



The group of student volunteers take a moment for a photo upon the completion of their three-day visit.

STUDENTS PARTICIPATE IN FALL BREAK AWAY

A group of students opted out of the traditional Fall Break in order to give back. The Office of Community Service Learning at MVSU took more than 30 students on a trip to Gulfport for a housing project.

The students collaborated with International Relief and Development (IRD), one of the premier organizations for implementing

development services and programs across a broad spectrum of regions and technical activities. In addition IRD assists in the design and implementation of humanitarian relief and development aid programs.

“This project targeted a home in Mississippi that was destroyed during Hurricane Katrina, said Letonia Shingles, director of



MVSU Student Rayzun Jones sits up high as he constructs a frame

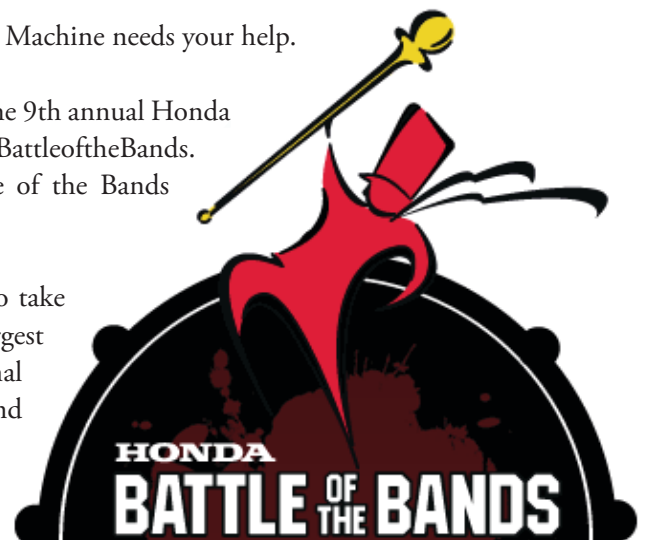
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MVSU VYING FOR HONDA BATTLE OF THE BANDS SHOWCASE

Coming off of their victory at the Chicago Classic, the Mean Green Marching Machine needs your help.

Valley is hoping to be one of only eight lucky bands finishing their journey at the 9th annual Honda Battle of the Bands Invitational Showcase. Fans can vote online at www.HondaBattleoftheBands.com for the band they would like to see headline the 2011 Honda Battle of the Bands Invitational Showcase. Online voting continues now through Oct. 29.

The Honda Battle of the Bands (HBOB) Invitational Showcase, scheduled to take place Saturday, Jan.29, 2011 at the Georgia Dome in Atlanta, is the world's largest and most highly anticipated HBCU musical event of its kind. The Invitational Showcase not only serves as a platform to highlight and showcase the heritage and showmanship of the HBCU college marching bands, but it also serves as the only national music scholarship program of its kind.



Valley's SAFRA through 2019 totals \$10 million

Mississippi Valley State University has been awarded \$1,027,055 by the U.S. Department of Education.

The award is part of the Student Aid and Fiscal Responsibility Act passed in March by Congress. The award will be given annual through 2019, for a total of \$10 million.

Jannette Adams, director of Sponsored Programs/Title III, said the funds will be used to provide financial assistance to students and strengthen academic resources.

"MVSU has presented a plan for these funds that will promote activities within the institution to support technology through online instruction, developmental programs for those students in need of additional academic support, improvement of facilities, and research development activities designed to strengthen services to students, faculty and staff," Adams said. "This funding will replace the monies received under the College Cost Reduction and Access Act, which ended Sept. 30."

Employee Benefits Fair is Oct. 20-22

The Department of Human Resources is sponsoring the annual Benefits Fair for full-time and part-time employees who work a minimum of 20 hours per week for a 12-month period or its equivalent.

The fair is scheduled for Oct. 20-22 in the first floor of Sutton Administration Building.

Employees desiring to enroll or make changes to benefits may do so during the fair. Vendors scheduled to participate include:

American Fidelity, AFLAC, AXA Equitable; Blue Cross Blue Shield, Brokers National (dental); Delta Dental, EyeMed Vision Insurance and Jackson-area Federal Credit Union.

Benefit changes will be effective on Jan. 2, 2011; the premium will be deducted in the December 2010 payroll

Fonzworth Bentley Returns To MVSU



Music artist and television host Fonzworth Bentley returned to The Valley on Oct. 7 for a pilot project with MVSU's First Year Experience students.

Bentley joined his mother, Harriette Watkins, as part of the MVSU Professional Image Seminar organized through the University College.

All First Year Experience students were invited to attend the event.

In February, Bentley was featured on the MVSU campus during a segment, "Advance Your Swagger: How to Use Manners, Confidence and Style to Get Ahead." The pop icon penned a book by the same name.

In 2007, Bentley contributed to KnowHow2GO, a national public service advertising campaign designed to encourage low-income and first-generation students to take the steps necessary to go to college. Bentley's involvement in the campaign has included creation of a radio public service advertisement, "Wanna Go?" and participation in the 2007 YMCA Black and Hispanic Achievers Teen Leadership Summit in Orlando, Fla. Recently, Bentley sang as a member of the chorus for "We Are The World" remake of the original for Haiti in February 2010 which aired during the start of the Olympic Games in Vancouver, Canada.

Born Derek Watkins, the first gentleman of hip-hop caught the world's attention a few years ago as the flawlessly-dressed personal assistant hoisting a white umbrella over P. Diddy's head in St. Tropez, according to his Web site. His recorded music includes a 2008 CD, CoolOutrageousLoversofUniquelyRawStyle (COLOURS).

EVENT CALENDAR

October

12 – Fall 2010 Career Fair, 10 a.m. – 1 p.m., Student Union Vendor's Square

14 – Domestic Violence Workshop, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Business Education Auditorium

14 – GAP Conference, 11:30 – 2 p.m., Sutton Bldg. Auditorium

15 – Domestic Violence Workshop, 8 a.m. – 5 p.m., Business Education Auditorium

16 – "No Child Left Behind" Summer Luncheon, 11:30 p.m. – 2 p.m., Dining Hall IV

20 – Honda Campus Eliminations, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m., Social Science Auditorium

21 – AIDS Awareness Informational, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Jacob Aron Student Union

27 – "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" Debate, 11 a.m. – 1 p.m., Jacob Aron Student Union

November

2 – Faculty & Staff Bowling Tournament, 7 p.m., Student Union Game Room

4 – Student Recital, 11 a.m., Fine Arts – Little Theater

9 – Fall 2010 Production, 6:30 p.m. – 9 p.m., Student Union Royal Room

9 – Jazz Band Concert, 7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m., H.G. Carpenter Auditorium

Fall Career Fair Set for Oct. 12

The Career Services Center is hosting its Fall 2010 Career Fair on Tuesday, October 12 in the Jacob Aron Student Union – Vendor's Square from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.

The fair is open to all MVSU students, including undergraduate and graduate students and alumni, will provide both internship and job opportunities.

Among participating organizations are AmeriCorp-VISTA, ATF Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco & Firearms, Caterpillar, Dallas Police Department, G.V. "Sonny" Montgomery VA Medical Center, Internal Revenue Services, Mississippi Department of Corrections, Mississippi Department of Environmental Quality and Mississippi Department of Education/Teacher Center.

Others include MVSU Human Resources, Planters Bank, Social Security Administration, State Farm Insurance Companies, Suddenlink Communications, Thompson Hospitality Services, US Department of Labor Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs, United States Army Corps of Engineers, WABG-TV, Walgreens and Wal-Mart Stores, Incorporated.

For more information, contact the Career Services Center at 254-3441.



ALUMNI OF THE MONTH



Dr. Bettye Henderson Neely '65

Residence - Grenada

Major - English

Colleges –
MVSU – Bachelor of Arts

Jackson State University – Master of Science

Delta State University – Educational Specialist Degree

University of Mississippi – Doctorate of Philosophy

Membership-Collegiate Organization(s) – Mississippi Valley State Alumni Association, Delta State University Alumni Association and Kappa Alpha Omega Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Current Job Title - Assistant Superintendant

Company – Grenada Public School District

Major Accomplishments – Giving back to my community and the State of Mississippi through public service

Mississippi Institutions of Higher Learning Board President 2010-2012

Professional and Community Involvement - Member of the Mississippi Association of School Administrators, Mississippi Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development, Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges, and the Education Committee of the Grenada Chamber of Commerce. Dr. Neely is a member of the Greater Powell Chapel AME Church.

9 – Student Leadership Workshop, 11 p.m., Dining Hall IV

10 – Fall 2010 Production, 6:30 p.m. – 9 p.m., Student Union Royal Room

11 – Fall 2010 Production, 6:30 p.m. – 9 p.m., Student Union Royal Room

11 – Faculty & Staff Pool Tournament, 7 p.m., Student Union Game Room

13 – Praxis Series Exam, 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Social Science Auditorium

15 – University Choir Concert, 6 p.m. – 10 p.m., H.G. Carpenter Auditorium

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17 – Fall 2010 Production, 6:30 p.m. – 9 p.m., Student Union Royal Room

18 – Student Recital, 11 a.m., Fine Arts – Little Theater



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PEOPLE TO KNOW

ANTONIO BROWNLOW



Position/Title: AIT Project Coordinator

Responsible for: day to day operations, assisting the project director in implementation of project goals and objectives, recruiting students, marketing the program to area businesses and serves as a liaison between the University administration, project director and Department of Labor.

Hometown: Cruger

Hobbies: spending time with my family, watching sports and reading

Philosophy on Life: "It's not the years in your life that count; it's the life in your years."
-Abraham Lincoln

Quote to Remember: "Without a struggle; there is no progress."
-Fredrick Douglas

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community service learning. "We want our student to partake in meaningful service projects that will impact their lives forever," she said.

"I was very impressed with our students' attitudes and their willingness to serve," said Shingles.

During the project, the students were able to apply plywood sheets, assemble a roof and frame, measure and cut frames for windows and doors and build more than 20 saw horses.

Students used table saws, power tools, hammers, nail guns, and other tools related to construction building. "After a hard day's work in the sun, the students had an opportunity to wet their feet in the Gulf of Mexico," said Shingles.

The homeowners have requested a photo of the students to place in their newly constructed home.

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The Satin Dolls lead the Mean Green Marching Machine in the 2010 Homecoming Campus Parade.



Michael Torregano, band director, received a token of appreciation from the Honda Battle of the Bands.



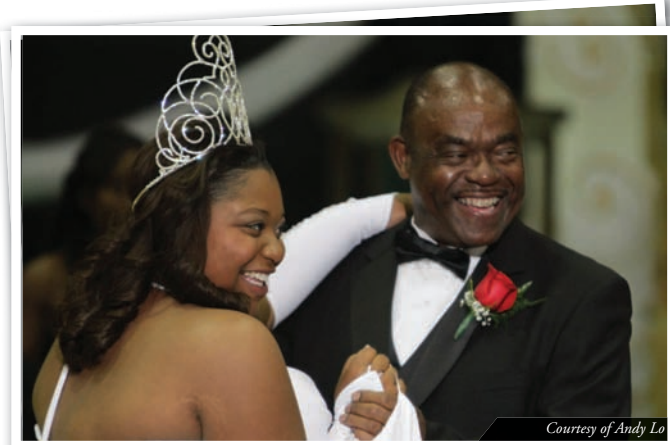
Mayor Heather Hudson of Greenville addresses an audience of women during the Green Tea in honor of President Oliver at Posecai Restaurant in Greenville.



Alumna Deloris Pruitt made a contribution of \$5,050 for football recruitment at The Valley.



Dr. Oliver crowns Miss MVSU Kiara Williams during Coronation 2010.



Miss MVSU gleams as she waltzes across the dance floor with First Gentleman James Oliver.



Dr. Oliver, Dr. Reed, Dr. Adley, Mayor Hudson and Janette Adams strike a pose after the Green Tea.



Sophomore and Senior Queens Brittany Coleman (left) and Jasmine Taylor (right) smile during the evening of elegance.



A check presentation from the Home Depot Retool Your School Program was presented to add nearly 200 ADA uniform signs through the campus.



MVSU Cheerleaders build a pyramid during the football game.



Make Plans To Attend MVSU

HIGH SCHOOL DAY '10

FRIDAY

10.22.2010

H.G. Carpenter Auditorium

8 a.m. - 9 a.m.: Registration

9 a.m. - Noon: Valley at its Best! Meet students, faculty and staff.

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