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Security officers hope new contract will end old problems

By Melissa E. James Hilltop Staff Writer

After months of protest and a year of uncontracted employment, Howard University Campus Police officers are anxiously awaiting what they hope will be the answer to their problems - a contract

The University police union, Metropolitan Special Police Officers' Federation, has been fighting for the benefits of the officers Since their contract expired Sept. 10, 1992.

Although a new contract is expected to be signed by the officers, some officers still say that it does not completely meet all of their demands.

"If the University is under the impression that after the contract is signed all problems will be satisfied, it is wrong. If certain safety and security deficiencies are not corrected, you will see us protesting again," said Union President Michael Henson.

Some of the officers' safety and security concerns include the lack of adequate equipment, vehicles and manpower.

"Howard University is located in the second highest crime district in Washington, D.C. Our officers are in more danger than officers at other college campuses in D.C.," Henson said.

In 1991.13 robberies were reported at Howard University, while two robberies were reported at The Catholic University of America and no robberies were reported at The American University, according to statistics from the Division of Student Affairs.

Also in 1991, there were 10 auto thefts at Howard, four auto thefts at American and seven at Catholic.

"In the past nine months, we've had an abundance of robberies, thefts and two murders at close proximity to campus," said Daniel Marks, special police officer and federation representative to the University Board of Trustees .

The new contract, if signed, would give the officers new equipment and pay raises.

"If you compare the proposed salaries of our officers with the salaries of campus police officers at other campuses, our officers should be paid more," Henson said.

According to University Security Director Lawrence Dawson the average salary for an unarmed officer under the new contract would be \$17,237. The average salary for an armed officer would be \$21,715. All salaries would be retroactive to Sept.11, 1992.

Officers at American University, all of whom are unarmed, make an average of \$18,000 per year. Catholic's officers, also unarmed, make about \$19,000.

Henson said the contract should be signed within a week. Even though the contract may alleviate some of the security officers' problems, Some officers say it may not change the strained relationship between the officers and the University administration.

"It seems like the administration doesn't care about our concerns," said one University officer who did not wish to be identified. "It seems like they are just playing games with us."





photo by Chuck Emory

Jay "Sky" Walker (#7) completed 19 of 38 passes, for 296 yards.

By Andrea Williams Hilltop Staff Writer

Amidst dropped balls, poor tackling, missed field goals, a barrage of penalties and even an incident in which a ball boy had to be helped off the field, somehow the Bison football team managed to start off its season with

They handily defeated Division II Virginia Union University in front of a crowd of 12,189 at Greene stadium. The final score

From a fan's point of view, the game was very entertaining. The Bison defense managed to rack up nine sacks, four of those by defensive end Anthony Richards, who credited his defensive line teammates with his suc-

"[It was] the interior defensive line, Jose White, Aaron Kinchen, and Mike Sanders, who were forcing the quarterback to roll out of the pocket and made it easier for me to get

the sacks," Richards said.

The Bison defense began to take its toll on Virginia Union quarterback Donald Ruffin, who after about the fourth sack, appeared to be a little shaken up. For much of the fourth quarter, Union installed the revolving door at the quarterback position, as Ruffin and backup quarterback Roderick Williams took turns on the field.

Bison stomp over Virginia

Union in comedy of errors

"We've got some guys who can get to the quarterback," said Bison Head Coach Steve Wilson, "Jose White and Anthony Richards are probably two of the best that you'll see at this level. We'll definitely be a good passrush team."

Offensively, quarterback Jay "Sky" Walker had a promising start for the new season. The second-year starter completed 19 of 38 passes, for 296 yards. But Walker, who passed for two touchdowns, also threw two intercep-

"It was just first-game jitters," said receiv-

er Clarence Rouhlac. "We have to get the nervousness out of our system."

The Bison scoring began when Walker found Gary "Flea" Harrell wide open in the end zone for the first of two touchdown passes. His second touchdown pass came when Walker connected with Terrill Hill from 17 yards out. It was Hill's first career touchdown reception.

In the backfield, fullback Rupert Grant rushed for 46 yards and one touchdown. Most of Grant's runs demonstrated pure athleticism, as he knocked over some defenders, while crushing others on his way to picking up yardage.

Wide receiver James Cunningham showed a little fancy footwork, as he ran 15 yards for a fourth quarter touchdown. Junior running back Phil Simpson fielded a Union kick-off and ran it back 81 yards, only to be caught from behind by a Union defender who stripped the ball away. The ball was recovered in the end zone by Virginia for a touchback.

The Bison kicking game belonged to two freshmen, as place kicker Jason Decuir and punter Ruben Ruiz made their college football debuts. Ruiz, whose first punt was 51 yards, averaged 33.2 yards on the day.

"I was nervous," Ruiz said. "As a freshman, there is a lot of pressure to do well." He added that he took all of his nervous energy and put it into the ball.

Coach Wilson wanted Decuir, who was two for five in field goals, to do a lot of kicking in this game.

"The guys had some jitters and I wanted them to have plenty of work today," Wilson said. "We're happy about their play, and we're going to stick with them."

The Bison have this week off, but will return to Greene Stadium next Saturday, as they play host to Winston-Salem State University. Kick-off is scheduled for 1 p.m.

Bethune Addition may lead to closing of Sutton and Eton

By Melissa James Hilltop Staff Writer

The addition to the Mary McCloud Bethune Hall is expected to open next fall. When it does, however, two of Howard's satellite dormitories may close.

In an effort to relocate its students onto the main campus, Howard University is planning to close Eton Towers and/or Sutton Plaza in order to fill the new dormitory. The proposed closings have upset some current residents of these two dorms.

"A lot of people like being off campus. They don't like to get up everyday and see the same buildings," Eton Towers resident Marie Campbell said.

"It's nice that (the Bethune addition) is close to campus, but a lot of us work downtown and it's easier for us to get downtown," sophomore Eton Towers resident Kesha Alston added.

According to Dean of Residence Life William Keene, Howard will decide whether to close one or both of the dormitories when the housing office receives an estimate number of university housing requests. If a certain number of students requests housing for the 1994-1995 school year, both dormitories will be closed. The decision is expected in the spring.

"I don't believe they're going to close because I've heard this on and off for the past 15 years,"

said Sutton Plaza receptionist Janet Dillard. "The university has inadequate housing. The two halls at the Quad are not going to be renovated in a year. So with those two halls closed and Eton and Sutton closed, there is not going to be enough housing."

When it opens, the Bethune Addition will house approximately 588 students in its two wings. It has not yet been been decided whether it will be single sex or coed. If the dorm is coed, male and female residents will be divided by wings, floors or suites, Keene said.

The suite arrangements will vary. Some suites will consist of two double rooms with a bathroom. Other suites will be made of two doubles with a single room and a bathroom. And others will be composed of a single room, a double room and a bathroom.

Some of the modern amenities to be featured in the new dorm include dining facilities, a state of the art security system and three meeting areas. Also, each wing will have a study area and a

DAKA Inc., the company that provides the current cafeteria service, would provide the food service for the new dormitory.

The addition has not yet been officially titled. According to Keene, the University Board of Trustees will choose a name in the near future.

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CAFETERIA CONFLICTS: Freshmen and football team members attempt to solve the dispute over seating in the cafeteria. A2

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"One's work may be finished some day, but one's education, never."
--Alexandre Dumas



"The Black Cowboys" ride up Georgia Avenue on horses as they participate in the 11th annual Georgia Day parade. Some of these men were representatives of the Madness Connection, a T-shirt business on Georgia Avenue and others worked at the Washington Gas Company. Councilman Frank Smith, Jr. began the carnival festivies and the parade in an effort to promote

minority business and the whole Georgia Avenue business corridor. Uniting the community with the businesses, the organizers hoped to encourage the whole Washington, D.C. Metropolitan area to support the businesses on Georgia Avenue.

Photo by Ayoka Campbell

CAMPUS

Classes continue despite construction disruptions Prolonged campus renovations frustrate students, faculty members

Hilltop Staff Writer

Loud machinery, scorching hot classrooms and the stench of molten asphalt plague students and faculty alike, as renovation work continues in Fredrick Douglass Hall and the C.B. Powell Building.

Class instruction continues despite the absence of floor tiles and air conditioners in Douglass. And some hallways and door entrances have been reduced to unsightly slabs of brick, plaster and concrete. Some faculty members who have classes or offices in the 58-year-old building said they believe classes should not be held there.

One faculty member who works in Douglass, but asked to remain anonymous said,

"I feel we shouldn't be in the building. It's not comfortable, there is no air, it's hot and there is so much dust. The third floor looks the worse."

Dr. Olive Taylor, who also questions the untimely repairs, agreed. "It's just one grand and glorious mess. What have they been doing

all summer?" the history professor asked.

Construction workers are building a new roof on the C.B. Powell Building. Phillip Artin, director of Planning and Development, said the size of the building makes the task an immense one. Extending two blocks, the building houses the School of Communications, among other facilities.

While roofers build, tar fumes rise. Edward Pinkard of the Office of Physical Facilities Management said that the recent trend of hot weather intensifies the fumes. As a result, the fumes penetrate the building through the ventilation system, he added.

The fumes also pose a health hazard to some. Some of the staff and student body have gotten sick as a result of the fumes, according to Dr. Bishetta Merritt, Radio/TV/Film Department chairwoman. She said three people have been hospitalized and treated for fume

"Everyone is different and responds in different ways to certain situations," Merritt said.

"Some can handle it better than others. I'm worried about the safety issue."

Television production major Danielle Thompson takes classes in the building and, like many other students, wishes the work had been completed earlier.

"The work should have been taken care of over the summer, but if it has to be done, then it has to be done," Thompson, a senior, said.

Although most of the major demolition was done during the summer, Artin said the summer months were not ample time to complete the renovation projects.

According to Pinkard, there is no specific completion date set. He further explained that productivity is impeded when people are present within a building that is under renovation. When a building is vacant, the work can be completed with ease, he added.

But neither Douglass nor C.B. Powell can be vacated during the school year. In addition to housing classroom and office space, the two facilities contain numerous services that cannot be con-



Unfinished renovations leave gaping holes and other eyesores in Douglass Hall.

veniently relocated for any extended period of time.

"The students and faculty will have to bear with us," Pinkard said. "We apologize for any inconvenience.'

Tolerating the hassles of construction will be well worth it in

Financial Aid foul-ups cause

the end, for the renovations are a benefit to the Howard community, Artin said. He added that the work is in the best interest of the Howard community and brings the campus up to modern stan-

"It takes a lot of time and

money and we've done a lot this ire summer," the Planning and Development Director said, "There" buildings might not look nice. now, but when they are finished you will be proud of them."

IN MEMORIAM

The Hillrop joins the Bailey family and friends as THEY MOURN THE loss of

Gail Elizabeth Bailey WHO WAS FATALLY INJURED IN A CAR ACCIDENT IN Delaware, September 1, 1993.

BORN JUNE 18, 1972, IN BRONX, NEW YORK, GAIL WAS A SENIOR IN THE School of Aris & Sciences. She loved music and aspired to be an attorney. Gail is survived by HER SON, PARENTS, GRANDMOTHER AND SIX

The Bailey family has exhabished a scholarship in Gall's memory Commitmions may be sent to Gil and Par Balley 146-54 229th St. Rosedale, Ny 11422

siblings.

Ambassadors promote Howard, serve community

By Tanya Barrett Hilltop Staff Writer

Five Howard University students are dedicating their services to the Office of Student Recruitment by volunteering for a unique organization - the Howard University Student Ambassador Program.

Since 1976, student ambassadors have contributed their time and talents in an effort to build Howard's student enrollment. They not only give college tours, but also attend national college fairs, travel to high schools and make promotional appearances in magazines and on television.

In addition, they go back to their hometowns and talk to students at their old high schools and other area high schools.

"We are like salesmen," Donald Crawford, an executive board member, said. "We recruit students for a quality education."

Under the direction of Vicki Little, coordinator for On Campus Visitation, members of the executive board of the Student Ambassadors include Crawford, Melba Nicholson, Stephen Powell, Jamal Jones and Steve Talley.

The five generally spend 15 hours each week giving campus tours year round, assembling Howard information packets, speaking to children, entertaining senior citizens and performing

other general office duties, Crawford explained.

Last year, the organization began a telemarketing campaign in which ambassadors called 3,000 to 4,000 students who had either applied to or been accepted by Howard. They answered the students' questions and invited them to visit the campus.

Student ambassadors feel that their organization does not get the gredit it deserves. They say their recruiting efforts help bring new students, and hence, new money. They also believe their work is unfairly overshoadowed by that of the Campus Pals.

"Campus Pals have students to orient because we bring them in," Sharmin Moten, an alumnus and former student ambassador, said. 'We have less people and are less equipped but have a bigger function than they do."

Students from grade school to high school visit Howard's campus, according to ambassador Steve Tally. "We meet the students first-hand, and we are their first impression," Talley, a senior broadcast journalism major, said.

Melba Nicholson has been a student ambassador for one and a half years. 'T became one because I like giving tours around the campus and I like trying to convince people to come to Howard," Nicholson said. "I like coming in contact with people."

pain, problems and poverty financial aid and work-study for By LaWanda Stone Hilltop Staff Writer this academic year-but not without some difficulty. When The woes of Howard students

who apply for financial aid sound a loud and all too familiar cry. Students often find that their applications are misplaced or not mailed to lenders.

For Colin Debose, a junior in the School of Fine Arts, trips to the Financial Aid Office in the Administration Building have not been pleasant.

Debose said he applied for a student loan for the spring semester of 1993. When he registered, his loan appeared on the financial print-out as "pendingaid" and he was validated without any problems.

During the spring semester, Debose discovered that the bank never received his application for the loan, which was his primary source of tuition money.

"I was given a bill out of nowhere and had to pay this money out of my pocket because the Financial Aid Office never sent my loan papers to the bank," Debose said.

Debose must pay his tuition in addition to the numerous late fees that were added to his account. "I should not be responsible for their mistake," he said.

Experiencing this kind of hardship is not uncommon for university students.

Jane Doe, who wishes to remain anonymous for fear of further financial trouble, received

the time came to fill out the Free Application for Federal Student

Aid 1993-1994, she turned it in

before the deadline last semester.

"I received a letter in June which stated that my tentative \$9,000," the political science major said.

Doe contacted the Financial Aid Office to check up on her financial status.

This time, I talked to someone who said that I only had \$900 in aid. The person on the phone told me not to worry about it and that my papers were probably stacked on someone's desk because they were behind in processing aid for the fall," Doe said.

Doe called the office a month later to see if her papers had surfaced. They had not.

When she returned to school in August, Doe spoke with an advisor in the Financial Aid Office who confirmed she had been awarded \$900.

"I did not understand how they could go from giving me work-study and grants last year. to giving me \$900 this year. After telling me to calm down, the advisor retrieved my file," Doe said.

realized that all of Doe's papers

that her financial troubles were the result of computer error, Doe

Doe said the "computer error" was traced down to a zero. What read \$900 pending aid was actually supposed to have read \$9,000. After prolonged frustraended the problem. Doe was immediately validated and is attending classes.

A representative for the Financial Aid Office commented on how such a mistake could

"Just like any other business you are going to have a bad apple. It is up to you to keep up on your financial status. Sometimes we have 1000 papers floating around here and it is not our policy to lose people's papers," the representative said.

In addition to learning of misplaced applications or of applications not being mailed, many students find it difficult to receive any amount of financial aid.

According to The Student Guide, published by the United States Department of Education, federal student aid programs are based on the idea that parents have the primary responsibility of paying for their children's education.

This made it difficult for When the financial aid officer Bobby Caballero, a junior majoring in psychology, whose parents

were accounted for, she told Doe do not pay for his college has

"I am the first to go to collegen a in my family and it is hard when ap you have to struggle," Caballero Because he is working two:

part-time jobs and attending school full-time, Caballero isi aid for the entire 1993-1994 tion, the signature of Financial said to be making too much school year at Howard would be Aid Director Adrianne Price money for an individual with norm dependents. For this reason, hen received no financial aid from the univeristy.

"I could not pay rent, tuition. food and books on my salary," Caballero said. "Maybe I could have survived if I lived in a room that was \$100 a month, but you could not find that at any college."

Eventually Caballero found assistance through the tuition refund policy at Federal Express where he is now employed part-

"My job gives me \$2000 a the end of the school year when show them receipts for the money I have paid for my tuition. It makes me sad to know that everyone who struggled like I did does not have the opportunity that my job has given me, Caballero said.

Students without benefits are advised by the Office of Student Financial Assistance Programs within the Department of Education to go to their institution's Financial Aid Office for assistance.

Freshmen attempt to resolve cafeteria conflicts with football team members By Miakoda Schultz J. Blackburn Center. Both

Hilltop Staff Writer

It happens at the beginning of every school year, Freshmen and football players fight over cafeteria territory. This year, a freshmen task force hopes to resolve the problems and improve relations between the two conflicting groups.

During the first week of school, there were two arguments in front of the Armour incidents resulted in physical altercations pitting freshmen and football players against each other.

The fights, which occurred on the same evening, prompted the residents of Drew Hall to meet. One meeting attendant said the room was filled with "a lot of emotion and strong feelings." By the end of the night, a 10-member task force was established to address freshmen concerns.

"We understand that (cafe- channels to solve problems," teria conflict) has been going Campbell said. "A letter wil on for a long time, but it is be sent to the coaching staff our intention to follow and administration. The through with (the task force)," freshman task force member Tim Campbell said.

of the group is to represent the residents of Drew Hall and other freshmen who are upset with some of the actions of football players.

"We are trying to communicate with the necessary

response to the letter will determine further action."

But some students feel that Campbell said the purpose there is no problem to resolve.

"I think that the football players get more respect, but they are not superior to any one else," freshman football

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CAMPUS PLUS

New ROTC director looking for a few good Howardites

By Rhonda Holloway Hilltop Staff Writer

Howard University's new director of Air Force ROTC, Lt. Col. Daryl B. Umstead, defies all stereotypes of military personnel. Serving as both head of the department and professor of Aerospace studies at the university, he spoke candidly about his desires to develop strong leaders and the unlimited opportunities available to students in the ROTC.

Umstead participated in the ROTC program during his undergraduate years at North Carolina A&T, where he received a bachelor of science degree in 1972. He also graduated with a master of administration in 1982 from Pepperdine University in California.

In addition, Umstead previously headed a North Atlantic Treaty Organization Depot Group, for three years in

While in undergraduate school, a two year mandatory ROTC course (a requirement sparked by the Vietnam War) would eventually finance his college education and ultimately qualify him to serve in top leadership positions in the ROTC.

"I have had some challenging jobs, seen the world and have worked with some wonderful people," Umstead said. "That's what makes my work all worthwhile."

According to Umstead, his positive experiences in ROTC make him want to expose students to the rich legacy and an opportunity to receive a debtfree education at the university.

"I think that we have a lot to offer young college students because not only are we a military organization, but it's a big business," Umstead said.

Umstead has two new members added to his staff:



Luke Richards, professor of Aerospace studies and Benjamin Taylor, a noncommission officer in charge of personnel. Although Umstead and some of his staff are new, his message is obviously being

"I feel that ROTC has been a good experience in leadership. Col. Umstead is very down-to-earth and informative," Cadet 2nd Lt. Craig said. "Most importantly, he ty. stresses that we do our best in class, as well as in the Air from college and are commis-Force ROTC."

are focusing on trying to bring the ROTC program back to the said.

and influx of Howard students, we are definitely turning the program more back to campus, career with the Air Force as Tuskegee and A&T have," Cadet Maj.Garfield Peart, a senior architecture design and

planning major said. "We would like to have the same reputation for turning out large numbers of African-American officers."

According to Umstead, ROTC is actively seeking qualified students to join the team at the university. He says the military procures a multi-million dollar weapons system, which means trained individuals are needed for purchasing, manag-Allen, a junior history major, ing and operation of this activi-

"As soon as you graduate sioned as a second lieutenant, In addition, staff members you are automatically put into a leadership position," Umstead

To students who are interest-"With the new leadership ed in the ROTC, Umstead offers this advice.

"Be open minded about a ROTC. It's exciting, challenging...and it's guaranteed," he added with a smile.

Howard's community paper strives for new look

By Staci Hill Hilltop Staff Writer

For more than a decade, The Community News has gone beyond the walls of Howard University and into the surrounding community. The weekly publication has changed, and although its focus hasn't, the staff hopes that the response to the paper will.

The Community News is a new and improved publication, according to Editor in Chief Tanika White. And this year, the staff is working harder than ever to improve relations between the metropolitan area and Howard University.

In May, journalism professor Michael Tucker became the News' faculty advisor with hopes of molding the publication into a newspaper that every one can relate to. Since then, he said the staff has been working to produce a more organized, informative and even more community-based newspaper.

"I want to broaden the scope to make the paper more successful. We have a unique mission and that is to get outside to report what's in the community. We have a new staff who is excited and we want to exploit their tal-

said.

To better address the Myers said. concerns of Howard students assistance from both. People writers, photographers and for advertisers Community News.

"I want the paper to be a sponge. There's a space for health and education feaeveryone," Tucker said.

advisor to the advertising department, said he wants to the circulation of the newspaper to insure maintenance of a steady profit.

"I think The Community News is an excellent comit reaches the community and the student body." Myers said.

Advertisement has been expanded to promote different African-American businesses throughout the D.C. area. The Metro Market, the U Street Up and Coming. the New Kennedy Street and the H Street Market are new equipment. Tucker added advertisers in Community News.

"We will have a weekly listing of African-American businesses, so there will be Kaggwa, founder of The

ents," the faculty advisor no more excuses to spend money in white places,"

Other upcoming addiand community members, tions to The Community the staff plans to solicit News include features in health and education and are encouraged to become weekly pictorials. The staff wants to improve the quality The of news and modernize the quality of photography.

According to Tucker, the tures will be guides for bet-Roy Myers, the faculty ter living. The pictorials will consist of an array of different pictures highlighting broaden the reach of the some of the picturesque weekly paper. He monitors aspects of the metropolitan

within the confines of limited resources. Photographs municating vehicle because had to be professionally developed, and there were few cameras and even fewer rolls of film available to photographers.

Now, thanks to the availabilty of a dark room, staff photographers can develop their own film and do so with a continuously increasing supply of photography will be enhanced by up-todate graphic design.

However, Dr. Lawrence

Community News, feels the paper is not doing the job it was established to do.

"The Community News was suppose to be a high quality paper, and that is not what it is," Kaggwa said. "The Community News of three years ago and the paper this year are different in quality. The physical difference of the paper three years ago looked professional and the content was professional."

Despite the founders words, the newspaper staff believes the upcoming changes will help boost the low readership. Some stu-In the past. The dents feel the newspaper Community News operated does not look interesting enough to capture the eye of a potential reader.

"The blue, black and gray front page format is dull and does not grab your attention. There are no eye catching stories," junior Karol Knox said.

Other students say the newspaper completely fails to target Howard students.

"The paper seems to be geared toward older people. even though it's run by stu-The that the paper's appearance dents." Tracie Hunter, a Howard University graduate

> But Managing Editor Kristin Vaughan hopes students will give The Community News a second

"It would be nice to be supported by the students. I hope more Howard students pick up a copy," she said.

This month with HUSA...

- * Sept. 13 Self Defense Workshop
- * Sept. 20 Black Business Directory Distribution
- * Sept. 20 Scholarship Data Bank
- * Sept. 24 Rally on the Yard
- * Sept. 25 Community Day (African Market Place)
- Sept. 29 Awake Lecture Series

Rally could bridge student concerns with HUSA's answers

By Derricke M. Dennis Hilltop Staff Writer

In an effort to stay in touch with the students it serves, the Howard University Student Association is staging its second 'Issue Awareness' rally today at noon on "the Yard."

According to HUSA President Terri Wade, the purpose of the rally is to enlighten students about important campus-related issues and HUSA's response to those issues.

"We will talk again about the international student surcharge, parking on campus and other issues that directly affect the Howard community," Wade said.

The rally comes at a time when members of Howard's international student population are voicing concerns about the congressionallymandated 50 percent tuition surcharge they have been burdened with since the 1990-1991 academic year.

In addition, with the recent purchase of the Wonder Plaza, the university has obtained 150 new parking spaces located in the rear of the building. The lot previously provided hourly parking for

patrons of the area, and students feel that it could play a pivotal role in easing the demand for on-campus park-

Other issues to be discussed at the rally include the addition of a shuttle stop at the Howard Plaza Towers, and campus security, which is of great importance to students in light of the recent shootings that have occurred on campus in the last two months.

But according to HUSA Vice President Reginald X. providing a forum for current issues only scratches the surface of what this and other HUSA rallies are geared toward.

"We (HUSA) are trying to change the mind-set of the students from a feeling of not knowing where they fit in, to becoming directly involved in the changes that need to take place," X said.

The vice president continued to stress the need for student involvement. "We've come to a point where we cannot depend on the administration and others to put things into focus for us," said X. "We (the students) have to be the problem solvers and masters of our disciplines."

New to The HILLTOP ...

By George Holmes Hilltop Graduate Liaison

The HILLTOP and the Office of the Graduate Student Liaison is introducing a new feature to the Campus page.

The graduate liaison is responsible for initiating and maintaining communications between all members of the Howard University community and the graduate body. Duties include implementation of programs and activities that will foster, cultivate and support the academic endeavors of the graduate body. The mission is to be an ear and a voice in this

elected position.

Each week, an article from the Office of the Graduate Student Liaison will be featured in The HILLTOP. This article will include issues and ous graduate schools. Therefore, graduate students of Law, Medicine, Optometry, Divinity, other Graduate Schools are Newsletter: strongly encouraged to submit relevant topics. Holmes, M.A., M. DIV., comments and suggestions to the office. The graduate Center, suite 102 liaison will then compile the material and present it (202) 806-7007 or (202) in our weekly feature arti- 806-7008 cle in The HILLTOP. In

addition, the Graduate Liaison Office welcomes any suggestions for innovative programs and activities that will benefit the graduate community.

The HILLTOP and voice concerns of the vari- the Office of the Student Liaison are committed to including the news and concerns of the graduate students. Please submit Nursing, Dentistry and articles to the Graduate

George E. 0/0 H.U. Blackburn

Office numbers.

Freshmen tackle cafeteria seating dispute said these arguments school year began. Team

FOOTBALL, from A2

According to Larkins, the football players prefer to sit together after practice to discuss plays and other topics concerning the sport. Larkins added that the team is like any other group of friends who want to sit together.

Head Football Coach Steve Wilson said there is nothing unusual about the feelings displayed among the students. He

occur every year at the members were told to player Chad Larkins beginning, but as the avoid problems that year progresses, the tension decreases. "I was at Howard in

> It is just like any other fights year," Wilson said

and Howard security about this issue and has recognize that certain taken strong actions to actions are intolerable. prevent these kinds of Larkins said the football things from occurring, coaching staff warned Security the team about the tradi- Lawrence Dawson said. tional cafeteria seating conflicts before the

might arise as a result of cafeteria seating. Security is also aware of 1975 and we had the the football staff' same things happening, effort to prevent the "The football]

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Parking 001

chased Wonder Plaza. Dormitories and other the police will have the car booted. buildings on campus are being renovated, along with other construction on this campus to be completed. Now, if students can only find a place to park.

There are some students at Howard who are lucky enough - well, maybe not so lucky-to have automobiles, but the main problem they face concerning their personal transportation is that they don't know where to park. For a university that has approximately 10,000 students, it is surprising that there is not enough parking spaces to accommodate at least half of them.

In order to get parking spaces, students must participate in a lottery just so they can be able to pay for a space for the year. Those who aren't lucky enough to get a space still have a problem.

The D.C. police aren't merciful to Howard students either. Students can get parking tickets for a variety of reasons, not just parking in front of a fire hydrant. An open invitation for a parking ticket that many students are unaware of is parking too close to a stop sign or an intersection.

pay the ticket as soon as possible. If there is to happen?

Howard University has just pur- an accumulation of three unpaid tickets, then

Off-campus students with cars can purchase residential parking permits from the city that would help cut down the amount of tickets a student would get during the

Finding parking here is like a tricky game, and one would definitely have to learn how to play quickly, or else they could lose a lot of money. You have to be able to read the parking signs and know what they mean. If you park at a meter and are in classes for three to four hours, you may have to run to your car between classes just to put three to four quarters in the meter.

Along with the Wonder Plaza that Howard has purchased, there is a parking lot behind the building with a capacity of 150 parking spaces, but it is undecided who will be able to use it. From the students' points of view the decision would unanimously be to make the parking lot available just for students.

One solution to the parking problem is to car pool, but who wants to depend on someone to take them somewhere? Another Another reason people get parking solution is to become dependent on the tickets is by parking on a residential street in Metro, which is usually adequate, but what's the afternoon. Whether a person lives on the point of using it if you have a car? The that street or not doesn't really matter to University needs to create more parking them. The best thing for the student to do is spaces for students. But when is that going

Help or Hinderance?

promising to Americans who want to be employed. NAFTA is an agreement where a loss of jobs create more? businesses can have their products manufactured in Mexico, which is a low income country, for a cheaper price, Mexican workto American workers. The problem with this are becoming extinct. is that Americans would be losing more jobs,

America. Black people traditionally have a high unemployment rate, and during the becoming nostalgic. March on Washington two weeks ago, there against NAFTA.

trade agreement will create jobs, even though jobs that are already in America will

The North American Free Trade go to Mexico. It is very difficult for a work-Agreement doesn't appear to be all that ing class American to see this type of progress envisioned by a capitalist; how can

Convincing Americans to put their faith in this trade agreement will be a hard thing to do, especially when Americans are ers would work 10 cents per hour so busi- already losing jobs. The thriving, golden nesses would not have to pay minimum wage days of steel and automobile manufacturing

Some of the parents and grandparents and right now unemployment is not decreas- of students on this campus were employed by steel mills and the big three auto indus-Whatever happens to mainstream tries without even thinking about losing their America will definitely affect black jobs. Today, that American dream seems like a hopeless dream because jobs like those are

College graduates have a tougher were speakers who voiced their opinions time today than ever before. They're suffering economic shock because they just spent On the supporting side of NAFTA are about 40,000 to 50,000 dollars worth of of course the capitalists. They believe the advanced education, and many can't find a job that pays more than 20,000 a year.

Shooting Superstars

under the media's microscope. This time he's He may weigh 120 to 130 pounds at best, been accused of molesting a child. Whether and most 13-year-old boys, who gain a little or not he did isn't the issue. The issue is muscle and strength at this age, could force how the allegations against Jackson were someone Michael Jackson's size off of him. covered by the media as a top news story.

cause him to suffer an excessive amount of stress, resulting in his recent bouts with dehydration and migraines and the subsequent cancellation of some of his concerts? That's what the media would have you believe, because we certainly didn't hear anything from Jackson himself.

Michael Jackson, 35, has been in the public eye for nearly 30 years. He is perhaps the most powerful superstar in the world. This comes from the help of his fans and the media.

pose, which is to entertain us with their special talents. People like to make them either larger-than-life human beings or everyday people. That's fine, but sometimes people can get a bit carried away.

The media isn't totally the cause of Jackson's problems; it is not accusing Michael Jackson of this malicious act. Jackson's accusers, a 13-year-old boy and his father, claim that Jackson molested the boy. Some believe the allegations made that others have created for them. against Jackson are part of an extortion attempt.

Whether or not the boy, whom Jackson had befriended, is telling the truth remains to be seen. Even though the boy's size is not known to most of the public.

Once again, Michael Jackson is Jackson's stature is not that of a linebacker.

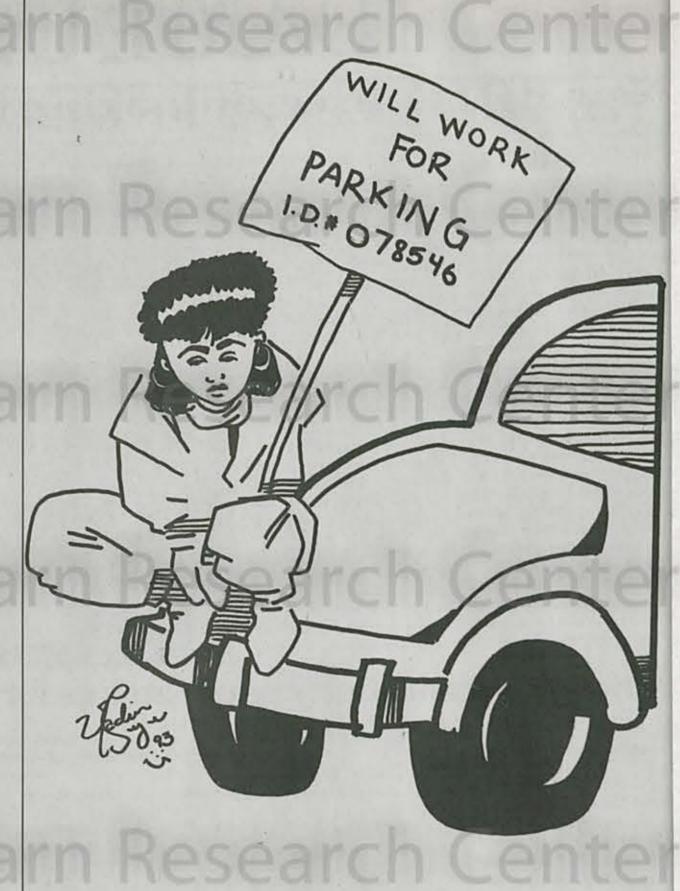
The good thing out of all of this is Did the allegations against Jackson that Jackson's family has rallied behind him and are joining him at his concerts. When someone is in trouble, families are always there to help or comfort them, and that includes larger-than-life superstars.

The media has a unique way of glamorizing superstars, whether they are at their best, or at their darkest moment. Michael Jordan, who is arguably the best in the National Basketball Association, recently lost his father to murder. The media theorized that James Jordan's death was caused by Jordan's gambling debts. However, when Superstars, as with other people, the suspects were caught it was discovered have their place on earth. They have a pur- that Jordan's death was apparently just another senseless murder.

Further, it also made many people realize that no one, including larger-than-life superstars, is safe from crime.

People, fans and the media will always create myths and stories about their superstar heroes, and some of them will be true. But at the same time there will always be someone trying to knock those heroes, such as Jackson and Jordan, off the pedestals

Where there are praises, there is envy, and no matter what people do in life to make themselves better, evil and jealousy await to cut them down, especially larger-than-life



Letter from Editorial Editor

WELCOME FRESHMEN

To the class of 1997: Welcome to Howard University, the mecca of black intelligentsia. This is the institution where young thinkers are molded into future leaders and are seeking to be better than the past and

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Bashaan Prewitt. Editorial Editor

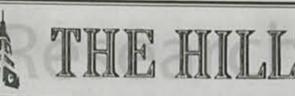
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PERSPECTIVES

Taking a broader look at multiculturalism

Dr. Manning Marable

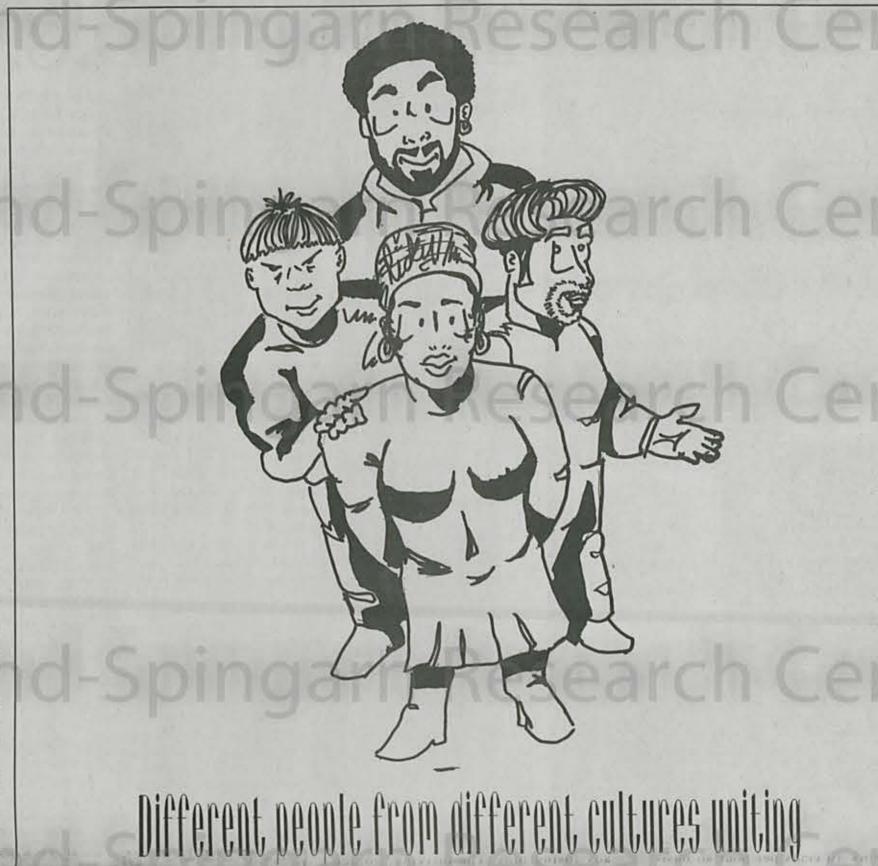
In recent years, a national debate has erupted among educators, politicians and scholars over the controversial concept of "multiculturalism." White conservatives, such as William Bennett, attack the term for undermining the centrality of traditional western culture and civilization within school textbooks. Conservatives claim that multiculturalism highlights the diverse ethnic contributions of various cultures, fragmenting and dividing Americans. Some of these concerns are now being voiced by liberals as well.

In The Washington Post, an article by Harvard University sociologist Orlando Patterson warned that there were serious problems in what he termed was "the current glorification of diversity." By emphasizing the unique cultural heritage of African-American people, for example, Patterson believes that blacks might actually "divert attention from the disproportionate contributions" they have made to America's "common culture." Troubled by what he terms as the "separate but truly equal ideology that an increasing number of young, educated African-Americans are embracing," Patterson insists that the genuine goal of the black freedom movement should be "social inclusion" into the mainstream.

Although Patterson is a black liberal, indirectly he provides intellectual ammunition for reactionary conservatives like Bennett. By attacking "multiculturalism" as divisive, both Patterson and Bennett for divergent reasons make it difficult to transform the deep patterns of racism, sexism and classism which still exist within our education process.

Part of the problem here is the distorted definition of "multiculturalism" and its objectives. A proper definition of multiculturalism begins with the vantage point of history. America's history is not just a product of the activities of people of European descent. The values, cultural experiences and social patterns of people of color-American Natives, Asian-Americans, Latinos and African-Americansare also central in the construction of the complex American identity. African-American identity is in this context our group's historical consciousness of itself, its collective suffering and experiences through slavery, segregation and urban ghettoization, and its attempts at self-defi-

Second, multiculturalism by definition should be "comparative" in its approach to the study of American life and culture. This means that a multicultural perspective must approach each individual cultural tradition-for example, American Native culture, Mexican-American culture, etc.-with an awareness of its integrity and historical continuity. But it should also seek any parallels of experiences of the white majori-



ty. We need to explore any commonalities that people. We need new textbooks and cultural society and human development can truly points of difference and disagreement that continue to foster divisions and conflicts among groups.

Third, multiculturalism should not seek the simplistic "merger" or "inclusion" of blacks, Latinos and others into a so-called "mainstream." but instead, critique and challenge the basic assumptions and ideas of that mainstream. The vast body of traditional scholarship written about people of color found in American libraries today is still influenced by racism and assumptions of racial inferiority of nonwhite

make all of us "Americans," and any critical events that deconstruct the racist assumptions "empower" a people who have experienced disand theories that pretend to pass for "objective" crimination and social injustice. The task of eduscholarship."

Finally, a multicultural perspective in education should insist upon the empowerment of oppressed people and the transformation of society to abolish discrimination and inequality. Theories of cultural and social reality that stop short of addressing basic human problems experienced in the everyday world for people of color in America are useless. A theory is only important in the amount of human "reality" it explains or defines. Critical ideas about culture, history,

cators here is to nurture and foster a critical consciousness and constructive self-awareness, pride and the values of excellence among young people of color, helping individuals and groups to make positive contributions to communities and society.

Dr. Manning Marable is a professor of political science and history at the University of

Howard freshmen, listen up! . . . this is your life

Portia Bruner

Peace! Hotep! As-Salaam Alaikum! Harambee! Skee-wee! A-Phi! Ooo-oop! Whazzup?! If you don't know the response to one or more of the above greetings, you can bet you will learn before you depart the nurturing soils of Howard University. In fact, you can bet on learning a lot here. . . particularly about your-

Who are you? Why are you here? Who will you become during the next few years? As you make the transition from high school to college, there is no other period of your life in which the answers to these questions will be more significant. And as a "product" of Howard University, who you are and how you evolve

not only to the future of this university, but also to that of our people. When you were accepted to Howard, you accepted the challenge to uphold the tradition of excellence. The real test won't come until after you graduate. And then the question is "Who will be the benefactor of your Howard education?"

the Corcoran Gallery of Art reads, "Your soul is to wage battle. The results of that battle may be often a battlefield upon which your reason and your judgement wage war against your passion." And such passions often drive you to critique yourself-be honest in those evaluations. But don't drive yourself crazy with self ridicule or force yourself into unbefitting molds when you shift around with the masses, it takes a strong

into mature black men and women are crucial see, in others, what you think you could be or individual to go against the grain, but that may should be.

Keep your mind open as you explore all of your options. There are student groups and activities here that cater to every academic, athletic, social, political and even religious aspect of your life. What works for the next brother or sister may not work for you, especially when Before long, you may find yourself you are functioning under the forces of peer soul searching. A piece currently on display at pressure. Allow your reason and your judgment the only guide you have toward the right direction. The temptation to associate with certain groups or join certain organizations just because it seems right may leave you very unsatisfied. And while many have the tendency to move and

be what you have to do to hold on to your identi-

It's tough. On one hand, you will find yourself struggling to fit in, and on the other hand, you'll find yourself determined to hold on to your unique mores. All the while, the new you will be emerging right before your eyes. Almost every decision you make will ultimately affect the mark you leave on this university and the mark you leave on society after you graduate. Be true to yourself and remember you are really here at the Mecca.

Portia Bruner is a junior broadcast journalism major in the School of Communications.

Racism proves to be detrimental- in any form

Rev. Derek Grier

May a people never become so small that they must belittle the dignity of others to satisfy their own feelings of inadequacy. In my experience, it is only the most impotent of men who are intimidated by the success of a woman. This little man usually stands on a five foot soap box just to appear average. He spouts his selfrighteous platitudes and can acknowledge nothing good about another. His insecurity always leads to abuse, if not physical, it will certainly be mental.

We have such malefactors called "leaders" in the African-American community. They seduce the short-sighted and those unable to bridle their passions. They appeal to the pride of African-Americans by imaginatively raising us to the status of Gods and designating those with less melanin in their skin to the degrading position of "white devils." This same type of philosophy made me three-fifths of a man in the initial Constitution of the United States of America. Feelings of personal inadequacy will always lead to abuse.

To the discerning, such leaders who cry

for the superiority of one man over another and denounce those who disagree as traitors and Uncle Toms act as nothing more than bullies to the weaker masses. Forgive me for thinking, this seems to be my chief sin in life. This inordinate cry for unity in the face of untruths reeks of mindless hysteria. Hitler became one of the most vicious world leaders through such demagoguery. He was not only a small man in his physical stature but in spirit. Feelings of impotence left unchecked will always lead to abuse.

Do not challenge my dignity by asking me to become a part of such an ungodly chorus. Some may not like my tune, but I am answerable to my conscious and must march to a different drummer. May I never be brought so low that I would hate another. May I never become so full of anger toward another that I compromise the only thing that truly matters, my integrity in the eyes of an all-knowing and loving God.

Rev. Derek Grier is the founder of Song of Faith Churches of North America.

LOCAL

Meet the candidates

By Genea Luck

The special election to fill the D.C. Council Chairman vacancy of John A. Wilson, who committed suicide, will be held Tuesday, Sept. 14, 1993.

Six candidates have been campaigning for the very special position for many weeks now. The chairman is the presiding and chief executive officer of the council and is a voting member of all standing committees. The chairman is elected at-

If the office of mayor becomes vacant, the chairman becomes acting mayor until a special election is held. Meet the five candidates that will be on the ballot and the write-in can-



Linda Cropp

A Democrat and public servant for the past 22 years. She received both her Bachelor and Master legree at Howard University. Cropp's position and recommendations for the D.C. Council include implementing a "Program Budget," by function of agencies within the

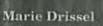


A Democrat, he has served as council chairman from 1983 to 1991 and as Ward One councilmember. He is a native Washingtonian and has received Washington University and the Howard University School of Law Clarke is a long time supporter of Tenants' Advocacy Coalition, which strives to preserve rent control in the District.



Charlene Drew Jarvis

Currently a councilmember, she is also a Democrat and the daughter of Dr. Charles Drew, a pioneer in blood plasma research. She received her graduate degrees from Maryland Councilmember Jarvis was elected to the D.C. City Council in 1979, and she was appointed by President Clinton to serve on the National Advisory dental Health Council of the



A Democrat, she is presently the person. Drissel's campaign issues are to fix D.C.'s finances, stop the crime and provide education and jobs for young people. She has a Master of Business Administration in Finance from American University.





Vincent B. Orange

A write-in candidate, Orange is an attorney and a certified public accountant. He received his Master of Laws and Taxation from Georgetown University and his wants to work with contractors and set up a D.C. School of Entrepreneurship to train high school seniors in the art of preparing tax returns.





TaMara Holmes contributed to this article.

Students spend summer motivating D.C. inmates

Hilltop Staff Writer

This summer, three Howard University students decided to commit themselves to more than just a summer job or internship. They decided to volunteer to help D.C. inmates build their selfesteem and self-awareness.

Bobbie Mason, a junior; Tisha Adams, a senior; and LeaVee Jordan, a Howard graduate, participated in a 12-week program sponsored by the Xerox Corporation called Life Skills.

The volunteer program was designed to prepare female inmates at the District of Columbia Correctional Treatment Facility for life experiences



they will have to face once they are released.

Every Wednesday for three hours, they would counsel the inmates in building their self-esteem and motivation to face and overcome the pressures of the world that caused them to be jailed.

to endure positive atti-

tially be the example of Howard students," said Mason, a psychology major.

The program included several workshops. One of the topics was how to conduct an interview, which is going to be one of the many challenging tasks the inmates will have to face. Once released, the ladies will have to learn how to deal with a lot of rejection because they have two negatives against them: being incarcerated and being uneducated.

Jordan, also a psychology major, thought the summer program at the correctional facility was a real learning experience.

"We actually were able to really touch base with "I was learning key ways the people in jail, and through the process our

tudes which should essen- perceptions of them really changed," she said.

The three students received an eye-opener this summer, not only to those who are incarcerated, but to themselves.

"These women had such a strong passion to do better and to learn from their mistakes. Here in college, there are many students that feel passionless about learning and work," said Mason. "Volunteering in a motivational program such as life skillls can change negative passionless channels into positive energy."

The students were awarded certificates by the D.C. Government Department of Correction for their service and commitment this summer.

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MOINTERNATIONAL

International students rally to heighten awareness of surcharge

By Kimberly Bryant Hilltop Staff Writer

Vowing to keep the pressure on and to heighten the awareness of the tuition surcharge on international students, student leaders will today advise international students on how to proceed.

Last Friday, the Advisory
Council of the International
Students Organization received
a mandate from their followers
to activate a program of "resistance" and "civil disobedience"
until the surcharge is placed on
the "front burner" of Howard
administration's agenda and
until the Department of
Education rescinds it.

Omowale Elson, chairman of the Advisory Council, chided international students for being tardy on the issue, quoting Frederick Douglass, who insisted, 'all concessions yet made to august claim, have been born of earnest struggle....power concedes nothing without demand. It never did and it never will.' Elson said much can be accomplished

through negotiation and action.

The second Surcharge
Summit, which was held in the
Forum of the Armour J.
Blackburn Center, was also
addressed by Terri Wade, president of the Howard University
Student Association;
Venugopal Muttangi, president
of the Asian Students

"For four years the university showed no respect for the tuition surcharge. It's been a war of words."

Association; Patrice Remarck, president of the African Students Association; Che Keens-Douglas, president of the Caribbean Students Association; and John Sumner, surcharge advisor to the council

The council outlined some of the plans that the university suggested as half-way measures to ease the burden on



International students voicing their disguist at the tuition surcharge last Friday at the Blackburn Center. (At right) students leaders guide the surcharge discussion.

international students. Those proposals include setting up a job program, an office to target international alumni for funding and an opportunity for the council to address the university's Student Activities Board on the impact of the surcharge.

But students warned of unfulfilled promises, which seemed to be delay tactics. "For four years they (the university) showed no respect for this issue. It's been a war of words. Howard is a very reactionary school. Put up signs, make fliers, go up into the "A" building and block it off," demanded one irate student.

. They voted for persistent action to be undertaken by students and agreed that central to their success was heightening the awareness of the surcharge and its effects on foreign and domestic students. To achieve this, over a number of weeks



Photos by Chuck Emory

the students plan to picket, erect large protest signs throughout the campus, go on a hunger strike and participate in a day of prayer, conduct a poster campaign and take their cause to community groups and the diplomatic community. They also called for an investigation into the legalities of implementing the surcharge as

Howard groups join efforts to bring end to Cuban embargo

By Omowale Elson Hilltop Staff Writer

The United Statesimposed economic embargo placed on Cuba more than 30 years ago, and its devastating impact upon Cubans, will be discussed at a rally on Friday Sept.10 in the School of Human Ecology Auditorium.

The rally is sponsored by the Howard University International Students Association and the Caribbean Students Association in conjunction with Howard's political science department. Several community groups from the District will participate, including the Washington D.C.-based pressure group, Hands-Off Cuba Coalition. This rally comes at a time when there is mounting international pressure on the United States to end the embargo whose effects were intensified during the last days of the Administration.

Presenters will join the United Nations and sub-regions in the U.N., such as the Caribbean and Latin America, in calling on the Clinton Administration for the speedy removal of the embargo. Moderated by Dr. John Cotman of the political science department, the rally will be addressed by Dr. Hilbourne Watson, president of the Caribbean Studies Association; Professor William Worthy, of the journalism Department; Kendall Moore, participant in the youth Brigade that visited Cuba last July; and a representative from the Cuban Interest



Even Havana's police force has taken to two wheels because of the fuel shortage.

According to Worthy: "On Aug. 20, 1993, The Boston Globe, one of the 10 major U.S. daily newspapers, joined The New York Times, The Washington Post, The San Francisco Chronicle and other important shapers of public opinion in calling for a new U.S. policy toward Cuba.

"The Globe's editorial stated that the embargo 'has long since degenerated into a tangle of spite, cruelty and fear.' In calling on President Clinton to 'lift the embargo now,' the Globe expressed my personal feelings precisely."

The U.S. embargo, which prohibits trade between the U.S. and Cuba, has brought about not only shortages in fuel, but also in basic food items and medical supplies. As a result, there have been reports of widespread health problems related to malnutrition and vitamin deficiency throughout the country.

A Glance Around The World

By Prudence Layne Hilltop Staff Writer

Russia

Moscow-President Boris N. Yeltsin of Russia suspended his vice president and bitter rival, Aleksandr V. Rutskoi, pending an inquiry into accusations of corruption. President Yeltsin contends that the allegations of illegal financial dealings, ranging from kickbacks on baby food contracts to secret Swiss bank accounts, were seriously damaging the authority of the Russian state.

South Africa

Port Elizabeth — General Christoffel van der Westhuizen, chief of military intelligence, stands accused of ordering Matthew Goniwe and three of his colleagues to be killed. The trial is a significant event in that country's history, symbolizing the downfall of the old order's immunity from public scrutiny. Westhuzien has denied all allegations. (New York Times)

Central Africa Republic

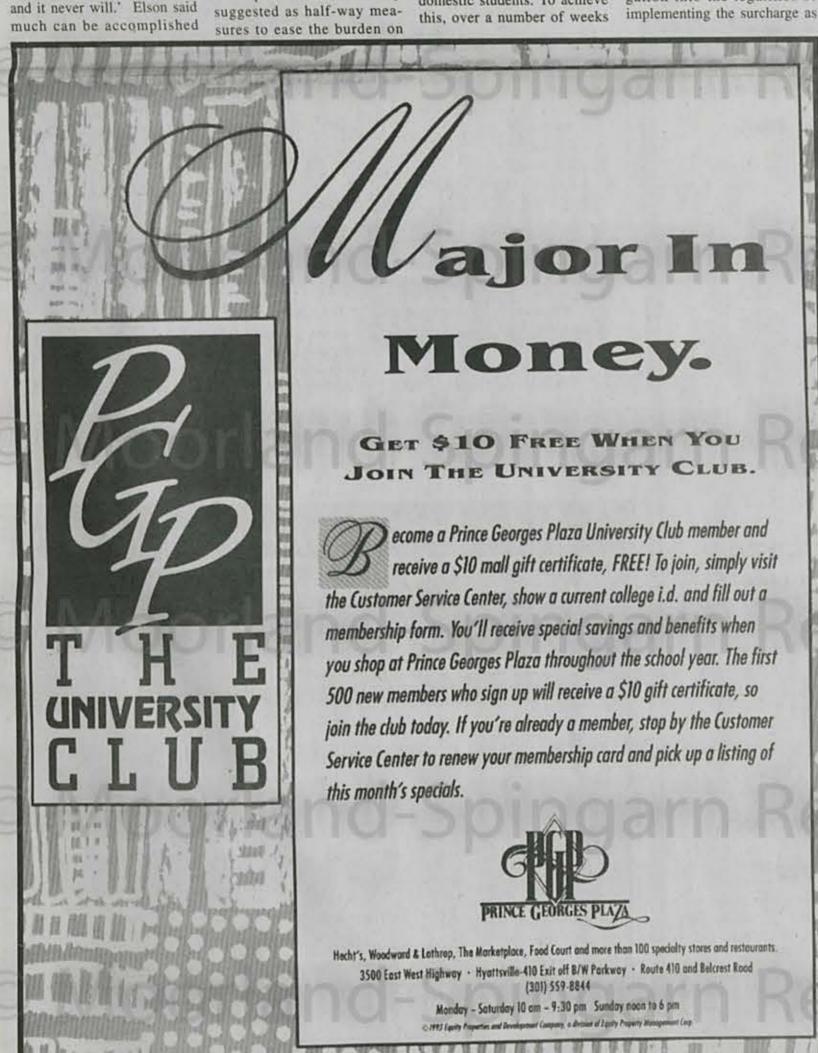
Bangui — Self-proclaimed emperor, Jean-Bedel Bokassa, accused of cannibalism and slaughtering schoolchildren, walked out of prison a free man, along with the country's other criminals. The country's departing military dictator, General Andre Kolingba, ordered freedom for several thousand inmates in the country's 20 prisons, including the 72-year old Bokassa. (Associated Press)

Venezuela

Caracas — Carlos Andres Perez, the 70-year-old Social Democratic leader, who is facing trial on charges of embezzlement and misuse of public funds, was permanently suspended by legislators. However, Perez vowed to appeal the congressional vote blocking his return to the presidency, even if he has to take his case to "international organizations." (Reuters)

Hait

Port-au-Prince — On Aug. 27, 1993, the United Nations unanimously agreed to suspend the oil and arms embargo against Haiti in an effort to restore to power exiled President Jean-Bertrand Aristide. This move follows the July 3 accord brokered by the United Nations, the United States and the Organization of American States, in which the ruling Haitian dictatorship would allow Artistide to return to Haiti on Oct. 30, 1993. (Caribbean News Agency)



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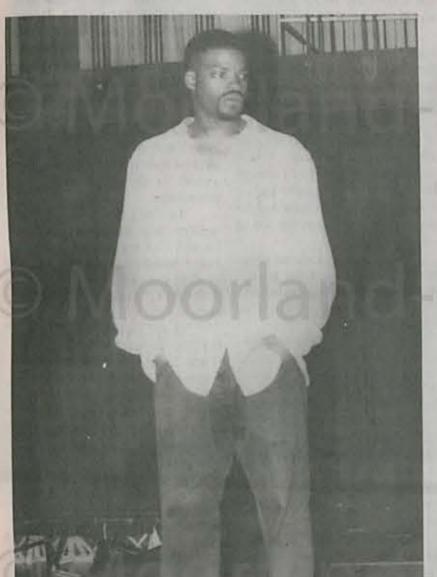
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the bravest,



By Valarie Williams Hilltop Staff Writer

Some gave too much, others, too little. But only 50 gave what was needed to make the first cut.

Tryouts for the 1993 Homecoming Fashion Show brought out approximately 230 of Howard's finest and bravest men and women.

The prospective models came dressed to kill with form-fitting attire, three-inch heels, linen suits and the like. Denim, bell-bottoms, sneakers and platform shoes also made appearances.

With nervousness etched onto their ebony faces, the first ten girls creeped into Blackburn's humongous ballroom and lined up alongside the makeshift runway.

"Go to the center and give me an opening pose. Walk down to the middle of the runway and give

me two half turns. Then, walk down to the end and give me a half turn followed by a full turn. Walk back, give me a closing pose and exit," said Nicole Williams, the Fashion Show coordinator.

The models looked perplexed, so Williams demonstrated. She made the turns look effortless and easy.

A sheepish prospective model raised her hand: "I don't quite have

"Just do your best," Williams

They walked their walk while their bodies talked their talk. Their faces shimmered with attitude and their backs arched with poise and grace. And when they were finished, this is what they heard:

"Thank you ladies, please have a seat outside in the lobby and wait for

the finest, Howard's classiest the best strut their stuff at

fashion show try-outs

"Good luck."

The first 10 men strolled in the chosen few. looking very calm, cool and collected. A slender, chocolate brown brother with high cheekbones, deep-set eyes and a chilling smile led the line.

Clad in simple Gap jeans and a blue button-down shirt, he graced the five judges with his presence, without an ounce of hesitation or inhibi-

hours on pins and needles, wondering if they would be among

Meanwhile, the judges were busy looking for models who knew how to walk the walk and look good on stage.

As the night went on, this task became easier. Each group seemed to be better than the group before.

If Williams and Marlon Moore, who is the Assistant Fashion Show coordinator, have their way, this



The other nine followed

"Thank you gentlemen, please have a seat in the lobby and wait for the callbacks."

"Good luck."

that they would be waiting for ting back to the way shows used

year's Homecoming Fashion Show will be out of sight.

The pair plan to go back to the basics by changing the show's for-

"The name of this year's show is Little did these fellas know Total Recall, which means get-



to be-total runway...It's going to be very professional...not a

audience what they expect: style, class and high-fashion glamor. "The best way to achieve this is to go back to basics," she said.

The extravaganza will feature a live composer as well as

spotlight Japanese, African and Native American wear. Williams lot of sexual innuendoes. and Moore are also trying to We're trying to show the clothes recruit guest celebrities and hope as well as sell them," Moore to get the show televised on Black Entertainment Television. Williams plans to give the However, plans are still in the

To those would-be models who weren't selected, be content with knowing you did your best. You get much dap for trying out!

istration Nightmares

By Keasha Dumas Hilltop Staff Writer

It's the crack of dawn and you're waiting in line on the yard trying to get an appointment card so you can see your account analyst. But, there are already at least 50 people ahead of you and when you do get your appointment card, it's for the next day.

For many Howard students, this is just one of many familiar scenarios. especially for those who experienced

to speak to directly. Everyone passed me on to someone else. I spent hours in the A-Building trying to get the first question answered," Madison said.

Madison agreed that attitudes can flare during registration. "Their informing me that it wasn't their fault I didn't have the money was done rudely," she said of the Financial Aid Office. "I understand they may be frustrated because they have to deal with so many cases, but that's the reason for breaks."

"Not to say they aren't human and

could not be entered into the computer because she was not validated. So, as she waited for the financial aid aspect of her registration nightmare to be resolved, the cut off date for overrides passed and there was a great possibility that even after validation, she would

not be able to get the courses she needs. When Denise Green*, a junior in the School of Arts and Sciences, arrived at Howard to register for the fall 1993 semester, she thought she would have no problems. After all, that was what the Financial Aid Office told her mother when she called to make extra sure that things would go smoothly for her

However, registration wasn't as smooth as Green had anticipated.

"When I actually came to register, it was something different," said Green. Although the funds necessary for registration had been sent to her account a month earlier, Green's financial aid information had not been typed into the

"My mother called to make sure the money was there," she explained. "They said 'yes, the money is here'." But when Green tried to register, she was told that she couldn't because she still owed money. As it turned out, the correct information was on file. However, the mistake caused Green to spend extra time in lines trying to find out how to resolve the problem.

"Sometimes, the attitudes were not

can't really give you any information was sent to the Office of the Bursar about your particular crisis," said

She recalled that one analyst couldn't tell her where to find out whether or not her money had been received. Green didn't have any trouble reserving classes, so she didn't quite classify her registration problem as a

where he found to his annoyance that the fee had indeed been received, but had not been sent to the Admissions

In addition, said Moss, "Admissions had my name spelled wrong. I lost a whole day of registration because my name had to be



registration nightmares because of some

Sophomore psychology major. lana Madison*, knows firsthand what a egistration nightmare can be like.

"It's not Howard's fault that the noney didn't come in, but I just got the un around. No one could tell me who

shouldn't feel frustration, but some of the attitudes I have run into have just been ridiculous," Madison said.

In addition to her money nwoes, Madison's financial aid problems caused her difficulty in reserving classes. After successfully getting overrides for the classes she needed, Madison was informed by her advisor that the courses very pleasant and (the account analysts)

"nightmare," but she said, "It was enough to make you worry about whether or not you can get validated."

Registration nightmares or at least "bad dreams" are not confined to the payment process. Senior Leon Moss*, a political science major, recalls his first experience with Howard's registration process as an entering transfer student.

To begin, the Admissions Office had not received his enrollment fee, although it had been paid the summer prior to his spring enrollment. Moss

changed on all my materials. The classes I needed closed."

Moss, who has since learned how to deal with registration, revealed the dilemma registration can pose for outof-state students.

The native Californian explained, "Sometimes, you wonder if it's worth it to come 3,000 miles to deal with problems. (Each student) might not have the same problem, but there's going to be some problem. (Registration) just never goes smoothly."

* Names have been changed.

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Communications Law professor beats the odds

Professor Rudolph V. Lutter does not let his blindness interfere with teaching

By Natalie Tellis Hilltop Staff Writer

No obstacle was great enough to deter Rudolph V. Lutter, a Communications Law professor from striving for the zenith.

The son of immigrants, he is a lawyer who earned his degree from Harvard Law School. He has worked for the Federal Communications Commission. Now, he is a professor at Howard University School Communications, where he is a minority not only because he's white but also because he is

These things alone make Professor Lutter an interesting candidate for Howard University recognition. Yet, he still asks, "Why interview me?

"I want you to be up front with me. We can be up front with each other. I'm blind," he says.

It was as if he could see. He is so aware - of everything, and his eyes meet the eyes of the person he is talking to.

"I can tell where people are because of their voices," says Lutter. "I do have some sight around the outlines of my eyes. I can see forms."

Lutter, a Philadelphia native, became aware that he was visually impaired when he was a young boy. He was enrolled in the Mitchell School for Grammar, where his teacher determined that he did not have the capacity to read. His mother took him to

the Psychology department at the University of Pennsylvania to be tested where it was discovered that Lutter did have the capacity to read, but he couldn't see very

As he got older, his sight got worsened, but that did not stop him from aspiring to be a lawyer. So, he applied to Harvard Law School and was accepted.

"It was very competitive," said Lutter. "I had to work like a dog just to be an average student."

He graduated from Harvard in 1960, and went on to become a corporate lawyer for the Federal Communications Commission. It was upon his emergence into the work world that he began to experience discrimination.

"At the FCC, I got all the 'dangerous' cases," said Lutter.

Because of his blindness, he, along with other minorities at the FCC such as blacks and women, were given the "less desirable

"I couldn't get a job any place else, so I had to put up with it," remarked Lutter.

But, he did not "put up" with the discrimination for long. By the late 1970s, Lutter had worked his way up to senior attorney advisor. On weekends, he commuted to New York University to teach. It was at this point that he discovered he enjoyed teaching.

"I had lost my battle with the FCC, so I decided that I wanted



Vital Statistics

Name: Rudolph V. Lutter **Profession:** Communications Law professor in the

School of Communications Accomplishments: Graduated from Harvard's School of Law in 1960

Member of the Pennslyvania, District of Columbia and U.S. Supreme Court Bars

to teach," said Lutter.

So, he left the FCC in 1980 and applied to teach at Syracuse University, Columbia University, the University of Pennsylvania, and Howard University.

"I did not choose Howard solely because it had black students. I chose Howard because it was an excellent school and because it was in Washington."

Lutter says that he was aware of Howard's reputation; he admits that many white Americans are not. Even though Howard is internationally known for its academics, he feels that the university must do a better job of selling itself.

"I was a little doubtful about coming to Howard because I would have two disadvantages: One, I'm blind. Two, I'm white."

Although he was a little apprehensive about teaching at a black, sighted university, he quickly adjusted and feels that he has been welcomed, as well.

"I didn't know if sighted people would accept me...I feel I have been accepted," said Lutter.

He finds Howard to be like any other school. Sometimes he has good classes, and sometimes he has bad ones. "I like the student to partici-

pate. A good class shares thoughts and ideas for good diversity," he says wistfully. There is one thing that Lutter

has learned about some of his quieter classes. A student once

told him that displaying intelligence in class is "white," and if you acted "white," you are con-

sidered an "oreo." "Who says white people have knowledge cornered? Being black does not mean you can't be excellent. To hell with 'oreo',"

Professor Lutter speaks passionately about the knowledge that blacks possess because he says he knows that black people were the first to conceive the concept of building institutions dedicated to the expounding of knowledge.

he says adamantly.

"In 1985, I went to Africa with my wife where we saw what looked like a mosque or an old burial building...It was a university that existed in Timbuktu in 1500 B.C.," he fondly remem-

Lutter emphasizes the fact that the institution was in existence long before Oxford or Cambridge, both of which came into existence around 1200 A.D.

He tries to incorporate this knowledge into his instruction. He also feels that blacks and whites should be more unified and have a period of the year similar to the spirit of St. Patrick's Day, where they can come together and share in the spirit of togetherness.

Professor Lutter's disability has not kept him from sharing with his fellow man. He hopes that others will follow his lead.

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Exhibit brings Civil Rights Movement to life



By Khari Wyatt Hilltop Staff Writer

Symbols of power, pride, determination, despair and unity recreate the emotion of the March on Washington in an exhibit at The Corcoran Gallery of Art.

The exhibit, "I Remember... Thirty Years After The March On Washington: Images of the Civil Rights Movement 1963-1993," is a showcase of various art forms commemorating the thirtieth anniversary of the famous march.

The exhibit displays such art forms as expressionism, naturalism and pop art in styles that include oil and watercolor paintings, collages, quilts and sculptures. But knowledge of artistic styles is not necessary to enjoy the exhibit because many of the pieces are self-explanatory.

Philip Brookman, curator of photography and media arts at the Corcoran, said, "The exhibit is organized around specific themes of struggle and family."

At left, "Lynched School Bus" -Oliver W. Harrigan; watercolor

The exhibit was organized by the Dallasbased Junior Academy of Arts and Letters, in conjunction with The Corcoran Gallery of Art: the Howard University Radio, TV and Film Department; the D.C. Commission on the Arts and Humanities: Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority. Inc., Xi Omega Chapter: The Cottrell Foundation; The Dallas Weekly Newspaper; and other organizations.

Dr. Bishetta Merritt, chairman of the department of Radio, TV and Film, said the exhibit will be a valuable resource to Howard students. "They will be able to get a sense of their heritage and come to appreciate black art, which is very important," Merritt said.

The exhibit is divided into three sections covering the pre-Civil Rights period from 1946-1962, the Civil Rights Movement from 1963-1968 and the post-Civil Rights era from 1969-1993.

In each period, the works of distinguished artists like Charles White, Harvey L. Johnson and Oliver W. Harrington are on display.

Charles White's "Native Son #2", a part of the pre-Civil Rights era, creates a sense of isolation and alienation that provides a prologue to Harvey

L. Johnson's drawing, "A Time To Reap and a Time To Sow."

Johnson's piece, a response to the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., shows how society was affected by the tragic death of the Civil Rights leader.

"Lynched Schoolbus," the work of New York born cartoonist Oliver W. Harrington, offers a stark contrast to the art of White and Donaldson, by using a surreal cartoon to depict the strong opposition to bussing in America.

All of the work in the exhibit jumps head first into themes of injustice, exclusion, brutality and the pain of being negro, colored, black and African-American in the United States. The exhibit is proof that artists recognize these experiences as vividly as the great writers of our time.

"I Remember" is an important resource for those interested in how far African-Americans have come in their struggle for equality.

The exhibit is free and on display until Oct.10 at the gallery, at 500 17th St., N.W., three blocks from the Farragut West Metro station on the blue

Dear Sweet-n-Sour,

I am attracted to my roommate's girlfriend. The three of us hang out all the time and have been friends since our freshman year. They just started dating at the beginning of the summer. At first, I thought I was just attracted to her physically because she is extremely fine. Then, I realized my feelings are deeper. The sad thing is I think she feels the same for me. Of course, I don't know this for a fact, but I've been getting these strong vibes from her whenever we're alone. It seems that this woman is the only one for me, but how can I play my boy like that? What should I do?

-Fade Out

Dear Fade Out.

You should do exactly what you call yourself, "Fade Out." If you take your friend's woman away, will he still be your boy? You two will probably remain friends because guys aren't as emotional about matters like this as girls are. Why don't you lay low for awhile and let her come on to you, then tell him about the strong vibes that she's giving you? If you and his girlfriend ever do hook up, then he'll know you didn't make the first move. Relationships die just like plants do, so it isn't guaranteed that any relationship will last. If you ask me, she seems like a trick if she's pushing up on her boyfriend's roommate.

Can you really trust someone like that?

-Sweet

Dear Fade Out.

I can't believe you are even contemplating getting with your boy's girlfriend. What kind of friend are you? I'm sure you have been approached by many women you were not interested in and you figured out how to get out of the situation. You are no baby, so stop acting like you can'r control yourself. If you can't find another woman who is without a boyfriend, then get a hobby.

Dear Sweet-n-Sour,

I'm a freshman, and I am seriously beginning to think that I made the wrong decision about coming to Howard. When I first decided to come here, a lot of my friends said I shouldn't because I have always gone to predominantly white schools. Now, I feel like I don't fit in, and I think everyone is talking about me whenever I walk across campus or talk to a group of people. Is this normal or should I try to transfer next semester?

-Out of touch

Dear Out of touch,

It is perfectly normal for freshmen to feel overwhelmed by a new situation. Considering that you haven't been at Howard for a month, you should give

yourself more time to adjust before transferring, Allow yourself to meet people by joining clubs and organizations. Only you can make it possible to have college memories that will last a lifetime. So think positive and believe me, it will get better with time. Good luck!

-Sweet

Dear Out of touch,

If there is anything that Sour hates, it's a quitter, From your fetter, you sound like someone who is experienced in just that. How can you decide if you -Sour like something after only a couple of weeks? And as for people talking about you, you need to work on your self-esteem. I'm sure you are not all that, where upperclassmen feel the need to talk about you whenever you grace their paths with your presence. Get a grip on yourself, and take things one day at a time.

-Sour

To hear what Sweet-n-Sour have to say about your dilemma, write a letter and drop it off at 2251 Sherman Ave., N.W. Or leave it in The HILLTOP mail box in room 117 in Blackburn (Student Activities Office). All opinions expressed do not necessarily reflect the views of The HILL-

Strong beats-weak lyrics Five XI turns out unimpressive performance

By Khari Wyatt Hilltop Staff Writer

Rhythm and Blues listeners will not find it in the top ten, but the music of Atlanta-based group Five XI is sure to fill the airwayes of the hottest clubs nearest you.

The group Five XI. comprised of Lawrence Tolbert and Rod Marcel, came into existence after Marcel's manager listened to Tolbert's demo. Both the manager and Marcel were impressed, so the duo hooked up and Five XI was born. Their name derived from the day and month that Tolbert and Marcel began working together.

According to their biography statement, one of Five XI's main objectives is to offer new and fresh music, but after listening to their CD there is little that is new or fresh. This is evident from the opening cut "Say It Isn't Over," which features a beat reminiscent of Mary J Blige's "Reminisce."

Listeners will also recognize the common themes of love and its many levels from start to finish. Lost love, found love, recalled love and bittersweet love highlight most of the songs on the debut album available on RCA Records.

Several young producers worked with the duo, which might explain the simplistic lyrics offered in much of their

material. "My First Love," an example of the weak song writing, is a hard driving. strictly dance hall groove that could have been made even better with more stimulating lyrics:

The lyrics in "My First Love" depict the events of a first love affair without any deep teeling or creative imagery. If Five XI could

have written more imaginative lyrics, then the artists could have established that fresh approach they desire.

Despite the lyrics Five XI incorporates, the grooving beats will force the shyest person to get off the wall. Tunes such as "Action Speaks" and "I Can't Stand It" utilize hard baselines with nicely mixed background vocals, "I Can't Stand It" also makes use of a welcomed piano

and Marcel's enthusiasm manages to come across,



The group Five-XI, pronounced Five Eleven, is on the Kapper Records label.

Unfortunately, their vocals sound shallow at times, especially on the improvisational riffs. Their voices just aren't very distinguished.

Overall, Five XI has some talent, and they give the listener an honest, professional effort. A continuation of high velocity music on their next album and fuller vocals and deep lyrics should put Five XI on the Billboard charts.

Right now they have an Throughout the CD, Tolbert album that isn't bad, but too many "ifs" stand out to proclaim it a hit.

Journalist exposes industry racism

By Ayoka Campbell Hilltop Staff Writer

Revealing deep dark secrets about her family and herself, Jill Nelson discloses her trials and tribulations as a staff reporter for The Washington Post in her poignant autobiography, Volunteer Slavery:

In this autobiography, Nelson car. be first perceived as paranoid, but a deeper look shows the hardships that she must deal with being a black female journalist working for a mainstream American newspaper.

A graduate of the City College of New York and Columbia Journalism School, she worked as a free-lance writer for most of her journalism career. But in 1986, she decided to pursue employment at The Washington Post, one of the premier newspapers in the country.

Nelson explains that she joined The Washington Post so she could earn money to send her daughter, Misu, to college.

"I am coming in from the cold of activist journalism, lefust politics, and poverty, and moving into the mainstream of so-called objective

I've ever made before,"

she writes.

During her four-year span at the newspaper, she experiences racism from her editors and protests against what she feels are the racially biased stories published in The Washington Post. In order to appease her editors, Nelson writes that she redefines her blackness and presents her white counterparts with an African-American image of herself that they are comfortable with.

'So there I was, strutting around with my semi-Afro, studiously garbling the English language because I thought that "real" black people didn't speak standard English. mouthing slogans from the Black Panther, and contemplating changing my name to Malika, or something authentically black. Nowadays, I keep my hair cut short and try to avoid being either Malika or Manuny; " Nelson writes.

Nelson reflects on what makes her black and an American, as she searches for her "authentic negro experience" throughout the book. This experience helps her to "find

journalism, and more money than herself' by resolving her inner conflict or "twoness."

She realizes that she must harmonize her "twoness" in order to make important career decisions. By learning to understand her "twoness," Nelson realizes that how and what she reports has a lot to do with her race, and she discovers how much differently from her white editors she perceives situations.

When she "finds herself" and resolves her inner conflict, she makes the decision to quit The Washington Post and give up her \$60,000 annual salary to return as a freelance writer.

"I quit my job because I wanted to be happy. But even in 1990 it was not easy to escape the plantation. Rumors flew concerning my departure," she writes.

Essence, Village Voice and USA Weekend, is extremely honest and funny in Volunteer Slavery, as she details the many events she believes were racist and describes her encounters with white colleagues.

Nelson, a frequent contributor to

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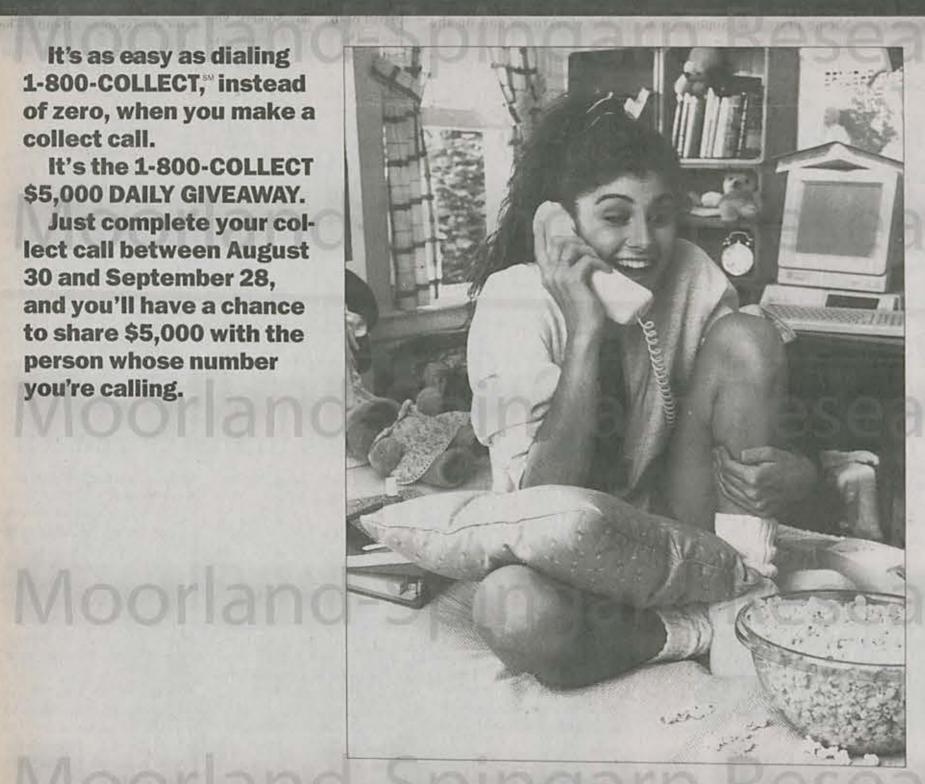
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Howard tennis prepares for upcoming season

Hilltop Staff Writer

This week marked the official beginning of another fall season for the men's and women's tennis teams. And according to several players. optimism seems to be a major characteristic of everyone.

"Our [goal] is to win and improve on our individual rankings," said sophomore Nicole Phillips, a returning player and member of the 1993 Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Women's Tennis Championship

Trying to three-pear as the number-one ranked women's team in the MEAC is a feat that has rarely been accomplished. Kimako Jonnes, a returning

sophomore, said the women's County," Strickland said, team has been preparing for the upcoming season by putting in men, Kayce Cummins and hours and hours of hard work. All of the players spent most of their summer conditioning and working on their weaknesses by playing in different tourna-

player, graduate Stephanie Johnson who is currently on the professional circuit, Head Tennis Coach Larry Strickland is depending on his top two return with five new players. In players, juniors LaShawn Jones and Chisona Husband, to make

"As usual, we will face tough Division I teams like George Muson, American, George Washington and the University

The addition of two fresh-Kimberly Nottingham, and senior walk-on Keisha Hurst is also expected to add to the talent pool of Strickland's returning players.

"I think that we will have a With the loss of only one very good season," predicted captain Stacy Jackson, a junior.

> The men, who finished last season with an impressive thirdplace finish in the MEAC, what is considered to be a year of rebuilding, Strickland is satisfied with the depth of the team.

"The freshmen are extremely talented," Strickland said, His new players include freshmen p.m. Bryan McGhee, Jamal Johnson, Maryland, Baltimore Mark Ogle and Justin McNair;

and junior walk-on Mark McFadden. Strickland believes that with the guidance of senior Kabelo Masiane and junior captain David Parker, the team will be one to watch this season.

The toughest competition for the men will probably include Georgetown and Hampton universities, along with teams they will face in upcoming tournaments.

The men will face off in a dual meet on Sunday against Virginia Military Institute at 11 a.m. The women will open their season on Tuesday at home against the University of the District of Columbia.

The match is scheduled for 3:30

Star Lady Spiker excels in more than athletics

By Danette S. Gerald Hilltop Staff Writer

Immediately upon entering a Lady Spikers' volleyball game at Burr Gymnasium, it becomes obvious that number 21, Breshawn Harris, is a dominating force on the court.

Harris, a 20-year-old native of Phoenix, Ariz., began playing volleyball in the seventh grade, but did not begin playing competitively until she was 14. Among her many volleyball experiences was a stint in the Phoenix Junior Olympics. Since that time, Harris said, volleyball has been a "major part of my life."

Since mid-August, Harris has devoted between two and three hours each day to improv-

ing her volleyball skills. This junior, who is majoring in television and film production, admitted that it is very easy to become distracted when it comes to prioritizing time between athletics and academics.

"My grandmother always told me that l had to do well in school in

order to succeed in life," Harris said. "I also look to God for help in all things that I do."

According to Harris, being part of the Lady Spikers' volleyball team for the past three years has been an enjoyable experience. However, Harris admitted that she had to adjust to playing on a collegiate level.

"In high school, there were always a few good players that stood out, but in college, everyone plays well," Harris said. She continued by saying, "As an individual player, you also have to concentrate on performing as a team player."

This year, Breshawn has high expectations for the Lady Spikers. According to Harris, with the addition of five new players and a host of returning veterans, the team will work toward becoming Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference Champions, Harris' individual goals include becoming a better all-around player and a standing threat to opposing teams. It

is likely that the 1992 All-Meac candidate will accomplish both and more.

For those who have seen Harris in action, it is apparent that this athlete has a natural love for the game of volleyball. It is not unusual for her to fall or dive for the ball in an effort to make a point or save a play. Head Volleyball Coach Linda Spencer describes Harris as "Miss Excitement."

"Breshawn is the kind of person who loves to talk and tell stories," Spencer said.

In addition to possessing a lively personality. Harris also has that winning attitude necessary to succeed both on and off the court.

"Winning isn't everything. If you play a good game and are

defeated. you must accept the 1055. Harris said. She went on to say "You must then corthe rect menta errors you made and play please yourself and your teammates. That way you will be victori ous."

Harris, who could have attended a predominantly white institution with a higher profile volleyball team, does not regret her decision to attend "The Mecca."

"I always wanted to attend a historically-black college, and I asked myself, 'Why not the best?" Harris said. "My years

at Howard have been great." When she is not spiking

balls, Harris enjoys traveling, talking and meeting new people. After graduating from Howard, Harris hopes to one day work in a television studio.

"Eventually, I'd like to host my own talk show and own a production company," Harris said.

Determination and a winning personality are two characteristics that are certain to lead Breshawn Harris to a successful and rewarding life.

Cross country teams speed off to winning starts

By Elaine Myada Hilltop Staff Writer

Last weekend, the men's and women's cross country teams made their season debut in a dual meet against George Mason and American universities. Both teams had a fine showing at the meet, which was held on the campus of George Mason University.

According to Head Coach William P. Moultrie, a 1992 Olympic Track and Field coach, the teams' performance was "very refreshing," considering they had just begun practice four days before the meet.

The men, with the help of senior Phillip MacKenzie; junior Corey Wilson; and freshmen Damian Rowe, Yasmeen Chestnut and Eric Campbell beat both George Mason and American. Their times were 21:53, 21:32, 25:01, 26:23 and 26:50, respectively.

job," said Moultrie of his male runners, who had to run a course that was 4.2 miles long.

The women, whose course was 3.1 miles, were led by freshman Kenya Palmer. Palmer completed the course in 19:40. Dionne Walker followed with times of 22:40, 22:43 and 25:41.

not cross country runners," explained Moultrie. "They're high school running years. mostly sprinters, hurdlers and jumpers, not long-distance runners.

Looking toward future excited about this season.

Moultrie, who is entering his prove herself, has qualities that leave the program."

This year, Moultrie believes the freshmen will make an impact on both teams. Players such as Rowe, Chestnut and Campbell will, according to Moultrie, contribute greatly. Senior Adayna Upchurch, junior Rowe, a native of Brooklyn, Karintha Randall and freshman N.Y., was one of the most sought-after runners in the country. Chestnut, who hails from Washington, D.C. and attended "Most of these runners are H.D. Woodson High School, was a city champion during his Campbell is expected to do well

meets, Moultrie admits that he is Nicole Pryor and Sophia Weir in the classroom and on the are expected to add to the track. "Last year, we had a difficult women's team. Palmer, a D.C. Says Moultrie, "I expect

"They did an outstanding twentieth year of collegiate will make her a solid competitor in many cross country events.

> Moultrie believes that his team will face fierce competition from teams of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference, such as Florida A&M, Delaware State and South Carolina State.

"We are in a very good conference, but I want it to be known that our freshmen will definitely make an impact in the conference," Moultrie said.

One thing Moultrie stresses is academic excellence from his players. "I don't want a player who is not academically comin both the 800 and 1500 meter mitted," Moultrie said. He went on to say that he wants his Palmer and fellow freshmen runners to be competitive both

season, but I believe that it is native, was a cross country them (the runners) to live up to totally irrelevant now as we champion last year. Weir, who the name "student-athlete" or begin a new season," said according to Moultrie has yet to else they will be expected to

for their first official season.

"I expect to have a winning

For further information on

season," said Amoake-Atta...

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"All of my girls are winners."

Women's soccer club attains NCAA status within the next month. Atta said Mason and Marymount players have high expectations

that he expects stiff competition Universities.

By:Erica Johnson Hilltop Staff Writer

The Howard University women's soccer club has been elevated to National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) status.

The team, which gained popularity as part of the Howard University Intramural and Recreation Program, is now considered a developmental varsity team. Because of the hard work of many players and Samuel Amoako-Atta, acting director for recreational activities, the team will eventually be a member of the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference.

"Our main goal is to be recognized as a varsity club and be able to play against other MEAC teams," said Atta, who is also serving as the team's coordina-

Currently, the team is in a transitional stage, as they look for more interested players. The team had a meeting last week for all interested women. According to Atta, the turn-out was very encouraging. More than thirty women attended, including seven returning players from last year's intramural club. Those seven, Monica Johnson, Vicki Moore, Tamara Hayes, Karen Brodie, Leslie Robinson, Ronke Akinbulumo and Reene Jones, are expected to contribute a great deal as the team approaches its first season.

Their first match will be against Georgetown University,

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Howard University Chapter NAACP First General Body Meeting Thursday, Sept. 23 Hilltop Lounge 6:30

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