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A Message from President Newman

Dear Alumni and Friends,

On behalf of the Jarvis Christian College Board of Trustees, Administration, Faculty, Staff and Students, I am pleased to extend greetings to you; and to thank each of you for the support you have provided over the past five years.



As you are aware, we have moved to enhance the students' experience holistically on the campus through improving academic and student life programming. We now have more innovative academic programming with the infusion data analytics courses across the curriculum, cyber-security courses, specialized accreditation of academic programs, namely Social Work. Business is one of our growing programs. We are working diligently toward specialized accreditation in that area. Science and computer labs are under renovation. The student engagement lab will be completed and open for operation in Fall 2018. The Renaissance Program for Adult Learners is moving along. We encourage your support in that area. If you know someone with 45-60 credit hours who are interested in completing their education, please advise them that we have a campus and a Dallas Teaching site to accommodate their needs. We offer degree completion opportunities in

the areas of Business Administration, Criminal Justice and Religion.

In addition to the enhancement of our Academic Affairs area, we have also made improvements in Student Affairs with the renovation of Waddleton hall and the construction of new residence halls going on right now. Our student enrollment for the Fall 2017 was 908, with nearly 70% living on campus. We were nearing capacity with our residence halls. With the increased enrollment, we have also experienced an increased rate in the diversity of our student body. Currently, we are at a 22% diversity rate. Additional amenities include the renovation of the C-Store, the cafeteria and grill -- converting the grill into a wellness center. We are excited and so are our students.

To further promote growth at Jarvis, we have created the Jarvis Promise. In this Promise, Jarvis commits to providing an affordable college education within an environment that is academically challenging, supportive, nurturing and responsive to the needs of the "whole student." Moreover, the Promise is affordable, competitive and guaranteed.

Jarvis Promise to students:

Affordability – JCC Students will receive an outstanding and affordable education. In response to rising higher education costs, Jarvis Christian College announced a new financial aid incentive program for students to enroll and remain on their academic pathways to graduate within four years. The College now offers an Academic Pathways Scholarship (APS) of \$500 per semester in the amount of \$4,000 over a four-year period or less for any student who enrolls at Jarvis initially for the first time. During the last semester that the scholarship recipient is enrolled, funds will be used to cover graduation fees. To be eligible for the scholarship, first-time freshmen must meet the following academic performance measures:

- * Enroll and pass 15 credit hours toward their degree plan each semester;
- * Remain continuously enrolled and graduate within the four-year period;
- * Remain in good academic standing each semester;
- * Use the scholarship rebate as a reduction in tuition and fees – will not be paid as a refund in any semester.

Transfer students are also eligible for the Academic Pathway Scholarship of \$500 per semester, amounting to \$2,000 over a two-year period. The eligibility criteria for the two-year scholarship mirror that of the four-year scholarship, except that students are required to remain on track to graduate in two years from the date of admission to the College.

This Board-approved incentive will reduce the student's overall indebtedness, completion time, and the total cost of education. I would like to share that we have awarded 105 Academic Pathway Scholarships to-date.

Career Pathways – JCC Students will enroll in a general education curriculum that infuses cutting-edge coursework in data analytics and information science, in co-curricular activities that focus on career readiness and assessments; and intrusive counseling that confirms to a desired career pathway.

Completion – JCC students will be able to accelerate time to degree completion by entering the Early Start Summer Program. This program gives high school graduates an opportunity to earn 12 credits prior to matriculation in the Fall; and students can potentially achieve sophomore status after the first fall semester.

Warranty -- JCC graduates will be able to retool their skills to enhance their performance in the workplace. The College has established the foundation for the JCC Warranty Program (JCC-WP) which allows graduates to return to JCC within two years of graduation to take a total of 12 credit hours of refresher courses; courses required to meet employer requirements or recommendations; and new courses to add to the skill set of JCC graduates at *no cost*. Graduates will be encouraged to enroll in face-to-face, hybrid, and or online courses offered in that semester.

JCC, further, promises the parents of JCC students the following:

JCC parents will be assured that the College will provide students with an opportunity to reduce the total cost of a college education by completing their degree program in four (4) years or less.

JCC parents will be assured that the College promotes a living and learning environment that is safe and secure for all students.

And finally, the JCC Promise to Employers is that

JCC graduates will exhibit professional acumen resulting from continuous career readiness and skill development from entry through graduation.

JCC graduates will be proficient in technology associated with their discipline.

JCC graduates will demonstrate leadership, teamwork, and mastery of effective communication skills-both oral and written.

This is the Jarvis Promise. We have made this commitment to the students, parents and employers.

What we are doing at Jarvis is not going unnoticed. UNCF conducted an economic impact study on HBCUs. In the study, it is stated and proven that Jarvis Christian College is a valuable economic engine in its community, generating substantial returns year after year. Specifically, the study indicates that Jarvis generates \$22 million in total economic impact for its local and regional economies, generates 267 jobs for its local and regional economies and that the life-time earnings of its graduates is \$165 million, 77% more than they could expect to earn without their college credentials. See Page 33 for more details on the Economic Impact.

Jarvis is experiencing exciting change and growth as is shared in greater details throughout the Jarvsonian. Again, thank you for your support of Jarvis and remember that Jarvis is and always will be *uniquely yours* for life.

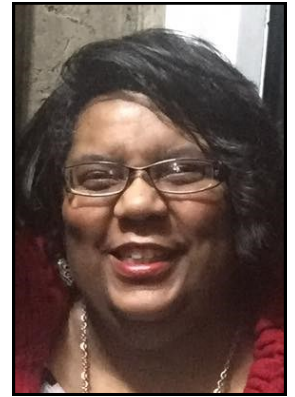
With warmest wishes,

Lester C. Newman
President

A Message from National Alumni Association President

Dear Alumni, Ex-Students and Friends of Jarvis Christian College/Southern Christian Institute National Alumni Association:

Thank you for your support of Jarvis Christian College. A strong and supportive Alumni Association gives Jarvis financial strength to support the future of students at Jarvis Christian College.



The National Alumni Association's goals are:

1. Recruiting qualified students to Jarvis. (Through college fairs, organizations and churches.)
2. Increasing Alumni Giving to Jarvis. (Don't wait for Homecoming. Give Now.)
3. Increasing paid annual National Alumni Association members. (\$40 for Annual dues and \$500 for Life Membership)
4. Improving communication between the National Alumni Association and its members. (Through Jarvis National Alumni Association Facebook Page, Newsletters, Jarvis Website and attendance at Chapter events.)
5. Increasing the number of Alumni Chapters. (Interest for new Alumni Chapters coming on board for Atlanta, Bay Area California, Chicago, D.C. Area, Detroit, Jackson, Los Angeles, Memphis and New York.)
6. Increasing on-campus involvement with students and faculty. (Career Day and Speaking opportunities.)

We strongly encourage each Alumnus to join a local Alumni Chapter, as well as become a member of the National Alumni Association. Our Alumni Chapters are busy working to support Jarvis with events, student recruiting and raising funds for scholarships. With your help, Jarvis continues to March On.

We look forward to seeing each of you at Homecoming and encourage you to support our Alma Mater by making a donation through the Alumni Affairs Office.

We thank you in advance for your contributions and support of Jarvis Christian College and we look forward to achieving these goals with your help.

JCC WE LOVE YOU!

Deborah J. Mitchell (Class of '86)
National Alumni Association President

National Alumni Officers



Deborah Mitchell
President



Darnell Whitney
President-elect



James Johnson
Vice President



Jaffar Milledge
Treasurer



Erma Victor
Secretary



James Redmon
Parliamentarian



Mavonee Jeffries
Chaplain

A Message from Executive Director of Alumni Affairs

Greetings from your beloved alma mater, Jarvis Christian College!

Jarvis Christian College has successfully provided 105 years of high quality educational opportunities to students, resulting in alumni who excel in various careers, including: physicians, nurses, lawyers, entrepreneurs, community leaders, teachers, preachers, professors and administrators.

The Office of Alumni Relations is the primary link between the College and alumni. It is our goal to encourage and foster lifelong alumni participation, involvement and commitment; to strengthen the bond between the College and our alumni; to maintain and build upon the positive relationships we have with our more seasoned alumni; and to increase the participation, involvement and communication with our younger alumni. Achieving these goals will require a tremendous team effort, and it will be important to enlist the assistance of the College administration, friends of the College, and of course -- The Alumni!



We recognize, acknowledge and embrace our alumni as vital stakeholders in the advancement of the College. Therefore, we encourage all alumni to participate in and support the programs, services and numerous campus activities and events. Please stay connected through involvement and participation in the Jarvis Christian College National Alumni Association. We also encourage alumni and friends of the College to be ambassadors for Jarvis Christian College in their respective communities by assisting with the recruitment of students and by supporting programs with your time, talent and finances.

As alumni, it is our charge to lead in support of Jarvis Christian College. Contribute to assure that we achieve our goals. We are an important link in the continuous success of our alma mater.

Sincerely,

William Hampton

A Message from Student Government Association President

It is an honor and a blessing to serve as this year's Student Government Association President.

As the school year continues, I look forward to representing the student body to the best of my ability.

It is my goal to carry on the legacy of our previous SGA presidents by maintaining a meaningful relationship between the student body and administration while building school spirit at the same time.

I love my HBCU and I know you do, too! Please support the SGA in whatever way you can. We are here to serve you.

Whenever you are on campus, stop by the Hay building in the office of Student Services, where our office is located.

Go Bulldogs!!

RaShon Thomas
SGA President 2017-2018



STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS

Microsoft Offers Wendon Blair a Paid Internship

Jarvis Christian College student Wendon Blair, of DeSoto, Texas, has received a paid internship offer



Wendon Blair

from Microsoft Corporation.

Blair, a senior majoring in accounting, who is also the president of the JCC National Association of Black Accountants (NABA), has successfully completed two internships with PricewaterhouseCoopers (PWC) in 2016 and 2017.

“Wendon is the first JCC student to receive a job offer from Microsoft Corporation. He raises the bar for all JCC students,” said Mr. Ches Talley, Career Center Director and NABA Adviser.

“In my time here at JCC, I have invested in my career by attending three regional and one national NABA conferences,” Blair said. “NABA has in return rewarded me with multiple Fortune 500 internship/full-time job opportunities, the latest being Microsoft. I thank God, ACAP and NABA for providing me the exposure to these companies and developing the soft skills necessary to become an effective communicator.”

JaVoski Ervin Interns with PricewaterhouseCoopers

Jarvis Christian College student JaVoski Ervin recently completed a paid summer internship in Dallas, Texas, with Big 4 accounting firm PricewaterhouseCoopers.

Ervin, a senior majoring in accounting, and a member of the Jarvis Chapter of the National Association of Black Accountants (NABA), is the second Jarvis student to receive a paid summer internship offer from PricewaterhouseCoopers (PWC)

Wendon Blair, president of the Jarvis chapter of

NABA, accepted a summer internship from PricewaterhouseCoopers in 2016.

NABA adviser Ches Talley said, “I was very pleased three years ago when Wendon agreed to become the NABA president. He not only opened opportunities for himself but for others.”



JaVoski Ervin

Students Selected for BNY Mellon Fellows Program

Jarvis Christian College students Brian Alexander, a Biology major, and Cheston Living, an Education major, have been selected for the Bank of New York Mellon Student Fellows Program.

Only 130 university students nationwide were selected for the program.

Fellows will receive training in project management, entrepreneurial thinking and financial skills in a free market economy.

Upon successful completion, Fellows will receive Project Management Certification (PMDPro), which



Brian Alexander



Cheston Living

is internationally accredited, and an invitation to network with Fortune 500 Corporate executives.



Quiana J. Lewis, with the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, presents Jarvis Enactus Team President Brian Alexander with the first-place national award in the 'Students for Health' Project competition.

Jarvis Enactus Team Wins National Title

Jarvis Christian College's Enactus Team surpassed 39 competing universities from around the country to win the first-place national title in the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation's "Students for Health" Project Competition.

The grand prize was recently awarded at the Enactus USA National Expo in Kansas City, Missouri, before an audience of more than 3,000 corporate executives, educators and students. Jarvis students participating include Brian Alexander, Wendon Blair and Carlos Villarreal. Ches Talley is team adviser.

The "Students for Health" Project Competition provided an opportunity for Enactus teams, through a grant from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation, to implement initiatives to improve the health and wellness of the communities surrounding their respective universities.

The Jarvis Enactus health initiative targeted the high childhood obesity rate in East Texas by introducing achievable actions that food insecure families can take to make healthier nutritional choices. The team's innovative project included "Pop-Up Gardens in Burlap Sacks" combined with the USDA's

"Grow It, Try It, Like It!" Nutrition kits.

Jarvis Christian College partnered with the Tyler Head Start Program with 10 sites taking part in the health initiative. Dawn Parnell, with Tyler Head Start, stated, "We were honored to be invited to participate in this program. Teaching the parents and children about nutrition and healthy lifestyles can put children on a trajectory of intellectual development and academic success."

The award from the Robert Wood Johnson Foundation will enable Jarvis Christian College to further expand the initiative across East Texas.

Quiana J. Lewis, with the Robert Woods Johnson Foundation, stated, "The Foundation is committed to fostering a climate of nutritional health and wellness. Working with Enactus, we are able to engage the brightest minds on university campuses from around the country to help solve the issues facing society. We were extremely impressed by the project that Jarvis Christian College presented and are pleased to support their effort."

This is the third consecutive year the College has placed in the National Enactus USA Expo and the first time winning a national title.

ALUMNI CORNER



Virdeetra Chappell



NaTasha Crain



Annette Lindsay



Norman Carter



Khallid Shabazz



Marcus Brannon

Virdeetra Chappell, Class of 2001, was named the 2016-2017 Teacher of the Year at Seagoville Elementary in the Dallas Independent School District.

Ms. Chappell graduated from Jarvis with a bachelor's degree in computer information systems. She later received a master's degree in business administration in 2006 and a master's degree in education in 2016 from Texas A&M-Commerce. In 2007, Ms. Chappell enrolled in Region 10 Alternative Certification Program and received her EC-4 teaching certificate. In August 2008, she began her first teaching assignment and has taught kindergarten and second grade. "I truly believe that in order to teach our children you have to develop a loving relationship with them," Ms. Chappell said. "I want them to know they are loved every time they walk through my doors."

NaTasha Crain, Class of 2000, has been appointed Principal of Jones Elementary MST Academy in

the Tyler Independent School District.

Annette Bolden Lindsay, Class of 1995, was selected Teacher of the Year at South Oak Cliff High School in Dallas, Texas.

Norman Carter, Class of 2008, was named Teacher of the Year at Hogg Middle School, Tyler, Texas.

Chaplain (Lt. Col.) Khallid Shabazz, Class of 1990, recently became the Army's first division-level Muslim chaplain. Lt. Col. Shabazz holds a doctorate degree as well as four master's degrees and has dedicated his life to working with service members of all religions.

Marcus Brannon, Class of 2006, was named Principal of Nichols Junior High School in Arlington, Texas. Mr. Brannon earned a bachelor's degree in biology and chemistry from Jarvis Christian College in 2006 and a master's degree in Educational Ad-





Attorney Bakari Sellers was the speaker for the College's Black History Month Program on Feb. 21, 2017.

Attorney Bakari Sellers Black History Month Speaker

Attorney Bakari Sellers was the featured speaker for the Black History Month Program on Feb. 21, 2017.

Sellers, who has practiced law with Strom Law Firm, L.L.C., in Columbia, South Carolina, since 2007, is a political commentator for CNN and MSNBC. He has also made multiple appearances on "Hardball with Chris Mathews" and "Morning Joe."

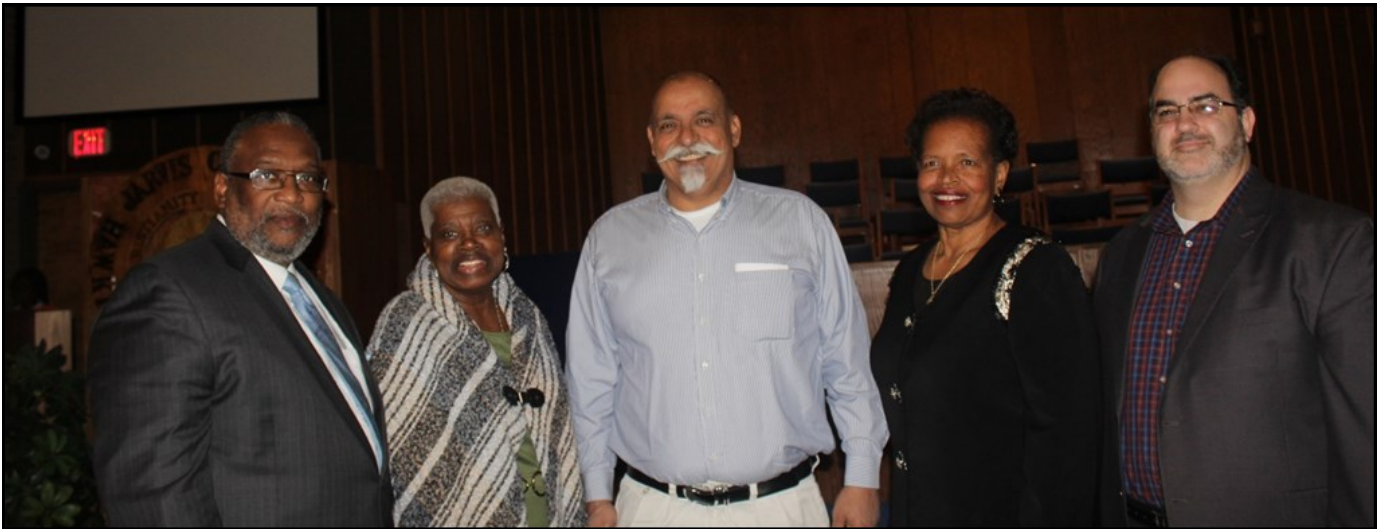
In 2010, Sellers was named to Time Magazine's "40 under 40," a designation bestowed on individuals who represent the new generation of civic leaders under the age of 40.

Sellers made history in 2006 when, at age 22, he became the youngest member of the South Carolina State Legislature. In 2014, he became the Democratic nominee for the Lt. Governor's seat in South Carolina. Sellers has worked for U.S. Congressman James Clyburn, former Atlanta Mayor Shirley Franklin, the Democratic Leadership Council and Obama for America. He has been a member of the South Carolina Legislative Black Caucus since 2006. Following in the footsteps of his well-known



father, Civil Rights Leader, Cleveland Sellers, Sellers champions policies ranging from educational inequities, poverty, voter suppression, domestic and gun violence to childhood obesity and gender/orientation discrimination.

Sellers graduated from the South Carolina public school system and Morehouse College in Atlanta, Georgia. While at Morehouse, he was elected Student Government Association President and served on the College's Board of Trustees. He earned a Bachelor of Arts degree in 2005 and attended the University of South Carolina School of Law, where he graduated in 2008.



Jarvis Christian College President Dr. and Mrs. Lester C. Newman (from left) with Anwar Khalifa, the Rev. Orenthia Mason

Jarvis Christian College Presents ‘An Interfaith Dialogue’

Jarvis Christian College Office of Religious Life presented “An Interfaith Dialogue: a Conversation about Judaism, Islam and Christianity” on Feb. 15, 2017, in the Smith-Howard Chapel on the College campus.

During the event, panelists Anwar Khalifa, Rabbi Neal Katz and the Rev. Orenthia Delois Mason discussed the differences and similarities among their religious beliefs. Dr. Glenell Lee-Pruitt, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, served as moderator.

“The only way we can begin to understand various religions and nationalities is by talking with each other and listening to each other. We should not always believe what you hear,” Rev. Mason said. “I learned so much about the Jewish faith and the Muslim religion. Knowledge is power. Even in our differences, we can respect each other.”

Mr. Khalifa is a board member and spokesman for the East Texas Islamic Society; Rabbi Katz has



served as the rabbi of Congregation Beth El in Tyler, Texas, since his ordination from HUC-JIR in 2003; and Rev. Mason is a member of the Committee on Ministerial Examination of the Central Texas Region of the Christian Methodist Episcopal Church and pastor of St. James Christian Methodist Episcopal Church.

Rev. Mason said it was a pleasure to serve on the forum at Jarvis Christian College with Rabbi Neal Katz and Anwar Khalifa. “We are all God’s children,” she said.

PIONEER HALL OF FAME & PREEMINENCE AWARDS

Pioneer Hall of Fame Inductees

Mrs. Fannie Hunter Pruitt

Darryl Davis

Fred Hearns Award for Excellence

Ms. Deborah Jane Mitchell

Preeminence Awards

John Dee Mangram Religion and Ministry Award

Rev. Virzola Jo-Nan Law

Education and Academics

Mr. Cletis Cabbil

Government, Politics and Advocacy

Mr. Charles D. Rousseau

Philanthropy

Drs. Howard and Dorisula Hawkins

Leadership, Community Service and Civic Endeavors

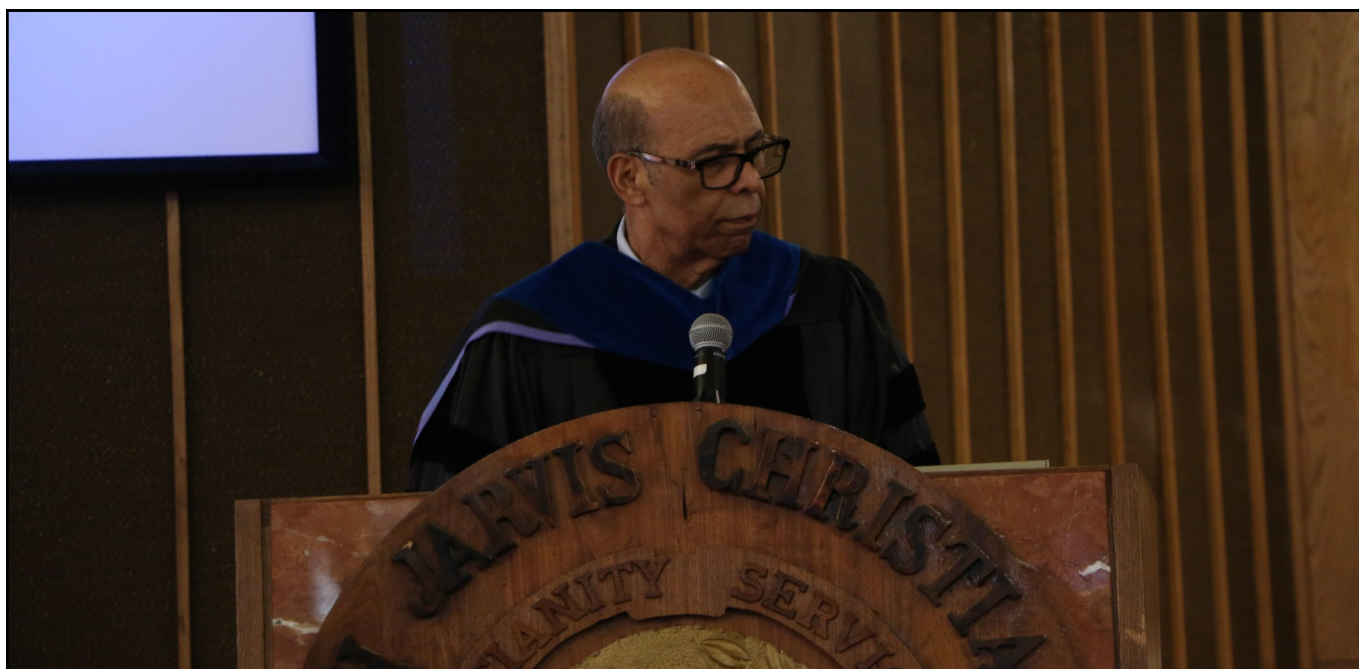
Rev. Marvin J. Owens

Business and Entrepreneurship

Mr. Larry Allen Sr.



FOUNDERS/HOMECOMING



Dr. Michael Lomax, President and CEO of UNCF, was the keynote speaker for Jarvis Christian College's Founders Convoca-

Jarvis Christian College's 105th Annual Founders/ Homecoming included events for faculty, staff, students, alumni, supporters and the community.

Activities included the Fifth Annual Founders Convocation on March 21 and the Annual J.N. Ervin Lecture Series on March 23.

Dr. Michael Lomax, President and CEO of UNCF, was the keynote speaker for the Convocation.

UNCF is the nation's largest private provider of scholarships and other educational support to African-American students. Under Dr. Lomax's leadership, UNCF has raised more than \$2.5 billion and helped more than 92,000 students earn college degrees and launch careers.

As President and CEO, Dr. Lomax oversees UNCF's 400 scholarship programs. He also launched the UNCF Institute for Capacity Building, which helps the organization's 37-member historically black colleges and universities become stronger, more effective and more self-sustaining.

Prior to his position at UNCF, Dr. Lomax was president of Dillard University in New Orleans, Louisiana, and a literature professor at Morehouse and Spelman colleges in Atlanta, Georgia. He also served as chairman of the Fulton County Commis-

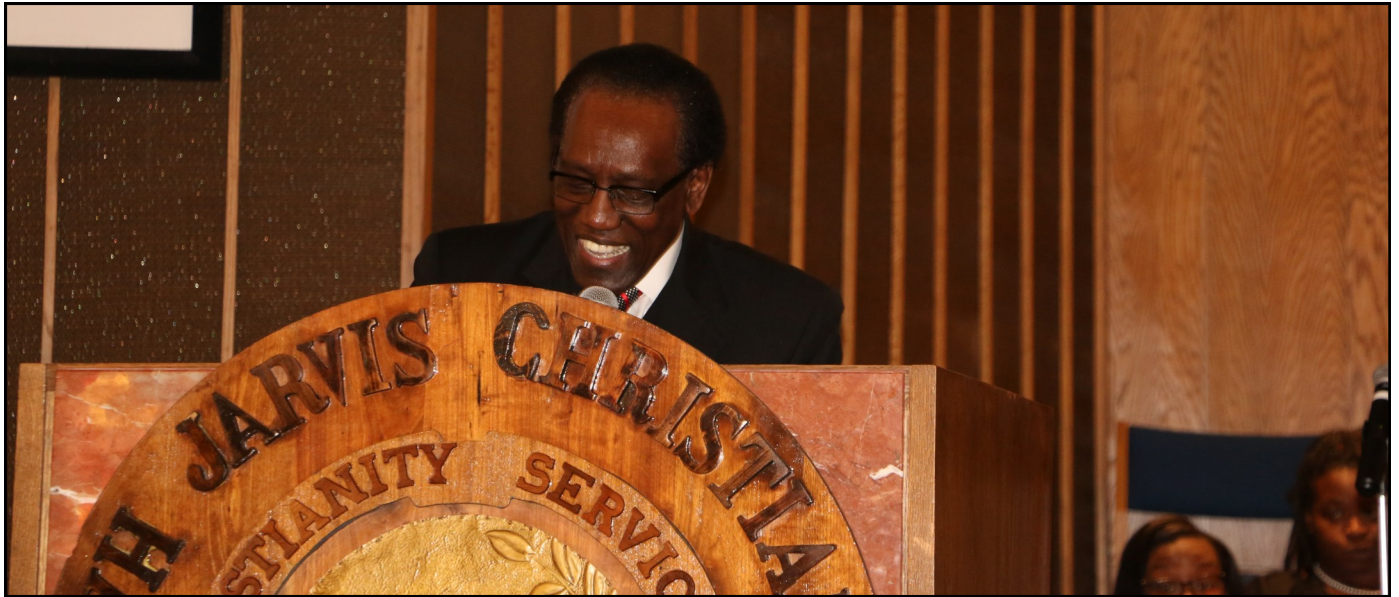
sion in Atlanta, the first African-American elected to that post.

The keynote speaker for the J.N. Ervin Lecture Series was the Rev. Dr. Sylvester Lawrence Curry Jr, a 1971 Jarvis graduate and pastor of New Zion Baptist Church in Winona, Texas.

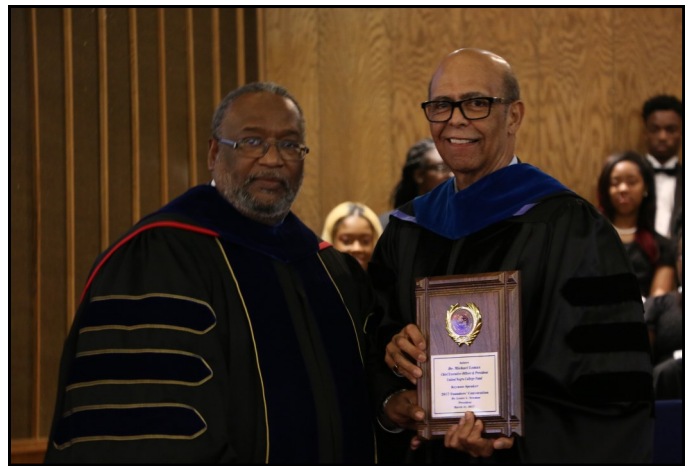
Rev. Curry served as moderator of Original East Texas Baptist Association for 11 years, where he led the association in home and foreign missions. The churches and association financially supported six schools in the villages of Ghana, West Africa, by constructing buildings, purchasing textbooks and desks, paying teachers' salaries and drilling a fresh-water well.

Rev. Curry is president of Texas Educational Baptist State Convention and is author of the book, "Missing in Action: How to Minister to Inactive Members." He takes an active role in community issues and has spoken at environmental conferences in Washington, D.C. Rev. Curry was the first black city councilman in Winona and is a past board member of People Attempting to Help (PATH).

He was inducted into Jarvis Christian College's Pioneer Hall of Fame and was awarded the John Dee Mangram Religion and Ministry Award in 2016.



The Rev. Dr. Sylvester Lawrence Curry Jr., was the keynote speaker for the J.N. Ervin Lecture Series on March 23.



Jarvis Christian College President Dr. Lester C. Newman presents the Rev. Dr. Sylvester Lawrence Curry Jr. and Dr. Michael Lomax with plaques following their speeches.



Jarvis Christian College President Dr. Lester C. Newman presents former Jarvis President Dr. Sebetha Jenkins with a gift during the Fifth Annual Founders Convocation on March 21.

HONORS CONVOCATION



Dr. Dwaun J. Warmack, president of Harris-Stowe State University in St. Louis, Missouri, was the keynote speaker for Jar-

Dr. Dwaun J. Warmack, president of Harris-Stowe State University in St. Louis, Missouri, gave the keynote address during Jarvis Christian College's Honors Convocation on April 4, 2017.

Dr. Warmack, one of the youngest serving presidents of a four-year institution in the nation, brings more than 18 years of progressive administrative experience in higher education to the position. Within five months of his arrival at Harris-Stowe, Dr. Warmack raised \$1 million for student scholarships and infrastructure needs.

Dr. Warmack is a scholar-practitioner and possesses a wealth of experience in program design, faculty and student development, assessment and accreditation. Prior to his appointment as president of Harris-Stowe, he served as senior vice president, administration and student services at Bethune-Cookman University, overseeing a staff of 170. His successes include oversight of a multimillion dollar renovation of the institution's residence halls. Prior to his tenure at Bethune-Cookman, he was the associate dean of students at Rhodes College in Memphis, where he had oversight of student affairs, including judicial affairs, student activities, Greek life, new student and parent orientation and multicultural affairs. Dr. Warmack has also held positions at West-

ern Carolina University in Cullowhee, N.C., and Delta State University.

Dr. Warmack has received several awards for his work in higher education and the community. He received the Delta State University Young Alumni Award and was recently inducted into the institution's Hall of Fame. He served as a Board member for the Southern Association for College Student Affairs (SACSA) Foundation, the Alumni Board of Directors for Delta State University. He serves on the boards of Cortex, the Saint Louis Science Center, the St. Louis Regional Chamber, The Muny, Grand Center and the United Way of Greater St. Louis and Greater St. Louis Area Council, Boy Scouts of America.

Dr. Warmack earned a bachelor's degree in education and master's degree in sociology from Delta State University. He earned his doctorate in educational leadership with a specialization in higher education from Union University in Jackson, Tennessee, and his post-doctoral studies in educational leadership at Harvard University School of Education. Dr. Warmack is a peer reviewer with the Higher Learning Commission, the largest regional accreditation body in the United States.





Dr. Michael Lomax, UNCF President and CEO, presented Jarvis Christian College with a check for \$1 million.

Jarvis Receives Career Pathways Grant

Jarvis Christian College is one of 24 colleges and universities that will receive five-year grants totaling \$35.3 million for the UNCF® Career Pathways Initiative.

Jarvis Christian College received a \$1 million grant, which will allow the College to implement programs to improve employment outcomes for its graduates.

Jarvis Christian College President Dr. Lester C. Newman said, “As Jarvis Christian College begins 105 years of service, this is a tremendous opportunity for Jarvis and for our students. It gives us an opportunity to take a look at what we are doing and how we can enhance the operation and educational opportunities for our students and prepare them for the world of work.”

Made possible through a grant from Lilly Endowment Inc., the UNCF Career Pathways Initiative (CPI) is a unique pilot program for select historical-

ly black colleges and universities (HBCUs) and predominantly black institutions (PBIs) that is helping them enhance career readiness for their 54,000 enrolled students.

Jarvis Christian College submitted a proposal that reflects a commitment to strengthening career advising and mentoring, enhancing curricula and supporting integrated co-curricular engagement. As part of CPI, the College will develop a range of academic programs, student internships, industry partnerships, specialty certifications and faculty development as it forges a new model for career readiness.

“These colleges and universities show promise in significantly addressing the urgent challenges facing African American college students and graduates,” said Dr. Michael Lomax, UNCF president and CEO. “CPI will help ensure our graduates are prepared for and hired into high-paying 21st-century jobs.”

Jarvis Named TJF April School of the Month



Jarvis Christian College was named The Tom Joyner Foundation 2017 April School of the Month. Jarvis students Ranisha Logan, RaShon Thomas, Kayla Lahrmann and Candance Minor will benefit from a \$10,000 donation from the Foundation, with each student receiving a \$2,500 scholarship. The funds represent a 2017 partnership between The Tom Joyner Foundation and Toyota Financial Services in support of higher education and scholarship enhancements. Jarvis Christian College President Dr. Lester C. Newman and Dr. Cheryl Kariuki, Assistant Professor of Education, presented the check to the students.



Spring Commencement 2017



Eighty-four students received their degrees during Jarvis Christian College's 2017 Commencement on May 6. The Rev. Frederick Douglass Haynes III, senior pastor of Friendship-West Baptist Church in Dallas, Texas, served as Commencement speaker.

Jarvis Christian College awarded diplomas to 84 graduates during Commencement exercises May 6, 2017, in the E.W. Rand Center.

The Commencement address was given by the Rev. Dr. Frederick Douglass Haynes III, senior pastor of Friendship-West Baptist Church in Dallas, Texas.

The Rev. Haynes is engaged in preaching the gospel of Jesus Christ, fighting against racial injustice, promoting economic justice and empowerment in under-served communities and touching and transforming the lives of the disenfranchised. For over 30 years, Rev. Haynes has served as a visionary and innovative senior pastor of Friendship-West Baptist Church. Under his leadership, the ministry and membership have grown from less than 100 members in 1983 to over 12,000.

Dr. Glenell Lee-Pruitt, Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs, presented the graduates and President Dr. Lester C. Newman conferred their respective degrees. Members of the Class of 1967 received their 50th year Golden Graduate diplomas. The Commencement ceremony was followed by a reception with a traditional toast to the latest Jarvis graduates.



Frederick D. Haynes III



UNCF Day at Jarvis

United Negro College Fund (UNCF), the nation's largest and most effective minority education organization, visited Jarvis Christian College on Sept. 15, 2017, as part of its HBCU tour of all UNCF-member institutions.

UNCF Outreach Relationship Manager Tanika Mangum shared information on UNCF and how to gain access to scholarships and internships. The event also included a resume writing workshop.



Support UNCF Campus Giving Campaign

As one of 37 member institutions, Jarvis Christian College is committed to supporting the United Negro College Fund. UNCF has set the fundraising goal of \$90,000 for Jarvis Christian College. In the 2016-17 academic year, Jarvis Christian College received over \$400,000 in distributions for general operations, scholarships and special initiatives from UNCF.

This year's UNCF Campus Giving Campaign will extend until March 30, 2018. There are several ways to make a contribution. Many alumni and friends have found it convenient to contribute to Jarvis Christian College UNCF Campus Giving Campaign by making a donation via mail with a check while others make a one-time online credit card donation at www.jarvis.edu.

The UNCF National Pre-Alumni Council (NPAC), the student component of the National Alumni Council, serves as the umbrella organization and governing body for each Pre-Alumni Council (PAC) on UNCF member college campuses. The PAC exists to stimulate the interest and participation of students enrolled at UNCF-member institutions to preserve and create further loyalty and fellowship between the colleges and universities, their faculty, staff, students and alumni. PAC also raises money to support UNCF and its mission. All students enrolled at any UNCF member college and university are encouraged to join their respective PAC.

In addition, the Pre-Alumni Council raises funds for UNCF by helping young women compete for the

title of Miss UNCF (United Negro College Fund) so that UNCF can continue to help more deserving students obtain a college education. To compete for the Miss UNCF crown, contestants must be active members of the Pre-Alumni Council and raise a minimum of \$1,000, which is sent directly to the UNCF for scholarships. The individual



De'Janae Tookes
Miss UNCF

who raises the most money is crowned Jarvis Christian Col-

lege's Miss UNCF.

The reigning Miss UNCF Jarvis Christian College is De'Janae Tookes. De'Janae is a junior majoring in Secondary Education with concentration in History from Austell, Georgia.

In February, Miss UNCF Jarvis Christian College will join queens of other UNCF member institutions at an annual leadership conference and coronation of Miss National UNCF organized by the National Alumni Council and National Pre-Alumni Council

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Miss UNCF Contestants

Name: Jada Bozmans

Classification: Sophomore

Major: Business Administration with concentration in Management



Hometown: Fort Collins, Colorado

Affiliations: Presidential Scholar, Enactus and Pre-alumni Council

Why is she competing for the title of Miss UNCF Jarvis Christian College? Jada is taking extra initiatives in becoming more active in leadership roles and becoming

more involved in the Jarvis community, by competing for the title of Miss UNCF. The Miss UNCF competition will allow her the opportunity to raise awareness on the importance of UNCF and its support to help students have better access to college.

Name: Natasha Coleman-Ball

Classification: Sophomore

Major: Business Management with a minor in Computer Information Systems



Hometown: Upper Marlboro, Maryland

Affiliations: JCC Bowling Team, Miss Pre-Alumni Council, Kiwanis Club Circle K, National American Miss Maryland Teen 2016, Miss Maryland East Coast USA Grand Supreme, Miss East coast USA Super-

model Supreme, Miss Teen American CoEd, and Pre-Alumni Council

Why is she competing for the title of Miss UNCF Jarvis Christian College? As a Miss UNCF contestant, Natasha has national competition experience and understands the importance of raising funds to support needed scholarships for Jarvis' most deserving students. In November, Natasha organized "Mister and Miss Gold and Gifted Pageant," a student-driven competition to raise funds for UNCF

scholarships at Jarvis Christian College.

Name: Emani Brown

Classification: Sophomore



Major: Criminal Justice

Hometown: Rialto, California

Affiliations: Honor Society, Early Start Summer Program (ESSP) Peer Mentor, Track and Field Team, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and Pre-Alumni Council

Why is she competing for the title of Miss UNCF Jarvis Christian

College? Emani is passionate about Jarvis Christian College and desires to be a part of making a difference in the lives of other young adults. Winning the title of Miss UNCF, Emani will work closely with college and student leadership to assist with promoting and advocating for UNCF.

Name: Chartaveoua Graggs

Classification: Sophomore

Major: Biology



Hometown: Shreveport, Louisiana

Affiliations: JCC Band, Dance Squad and Pre-Alumni Council

Why is she competing for the title of Miss UNCF Jarvis Christian

College? Chartaveoua is interested in the well-being of her college and peers and would like to serve as a voice and advocate for other students encountering financial hardships while enrolled at Jarvis Christian College. She has overcome many obstacles and has a renewed spirit and desire to help others personally and financially with earning a college education from



Natasha Coleman-Ball won the title of Miss East Coast USA National Supermodel Supreme.



Natasha Coleman-Ball won the title of Teen Miss Maryland American Coed.

Natasha Coleman-Ball Wins National Title

Jarvis Christian College sophomore Natasha Coleman-Ball was one of six out of 200 contestants to win a national title during the 18th Annual East Coast USA National Finals in New Jersey.

Natasha, a Business Management major from Upper Marlboro, Maryland, won the title of Miss East Coast USA National Supermodel Supreme. She represented the title during New York Fashion Week.

Natasha also won the title of Teen Miss Maryland American Coed and traveled to Florida to compete on a national level.

Natasha, who also is a pageant coach and, wants to one day open her own dance studio. Her advice to other pageant contestants: “Always be yourself, no matter what,” she said. “And don’t be afraid to try new things.”

Miss UNCF Contestant Holds Fundraising Pageant

Miss UNCF Jarvis Christian College contestant Natasha Coleman-Ball held a fundraising pageant on campus to raise funds for UNCF.

Pageant categories included Interview, Talent, Gold Gear and Formal Wear. Miss Jarvis and Miss UNCF made guest appearances. Junior Memorie McLaren, Sophomore Elawna Woods, Junior Ileah Cox and Freshman Kevin Thomas competed in the pageant.

Kevin and Ileah were crowned Mr. and Miss Golden Gifted. More than \$100 was raised for UNCF.



Kevin Thomas and Ileah Cox were crowned Mr. and Miss Golden Gifted during a fundraiser for UNCF.



The Rev. Nontombi Naomi Tutu, daughter of Bishop Desmond Tutu, spoke during Chapel service at Jarvis Christian College.

Rev. Nontombi Naomi Tutu Visits Jarvis

The Rev. Nontombi Naomi Tutu was the speaker at Jarvis Christian College's Chapel service on Sept. 26, 2017.

The Rev. Tutu, a human rights activist, is the third child of Archbishop Desmond and Nomalizo Tutu. Born in South Africa, she was educated in Swaziland, the United States and England.

The Rev. Tutu established Nozizwe Consulting, which focuses on bringing different groups together, celebrating their differences and acknowledging their shared humanity. As part of this work, she has led Truth and Reconciliation workshops for groups dealing with different types of conflict. She also has offered educational trips to South Africa for high school groups, churches, hospices, teachers and women's associations.

The Rev. Tutu's experiences include serving as development consultant in West Africa and program coordinator for programs on Race and Gender and Gender-based Violence in Education at the African Institute at the University of Cape Town. She also has taught at the University of Hartford, University of Connecticut and Brevard College in North Carolina. She served as program coordinator for the his-



toric Race Relations Institute at Fisk University and was a part of the Institute's delegation to the World Conference Against Racism in Durban.

The Rev. Tutu began public speaking as a college student at Berea College in Kentucky in the 1970s when she was invited to speak at churches, community groups, colleges and universities about her experiences growing up during the era of apartheid in South Africa. She is the recipient of four honorary doctorates from universities and colleges in the United States and Nigeria. She was recently ordained to the transitional diaconate in the Episcopal Diocese of Tennessee and received an appointment to serve as a curate at Christ Church Cathedral in Nashville.



Mr. and Miss Jarvis Christian College



Isaiah Lopez and Zenovia Osaghae

Isaiah Lopez and Zenovia Osaghae were crowned Mr. and Miss Jarvis Christian College during a “Cinderella Story” Coronation on Nov, 2, 2017.

Isaiah, a senior Business Management major from Goodyear, Arizona, is the son of Mrs. Jacquelyn Phipps and Mr. Daniel Lopez. After graduating from Agua Fria High School, he attended Glendale Community College, receiving an Associate’s degree in Business. Isaiah received a basketball scholarship and enrolled at Jarvis in the fall of 2016.

Isaiah is a member of several campus organizations, including the Student Government Association, Multicultural Student Organization and Freshman Peer Mentor. He also is the point guard on the basketball team.

Isaiah enjoys spending time with his family and friends, lifting weights and dancing. His major influences are the women in his life: his mother, Nene

and Nana, who have molded him into the man he is today by showing him unconditional love and support.

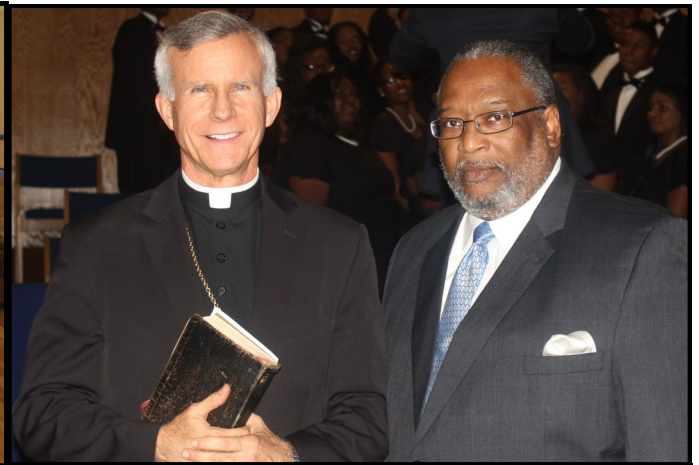
Zenovia , a junior Business Accounting major from Dallas, Texas, is the daughter of Ms. Rachel Hawkins and Mr. Isaac Osaghae. A graduate of Duncanville High School, Zenovia enrolled at Jarvis in the fall of 2015.

Zenovia is a member of several campus organizations, including the Multicultural Club, ENACTUS, National Association of Black Accountants and the Jaime Modeling Club. She also is a member of the Jarvis Christian College Choir and President of the Honors and Arts Club.

Zenovia enjoys spending time with her family, helping others, being an artist and fashion guru and mentoring. Her major influences are her mother, her family and historical leaders such a Oprah Winfrey.



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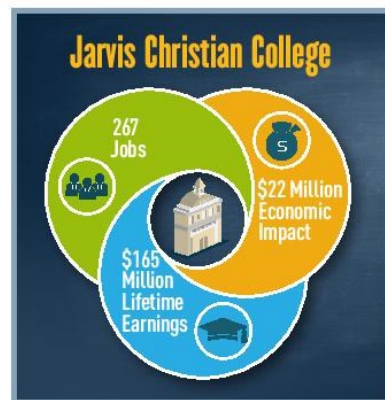




Jarvis Christian College is a valuable economic engine in its community, generating substantial economic returns year after year. The benefits flow to Jarvis Christian College’s graduates, of course, who’ll enter the workforce with sharper skills and vastly enhanced earning prospects. But, as a landmark study commissioned by UNCF—*HBCUs Make America Strong: The Positive Economic Impact of Historically Black Colleges and Universities*—makes clear, the benefits also flow to the local and regional economies that are connected to Jarvis Christian College.

The presence of an HBCU means a boost to economic activity, on and off—and even well beyond—campus. Stronger growth. Stronger communities. More jobs. And a more talented workforce.

The study’s key findings (based on 2014 data) make a persuasive case:



Total Economic Impact: \$22 Million

- Jarvis Christian College generates \$22 million in *total* economic impact for its local and regional economies. This estimate includes direct spending by Jarvis Christian College on faculty, employees, academic programs and operations—and by students attending the institution, as well as the follow-on effects of that spending.
- Every dollar spent by Jarvis Christian College and its students produces positive economic benefits, generating \$1.27 in initial and subsequent spending for its local and regional economies. Communities and regions hoping to foster a more robust and diversified economic climate find HBCU-connected spending a critical component of that effort.

Total Employment Impact: 267 Jobs

- Jarvis Christian College generates 267 jobs for its local and regional economies. Of this total, 148 are on-campus jobs, and 119 are off-campus jobs.
- For each job created on campus, another 0.8 public- or private-sector job is created off campus because of Jarvis Christian College-related spending.
- Looked at in a different way: Each \$1 million initially spent by Jarvis Christian College and its students creates 16 jobs.

Total Lifetime Earnings for Graduates: \$165 Million

- Jarvis Christian College plays a major role in the economic success of its graduates by enhancing their education, training and leadership skills. A college degree opens the door to economic prosperity through greater employment and earnings potential. In fact, the 65 Jarvis Christian College graduates in 2014 can expect total earnings of \$165 million over their lifetimes—that’s 77 percent more than they could expect to earn without their college credentials.
- Or viewed on an individual basis, a Jarvis Christian College graduate working full time throughout his or her working life can expect to earn \$1.1 million in *additional* income due to a college credential.¹

¹This estimate reflects incremental earnings averaged across degree and certificate programs.



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BULLDOG ATHLETICS

Greetings fellow
past and present
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College Bulldogs!

As a proud member of the National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and the Red River Athletic Conference (RRAC), Bulldog Athletics continued to build upon another successful year during the 2016-2017 season.

For the fourth straight year, Jarvis Christian College Athletics was recognized by the NAIA as a Bronze Level Champions of Character Five-Star Institution for their commitment on the field, in the community and in the classroom. Bulldog Athletics participated in baseball, men's and women's basketball, softball, men's and women's bowling, men's golf, men's and women's cross country, men's and women's soccer, men's and women's outdoor track and field and women's volleyball this past academic year.

Bulldog Athletic programs participated in over 262 sporting events throughout the southern region, with championship dreams in mind. Nine teams competed in post-season play, with one program sending seven to the 2017 NAIA Men's and Women's Outdoor Track and Field National Championships. Volleyball ended a fourteen year RRAC Tournament drought since 2002, with the second appearance at the Tournament in program history. Baseball had their eyes set on an RRAC Championship, but fell short reaching the RRAC Tournament Title game for the first time in program history as an affiliate of the Red River Athletic Conference.

On April 4, 2017, 130 past and present student-athletes were honored at the 2017 Spring Honors Convocation. The Jarvis Christian College Athletics program had 31 Presidential Scholars (4.0 G.P.A.), 50 Distinguished Scholars (3.5-3.99 G.P.A.) and 49 student-athletes made the Dean's List (3.0-3.49 G.P.A.).



Mercadez Perkins, Jasmine Thomas, Wendon Blair, Julio Montano were each recognized as NAIA Daktronics Scholar Athletes, with Wendon Blair and Keshanti Tidwell taking home recognition as RRAC Character Athletes of the Week. Blair was also the recipient of the LeRoy Walker Champions of Character Award.

JCC student-athletes took claim to eight RRAC Player of the Week Awards as 26 Bulldogs earned RRAC All-Conference honors. Regionally, Talicia Lang was recognized by the American Volleyball Coaches Association (AVCA) as a 1st Team selection to the AVCA NAIA South Central Region Team. Nationally, Dontayveous Allen and Nick Palmer took to the track earning NAIA All-American honors at Nationals, while Carlos Andrade, DeAndre McGuire, Joseph Lyall and Matt Burrows were recognized for their work on the diamond as members of the 2017 Black College Nines All-Elite Team.

Stay tuned to www.jccbulldogs.com for all Bulldog Athletic news, schedules, scores, events and recent headlines. Thank you for your continued support and look forward to seeing you throughout the year!

Go Bulldogs!

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