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Staff Column

Jonathan C. Sims

Life is Too Short

After reading the article, "Student Attempts Suicide in Tubman Quadrangle," I was brought back to one tragic period of my life. It was like yesterday, but actually it was more like two years ago my freshman year in Drew Hall when things were put into perspective. I was getting ready to head out to my 12:40 class where we were having a midterm. The clock was going on 12:38 and the phone rang. I picked up the phone, and it was my best friend back in North Carolina on the line. My friend said "We need to talk" and I responded "Sure, when I get back from my class, but I have to go." They responded with a shaky voice "we need to talk now". I said one last time "I have to go" and hung up the phone. As I proceeded to class all I felt from would think about was how this midterm was going to be and if I failed it my parents would be shipping me off to some commu-

Please See Life, B6

One Mic Students Hit the Airwaves Of Newest Radio Creation

By JOZEN CUMMINGS
Hilltop Staff Writer

Even though sophomore biology major Natasha Fontaine had no previous radio experience, she immediately fell into her own once the "on air" light clicked on. "Being on the radio can definitely be addictive," she said. "I really could not believe how easy going the host was."

XM radio, the latest technological advancement in the world of radio, has surfaced on campus with a series of talk shows geared toward student issues. As a part of black history month, Howard students will be featured for the entire month of February on XM Radio show "What's the Word."

Using an all-digital sound and the power of satellite feeds, XM radio is changing the way America listens to the radio. Subscribers are treated to coast-to-coast crystal clear reception and over a 150 different channels ranging from hip-hop and sports to news and talk radio shows. *Babble On* is one such channel. *Babble On* is the only radio channel of its kind, allowing everyone from 'Generation X' to baby boomers to participate in discussions on world issues or other topics. Ranging from the "Hot Pants Show" which talks about sex from STD's to "What's the Word" a talk show, which covers every topic under the sun.

Hosted by the XM radio's "campus crusader" Miss

Enron For Dummies

Understanding the U.S.' Largest Bankruptcy

COMPILED FROM STAFF REPORTS

The Houston-based Enron Corporation bought and sold infrastructure commodities, such as wholesale electricity contracts, natural gas pipelines, waste water management and power plants, to wholesale suppliers and retail customers worldwide.

Enron's rise

The company, founded in 1985, was considered a pioneer in the largely uncharted global energy markets.

By the late 1990s, Enron's reported profits came from marketing and trading future prices for energy contracts — meaning the company worked to guarantee a specific price at which gas, oil, or electricity could be supplied sometime in the future. Enron made the difference on the selling and buying price.

Enron's star rose in Wall Street due to its massive growth and stated profits, with the company often promising shareholders a 200 percent return on their investments.

Enron's Crumble

By 2000, the company had expanded its operations beyond the traditional energy business, exploring ventures like online trading of energy and telecommunication commodities, providing risk-management consulting services and supplying Internet broadband services.

Eventually, the quantity of financial contracts far outnumbered contracts to actually deliver commodities, pulling the company into debt.

When Enron services became more composite and its stock climbed, Enron created a several

partnerships that allowed managers to conceal the debt.

Enron announced a \$638 million loss for the third quarter October 16, 2001, reducing the value of stockholders' equity by \$1.2 billion.

Enron then announced Nov. 8 that it had overstated profits by \$586 million over the last four years and it was responsible for \$3 billion in obligations to several partnerships.

The Aftermath

Thousands of employees were left unemployed. Enron had encouraged employees to invest in company while executives sold personal shares in the company. Numerous lawsuits are pending.

The company's Enron Political Action Committee has been a leading corporate donor to political causes and candidates. Since the 1990 election cycle, Enron and its employees made nearly \$6 million in contributions, with about 74 percent of those donations going to Republicans, including \$290,000 to George W. Bush in 2000. Several politicians are returning contributions to Enron or charities for worker left unemployed.

By the time the company went bankrupt in Dec. 2001, it employed nearly 21,000 people worldwide, boasting profits of \$100 billion, and had projects in India, South America, Asia and Europe.

Besides jump-starting the sagging "old economy" energy markets, Enron formulated a business strategy for the "new economy" by selling unusual "products" like protection against bad weather, broadcast slots for advertisers, and units of Internet bandwidth.

Congressional committees are currently holding hearings and viewing documents to investigate fraud.

-The Public Broadcasting System contributed to this report.



The Enron building which sits quietly in downtown Houston used to be a place of employment for thousands who were left unemployed because of the company's bankruptcy.

Board of Trustees Chairman to Stay With Enron

By JENNIFER CUMMINGS
Hilltop Staff Writer

Board of Trustees Chairman Frank Savage will not join the six Enron Corp. executives who resigned Tuesday from the collapsed energy trader's board of directors.

Savage, 63, head of Savage Holdings, is one of eight members expected to remain on board in wake of stark criticism from labor groups and Congress.

The resignations follow Kenneth L. Lay's, former CEO of Enron, use of Fifth Amendment protection from self-incrimination when he appeared before a Congressional committee Tuesday. Lay also served on Howard's board of trustees until he resigned Jan. 31.

A flurry of speculation has surrounded Savage, a member of Enron's board of directors since 1999, because he headed Alliance Capital Management, Please See Enron, A2



Photo Courtesy of XM Radio
XM Radio's studio on New York Ave. has proved to be a new age forum to debate student issues.

Candidates Present Platforms at First Speakout of Spring Elections



By COREY CUNNINGHAM
Campus Editor

Students got the chance to hear the goals and objectives of candidates for the HUSA president and vice-president posts and the undergraduate trustee slot Monday in Drew Hall.

Candidates switched turns presenting their platforms. Genia Wright, current School of Communications president, was the first to present her platform. The L.E.G.A.C.Y. platform proposes to revive the Howard vision by exemplifying the University's four core values.

"We show truth through our ethics and commitment to the student body, leadership means that we will not only fulfill our constitutional duties but go beyond them," said Wright during the speak-out. "Excellence should not only be applied to students, but to administrators and faculty, and finally we plan to bring together the students in service oriented programs."

Next to present was the Awakening platform headed by Cornell Williamson, junior Legal Communications major. The Awakening slate promoted Awareness, Involvement, and Change.



Photos by Melanie Nesbitt
They're off. Candidates for student government positions presented their ideas to students Monday in Drew Hall.

"When students are aware of the problems they can become involved and then they affect a change in the current system," Williamson said.

Williamson was quick to let speak-out attendees know that the Awakening was not only a HUSA slate, but also a student movement.

"The Awakening consist of a group of highly motivated students, who want to see change here at Howard University," Williamson said. The Awakening

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Voices & Views

What do you plan to give up for Lent?



Roilyn Graves
Junior
Telecom Management
"Nothing."



Vic Blackwell
Junior
Broadcast News
"Algebra."



Jarrell Greene
Junior
Communications
"Wasted time. I am going to be more productive with my leisure time."



Kristen Forbes
Junior
Radio, TV, Film
"Negativity. Negative thoughts."



Orriel Richardson
Sophomore
Biology and Classics
"Carbonated beverages."

Compiled By Melanie Nesbitt

Howard Begins Search for new VP for Student Affairs

BY DERRICK K. NAYO
Contributing Writer

Provost and Chief Academic Officer, Toy Caldwell-Colbert, has initiated her goal to permanently fill interim/acting positions within the University by forming a search committee that will locate and appoint a Vice Provost for Student Affairs by the conclusion of this semester.

"When she (Caldwell-Colbert) came on board last July, she noticed immediately how important it was to have a permanent Vice Provost of Student Affairs and is taking the steps to do so," said Associate Provost and search committee member, Joseph P. Reidy.

The search committee met last Friday and this past Tuesday to deliberate on the issue, and Caldwell-Colbert gave the student body a voice in the selection by allowing Howard University Student Association President, Stefanie Brown, to sit on the committee.

"My role [on the committee] is to bring a student's perspective to the process," Brown said. "It is important that the candidates have qualifications and can work with the students."

Reidy said that Interim VP for Student Affairs, Raymond

Archer, expressed no desire to be a candidate for the position and the committee has taken the declination into account. Reidy said the search is national and the word will spread via publications of higher education and other mediums. The committee will also search through their individual contacts, Reidy said.

"We want to make sure we have the strongest committee pool possible," Reidy said.

Archer has led the Division of Student Affairs for many years now as an interim administrator. The position has several functions that are crucial to the coordination of offices and issues dealing directly with students.

The Howard University H-book describes the division as pertinent in providing, an exceptional co-curricular experience that is supportive of Howard's academic program and reflective of the University's core values of truth, excellence, leadership and service.

The Division of Student Affairs has approximately 13 offices beneath it ranging from Student Activities to Residence Life.

President H. Patrick Swygert supports Caldwell-Colbert's efforts to fill these interim positions and told the University during last year's Town Hall Meeting that the num-

ber of interim positions will fall due to the employment of Caldwell-Colbert.

"I am confident [that] outstanding individuals will be found as a result of the process," Swygert said. "I am sure the search process will proceed with dispatch and conclude in a reasonable period of time."

Both Brown and Reidy were frank when describing how successful and influential Archer has been at the position of VP for Student Affairs.

"I like Mr. Archer," Brown said. "He tries to work well with us and has always made himself available. I think we have had a great working relationship with him this year."

Reidy is now at the position of Associate Provost and was previously the Associate Dean of the Graduate School, which limited his working interaction with Archer, but he still pressed on the achievements that were accomplished by Archer.

"He's done a fine job," Reidy said. "I don't see this as an indictment, but as the Provost says, it is important to fill the position with a permanent person." Archer declined to comment on the issue.

H.U.S.A. Town Hall Addresses Privatization and Security

BY ASHLEY TRAYNUM
Contributing Writer

The Howard University Student Association kicked off its HUSA week on Tuesday with a Town Hall meeting that focused on the privatization of Sixth Street and campus security.

"The purpose of HUSA week is to spark conversation on various topics and interest that are at the top of students' concerns," said Stephanie Brown, HUSA president.

Privatization of Sixth Street was the important issue of the night. Privatization would close off Sixth Street, and create a security post on Howard place. Students discussed the various pros and cons of privatization throughout the meeting. HUSA will present the student concerns voiced at the town hall meeting to the President's Security Task Force.

If the university privatized Sixth Street and other streets it could better control traffic flow, increased security, and to help beautify the campus.

Marcus Griffin, sophomore finance major, cited these and other reasons for his support of privatization. "Howard is too accessible to the public, it would make me feel a lot safer if who was coming in and out of campus was controlled," he said, "I realize that it will initially cause some problems but in the end it will be better for the students."

Those who oppose privatization named several reasons for their position. Some students brought up issues such as the deterioration of the already limited parking, restricted

access to campus, and increased traffic on Georgia Avenue.

"For a school that is in the heart of the city to make the campus safer there would need to be more measures taken to secure the campus," said Melissa Morgan, pre-physical therapy major. "Closing Sixth Street would solve nothing when people could still enter from Fourth Street. The school needs to think of alternatives to making security better, such as more lighting."

Justin Hanford, a junior English major, also expressed his disapproval of privatization. "The best way to solve the security problem is to go in the neighborhoods and make them better," he said. "The community already sees the school and students as stuck up so gating the school would only create more of a communication problem between Howard University and its neighborhood."

Security concerns took a different form as HUSA addressed the loitering problem at McDonald's on Barry Street. With loitering already at a high, the installation of the new Tic Tock vending machine is expected to make matters worse. Given these expectations Brown and Anna Alexander, president of the College of Arts and Sciences decided to start a petition. The petition states that students want McDonald's to enforce their no loitering policy, and have a regular police presence.

While there were only approximately 30 students in attendance, most of whom were elections candidates, the HUSA administration stressed that it is that quality makes a program successful. "The town hall meeting is more about qual-



HUSA President Stefanie Brown

File Photo

ity than quantity," explained Brown. HUSA will round out the week by hosting a program titled "Politics" and a book drive. These programs will focus on the platform of student Enlightenment.

Deltas Celebrate 10 years of Inspiration with Woman to Woman Conference

BY M. JOI ALEXANDER
Contributing Writer

The Ladies of Alpha Chapter, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. hosted the Tenth Annual Woman to Woman Conference on Tuesday, February 12th.

Entitled, "Sisters Let's Talk...Defiance of a Decade: The Definition of a Woman", the annual event consisted of several workshops geared towards the development of minority high school girls from the Washington metropolitan area. The young women were selected from 18 high schools including Anacostia High School, Archbishop Carroll High School, Ballou Senior High School, and Banneker Senior High School.

The conference plays a vital role in motivating and encouraging the young ladies to set goals and to follow their dreams. Each year the conference exposes the young ladies to a variety of career paths and professional options.

"My expectations for this year's conference did not really differ from past conferences. Since its inception, the Woman to Woman Conference has been an opportunity for young women to have direct contact with successful, professional women in the fields of business, science and art," said Djing Lindsay, Conference Chairwoman.

Lindsay, a senior Chemistry major, has worked on the conference for the past two years, and was extremely honored to serve as this year's conference chairwoman.

"It was indeed an honor to serve as chair for the Tenth Annual Woman to Woman Conference. It was my responsibility to make sure that this year's conference was a success, which it was," explained Lindsay.



Delta Sigma Theta Sorority members dedicate time to local charities

During the conference, the young ladies participated in the different workshops ranging from etiquette and self-esteem to images of Black women in the media. Several other workshops focused on teaching the young African-American women how to become successful and prepare for the

future.

The keynote speaker for this year's conference was Anne Sempowski, a Cincinnati native, who served as the first Assistant Brand Manager for Tampax in 1998.

Sempowski currently serves as the North America Brand Manager for Tampax, managing the daily activities of the \$350 million dollar franchise.

In her message, Sempowski reminded the young ladies about what it takes to be a successful Black woman in today's society.

Speakers for this year's conference included Vata Fredrick, Rita Floyd, Shantrelle P. Lewis, Reverend Lois Wooden and Ali-Sha Pemberton. Along with these and other speakers, Peta Lindsay, a high school senior, spoke to the young ladies about working in the media.

"To see someone that is their own age, that is also a very positive and motivated member of the community, was beneficial to the conference attendees," said Lindsay. "This year we focused primarily on obtaining speakers that would truly encourage and relate to the young ladies."

Although the conference was an all day, business-oriented event, the participants do have the opportunity to interact on a more social level at the Follow-Up Retreat on February 16-17. This overnight event will include a variety of activities geared towards informing the conference participants on how to continue their steps to success.

"We want the young ladies to gain exposure to a college campus and its surrounding environment. I hope that after the conference, the young women in attendance will implement higher education into their future plans," says Lindsay.

Board of Trustees Chairman to Stay With Enron

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the company's largest shareholder while serving as an Enron board member. Many deemed his position as a conflict of interest.

Savage, former chairman of the \$35 billion Alliance Capital Management International, was appointed to an Enron finance committee to specifically serve on the Compensation and Management Development committees.

As investors hurried to sell stock during the energy company's Fall collapse, Alliance Capital Management International became Enron's largest shareholder, owning about 43 million shares, according to financial documents.

In October, following Enron's public announcement of bankruptcy, the company created a special committee to investigate the transactions.

Savage was among four directors Lay assigned to the committee. The Securities Exchange Commission (SEC) is now investigating those transactions.

Along with other Enron directors, Savage has come under close scrutiny in the past months, as shareholders question why the board failed to reveal pertinent financial information.

Alliance insists no conflict existed. "His position on the board was a personal matter, not an Alliance matter," said John Meyers, a spokesman for Alliance. Savage was unavailable for comment.

Recently, Enron's board has been criticized for its numerous conflicts of interest and for allowing administrators to engage in faulty financial transactions that eventually led to the company's collapse.

Despite the criticism, Savage was re-elected to media giant Qualcomm's

Board of Directors by the AFL-CIO, a labor union and California's public employee retirement plan, CalPERS.

Although Savage has been a member of Qualcomm's board since 1996, on February 4 the AFL-CIO requested that the SEC investigate all of Enron's board members to determine if they should be banned from serving on the boards of other publicly traded companies.

Both groups wanted Savage to be removed from Qualcomm's board because he served on an Enron board.

"We've asked Qualcomm's board to step forward with some explanation of why they believe the practices of the Enron board have not impacted their board," said William Patterson, director of the AFL-CIO's investment office. "We think Frank Savage should step forward and tell his story," Patterson said in interviews.

Many financial institutions prohibit executives, like Savage, from sitting on the boards of companies in which they invest or invest heavily. Because Alliance served as a money manager to the collapsed energy company, questions have arisen about Savage's allegiance to both billion-dollar corporations.

Prior to heading Alliance, which provided client services in Africa and the Middle East, Savage was Senior Vice President of the Equitable Life Assurance Society, another multi-billion dollar corporation.

In August, days before Enron's chief executive, Jeffrey K. Skilling, resigned, Savage left Alliance to form an investment company, Savage Holdings, a firm that provides private equity funds to invest in infrastructure projects in sub-Saharan Africa.

Economics Department Host Seminar

By STEPHANIE CROUCH AND JESSE CRANFORD
Hilltop Staff Writers

With a projected \$4 trillion drop in the economy's cumulative surplus between 2002 and 2011, the Howard University Department of Economics and Alumni Associations felt it was necessary for Dr. Dan L. Crippen to address the Howard University community. Wednesday in the Blackburn forum, on where the nation's budget surplus has gone.

Crippen, a specialist in issues relating to the federal budget, is the fifth director for the Congressional Budget Office (COB). Appointed in February 1999, Crippen has served in senior positions in both the White House and US Senate. He has also served as economic policy advisor and chief counsel to the Senate Majority Leader from 1981 to 1985.

Crippen accredits the nation's drastic decline to legislation, radical changes in the economy and other unexpected government spending. Forty percent of the nation's decline comes from tax cuts that took place in June and discretionary spending. While another 20% comes from unanticipated governmental spending, forty percent of the decline is the direct result of business and corporations.

"This recession has been different from those of previous years, because this deficit was due to business and corporations," Crippen said. "Businesses and corporations all across the nation stopped spending capital and depleted their inventory."

The \$21 billion projected deficit for this year symbolizes a \$300 billion change from last January's projection. From 2002-2012, \$2.3 trillion is the projected total budget surplus under current policies.

Student's also questioned the effects that September 11th could have had on the economy. Crippen ensured them that the horrific incident had no effect on the nation's deficit.

"There was a 2 or 3 week freeze where people didn't go to work or buy anything," Crippen said. "However it seems as though we've recovered pretty well." "Even more so, the rebuilding of damaged buildings, by the attacks, added to the economy."

Students also found the forum beneficial to themselves. "It was informative section on how budgets are formulated and their effects on people's everyday life," president of Omicron Delta Epsilon Ozoemena Nnaji said.

Others found themselves questioning the outcome of the budget or if the recession was to continue. "The size of the federal deficit influences the political debate on programs such as educational and health reform," senior advisor of economic Congressional Budget Office Dr. Gwendolyn said. "These programs take money out of the surplus but without the surplus the question becomes 'How much of deficit do we accumulate to support these programs.'"

Some students, aware of how important the national deficit is, are beginning to consider other alternatives to compensate for the debt. "I think the forum went pretty well since the deficit affects all of us," graduate economic major Betty Alleyne said. "And the thought that we might have to tap into social security affects us all."

Howard alumni participation rate is low, with only 12 percent of the alumni population giving back. According to Bruner, it's important that alumni participation increases because outside institutions determine whether or not to give funds to the University based on how much the alumni populace supports the school. Without private funds, the University is forced to rely on Government funds.

Campaign to Increase Senior Contributions is Formally Launched

By BRIAN STAMPS
Contributing Writer

To raise additional funds for various schools and colleges, Dedan Bruner, coordinator of graduating student, parent & young alumni programs, will launch the Senior Gift Giving Campaign.

The program aims to increase alumni giving from students before they graduate. Bruner said he hopes students will see the benefits of their endeavors and continue to give in the future.

"It is not how much you give, but that everyone is involved," said Bruner.

The program asks \$20 from each graduating senior, however, the donor can choose to increase or decrease that amount as they see fit. In the past the University has asked much as \$150 from graduates. "The focus is to get more participation not dollars," Bruner said.

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"Oftentimes, this trickles back down to the students," Bruner says.

The University's reliance on government funds effects the implementation of new programs, scholarships, and how it assesses the needs of the students.

Bruner says the hard part is getting the students to give. This program distinguishes itself from others, in the fact that the students have more control over where their money is going Bruner said.

"This is a program where you can choose where the money is going and see it's impact," Bruner said. "If you want your money to go towards something, you can say so. It's your money."

Students can decide to donate their money toward new desks in their schools and new desks will be ordered.

There is also a matching aspect to the campaign. According Bruner 11 out of the 12 Deans from the various schools have agreed to match what the students raise.

Many seniors welcome the opportunity to give back to the University.

"I will give back to the University. I think it is a necessity so that others in my footsteps are given a chance to use better technologies," senior chemistry major, Deirdre Shelton, from Detroit, Michigan said. "Everyday we are complaining about insufficient facilities. Now we have the chance to give back and change the situation."

Bruner is currently working on the program and invites all seniors to participate. He is also currently seeking out corporations to also match the student contributions.

Moment in Black History

Patricia Roberts Harris (1924-85) was a 1945 summa cum laude graduate of Howard's College of Liberal Arts whose many markers of achievement included serving as U.S. Ambassador to Luxembourg and holding two Cabinet posts: Secretary of the U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare, and Secretary of the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.



Patricia Roberts Harris

The program at Howard bearing her name grew out of a quest she made to the university. Its purpose is twofold: to complement the university's course offerings in areas related to public policy, and to encourage students to consider careers in public service. The primary concern of Harris activities emphasizing values and ethics in public service, underscore both of these objectives.

Key features of the Harris Program include an annual lecture focusing on a major issue or issues of national and/or international concern; and the Visiting Fellows Program, which brings outstanding public affairs professionals to Howard for two to six day periods to share informally their expertise with students.

In addition, the Harris Program sponsors internships for Howard University students. These internships provide stipends enabling undergraduate, graduate, and professional students to get a first hand introduction to what public service careers can entail by working in Congress, in federal and District of Columbia agencies, and in private organizations concerned with public policy issues.

In addition to serving in the Executive Office of the President, as well as in other federal and District gov-

ernment and private agencies, Harris Fellows have been assigned abroad in such places as the American Embassy in Paris; the World Council of Churches in Geneva, Switzerland; and the American Consulate General in Durban, South Africa. The Program also has facilitated periods of travel and study for Howard University students in Bosnia, Brazil, China, Mexico, South Africa, Spain, Russia, Malawi, and Japan.

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who were willing to keep it real and be themselves."

Of course, while some may feel that there is a high risk involved when bringing on students who have little or no experience in the show, Taheri claims the results have been everything she had hoped for. "The students have been beyond fabulous," she says with enthusiasm "in terms of coming in from 10 PM to 12 AM and tackling important issues I can not begin to express how much Howard has contributed to the show. My only hope is for Howard students to continue coming and contributing their voices and views to the show".

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CAMPUS CRIME REPORT

Compiled By: Corey Cunningham Hilltop Campus Editor

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HPT: Sick Person
Girard St.: Automobile Accident
HPT: Sick Transport
Student Health: Sick Transport
Student Health: Sick Transport
A1 Garage HUH: Damaged Property

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HPT West: Damaged Property

HUH: Lost Property
HPT East: Injured Person

2/10/02

HPT East: False Fire Alarm
2500 4th St: Automobile Accident
HUH: Disorderly conduct

2/11/02

Baldwin Hall: Burglary
Fine Arts Basement: Theft II

Student Health: Sick Transport
Wheatley Hall: Injured Person
Miner Lot: Theft from Automobile

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Blackburn Center: Simple Assault
Meridian Hall: Domestic Violence
Meridian Hall: False Fire Alarm
Drew Hall: False Fire Alarm

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Howard County Youth Charged with Rape

Frank K. Prempeh, 15, of Howard County was charged with first-degree rape and five other sexual offenses in connection with an incident involving a 15-year-old girl last week. According to the girl, the rape and four or five other boys, drove to the accuser's (an acquaintance) house and met with her outside. When it was time to leave, the boys followed her into the backyard and (according to reports) raped her. When questioned by police, Prempeh said that the sex between the two was consensual, however, that the sex between her and the other boys was not. Prempeh was released on \$5,000 bail.

University of MD Student Found Unconscious at Frat House; Activities Suspended

According to University of Maryland officials, the activities of Phi Sigma Kappa Fraternity, Inc. were suspended due to a freshman pledge found unconscious in the fraternity's house last week.

Daniel F. Reardon, 19, of Northwest DC, was reported in critical condition due to unknown causes at Washington Adventist Hospital.

400 More to Go...

Although the DC Board of Education's Campaign "Operation Vaccination" was a huge success, there are still 420 students that have not been vaccinated. These students have been barred from classes with the past two weeks because they were not up-to-date with the shots required by the District of Columbia. Officials have made more attempts to get the remaining parents out; sending letters and conducting home visits. Parents who fail to respond to these final efforts could face jail, as well as, be fined.

Death of Giraffe at National Zoo Unknown

Officials at the National Zoo were disturbed by the death of a 17-year-old male giraffe over the weekend. The giraffe, Ryma, was found Saturday morning, unable to get up. Although zoo veterinarians administered medication for over six hours, the giraffe became weak and died.

Although Ryma had suffered from chronic hoof problems and arthritis for over a year, the necropsy conducted on the animal was inconclusive.

Two Protesters Arrested After Break-in at Embassy

Two protesters were arrested as they attempted to break into the Chinese Embassy Chancellery earlier this week. According to the U.S. Secret Service, the break-in was to protest Chinese policy in Tibet and to draw attention to it before President Bush left for his visit with Chinese President Jiang Zemin.

DC School Cited for Violations of Fire Code

After a fire at Frederick Douglass Junior High School, located at 2600 Douglass Pl. SE, DC firefighters discovered padlocked exit doors, a violation of the fire code. Also, firefighters found that the fire alarm system did not work. The doors slowed down the process of getting the students out of the building yet there were no reported injuries.

Great Blacks in Wax Museum; A Chronicle of Our Past

By AVA SIMPSON
Contributing Writer

While viewing the exhibits at the Wax Museum, a man and his daughter were looking at a wax figure that held up a sign, "Don't buy from this store, because it won't hire Negroes". Her father read the sign to her and this daughter asked him, "What's a Negro?" Her father fumbled with his answer, as if choosing his response carefully. He said, "Well uh, it means black."

Nestled among old boarded-up apartment buildings, with a "Shop and Save" right across the street, is where you will find the Great Blacks In Wax Museum, The Great Blacks In Wax museum. Located at 1603 E. North Ave. in Baltimore, the Museum does not distinguish itself from the surroundings and to the casual motorist looks like every other building found in that part of town.

In the midst of downtown Baltimore not far from the inner harbor, the Great Blacks in Wax Museum is a Chronicle of African American History. Founded by Elmer P. Martin, PhD and his wife, Dr. Joanne Mitchell Martin, PhD the museum was founded and established on faith says Dr. Joanne Mitchell. Former professors, Mr. Martin and his wife conducted the research and wrote the background scripts for the sculptures.

The first floor of the Museum is dimly lit and a replica of a slave ship is the first exhibit. Walking down the old rickety steps of the slave ship, simulated voices of slave masters say, new slave cargo is entering on board. Figures of men shackled and sandwiched together and a woman hung naked by her thumbs and bleeding, present a disturbing and very real simulation of exactly how things were.

Displayed on tablets on the wall is the story of the women who were hung from their thumbs. She was being punished because she tried to start a slave revolt. The journal of Lieutenant Dom Jeulin, tells the story of how they were whipped until the incision was so deep you could lay your fingers in it and their buttocks were cooked with cannon powder, lemon juice and brine of pepper until chunks of flesh tore apart and fell off, stirs emotions of anger and horror.

Sitting on the edge of her seat, Debbie Johnson shook her head and her voice cracked when she said, "This is very emotional for me. It's a good thing to see the history of us. (It's) Sad. Traveling from Brooklyn New York, Johnson came to visit the museum because a friend had told her about it.

The lynching exhibit showed a pregnant woman who was whipped until the flesh on her stomach tore and the baby could be seen. Her arms and legs were cut through until they fell off and the man who was being whipped beside her was flogged until his

genitals were dismembered. They were both accused of being rebellious and insubordinate.

Walking back up the stairs to the main section the haunting voice of Mahalia Jackson bellows "Somehow It Causes Me To Tremble". The Underground Railroad exhibit shows Harriet Tubman pulling an escapee through an old stove, while the slave master tugged at his legs. Other exhibits told of black church leaders, black writers and athletes.

Dorothy Jackson, a fifty-seven year old, resident of Baltimore visited the museum with her daughter. She was deep in thought and very serious when she said, "I think that it's a great exhibit. We'll never forget how far we've come and how far these people have come so that we can have life the way we do."

The next section of the exhibit showed more recent black history. Islamic leaders, Malcolm X, Elijah Muhammad, Rasta Fari, Hali Selassie and Black nationalist Marcus Garvey, were all in the section where Bob Marley was chanting "Redemption Song and "Get Up, Stand Up".

Inspired by tours he took in high school to the Great Blacks In Wax Museum, Antoine Lewis, a nineteen-year-old student at City College in Baltimore, was ardent about working at the museum. He said, "I just kept coming back until they gave me the job." He went on to say that, "I think that the museum is for every one, not just the black community. I think whether or not it Black History Month, people should always come and learn about their history."

Traveling from New York, it's not the first time that Dewey Dockery Jr., has come to see the exhibit. Dockery lives in New York and said that, "It's (the museum) is very excellent. It has improved from the last time. They added more exhibits from the last time I was here. It's a good awakening and I wouldn't add anything (to the exhibit).



Photo By Ava Simpson
The museum has exhibits featuring leaders such as NAACP President Kweisi Mfume.



Photo By Ava Simpson
The Klan era as well as the Civil Rights Movement are focuses of other exhibits

Blacks in History

The District's Black History

This District will appear in the District every week during the month of February, in honor of Black History Month and those that made major contributions to the metropolitan area

Now in her sixth term as the Congresswoman for the District of Columbia, Eleanor Holmes Norton has been named one of the 100 most important American women, as well as, one of the most powerful women in the District in several surveys during her career. She is extremely vital to the District's fight for full congressional voting representation, as well as, dedicates herself to the struggle for "true" equal human rights. Besides serving as Congresswoman, she is a tenured professor of law at Georgetown University.



Eleanor Holmes Norton

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Feb 16	Cloudy	54°F	33°F
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Feb 17	Cloudy	50°F	26°F
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Feb 18	Partly Cloudy	50°F	30°F
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Wed			
Feb 20	Rain	49°F	37°F
Thu			
Feb 21	Light Rain	50°F	34°F
Fri			
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African-American Replaces White Appointee as U. Arkansas Trustee

By CARRIE COPPERNOLL
(U-wire-U. Arkansas)

(U-WIRE) FAYETTEVILLE, Ark. — Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee voided his appointment of Jim von Greppe to the University of Arkansas System Board of Trustees and added Little Rock, Ark., Dr. Carl Johnson instead.

The appointment of Rogers, Ark., businessman von Greppe Feb. 6 was found to be unconstitutional Monday because he would have been the fourth representative from the 3rd Congressional District on the board.

"We discovered afterward that the law did say that no more than three members of the board could be from one Congressional District," Huckabee spokesman Jim Harris said. "The governor admits that a mistake was made about the law, and we corrected it."

Huckabee is in charge of more than 360 boards and commissions in Arkansas, and he appoints members to those as needed, Harris said. Each board or commission has specific laws. The law allowing up to three Board of Trustees members from the same district is specific to that board, Harris said.

"You're talking about a lot of different laws

that cover a lot of different appointments," he said.

Johnson, an African-American, will replace Joe Hargrove, also an African-American doctor from Little Rock, whose 10-year term on the board will expire March 1. Johnson will be the only minority member of the Board of Trustees.

"What the governor was looking at was someone he thought would do the best job for the University of Arkansas," Harris said. "And the governor has over the boards and commissions all made on the effort to reach out to minorities. The governor looks for good people to be on the board. Von Greppe was a good appointment; Dr. Johnson was a good appointment."

Johnson said he was honored to be appointed to the board. He said the controversial circumstances surrounding von Greppe's appointment and resignation are "unfortunate," but he said he would not let controversy affect him.

"I try to look at things in a positive light," Johnson said. "I think that we have to go beyond always looking at things in a racial-type connotation and try to look at things in a positive light."

Huckabee and Johnson discussed the board membership before the governor asked him to serve as a trustee, Johnson said.

Johnson was being considered for the next available appointment for the board after von Greppe, Harris said.

"The governor and I have talked about different boards and commissions," Johnson said. "It's not like I didn't know the governor and we'd never talked. [The Board of Trustees appointment] had been talked about, and other boards and commissions have been talked about."

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HBCU Briefs: Black College News From Around the World

Compiled By Capricia Williams

Albany State University

ASU launches a 15 million dollar campaign to celebrate their 100th anniversary in 2003 of their founding. The National Centennial Campaign will run for three to five years.

Alabama A & M University

Alabama A & M University will be the host for the joint 2002 conference of National Society of Black Physicists (NCBPS) and the National Conference of Black Physics on March 13-17 2002. All interested graduate and undergraduate students are encouraged to attend. The annual conference brings together over 400 African American physics students and professionals. The conference will have sessions of scientific presentations and will include topics of space and life sciences, materials science, optics, education and public policy. Also, sessions on academ-

ic skills development, undergraduate research, graduate school application preparation and career planning. The application form is available on Alabama's web site. For any other information you can contact Professor

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Norfolk

Norfolk State University has won awards in four admissions advertising awards categories in its 17th Annual Admission Advertising Awards competition. The competition is designed to recognize outstanding efforts in college and university admissions marketing and advertising. The University won the Gold award, the top award, for its branding campaign in the total public relations programs/total advertising campaigns category. The branding campaign was launched last year. It involved creating a new organization logo, slogan and adopting a new visual iden-

tity program. The campaign also involved a series of advertising in newspapers, magazines, television and radio. In addition to the Gold award, the university won merit awards in three categories including radio advertising, television advertising, and newspaper advertising.

Hampton

Hampton recently held a dedication ceremony for its two new dorms White Hall and Holmes Hall. The guest speakers were Dr Gladys Hope Franklin White and Wendell P. Holmes for whom the dorms are named. The rooms in both dorms include the latest technological advancements, including Internet hookups and cable television wiring. Both dorms have a bathroom for every four students and a laundry facility on each floor. There will also be apartments for dorm directors and graduate assistants.



A new dormitory finished at Hampton University

Innovative Hip-Hop Part I: The Female Principle

By STEPHANIE JOY TISDALE
Hilltop Staff Writer

When thinking of hip-hop, most people envision a male-dominated culture, devoid of a strong feminine presence. Mainstream society assists in this misrepresentation by perpetuating the image of hip-hop as a strictly masculine endeavor. Often, females respond by complaining and doing absolutely nothing to change the situation. However, a group of women on Howard's campus decided enough was enough, and created FRESH, Females Representing Every Side of Hip-Hop.

The group, now consisting of at least 17 women, is dedicated to representing the essence of femininity woven into the deep structures of hip-hop culture.

Goldie Patrick, one of the group's founding members, describes FRESH as a womanist organization devoted to confronting the issues of women in the hip-hop community.

"We are living in a generation highly influenced by hip-hop and we felt it would be effective to confront our issues our way," said Patrick.

FRESH, which is made up of everyone from hip-hop theatre specialists to fashion designers,

offers a forum for females to express their love for the culture while making positive contributions to it's progression. According to Patrick, the goal of FRESH is to bring women together to discuss how to represent themselves, out of respect for our mothers and our future daughters. She notes that the image of women in hip-hop is often limited, rarely showing the actual diversity of females in the hip-hop community.

Howard's hip-hop community, which is often associated with emcee battles and open mics, appears to be at an interesting crossroad. While there seems to be more and more examples of hip-hop on campus, Patrick feels that spectators make a lot of Howard events unfulfilling. She comments that while a good concept, an event like Verbal Armageddon left many females feeling intimidated and unappreciated including FRESH, who performed at one of the emcee battle rounds.

According to Patrick "Hip-hop is an art form and if you don't respect it as an art form, you dilute it." The lack of genuine love from spectators is a testament to what Patrick refers to as lack of consciousness as far as proper decorum and respect are concerned. FRESH plays a serious role in not only representing the feminine aspects of hip-hop

but also making students aware of the respect hip-hop deserves.

While many might mistakenly associate the femaleness of FRESH with male hatred, the group is adamant in their belief of uplifting women, not tearing down men.

"The perspective of this organization is that in order for women to work collectively and progressively with men, we have to first be able to work progressively together as women," Patrick comments. Yet, this belief coupled with the reality of hip-hop's very real masculine presence, makes it important that FRESH interact with the culture's male faction and perform at events like Verbal Armageddon. Thus, FRESH is a support group of sorts, nurturing females to hip-hop cultural maturity.

Covering all areas of hip-hop, the group has recently made connections with poet Jessica Care Moore and Toni Blackman, a Howard alumnus, emcee and hip-hop professor. There is also a "FRESH Week" in the works, which will take place in March, during Women's History Month.

It will begin on Monday, March 11th with an interest meeting for those who are curious about the organization.

Senior Spotlight

Deirdre Shelton epitomizes the ideal of a student leader. She is leading not only her peers in many organizations at the Capstone, but also those in her hometown. Shelton, a senior Chemistry, Pre-Dental major and Allied Health Science minor from Detroit, Michigan has been able to balance not only academics, but a varied mix of leadership and volunteer positions. Her accolades make her deserving of the title, Senior of the Week.

Deirdre feels blessed to have been able to be apart of the Golden Key National Honors Society, recognized by Who's Who Among American College Students and the National Society of Collegiate Scholars. She has represented her school as Miss College of Arts and Sciences and Student Council Representative from 2000-2001. In addition, she currently serves as Executive Secretary for the COAS. As president of the Pre-Dental Club, Vice-President of the Michigan Club, a Campus Pal and member of Alpha Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Ms. Shelton shows that she is a well-rounded student at the Mecca.

Yet, she is most proud of an accomplishment that Howard did not afford her. Through her mother's non-profit organization, United Generation, Deirdre has been youth director of the summer program. The organization produces theatrical works that tackle problems that face young people today.

Deirdre's motto, "If you can conceive it, and believe it, do the work, you can achieve it" certainly has paid off for her.



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Students to Work in Haiti During Spring Break

Chauna Bryant
Contributing Writer

While most students will be shaking what God gave them on the white beaches of some tropical island, or simply go home to get a little ROAR, eight Howard students have chosen to spend their Spring break serving others in the poverty stricken land of Fermeche, Haiti.

"I am going to Haiti because I want to experience the different cultures of the African Diaspora," said International Business major Karceem Nulan. "My expectations are to open up my mind and see what the world is really like."

These students will volunteer their time at the Wings of Hope Home for Disabled children. Wings of Hope was originally founded by French Missionaries and is now run by three adults.

Approximately thirty children, ages five through eighteen, half of who are handicapped either mentally or physically occupy the home. The children were once described by a woman who worked at the home as "pieces of furniture"

"Most of the children were abandoned by their parents, who were unable to deal with their ailments, so they really have not received the love that they need," said Reverend Frazier of Rankin Chapel, who is the faculty advisor for the group.

"So these students will be there to simply love the children," said Reverend Frazier. He has been on several other mission trips to places such as El Salvador, Ghana, and Zimbabwe, and he says that he expressed his interest in a mission group and that Haiti was the first suggestion.

"I am going to Haiti because I hope to grow as a person, and I also want to be a service to the children and the orphanage," said Electronic Studio major Aziza Hines.

Wings of Hope is in constant need of diapers, children's clothes, socks, soap, toys, blankets, vitamins, etc.

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Watch Your Mouth

Once again, President Bush has proven that his political career is not centered on what is best for the United States, but rather what is best for George Bush's career. As his approval rating has climbed with each new crisis in the war against terrorism, it appears that W has forgotten that America needs allies not enemies to defeat terrorism. In recent comments, he named the country of Iran as being part of an "axis of evil" that included Iraq and North Korea, and said that Iran might be the sight of future American attacks because of its terrorist elements. Now Iran has not historically been the most American friendly country in the world, but its new President has been making an active attempt to move the country towards democracy and an uncorrupted government. However, with his ill-advised comments, President Bush damaged President Khatami's efforts and gave conservative groups that hate the United States new hope. Bush's

comments sparked rallies, protests, and marches, and even American flag burning in the street. This kind of anti-American sentiment makes it even more difficult for us to discover terrorist groups and nullify them before they can attack us. America needs to work on fostering a relationship of trust and mutual respect, not one of threats and name-calling. Bush's comments only illustrate exactly how this war on terrorism has morphed

into a battle of good versus evil, with America being the ultimate good. America needs a President who does not naively imagine a world draped in the easy to distinguish shades of black and white, but rather a world that is one large ball of gray. In what appears to be a war we will be fighting for years to come, the United States needs as many allies as it can find. President Bush needs to understand that while sticks and stones might break bones, ill-advised words can kill.

Our View:

President Bush is not helping the United States gain allies in this war by naming countries entire countries evil.

Lend a Hand

When a student attempts suicide that is represents a very serious problem. Suicide is something that all people on this campus should take seriously. There is a counselling center on campus that we should all encourage anyone who is showing signs that they are near having a breakdown. Too many times peopleshy away from the thought of counseling and think that there is some stigma attached to it. There is not.

College is a time when there are so many stressful things thrown at anyone. Stresses are a part of life, but everyone does not deal with them the same way. Some people crack to the pressure. That is why we need to take others serious when they confront us with these issues. That is why we as students, administrators, faculty and friends need to take the time to listen when the ones we are close to call out for our help.

The recent suicide attempt on campus follows two that occurred last school year. The Metropolitan Police that a student jumped off of the school of business last year and committed suicide. A graduate student committed suicided in his home last year. We are lucky the student did not follow through with her attempt. We are lucky to still have her, but who is to say the same thing will happen next time.

We urge all students to take the counseling services the University offers very seriously. We encourage the University to solicit peer counselors who might make talking about issues with students their age more comfortable.

Let's try to keep our eyes and ears open and look out for the ones close to .

Our View:

Suicide and depression are things that people on this campus should take more seriously

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PERSPECTIVES

Howard University Stuck in Primitive Academia

Khalfani Walker

Each semester I register for classes, often late, and find myself painstakingly trying to achieve overrides into courses that will land me one step closer to graduation. I really do not mind the overrides, but most of the time I am trying to get into courses I would prefer not to take. In addition to a pre-assembled list of courses one must take in their major and minor, there are divisional requirements that you have to take in order to graduate. I do not gripe at the system as much as I do with the selection of courses offered at Howard University.

At other universities, courses on Tupac's and Biggie's lyrics, the influence of hip-hop in present day American society, and exploring negative black images in mass media are juxtaposed with traditional Intro, to Afro-American Studies, Modern Caribbean Literature, and Blacks in the Diaspora. There are also courses on Malcolm X, Race and Tolerance in America, and courses that study the effects of terrorism. Unfortunately, Howard University has yet to follow suit and offer a face-lift to the traditional curriculum and list of divisional courses offered. What makes me more upset is that predominately white institutions are teaching their students about African Americans and aspects of American life that affect black people, and Howard University still has nothing of the sort.

I talked to my brother that attends Columbia University to find out what courses he was taking. As an economics major, he has the freedom to explore by taking courses such as Islam in Society and Islamic Civilizations, courses that are relevant to his life while meeting requirements established by the University. My courses echo a different sentiment, leaving my selection limited. I have to take Shakespeare as an English major to graduate, as well as Language Issues. The problem is that I have no interest in either course, which I regret to admit as an English major, but I can honestly say that I have no intentions of revisiting these subjects upon completion of the courses. I suspect that more students would not limit themselves when choosing majors, minors, or electives if courses were offered that actually appealed to them while benefiting them.

Now I am going to go out on a limb. I wonder if students would perform better in courses that they actually enjoy and where relevant to issues they are confronted with every day in their lives? Students would beat down the doors of the various departments to register for courses, unlike now where students only fight for a few remaining seats in Introduction to Afro-American Studies courses. Is that how the Ivy League schools do it? I know Howard would have to find professors who are willing to teach these bold new topics. However, there must be competent professors teaching the course that share an interest in the topic. Perhaps now is time for some professors to retire and allow new professors to come and breathe new life into Howard University's academic courses. Imagine the day on Howard's campus when students are enrolled in courses they actually want to take and are eager to hear a professor who is passionate about an interesting subject matter. I will wait for that day.

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Beef Man Antjuan Jackson

Question: You ever wonder why in every area where there are drugs, there is this huge 'Drug Free Zone' sign. Now I ain't one to get into a big conspiracy theory, but wasssup that? I guess it's kinda like the Martin Luther King street thing. For yall that don't know, let's just say it's not the most non-violent street in any city. Just something to make you wonder that's all...



If You See A Problem, Then Solve It By Russell M. Drake

Waiting on a shuttle in front of the Architecture Building for nearly an hour on Monday capped off a series of problems that plague the Howard University campus. As I sat there in the cold waiting, my day, which was highlighted by the first Election Speakout, was quickly dampened by the negligible shuttle service of Howard University. Not to say that it is the bus drivers' fault that they don't know how often or frequently they are supposed to run in an hour, but somebody should be to blame.

In addition to bad bus service, which I am sure others have been victim to, there are many other problems that are visible everyday on the campus. These problems include, but are not limited to: over-priced cafeteria food, lack of housing facilities, inadequate protocol by teachers (a syllabus is required), no accurate bus schedule, numerous security issues, and anything else that just seems intolerable to any Howard University student.

Now, many students see these problems and verbally complain about them. Vocalizing issues makes them known, but it doesn't help to create a solution to the problems. Students could bring the issues to their Student Council Presidents or to their UGSA Representatives, but student government officers find themselves swamped with lots of other things like getting budgets approved, organizing events and going to conferences, thus limiting their time and ability to listen to and act on all of the student body's issues. Student government officials are there to serve their constituents, yet at the same time there are many other obligations that they have to meet also. In essence, elected student officers can't do it all.

So what am I getting at? I'm saying If You Can See a Problem, THEN SOLVE IT!!! As Howard University students, leadership is one of your core values. Each student has the potential to lead when necessary. Instead of waiting for others to act on issues that are important to you, act on them yourself. You can get the ball rolling and others will follow suit. Service is another one of your core val-

ues. You can all service this university by addressing and acting on any pertinent issue that comes to mind while attending Howard. The more issues that students are attacking, the better it is. In the long run, each student is working towards one main goal: "A Better Howard University". With Howard University's theme being "Leadership for America and the Global Community," we must first help the Howard Community.

Also, all students need to support each other. Although you may be working on something else, you can lend a hand to others. Whether it's showing up to a meeting or sending an email in favor of ideas, all the support helps. UGSA and HUSA are at the centerfold of leadership at Howard; they work on different projects, but they both support each other and work together in the long run.

And just for those who missed the point of this article, I am NOT trying to make excuses for Student Leaders to disregard what other students want accomplished; I am simply saying that as Howard University students, everyone has the choice, ability and intellect to take a personal stance on an issue with action in mind.

Further more, I am saying that power is in numbers. The more people that are concerned, that are writing letters, that are signing petitions, that are taking action, that are SOLVING PROBLEMS, the more powerful you (the students) are becoming. Students, you possess more power than you know, and when banded together, you are the most powerful.

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Viola Forbin

Education for the Negro

The purpose of most curriculums is to create "well rounded" students. People who will eventually help better further the communities they will live in and maybe the world at large. But does the education we receive really free us and challenge us towards clarity of thought? Is our "education" simply intended to be that way, but just isn't really "cutting it," or does our education really provide us with the necessary weapons to free our minds? I'm thinking, perhaps we have to search for clarity in thought and consciously strive towards being well rounded and educated ourselves, outside of academia.

Howard University prides itself on developing leaders for America and the Global Community." All of this is well intended, but is knowledge of self or the path to self-mastery to be found in schooling. Don't get me wrong, we get great "education" at Howard, but I know there can be more substance and greater intellectual challenges in our classes, especially since we are supposed to be molded to be the next generation Black leaders.

A couple of questions sprung to my mind on us as a people being mis-educated, as I overheard a conversation in the hallway about a discussion on Carter G. Woodson's book, "The Mis-education of the Negro." I had no clue that he had served as faculty here at Howard and was a native Washingtonian. He also was greatly instrumental in the institution of Black History in schools. His ideology was that blacks should elevate themselves through community service. Long after its publication, the book still continues to be influential and relevant in our world today.

On February 28th, there is a discussion here on campus on the relevance of this book, in which panelists from major disciplines will provide an exegesis of the text through their disciplinary lenses. They would comprise of Dr. Harrell from the Psychology department, the Communication and Culture's Dr. Richard Wright, Philosophy department's Dr. Lee Brown, Dr. Veronica Thomas from Education and History department Dr. Dana Hale. The forum is to be followed by questions and answers.

This should prove to be a great opportunity for learning and exposure outside the classroom on an issue that can relate to most disciplines and better still be a foundation for adding value to the education we are supposed to be getting here at Howard.

This may make little sense to many, but in my gut I feel like there is so much more we all should be knowledgeable about, especially in relation to being Black in America. Seeking an understanding of the significance of the works of those who have gone before us and an understanding of the motivations behind them is important. We should all work on confronting our personal "Mis-Education," at events like these, especially during Black History Month.

Letter To The Editor

Dear Editor:

After reading last Friday's issue of the Hilltop and coming across the article entitled "AKA Auction Makes Waves," we decided that we had to respond to the piece by Kerri-Ann Hamilton. While we commend Ms. Hamilton for covering our organization's event, we have to question what The Hilltop considers newsworthy. While an auction does create a path for controversy, we must also question why, although there have been several auctions this year, our event was the only one that was thoroughly highlighted in your paper. Was it because it was one of the more conservative and classy Howard auctions that required participants to follow a strict dress code (evident in the photo accompanying last week's story)? Obviously not, because this aspect was never discussed in Ms. Hamilton's article. However, Ms. Hamilton did focus on the Washington Wizards who were in attendance, which is understandable since it is rare for local celebrities to support Howard University fundraisers. Yes, NBA stars always create media frenzy; however, we believe that our programming and community service (the heart of our organization) deserve more coverage in the Hilltop.

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated, like other Pan-Hellenic and university-sponsored organizations, has been hosting informative programs

all year. The programs have featured topics and themes that focus on living our purpose: to cultivate and encourage high scholastic and ethical standards; to promote unity and friendship among college women; to study and help alleviate problems concerning girls and women; to maintain a progressive interest in college life; and to be of service to all mankind. We have conducted a wide array of programs for the Howard University community including:

- "You Can Make a Difference" Community Service Drive
- Hip-Hop: How Far is Too Far? Sources of International Tension
- Living Life Afterwards: Dealing with the Aftermath of Rape
- Combating HIV and AIDS
- "Celebration of Restoration" Gospel Concert
- The Dating Game: How to Maintain Healthy Relationships
- Mirror, Mirror: A Forum on African-American Skincare
- "As We Remember" Poetry Cipher
- Say What Karaoke
- Self-Defense: Not Being a Victim
- Having "It": Recognizing the Greatness Within
- Is Perception Reality? Discussing the Media's Portrayal of Black Women



Sincerely,

Precious S. Umunna,
President, Alpha Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Our next endeavors include a series of Black History Programs scheduled for February 13th and February 20th in Douglass Hall Room 116, and February 26th in the Gallery in Blackburn Center. We invite the Hilltop, the Howard Community and the DC community-at-large to join us as we reflect on the trials and tribulations, contributions, and accomplishments of African-Americans. In April, we will be sponsoring our annual Health Week and "King of the Ivy," a scholarship pageant for the men of Howard University. The "King of the Ivy" will garner a \$500 book award, will be the official male representation of the chapter, and will implement a yearlong service project. Again, the ladies of Alpha Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated invite the Hilltop and the entire community to join us as we continue to blaze new trails through programming and service.

Lauren T. Williams
AKA Connection Chair, Alpha Chapter, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc.

Have a perspective? Submit it to The Hilltop at thehilltop@hotmail.com.

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MEN'S & WOMEN'S Swimming & Diving

FEB. 15-17

HU SHARKS @ North East Conference Championships @ U.M.B.C.



WOMEN'S LACROSSE

@ South of the Border Tournament in S. Carolina., Feb 16



MEN'S & WOMEN'S Track and Field

@ George Mason Invitational, Sat., Feb. 16 and
@ MEAC INDOOR CHAMPIONSHIPS,
Feb. 22-23 in nearby Landover, MD - Check this out!!



WRESTLING

@ American U. with Franklin & Marshall U., Noon, Feb. 17



MEN'S & WOMEN'S Tennis

@ Lehigh U., Feb 16-17 & @ George Washington U., Feb. 22



BASEBALL

@ Va. Commonwealth U., Feb 18 & VMI, Feb. 23-24



Basketball

THE LADY BISON

**STILL UNDEFEATED (13-0) in the MEAC
& THE BISON (8-5 in the MEAC)**

@ FAMU, Feb. 16 & @ Bethune-Cookman Coll., Feb. 18



**Congratulations to Lady Bison for two wins and to the Bison for one win in Baltimore!!
NEXT HOME GAMES: Sat., Feb. 23 vs. Norfolk State & Mon., Feb. 25 vs. Hampton**

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MEAC Tournament
Mar. 4-9
Richmond, VA.



Get Your Mac On!
Please see B2

6 Degrees of Separation



L. Boogie hooks up with another Reggae Star

Hey! Valentine's Day is over and your depression has started to fade away. Well, if it hasn't, it will by the end of these degrees. This week I give you something for the kids. Somebody watch R Kelly while I do this. While on the subject of kids, we can say that there maybe some beef in what use to be love land. Well yes, 3LW is in the studio recording their new album *A Girl Can Mack*, and it seems as if one of their songs is hitting the tail of your favorite little rap artist (hey just bear with me)... Lil Bow Wow. In a track titled "I Think I Wanna Leave With You" 15 year-old group member, Kiely Williams raps, "I hang with big dogs/ So what's a Lil' Bow Wow?" Well, she didn't stop talking to the lyric. In an interview she said, "Little boys like to throw rocks at girls when they like them. You know what? He was trying to play us out twice on national television. I had to come with something. I don't wanna leave with you because you're like 3 feet tall. I can't mess with that." Can we say bitter? They are working hard on their second album and this week started to work on a track with P Diddy... While on the subject of P Diddy it looks like Howard's favorite Bad Boy will be working alongside a couple other "bad boys," Nsync. Nsync announced this week that P Diddy and Ginuwine would join them on their tour as opening acts. P Diddy who surprised New Yorkers this week when he reunited with his protégé Mary J Blige in Radio City Hall during her No More Drama concert can't wait to open up for the boy band. The Celebrity Tour will be in the DC area on April 13th. Speaking of tours, it seems like Queensbridge will be making a stop right around the corner from Howard. Nas has set his Stillmatic Tour dates. Yes, he will be at the 9:30 club on March 5th so all you Nas fans that go all the way back to the "Barbeque" get your tickets... Speaking of barbeque and beef and Nas, it would only be apparent to mention what is brewing in this battle. With rumors that Jay-Z is in the studio preparing something that will make "Ether" flat line. It looks like Jay is giving something from the anticipation on the title track to "Best of Both Worlds" he raps "Don't you know I eat ether and breathe acid, weak bastards?"... Hey, Hey, Hey don't take it personal. But it looks as if R Kelly (hey I said these degrees were for the kids) is capitalizing on this beef brewing and has created his own beef. So who is R Kelly "dissing" on the album. He makes direct inferences to all of those artists that have bit his style. On a track labeled "Hold Up" that mixes handclaps and guitars on the beat, Kelly throws a blow singing, "20's on the drop/ Blue and yellow rocks/ Keke yelling stop/ Sisqó's album flopped." Well, we see a reference to Avant and Sisqó. Another song called "Shake Your Body" features Kelly addressing singers who have gotten rich by biting his style, and once again, he calls out Sisqó. Kelly said, "It ain't really no beef, I just didn't appreciate how my man got on TV and said he was shutting it down when it came to R&B. I ain't gonna lie, it triggered me a little bit where I had to speak up on that." Kelly also calls him a "bum" on another track. Why the Hate Kelly, Why? And you know Avant and Dru Hill both have albums dropping this year so Kelly might want to watch his back... While on the subject of Kelly and Jay-Z it looks as if their allies in producing are finally ready to step out on their own. The Neptunes who are like the "e" of producers are finally dropping their NERD project (meaning "No One Ever Really Dies") in *Search of which will drop March 12th*. The two have also finished teaming up with super producer on the video circuit Hype Williams who filmed their video for their next single "Rock Star." Now aren't they a perfect match? And finally, you have probably heard it this week, it probably spread like a bad case of herpes. Si, Wi, Ya, Yes, whatever language you speak Lauryn Hill is back. I told you last year, but there is something complicated about this. "A Perfect Match," the song that you are hearing on WKYS 93.9 is not officially off her album. Who's album... Kali Ranks' *Island Girls* which came out last year. She also sings on the chorus to his version of the song, and has another song on his album called "Poetry." Ranks is a Reggae artist so be warned, and it is hard to find so don't try Best Buy, try the Internet. But if you are waiting for her official debut, look towards late March for her single "Rebel" to drop on radio airwaves. And with that all said and done, I have to go. I heard that Sisqó has a new "dis" to R Kelly called "Just Kiddin'" (no pun intended). And you know if you didn't get the connection, then you have just been disconnected.

Omar Makes the 'Dollar Bills Y'all' and He Means 'Reel' Business

By Jonathan C Sims
Life & Style Editor

Since James Naismith invented basketball, the game has not seen that much evolution or impact until the NBA was formed. But with "Ballers" trampling down hard wood floors, the evolution of the game of basketball has still been untouched until now. Producer, director, and writer Omar McGee captures the rare essence of the game in and off the court.

McGee's documentary "Dollar Bill Y'all," which is scheduled to be released later in the year, chronicles the life of many players and stars in the NBA from Tracy McGrady to Vince Carter. "I want to give a clear idea of what young players are going through," said McGee. The fascinating thing, however, is that McGee has produced a full-scale documentary that exposes the NBA for the good and for the bad. "It shows the basketball league in a whole different light," said McGee. "Dollar Bill" takes them away from their profession." With scenes of avid drug use and orgies, McGee treads a path in the industry that is rarely walked. "I like controversy," McGee said.

Once a high school basketball player, McGee kept his contacts from those teammates that went on to play college and NBA ball to start the funding of this project. An alumnus of Howard University, Omar used his connections to birth this project, which started a year ago. The year long project physically took McGee on a journey. "It was real hard, I went in hiding for a year," said McGee. "I was traveling to 5 different cities a week" as he would begin to film the lives of NBA and college players off the hard wood.

Though on the road, McGee knew he could find solace in the support system that he found engrained at Howard. "Thanks to Dr. Latta and Professor Sanders," McGee said, "...while on the road I could call them for help if I needed something." McGee still has a strong love for Howard even though he has moved on



A True Baller: Omar McGee looks at life in the NBA in upcoming movie

to the silver screen. "This school is very supportive," McGee said. "Howard definitely helped me out in my career." And talent was evident in McGee's tenure, when he captured the Paul Robeson Award for "Stakes is High" in 1999, his short film about a bank robbery.

Shooting "Dollar Bill," which was picked up by Sony Pictures, was a learning experience for McGee. He wrote, produced, and directed the entire project. This task which can prove to be taxing, has only made Omar better as a businessman. "It was cool," McGee said focused. A man from Flint, Michigan on a mission to succeed had never been a stranger to obstacles. "I never had a lot, and I learned you had to work to

get what you want, and once you love something stick with it," said McGee. He took this work ethic to Hollywood where he is beginning to climb to the top, but he's not stopping there.

McGee, who has also produced videos and commercials in Germany and done a video for artist MC Breed, has made plans to open a production company soon. McGee is setting his eyes on Atlanta, which is becoming the entertainment capital of the south. With labels like So So Def and La Face and artists like Usher and Outkast located in the ATL, McGee is looking to show the industry what else he can do. "I want to create a company capable of doing anything," said McGee.

Determined on doing big things, McGee is already has his sights on his latest projects. "I'm working on a feature film," said McGee. While the idea can't be fully discussed, McGee assures that it will be something controversial that you've never seen before.

For Howard students that are interested in jumping into the business, McGee gives a survival kit to those who dare to venture to Hollywood. "If you really want to get into this industry you can't waste your summers," said McGee. "It's not all about education, but, instead, it's more about experience."

McGee understands the importance of a good education, and he also knows the value of quality internships. While enrolled at Howard, he was the only African-American to participate in an intensive summer program at Steven Spielberg's School of Film at USC. "You really have to take advantage of your opportunities," McGee said, "learn the business, perfect the business... in front of everything remember its just that—a business."

He also is always open for other people who are serious about their craft, whether it's writing, directing, producing, or anything that they are good at. On the "Dollar Bill" soundtrack he looks forward to having some Howard acts appear on it. "I want to keep it in the family, keep it Howard," said McGee. "I'm always looking for new faces and searching for talent." He is currently working with Howard student Ayanna Partee on his next endeavor.

He offered words of wisdom to those who wish to journey the same road. "You can't trust everybody in the business," said McGee. "I learned to treat people the way they treat you...I'll go the extra mile for you." McGee who aspires to win an Oscar as Best Director and be at Spielberg's status in the next twenty years, knows the promise of his future and what it will take for him to get there. "I don't want to stop," said McGee. And with all he has accomplished in four years, who would want to?

John Q Holds Up Theatres

By Jonathan C Sims
Life and Style Editor

There are few movies that are able to balance drama between action. Well, New Line Cinema would make a gymnast jealous with the release of their action/drama John Q. When doing the film, New Line knew what it was doing when they enlisted the help of veteran academy award winner Denzel Washington and critically acclaimed actor Robert Duvall.

A little league baseball game in Chicago balances reality of life's spontaneity when John Q. Archibald's son, Michael, falls sick. Already in a "barely making it" financial situation John (played by Denzel Washington) and his wife Denise (played by Kimberly Elise from Set it Off) are faced with the mortality of their son who is lying in a hospital. The problem with his son's illness is that he needs a new heart. A new heart means money that his insurance doesn't cover. And the hospital's chief of staff, (played by Anne Heche) seems to be having problems with her heart also. She turns down Q's request to be put on the donor's list for a new heart because the family doesn't have the funds.

Facing the preventable inevitableness of his son's death, the community begins to reach out to help, ranging from church and neighbors to coworkers. In these efforts, John Archibald raises more than \$20,000, but still it isn't enough. As the clock ticks, he is faced with his son inching up on death and his wife witnessing the slow death of their only child. Left with few options and the clock ticking louder, he sees only one choice—take over Hope Memorial Hospital.

"This hospital is under new management now, free health care for everyone," said Q. It was not just an HMO's worst nightmare, but a hostage negotiator's as well. Q takes over an emergency room and shows he means business when he takes a pregnant couple, sick infant, a white couple and a bleeding black man (played by Eddie Griffin) hostage. Robert Duvall who plays Chicago's hostage negotiator tries to pull some of his skills in compromise when Q refuses to let anyone go.

Q's only request is to get his dying son who

is upstairs in the main hospital a new heart. Duvall's character uses scare tactics to get Q to give up but, the love that Q has for his son Michael is stronger than any negotiation. And Q in the film is Duvall's character's minor road block, the other being the Chief of Chicago's Police Department (played by Ray Liotta) whom is more focused on the spotlight of cameras with this situation because it is election time.

The movie has its moments, but it has one defining moment. John Q has a cliffhanger that is indescribable. John Q shows viewers what lengths a parents undying love and where it would really go.

There is action that is reminiscent of Die Hard. Underlying conspiracy as in Enemy of the State, and countless hospital scenes that put Soul Food's to shame.

Washington executes a convincing performance, but he didn't steal the show. The Oscar would definitely have to go to Kimberly Elise this time around. Confronting Anne Heche's character crying, "I could tell you what I think of you, but I am a Christian." Elise will definitely be getting some scripts after this. Her loving mother character, didn't seem like an act. Elise and Washington's passion for their son, along with their faith in God, made viewers walk out of the theatre misty-eyed. To do a bad review of this movie would be an injustice in itself. So you don't have to trust me on anything else, but this is a movie that you MUST SEE.



Denzel Washington fakes the big screen hostage in New Line Cinema's John Q

RUNWAY

Twin Peeks: Italian Designers Takeover Runway



By Alysha Cobb
Hilltop Staff Writer

Domenico Dolce and Stefano Gabbana of Milan, Italy have long been known for their daring approach to fashion. Starting from meager beginnings, the two met in 1980 when they were working as assistants in an atelier in Milan. What began as a fashion consulting studio in 1982 resulted into the international audience that loyally follows D&G designs today. Since 1985, Dolce & Gabbana fashions have turned the runways upside down and re-written the face of fashion. They won international acclaim in 1986 with their first collection and opened their first boutique in Japan three years later.

In 1990 D&G presented their first men's collection and opened a women's boutique in Milan. That same year the duo commenced designing the Complice line for the Genny Group in Milan (Complice was designed by Versace from 1975 to 1981 and then by Claude Montana until 1987).

And they have been making history ever since. The world-renowned duo has designed for the likes of Whitney Houston, Sean "P-Diddy" Combs, and Britney Spears. In November of 2001, the international fashion team brought their cutting edge design to New York City's legendary Roseland Ballroom and transformed the entire Ballroom for Madonna's world tour. They were also responsible for designing the material girl's wardrobe for the same "Cyberroundupinstallation" Gala.

Now, Dolce & Gabbana is not designed for the fair at heart - expect lots of the 80s



excess (i.e. very bright colors). The Spring/Summer 2002 line features a paint-splattered collection, where stripy officer's fatigues and cargo pants, ripped logo T-shirts and multi-colored biker boots all got a blast of color.

Stefano Gabbana and Domenico Dolce presented their spring-summer 2002 collection before a backdrop of a battered old gym. Their models had suitably honed bodies but most of the clothes looked like they been attacked by a gang of graffiti artists, which was not surprising, as they had been. The design duo hired a small army of local underground "taggers" to paint most of the outfits in the show. Fashion does not end with just clothing alone - accessories are a necessity.

Fear not because Dolce and Gabbana have covered every aspect of the industry. The Dolce & Gabbana eyeglasses collection 2002 reflects the great ability of Domenico Dolce and Stefano Gabbana, to draw from tradition yet produce completely original results. The shapes are aggressive but elegant, and create an image that is exuberant, forceful, witty and capricious.

The dynamic duo has two American flagship stores one on Madison Ave. in New York City and another in Bal Harbour, North Miami's most upscale shopping address. The company has just published a book "10 Years of Dolce & Gabbana" illustrating the history of the designers with pictures from some of fashion's top photographers. With their avant-garde style, Dolce & Gabbana is sure to continue to set trends and shatter traditions across the world.

2nd Person

By Derrick Brown
Contributing Writer

Black, African-American, Negro, what do they all mean? Are they just words or do they mean something more? There are many different opinions of what it means to be an African-American. Elizabeth Ridley author of *Throwing Roses and Rainey's Lament* said, "Being black is more than just a name, it's more than wearing an X cap. It means being committed to furthering our race and nurturing our children. It means possessing a history of more than 300 years of fighting for freedom and equality." However, different people have different opinions. Being an African-American means a lot of things to a lot of people. Recently 6 students spoke out about what exactly they thought it meant to be an African-American and how they would be celebrating Black History Month.

Alicia Lewis a sophomore communications major from Maryland seemed as though the question caught her off guard. She took a second to gather herself before stating "I am a person with a dark stain who has a harder time in life than white people. A person who will never be looked at as good or smart as a white person."

Lewis feels that she will never be treated equally or given the same opportunities as a white person; many blacks throughout the country share this sentiment. Lewis says she will probably spend Black History month the same way she does every year—watching a couple of specials or reading a book or two. She said she'd like to do more but has had trouble finding activities concerning Black History Month.

Jerel Keels a junior psychology major from Michigan said, "It means that I have to work hard to continue my long legacy of hard workers from the past that have given me the opportunity to be where I am today."

That opportunity is one that Keels cherishes yet it seems that many people are often not aware or appreciative of the hard work that the people before them put in. Keels will celebrate Black History Month by going to some of the on campus activities that honor blacks.

Alfons Prince a sophomore engineering major from Washington D.C. stopped to think when he was posed with the question. He said even though that should be an easy question it was actually very complicated. After a few minutes Prince responded by saying, "Being an African-American means that I have to work hard in life. White people represent individuals; I am representing so many more than just me. My actions and accomplishments reflect on both my ancestors and peers."

Black people are often stereotyped into groups and it appears that Prince would like to see the group viewed positively. Realizing he is a representative for that group he knows he must be positive if he wants the group to be looked at positively. He plans on celebrating Black History Month by spending time with his family and reading up on his ancestors.

Nicole Ferguson a sophomore communications major from Florida is obviously aware of the hardships that blacks endured to get to this point, but rather than looking at it negatively she feels that it has made the race stronger and more determined. "Being an African American is being invisible in our country. With a history that has been stolen from us we now stand on a foundation of slavery and oppression, and that is how others define us. But being an African-American also means that we are stronger, more determined people and success is a great and well-fought achievement," said Ferguson. Nicole says she tries to make every month Black History Month by always learning more about the contributions that her people made to this country.

Shakya Stanfield a freshmen biology major from Michigan spoke about the fighting spirit that has become a trademark of African-American culture. "When I think of African-American I think of a strong united people that has been through many struggles and battles. It means hope intelligence and pride. I believe our people before us were fighters and that characteristic has been passed down over the years," said Stanfield. Shakya said she plans to celebrate Black History Month by reading a book that is not highly publicized and then share it with her family.

Dwight Fortune a senior accounting major from Indiana responded immediately as if he'd been waiting for someone to ask him that question. He said, "It means the opportunity to become who or what I want to be. It means my dreams can become reality. The best part is doing so with a unique flavor, a distinct flavor, from a colorful race."

He appears proud of his race and feels that being an African-American gives one the chance to succeed in a unique way. Fortune currently has no plans to celebrate Black History Month but he may attend some of the various events around the city to honor African Americans.

From these four statements it's quite obvious that African-American is definitely more than just a word. It is also clear that the word means something different to everyone. From Alicia who felt she would always be at a disadvantage because of her color, to Dwight who feels that being black allows him the advantage of achieving success in his own unique way. They each had their own opinions and all made good points.

In celebration of Black History Month there will be various events going on around campus including a Gala dinner honoring poet and play writer Sonia Sanchez on Thursday and a video series on great black women showing on Friday in the Undergraduate library sub level 1. Remember these were just the opinions of 6 students only you can decide what being African-American means to you.

Georgetown Incorporates MAC

By: Tiffany Reynolds

A woman's face is as precious as the make-up that compliments its unique, dynamic realm. Countless women use the simplistic, at times sloppy, but in the same context, a creative way of highlighting their features for the relentless appeal. Who would have ever thought the red lip gloss of the early 1960s, an imitation of women breaking away from stereotypes, would progress to such an advanced stage with tear jerking eye shadows and sun touched womanhood while breaking the boundaries that are supposed to tame them, MAC?

Although it has only been 7 months, Georgetown has nurtured another successful shop in the area. Sales representative and manager Kelly Chung, spoke of MAC with confidence and prestige. Chung had stated amongst the encounter "We're the best... in customer service... in everything," said Chung.

Still a baby in the diverse shopping and

eating area, it has definitely played a major role in attracting more people to the area.

Chung remarks, "We are doing very well for only being here for seven months. The only other major make-up line in this area is Sephoria... but there is no competition between us; we actually work pretty well together." Properly standing in her sheik, black outfit, and dolled face, Chung replies with assurance "Our number one priority is customer service... we are here to enhance and correct."

Yet, some Howard students question the value of MAC. Sheri Steward, 19 year-old business major said, "I personally do not think make-up gives a girl her natural look... MAC make-up line is something that I would not be so excited to shop for, but if I for some reason was to buy make-up I would consider MAC, but most likely I would try to find a cheaper product."

A Communications major, Turquoise Toppin, with a stunning style and complimentary light eye shadow and bit of lip-gloss,



comments on MAC's innovative approach on make-up. "I consider it the best line of make-up," said Toppin. "The product is good and it lasts... you get what you pay for." However, Toppin asserted that certain items are a given for any make-up collection. "I do not wear a lot of make-up, but I do feel that eyeliner and lip gloss, are two necessities that I always feel I should have... a necessity for most women."

Yet, Chung's opinion is different from Ms. Toppin, based on her personal sales at the MAC in Georgetown. "Blot-powder (a touch-up base for oily skin) and all the lip product are two things most women purchase and should have in their purse at all times," said Chung. "MAC's glass or lip gloss, is the best selling product, by far."

The Lip Glass has been a popular item for both the simple, cuteness during the day and enticing, seduction lip appeal at night.

So what is in store for Spring 2002? "Beginning February 28..." began Chung excitedly, "our spring line will be available to the public, but unfortunately the products

can not be discussed or displayed until that day... so please come out and see the new line-up."

Stars have even been spotted at the new location. "Many celebrities shop for MAC products, in only seven months MAC (Georgetown) has been of service for Serena Williams and Stephanie Mills, both which brought a product from Viva-glam... a very popular line for MAC," said Chung.

Despite the quality of MAC products, the price can be rather steep. Luckily, while scooping out the MAC store, a make-over package is will be sold this month.

Throughout the month of February, when one buys over \$50 of MAC products, an individual, will receive a make-over for free, though the normal cost of a make-over is \$40.

A comment of Ms. Kelly Chung highlighted the potential basis for MAC's success. "We are a store of wide-variety colors for all colors, all ages, and all sexes."

The Howard Woman and HIV

By Johndell Hill

HIV has been around for the majority of our lives. HIV is still transmitted through unprotected sex. This sex in particular is vaginal and anal sex. It can be transmitted from mother to child via breast milk. Heterosexual black women, especially in the Washington, DC area, are at an ever-increasing rate of infection and have been labeled the fastest growing in the HIV/AIDS community. Also, there is still no cure.

It is no doubt that HIV, which was once a white gay male disease, is now prevalent in the black community. It is still killing our family members, and it is growing. Communities of color have been hit particularly hard. The Center for Disease Control estimates that between 120,000 to 160,000 adult and adolescent females are living with HIV infection including AIDS. Of those numbers, about 77% are women of African American or Hispanic descent. These numbers are harsh because African American and Hispanic women represent less than one fourth of all American women.

"We are seeing a rise in heterosexual transmission. Also, we think it's because of bisexual activity in males and who sleep with men and women may contribute to the rise in HIV in women," said Dr. Lynette Munday, Associate Director for Clinical Services. According to the Center for Disease Control, heterosexual contact is now the greatest risk for women. In 1999, 40% of women with AIDS were infected through heterosexual contact and 27% were injection drug users.

Munday agrees with the CDC's statistics stating, "The number of women of color, especially black women is increasing at a faster rate than other populations."

Some of the other issues revolving around increased infection rate are denial of risk, meaning people don't believe that they can be infected. "The hardest thing for a young adult to understand is that they are not invulnerable because youth and invulnerability goes together. But HIV does not see youth," said Munday.

Other contributors to the increased numbers of infection include decreased percep-

tion of HIV as a health threat among the HIV-uninfected and a gradual shift in community norms about sex. This includes peer pressure to be unsafe and celebration of "bare-backing"—penetrative sex without a condom.

Some of you may have heard the vicious rumor about our campus. There is a flyer of some sort going around stating that 1 in 12 people at Howard have HIV. This rumor is wrong. According to Munday, "the 1 in 12 rumor does not apply to Howard students, but to the Washington, DC area in general." So, the figures are not that high, but Howard University is still located in the HIV/AIDS infected area.

Essence Sweat, freshman, marketing major said, "It causes you not to want to get involved with anybody because it's so rampant in the DC area."

"The infection rate on campus is an elusive figure. It is confidential information and if students don't tell us, we don't know," said Munday when asked about how much HIV is on campus. The administration at Howard knows what the Student Health Center tells them and the Student Health Center knows what the students tell them. The truth is that no one has been very forthcoming about the virus.

"In the year 2000 the Washington Free Clinic tested 100 volunteer students and the only statistics we received was that 1 out of the 100 tested was HIV positive," said Munday referring to the only statistics she had.

There are some figures that the campus does have and that's the amount of Sexually Transmitted Diseases treated by the Student Health Center. Munday said, "We don't have any hard facts on HIV but we do have hard facts on STD and HIV is an STD. That's one of the most common things we treat on this campus." The truth is that STDs are the most common problem on any college campus.

Janna Thompson, senior theatre education major summed it up nicely when she stated, "Don't trust anyone—guy, girl, chicken, dog. Put on a condom every time."

The Facts About Birth Control

By Amyre Makupson
Contributing Writer

Pregnancy is a word all too common among young people today. Four in 10 women will become pregnant at least once before reaching the age of 20; that's nearly one million a year. Of those pregnancies, eight out of 10 will be unintended/unwanted, and 79 percent will occur to unmarried couples.

Unfortunately, many women get pregnant on this campus every year, but unwanted pregnancies can easily be prevented. Forms of birth control, ranging from condoms to the Depo-Provera shot, are not only offered on this campus, but also in the surrounding area.

The Howard University Health Center, currently offers condoms and diaphragms free of charge, and birth-control pills as well as the Depo-Provera shot said Mrs. Crump, a Health Center/Womens Clinic nurse. In order to obtain birth-control pills or the shot, the student must go through a series of classes about sexual activity and pregnancy, followed by a physical examination in order to decide which type of medication would serve the student's best interest. Because of the University health plan for students, the classes and examinations are free, and the cost of the medication itself is significantly reduced ranging from \$1.50-10.00 a month for the pill and about \$20 a month for the Depo-Provera shot.

The Planned Parenthood Organization of Washington, DC also offers several methods to prevent pregnancy. The clinic recommends Norplant, Depo-Provera, birth-control pills, condoms, diaphragms, and several over the counter contraceptives including foams, jellies, and sponges.

The most popular contraceptives are the birth-control pills and the Depo-Provera shot. Examination fees will apply and the cost of medication will vary due to age and type. For the birth-control pills, college students should expect to pay \$15-25.00 a month and for the Depo-Provera shot the cost per month ranges from \$30-

75.00.

Although abstinence is the best contraceptive, other methods are quite effective. The most commonly used are birth-control pills, condoms, and the Depo-Provera shot. All are different methods, but the effectiveness can reach nearly 100% if used correctly.

The condom is the cheapest and the most accessible. If used correctly, it is anywhere from 86% to 97% effective depending on brand. Advantages include effectiveness in preventing sexually transmitted diseases including HIV, the virus that causes AIDS. Disadvantages include breakage, loss of sensation, and latex allergies.

Birth-control pills range in type, but if used correctly, they are up to 99.9% effective. Advantages include more regular periods, less acne, less menstrual cramps, and protection against ovarian and endometrial cancer. Disadvantages include weight gain or loss, depression, nausea, and rare health risks including blood clots.

The Depo-Provera shot is the newest form of contraceptive and if taken correctly is 99.7% effective. Advantages include protection against pregnancy for twelve weeks, no daily pill, can be used by women who can't take the pill, reduces menstrual cramps, and protects against cancer of the uterus. Disadvantages include depression, headaches, irregular bleeding, and increased appetite.

Many students are already taking advantage of these birth-control methods. "I have been on the birth-control pill for over a year now," a student who asked to be named Ashley, a sophomore history major said. "I have had absolutely no problems or complaints. I chose the pill because it is the most effective and affordable. I would recommend it to any female I know."

For more information on birth-control methods, please contact Planned Parenthood (202) 347-8512, or the Howard University Health Clinic (202) 806-7540.

Trivia Question



What US President shared the name of a famous former slave who led an expedition through the Oregon Trail that helped to settle the state of Washington?

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What to watch...

Today, February 15:

The Pelican Brief, TNT: For those of us who can't afford to watch Denzel in his new movie *John Q* in the theatres, we can see him for free in the comfort of our own homes in *The Pelican Brief*. Julia Roberts stars opposite Denzel Washington in this 1993 suspense drama, an adaptation of John Grisham's best-seller. **Time: 8:00 PM**

Fight Club, HBO: Brad Pitt and Edward Norton star in this stylish and controversial 1999 drama directed by David Fincher. While some thought it was a brilliant satire of an alienated and materialistic society, others felt it was irresponsible and repellingly violent. **Time: 9:00 PM**

Inside The Playboy Mansion, A&E: A tour of the Playboy Mansion in California includes segments on its history and that of its Chicago predecessor. There's also a profile of Hugh Hefner; celebrity interviews; and clips of various parties. **Time: 10:00 PM**

Saturday, February 16:

Making the TV Show, MTV: From the creators of MTV's *Making the Video* comes *Making the TV Show*. Watch as MTV shows their audience how the world of *7th Heaven* is created in an exclusive behind the scenes look. **Time: 8:00 PM**

Sex and the Mob, History Channel: Think all there is to the mob is guns and killing? Think again. The History Channel takes us deep into an examination of love and sex within organized crime. Included: the problems faced by couples; the effects on children. **Time: 10:00 PM**

Mad TV, FOX: While Mad TV has been around for a few years now, lately the show has been receiving raves largely due in part to the subtle downfall of main competitor Saturday Night Live. This week special guest Stone Cold Steve Austin will appear on the Martin Short's segment "The Jimmy Glick Show".

Monday, February 18

She Said No, Lifetime: The channel for women presents a story of twisted proportions. Veronica Hamel portrays a rape victim who's sued by her attacker (Judd Hirsch) for slander after his criminal trial results in a hung jury. **Time: 7:00 PM**

Kickboxer, TNN: Jean Claude Van-Damme stars in the movie that made him an official action movie icon. Van-Damme plays a fighter who is learning the art of kickbox to get revenge on Tong-Po, the kickboxing champion who paralyzed his brother. **Time: 7:00 PM**

Cliffhanger, TBS: Sylvester Stallone climbed back to the top of the action genre with this 1993 adventure set amid the Rockies. Stallone plays Gabe Walker, a mountain-rescue ranger who quits after blaming himself for the death of a climber. A year later, when stranded hikers radio for help, the vulnerable Walker reluctantly joins the rescue party. **Time: 8:00 PM**

Sunday, February 17

A League of Their Own, TBS: In 1943, while the country was at war overseas American's back home were fighting a battle of their; the survival of baseball. Tom Hanks, Geena Davis and Madonna take the field in this 1992 ode to the World War II-era All-American Girls Professional Baseball League. **Time: 5:00 PM**

WWF Sunday Night Heat, MTV: The stars of the WWF square off in the squared circle. Tonight's episode will be the prelude to their pay-per-view extravaganza *WWF No Way Out*. **Time: 7:00 PM**

The Jamie Kennedy Experiment, WBDC: A mix between *The Tom Green Show* and *Totally Hidden Video*. Watch as Jamie Kennedy makes a fake marriage proposal at a UNLV basketball game; plays a white rapper with an attitude problem at a wealthy country club; and pretends to be the ring leader in a pyramid scheme under investigation by the FBI. **Time: 8:00 PM**

Calendar

What's Going On This Week?

Friday February 15th, 2002

Alice McGill presents "Songs and Tales from African-American Folklore and Other Cultures." at the National Geographic Society, Explorers Hall Dupont Circle

Hate Valentines Day Well celebrate it with other haters! Dave and Busters is having their annual anti-Valentines Day celebration to night. Columbia Pike, Rockville MD

Hey it's Friday so meet the man or woman of your Dreams, yes Dream night club offers Happy Hour Specials with the most beautiful people in the world. 1350 Okie St NE.

METROPOLITAN BAPTIST CHURCH CELEBRATES TECHNOLOGY EMPOWERMENT

On Saturday, February 16, 2002, the Single Adult Ministry of Metropolitan Baptist Church, Washington DC will host a TECHNOLOGY EMPOWERMENT DAY in conjunction with the Black Data Processing Associates and the national public awareness campaign Black Family Technology Awareness Week. This Technology Empowerment Day will be held at 1225 R Street NW, February 16, 2002 from 12:00 to 5:00 pm. Seats are limited; you must call our church office at (202) 238-5000 to hold a place for yourself. To be a part of this historic, nationwide activity, please call the church office today. Cost is Free. time: 12:00 noon - 5:00 pm PM cost: FREE contact: Dan Clayborn, danclayborn@hotmail.com, (202) 479-6563 location: 1225 R Street NW city: Washington **Frankie Wilmot and Eastern Standard Time** Check out the best in reggae and ska/jazz with this powerhouse concert at the Kay Theatre in the Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center at the University of Maryland, College Park. time: 8:00 PM cost: \$25 regular, \$5 student contact: 301-405-ARTS location: Clarice Smith Performing Arts Center, University of Maryland city: College Park

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Shot outs for this week go to Burn Boy, Aisha, Stephanie, Jozen(you happy), Simone, Scott, Hug and Jen. Also, congratulations Napoleon. Happy Birthday to Diahann. Great issues this week Jeezy and Scott. Scott get ready. What else? Thanks to Kerry Ann, Mak, Harold, T-neck, Mike Brown, Antijuan(Beef Man is tight), Money Bags and the whole crew. I'll see ya'll this weekend. Anybody I forgot, we were pushing deadline, so remind me for Tuesday.

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What's News—

In Business and Finance

Economists Raise Outlook for 2002

Economists are becoming more optimistic about the outlook for 2002. According to Blue Chip Economic Indicators, a monthly newsletter that tracks the consensus of 52 business economists, forecasters now expect the economy to grow 1.5% in 2002. Last month, these economists predicted 1% growth. It was the first time in 11 months that they increased their forecast.

If these economists are right, the growth rate would still be well below the robust 4% rates that marked the late 1990s. But the recent upward shift in expectations is still meaningful, not only for Wall Street but for Washington. For example, it means policy makers in Washington are substantially more pessimistic than the private sector is about the economic outlook. In its budget released last week, the Office of Management and Budget predicted 0.7% growth in 2002. The Congressional Budget Office predicts 0.8% growth.

Lay Keeps Mum, Board Members Quit

The former chairman of Enron Corp. told Congress he feels "profound sadness" at his company's collapse. But after swearing to tell the Senate Commerce Committee the truth, Mr. Lay declined to answer any questions from the panel, asserting his Fifth Amendment rights under the U.S. Constitution against self-incrimination.

Mr. Lay's decision clearly frustrated lawmakers. The senators' annoyance was compounded later when a top Enron investigator said at the hearing that notes of a recent interview with Mr. Lay had been destroyed. Enron board member William Powers, who led an examination of the company's controversial partnerships, said the raw notes of the Lay interview were discarded after being compiled in a single memo.

Meanwhile, the company announced the planned resignations of six board members, including four who served on its highly criticized audit committee. An internal report released by a special board investigative committee earlier this month chastised the audit panel for reviewing Enron's now infamous off-balance-sheet transactions in only a " cursory way."

Nokia, Samsung Lead Ailing Sector

In the worst year in the history of the mobile-phone industry, Nokia Corp. and Samsung Electronics Co. were the only top-ranking mobile-phone makers to both gain market share and make money during 2001, according to new research.

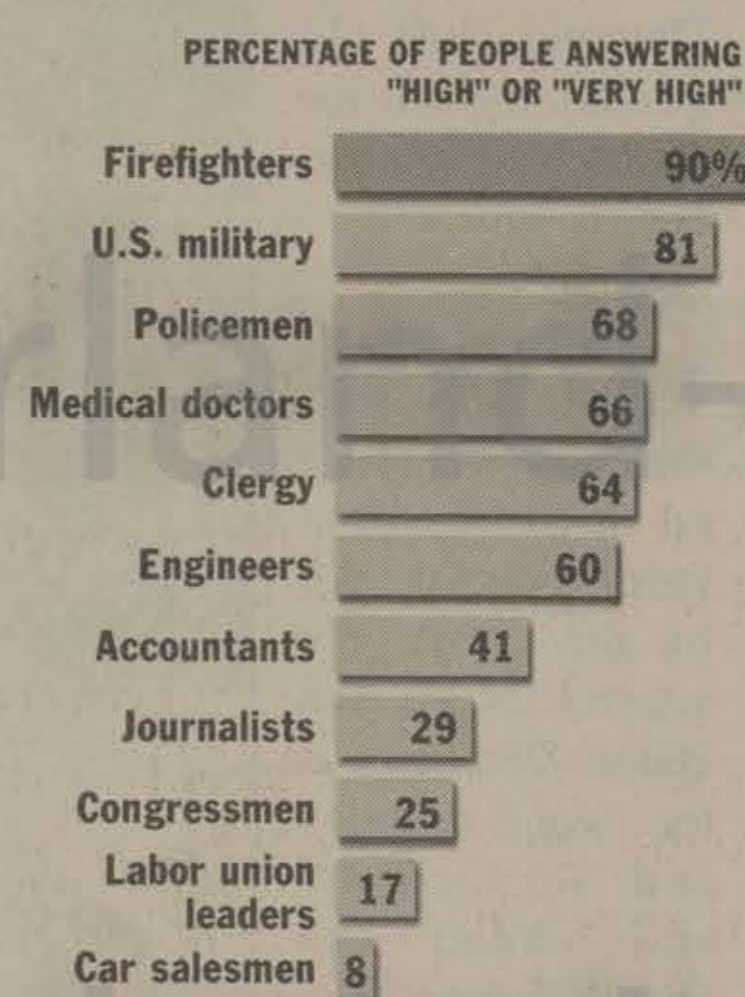
Market leader Nokia lifted its share of global shipments to 36% from 31% in 2000, while still maintaining an operating margin of 20%, according to figures collated by Strategy Analytics. (Nokia puts its 2001 market share at 37%.) The Boston research firm estimated that Samsung achieved an operating margin of 15%, while boosting its market share to 7% from 5%, making it the third-largest supplier in 2001, behind second-place Motorola Inc. Most other leading handset makers lost money during 2001, according to Strategy Analytics.

Between 'Friends,' \$6 Million an Episode

The hit comedy "Friends," the top-rated show on television, will return to NBC for one more season in a deal that will pay each of the six stars about \$1 million per episode, people familiar with the situation say. That represents a 33% increase from the \$750,000 per episode salary the cast has earned the past two seasons and will keep "Friends," produced by Warner Bros. Television, the most expensive show in television history. Next season is expected to be the finale.

Leading the Fields

How would you rate the honesty and ethical standards of people in these different fields?



Source: Gallup Poll, Nov. 2001; professions listed as in survey question

Vaccine Shortages Are at Crisis Level

Severe shortages of vaccines for eight of the 11 vaccine-preventable diseases have led to the worst crisis in the 29-year history of the government's National Immunization Program.

Children across the country are being turned away by pediatricians who have run out of shots largely because of manufacturing snafus at Merck & Co., American Home Products Corp. and Aventis SA. And some shortages are worsening. A rising tide of whooping cough has made the scarcity of pertussis vaccine particularly problematic. Twenty years ago, there were just 2,000 cases a year in the U.S. In 2000, there were 8,000 cases, according to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

The CDC has limited supplies of tetanus and diphtheria vaccines to hospitals, emergency rooms and public health departments, with hospitals limited to just 300 doses a month. Booster shots, once common when kids cut themselves with rusty nails, have been eliminated.

Oil Spill: Wal Mart Overtakes Exxon

Bentonville, Ark., has become home of the world's largest company: Wal Mart Stores Inc. has overtaken Exxon Mobil Corp. as the biggest company, based on sales. The discount retailer posted sales of \$218 billion for the fiscal year ended Jan. 31, compared with \$212.9 billion for the oil giant. Wal Mart's coronation is partly the result of its own growth, partly the result of lower oil prices last year for Exxon Mobil.

Odds & Ends

Target Corp. was sued by the Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, which alleges the retailer discriminated against African-Americans when hiring for entry-level management positions in parts of Wisconsin... After a four-week manhunt, Frank Gruttadauria, the former head of Lehman Brothers Holdings' Cleveland office, surrendered at the federal office building in Cleveland. He is suspected in the theft of \$125 million or more from clients at a number of large Wall Street firms during a 15-year period.

By Jay Hershey

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Tech Ideas Thrive Despite Market

Digital Camera Shakeup, Balloon for Cellphones Make Debut at Show

By DON CLARK

Some people think the sour stock market and dot-com collapse slowed technological innovation.

But despite a significant plunge in venture-capital funding, and spending cuts by big corporations, scientists and entrepreneurs are still improving hardware, software and technology-based services at a frantic rate. New evidence was expected to emerge this week in Phoenix, at an annual conference called Demo that helped launch many Internet-based companies in the 1990s. Though some exhibitors from past shows are no longer in existence, there is no shortage of business ideas this year.

Among them:

- Foveon Inc. says it has achieved a breakthrough in digital photography, one that could dramatically improve picture quality while changing the industry's economics. Foveon's chip technology, which captures images more efficiently than existing digital cameras, is expected to make possible multipurpose devices that take both high-quality still and video images. Eventually, some mass-market cameras with chips made by Foveon, Santa Clara, Calif., could cost less than conventional film cameras.

- ArrayComm Inc., a San Jose, Calif., company founded by cell-phone pioneer Marty Cooper, is touting a future wireless network that exploits special antennas to send data at one million bits a second—20 times faster than the next-generation cellular system known as 3G.

- Linden Lab, a San Francisco start-up backed by software pioneer Mitch Kapor, has an idea for a kind of animated online world that consumers help create. Paid subscribers will design their own three-dimensional appearances, living spaces, and social and economic rules to play by.

- PrivaSys Inc., also of San Francisco, has created a credit card with a tiny display and buttons that can consolidate multiple credit and debit cards into one—while using existing card-reading devices in stores and restaurants.

- Space Data Corp., of Chandler, Ariz., is exploring the possibility of floating specially equipped weather balloons to bring wireless communications to remote areas.

- Evolution Robotics is working on a special-purpose operating system for robots, solving problems such as machine vision and navigation. The Pasadena, Calif., company's backers are Ben Rosen, Compaq Computer Corp.'s co-founder, and investor Bill Gross's idealab.

Big Thinkers

Recent history has not been kind to such start-ups. Indeed, as money from private investors and stock offerings has receded, big companies have been generating a larger proportion of attention-grabbing ideas. The Demo show, for the first time, featured developments by large organizations of technologies that are far from the market.

NASA Ames Research Laboratory, for example, discussed ways to make the U.S. air-traffic control system route planes more quickly without jeopardizing safety. Sprint Corp. discussed what it calls "e-assistants"—computers that recognize a user's face and speech, then deliver information based on the user's likes and dislikes.

Computer power continues to be a fundamental fuel for such developments. A recent chip conference in San Francisco generated a record 174 technical papers, describing new materials and techniques that could accelerate that industry's pace.

Still others are refining Internet business models. Salesforce.com, which rents its software over the Web, has new ways to customize those services and use them offline. Elance Inc., a Web marketplace for people offering services, plans to add software to help companies out-

Foveon's Camera Breakthrough

How a typical digital camera works:

Light goes through a lens and hits an image sensor composed of many cells called pixels. Each pixel has a single light detector, with a filter allowing it to capture either red, green or blue. This checkerboard pattern only captures a third of the color that hits the sensor, so complex processing is needed to extrapolate a complete image.



Source: the company

How Foveon's technology works:

Light goes through the lens and hits a Foveon X3 image sensor chip. Pixels on the chip have light detectors located at different depths in the silicon, able to detect red, green and blue. Because each pixel can detect all three colors, the image is more accurate, and there's no need for extra processing chips.

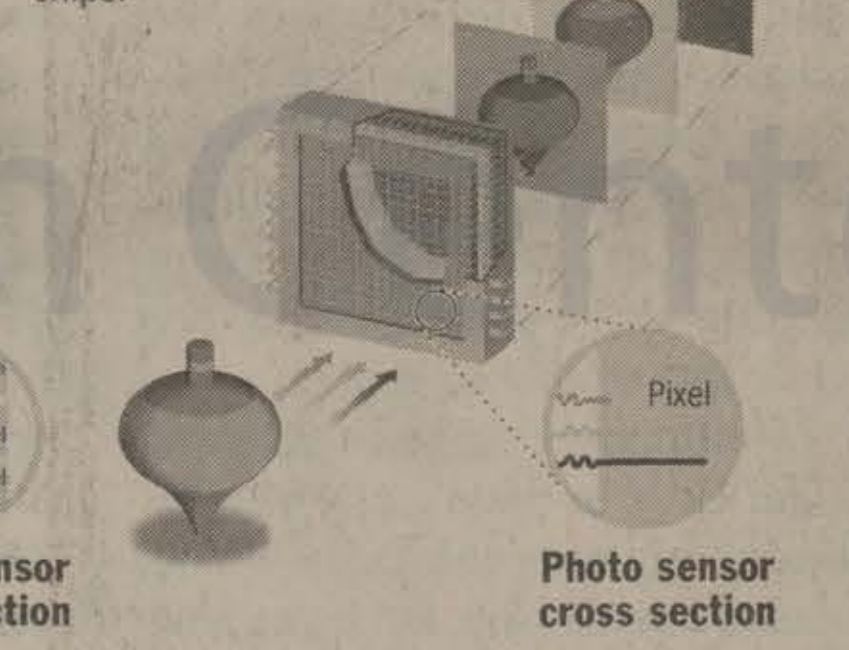


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source projects.

And entrepreneurs say they are finding ways to do more with less money. "There are lots of ways for innovation to see the light of day," says Carver Mead, the chip pioneer who is Foveon's chairman. His company is a kind of joint spinoff from National Semiconductor Corp. and Synaptics Inc., another company founded by Dr. Mead, with additional money from the venture capital firm New Enterprise Associates of Menlo Park, Calif.

'Goose Bumps'

National has pumped about \$30 million into Foveon, and hopes to make big money manufacturing the chips. "I'm getting goose bumps just thinking about it," says Brian Halla, National's chief executive officer.

Foveon started by selling high-end digital cameras, but attracted more attention for using standard chip manufacturing to make the sensors that capture images in digital cameras.

But Foveon hid some bigger news. Up to now, image sensors have been composed of tiny cells—called pixels, or picture elements—that each contain a single light detector. To capture color, red, green or blue

filters must be laid across each pixel in the grid, meaning each pixel could detect just one primary color. That requires extra processing by the camera to extrapolate real-world color combinations. Consequently, prints from mass-market digital cameras often are slightly blurry or marred by color oddities.

Foveon's engineers, exploiting the fact that silicon chips absorb different colors at different depths, designed image sensors that manage to capture all three basic colors at each pixel. Besides bringing greater clarity, its sensors can eliminate the need for extra processing chips that boost the cost.

The first to use Foveon's chips is Sigma Corp. of Japan. Its initial camera is expected to cost more than \$3,000, but Foveon believes models for under \$1,000 will appear by year's end. That will require Foveon to sell its technology to big camera makers such as Eastman Kodak Co. Madhav Mehra, director of digital capture systems in Kodak's professional products group, said it is in the early stages of evaluating the technology. But if it works as advertised, he said it could have broad industry impact. "It would be very disruptive," Mr. Mehra said.

Private Eyes Bid to Track Students

Foreign students, already facing scrutiny on campus from the FBI, could soon find themselves under the watchful eyes of private gumshoes. Background-check companies and bounty hunters are among the businesses vying for contracts from the Immigration and Naturalization Service to help track foreign students who come to the U.S. on student visas. Such surveillance is a top priority in Washington since the discovery that some of the Sept. 11 hijackers came here on student visas and didn't pursue their study plans.

Central to the INS's plans is a new database that would monitor all 547,000 foreign students in the U.S. So far, a pilot-project data base covering 32 schools in five states tracks when foreign students arrive in the U.S. and enroll at their schools, but it doesn't check class attendance. (The rest of the nation's colleges and universities submit enrollment records to the INS on paper.)

One company competing for data base contract, ChoicePoint Inc., a big collector of information about credit-card holders, also proposes establishing phone banks that would call schools to verify that students have enrolled and are attending classes.

"If the student is not regularly attending class, we're going to locate the student at his last, best known address," a company spokesman says.

A big issuer of bail-bonds, Capital Bonding Corp., plans to suggest that students entering the U.S. be required to purchase a \$10,000 immigration bond and to check in periodically. If the students fail to show up in its system, the company would send one of its 700 bail agents or 500 bounty hunters to find them. The group already monitors more than 10,000 foreign nationals who were required to buy immigration bonds because of visa violations.

Plans to increase surveillance of students are drawing critics. Some international education groups argue that tracking students—but not tourists and other visa-holders—is intrusive and inefficient. "Having a bunch of gumshoes running around making sure they get up at seven and go to class is silly," says a spokesman for the Association of International Educators.

By Wall Street Journal staff reporters Ann Davis and Chris Oster.

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Sports Friday

Lady Bison Continue Undefeated Streak With 84-66 Victory Over Coppin State

BY AISHA CHANEY
Hilltop Staff Writer

It's never a simple task for any team to get a victory over the Howard University women's basketball team. So when all of the players are in synch and you get outstanding performances from their top three players, they are almost impossible to beat.

Unfortunately, this was the case for the Coppin State Lady Hawks Monday night as the Lady Bison defeated them 84-66, led by a game high 24 points on 10 of 18 shooting from junior Courtney Kirk.

"Coach is always telling me, Courtney you need to play hard, you need to play hard, so I just came out and did what I was supposed to do," said Kirk.

Asia Petty added 19 points, including four three pointers, in her return from a weeks absence due to a death in her family, and Andrea Gardner, who has been bothered by a sore foot for the past month, racked up 15 points and grabbed 14 rebounds.

"Their defense was good, but I thought offensively they played very well," said Lady Hawks head coach Derek Brown. "Courtney Kirk is just a fine player, and Asia Petty had her stroke going tonight. It's hard to beat them when their hitting from the outside like that, and then you have to deal with Gardner underneath also. So, that was just really tough to defend."

Howard trailed for most of the first half before head coach Cathy Parson decided to take off the full court pressure, and from that point on, they relied on their variety of

half court defenses to slow down Coppin State.

What Parson did worked and the Lady Bison closed out the half with an 11-4 run, after trailing by as much as seven earlier on, and took a 40-36 lead heading into the locker room.

Kirk, Petty and Gardner proved to be too much to handle as the Lady Bison stepped up the defense and outscored the Lady Hawks 22-11 to take a commanding 62-47 lead with 10 minutes left to play in the game.

The Lady Hawks had a few opportunities to cut the deficit, however their frustration and tempers were clearly visible on the court, and that resulted in three second half technical fouls that came at critical points in the game, and only caused them to trail by even more, after Petty sank 5 of the 6 free throws.

"After today, I just made a rule that from now on, if anyone gets a technical, they're not playing the rest of the game and they might be suspended for the next game because I'm tired of it," said Brown. "Our mouths are a little too big out there, and we're voicing our opinions in the wrong way."

LaKesha Wills had a strong first half for the Lady Hawks and

kept them in the game with her 13 points on 6 of 9 shooting, but in the second half, Howard's defense held her to only four points.

"I'm very proud of the outcome because I knew it would be



The Lady Bison crushed Coppin State by 22 this week. They remain undefeated.

File Photo

a tough game here tonight because Coppin always plays us so well," said Parson. "So, from that standpoint, I'm very proud of my young ladies."

The Lady Bison will travel to Florida this weekend to play the Florida A&M Rattlerettes on Saturday and follow with a game against Bethune Cookman on Monday.

Williams leads Bison to 88-72 Victory Over Hawks

BY AISHA CHANEY
Hilltop Staff Writer

Kyle Williams scored a school-record 43 points on 14 of 21 shooting, including 8 of 10 from three point land, to lead the Bison to an 88-72 victory over Coppin State Monday night at the Coppin Center in Baltimore.

This was a new career high for Williams, and it definitely came at a time when the Bison needed it. With their unexpected loss to Morgan State last Saturday, the Bison (13-10 overall, 8-5 in the MEAC) are no longer in third place by themselves, so this win was very important.

"All of these games now in February are very important, so to go on the road and get a win, it's good for us," said Bison head coach Frankie Allen. "We've got that big Florida trip coming up, and we've got to be at our best. So I just hope we can carry over to this weekend."

Williams was on fire from the start, hitting his first four shots of the game (all three pointers). With the help of Ron Williamson, the two put on a shooting display, making six three pointers between the both of them, to get the Bison out to an early 19-2 lead with 14 minutes remaining in the half.

The relentless Hawks rallied back and managed to cut the deficit to within seven, led by Larry Tucker's 14 points and 9 by Jimmy Boykin.

The Bison refused to let up and got solid play off the bench from Seye Aluko and Ronald Miller, who added rebounding and hit key free throws, and the Bison managed to maintain a 43-32 lead at the half.

After a quiet first half, seniors Aki Thomas and Darren Kennedy scored the first few baskets of the second half and sparked a 15-6 run that gave the Bison a commanding 58-38 lead with 15:27 remaining.

The Hawks responded with a run of their own led by the aggressive play in the paint of 6-10 forward Demond Huff (13 points) and cut the Bison lead to nine, 60-51, with 9:05 to play.

At this point, Williams took over the game and started hitting shots from everywhere on the court. He scored 24 of the Bison's 28 points in the final 8 minutes and 46 seconds, and ended the Hawks hopes of a possible comeback.

"Ironically, before the game I went to Coach Collins and told him I was kind of mad and I said I was going to get 40 tonight, and he told me I would get 4," said Williams with a laugh. "I really didn't expect to get 40, but I just came out there with a different type of mental approach to the game that I had in a while, and my shots were just falling."

In addition to his 43 points, Williamson also had four blocks and three steals.

Williamson played a great defensive game as well and finished with 10 points, five rebounds, and six steals.

"With their point guard Smith being out, coming into the game, I knew they didn't have a real strong point guard so I was just trying to create some steals, and fortunately that's what I did," said Williamson. Seye Aluko also added 10 points



Bison guard pulls up for the jumper.

File Photo

and 3 rebounds, on a perfect 3 for 3 shooting from the field and 4-4 from the free throw line.

"We've been fortunate to have so many guys that we can put in the game to make shots and I thought that was a big plus for us tonight," said Allen. "We also shot our free throws a lot better tonight, which makes me feel a lot better, and we just did a much better job of managing the game."

Tucker led the way for the Hawks with 24 points and five rebounds, and Boykin added 19 points and four steals.

The Bison will continue their road trip as they travel to Florida this weekend to play FAMU Saturday, and will follow with a game against Bethune Cookman on Monday.

Life is Too Short

From AI

nity college in Afghanistan. It was 6 p.m., when I got the second phone call. This time it wasn't my best friend on the line but instead his mom, he had tried to kill himself through carbon monoxide and was in the hospital now. I had to pull myself together because thought I was responsible.

I had not been there when my best friend had cried out for help. The same person who I used to play Sega with almost died because of me. Now, for me to even call him my best friend is a disservice to the word friend. I thought how selfish could I be to put my needs in front of another's confrontation with death. And though I got a 98 on my midterm I felt I deserved a 35 on the test of my friendship.

There comes a time when we get so caught up in our schedules, two-ways, PDAs, cell phones, lunch dates, organizations, meetings, networking, contacts, shopping, and ultimately ourselves that we never talk or simply take time to listen.

Why am I writing this? This must be written because we don't listen. When was the time we listened to our friends' problems and then talked about them openly instead of the 1'stining (putting the "Well I would do this.") Why have we become so self-centered that another's agony goes unnoticed?

While others on campus hide their agony. There are many people on this campus, who wear masks because they have been instructed to keep those masks on because of the campus' expectations. Just because you smile all the time doesn't mean that you aren't depressed. We all break down sooner or later. It is high time for us to be honest with one another so we don't become one of those statistics.

I had a breakdown my freshman year after my friend tried to kill him-

self because I felt guilty, but I recieved counseling. No, I'm not a basket case, but I know the impact that suicide played in my life freshman year, through my friend's ordeal and I definitely don't want anyone to be on either side. The last thing you want is to disregard someone and then the day goes by and so do they.

I really want us to start talking about things that get us down. No I don't want you to think that I am on this campaign to have everybody all happy and jolly prancing around campus as if tuition is free. Instead, I think that if we are to live each day to it's fullest we must filter out those things that are killing us on the inside by talking about them. Cause if we don't, it will be similar as Nas says to "that ether that s--- that make your soul burn slow." To let something fester in your soul for so long is only damaging. Tell a friend, talk to a professor, or go to the counseling center. The one good thing about all of those options is that it's free and all you will spend is time. It's worth it. It allows you to be healthier and wiser. I mean to kill your self is ultimate, and as I was told a long time ago suicide is a permanent solution to a temporary problem.

The truth is that we are all human, as well as we all have problems. Problems are just that, things to be solved, and the solution is evident. Howard has the resources, you have the voice to seek it and most importantly you as a friend have the ears as a listener that could save someone's life.

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Candidates Present Platforms at First Speakout of Spring Elections

From AI

focused on the issues of security and extended hours for university services such as the libraries, Blackburn, and the shuttle bus. Williamson proposed that dinner be extended past the traditional 7:00p.m., stating that many students eat after that time.

He proposed that the University possibly try to move breakfast to the restaurant or punch-out in order to free up staff needed for later dinner hours.

The final HUSA slate to present was the ENVISION platform headed by Arabella Littlepage, junior Political Science major. The three-pronged platform stresses the envisionment of education, empowerment, and excellence.

"Envision your education with supplemental educational programs, Envision your empowerment with secrets shoppers who shop the various administrative offices for problems and solutions," stated Littlepage as spoke to the crowded Drew Hall lounge. "Finally envision your excellence with leadership developments series that teach you how to go out and succeed in the world after Howard."

After the HUSA candidates presented the floor was opened up for the Undergraduate Trustee candidates to present their platforms.

Jaha Howard, current executive vice-president of the College of Arts and Sciences, presented his FOCUS platform as one that stressed trust, flexibility, and cooperation.

Howard stated that before he could do his job he has to make sure all students know exactly what the trustee does.

"Part of representing the students is making sure they know what the position entails, and what I am doing" said Howard, "Communication is necessary whether it is through a monthly trustee booklet, a newsletter, or them coming to my office, witch will always be open."

Howard also proposed the building of a Center for African American research to further the research ability of the university and provide a basis for interdisciplinary study.

"This research facility will allow students from various majors to showcase and expand their knowledge," said Howard.

Howard's opponent is Justin Hanford a junior English major. Hanford presented his platform BLACK STAR, named in honor of Marcus Garvey. Hanford focused on his commitment to helping Howard students move through the economic recession.

"I plan to implement economic understanding series where students learn about economic issues and how to deal with them," said Hanford, "Also I will install Entrepreneurial Classes so that students can learn how to begin their own business and not depend on an employer who may downsize at any moment."

Also on included on the BLACK STAR platform was the extension of the University dining services and community outreach.

After the presentation of platforms, candidates where tested on their knowledge of the HUSA constitution and policy. Candidates were also open to take question from the audience.

Russell Drake, president of the College of Engineering, Architecture, and Computer Science, asked a question concerning student apathy.

"Before you can live that LEGACY, ENVISION your future, or reach for that BLACK STAR, you have to attack the disease of apathy that is plaguing the student body of Howard University," said Drake.

While candidates had varying opinions on how to best attack this problem, most agreed that getting out to the students was the most affective way of combating the apathy that most of the campus exhibits.

HUSA president Stefanie Brown candidates question the HUSA prospects on how many General Assembly meetings and HUSA policy board meetings they had attended.

Wright stated that she had attended every policy board meeting, but had only attended two General Assembly meetings despite being represented by her current vice-president Ashley McFarland. Williamson along with the Envision platform stated they had not attended any of the meetings.

The LIVE 2002 committee will be holding two more speak-outs, and a program entitled Congress Comes to the Capstone, where stu-

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Author" Malcolm X

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Tuesday Staff:
 Thanks for your hard work this week. I knew you all could do it. Let's keep it up.
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 --Nike

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