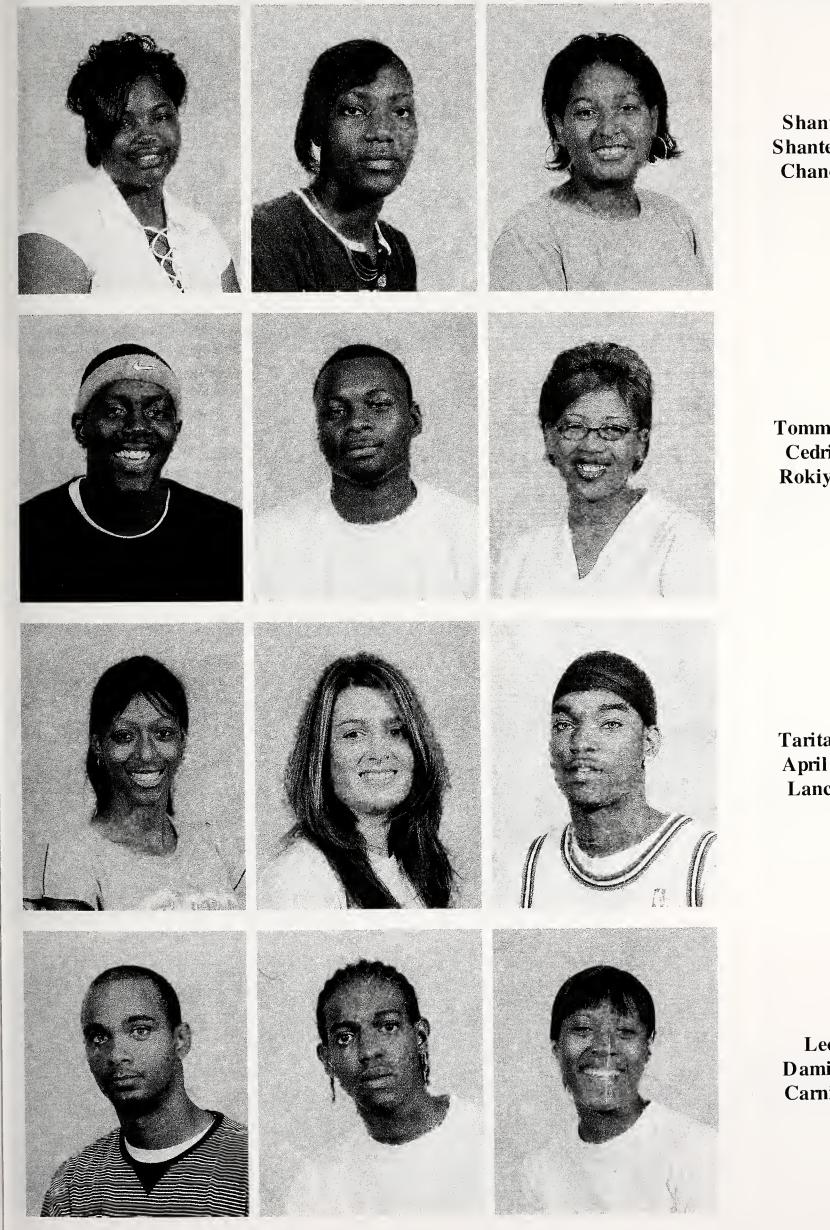
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'We can only learn to love by loving."



Shanta Davis Shantena Davis Chandra Dear

Tommie Dillard Cedric Dixon Rokiya Dotson

Tarita Edwards April Embrick Lance Ernest

Leon Esco Damien Flaggs Carnika Evans

Freshman Class

Chandra campaigns during the freshman class election in hopes of winning an officer's title.



Adrian Finley Tonya Fitzgerald Veronica Frazier







Julia Green Daniel Griffin James Haley, Jr.

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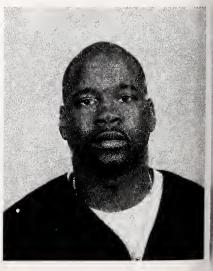












Twani Harris Victoria Harris Leon Hart

''Friends who plant kindness gather love.''

Thomas Ward make his campaign speech to his classmates in hopes of being elected Mr. Freshman and reporter. He was convincing enough to take the title of Mr. Freshman.















Corey Hazelton Audrey Humphrey James Hales

Tyrinn Hunley Andrea Johnson Cedric Jackson

LaQuanda Johnson Olivia Jackson Tannesha Johnson

Freshman Class

Deashanette Williams campaigns for Freshman Class reporter. Williams is a general studies major from Port Gibson.



Tiffany Johnson Derrick Lawson Charles Lewis





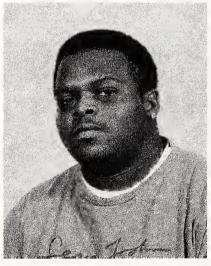


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Krystal Mason Paulisha McBride Serena McDonald



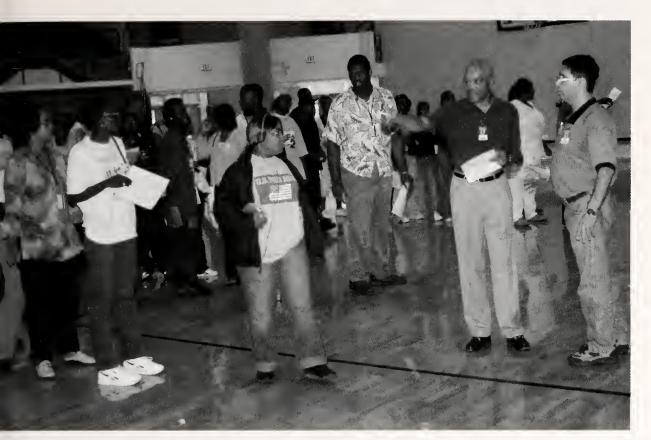










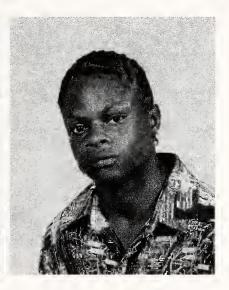


"We are born for love."

Freshmen Class advisors, Mr. Carlton Wilson and Mr. Seyed Darbandi, discuss procedures for electing class officers and voting.







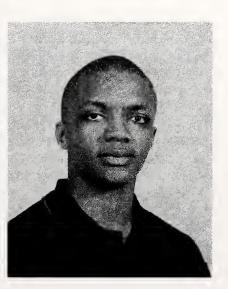












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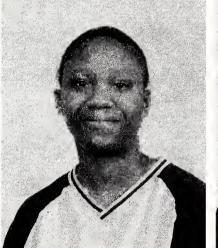
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Freshman Class

Benjamin Adebayo ignores his friend momentarily for a chance to be captured by the photographer.



Shantae Pendleton Ashley Pollard Stephanie Polk







Brinisha Price Timothy Pointer Darryl Quinn

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Jennifer Ralson Foresee Redmond Keddrick Redmond



'The giving of love is an education in itself.''

Watching, from left, are Eugene, Justin, and Keithan who awaits his turn at the table while DeAngelo tries to make his shot the last one of the game.

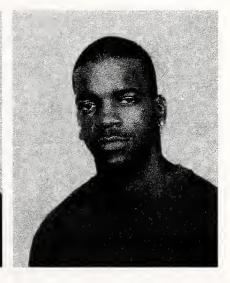






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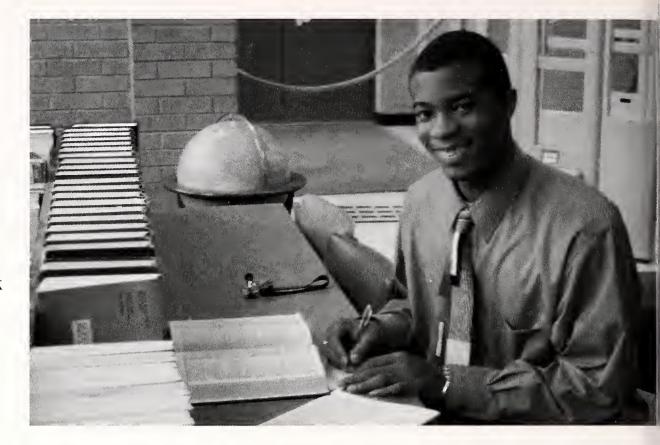


Latiscal Robinson Andrea Ruffin Milo Ruckeer

Kevin Sampson Levi Scott Nikia Shaw

Freshman Class

Xavier, a freshman choir member, gets off to a good start. He goes to the library between classes to work on a reports and assignments.



Sherry Shorter Walker Simril Angenita Smith







Courtney Smith Mary Smith **Corey Stewart**

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Donell Stewart Nataji Stewart Shanta Stockett



'Love is the greatest refreshment in life.''

After dinner, friends Christina, Rene, and London share time outside on the dormitory plaza discussing the day's happenings before going to their rooms to study.







James Tate Lakeisha Taylor MaShondra Taylor







Ashley Thomas Jacquelyn Thomas Johnathan Thomas

Jonathan Thompson Kendrick Thompson Shequita Thompson

Freshman Class

Jan Brown, Nikki, Carnika Evans, and Thomas Ward enjoy an afternoon of relaxation.



Ophelia Thornton Jason Thurman Tiffany Tyler

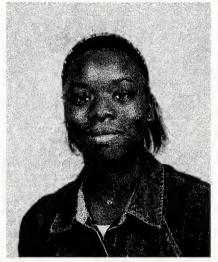






Samonda Tory Shameka Turner Jazzalyn Walker

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Lawrence Walker Sandra Walls Emmit Ward "Love, it's a flower and you its only seed."







Pictured far left: David takes a break from his friends to focus on quality time in the library.

> Thomas Ward Keneesha Washington







Xadier Weeks Larry Whitfield Garrick Whitney













Deashanetta Williams Erica Williams Jasmine Williams

Tennessee Williams Anita Wilson Alfred Young

Sophomore Class



Senica breaks away from his friends to spend time getting ahead on homework.







Lakiesha Adams Tee Adams Jessica Anderson

Shamiah Arbuthnot LaShawn Bell George Branch

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Dertich Brown Jan Brown Vernon Bozeman



'There is nothing half so sweet in life as love's young dreams.''

Freshman, Shelby Moore, takes a nap between classes. She ignores the noise from the game room next door.







Titus Carver Brandon Causley Danny Cavalier













Gertrude Chatman Mario Chatman Samantha Clark

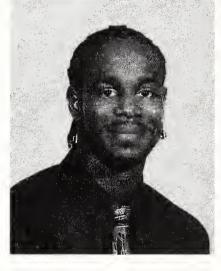
Shawanna Coleman Kenneth Collins Shelia Collins

Sophomore Class

Shameka, Donald, and Roslyn depend on each other for support and often work as study partners in the evenings.



Terrance Crum Jerry Davis, Jr. LaKisha Davis



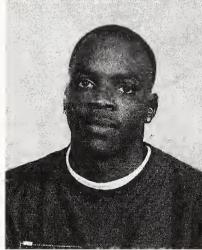




Tiffany Dixon Richard Eaddy Courtney Edwards

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Keshun Evans Marilyn Evans Justin Flemming



'Love is time and space measured by the heart."

Ken and Mooris are just too cool to skip class to watch the ladies outside of their dormitory room. However, in the evenings after class is quite another story.







Michaela Gilmore Brenda Henderson Kassandra Henderson









Janice Johnson Kimbraile Johnson LaKeisha Johnson

Daniella Hilliard **Kimberly Howard Chander Jenkins**

Sophomore Class

Students Kimberly Dixon, Terrance Crumb, and Kemora Moore, poise with English instructor, Mrs. Barbara Stokes, following the Religious Emphasis Program.



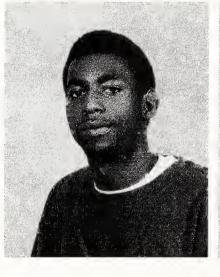
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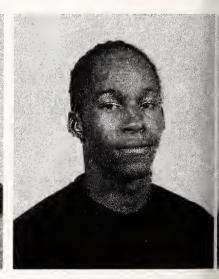


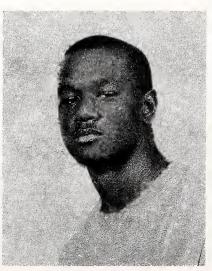


Fredrick Jones Shameka Kearney Jabarie Mallett









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Ernest Marbra Catherine McGee Micah Miller



'Friendship is love plus understanding."

College life is usually an enjoyable time for most students. These friends bond and develop a relationship that is everlasting.







Kimora Moore Josetta Moore **Muhummad Newton**











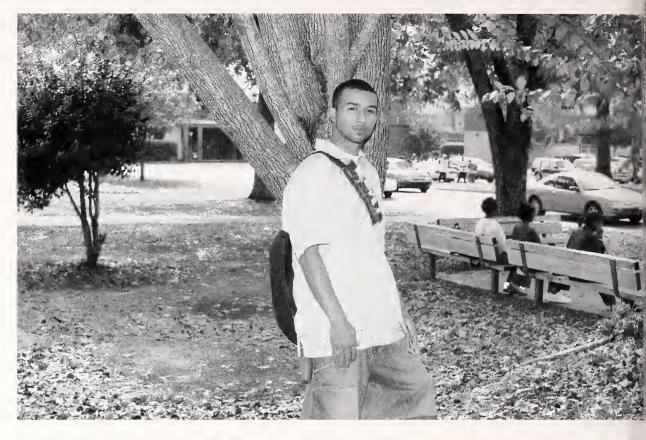


Antonio Parker **Houston Perry Glenn Rayford**

Roy Richardson Kisha Richard Nicole Robinson

Sophomore Class

Derrick Lawson enjoys the outdoors and the solitude of being alone with nature.



Marcus Roper Bettie Sanders Kevin Sewell







Jermaine Solomon Jesse Taylor Mami Terrell

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LaTonya Thomas RoShondra Turner Trevis Turner



'To enjoy a lifetime of romance-fall in love with yourself.''

Arean Alston, accompanist, and Daniel Griffin, choir member, poise for the photographer following the Christmas musical.







Karen Williams Steffen Williams Arinell White





Byrtina White Latorsha Wright Timeka Wright

Lakisha Davis proofs copy for a yearbook layout. She serves as typist of the Uticanite Staff.

Employees

In honor of Cancer Awareness Month, approximately twenty-five empolyees "topped off" their attire with wigs or bandanas in recognition of cancer victims who lose their hair to cancer treatments. Pictured are Mrs. Maude Walker, Mrs. Anita Griffin, Mrs. Willie Burnley, Ms. Jacqueline Sullivan, Mrs. Chris Watkins, Mrs. Amanda Hubbard, Mrs. Sharon Kimble, Mrs. Monocia Conners, Mrs. Barbara Stokes, Mrs. Gwen Strong, Mrs. Sylvia Walker, Mrs. Myra Buckley, Mrs. LaKetha Berry, Dr. Priscilla Robinson, Mrs. Verlene Redfield, Mrs. Deborah Danner, Mrs. Ellestene Turner, Mrs. Marilyn Davis, and Mrs. Jean Greene.



Ms. Natalie Hill Media Specialist

Mr. Frank Brown Media Technology Instructor

> Mr. Zuric Mallard User Support Specialist

Ms. Amy McCurley Biology Instructor

Ms. Ruth Smith Switchboard Operator

Ms. Katina Telton Campus Security Officer

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Mrs. Barbara Stokes English Instructor

Ms. Delois Thompson Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Tiffany Chanay Talent Search Director





















'As long as one can admire and love, then one is young forever."

Ms. Cynthis Jones assists in the presentation of gifts during the celebration of National Bosses' Day. Left, Jones presents Mr. Adam Jenkins a gift from his administrative assistant, Mrs. Annie Dixon, seated left of Jenkins, as Mrs. Mirriam Torrey, duplicating supervisor, in background, looks on.

Mr. Jenkins is the Vice President for Business Services.

> Ms. Shelia White **Biology Instructor**

> > Ms. Eva Bland **Maintenance**

Mr. James Waddell **English Instructor**

Ms. Jacqueline Sullivan **Barbering Instructor**

Mr. Leon Harris **Physical Education Instructor &** Assistant Men's Basketball Coach

Ms. Minnie Battle Business Technology Instructor

> Mrs Anita Griffin **English Instructor**

Ms. Willie Pearl Burnley **Cosmetology Instructor**

Mr. Rodney Warfield **Masonry Instructor**



















Employees

Coach Ralph Moore offers some words of advice to cousin and newly-wed, Tiffany Anderson-Chanay, about married life during the Community Day activities in August. Anderson is courteous enough to listen and wise enough not to adhere. She plans to remain married.

Anderson became Mrs. Tiffany Anderson-Chanay in summer 2003. She remains happily married in 2004 which is a clear indication that she really did not take her cousin's advice seriously. She is to be commended for that.



Mrs. Myra Buckley Teacher Education Coordinator

> Mrs. Mirriam Torrey Duplicating Supervisor

Mrs. Doris McClure Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Deborah Danner Computer Science Instructor

Mrs. Ida Thomas Cosmetology Instructor

Mr. Howard Gibson Entrepreneurship and Business Development Director

> Ms. Cynthia Jones Administrative Assistant

Mr. Carlton Wilson Mathematic Instructor

Ms. Shalonda Trevillion Computer Lab Manager

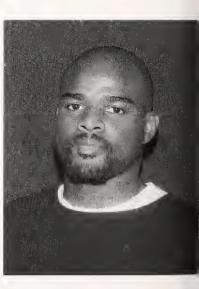




















'True love gallops, it flies, it is the swiftest of all modes of thought, swifter even then hate and fear.''

Ms. Jean Greene, librarian, conducts a workshop on "How to plan a family reunion" and "Genealogy" during the Community Day activities held in August. Guests from the surrounding communities took advantage of the workshops that were designed to assist, enlighten, and enhance the livelihood of the community. Other workshops included "How To Start and Maintain a Business, Faith Based Initiatives, and Adult & Continuing Education."







Mrs. Carolyn Samuel Food Production Instructor

> Mr. Feddie Edwards Welding Instructor

Mrs. Sylvia Walker Counselor

Mr. Leonard Knight Carpentry Instructor

Ms. Jackie Braggs Administrative Assistant

Dr. Jesse Killingsworth Career and Technical Education Dean

> Ms. Georgia Wiggins Reading Instructor

Ms. Jean Greene Library Services Director

Dr. Priscilla Robinson Student Learning Assistance Program Director











Employees

Mr. Adam Jenkins, Vice President for Business Services, was among hundreds of guests in attendance at the annual Thanksgiving Dinner. Valley Innovative Services catered the dinner. Valley employees pictured are Ms. Carrie Lee Jones and Ms. Terry King.



Ms. Willie Ealey Assistant Public Relations Director/Publications Director

> Mr. Jerome Watts Maintenance

Ms. Annette Baskin Counselor

Mr. Floyd Tate Social Science Instructor

Mrs. Sharon Kimble History Instructor

Mr. Stephen Murray Auto Mechanics Instructor

Ms. Sarah Wilkerson Computer Science Instructor

Mack Charles Jones Maintenance Supervisor

Ms. Pamela Garrett Counselor



















'Lean on each other's strengths; forgive each other's weaknesses."



Mr. David Kelly Music / Band Director



Dr. Shirley Davis Title III Coordinator



Dr. Eugene Gaston, Dean of Instruction, gives a thumbs-up in support of the female employees who wore alternative head dress in support of Cancer Awareness Month.

Mr. Wayne Brown Counselor

Mrs. Esther Owens **Public Service Librarian**

Mr. Ralph Moore **Physica Education** Instructor/Men's BasketballCoach

Dr. Mae Catherine Jackson Chair, Math & Science Division

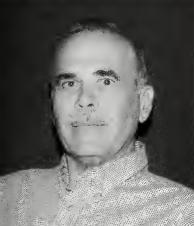
> Mr. Michael Stimage **M**aintenance

> > Ms. Willa Tate **GED** Instructor

Dr. Eldridge Henderson **Adult & Continuing Education** Director

Mrs. Amanda Hubbard **Administrative Assistant**

Mr. Seyed Darbandi **Economics Instructor**





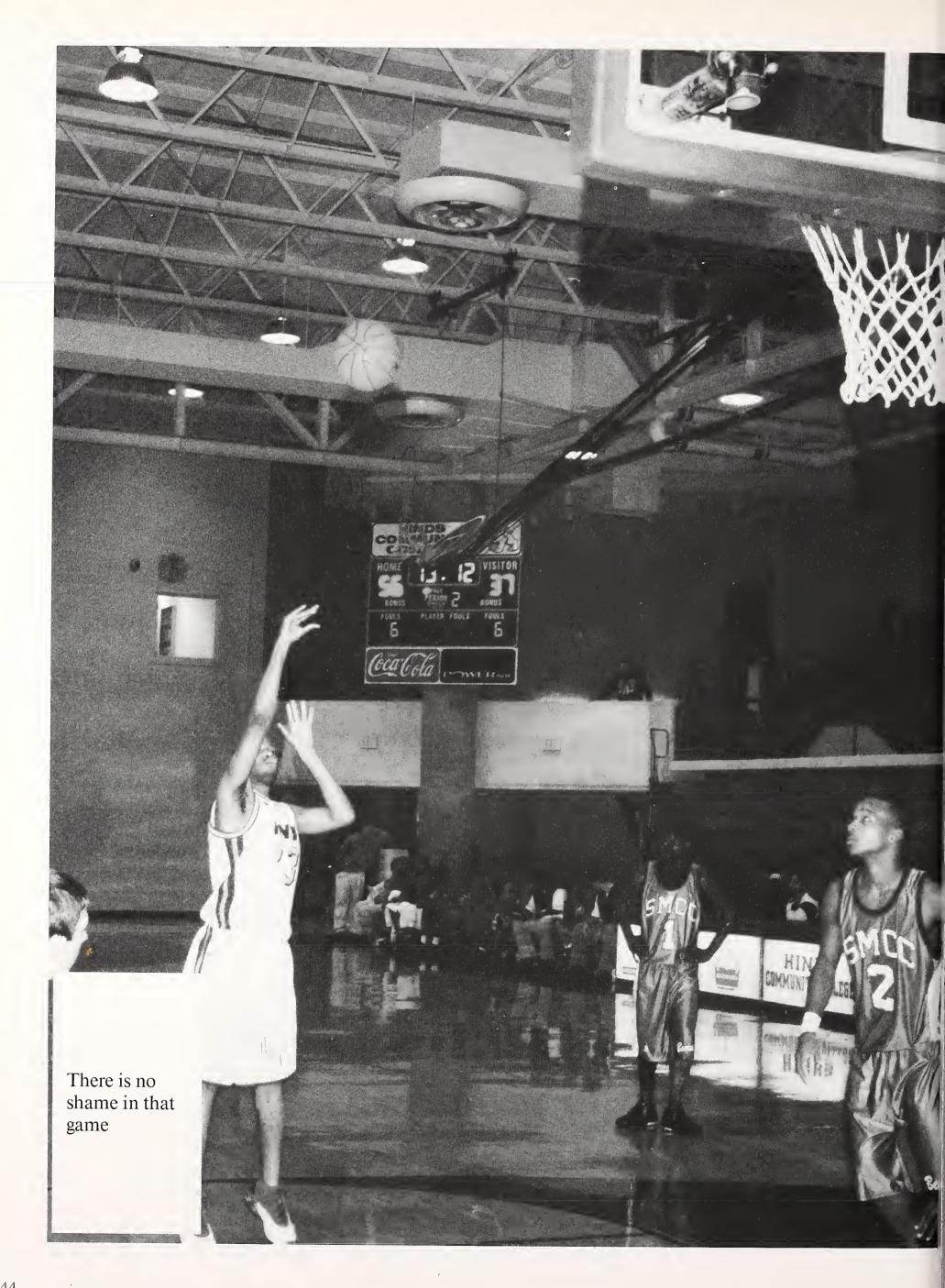








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Athletics

"Real love always creates, it never destroys."

Women Basketball







Women's Soccer





Purpose and Perseverance...

Baseball

Football

Priceless!

Men's Soccer

Women's Basketball



T eam members

Front row from left: Rae Evans, Veronica Frazier, Briteny Lorthridge, and Kimberly Brown. Back row from left: Mary Hunter, coach; Marcus Roper, trainer; Cheridy Bullock, LaShawnda Pryor, D'Wanna Brown, Paulesha McBride, and Shawana Coleman.

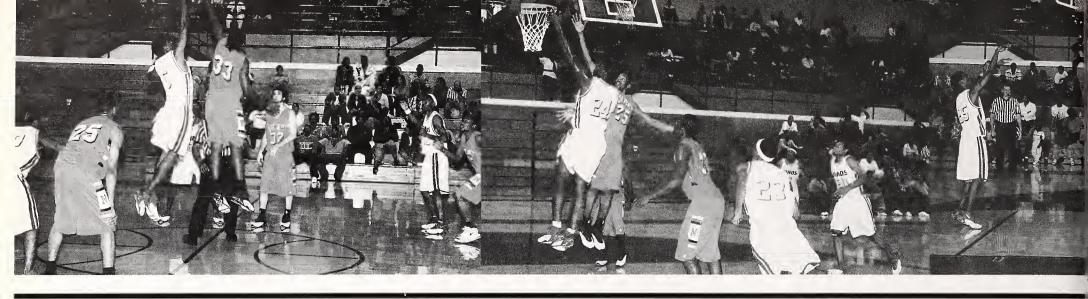
Men's Basketball

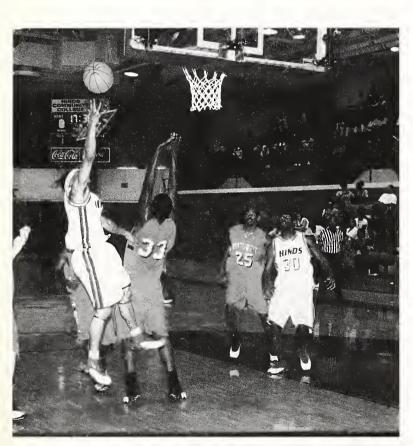


T eam Members

Front row from left: Kiki Christmas, Charles Lewis, Eugene Henyard, Donald Jones, Demetric Dent, Gance Bennett, and Stephen Smith Back row from left: Marcus Roper, trainer, Adrian Harper, Denauldo Bennett, Sherman Logan, Ralph Peterson, A.J. Oliver, Jesse Taylor, Brandon Washington, and Fredrick , trainer

Mr. Ralph Moore, head coach and Mr. Leon Harris assistant coach

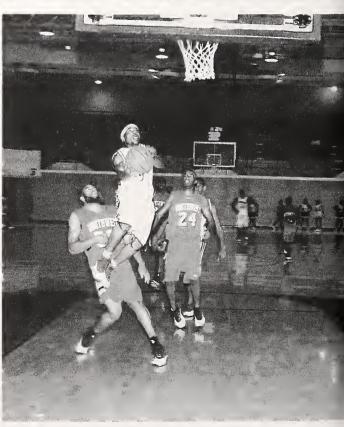




The Men Bulldogs could not hold on for the win. The Bulldogs were defeated by 5 points.



Clockwise: Denauldo Bennett jumps for the ball and falls short. A.J. Oliver, a 6'6" freshman from Jackson, out runs and out jumps his opponent for the basket. Coaches Moore and Harris give the men a pep talk. Donald Jones, a 5'10" guard from Baton Rouge, Louisiana, goes high to make the two point play.





Kiki Christmas, a 6'3" freshman from Jackson, goes in for the two point lay up over his opponent.

The men basketball team has a record of 13 wins and 8 losses with three more games to play. They have a 6 and 5 record in the conference.





Charles Lewis, a 6'2" guard/forward, handles the ball with precision. He passes off to Jessie Taylor who waits to make the lay up.

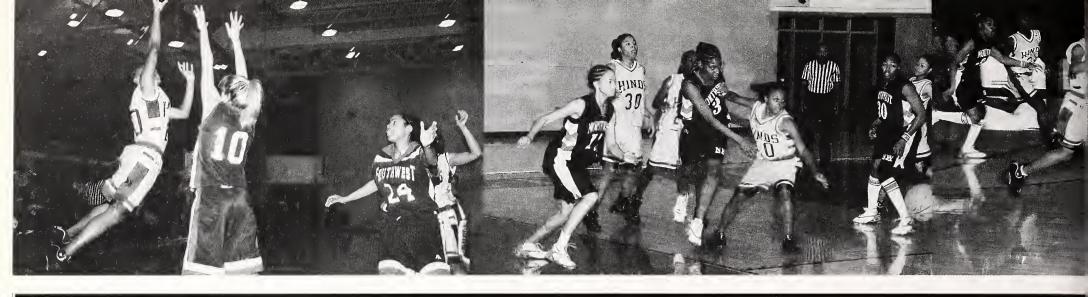
Jessie Taylor, 6'5" forward from Georgetown, goes in for an easy two point dunk.

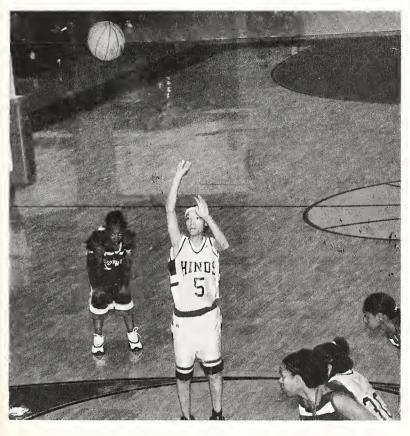
Utica vs Northwest

Men Basketball Team **Donald Jones** Eric Williams Gance Bennett **Charles** Lewis Eugene Henyard Demetric Dent Kiki Christmas A.J. Oliver Adrian Harper Jesse Taylor Stephen Smith Brandon Washington Sherman Logan Ralph Peterson Denauldo Bennett

> Trainer Marcus Roper Fredrick Bracey

Coaches Mr. Ralph Moore Mr. Leon Harris





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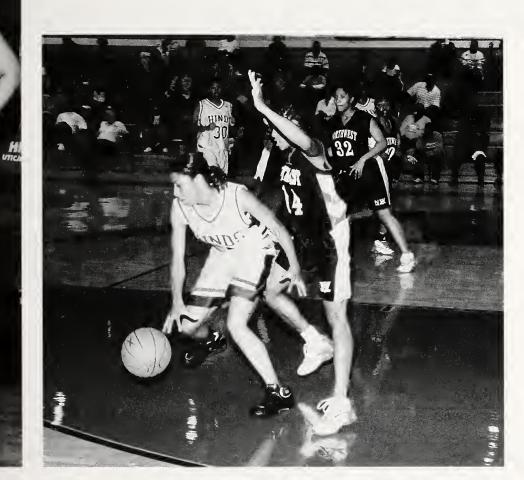
Clockwise: LaShawndra Pryor, a 5'2" point guard from Ferriday, Louisiana, goes up high over her opponent for the two point play. Pryor plays a strong defense in getting the loose ball. She goes down the floor and passes off to the lady under the goal. The team huddles to get instruction from Coach Hunter. Stephanie Evans, a 5'8" freshman from Hot Springs, Arkansas, gives no thought to taking the open shot. LaShundra Griffin, a sophomore guard/forward from Jackson, shoots for the free-throw.

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Marqurite Sims, a 5'8" sophomore forward from Vicksburg, looks for an opening while yet watching for an open player.





LaTonya Thomas, a 5'6" sophomore gaurd/forward from Jackson, fakes right and goes around her opponent for the basket. Thomas is Miss Utica Campus 2003.

Kimberly . Brown, a 5'11" freshman from Newellton, Louisiana, shoots for the freethrow.

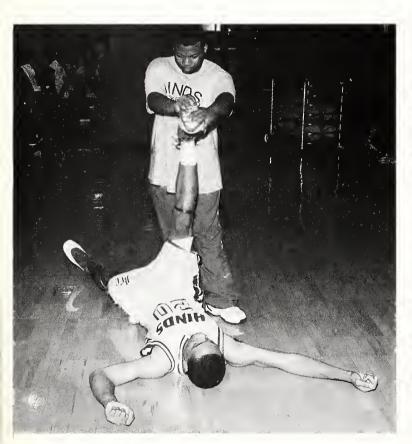
Utica vs Southwest

Lady Bulldogs - 2003-2004

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Coach: Mary Hunter





The Men Bulldogs held on for the win over Southwest. The Bulldogs won with a 10 point lead.



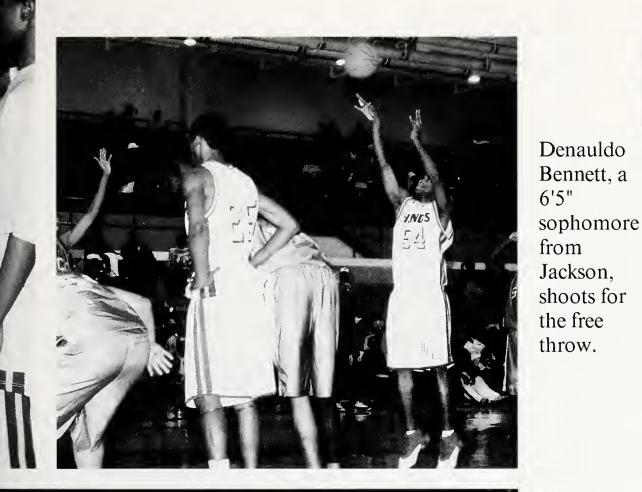
Clockwise: Jessie Taylor leaps for the rebound. Charles Lewis and Adrian Harper trap the opponent and capture the ball. The coaches and teammates watch intensely as the Bulldogs out power the opponents. The team huddles for a pep talk from the coaches and reevaluates their strategy. Kiki Christmas goes in for the dunk. Marcus Roper, trainer, works with Charles Lewis on stretching. Roper is a sophomore auto body major from Edwards.





The Utica Cheerleaders encourages the team on to victory.

Leading scorers: Kiki Christmas, Donald Jones, Adrian Harper, Jesse Taylor, and Eugene Henyard.





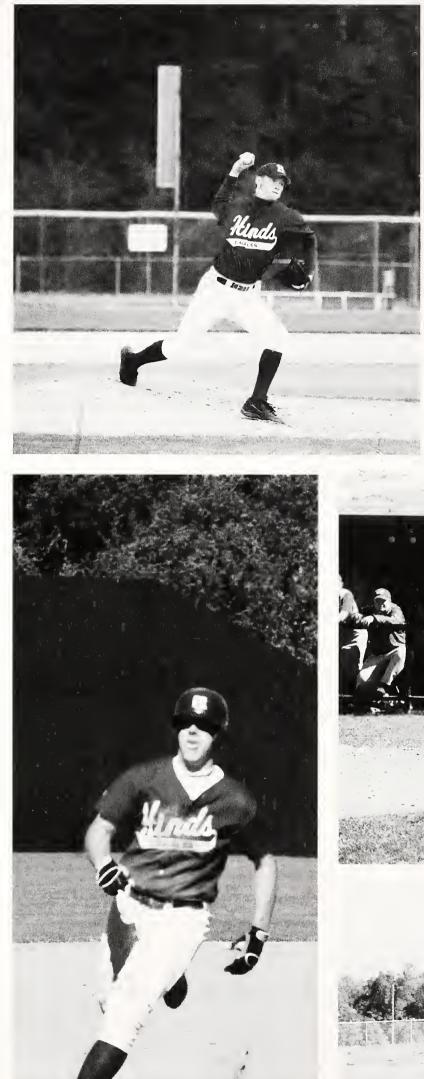
The team and coaches strategize. Demetric Dent (22), a 5'11" freshman guard from Natchez, checks into the game.

Utica vs Southwest

"Remember: The course of true love is full of obstacles."

The Bulldogs encourages challenges and defeats them in love. They start by practicing good sportsmanship.

2003-2004 Eagles



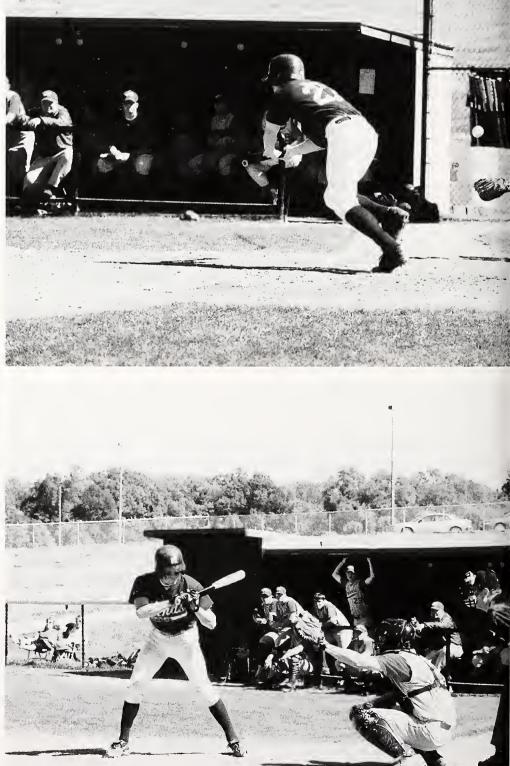
A love for the game!

The pitcher's desire... A no hitter

Baseball

Rounding second base

Hit or miss



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"A love for the game"

Second Row: Grady Turman Assistant Coach

Assistant Coach Josh Johns

Brad Elmore

Corey Ezell

Jarred Gregg

Flint Roberts

Josh Jordan

Rick Clarke

Head Coach

Doug Fortenberry

Assistant Coach

Joel Mangrum

Andy Lee



Baseball

A home run!

2003-2004 Eagles



Men at work. Front Row: Kevin Leach Matt Fulton Chance Johnson Colin Edwards John Chalk C. Jay Fountain

Second Row: Chris Rash Joe Torrence Johnny Jones Micheal Wilder Matthew Wilder Nick King Kris Martin Third Row: Josh Rushing Brad Blackwell Lucas Rolandi Cole Durant Jacob Benda Josh Sheppard Micheal Coleman Coach Doug Williams

Men's Soccer

The best man will win.

Keep your eyes on the ball and your mind on the net.

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"Remember the course"

Front Row from left: Lori Joe Butler Jenny Ferris Amy Gaines Coach Patti Johnson Stephanie Little Shelley Haws Carrie McMillan

Second Row: Michelle Pierce Magan Carlisle Morgan Womack Candace Barnes Ney Ney Foster Clara Caffey Delores Johnson Ashley Floyd Miranda Moncure

Ladies

at play.

Back Row: Amanda Jasper Lyn Strawn Elizabeth Crocker Lucas Rolandi (student coach) Karren Denny Helen Martin Michelle Beatty





magine what can happen when a woman is all alone with the ball.



This one is up for grabs.





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2003-2004 Eagles



Tim Brown D'eldrick Taylor Greg Harris Dione Hampton Domenik Kelly Almonzo Banks Von Mixon Carlton Bradford Antonio Brown **Terrance Matthews** Oge Oge Chris Humes Brooks Crabtree Omar Sherrod Brian Williams Thomas Kirksey Keats Baldwin **Terrance** Jones Dewaan Ashford Jason McWillie Martise Quiller Torrance Hampton Le Alex Martin Willie Williams Carter Mascagni Medrick Liddell

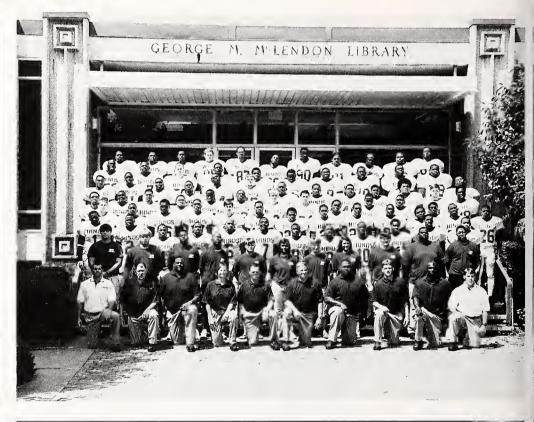
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Football



Defensively, the Eagles could not be stopped.

> A touchdown is in view for the Eagles.





Women's Softball



Track



T eam Members - Softball Front row from left: Kristen Hall, Stacie Creel, Christy Granberry, Paige Lemmons, Jessica Cothern, Amy McDonald, and Lindsay McNair. Standing from left: Coach Phil Carter, Randi Russell, Hayley Martin, Lyn Strawn, Marilyn Landers, Nicky Ruffin, Katie Hollingworth, Brooke Bradley, and Hope Dedmon. Coach Terri Black. T eam Members Track: Front row from left: TaQuann Thomas, Ledric Wiggins, J.W. Rawls, Dwight Dixon, Vante Jones. Second row from left: Floyd Aborom, Keith Cole, James Shelton, Travis Harris, Jacob Farmer, Taverrous Smith. Third row from left: Lamarcus Williams, Clarence Spratt, Tommy Tucker, Fred Perryman, Chris Humes, Dale Ham, Shawn Terrell, and Kendrick Lewis.

The Priceless Reach

Love is something that sharpens all our wits. You get the best out of others when you give the best of yourself."

The yearbook staff pondered idea after idea in deciding a theme for the 2003-2004 *Uticanite*. Like the name of each individual, there is an underlying uniqueness. Man says everything has a "price." There are those, however, who will beg to differ. The word "less" used as an adjective or a suffex indicates not enough or none at all. None the "less," it signifies a lack of . Then there is something that seems to always be within or beyond our "reach." So with those thoughts in mind, the Uticanite staff brings to you a scrpted documentation of the lives of those who chose to be a part of the Utica Campus Family for the 2003-2004 academic year. It was a time of refreshing and renewing, discovering and disclosing, and learning and yearning, It all happened so quickly. It was "Priceless." Although there was much enshrined, there was much ignored. Yet time says we but only have to "research" within and beyond.

The staff hopes you can appreciate the "priceless" days and the effervescent "reach" in providing historical memorabilia for you and those who will one day want to remember this "Priceless" encounter of your "Reach" for a better tomorrow.

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