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Candidates return to campaign drawing board

By Hilltop Staff Writer

The new Howard University president and vice president would be selected in a unprecedented practice at the university's annual presidential elections to be held on April 18. The move is a break with tradition and has raised questions about the university's leadership and governance.

According to university officials, the decision was made after extensive discussions with the Howard University Board of Trustees and the Howard University System of Trustees.

The university said the new process would ensure a more inclusive and transparent selection process, allowing for a broader range of candidates to be considered.

The university also announced that the presidential election would be held in conjunction with the university's annual fall commencement ceremony.

The move has been met with mixed reactions from the university community, with some expressing concern about the process and others welcoming the change.

Some said the new process would allow for a more diverse pool of candidates to be considered, while others expressed concern about the potential for political influence in the selection process.

The university said it would continue to work with the Howard University Board of Trustees and the Howard University System of Trustees to ensure a fair and transparent process.

In the meantime, the university said it would continue to search for a new president and vice president.
Congressman visits campus Christian organization for noontday address

By Anawaty Q. Arling
Front Page Writer

Representative Jim Clyburn, a South Carolina Democrat in Congress, visited Howard University Tuesday afternoon to speak to students in the campus Christian organization, the Campus Christian Fellowship. Clyburn, who is African-American, said he visited the university to discuss the "importance of working together in a non-violent way and how to get people to listen to one another."

Clyburn, a member of the House Ways and Means Committee, also spoke about the need for students to get involved in the political process. "You can't just sit back and watch things happen," he said. "You have to be active and get involved." He encouraged students to vote and to participate in local elections.

Clyburn's visit was sponsored by the Campus Christian Fellowship, which is a campus-wide organization that seeks to promote service, social justice, and spiritual growth. The organization has more than 500 members and is located in the Campus Center.

The event was held in the Student Center and was attended by more than 300 students. The keynote address was followed by a question and answer session with Clyburn, who answered questions on a wide range of topics, including education, civil rights, and foreign policy. The event was well-received by the students, who thanked Clyburn for his time and for his words of encouragement.

President Clinton, Vernon Jordan make surprise Rankin Chapel visit

By Anawaty Q. Arling
Front Page Writer

President Clinton and Vernon Jordan arrived at Howard University's Rankin Chapel on Friday afternoon for a surprise visit. The two leaders were greeted by a cheering crowd of students and staff who had been invited to the event.

President Clinton, who is a Howard University graduate, was accompanied by Vernon Jordan, who is a former president of Howard University. The two leaders spoke about the importance of education and the role of universities in society.

"We are lucky to have two leaders like President Clinton and Vernon Jordan here at Howard University," said Assistant Director of Student Affairs, Marion Pressley. "They are both leaders who have made a significant impact on the world and have always been committed to the education of young people."

The event was held in the Rankin Chapel, which is located in the Campus Center on Howard University's campus. The chapel is a popular venue for events and services and is known for its elegant architecture and beautiful interior.

The event was well-received by the students, who thanked President Clinton and Vernon Jordan for their time and for their words of encouragement.

NAACP hosts Afrocentric ball tonight

By Patricia Hardin
Front Page Writer

The Howard University chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) is hosting its 2nd annual Afrocentric ball tonight in the Howard University Center Ballroom. The event is expected to draw over 500 guests, including Howard University students, faculty, staff, and community members.

The theme of the ball is "Afrocentricity: A Celebration of Black Excellence and Empowerment." The event will feature entertainment, including live music and dance performances, as well as a keynote address by former Howard University President, Dr. William H. Gray III.

"We are excited to host this event, which celebrates the rich culture and history of the African diaspora," said NAACP Howard University chapter president, Dr. William H. Gray III. "This event is an opportunity for us to come together and recognize the contributions of African-Americans to our society and the world at large."

The event is free and open to all, but guests are asked to wear Afrocentric attire. The proceeds from the event will go towards scholarships for Howard University students.

"We want to make sure that all students, regardless of their financial situation, have the opportunity to attend Howard University," said Dr. Gray. "By hosting this event, we are able to raise funds to support our scholarship program and help ensure that all students have the opportunity to succeed."
Honor students praised by President Ladner

By Hilltop Staff Writer

President Dr. Joyce Ladner spoke. In addition to Dean Taylor, Dr. Ladner pictured with honor students.

Many students expressed their gratitude for these changes because it is much easier to get the help they need. Dr. Ladner said that the turn-out of about 50 students out of 200 shows that there is a need for this type of service.

According to Dr. Ladner, the key factor is that Howard is able to attract students of all races and backgrounds. She said that Howard would not be Howard without these students.

"A lot of people think that Howard is only for black people, but that's not true," Dr. Ladner said. "We are a diverse community and we should be proud of that."
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**Blacks Earn Less Money**

By Jonathan Winer

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Blacks earn less money than Whites. The report that the Department of Labor and the Bureau of Labor Statistics released in 1995 shows that the average hourly earnings of Black workers are about 20% lower than those of White workers. This significant disparity is evident across various industries and occupations. While the reasons for this earning gap are multifaceted, they include systemic racism, discrimination, and limited access to education and job opportunities.

**Proposed bill takes root at parents who don't pay**

By Johnathan Wharton

Hilltop Staff Writer

A proposed bill to take parental rights away from those who do not pay child support is gaining traction. The bill, if passed, would result in significant changes to the current child support system, offering an alternative approach to enforcement. The legislation aims to address the issue of non-payment of child support, which has been a persistent problem for years. Parents who fail to meet their financial obligations would face severe consequences, including loss of custodial rights.

**Some taxpayers face delays in income tax returns**

By Janelle Lynne Thompson

Many college students who were hoping to receive refunds by spring break will have to wait.

The Internal Revenue Service (IRS) has seen a growing number of fraudulent tax returns that have delayed refunds for some taxpayers. A large number of these returns, estimated to be between one and two million, have been found to be fraudulent. The IRS is currently working to identify and prevent these quixotic efforts. It has stated that taxpayers should be aware of the possibility of delays and remain patient.

**College students urged to drive safely, avoid alcohol during spring break trip**

By Cristel Williams

Spring Break is quickly approaching, and so is the time for students to plan their trips. Students Against Drunk Driving (SADD) and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) have issued warnings to college students to be cautious while driving and avoiding alcohol during their spring break travels.

A survey revealing the increase of alcohol-related tragedies and deaths among college students revealed that many students are not aware of the dangers of driving while impaired. The CDC recommends that students plan ahead, avoid drinking and driving, and always go the extra mile.
**Syposium examines media portrayal of African women**

By Michelle Mason

"Although women in Africa received little or no recognition for the role they played during the second world war and after colonial oppression, they managed to maintain a vision of equality and their African countries." said Patricia Blackburn, an assistant professor at Loyola College.

"There are many parallels in the struggle has left 30,000 dead, foreigners have been killed, and journalists have also been killed," said Blackburn.

"We have to work hard on redressing our mistakes," Assistant Professor, African Studies, with a PhD in African Studies, said.

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**International week celebrates cultural diversity at Mecca**

By Michelle Mason

The Week in Mecca celebrates cultural diversity at Mecca with an array of activities. The week, which will be held in the Blackmore Center Club, will feature a variety of cultural events at its conclusion and enjoy cultural diversity entertainment. The week concluded with entertainment provided by the Cultural Showcase at the Blackmore Center Club. Participants will get a chance to attend the cultural event at its conclusion and enjoy cultural diversity entertainment. The week concluded with entertainment provided by the Cultural Showcase at the Blackmore Center Club.

"We have to build on the success of this year's International Week with educational events such as international affairs," Blackmore said.

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**Guatemalan political refugees urge resolution**

By Patricia Newton

Washington—During the last 35 years, thousands of persons have been displaced against the Guatemalan government, according to the message of last year’s Special Resolution. The resolution asks the government to strive for the protection of displaced persons across the country by the United Nations.

"I am in solidarity with the people of Guatemala," said Helen Hart, a Guatemala native. "It is a struggle for the right to live in peace, to have access to education, and to keep our cultures alive.

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When will we wake up?

March is special because it is the month that both the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) and Howard University celebrate Black History Month. This year, Howard University has once again been the subject of discussion and controversy. The occurrence that truly casts winter into a distant memory is the month which ushers in Spring. The month of March is considered to be the month that brings us closer to the end of the winter season. The metaphorical spring has come, and we are ready to welcome a new beginning.

The HILLTOP has received phone calls, letters and emails from students who have attended Howard University. Many of these messages express their dissatisfaction with the management of the student newspaper. They accuse the newspaper of being biased and prejudiced, and they demand that the newspaper reflect the diversity of the Howard community.

The newspaper, however, has not responded to these criticisms. The editors of the newspaper have failed to address the concerns of the students. They have ignored the letters and emails and have not published any response to the criticisms.

The students who have criticized the newspaper have done so in a respectful manner. They have not resorted to name-calling or vitriol. Instead, they have expressed their concerns in a constructive and thoughtful way.

The editors of the newspaper, on the other hand, have failed to take responsibility for their work. They have not acknowledged the concerns of the students. They have not offered an explanation for their actions. They have not promised to make changes to improve the newspaper.

The students who have criticized the newspaper have expressed a desire to see a more diverse and inclusive newspaper. They have asked for a newspaper that is representative of the diversity of the Howard community.

The editors of the newspaper, however, have failed to meet these expectations. They have continued to publish articles that are biased and prejudiced. They have failed to address the concerns of the students.

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Hip-Hop: As American as sweet potato pie

Shaking guns in videos, only someone who is ignorant of the media is shocked by the prevalence of the ordinariness. And only someone who has not heard enough represented all hip-hop.

Some critics have correctly noted hip-hop is not perfect. Yet, it is not possible to extract the music from its context. We just did not realize how few examples characterized the influence of hip-hop. It is further, seeing hip-hop encourages people and ways of life and acknowledges violence to resolve conflict as a way to achieve its goals and a lack of financial will have been present throughout the history of American society, so all hip-hop is not the same anywhere.

Both hip-hop doesn't make a difference in the manner in which this society functions. But there are some organizations on television and radio stations.

In the opinion of hip-hop fans, they can do a meaningful difference and build up campus morale.

It is sad to say, Mr. McDermott of Howard University... She would have still been kicked to the curb. In real life, if a woman is happy and if she did not do it, her dream is the center of a man happy is the center of a woman. We must respect each other and blaming each other. Members of society are the first two flaws. We must respect each other.

The attacks on both black are being fought by people who have some of the worst war crimes. Despite this, many of these are considered American values, and the fact that is is due. Everyone can not only be a victim, but it is also to see the beauty of America's political system, which is necessary. Mr. Dennis states that some people from both the HILLTOP Board members and assistants have made a choice to give her power to those people.

Unfortunately, people have been fighting about James McQueen. This is the time to really understand what it is to love a victim. We must be concerned with others. When people are forced to accept the fact that they have no control of the situation, they will be more understanding of others. We must look like the mirror of ugly. This is not to say hip-hop is not an example of the way that hip-hop artists have been period of time without blowing a head to R&B and witnesses light. It is this spirit that I am confident will come out of retirement and return to the Chicago Bulls?

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LaMonte Geddis
Junior Elementary Education
Queens, NY

Yes, but only if alumni give back. However, that's not going to happen if Howard keeps treating students like they're not wanted.

Keitha Pansy
Senior Accounting
Little Rock, AR

No, because Howard is continuously suffering from budget shortcomings, and since we don't have alumni support to counteract these problems, Howard University must depend on funding from the government.

Stephanie Carr
Junior Public Relations
Oakland, CA

Yes, but it will take organizational restructuring and a whole new attitude by the University.

Donya Smith
Junior English
Bloomsfield, MI

The University is not in a position to do so. Without federal assistance, tuition would be raised. I think they're at a point where they realize this.

Ayana Robinson
Junior History
New Orleans, LA

I don't think it is possible. We need to be realistic about the situation and realize that we don't get the alumni support necessary to become independent.

Compiled by Monica Lewis

Is it possible for Howard University to become independent of federal funding?

Photos by Nikia “the comeback kid” Puyol
When he is someone you know

Date rape on a college campus: students discuss the issue

By LaChanda Jenkins

Last week, two college students were raped while attending a party. The first student, a freshman at Temple University, was attacked by a group of men while she was trying to get to her dorm room. The second student, a senior at the University of Pennsylvania, was attacked by a man while she was walking back to her dorm after a late-night study session.

Many students are concerned about the rise in date rape on college campuses. In fact, a recent study conducted by the National Center for Education Statistics found that one in five college women and one in 10 college men have experienced date rape.

But many students feel that they don't have the tools they need to prevent date rape or to handle it when it occurs. They feel that the college administration, the police, and the legal system are not doing enough to protect them.

"I feel like the university doesn't take rape seriously," said one student. "They don't do enough to prevent it, and when it happens, they don't handle it properly."

"I don't feel like the administration is doing enough to prevent date rape," said another student. "They don't have enough resources to deal with it, and when it happens, they don't take it seriously."

But some students feel that there is hope for change. "I think there is a lot of support for change," said one student. "There are a lot of students who are willing to speak out and demand change."
Meredith Rowe, giving back to the children

Big Brother/Sister director learns teaching kids is her calling

BY RHASYD SYED

VITAL STATISTICS

Name: Meredith Rowe

Age: 21

Hometown: Seattle, Washington

Major: Education

Words of Wisdom: "As you move up, turn around and pull someone up with you.

By Hilltop Staff Writer

Dr. Ian Isidore Smart finds comfort at Howard

Spanish professor uses wisdom from world travels in classroom

By Hilltop Staff Writer

A bright eyed boy of 11, Ian Isidore Smart stood outside Port of Spain, Trinidad to New York for the third month. His mother, father and four of his 12 brothers and sisters. On New Year’s, the young boy, now 21, was a student at Howard University.

An obvious casual, he studies in the Department of Spanish and Portuguese. "I can’t imagine not being in class," he said.

The University is the perfect match for Smart. His major is a combination of Spanish and African American studies. He major is a combination of Spanish and African American studies. He

"But I’m still here because I renew my optimism each year. I find the University to be culturally, emotionally and socially inspiring. I distinguish those individuals who make my stay worthwhile from the University’s administration which is hopelessly incompetent."

—Dr. Ian Isidore Smart

VITAL STATISTICS

Name: Ian Isidore Smart

Age: 50

Hometown: Port of Spain, Trinidad

Profession: Professor of Spanish, Vice President and Founder of the Afro Hispanic Institute.

Words of Wisdom: "Keep your eyes open and "Do for self"
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The RSVP drawings will be in Tubman Quadrangle on Tuesday, March 21, starting at 9:15 a.m.

Howard Plaza Towers undergraduate residents will also have an opportunity to state their preferences for East Tower (under current arrangements) or West Towers (residence hall arrangements). Information and forms available at the Towers on March 17 and 18.

$100 payment is due on April 3 to confirm tentative assignment or waiting list position.
Black or white: living life on the color line

Gregory Howard Williams discovered that he was Black at age 10

By Vincent Burke
Hpress Staff Writer

Imagine growing up in a world where you're a "White boy" and finding out that you're not black or the color of your skin is not always an easy thing to do. Gregory Howard Williams, who was born in the 1950s and is now a White mother of a Black son, talks about his experiences with being color-conscious and how he came to terms with his identity.

Williams grew up as a Black boy with a White mother. He has always been aware of his race and has had to deal with the challenges that come with being biracial. He recalls how his father would sometimes dress him up as a Black boy to go to school, but he knew that he was not Black because of his skin color.

Williams said that growing up as a Black boy in a White family was difficult, but he also felt a sense of belonging to his White family. He said that his father was very supportive of him and would always try to make him feel at home.

Williams said that his mother was also supportive of him and would always try to make him feel a part of the family. She would always tell him that he was Black and that he could be proud of his heritage.

Williams said that he was born with a sense of identity, but it was not until he was 10 years old that he truly understood his race. He said that he realized that he was Black when he was playing with his friends and they asked him if he was Black or not.

Williams said that he has always been aware of his race, but he has never been ashamed of it. He said that he has always felt a sense of pride in his heritage and that he is proud to be Black.

Williams said that he has always been proud of his heritage, but he has also had to deal with the challenges that come with being biracial. He said that he is proud to be a Black boy and that he will always be proud of his heritage.
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