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First Union Bank Robbed

By Joseph Snavely Staff Writer

Police are still searching for two men who robbed the First Union Bank on Georgia Avenue Friday. The men wore ski masks and boxes with boxes over their heads. Police said the suspects loaded cash from a teller and then fled the bank.

According to eyewitnesses, the two men entered the bank about mid afternoon and walked near a station in the bank, then stood in line and began questioning customers. The two were last seen traveling south on Georgia Avenue. Police are still searching for the two suspects.

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Voices & Views
How can the student government candidates win your vote?

by Lee Flanagan
Contributing Writer

Cell phones becoming more popular because of the increased use of applications designed to fit into the culture of cell phone usage is becoming more frequent. Officials from the offices of the provost and residence life are distrusting the behavior occurring on campus.

Special Projects Assistant S. Tonna Buckholz
Phone usage gives the president’s office concern.

"If any student is becoming an nuisance as far as is found involving the Student Code of Conduct by provost has a right to report it to Buckholz said.

Buckholz said cell phone ringing is a "nuisance" and the university will respond to that same device, but, you don't want to be "bothered and buckled in," it's hard enough for people to get the work done on the campus, Buckholz said.

Students and the commonly accepted cell phone etiquette make in inappropriate to use phone conversations in a variety of social settings including, classes, parties, concerts, and church services.

Cell phones have actually been cited as direct distractions in driving, and now it seems if the little cell phones are distracting they are prohibiting driving as well.

Some teachers made provisions at the beginning of the semester in order to maintain the image of classrooms by turning off their cell phones Wilson outlined cell phone policies for students. Staying up-to-date for guidelines for classroom courtesy and cooperation is: "Please, turn off all phones, radios, rhaps, etc.

While some teachers recognize the distraction and find it helpful learning environments, there are conflicting opinions on how to control the problem.

"I don't think they should be controlled," said Professor Paul Mill."
Entertainment Showcase Features Campus Talent
Show Draws More Than 500 to Event

By Leona Davis

The show, themed around the theme of Black History Month, was sponsored by Chief Elements Entertainment and the Howard University Student Association (HUSA). It consisted of 22 contestants showcasing their talents in poetry, song, dance, and poetry reciting. The performers were judged based on their stage presence, physical appearance, type of talent, and crowd approval.

The most anticipated moment was when Dr. Allen, who walked on stage to “Knockin’ Boots,” delivered an emotional speech, reminding the audience of the importance of hard work and persistence.

One of the most memorable moments was when Venus Williams, a former tennis player, delivered a powerful speech about overcoming obstacles and never giving up.

The talent show ended with a traditional Southern closing ceremony featuring the Howard University Gospel Choir, who sang a spiritual song, setting the tone for the rest of the evening.

EML2nd Annual Conference a Hit With Attendees

By Melva K. Tooe

The Howard University Entertainment, Media, Sports, and Law (EMS) Club hosted their 2nd Annual Conference, titled “Flake Preaches to a Near Capacity Crowd in Cranton.”

The conference focused on various topics related to the entertainment industry, including music, film, and marketing. It featured keynote speakers, panel discussions, and networking opportunities.

One of the highlights of the conference was the keynote speech by speaker Flake, who shared his insights on the entertainment industry and his personal journey.

The conference concluded with a networking reception, where attendees had the opportunity to connect with industry professionals and fellow conference attendees.

The conference was organized by the EMSL Club, with support from the Howard University School of Communication and the Howard University School of Business.

For more information about the EMSL Club or future events, please visit their website.
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Flake Preaches to Near Capacity Crowd in Cramton

**Flake Talks on gun violence**

The Rev. Wendall B. Flake, pastor of the African Free Church of America’s University Christian Church, spoke Tuesday evening to a near-capacity crowd of students and faculty in Cramton Chapel.

Flake, whose church is located at 1140 Selma Road, began his sermon by saying, "I am a very concerned man."

He went on to say that violence, specifically gun violence, is a serious problem.

"In the past year in my church, we have had three shootings," Flake said. "I want to tell you one thing that I think is important."

Flake said that he wants to see a change in the way people think about violence.

"I want to see people stop thinking about violence as a solution," he said. "We must find a way to solve these problems without resorting to violence."

Flake ended his sermon by asking the audience to consider their thoughts and actions in light of the recent shootings.

"I want to challenge you all to think about what you can do to help solve this problem," he said. "Let us work together to make our community safer."

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**Campus Digest**

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"I wanted to do something that was different," he said.

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Lee said that he hopes the film will be a success.

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us to honor our ancestors.

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