CAMPUS HAPPENINGS

JV Squad Is Ready To "Rock The Rams"

BY DANIELLE PROPHETE Staff Writer

"If I don't make it. I just don't make it but at least I tried," said Alisha Curry, a freshman psychology major, who participated in the WSSU junior varsity cheerleader tryouts Oct. 28, in Dillard Auditorium.

On October 21, approximately 50 young ladies began practicing for the junior varsity squad but throughout the week cheers; chants and routines were taught and practiced and the numbers dwindled down to about 30.

Anticipation and expectation was so high, that the participants were up at midnight standing in front of the Gaines Center door reading the names of the 1996-97 Junior Varsity Cheering Squad members. New squad members include: Michelle Berrios, Pearl Berry, Brandie Blackwell, Nicole Blackwell, Tracy

Foote, Christel Lilly, Sonja Miller, Deanna Mortimer, Robyn Pierce, Kia Sherman, Tondra Stewart, Tocacia Thompson and Lakeisha Williams.

"I couldn't wait any longer," said Pierce, who was at the Gaines Center's door at midnight, Oct. 29, waiting for the results.

"It was a tough week and I'm just glad it's over with," said Lashonda Alexander, a sophomore special education major, another anxious onlooker.

The J.V. cheerleaders will be under the direction of Angie Little, a WSSU alumna and former Ram cheerleader. The JV squad cheers for the Lady Ram basketball team.

Hugs, kisses, congratulations and even a few tears were shed; but the important thing to remember is that everyone can't win!

Academic Enrichment Center Provides Course Assistance

BY STEPHANY COUSINS Staff Writer

"Tell me what you're taking this semester and I will tell you how I can help you," says Myra Waddell, coordinator of the Academic Enrichment Center located on the second floor of O'Kelly Library.

the Academic Previously, Enrichment Center was known first as the Enrichment Center then as the Plato Lab. A recommendation from the Southern Association of Colleges and Schools (SACS), caused the lab's coordinators, Waddell and Shirley Porter, to rethink its title. In 1994, the lab moved to its new location, the second floor of the O'Kelly Library.

Although Waddell says the center has made over 1,000 contacts thus far this school year, there are still some students who are in the dark about the center. However students enrolled in some English, chemistry and sports management classes are required to use the lab. Although, the center offers assistance in courses such as math, biology and chemistry; no tutors are available in the center.

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Students can receive assistance with standardize test such as the LSAT and the GMAT. Typing facilities are also available for students. Various kinds of computer software is housed in the center.

Waddell urges students to take advantage of the center because "it is there for their use."

Naaborle Sackeyfil, a freshman, said she makes good use of the lab. "When the computers in Hall Patterson are all being used there is always some place else to go."

Freshman Regrick Howard said, "The lab offers good sources of information. You can do your work with the help of well trained workers."

LaTonya Brooks, a junior, stated "The lab is pretty good. It helps me with my chemistry assignments."

"The Academic Enrichment Center is a really nice facility, everytime I have used it I've found all the information I needed," said Marcus Grant, a junior.

The Academic Enrichment Center is opened Monday - Thursday from 8 a.m. -8 p.m. and Friday from 8 a.m. - 4: 30 p.m. The center is not opened on weekends.

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CMC Has The "Right Stuff"

BY RECHELLE "JACQUES" ROUSE Staff Writer

The Curriculum Materials Center (CMC) is specifically designed to provide instructional curriculum and technological support for Teacher Education faculty and students enrolled in the Teacher Education program.

The CMC is located on the ground floor of the Anderson Center. Rhonda Lester, the center's coordinator oversees its daily operations and Mary Smith is the CMC's assistant coordinator.

"With the new technology in the center, the population in CMC has greatly increased," said Lester.

The CMC is partially funded by the Education Department. The books that are used in the center are state adopted. These textbooks have been adopted by teachers, and are placed in the center as supplemental materials to be used by the education majors.

Audio-visual materials, bulletin board supplies, children's books, classical compact discs, encyclopedias, fiction books, games, non-fiction books, reference books, state-adopted textbooks, supplementary books, and various kits for classroom activities are housed in the from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m.

CMC

"With the connection from the online catalog, students are able to search the CMC collection along with the O'Kelly Library's selection," said Smith.

Education majors and faculty members enjoy the closeness and accesibility of the CMC.

Jackie Wesley, a senior special education major, who also has workstudy in the center said, "Prior to working in the CMC, I spent most of my time here gathering information for my classes due to the amount of papers, case studies, and field experiences that we were required to do."

"It's a wonderful resource center, it is highly utilized by both faculty and students," said Dr. Pamela Felder, a member of the Department of Education's faculty. "The CMC staff is very knowledgeable and they keep up-to-date information available and ready for use by the students and faculty."

Keith Penn, a former middle grades education major, who is now a history major said, "The CMC was a good asset and very beneficial. It was a quiet place to study."

The CMC is open Monday - Friday,

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The word panic comes from the Greek god Pan, who, it was believed, could fill humans and animals with sudden, unreasoning terror.