Costner films 'JFK' movie

By Gannett News Service

Kevin Costner is following up his starring roles in "Dances With Wolves" and "Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves" by playing Jim Garrison in "JFK," being filmed this summer in New Orleans.

Garrison was the New Orleans district attorney who promoted some of the conspiracy theories that followed the 1963 assassination of John F. Kennedy.

"JFK" is director Oliver Stone's look at the event and its controversial aftermath.

"It's controversial," Costner said of the Stone project, "and it's not a dead issue.

"'JFK' deals with something important — our Constitution. And we've never gotten the truth about the assassination. It affected events around the world, including who became president," he said.

Costner said his "take" on Garrison is "that he's deadly sincere. I don't believe everything he says, but I believe he believes what he says."

■ "Robin Hood: Prince of Thieves" is now showing at UA Cloverleaf Mall theater in Hattiesburg; showtimes, 1:15, 4, 7, 9 p.m.; rated PG-13.