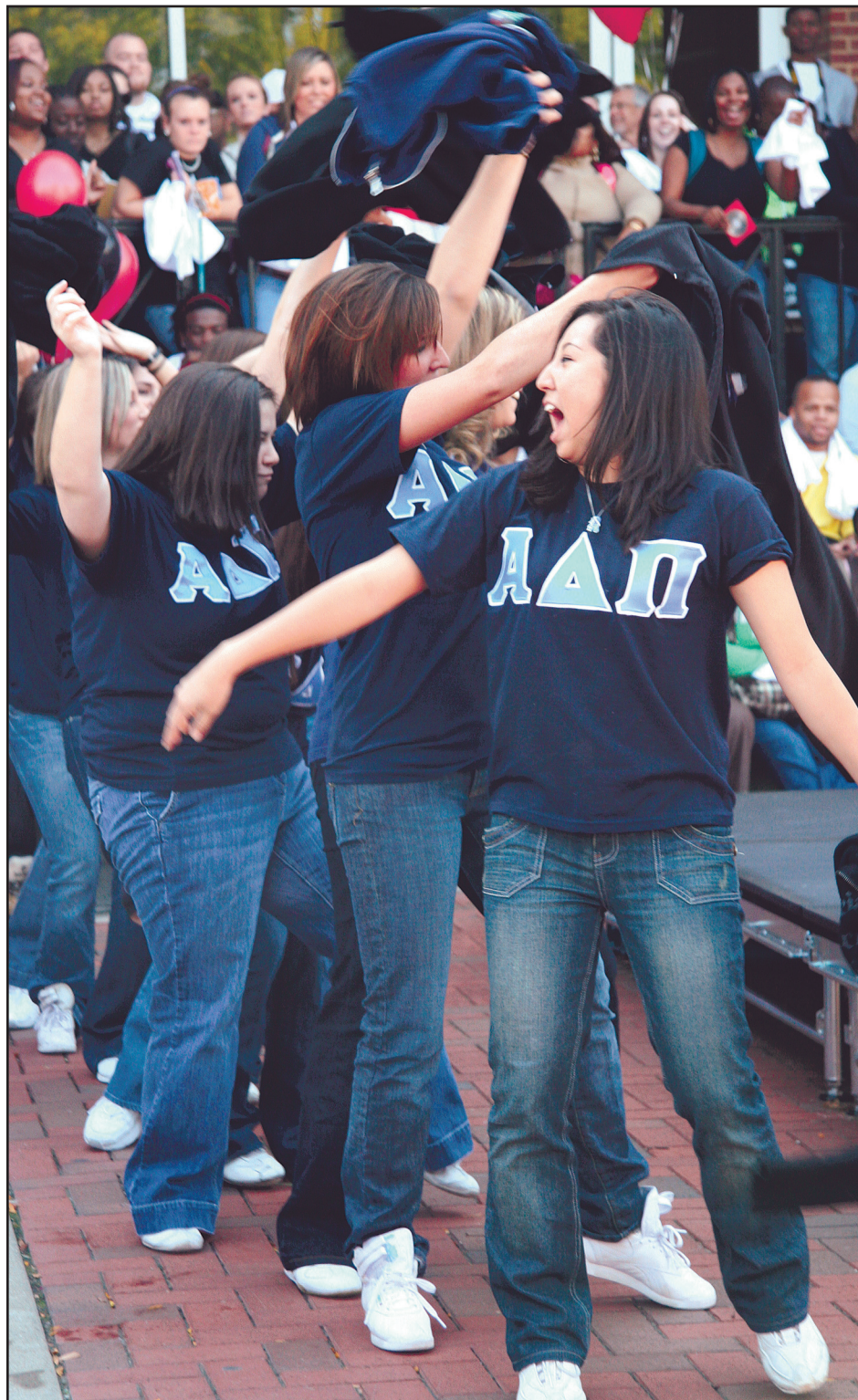


Homecoming 'steps' through decades



ALL PHOTOS BY LOIS JONES/ SENIOR PHOTOGRAPHER
The annual Step Off contest showcased the stepping skills of the PanHellenic Council, Interfraternity Council and National Pan-Hellenic Council.

TOP: Chi Omega sorority, Step Off winner, performs their step routine. ABOVE: Sigma Chi fraternity begins their performance with a masked entrance. RIGHT: Alpha Delta Pi stirs up the crowd as they step into the UC Plaza. BOTTOM: Myeshia Coleman (left) and Lena Wright (right), Delta Sigma Theta members, finish the Step Off in style.

Opening event draws large crowd, commences spirit-filled week

By TINEÁ PAYNE
News Editor

Monday, the Step Off contest and 2008 Homecoming Court announcement marked the beginning of many decade-themed events during Homecoming Week.

The 10 candidates were announced at the Morgan University Center Plaza prior to the Step Off contest. The event marked the first of many Homecoming events through Sunday, Oct. 26.

The five Homecoming Queen candidates are Becky Burke, Nicole Head, Ginger Tucker, Chelsea Burkhart and Casey Green. Homecoming King candidates are Ben Torres, Chris Drew, Issac Taylor, Will Moore and Clifton Horn.

The Homecoming King and Queen will be announced at the Homecoming game against Tennessee Technological University on Saturday, Oct. 25 during halftime.

Various fraternities and sororities from the PanHellenic Council (PC), Interfraternity Council (IFC) and National Pan-Hellenic Council (NPHC) competed in the annual Step Off contest.

Delta Sigma Theta, Alpha Sigma Alpha, Alpha Delta Pi and Chi Omega sororities along with fraternities Kappa Sigma, Sigma Chi and Sigma Phi Epsilon performed at the contest.

Judges announced Chi Omega sorority as the winner of the contest.

Homecoming Week featured a flashback of various decades, beginning with The Roaring 20s. Tuesday showcased The 50s

Rock and Roll Party, The Psychedelic 60s for Wednesday and Thursday is The 70s Disco Party. Finishing the week of decades is the Totally Awesome 80s on Friday.

In addition, Govs Organizational Council (GOC) sponsored the Organization Banner Contest. Various organizations created Homecoming banners to be judged on Monday. Banners will be displayed throughout the week.

University Recreation sponsored Casino Night held Monday night in the Foy Fitness Center including various casino games such as Texas Hold'em and slot machines using fake money.

Tuesday marked the 50s era as students were able to take souvenir photos in the Photo Booth event, sponsored by GOC. Housing/Residence Life sponsored the Tie Dying on the Lawn at Hand Village and Cross Hall.

Govs Games were held at the Intramural Field, sponsored by the IFC, PC and NPHC. Tug of War, Chariot Races and Kickball Tournaments were among the games played.

APSU went back to the 60s today to celebrate The Psychedelic 60s. The day opens with a Chili Cook-Off held at the MUC Ballroom, sponsored by APSU Staff Council, followed by the APSU Apollo at 7 p.m. at Clement Auditorium. The talent show is free and open to the public.

For a schedule of upcoming events, see *The All State* Homecoming Calendar on page three. ♦

