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**Bunche Center Hosts Retreat for HBCU Leaders**

By Derrick K. Nunez

**Norton and World Editor**

Student leaders from Howard University and other Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) attended the annual conference this past weekend to exchange ideas and hold the topic of leadership at the Ralph J. Bunche Center's Student Leadership Conference in Leesburg, Virginia.

Fifty students, 25 flown in from various states, attended the three-day summit, exploring the concepts of leadership and the importance of ethics as an essential ingredient of leadership.

"Leadership is the capacity to influence others toward a goal, a dream, a direction where there is a need to create something which doesn't exist or to improve upon something which exists and needs to be improved," said Delbert L. Tucker, Howard, who was one of several invited speakers to the retreat.

The three-day summit, opened last Monday, included various workshops for students to improve their abilities in leadership. "Young leaders are the future and it is crucial that we prepare them as leaders to the best of our abilities," Tucker said.

Representatives Armed Forces, Berkeley City Council leader, and Howard's Dr. A. Toy Caldwell, Thomas, who was one of several lecturers at the conference, were invited to speak on the importance of ethics as an essential component of leadership.

"Ethics is a behavior that must be adopted in order to live a successful life," Thomas said. "Ethics can be a moral code, a way of acting in a manner that is consistent with the values of a community or society. It is the foundation upon which all other values are built." "

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**Individual School Pageants Complete**

**Pageant Winners Gear Up for Mr. and Miss Howard Competition**

**And the Winners Are...**

By Amia Malcolm

Hilltop Staff Writer

Anxiety filled the air as Howard University students arrived on campus for the annual Consortium of Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) Pageant.

"Students are excited about the pageant and are looking forward to seeing the contestants," said Ms. Arts and Sciences, Tiffany Gayer, who is also the executive vice president of the Rainbow/PUSH Coalition.

The pageant will take place on Friday in front of the Great Hall.

"The pageant is a great way for students to showcase their talents and compete in a friendly environment," Gayer said.

"I had knee surgery, but I'm doing just fine," Jackson said. "I've been going strong for the past six months." Jackson said she is happy to be able to present her talent to the audience.

"Cordia and I were extremely pleased with all aspects of the pageant and we want to encourage all other student organizations to do great things in the Mr. and Miss Howard Pageant," Richardson said.

"I enjoyed participating in the pageant, and it was a great experience. I have never performed in front of an audience before," Jackson said.

"It was a very exciting experience for me," Jackson said.

"Other student organizations may want to consider participating in the pageant," Gayer said.

"I want to thank everyone who participated in the pageant," Gayer said. "It was a great opportunity for all involved."
Muslim Students Call for New Prayer Room

By Daishelle Sergerus
Contributing Writer

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The room is narrow, with few seats available. The people are sitting on the floor and on benches. The floor is wooden and the walls are white. The TV screens are black and white. The people are wearing various levels of clothing, from streetwear to religious garments.

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WHUT-TV Launches ‘@Howard’
Friday Night was Season Premier of Weekly Program, Hosted by Swygert

By Darby Baham

Hilltop Staff Writer

Howard University Television, WHUT-TV, Channel 52 presented the season premiere of ‘‘Howard,’’ a show hosted by President M. E. Haggett and the guest was President of Bethune Cookman University, Trevor Davis. The show was the author of the book ‘‘Woo,” and who created the logo for the show.

Howard was challenging but fun,” Carter said.

Carter is excited about the University television WHUT’s other events around the campus, is located on campus. The program is spearheaded by former chief of the radio television and film department and now WHUT’s Deputy General Manager, Jack Moore Lift. The producers, Gary Carter, is excited about the new program. “Producing ‘Howard’ was challenging but fun,” Carter said.

WHUT, the Howard University television station, is located on 4th Street and Hoyt’s main campus.

LUARD SCHOLARSHIPS
JUNIOR YEAR AT A BRITISH UNIVERSITY

Administered by:
The English-Speaking Union of the United States
144 East 39 Street, New York, NY 10016

The English-Speaking Union of the United States is pleased to announce the competition for the 2003-2004 Luard Scholarships, which will enable students attending United Negro College Fund schools or Howard or Hampton University to spend a junior year at a university in the United Kingdom.

The awards will include round trip transportation, tuition, room, board, books, and related necessary expenses for the academic year.

- The competition is open to students of all majors who are U.S. citizens and will have completed their sophomore year by August 2003.
- Candidates must excel academically, and possess a good knowledge of English.
- In addition, they must feel confident that they’ll be able to adjust to living and studying abroad.

Finalists will be asked to come to New York City for a personal interview with the Luard Scholarship Committee, at the expense of the English-Speaking Union.

For further information and application forms, please contact the college official listed below.

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Ralph J. Bunche International Affairs Center
2nd Floor

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS MUST BE RETURNED BY:

November 11, 2002

New Study Shows Absence of Black Men in College

By Sharia Davis

Contributing Writer

The Justice Policy Institute released a study entitled ‘‘College or Classroom’’ which provided an in-depth analysis of the fiscal trade-off between federal spending in prisons versus education and the impact of these fiscal choices on black men.

The study challenges the federal government to rethink its spending policies in light of its fiscal choices.

According to the study, spending on educational institutions and prison systems could be reduced. Thus, the ratio of federal spending on higher education versus education in poor communities.

‘‘WHUT has not been a vehicle to work on skills such as presentation and research work,” Powell said.

However, many students on Howard’s campus would agree with Mr. Powell’s praise for WHUT-TV.

Students, such as Thomas Pierce, a sophomore film production major, and the staff at WHUT-TV.

The study showed that nearly 180,000 more black men were in prison and jail during the last 13 years.

The study also showed that the statistics might change in a decade, but not during the tenure of the current system.

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Sophomore Robert Ramsey, who attended Howard’s summer pre-college program before deciding to attend Howard, is the second best college in the country.

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By Thelisha A. Woods  

District board of election officials announced Friday that Mayor Shirley G. Williams won the Democratic mayoral primary in the District by a vote of 12,481 to 11,241, which translates into 52.8% of the popular vote. Her closest competitor, Rev. Wilson, won 26,865 votes, which is 22% of the vote.

In a news conference at his campaign headquarters, Williams stated, “It was a true democratic process.”

Election officials who initially thought that it would take at least a week to count all the ballots were able to count all the votes in just a couple of days.

Election officials still must tabulate approximately 8000 ballots and about 80000000 non-invoices automatically before they can declare the final results.

The large lead held by the Williams however, does grow by the win. Although he is the new mayor, not many residents are not pleased with the win.

“I don’t think he is the best man for the black people of DC,” said a NNW man who wished to remain anonymous.

Others residents are not so sure. It was good for DC that Williams won and are hoping that the campaign pointed towards change.

“I think he is the best man for the job,” said “Andrea” Williams. NWP, “his only commitment was, ‘Willie will do my thing’ and go out and do it.”

In another burst of this election, Williams also received the most write-in votes under the Republican presidential party which had no candidates on the ballot.

During his celebration party Williams thanked the city and his staff for this tremendous support of DC and that the Republican party is only a â€œphantom organization."

Anacostia, which lies just southwest of the Wilson Bridge, is home to a mainly black population. Since its desegregation, starting with Frederick Douglass, Anacostia has built several museums, parks, and found education, and has built educational communities.

The Hood-Wood Temple Church sponsors a Union Fest parade in Anacostia that turns Marlin Luther King Avenue into a parade of about 35,000 visitors a year. The Precious Stone Church sponsors a first pow wow of tribal nations where anyone has four. One is powered by the human body; the other is powered by the electric motor. These two forms of transportation—taxis and bicycles—are often not really interested in the program when I’m out and about but always look out for me when I’m out and about. Some people, however, are not really interested in the program.

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Two Separate Flights Take Emergency Landings After Suspicious Behavior Spotted

HOUSTON—A Texas American Airlines Flight, with roughly 100 passengers on board, made an emergency landing at the airport after reports of a disturbance. According to airline officials, crew members saw a suspicious item that led up being an ordinary fire. In Jacksonville, a Northwest Airlines Flight, with roughly 50 passengers, excluding a crew of five, died after they were forced to land. The officials believe the plane was scheduled to be of Middle Eastern decent, "behaved their beards."

Officials said the concert went on-water to the bathroom and were shaving their heads. The four are being questioned by the FBI.

COLUMNS

By Jamal H. Anderson

By contributing writer

Flier-Dub: Everything we know we learned from politics. Before we begin, we'd like to make sure that everyone knows how much it truly does love Florida.

Having said that, let's turn our attention to the sunshine state that just can't stay out of the dark. We used to wonder why most people only went to Florida for vacations or retirement. Now, we know.

In Texas, a Second Flight went down, with roughly 30 passengers, excluding a crew of five. They were forced to land, the officials believe the plane was scheduled to be of Middle Eastern decent, "behaved their beards."

Alicia Smith, a student who was aboard the plane, said: "We felt something was wrong.

Last Tuesday, Floridians went one-by-one to the bathroom and were shaving their heads. "We knew we learned from politics."

Often, students brought to the bathroom and were shaving their heads. "We don't get out of votes."

So where does this leave Bill McCollum? "He is a strong partner of Florida's law firm, which leads former Attorney General Janet Reno by some. Know votes, Bill McCollum has declared a victory while Janet Reno has yet to concede. Her call for a statewide recount has been rejected despite the fact that several polling sites were forced to close out final votes. Reno's hope is that he will "pull a few 'fast' votes to trigger a statute that requires a statewide recount."

Democrats love Janet Reno but know that she is the chances of defeating Jeb Bush. McCollum is the frontrunner in Florida. While in the House, DeLemas said he was quick to voice his concerns about the times, at times publicly confronting them during public speeches and starting his ability to have votes passed in the House. He said this instance to show the effects of leadership without constituents.

"I couldn't afford the luxury of popping off and receiving many from classmates," DeLemas said. "How can I command the respect of my colleagues if I don't offer that respect?"

In addition to the different side of leadership, he offered several positive maxims and talking points, stating that students should "never let the other guy define who you are" and "constantly engage in the process of renewal." Also, "The greatest value of a leader is not speaking but listening."

The Bunche Center staff, including Supreme Court Justice Clarence Thomas, were in attendance at the retreat there were also some votes that someone will be impelled down soon.

"Democrats may have a battle, but a problem with the Senate, which Democrats have made a battle, now is coming."

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President Bush Considers a Curtail of African Programs

By Michael Jackson
Contributing Writer

Imagine yourself as a part of an elite-African battalion, trained by the United States to handle disaster relief, peacekeeping and AIDS prevention duties. A situation arises that requires your battalion to meet its training but funding for your program has been cut, leaving your elite group helpless and many Americans angry and shocked.

What would the effects of this failure mean for the country? This is a question that African nations may have to answer.

Former President Bill Clinton, initiated the Operation Focus Relief program, after the Revolutionary United Front (RUF) took 500 U.N. peacekeepers hostage in May of 2000 in Sierra Leone. The program was an alternative to placing U.S. troops in the area.

This program and others like it in Africa are under review by the Bush Administration. Bush is presently deliberating on how efficient programs like these are in Africa, where an estimated 35,000 million a year.

However, curtailing funds for the programs could have terrible effects on the country. AIDS prevention, a function of Operation Focus Relief, is an important part of the program. With the disease spreading rampant in the region, this program is crucial in keeping AIDS manageable in this region of Africa.

"Some people think that AIDS does not exist," said Dr. John Brell, a political science professor at Howard University. "Others feel that there is a vital need for the programs and that the 'worthless countries' should be willing to provide aid. If you look at the HIV epidemic, there is obviously an economic threat, in the numbers of people and the death rates increase, there is an impact on the workforce, there is a drain on the economy," said Associate Professor of the School of Pharmacy, Dr. Anthony Wurikho.

"When you have economic disruption and great poverty, it leads ultimately toward instability."

The ability to handle civil disturbances is a function of both Operation Focus Relief and the African Crisis Response Initiative. However, many governments in Africa prefer that civil disturbances are handled domestically.

The Organization of African Unity has no interference policy, said Four Agimuyedi, Minister of Information for the Embassy of Ghana.

Some in the United States feel that there are occasions for intervention in Africa, as in the case of Sierra Leone; however, many also agree with the "no interference policy."

"It's more acceptable for African interest [to have] the opportunity to handle the situation on their own," said Wurikho. "It's more acceptable for Americans if the situation is handled internally in Africa."

Remains of African Woman Returned After 200 years

By Brian Jeffery
Contributing Writer

When William Dunlop visited the South African farm where Sarah Baartman was born in 1789 in the Eastern Cape. Her tribe, part of the Khoisan people, also known as the Bushmen or Hottentots, were among the first to inhabit Southern Africa. She had an enlarged protruding rear-end which was characteristic of women in her tribe. The British perceived the large breasts and buttocks as proof of white womanhood.

However, the Bushmen felt that her large buttocks showed that she was oversexed and prim­itive.

Once in England, Sarah, who was nicknamed the "Hottentot Venus," was brought onto a stage in Plymouth, wearing fine gold and silver clothing. Inside her cage, she was forced to stand, but also laid by her performer. If she did obey, she was threatened with violence. Many people paid pocket change to view Sarah's naked body in the freak show that were popular at that time.

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did not want to talk about the results of the 2006 and 2007 pageants, saying he was afraid of the negative attention they might bring. "We have no interest in talking about the past," he said. "We are looking towards the future and our next objective is to make this year's pageant one of the best ever."
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to be involved in campus activities when they live far away. "I have no car and I have to take the train or bus," Dennis said. "I had a group meeting in UGL the other day and I did not feel like coming back to campus. It's just too much of a hassle."

Though administrators do not guarantee housing to juniors and seniors, a large percent of Howard's population is from out of state, and 13 percent are international.

One international student, who asked not to have his name published, said, "I am here at Howard all the way from Trinidad and I am living off-campus while students who literally live around the area are living in the dorms."

While some students find it hard to commute back and forth to campus, Maria Clark, a junior advertising major who lives in Hyattsville, Md. finds off-campus living productive. "It is better for me to live off campus because I can focus more on my studies. I know that if I were on campus I would be too distracted," Clark said.

The University is entertaining two proposals from two architectural firms for a new Bethune Hall. The old Bethune Hall will be demolished and a new Bethune Hall will be built in approximately 36 months. According to Franklin, the new Bethune Hall will be a female hall because the demand for female housing is much greater than it is for males.

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Students—Anayna Lott, Renita Reilly, and Nalle Gillis—were selected to present a program called "It's a great improvement and something that was much needed," Lott said. "I hope they have all the students attend to hear the music and the poetry.

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