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Unknown Woman Disrupts Administration Building

BY CHRISTOPHER WALL

The unidentified woman who interfered with the presidential debate was not identified by her last name. The woman, who identified herself as "Lori," said she was not involved with the debate organizers.

According to campus police, the woman entered the debate immediately after the candidates and their staffs had left the building. She was heard making statements such as "I want to see the president." She was stopped by police and left the building.

The woman was later identified as a member of the University's student government. She has been suspended from the university for two weeks.

NASCAR Tries to Diversify

BY KAIA KARAMOKO

NASCAR is a sport that has faced criticism for its lack of diversity. However, the organization is making strides to improve representation.

NASCAR has announced an initiative called "Drive to 50," which aims to increase the number of minority drivers in the sport. The goal is to have 50 percent of the drivers be minority by 2025.

The initiative was announced by NASCAR CEO and Chairman Mike Helton and Chairman of the Board Chicagto.

In its 53-year history, NASCAR has only had three Black drivers: Willy T. Ribbs, Wendell Scott and Bill Lester.

Men's Conference Seeks Solutions

BY ADAM VICKS

The John H. Johnson School of Communications' Men's Conference was held on the Howard University campus on March 9.

The conference, themed "Breaking the Silence," focused on diversity, leadership and social responsibility.

Attendees heard from panelists such as Willy T. Ribbs, Wendell Scott and Bill Lester, who shared their experiences as minority drivers in NASCAR.

The conference also featured workshops and a keynote address by NASCAR CEO and Chairman Mike Helton.

Iraq War Keeping Blacks Away

BY KEVIN HARRIS

The war in Iraq has had a significant impact on the military and its diversity.

Reports have indicated that the war has caused significant reductions in minority recruitment.

"We have lost many of our Black and Hispanic recruits to the war," said Major General Michael Smith from the United States Army. "Our ranks have been depleted significantly."
**Bookstore Relocates, Improves Over Time**

**BY LAUREN STEPHENS**

Although the few commoning 180 people throughout the decades has been the book store's busiest time of the day, students often find themselves waiting in long lines. However, new efforts have been made to improve the bookstore's efficiency and customer service.

**OwUard University Bookstore**

The Howard University Bookstore was formerly in the Wachovia Bank building on Georgia Avenue, where students stood in longer lines and a smaller space. Since the move, the bookstore has become a place where students buy their books, apparel, gifts, and an assortment of other products.

**Communication Key for AidoO**

**BY MELANIE HOLMES**

The Hilltop: What is your platform? Please explain.

AidoO: Open communication, open heart. It is realistic and relevant to build the relational gap between the undergraduate trustees, board of trustees, USA and our student body. 1: Opening communication between Undergraduate Student Board and Board of Trustees.

2: Listening to student concerns through monthly forums. 3: Addressing issues to the Board of Trustees that concern students.

4: Supporting University fundraising and philanthropic efforts. 5: Increasing our student body's involvement by implementing quarterly town hall meetings. 6: Enhancing student body's relationship with and knowledge of the Board of Trustees. 7: Developing Howard University's mission with the Froshman, Sophomore, Junior Social Club. 8: Collaborating with USA.

Through open communications we will improve the quality of life and enhance the educational experience of domestic, international, traditional and non-traditional students. 9: Why are you running? What changes will you make with your election?

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Men Make It Happen Together

MEN, from Campus A1

The men broke into groups to deliver speeches about the problem highlighted above. The discussions were held in the faculty office. Some of those who participated included: 

- Professor of History Jane Mitchell
- Professor of Philosophy John Smith
- Professor of Business Administration Mary Johnson

"There was a lot of discussion between students and faculty," said Michael B. Victorian, a development of the nation. "The students were very engaged and contributed significantly to the development of the ideas." 

"The students said they wanted to be involved in the process," said Dr. Alvin Thornton, a political scientist. "They expressed a desire to take an active role in solving the problems they face." 

"We are very pleased with the outcome of this meeting," said Professor of Economics Dr. Richard White. "The students showed a great deal of enthusiasm and creativity in their ideas for solutions."
Students Skeptical of African-American Presidency

By DANIELLE DAWKINS

 dramatic Raising minimum wage bill has passed the House and Senate.

Mays Gilliam, the first African-American president of the National Labor Federation, told CNN, "It's an emotional fact and an economic fact. It's time to raise the minimum wage because it's time to raise the minimum wage." Gilliam said although she no longer works two jobs to support her family, she makes minimum wage and she can imagine someone who will. Gilliam also said she supports the minimum wage increase. "We can no longer turn our back on our fellow citizens," she said. "That's exactly what is happening in the United States Senate," Kennedy concluded. "It's the only way to keep our fellow citizens from being overburdened by the minimum wage."

Jackson showed that he had enormous appeal nationwide in 1980s, and though he did not win the White House, he showed he had national appeal last year, when he delivered the keynote address at the Democratic National Convention. Though he was the Rev. Al Sharpton in 2004, many wonder if there is an African-American politician today who can weather the storms that other Black leaders have faced, especially with the emergence of Illinois Sen. Barack Obama. Obama is the third African-American since Reconstruction efforts to serve in the United States Senate. He is also the only African-American currently serving in the Senate.

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To Vote or Not to Vote, That is the Question
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Wednesday, March 9
Armour J. Blackburn Center
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6:30-8 p.m. Organizational Expo (Reading Lounge)

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"College Hill" Isn't That III

KRISTIN KIMBLE

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The position on healthy eating has been imperative and so hope he is effective in his reforms.

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By Philip J. Anderson

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Portland, Or
**Miss Black USA Pageant Searches for a 2005 Queen**

**BY CANDICE JONES**

For almost 20 years now, the Miss Black USA Pageant and Scholarship Foundation Inc. has redefined the essence of black women with its annual age leadership among African-American

**American community,**” Walton said.

According to hotel bookings professionals, the city can be over­

Hot Spot Fact

Spring Break Countdown: 3 Days

**农作物 Wants Junk Food Banned at Schools**

The government’s aide acknowledge that enacting a ban won’t be easy, since many schools use the vending machines as a way to raise money. And the aides concede the difficulty of enacting such a ban. But they say that they are working hard to make sure that vending machines are not a place to go.

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Locked, Twisted, ‘Froed: Natural Styles are the Style

BY CHARLAE WASHINGTON
Hilltop Staff Writer

Locks and 'fros are nothing new in the Black community. For centuries, African Americans have worn their hair "natural" styles, including dreadlocks, afros, and braids. At times permitted, however, more and more African Americans began straightening their hair, chemically or otherwise, and natural styles were seen to differ, or as a political statement. In an era where straight hair is ruling supreme, some students still feel that going natural is the best course.

Alexandra Moffett, a sophomore double political science and African-American studies major at the University of Michigan Ann Arbor, has been wearing her hair in locs for about a year, after having chemically relaxed hair for seven years. "I hated perms—spending hours in the salon, always getting burned, and those chemicals are not healthy," said Moffett. "Some studies show that many black women have fibroids because of perms. My mother's friend does autopsies, and she said that old black women that have been doing perms for years have a grey-green film on the top of their brains."

Besides being healthier, natural styles require less maintenance than chemically relaxed styles. "I still have to regularly wash, condition, and oil my scalp, and some styles are complicated, but I basically get up and go," said Alexis Taylor, a freshman television production major. "I just go get them tightened once a month for and it only takes about an hour and a half," said Moffett. "It's a lot less expensive too."

Though natural styles have been associated with black pride in the past, most students who rock these styles nowadays have other motivations. "In high school, when it was mostly white, I felt like people maybe thought it was a political statement, but I just feel like my hair can look nice without being straight," said Taylor.

I do feel that by wearing my hair natural, I am expressing the fact that I am comfortable with my natural black self as God made me, and not trying into white standards of beauty. Regardless of whether or not people are aware of it or want to affirm it, our definitions of good and bad hair are completely based on how close the texture is to that of a white person's."

"It's true that society has been so conditioned to view more Europeanized hairstyles as beautiful, but there are many who see the beauty in natural styles. My personal experience has been that guys who are confident in themselves and who don't need reinforcement from the 'status quo' to feel good about themselves respond to me in really positive ways," said Moffett.

"I prefer natural hair, but do not judge those who seek artificial means of styling," said Alan Evans.

Even some men like to wear their hair naturally. "I've always wanted locks since I was a youth," said junior architecture major Derrek Lucien, who is growing his hair out for dreadlocks. "If you leave natural black hair to grow it will automatically form into locks," said Lucien. "It sort of subtly suggests that that's the way it should be."

Some think wearing African-American hair naturally may send political or cultural messages, but it's simply a style some prefer to wear. "I guess it could be considered unique, in conforming to white America's vision of femininity," said Taylor. "But to me, it's just hair."
RKF Stadium is getting a major makeover in an attempt to prepare for the return of Major League Baseball to the District this spring. The stadium will feature one of the first retractable mounds in Major League Baseball when the season opens in April. The stadium will also accommodate Major League Soccer’s D.C. United. But now, a number of baseball-related renovations are under way for the 2005 MLB season.

The dimensions of the baseball field required the removal of most of the seats in the lower bowl to alternately fit a baseball and soccer field configuration. Robinson said the mound and its base line and home plate for both MLB and MLS.

As an area of major concern was the stadium’s infield, where the District will have a permanent host to a baseball team since the Washington Redskins and Major League Soccer’s D.C. United. There will be 20 instances during the season when the stadium will have to convert from one sport to another.

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