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The Howard University Student Association Policy Board met Thursday to establish an election policy for a run-off election this semester. However, quorum was not met, so no decisions were formally made. There must be at least 15 members present to meet quorum.

Nathalie Duarte, HUSA Policy Board co-chair, is upset with policy board members who have never or rarely attended meetings. "They are not doing the job they were elected to do," Duarte said. "We need to have more members show up to meetings, and if not, we need to replace them with other members that will do their jobs."

The call to HUSA members to show up at the meeting was not met, so no decisions were formally made. Hopefully, one will concede," Wright said.

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By Nina D. Dennis

Entreprenurial Society Hosts Fashion Show Extravaganza

The University's Entrepreneurial Society in conjunction with the School of Business Management and Entrepreneurship hosted its second annual fashion show to raise funds for the Entrepreneurial Department of Journalism.

According to Converged Media Lab Director, Vernon E. Jordan, Jr., addressed members of the chapel selection committee, "It's a honor and a privilege to be here on this day with you all, to witness this incredible event that has taken place over the past two weeks.

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When it comes to health care, women are second-class citizens. According to one survey, only 44% of women are insured at any point in time. This means that many women lack health insurance, and the recession will only exacerbate this problem. Despite progress, far too many women are still ostracized by society. In 2000, 27% of violent crimes against women were committed by an intimate partner. This is a significant increase from the 1990s, when the prevalence of intimate partner violence was much lower. The rate of intimate partner violence is highest among women of color, who are more likely to experience violence due to societal and economic factors.

According to the newly released "Report Card," doctors are often unable to recognize and treat diseases among women.

There are discrepancies in women's health care based on race, age and gender. Women of color are more likely to experience health disparities, such as higher rates of diabetes and heart disease. The "Report Card" is being distributed to policy makers and women's health advocates nationwide. The "Report Card" suggests better education, increased resources, and better data collection by race, age and gender to reduce factors that contribute to cardiovascular disease.

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Cases of Sexual Abuse by Priests Continue to Grow

By Andrew Madonna

Since January, at least fifty-five priests in seventeen dioceses have been removed or suspended on sexual abuse charges and the number continues to rise. The Church has paid more than one billion dollars in settlements to victims of sexual abuse charges and the number rises daily. Two bishops have been forced to resign and the Church has paid millions of dollars in settlements to victims and their families while many more cases are still pending.

Many people are familiar with the story of Mark Serrano. From New York to California, and several places in between, Serrano was suspended for committing pedophile acts and in Vatican City, Pope John Paul II broke his silence about these acts. Serrano was invited to visit the parish priest in the rectory, and during that time, he became a victim of masturbation. After reporting the abuse to Church authorities, he received a two hundred forty-one thousand dollar settlement, the priest was transferred to another parish and was never reported to law enforcement agencies.

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The comments in the editorial were absolutely yes. According to The Pilot, regarding abuse on a much too limited pool. This, in turn, results in sexual and psychological problems later on.

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Good Fortune: One Howard Athlete's Journey To Realize His Dreams

B. Derrick Brown
Contributing Writer

This first line your Detroit Piston was dropping up by my collaborators. Howard is a Keikai-based Southern. He had a head of hair and football camp in the state. However, they had been behind the French when they found out the Coach had been in one year of eligibility and was more into his pursuit of becoming a professional football player. However, after Fortune had been told he had one more year, he decided to accept his offer and switched away when MEAC commissioner Charles H. Evans convinced him. Fortune passed his coach's test and worked hard. He began working with his coaches and quickly saw the off-balls. He felt well-prepared for the upcoming season and decided to use his last year of eligibility at a more competitive level. He was ready to take on the challenge and made the most of his talent at the new school.

My Finals Words to The Hilltop

Derrick Brown

In last year's draft, only four players from the 2001 draft class were picked in the first round. The second round included three players, but only one of them, Al Harrington, made an impact in the NBA. The remaining players included shooting guard Allen Iverson, who signed a two-year, $10 million contract with the Philadelphia 76ers. Iverson quickly became a star and helped the 76ers reach the NBA Finals.

In addition, Williams, defensive lineman Tyson Taylor, signed with the Houston Texans and was selected in the third round.

Williams also commented on his time at Howard and his journey to the NFL.

"The road to the NFL was long and hard," Williams said. "I had to work hard and make sure I was ready for every opportunity. I'm proud of my journey and grateful for the opportunity to play in the NFL."
**CRISIS IN THE MIDDLE EAST**

**PRAYER VIGIL**

**Day and Date:** Wednesday, April 17  
**Time:** 12 noon  
**Place:** Around the Flag Pole

Please join us as we pray for peace in the Middle East.

**Sponsors:** Office of the Dean of the Chapel, the Coordinated Ministries of Rankin Chapel, the Chapel Assistants, Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, HUSA, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated, Arts and Sciences Student Council, School of Business Student Council, Caribbean Association Student Council, School of Education Student Council, the Graduate Student Assembly, the Undergraduate Student Assembly, and the School of Architecture, Engineering and Computer Science Student Council

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**MIDDLE EAST SYMPOSIUM**

**Day and Date:** Thursday, April 18, 2002  
**Time:** 12 noon  
**Place:** Rankin Chapel

Please join members of the faculty as they discuss various perspectives on the crisis in the Middle East and the implications for the United States.

**Sponsors:** Office of the Dean of the Chapel, members of the faculty, the Ralph Bunche International Affairs Center, the Coordinated Ministries of Rankin Chapel, and the Chapel Assistants

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**Making the Most of It**

This Thursday, the Janitors Union will be meeting with administrators of Howard University to discuss a 2.5 percent pay increase across the board after a large group of janitors protest their wages early last week to the Administration Building. On Wednesday, the Union, SEIU Local 82, met with Howard’s General Council to discuss their demands with Howard offering a 2 percent increase and the Janitors Union asking for one of 5 percent. The janitors do not think that these are asking for too much, they only want to make enough to sustain their cost of living.

The editors of The Hilltop would like to congratulate the janitors on the win today; it was a much deserved win. In a recent perspective, the president of the local SEIU made a rebuttal to one of our editorials stating that she was glad to know that how few students were in support of the janitors’ protest despite The Hilltop’s best efforts. Although none of us consider their salary to be decent, they are getting what they were told they would get when they took their job offers. If they had this wage increase before taxes, then they should have sought another price of employment. Thus, we criticized the strike and encourage them to utilize the union, which has proven to be fruitful.

**Our View**

The janitor should focus more on obtaining a degree and less on raises if they seek social upward mobility.

By: Megan Moore

**“NOW IT’S OUR TURN TO SPEAK”**

Every single freshman you have wanted to cheer the General Election, but my mind was clouded with thoughts of our president, especially when the possibility of her not running for a second term rose. I wanted to vote, but I didn’t want to come on out and vote. Blacks have fought years and years to get the right to vote. I voted because I was voting beside by one of the most senior and longest workers on Howard’s campus, Walker. The two us, along with our friends, have a better harder than I ever imagined. We put all that extra effort in because we wanted to get out and vote, something we created be torn apart by something we created be torn apart by.

By: Camille Harvey

**Perspective**

What’s Your Opinion?

We encourage our readers to write letters to the Editor. Tell us what you think about the paper and its contents. We strive to produce a quality weekly with news pages that do not avoid personal bias. Please address all letters or comments to The Hilltop, 2251 Sherman Ave., NW, Washington, DC 20001. You can also e-mail us at thehilltop@hotmail.com

The Hilltop, Be Heard

**Illustration By Antijuan Jackson**

My sisath, that anstion stuff isn’t cool. I was just purchasing the sisath to save her from the death-defying acts of auctioning off her fat—I mean Nubian Queen-ness. We need to chill! Now hypothetically, say I slide you $25, what can that get me?
Its what we're about.

The MOTIVATION to give our fellow students the best that we can possibly deliver.

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-Porter
General Assembly to Vote on 4th Election; HUSA Policy Board Fails to Meet Quorum

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Despite last year's support to vote, students are feeling that this year's election is the deciding factor," Williamson said. "Getting the vote is more important to vote for us now than in the first election. This will be the deciding factor," he said.

Williamson has begun to place his emphasis on the statement. "I spoke with my professors, they want me to vote," he said.

The campaign is gearing up for another round in the 2002 elections.

"Nothing has changed, we need our supporters to come out and vote, so that we can get 51 percent. We need full support so the vote can be a true representation of the student body," Wright said.

Although the states say they are committed to continuing their run at the top HUSA seats, they do admit that their personal lives have suffered due to campaigning.

"I spoke with my professors, I told them I'm going to be in full attendance, I later told them after the run-off that I won't be involved," Williamson said.

"I have definitely suffered. This election has taken away time from my schoolwork, internship, and I have not slept," Wright said.

Although campuses have been involved in the collegiate inventors competition, the program has been designed to give 100 projects up to six prizes will be awarded. The competition will be judged by a panel of experts.

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Currently, ISAS officials are in the beginning stages of delivering the new technology. However, Thompson indicated that the technology should be able to be used in the classroom preparation.

"The computers before allowed the instructor to boot," Thompson said. "Although I am performing the same task, the new computer allows me to do it more efficiently."