Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for Building E

The Building E Ribbon Cutting Ceremony was held on January 20, 2010. Approximately 75 persons were in attendance as Mayor Todd Strange and others assisted in officially opening the newly-renovated college facility.

Preparing to Cut the Ribbon

First Row Left to Right: Becky Morris, Emergency Medical Services (EMS) Director; Thomas McPherson; Mayor Todd Strange; President Sam Murrenlyn; Dr. Cam Martindale; Douglas Jones; Patsy Guy.

Second Row Left to Right: Michael Briddell; Chief Mike Smith, Montgomery Fire Department; Joe Pester and Kristine Harding of the JH Partners architectural firm.

President Sam Murrenlyn is interviewed for a local news segment.

Left to Right: Beverly Ross, Interim Dean of Students; Arinda Knight, Title III-B Director; and Patsy Guy, Chamber of Commerce representative, welcome attendees.

Left to Right: Curtis Drew, EMS Adjunct Instructor; Chief Mike Smith, Montgomery Fire Department; Winston Warr, EMS Clinical Coordinator-Instructor; Firefighter Basic Jonah Cardwell, Montgomery Fire Department; and Captain Avery Borntrager, Montgomery Fire Department at the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony.

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Mr. Robert Brown has been appointed as Activity III Director effective January 2010. The purpose of Activity III is to strengthen the College’s management and administrative functions through the acquisition of equipment. Mr. Brown has been employed at the College since November 3, 2003, as network administrator.


His background includes employment by the Bergen Brunswig Corporation from 1995-1999, as a mainframe computer operator, software support representative, and network administrator. In 2001, he was employed by Digital One Communication, a contractor for the Alabama Department of Public Safety Driver License Division as a network engineer, a position he held until he accepted the position of network administrator with Trenholm State.

“Challenges are what make life interesting; overcoming them is what makes life meaningful.”

Joshua Marine

College Expands Classroom Space to Accommodate Rising Enrollment

Renovation to the former Culinary Arts Building at 3085 Mobile Highway will soon begin. The $700,000 plan for renovation involves modifying the interior of the structure to reallocate space for development of classrooms, installation of a new HVAC system, installation of acoustic ceilings throughout the building, development of ADA compliant restrooms, installation of a new roof and minor exterior improvements.

The 10,000 square foot building will house five spacious theory classrooms and one computer lab as well as office space for general education faculty and staff members. The JH Partners architectural firm, who served as architects for the recently completed Building E, have been selected as architects for this project. The projected date of completion is August 2010.
Selected College faculty and staff members and President Munnerlyn attended the December 2009 Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS) Conference in Atlanta, Georgia, to learn more about the process the College must undergo in becoming SACS accredited. College faculty and staff in attendance were the following: Walter Austin, Business and Service Division Director; Zenobia Blackmon, Head Librarian; Dr. Tracie Carter, Health Services Division Director; Betty Edwards, Director of Student Financial Aid; Deborah Griggs, Dean of Finance; Donald Holmes, Web Developer; Wilford Holt, Associate Dean of Technical Education; Dr. Mimi Johnson, Director of Institutional Research and Advancement; Regina Rudolph, Computer Information Systems Instructor; Beverly Ross, Interim Dean of Students; Dr. Ken Scott, Computer Information Systems Instructor; Barbara Anne Spears, Dean of Academic Services; Henry Tylicki, Manufacturing Technologies Division Director; and Sharon Watts, General Education Instructor.

The approximate timeline for the College’s SACS Application Process is listed below:

**Spring 2010** The College submits the Application for Candidacy to SACS.

**Fall 2010** The SACS Candidacy Team visits the College to compile a report for action by the Commission.

**Dec. 2010** If candidacy is granted, the College will be given two years to complete a Compliance Certification document and host a SACS accreditation visiting team.

**Dec. 2012** Based on the visiting team’s report, the Commission will grant full membership status, grant continued candidacy status for an additional two years, or remove candidacy status.

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**Spotlight on Students**

**Jacob Perry (SGA President), Delithia Brooks (SGA Secretary), and guest speaker Mr. Joseph Trimble at the Dr. Martin Luther King Day Program**

On Thursday, January 14, 2010, the Dr. Martin Luther King Day program was held in the Student Center on the Trenholm Campus. Mr. Joseph Trimble, TSTC Library Clerk and published author, was the guest speaker. SGA Officers Jacob Perry (President), Delithia Brooks (Secretary) and Stephanie O’Ree (Ambassador) were on program. The program ended with everyone joining hands and singing “Lift Every Voice and Sing” followed by refreshments prepared by the College Ambassadors.

**Dean Beverly Ross & Pastor Edward J. Nettles, Sr. at the Black History Program**

On February 23, 2010, Pastor Edward J. Nettles, Sr. was the guest speaker for the College’s Black History Program held in the Trenholm Campus Student Center. Pastor Nettles spoke on education and the importance of education in the black community. SGA Vice President Steve Sayers gave the welcome, College Ambassador Monte’ Hammon did a vocal selection of various Negro spirituals, and Ms. April Hicks introduced the speaker, Miss Trenholm, Piccola McBride. Dean Ross gave the closing remarks.

**Trenholm’s Skills USA Chapter** officially started with the following departments participating: Automotive Service Technology, Automotive Manufacturing Technology, Radio & Television Broadcast News Production, Early Child Care, Collision Repair, Computer Information Systems, Cosmetology, Dental Assisting, Dental Assisting, Drafting and Design, Graphic Communications, Medical Assisting, Office Administration, Practical Nursing and Machine Tool Technology. A total of 196 students and 32 faculty/staff members joined Skills USA. The departments are now preparing their students to compete in the State competition on April 27-28 in Birmingham, Alabama.
Did You Know? College enrollment hit a projected record level of 18.0 million in fall 2007. College enrollment is expected to continue setting new records from fall 2008 through fall 2016.

Source: U.S. Department of Education

Title III, Part B Historically Black Colleges and Universities Program
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FACULTY AND STAFF OPPORTUNITIES

Tuition Assistance Program
Eligibility Requirements

Tuition assistance is available through the Title III-B Program for full-time, tenured faculty members of the College. While faculty on the Trenholm campus (HBCU campus) are the primary users of this benefit, full-time, tenured faculty members on the Patterson Campus may also be eligible if they teach at least one class on the Trenholm Campus.

Specific requirements for faculty include the following:

- The degree programs in which faculty members enroll must be directly related to their teaching responsibilities;
- Faculty must earn a grade of “C” or better in each course for which they are seeking reimbursement;
- Faculty members must remain at the College for at least one year for each semester that is reimbursed through the Title III Program or other assignment to be determined by the Trenholm State Technical College President.

Complete requirements, instructions and forms for faculty tuition reimbursement can be found on the College’s Intranet in the Title III-B Forms section.

Professional Development
Eligibility Requirements

Please keep the following in mind when requesting Title III-B professional development assistance:

- Review departmental budget prior to submitting a request and ensure that all travel funds have been exhausted.
- Requests should be made at least 30 days prior to event.
- Each faculty or staff member will be reimbursed up to $1,500 per Title III-B fiscal year.
- Approval for travel will be granted on the basis of seniority in each program/department. Priority will be given to instructors/staff traveling for accreditation purposes.
- Title III-B funds should not be obligated until your request has received final approval.

Complete requirements, instructions and forms related to professional development can be found on the College’s Intranet in the Title III-B Forms section.