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Hilltop Staff
Board Approves Tuition Increase

Housing Rates Increased 5%; Meal Plan Increased 6%

Last month, the University voted in favor of the increases in order to cover the University's obligations and provide additional assistance for housing and meal plan operation. The Board of Trustees approved a seven percent tuition increase to partially cover the estimated deficit in funding for the upcoming year.

Although modest, this increase should allow the University to cover approximately 45 percent of the projected inflationary increases and provide assistance in the areas of scholarships and fellowships, campus security, libraries, computing/materials (including all technology), student and staff healthcare, faculty salaries, staff salaries, energy costs, chemistry and biology upgrades, and laboratory and information technology upgrades and maintenance.

Residence Life officials characterized the increase as modest, but some student leaders saw at least some of the increase as reflective of the University's recent truths.

New Car Service Zipping to a Lot Near You

By Natasha L. Williams

Editorial and Perspectives Editor

While the Metro system, University shuttle system and a person's own two feet are all ways to get around campus, DC cabs is nothing like having a car to get from point A to point B. Everyone doesn't have the luxury of their own vehicle or parking to keep their car safe. For the worried commuter, there might be a solution.

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**CAMPUS**

University Loses Beloved Professor

By Charrell Jackson

Hilltop Staff Writer

Students and faculty in the School of Business are adjusting to life without Geraldine Brooks-Harper, Ph.D., a beloved professor who recently passed away at her home due to natural causes. Ms. Brooks-Harper was known for her dedication to her students and her service to Howard University both on and off campus.

Ms. Nash, who began working at Howard in September of 1999 as the Admissions Coordinator for the School of Business, said the most rewarding aspects of her position is the opportunity to work with students and travel the campus. She feels strongly about the value of a college degree, saying that students need to come here and know that Howard is the right fit for them.

Howard, like many other historically black universities, is keenly aware of the importance of recruiting students. Although logging on to your email or following up with administrators may seem like a hassle, it is crucial to ensure that you're ready for something now and in the future.

On Thursday, HUSA as well as the student body asked the question, "Why, Why, Why" to key deans and administrators.

"I think it could be effective as long as something is put into motion," said HUSA president Daniel Chambers, Dean of Resident Life Charles Gholie and the students in residence halls.

"We need to come here and know that Howard is the right fit for them," Nash said. "We need to do something to make them feel more like home."
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third eye; Gillies said. He also explained that the members of Key Middle School may be called to...
**Bowie to get $900m Facelift**

**Plans include two luxury hotels, half-million dollar restaurants and specialty stores. Protections have been made for a new school building.**

By Mario Davis

Hilltop Staff Writer

PG County may have a new face by 2005 for a $900 million development in Bowie. The project would be called Park Place.

The development will be a multi-use complex, a combination of retail, residential, office uses and a cultural component.

By the Hilltop

**Bush Medicare to Cost $1.3b More than Planned**

President Bush will propose on Friday that his Medicare overhaul would cost significantly more than he expected, as the White House preparation for a record $2 trillion budget remained under way.

By the Hilltop

**Metro Access**

**Flights Grounded in Terror Threat**

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The return flights from Miami will continue.

By the Hilltop

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The man said he fired at a cruiser on Interstate 270 trying to connect to the case, police said Friday. At least 10 people were wounded in the highway shootings connected.

By the Hilltop

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**New York City Through the Lens**

**Serious Disease**

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**Do you have a hobby?**

**Cattle remains infected by scrapie disease in Northern Ireland.**

**See photos on A8**

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Providers that control the phys­
ical line to the rest of the world.
Special software, called Internet
filters, can then deny access to
sites that are deemed to be
in China's best interest.
Toshiba's senior research and de­
defense office chief, Shigeyasu Saito,
said, "We are committed to
providing a user-friendly, easy,
secure Internet service to
Chinese users."

"They obviously don't want
anybody to get any ideas
outside of the communist mentality,"

In addition, all content is scanned
by the Chinese government's

The 3D avatar however is
static," he said, "make-up simu­
laters already in existence.
Comparable simulators exist
in Japan and other countries, but these
only display how a different hairstyle or

"Long waiting room lines are
the norm these days," said Jainil
Alexander, a freshman finance major.
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MONTHLY
she's on the money

By Verona Brooke Taylor
Hilltop Staff Writer

Last month, two of the largest banks in the United States announced a merger valued at $142 billion. Scheduled to take place in the middle of this year, the Morgan Chase & Co. potential acquisition of Bank One would make the new, combined entity the largest bank, after Citigroup.

Though seemingly colossal in proportion, such big mergers are not stopping any of us.

But, with both companies acting as prominent players in the financial sphere, the idea of combining two very large banks could potentially create a significant impact on the market. With the merger, both banks will have access to each other's customer bases, allowing them to expand their reach and increase their market share. However, there are concerns about the potential effects on competition and the overall economy.

For as long as I can remember, I've always been fascinated by the world of finance. From the time I was a child, I've been curious about how money is made and how banks operate. This fascination led me to pursue a degree in finance, and I've continued to learn about the industry ever since.

The idea of a giant bank merging with another large institution is not new. In fact, mergers and acquisitions are a common occurrence in the financial sector. However, the scale of this particular merger is unprecedented. Morgan Chase & Co., with assets of $58 billion, and Bank One, with assets of $50 billion, will create a behemoth with a combined asset base of $142 billion.

As a Hilltop Staff Writer, I've been covering the financial news for the past few years. I've seen firsthand how the industry has evolved over time, and I'm excited to see what the future holds.

The biggest question on everyone's mind is what this merger means for consumers. Will there be any changes in the way we do business with these banks? Will our everyday transactions be affected in any way?

For the Hilltop

February 3, 2004
Nash: Beloved Professor

NASH (son of A1)

Rachel, Nash's first child, was born in 1988, following a pregnancy that almost ended in miscarriage. Nash had worked long and hard for this pregnancy, and the arrival of Rachel was a joyful moment for both her and Howard. Nash's love for Rachel was reflected in her hard work and dedication to her students, and Rachel was often seen at Howard University events, accompanying her mother.

Rachel's presence at Howard University

Rachel attended Howard University and was active in various campus organizations, including the Student Government Association and the Delta Sigma Pi fraternity. She was known for her leadership skills and her commitment to community service.

Rachel's impact at Howard

Rachel's presence at Howard University had a profound impact on the campus. She was a role model for many students, and her success inspired others to pursue their dreams. Rachel's legacy at Howard University continues to live on through the many students she mentored and the impact she made on the campus community.

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Rachel's legacy at Howard University continues to live on through the many students she mentored and the impact she made on the campus community. She is remembered for her leadership skills, her dedication to community service, and her commitment to making a positive difference in the world.
PFF Prepares Grad Students

JOBS

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Artists Add Incentives to Sell CDs

MUSIC: John W. Kazana, Arek and Audio Galaxy are popular steels for music lovers who don't want to spend the cash, but the stakes are high.

Fierce new courts aren't record labels $700 million a year, according to the RIAA, and the industry has begun suing individual users who share files. These efforts from the recording industry are a move to bring consumers back to the stores for the music they love.

Jupiter legal communications: "Without Catherina Zsilavetz, said that although she's now started to download music from the Internet, she still does not buy CDs.

"Usually I will only buy one or two songs by an average artist, this is not enough to make me buy it, no matter how many tracks are included, special features are added or price cuts," she said.

Some students believe that although CDs now have more tracks, many of the songs are just fillers. Intros, skits and sometimes shout-outs take up track space on popular pop CDs. A popular artist may come out with a CD once a year, have singles on a movie soundtrack, album, and then make special appearances on the CDs of other artist, requiring you to purchase many different CDs to get all the songs you really want.

"I think artist in general are coming out with CDs more often, to keep the buzz and publicity going," said Michael Molineaux, junior legal communications major.

"I will have a cool single on the radio and wonder, who didn't they just include that on their last CD?"

The young voice of technology has spoken. Now that the record industry is responding with lower prices, they hope we will return with our wallets.

START from All

As soon as they start fail as soon as they start because it is by no means easy and it doesn't happen overnight.

But among successful entrepreneurs, the other one out of three, I have noticed striking similarities.

These people are self-motivated and have taken the initiative to tackle the hardest problem getting started.

They are good with money -they know how to keep money coming in more frequently than it is spent. They have detected window boxes (and dollars) to making their ideas work. They are willing to try over and over and do the dirty work if there's no one else to do it.

Also, surround yourself with the right people- those with similar interests.

... A Special Thanks to all those who attended our Super Bowl Party. And to all the people singing Howard's Alma Mater. People asked me if I was scared or worried but I am sorry you will not get to see me at the flagpole @ 12 noon Friday in my boxers. I am sorry you will not get to see me at the flagpole @ 12 noon Friday in my boxers singing Howard's Alma Mater. People asked me if I was scared or worried but the Lord had spoken to me. I will not tell you what he said but I can show you what he did (NE 32-29 CAR...). I will walk with a smile on my face for the entire week as a tribute to "my bet with Destiny..." Peace be with you my fair weather fans.

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Vinatieri’s Kick is Good

41-yarder seals Super Bowl for Patriots

Adam Vinatieri kicked a 41-yard field goal with four seconds left on the clock to give the New England Patriots a 32-29 victory over the Carolina Panthers. The win at Super Bowl XXXVIII was the Patriots’ second in three years. A field goal by Vinatieri led to a Patriot win over the Saint Louis Rams in 2002. New England quarterback Tom Brady was honored as the Super Bowl’s most valuable player.

Super Bowl XXXVIII Plays of the Game

Panthers

Jake Delhomme’s 8-yard fourth quarter pass to Mohib Amin

Patriots

Tom Brady completes a touchdown pass to tight end Mike Vrabel with 2:51 left, and a two-point conversion gives New England a 29-25 lead.

DeShaun Foster runs 33 yards for a touchdown to bring Carolina within two points of the Patriots (29-27).

Panthers

Adar Vinatieri kicks a 41-yard field goal to win the game for the Patriots after missing one that was 31 yards and having another blocked by Carolina.
Russell Follows Footsteps of Basketball Great Cazzie Russell

By Jordan James

Contributing Writer

Russell Follows Footsteps of Basketball Great Cazzie Russell

With four seconds that once played half for the NBA, basketball is in Bill Russell's blood.

The junior forward who averaged 6.6 points per game is the nephew of NBA legend Cazzie Russell.

"I've been here for a year, but I remember all his trophies," Russell said.

Cazzie Russell was a three-time All American at the University of Michigan from 1964-66, and was twice named the Big Ten Conference player of the year. He led the team to back-to-back Final Four appearances in 1964 and 1965, winning an average of 23.2 points per game.

Russell was the number one pick draft by the Knicks in 1966. During his five seasons with New York, Russell averaged 15.4 points per game and contributed 7.4 points per game during the Knicks 1969-70 NBA championship season.

In the 1971-72 season, Russell left New York for Golden State, where he averaged 13-4 points per game and remained for three years and his trophies. "Russell said.

Contributing Writer

Russell left New York for Golden State, where he averaged 8.8 points in what would be his last season as a professional basketball player.

Despite his family's huge involvement in basketball, Russell felt no pressure to follow in his uncle's footsteps.

"It did help to make me play other sports, even some one year. Basketball was just always a part of what we were doing even as the family.

Though he was at Howard last season, Russell did not play for medical reasons. He also had surgery for his right knee before he missed the first part of this season after breaking his finger.

Bulldogs Stifle Bison this Weekend in Burr Gymnasium

By Soraya N. McDona ld

Sports Editor

Standing by Kiki Phakiso, at the indoor track team's first meet, is assistant coach Stan S卿. "Kiki showed me how to improve my form, and how to improve, and you feel as if you can compete with anyone," said junior Donnell Cullen. "Leadership comes with playing well, and the people who competed for me certainly have that."

"We like this event to compete against the best," said Michael Cartwright, Head Coach of the indoor track team.

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"I was definitely worried about our involvement in basketball," said Bison Head Coach Bilal Russell.

"I thought that we played very well, but our guys couldn't come back from behind to beat them," Allen said. "Our guys couldn't overcome our turnovers, and we couldn't sustain our quickness.

The upcoming home Bison Basketball game will be Monday, February 9th against the finale of the Mid-Eastern Eastern Shore. The women's game is set to start at 6 p.m. and the men will follow at 8 p.m.

Indoor Track Shines at Penn State Open Invitational

By Garrett H. Sims

Contributing Writer

After a strong second-place showing in the President Bouts on January 24 for both men and women's track, it was time to see what Howard indoor track was really about.

The top performers were invited to compete with the best in the nation at the Penn State Open Invitational in University Park, Pennsylvania this past weekend.

On the women's side, sophomore Daydine Carter tied for seventeenth in the 3,000 meter dash with a time of 14:49.99. She also improved in the long jump event, landing on a jump of 5.76 meters, placing fourth.

Freshman guard Derek Mitchell (3) came off the bench to score a career-high 14 points in Howard's loss to South Carolina State.

Andrea Adewodu, Taj Alvaranga, Lance Gross, and David Wynn also placed second in the 60 meter dash.
The Hilltop holds budget meetings very Tuesday at 6:00 p.m. in the West Towers.

Organizational Funding and Conference Support from the Graduate Student Assembly (GSA)

The Graduate Student Assembly (GSA) is currently accepting applications for its annual Spring 2004 allocation of program funds. The GSA is offering Organization Funding to graduate organizations with specific programs designed to enrich the academic experience of graduate students and Conference Support to individuals representing Howard at graduate and professional conferences.

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Graduate and Professional School organizations seeking Organizational Funding must:

- Submit electronically detailed itemized BUDGET
- (Flow, Microsoft Word attachment, or Microsoft Excel spreadsheet)
- Emailed to Fiscal Coordinator Vimbai Mhungu (vmhungu@yahoo.com) and Vice Coordinator Kenneth Maxey (kenthetruthseeker@hotmail.com)
- Be recognized by Student Affairs
- Verify in Room 117 Blackburn Center
- Have either an active University account or a bank account in the Organization's official name
- Complete a W-9 Tax form
- Demonstrate funds solicitation from sources other than GSA
- Submit Settlement Statements (Organizations that previously received GSA funding)

CONFERENCE SUPPORT
Any graduate or professional student seeking support for conference attendance or professional fees may obtain advance funding or reimbursement from the Graduate Student Assembly for amounts not exceeding $100.00 per person. Funds distribution is based on availability and is distributed on a first come first serve basis. Conference support is intended for registration fees and participation fees only. Food expenses will not be reimbursed.

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If you have any questions please e-mail Vimbai Mhungu at vmhungu@yahoo.com.
By Kristal Knight
Contributing Writer

Pride, heritage, and culture are three key components of one's life that are not taught in high school. While an HBCU may be meant to instill pride, heritage, culture, and knowledge, many leave with a distorted view of cultures outside of theirs.

"I've learned a lot more about my culture than I did at my white high school," said sophomore information systems major DeCardis Holder. Holder is from Memphis, TN and attended a predominately white high school.

Understanding where one has come from can play a vital role in the education that he or she will receive, and his or her outlook on life. Many students attend HBCUs to get the "black experience," and others just want to be around people who look like them. Holder decided to come to Howard University because his parents attended Howard. He said his view of other cultures has changed a little, but he realizes in the real world one has to put aside their feelings.

"It makes me aware of my culture and the struggles we [blacks] have," Holder explained. Heritage appreciation differs for students who come from predominantly black high schools. Freshman psychology major William Gant of Desoto, came to Howard from a predominantly black school and claims that his view of other cultures has not changed. He said that his view of white culture, in particular, is the same. However, attending Howard has expanded his view of the black culture.

"We are a unique culture. Personality, dress, and speech are major elements that have allowed me to see that our culture is beautiful in so many different ways," William said.

Freshman broadcast journalism major, Lark Pickett explained that many blacks have only been taught one side of history. "It's like we've been programmed to view things in the white perspective, for example history," Pickett said. She commented that now that she attends Howard, she definitely views history from the black prospective. Pickett, who attended a mixed high school, said that during high school learning about blacks in Africa was not taught the same way as it is at Howard.

Pickett explained that she also views whites differently because she's learned more about her own culture. At non-HBCUs issues about the black culture tend to be discussed, at best, as an add on said Dr. Gomes, a member of the sociology department at Howard University.

Gomes said that many students from white high schools tend to be more hostile and aggressive because of where they are from. Many sociologists believe that certain situations have factors that affect self-identification, behavior, and attitudes.

Gomes agreed. He said that a student's situation will most likely determine how he or she views other cultures including his or her own.

Lee Harris, an Arkansas school teacher, said, "Most students I teach want to attend an HBCU because many of their family members went to HBCUs." Harris teaches at a diverse school and explained that many African American students are searching for themselves and want to be around people who look like them.

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NY Times Suggests that Sharpton and Kucinich be Silenced

In an editorial the New York Times called for candidates Dennis Kucinich and Al Sharpton to be excluded from future democratic primary debates. The newspaper called for this for the Democratic Party presidential nomination.

The Times, that Al Sharpton's every right to keep campaigning despite his minimal vote total, but he should not be allowed to take up time in future candidate debates. Neither should the Reverend Al Sharpton, who is running, become the primary reason for making these claims was because these candidates have low votes.

Although editors are opinion based, we ask who are the Times to imply that those few candidates should be excluded from debates? This is undoubtedly a shared view of democracy. Not to mention the fact that the Times' claim on Kucinich was just as the Democratic primary had narrowed with the Iowa caucuses.

The primary debates are one of the principal venues for prospective candidates to air their views. If the media stopped covering the minimus of the "underdog" candidates, they would by default be endorsing a select few candidates.

Our View:

Even if a candidate is not sweeping the polls with an overwhelming vote, they still deserve to be taken seriously and acknowledged.

The primary election has only taken place in New Hampshire. Although Sharpton and Kucinich may not be the favorites in the polls, everyone deserves equal time. Because they're not doing well doesn't mean that votes should be taken away.

D.C. Water Proves to Have Been Contaminated for Years

D.C. Council members just found out that the D.C. Water and Sewer Authority (WASA) had kept quiet about the lead contamination of thousands of city homes, until now. Some 4,079 houses in D.C. have tested above the federal limit for lead.

We are informed by this information. This contamination of water causes various health concerns. People have shown that children who drink from water that is at greater risk for lead levels spiked above the Environmental Protection Agency's lead limit of parts per billion, for over ten years. Why has WASA been sitting on this issue for so long? If they would have come forward with the known information, then perhaps city officials could have made moves to rectify the problem.

Our View:

The general disregard for the lives of D.C. residents is outrageous.

The city has 23,000 lead service lines that may through all dates and times. This is outrageous. It is ridiculous. Our View:

The Nation's Largest Black College Newspaper

As a matter of fact, we are surprised that this did not come to light sooner. It is ridiculous. Therefore, we ask the administration and the city to handle snow days in a manner that keeps our welfare in mind.

The Hilltop Editorial Board, Howard University, its administration or the student body.

The Student Voice of Howard University Since 1924

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A message from the
Howard University Student Association

Intellectual Community Fund will grant funding to recognized student organizations for efforts promoting the intellectual enhancement of the Howard University community.

Information will be available in the HUSA office, Room 102 in Blackburn
Application deadline is Tuesday, February 10 at 5:00 p.m.

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APPLICATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE FOR THE FALL 2004 SEMESTER STUDY ABROAD

- Sophomores And Juniors
- Minimum GPA 3.0
- Contact: Betty J. Aikens, Director, Ralph J. Bunche Center
- Application Deadline, March 5, 2004
Our View: The University needs to handle snow-days in a manner that keeps our workforce in mind.

While we regretted for the unintended cancellation of classes last week due to the snow, the University's methods of dealing with inclement weather left us with no choice in the icy conditions.

First, we do not understand why the administration waited so long to inform students of cancelled classes. Although school was cancelled last Monday, the information was not posted Sunday night. We are sure that the administration makes the decision to cancel school before the morning, and we find it very incomprehensible to us not to convey this information to the students in a timely manner. We also cannot fathom why the shuttles ran so sporadically due to cancelled school days. Students were literally left in the cold and left to find their own way to campus. This was an hour during the day for the shuttle. Then the shuttles stopped, running at 8:00am, leaving students either walk or sit for the student center shuttle that did not start until 12:13am. This is unacceptable.

We would like to go back to class on Tuesday, situations did not get any better. The administration decided to open classes as an "hour interval." Although this did just this information, it did not do much good because the situation was so vague. Was that supposed to mean that some classes or that personal time did not have to come in at their usual early time? The communication during storm days had been horrible.

We also believe that when the administration decides that it is time for classes to resume, they need to make sure that conditions around the University are safe for students, namely that the roads and sidewalks are salted, not slippery. A number of people stopped and fell following the snowfall on main sidewalks that really should have been dealt with.

The administration needs to improve for snow-days some. The University may shut down, but that is no excuse for the shut down of the nation's largest Black collegiate newspaper. We will try to handle snow days in a more merciful manner. The administration needs to be more considerate to employees and students.

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Making a difference is a matter of the earliest opportunity. Baldwin remarked, "is good to be the city's stepping to enjoy the city and its things now, not only what they do two years ago. Overall, there seems to be a bigger picture for the D.C. residents. We are dis-

D.C. Water Proves to Have Been Contaminated for Years

D.C. Council members just found that the D.C. Water and Sewer Authority (WSA) had not reported about the lead contamination of thousands of city homes, since 2002. Some of the lead contamination of thousands of city homes, since 2002. Some of these contamination are the known information because the city officials say that they have kept quiet about the lead levels spiked above the federal limit for moves to rectify the problem. That the city is taking steps to to deal with the problem.

Our View: The general disregard for the lives of D.C. residents is outrageous.

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