

# A SALUTE TO THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROFESSIONALS!

Chances are nearly every hour one of Mississippi Valley State University's administrative professionals assists you in your job. A hearty "thank you" goes to these women and men who were honored on April 25 during Administrative Professionals Day.

Dorrie Baker	Telecomm
Lakeshia Banks	Criminal Justice
Parlee Barrow	HPER
Doris Beamon	Facilities Management
Stella Bell	Academic Affairs
Maxine Bowen	Mass Communications
Ethel M Bowen	University Testing
Debra Brock	NCATE
Regina Burch	Social Sciences
Michele Calhoun	USDA
Mary Carter	Business Administration
Nahid Chowdhury	Writing Project
Tabatha Coleman	Property Accountability
Barbara Coleman	Talent Search
Gloria Conley	Admissions
Lynda Conoway	Fiscal Affairs
Glenda Crain	MCIS
Tamika Dean	Career Development
Patsy Dezell	University College
Elizabeth Ervin	SACS Accreditation/Self Study
Kathy Fair	University Police
Gladys Fant	Sponsored Programs
Sonji Foster	Mass Transit
Kimberly Gatewood	Athletics
Susie Gowdy	Social Work
Shirley Grace	Student Health Center
Kathleen Greer	NSEH
Felicia Hamilton	Delta Health & Wellness
Ida Hampton-Cannon	WVSD Radio Station
Helen Harris	Title III
Dorothy Hart	Fine Arts/Music
Catrena Hawkins	Honors Program
Carrie Hicks	Student Affairs
Cynthia Hollman-Stancil	President's Office
Bridget Hullaby	Facilities Management
Elizabeth Hurssey	President's Office
Debora Jackson	Continuing Education/HEP
Lula James	Academic Affairs
Betty Johns	Greenwood Center

Latonya Jones	Social Sciences
Claudia Jones	Education
Auguster Keys	Education Department
Elizabeth Kyles	Student Records
Charlene Lacy-Walker	University Relations
Joann Lawson	RPCED
Angela Lewis	Financial Aid
Carol Lipsey	Fiscal Affairs
Belinda Mayes	Institutional Research
Mary Mays	Bioinformatics (NSEH)
Severia McCall	Comprehensive Counseling
Lashanda McChristian	Student Union
Pamela Mitchell	Social Work
Agnes Muriuki	Fine Arts/Music
Ruby Murphy	Industrial Technology
Glenda Neal	Delta Research & Cultural Research
Jennifer Neal	Public Relations
LeChondia Nelson	Athletics
Tiketha Patty-Harris	Admissions
Wanda Payne	Greenville Center
Precious Person	English & Foreign Languages
Jeraldine Petty	Sponsored Research
Johnny Phillips	Teaching & Learning Center
Delorese Poindexter	Facilities Management
Angeline Potts	Office of Development
Jennette Randle	Purchasing
Barbara Robinson	Military Science
Yolanda Rush	Upward Bound
Paula Shavers	IETP (Education)
Stephanie Smith	James Herbert White Library
Angela Stancil	Residential Life
Audrey Stevenson	Graduate School
Machelle Stockstill	Office of Provost
Lois Streeter	Athletics
Lurese Terrell	21st Century CLC
Valarie Totten	Alumni Relations
Tamara Verdell	Human Resources
Wendy Ward	Financial Aid
Dorothy Watt	College of Arts & Sciences
Beverly Westbrook	Academic Computing Services
Felecia Willis	Continuing Education
Mary Williams	Student Support Services
Charlie Wimley	Education Department

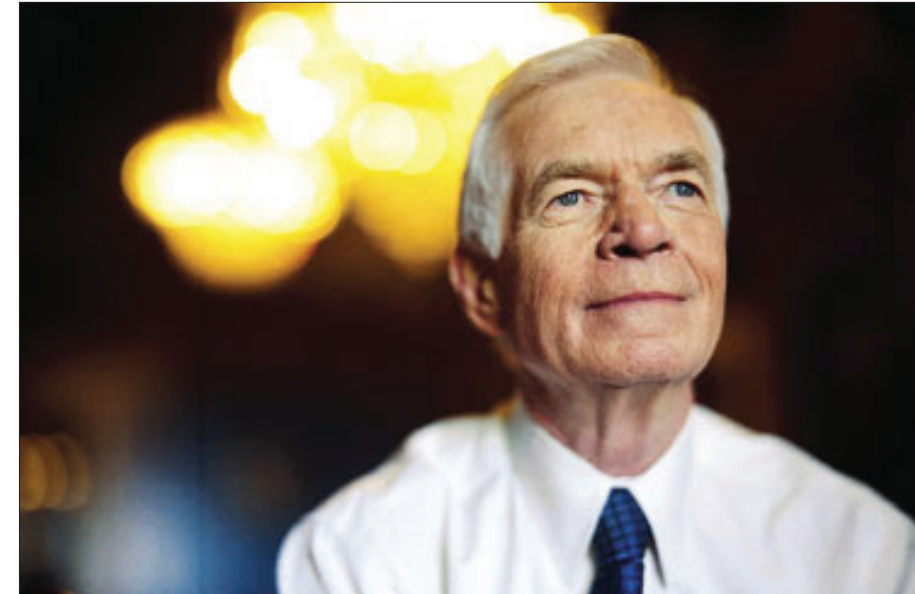
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## Sen. Cochran To Deliver Commencement Address



U.S. Senator Thad Cochran will deliver the 55<sup>th</sup> MVSU commencement address.

When Mississippi Valley State seniors receive their diplomas on Saturday, May 12, they will hear from one of nation's leading congressmen, Senator Thad Cochran.

Cochran will deliver the commencement address to an estimated 495 graduates during the 10 a.m. ceremony in R.W. Harrison Health, Physical Education and Recreation Complex.



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In addition, President Lester C. Newman will confer two honorary degrees to Sen. Cochran and Charles Steel, president of the Southern Christian

Leadership Conference.

Following the seniors' alumni induction, Dr. Newman will award the coveted Faculty and Staff Excellence Awards.

A native of Pontotoc, Sen. Cochran earned a B.A. degree with a major in psychology and a minor in political science from the University of Mississippi. At Ole Miss, he was a company commander in the Navy ROTC, vice president of the student body, and was selected for membership in Omicron Delta Kappa, a national honorary leadership fraternity. After graduating from law school, he joined the firm of Watkins & Eager in Jackson, one of the state's most respected law firms.

Commencement  
May 12  
10 a.m.  
Harrison HPER Complex

In 1978, Cochran was elected to the United States Senate, becoming the first Republican in over 100 years to win a statewide election in Mississippi. He was re-elected in 1984 with more than 60 percent of the votes. In 1990, he was unopposed, and in 1996, he was re-elected to a fourth term in the Senate with over 70 percent of the votes. His margin of victory in the 2002 election was 85 percent.

He currently serves as Ranking Member of the full Appropriations Committee and the Homeland Security Appropriations Subcommittee. He also serves as a member of the Agriculture, Nutrition and Forestry Committee and the Rules Committee.

Senator Cochran has been awarded honorary degrees from Kentucky Wesleyan College, Mississippi College, Blue Mountain College, the University of Richmond, and Tougaloo College. He is a member of the Board of Regents of the Smithsonian Institution and the Kennedy Center Board of Trustees.

He is a member of Northminster Baptist Church in Jackson. He and his wife, the former Rose Clayton of New Albany, have two children and three grandchildren.

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# ArOund The ValleY



Great food and great fun was enjoyed by all at the Eighth Annual James Herbert White Preeminence Awards and Scholarship Gala held April 27. Clockwise, top left, Gala attendees enjoyed dancing to the vocal group, TheWhispers;Valleysupportersstand in salute of Honored Guest Johnathan Rodgers; MVSU Residential Housing director Bryce Lowe walks down the red carpet; former MVSU basketball coach, Coach Lafayette Stribling and guest enjoys a dance; President and Mrs. Lester C. Newman and grandson, Isaac, pause for a picture on the red carpet.



## Preeminence Awards



*Dr. Tonjanita Johnson and President Lester C. Newman present Preeminence Awards to, top left, Mrs. Shirley Cartlidge of Greenville for leadership/community service/civic endeavors; Dr. Bettye Neely of Grenada, Award of Excellence; Mrs. Reecy L. Dixon of Macon for Government/Politics/Advocacy; and Mr. Frank Yates of Jackson, education award. Not pictured is Dr. Walter Robinson of Chicago, Ill., recipient of the philanthropy award.*

## EvEnt CaLenDar

### May 9

Retirement and Years of Service Luncheon, 11:30 a.m., Dining Hall IV

### May 12

Commencement, 10 a.m., Harrison HPER Complex

### June 28-30

MVSU National Alumni Association Convention Summit 2007, Jackson Hilton Hotel.

### Aug. 9

Greenwood-Leflore Corporate Golf Tournament benefiting MVSU, 9 a.m., Greenwood Country Club.

## PeOple To KnOw



### Lloyd Dixon

Position: Interim Director of Financial Aid

Responsibilities: Administration and supervision of all university financial aid programs and policies

Hometown: Summit

Hobbies: Plays, movies, outdoor activities, HGTV

Philosophy: Enjoy life no matter what obstacles come your way.

Quote: "Never accept wooden nickels."