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Farrakhan Undergoes Surgery at Howard U. Hospital

Nation of Islam Leader, 65, Battling Prostate Cancer

By STEVEN GRAY AND KEVA GRAVES
Hilltop Staff Writers

Nation of Islam leader Min. Louis Farrakhan underwent surgery for prostate cancer at Howard University Hospital Wednesday, one day after being admitted for treatment in its radiation-oncology unit amid growing concern about his health.

Physicians for Farrakhan, the passionate, fiercely poised 65-year-old leader who was diagnosed with prostate cancer in 1991, described the minister's prognosis as "excellent," and said his treatment was "successful."

"He is stable and resting, and we ask all well-wishers to keep Min. Farrakhan in their prayers," said Leonard Muhammad, chief of staff for the Nation of Islam.

Farrakhan was admitted to the hospital late Tuesday after becoming seriously ill while resting in Michigan, a source said. The Chicago-based leader was immediately flown to Washington, less than one month after reports of his deteriorating health first surfaced in the Final Call, the organization's news



Yasmin Sherrard, publisher of *Mad Rhythms* magazine, spoke to students Wednesday in Blackburn Center who were interested in writing hip hop journalism.

ERIC HALL/Hilltop Staff

Elections Must Stand, Committee Rules

GA Grievances Committee Rejects Call to Overturn Elections

By KIMOTHY K. BROWN
Hilltop Staff Writer

The General Assembly's Grievance Committee ruled Tuesday to reject a move to overturn last month's run-off elections, striking down allegations of corruption that had been raised by at least two former candidates and their supporters.

The ruling comes weeks after Graduate Trustee Randy Short and Channing Hawkins—who lost their bids in the Mar. 3 primary elections—charged that the names of some candidates were misspelled beyond recognition on ballots, and that some undergraduate students were allowed to vote in the race for graduate trustee. What's more, some students claim they were barred from voting the polls altogether.

Last month, as calls to overturn the elections heightened, the General Assembly voted to take over the contestation process if the Grievance Committee failed to quell it by Tuesday.

"They [the Grievance Committee] did their job, it's just that simple," said Anthony Santagati, chair of elections.

But Graduate Trustee Randy Short, who campaigned for reelection, criticized the management

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ERIC HALL/Hilltop Staff

The Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan was admitted to Howard University Hospital late Tuesday under tight security after becoming seriously ill.

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Activists to Receive Honorary Degrees

By APRILL O. TURNER
Hilltop Staff Writer

Howard University will honor civil rights activists James Farmer and the late Kwame Ture during its 132d Commencement Exercises, which will be held May 8 on The Yard, the University's Board of Trustees has decided.

Farmer, 79, and Ture, who died last November in Guinea, West Africa, at the age of 57, will also receive honorary doctorate degrees from the University.

Farmer, who formed the Congress on Racial Unity and organized several sit-ins and boycotts during the Civil Rights Movement, has lost both his legs, is now blind and lives in Fredericksburg, Va.

After learning that the Board voted to honor him this spring, Farmer, who has received 24 honorary degrees from other institutions, said he was elated and will count his degree from Howard as one "close to my heart."

"I feel very flattered and honored to be recognized by Howard University," Farmer said. "I have other honorary doctorates, but I've always wanted one from Howard, and now I'm getting it. This has more meaning to me than any of the other honors."

Kwame Ture, formerly known as Stokely Carmichael, led the Student Non-violent Coordinating Committee as a student at Howard, and later became prime minister of the Black Panther Party. Ture, who has been described as the voice that gave new meaning to the phrase, "Black Power," also launched the All Africans People Revolutionary Party. Ture was arrested more than 30 times in 30 years.

Ture's mother, Mabel Carmichael, will attend the Commencement exercises and accept the honor on his behalf. Ture, who last spoke at the University in February of last year, received one other honorary degree, from Shaw University in 1971.

"We are very happy about the honor, said Carmichael

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Trustee-elect Sterling Named Truman Scholar

For Howard's Truman Scholar, Hard Work Pays Off

By JASON T. SMITH
Hilltop Staff Writer

It could have been any normal morning for junior finance major Louis E. Sterling, III. But when his mother woke him up to tell him President H. Patrick Swygert was on the phone, Sterling knew this morning would be anything but normal.

It's not every day the president of the University calls you at home—in Chicago. Swygert was calling Sterling to tell him he had been named a 1999 Harry S. Truman Scholar, a recognition that shares rare air with such honors as the Rhodes and the Marshall Scholarship programs.

Administration officials say that only four Howard students have been named Truman scholars since 1989. This year, 65 students were chosen

from 56 U.S. colleges and universities such as Duke, Yale, Stanford, Princeton and Brown.

Word that he had been named a Truman scholar was perfect news for Sterling, who has a 4.0 G.P.A.

"I just couldn't believe it. It was just truly amazing," said Sterling, who students less than a month ago elected as to serve as next year's undergraduate trustee. "I was excited and overjoyed. It was the biggest sigh of relief because it was all over."

Yes, the Truman scholarship process was an arduous one, Sterling says. The application included writing short answer essays and composing a policy proposal on the U.S. role in the global financial crisis. Sterling even started working on the proposal months before the actual a

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File Photo

Trustee-elect, Louis Sterling was recently named a Truman Scholar.

Swygert Undergoes Surgery

Howard University President H. Patrick Swygert underwent surgery at Howard University Hospital last week for undisclosed causes, a University spokeswoman has confirmed.

University spokeswoman Donna Brock revealed scant information about the president's condition, refusing to say when he was admitted to the hospital, the condition for which he was treated, or when he was released. Routinely, public information officers release basic information—such as a patient's condition, date of entry and date of release. But a spokeswoman for the hospital referred all media calls to Brock.

The Administration's shroud of secrecy has fueled concern and speculation about the president's health, as an official statement regarding his condition has yet to be published.

Thomas Elzey, the University's executive vice president and chief operating officer, has assumed much of the president's duties in his absence, a University official said. It remained unclear Wednesday when the president would resume his duties.

Military Crisis in Kosovo Stirs Reaction at Home

By JOHN-JOHN WILLIAMS IV
Hilltop Staff Writer

DaShawn Young is a sophomore with many things on her mind: Upcoming final exams. Her part-time job as a waitress at a local restaurant. And now, with NATO using military force to end the Serbian slaughter of ethnic Albanians in Kosovo, Young fears that her mother, who serves as a reserve in the Army's Nurse Corps, will be sent

into the thick of action.

In nearly the two weeks, NATO—led chiefly by the United States—has launched intensive strikes at military targets throughout Kosovo, the tiny area deep in the belt of Southeastern Europe. Thousands of U.S. troops have been sent to the region, and this week, at least three NATO troops were reported captured by Serbian troops.

The possibility that her mother, Marie Moseley—a lieutenant colonel in the army's nurse corps—

will be sent to serve in Europe does not rest well with Young, who says she is angry at the prospect.

"I'd be angry if she had to go....She'd be fighting for something that had nothing to do with her," Young said in an interview Wednesday.

Chanel Billups shares Young's concern about the brewing concern in Kosovo, a land few Americans

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CAMPUS

STUDENTS PROTEST

Throngs of students held a demonstration at the Federal Communication Commission's Headquarters this week.

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THE CITY

BATTLE AT UDC

A proposal to move the University of the District of Columbia evokes passionate reaction from city residents.

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TEMPO

UP IN SMOKE?

Recent studies show that smoking is becoming more popular among young people—especially young African Americans.

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SPORTSFRIDAY

INTRAMURAL B-BALL

Howard students hoop it up in intramural games.

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WeekendWeather

TODAY: Mostly Cloudy.
72 HIGH, 48 LOW
SATURDAY: Partly Cloudy.
64 HIGH, 48 LOW
SUNDAY: Partly Sunny.
66 HIGH, 48 LOW

CAMPUS

Students Protest "Grease Man's" Remarks at FCC

By CHARLES COLEMAN, JR.
Hilltop Staff Writer

Doug "Grease Man" Tracht's racist comments regarding the dragging death of James Byrd of Texas and the success of Lauryn Hill's music career have prompted Howard students to challenge the Federal Communications Commission's sensitivity toward employers and employees who abuse their power of influence as a means to advocate or promote hate crimes.

On March 8, Fred Outten, President of the National Black Players Coali-

tion at Howard, along with other Howard students, delivered a letter to the chairman of the FCC, William E. Kennard, which outlined the Coalition's concerns about not only Tracht's remarks, but also the more pressing issue of those in the media using their ability to reach the masses in such a negative and biased manner.

Outten and other students charge that Tracht, formerly of both DC-101 and Classic Rock 94.7 (WARW-FM), is notorious for having used humor to advocate the murder of African Americans.

"Our concern is with the comments

that the Grease Man has made and has been making," said Outten. Tracht has expressed other racist views in the past regarding Blacks and Koreans.

The students, who were granted a permit to protest by the District of Columbia, were escorted by police while delivering their letter.

Still, some have not received Tracht's comments with such a negative response. In the earlier days of his career as an on-air personality, DC-101 listeners requested more racially insulting and distasteful remarks after a comment Tracht made regarding Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.

In Outten's letter, he requests that chairman Kennard and the FCC "use all of [their] power to ascertain that employers and/or their employees will not be permitted to abuse their access to the airwaves to promote and advocate hate crimes by any measure."

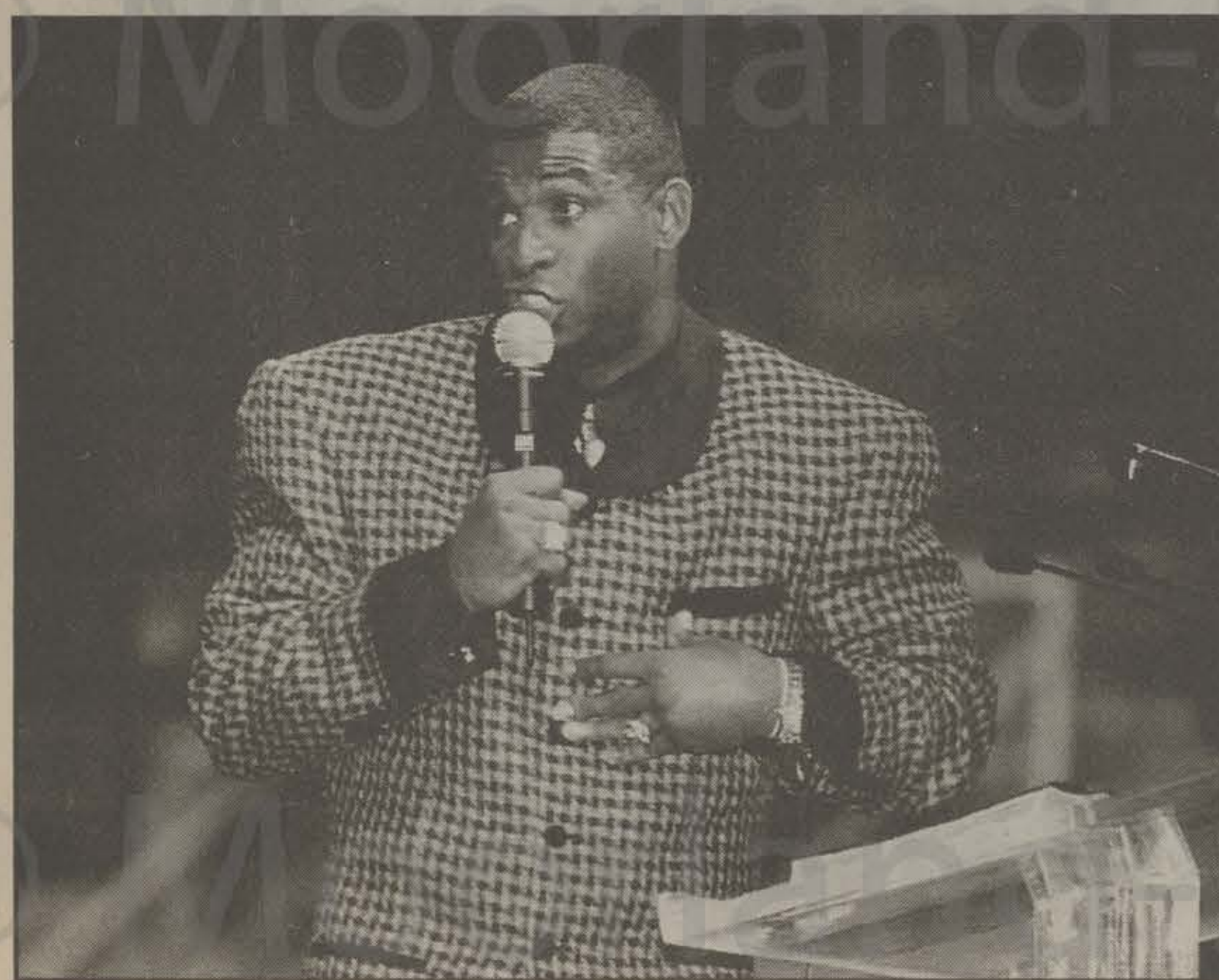
Outten's primary goal in petitioning Kennard, who is also the first Black chairman of the FCC, is the strengthening of policy against further discriminatory remarks.

"The FCC should be able to institutionalize strong policies and penalties against these types of acts," said Outten.



Photo Courtesy of Fred Outten
Howard students protest the Grease Man's radio remarks in front of the Federal Communications Commission.

Burr Gymnasium Hosts 'Gospel Invasion' With Deion Sanders



MARK COLEMAN/Hilltop Staff

Dallas Cowboys Football player Deion Sanders spoke in Burr Gymnasium on Saturday.

By KIA COLEMAN
Hilltop Staff Writer

Burr Gymnasium set the stage for a "Gospel Invasion" on Saturday. Student, church and community groups turned out for the "Invasion" that included musical entertainment by Exodus, a Christian Go-go band and Disciples of Christ, a Christian dramatic rap group.

The night's music appealed to all types of believers, but the highlight of the evening and the main attraction was Deion Sanders, a defensive back for the Dallas Cowboys. He was speaker for the evening and sat among several Christian leaders in the area, including Michael Worsley, formerly of Howard University, singer Bo Williams and Pastor Robert Heapp of Harvest Church.

With their support, Sanders shared with the crowd how he struggled with depression and thoughts of suicide before making a commitment to serving the lord.

Sanders said on the outside he was "Prime Time," his prideful alter ego, and on the inside he was Deion Sanders, a guy that just enjoyed a good game who needed peace in his life.

Sanders said he played a role before he knew "some people came to see if he was for real," but he assured the listeners that the change he has made is real; then he addressed the crowd by sharing, "What role are you playing?"

After sharing this testimony, Sanders promised the crowd they could change their lives during and after a prayer was made. Many came to the stage to change their lives and try a relationship with Jesus.

Howard's Bond Rating Strengthened

By APRILL O. TURNER
Hilltop Staff Writer

Wall Street analysts have strengthened Howard University's bond rating from stable to positive, citing continued operating surpluses, and an increase in students applying to the University.

Moody's Investors Service Inc. changed its outlook on \$170 million in bonds issued by the University from stable to positive and reaffirmed the University's A3 bond rating. The firm also cited Howard's improved relationship with Congress and efforts made by President H. Patrick Swygert to cut costs and make the school more financially independent.

According to Thomas Elzey, Executive Vice President and Chief Operating Officer, the Uni-

versity has made vast improvements.

"In a short period of time, we have been able to demonstrate that the University is on sound financial footing," said Elzey. "The University is being proactive, admissions and enrollment have improved, as well as physical facilities."

Since President H. Patrick Swygert's arrival at the University four years ago, and Elzey's arrival three-and-a-half years ago, the rating has steadily improved. Prior to this the University had been down-graded in their credit rating.

According to Elzey, a large area of improvement was the Howard University Hospital.

"Howard University Hospital was projected to have a deficit of \$18 million," said Elzey. "It has all been turned around, last year the hospital had a surplus of \$4 million."

The improved outlook is based on several fac-

tors evaluated by Moody's between its 1998 campus visit and a March 2 follow-up visit with the University officials in New York. The factors cited include improved relationship with Congress; efforts toward more financial independence; strengthening student demand; good university-wide operating performance; and ongoing competitive risks facing the Hospital.

"We are very pleased with the revision of our rating," said Swygert. "This is yet another measure of Howard University's ability to sustain its position of leadership in the educational arena. Our increasingly solid operating performance, driven by the strategic framework for action, ensures that we can continue to provide an excellent high quality education to the nation's top students."

Hall Tapped to Lead Homecoming '99

By GINGER SKINNER
Hilltop Staff Writer

Former HUSA presidential candidate Rob Hall has been named the 1999 Homecoming Chair by the Homecoming Policy Board before spring break.

Hall, who served as Mr. Howard during the 1997-98 school year, is also a Campus Pal and the owner of an entertainment company.

The theme for 1999 Homecoming will be, "Retrospect: Evolution of the Mecca." Hall says the concept behind this theme is a focus on the history and evolution of Howard University.

"With the millennium upon us, it is a great time to chronicle the journey up to this point," Hall said.

Hall said he plans to make 1999 Homecoming a collaborative endeavor of the city and the Howard University community.

"I want to make this a civic event involving organizations and people from around the city," Hall said, adding that he will move to sponsor a Junior Mr. and Ms. Howard pageant for community youths.

In this pageant, area high school youths would serve as contestants. Hall said he is also aiming for community involvement in the annual Homecoming parade, featuring a number of local high school bands.

A major addition to the "Retrospect" Homecoming is an innovation that Hall refers to as his "brainchild." He is devising the "Retro-tunnel," which is a tunnel structure with several chambers to be displayed on the Yard. In each chamber, there will be a demonstration from each era of Howard's history, dating back to 1867.

"It's an educational, interactive experience of the history and evolution of Howard. I want to bring our history to life," said Hall.

Hall said that he and homecoming treasurer Khari Little have a "good working relationship," which is essential to the success of the event. On Monday, applications for Home-

coming Steering Committee positions and project coordinators will be available. Hall encourages all Howard students to take the initiative by becoming involved in 1999 Homecoming.

Hall is enthusiastic about launching "Retrospect," and feels he has the overall experience and determination to make the event successful and historical. He recalls that in looking at yearbook pictures from past Homecomings, there seemed to be an atmosphere of greatness and unity that was reflected throughout the pictures and alumni reactions.

"My goal is to restore that while creating a level of nostalgia and grandeur," said Hall.

HU Hosts Conference on 'Fatherless' Homes

By STEPHEN BASKERVILLE
Hilltop Staff Writer

Last week, a conference was held at Howard University regarding the issue of fatherless homes.

The two-day conference, dubbed "The Politics of Fatherhood," was hosted by the Department of Political Science, School of Divinity, School of Social Work and the College of Allied Health Sciences and sponsored by the National Center for Strategic Non-Profit Planning and Community Leadership (NPLC). A grant was supplied by the Ford

Foundation. It brought together intellectuals, community organizers and government officials. It was held at the School of Divinity and broadcasted via the School's video conferencing facilities, to centers throughout the country.

Among the speakers were Professor William Julius Wilson of Harvard's Kennedy School of Government, who delivered the keynote address on the subject economic causes of fatherlessness and the economic barriers to father involvement. Ron Mincy of the Ford Foundation spoke about ways of rebuilding broken families.

According to conference speakers, nearly 25 million American children now live in fatherless households and nearly 2.5 million will join their ranks this year. It is estimated that 6 out of 10 African-American children are now fatherless and 4 out of 10 American children overall.

Fatherlessness has been linked to every major social problem of our time. Bill Clinton has said "the single biggest social problem in our society may be the growing absence of fathers from their children's homes," and Al Gore has declared that "absent fathers are behind most social woes." This opinion is shared

by almost 80% of respondents of a 1996 Gallup poll.

Recent figures from the Department of Health and Human Services confirms that violent crime, drug and alcohol abuse, teenage pregnancy, emotional and behavioral disorders, teen suicide, poor school performance and truancy are all directly related to fatherless homes than to any other single factor, surpassing poverty and race.

The conference aimed to put these questions on the academic agenda while demonstrating what was once seen as a minority problem, is now a majority one.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

HOWARD UNIVERSITY DEPARTMENT OF JOURNALISM RECEIVES \$225,000 GRANT FROM THE KNIGHT FOUNDATION

The Howard University Department of Journalism has received a \$225,000 grant from the John S. and James L. Knight Foundation.

The grant was awarded to establish the Knight Journalism Scholars Program for recruitment and training of minority journalists. It will help fund the University's summer high school journalism project, which teaches promising local students the fundamentals of the profession through intensive workshops, field trips and guest lectures. Students also produce a workshop newspaper.

Howard is one of only 13 institutions to receive grants totaling almost \$5 million, which were awarded by the Foundation's trustees at their March Board Meeting.

HU CHOIR TRAVELS TO LAS VEGAS

The Howard University Choir traveled to Las Vegas Saturday, March 20 through Tuesday, March 23. They participated in the Vegas Extravaganza in Black. Among the participants were Oakwood College, Langston University, and Morgan State. There were no first, second, or third place winners out of the sixteen students who entered the soloist competition, however, Howard's Chris Steward was a cash prize recipient. The choir was also presented with a plaque for its outstanding performance. The program was taped and will air on PBS in June.

KPMG FOUNDATION TO FUND SCHOLARSHIPS AT HOWARD UNIVERSITY

The KPMG Foundation announced it is establishing a scholarship program to assist the School of Business at Howard University.

The KPMG Foundation will award \$25,000 in scholarship funds every year for the next four years. The program will support the School of Business in recruiting students to its programs, especially in the Accounting and Finance areas, as well as assisting in the retention of current outstanding students.

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS PRESENTS A CAREER FAIR

On Thursday, April 8th from 12 p.m. to 4 p.m., there will be a career fair in Blackburn Center. Business students adopted by corporations will represent their company during this time. There will be giveaways and cash prizes allotted. General Electric, IBM, and Goldman Sachs are among the 20 companies to be represented. All students and faculty are encouraged to attend learn about the dynamics of companies as well as the internship and employment opportunities.

CSA TO SPONSOR ANNUAL CARIBBEAN WEEK

The Caribbean Students Association will sponsor its Annual Caribbean Week April 4 through April 10. The theme for Caribbean Week is: "A celebration of Caribbean Achievements".

The events for the week are:

Sunday

Call to Chapel- Rankin Memorial Chapel, 11 a.m.

Monday

Caribbean Expo-Blackburn Ballroom, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Tuesday

Library Research Workshop:

Movie Presentation and Discussion on Cuba 1 a.m.- 2 p.m.

Elements of SOUL Poetry Cipher

Derreck Walcott Lecture, 2:30 - 4:00 p.m.

Caribbean Spotlight, 7- 10 p.m.

Wednesday

Caribbean Research Day, All Day

Thursday

Conference- Economics and Trade Relations in the Caribbean: The

Banana Industry Crisis, 3-5 p.m.

Town Hall Meeting and Conference, Blackburn Center, 5:30 p.m.

Friday

Caribbean Week Film Series

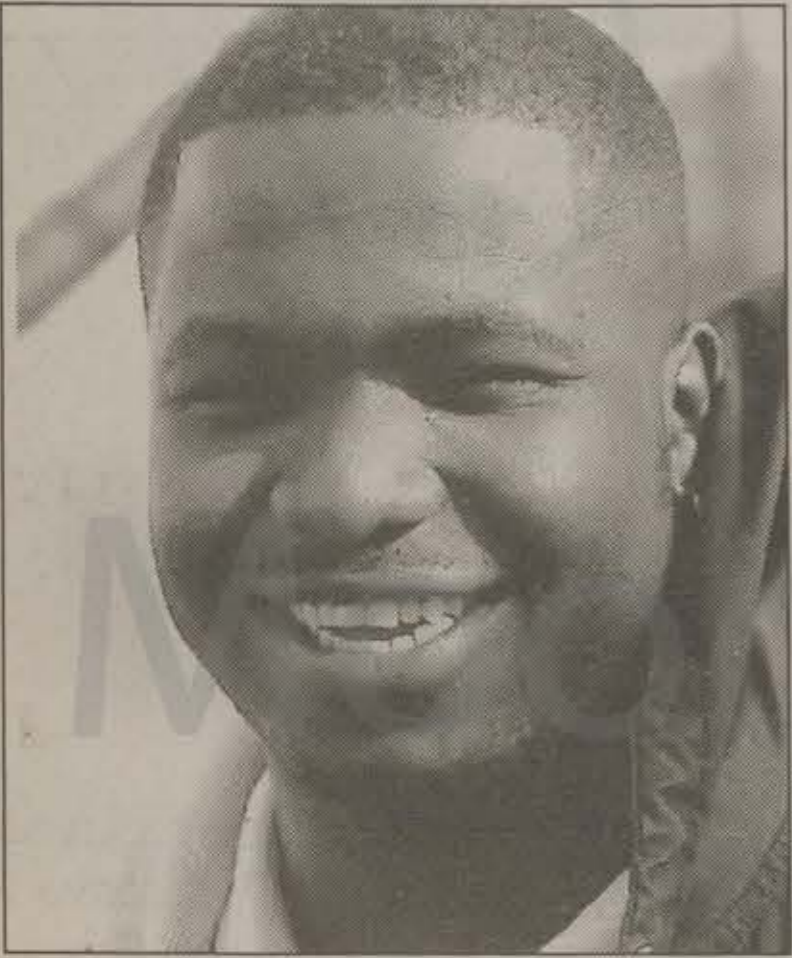
Saturday

Caribbean Family Reunion Picnic and Sports Day

Compiled by Staff Writer April O. Turner, Campus Briefs run weekly in the Campus section of The Hilltop and must be delivered, faxed, or e-mailed to the newspaper no later than 5 p.m. Monday. The Hilltop is located on the Plaza level of the Plaza Towers West, the fax number is 202.806.4758 and the e-mail address is thehilltop@hotmail.com.

Voices & Views

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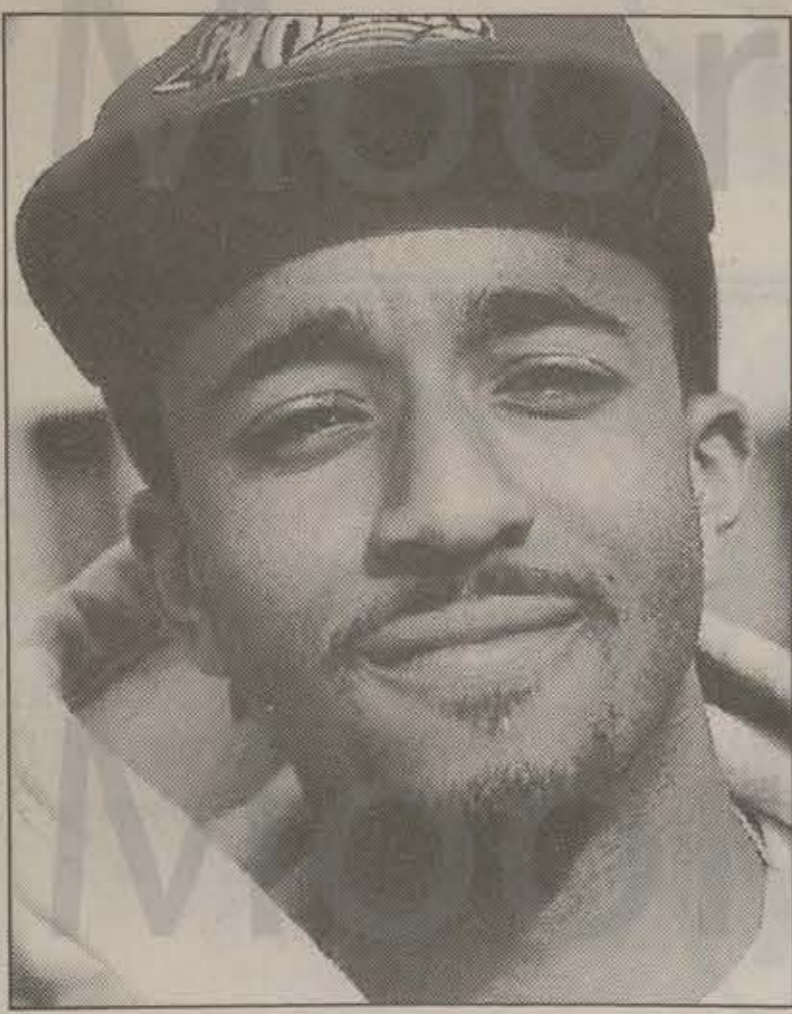
"I think it's an excellent idea. Georgia Ave. is a much more accessible location."

--Neko Grant, Architecture, Junior



"I think it would be a good idea if they plan to expand to help with the lines."

--Artisha Tyson, Political Science, Sophomore



"It's more convenient for non-students to purchase books because Georgia Ave. is more accessible than 4th Street."

--Chandi Thomas, Biology, Senior



"It's not that big of a difference. They are both the same distance from central campus."

--Kristal Maner, Clinical Lab Sciences, Freshman

Compiled By Eric Hall

The Hilltop at 75

Organization is the Key

By JEFFREY D. WHITNER
Hilltop Staff Reporter

This story has been reprinted from the October 9, 1987 edition of The Hilltop covering a visit of Stokely Carmichael to campus.

In 1967 the Black liberation movement was at an all-time high. As head of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee, Stokely Carmichael became a household name. It was he and a colleague, H. Rap

Brown, that first proclaimed "Black power" as they shook clenched fists at television cameras. Last Wednesday night Carmichael returned to Howard. But his name now is Kwame Ture and the organizations he works with is the All-African People's Revolutionary Party. His message, though, has remained just as militant. In a lecture in the School of Business and Public Administration auditorium, expressed the "need for organization among our people to break down the capitalist system and to be free."

The program, entitled "Unity Presupposes Organization" attracted a large number of students as the auditorium was filled to capacity. During the lecture Ture said the capitalist system persists to confuse Black Americans into selfish individualism. "Progress for our people can be broken down into two categories: qualitative and quantitative," Ture said. It is the quantitative attitudes ("selfishness") that society has acquired from the capitalist, he said. "This has weakened our power due to our lack of organization. Qualitative

progress is what we want," he said. Ture said education should be used for the benefit of a people not individual gain. He said Black Americans must identify themselves with Africa because Black people everywhere must fight for the same thing at the same time. "Political power comes from the organized masses," Ture said. Ture is a graduate of Howard University and is a native of Port of Spain, Trinidad. The program was sponsored by the A.A.P.R.P., and the Howard University Student Association.

Sterling Wins Truman Scholarship

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application process, he said. During the process, I got less sleep had a normal college student, who gets no sleep already," he said. And his hard work is paying off. Congratulations and well wishes have been pouring in. "I can't think of a more appropriate honor for Louis Sterling III," Swygert said in a statement. "His scholarship and obvious commitment to community service exemplify Howard University's unique brand of leadership for America and the Global community." The program allots each scholar a \$30,000 grant. The majority of that \$27,000 is to be used for graduate study with the remainder going toward senior year expenses. Scholars also attend an annual Truman Scholars Leadership Week.

Sterling said he hopes to make a wave one day in the financial market as a U.S. Treasury Department policy analyst, and he wants to start with getting his M.P.P./J.D. degree concentrating on international finance. "I've been internationally focused and driven since my study abroad experience in Spain last year," said Sterling. Sterling is quick to point out that his selection was no individual effort. Everyone from Daniel Williams, the campus Truman scholars advisor to past Truman scholars from Howard, aided him. Sterling even received a few interviewing pointers from 1999 Rhodes Scholar Carla J. Peterman, just before being whisked away to Chicago for final interviews. "I'm really thrilled about representing Howard and my state of Illinois," he said.

Students React to Kosovo Violence

KOSOVO from, A1

have heard of, much less can spot on a map. Billups said a close friend recently completed the Army's initial training program, and that her friend expects to be called to duty in Kosovo. "I'm very concerned, and so is he," the marketing

major said. "They need more experienced soldiers going. People who know the ropes should be going," she said. Some did not share Young's sentiments. "I would be worried about my friends in the Army. But when one enlists in the Army, the risk for the potential of war is always there," said 20-year-old Danele Riddick, a

radiation therapy major. While the U.S. government has taken a humanitarian role in the effort to end the Albanian slaughter, some Howard students said they are skeptical about the nation's reasoning for sending troops to Kosovo. "I don't know exactly what's going on there," said computer science major Israel Cook. "I'm

getting the message that what we're doing is good." Others were simply against U.S. involvement overseas. "I think the government should be careful when we meddle in internal affairs," Steven Robinson, a finance major said. "One man's genocide can be another man's justified civil war," he added.

Elections Must Stand, Committee Rules

ELECTIONS from, A1

Seof of the elections, saying he felt compelled to "complain this year because last year's [elections] were rotten." "There was a lack of leadership...Justice needed to be done, and it wasn't," Short said in anger at the committee's ruling. Reacting to the committee's ruling, HUSA Vice President-elect Q. Terah

Jackson III, said he felt the ruling was the fairest solution possible. "The committee and Santagati were able to reach the same conclusion. It's what people wanted," Jackson said. Saying the elections should not be overturned, Jackson encouraged students to sign petitions circulating throughout campus opposing the contestations. According to Jackson, some 500 students have already signed

the petitions, which is slightly less than half the number of students who voted in Mar. 10 run-off elections. "It was clear to us that the student body did not want the elections overturned," Jackson said. Erick Watson, the UGSA representative for Engineering, Architecture and Computer Science echoed Santagati's sentiments, saying "the committee made the best decision that needed to be made.

"A new election would have been a big step and stressful for students and candidates," Watson added. In hindsight, Short says that if there's one thing he's learned from the experience, it would be the importance of having "ethical leadership." "I could care less about winning, I'm just concerned about a fair process," Short said.

Howard University
Homecoming Steering Committee 1999

The Homecoming Steering Committee is seeking dedicated and qualified applicants for the following positions:

Executive Staff	Event Coordinators
Vice Chair	Mr. & Miss Howard Pageant
Operations Manager	Libation Ceremony
Public Relations Director	Alumni Fashion Show Brunch
Volunteer Coordinator	Gospel Concert
Executive Secretary	Alumni Concert
Executive Assistant	Artistry in Motion
Fundraising Manager	Comedy Show
	Fashion Show
	Family Reunion (YardFest)
	RetroTunnel
	Hip Hop Concert
	Parade
	Step Show

ALL applicants will be SERIOUSLY considered.
(The "Homeboy Hook-Up" is not in effect.)

Job Descriptions and Applications will be available Monday, April 5th in the Homecoming office, Room 109 (Power Hall) in the Blackburn University Center.

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ⓞ REMINDER ⓞ

Last Week

General Mandatory Registration

(Monday, 5 April 1999-Friday, 9 April 1999)

*You must register for Fall 1999 during
General Mandatory Registration (GMR)
or incur a \$150 Late Registration Fee.*

To complete **General Mandatory Registration**, you must:

- ◆ See your **academic advisor** before using HU B.I.S.O.N.
- ◆ Use HU B.I.S.O.N. (202-806-4537) **6AM-11:30PM** to select classes.
- ◆ **Remove** any of the following **holds**: Academic, Address, Admission, Advisor's, Housing, International, Medical, Student Affairs, Treasurer's.
- ◆ Pick up class schedule and bill printouts in Cramton's lower level **9AM-3PM** (Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday) and **9AM-6PM** (Wednesday) to confirm your selection and amount due.

CAMPUS

Farrakhan Gets Treatment at HUH

FARRAKHAN from, A1

paper. Fueled by that newspaper's description of Farrakhan's condition as "gravely ill," other newspapers, such as The Village Voice, reported on the minister's condition. In response, Nation of Islam officials held a news conference, during which Abdul Alim Muhammad, the organization's minister of health, said the minister was suffering from a persistent viral infection, but that recent tests show the cancer is "under control."

Abdul Alim Muhammad, who is based in Washington, said that Farrakhan would take a four-month sabbatical to recover from intensive radiation treatment, and that the ailments plaguing the minister stem from a reaction to an experimental cancer treatment using radioactive plant seeds.

"There is no need for anyone to expect the...demise" of Farrakhan, Abdul Alim Muhammad said. "This is no death watch."

Farrakhan's admission to the hos-

pital drew support from the Rev. Jesse Jackson, who met with Farrakhan shortly after his surgery.

"Fortunately, because he has kept up with it [the treatment] and maintained the discipline, he's been able to more or less control it," Jackson told the Associated Press. "My sense is that the doctors today are satisfied with the effect of their work today. We can only pray and hope for the best results."

Farrakhan, who in 1995 led the Million Man March—the largest gathering on the Mall in the nation's history—has remained out of the public's view for much of the last six months, except for an appearance at the Feb. 28 Saviour's Day celebration, the Nation of Islam event in Chicago that drew some 20,000 people.

He has been described by his critics as homophobic, sexist and anti-semitic. In a 1997 Boston speech, Farrakhan attacked homosexuals, likening to drug dealers. And in other speeches around the nation, Farrakhan has sharply attacked Jews,

Catholics and members of other religious groups.

Farrakhan last spoke at the University in October at Cramton Auditorium, during a celebration commemorating the fourth anniversary of the Million Man March.

A group of Howard University students circulated a card for Farrakhan, while HUSA President-elect Marilyn Hoosen, Graduate Trustee Randy Short and other students attempted to visit the minister. Short said they were stopped by hospital security.

"We're very concerned about the health of the minister," said Short, adding the group "wanted to show support. We want to see him have a speedy recover. He is in our prayers."

The Associated Press reported that Farrakhan's family—including his wife, daughter and son-in-law—are in Washington. The AP also reported yesterday that Farrakhan has been treated at the hospital before for his prostate condition.

Ture, Famer to Recieve Degrees

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"I am very pleased that they decided to honor my son."

"Mae Charles," as she is affectionately called by two generations of organizers and activists, is spearheading a world-wide drive to build an institute and library in Ture's name in Conakry, Guinea.

"Kwame continues to live as a revolutionary and activist who studied, worked, and struggled all of his life for Africans and other oppressed people, especially for students and youth," said Bob Brown, a friend of Ture and direc-

tor of the Kwame Ture Work Study Institute and Library.

The push to move the University to bestow honors on Farmer and Ture was led in large part by student Trustees Randy Short and Jonathan Hutto.

"We thank President Swygert and the entire University community for their decision to award Mr. Ture and Mr. Farmer honorary degrees," Hutto said. "We strongly urge all African students and youth to take the lead in our efforts to recognize these two great men," Hutto said.

Short said that Farmer and Ture are more than deserving of the

honor.

"I love both of these men...they both served in their own way, to liberate Africans and to raise consciousness that we are all equal," Short said.

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WEST INDIES

KINGSTON—Prime Minister Percival Patterson of Jamaica has said he is standing behind his national security minister, Keith Knight, who has been under pressure to resign in the face of perceived widespread criminal violence in the country. Speaking to journalists at the end of a three-day cabinet retreat at the end of February, Patterson said the minister enjoyed his confidence. The statement ended speculation that Knight was to be sacked. In defending Knight, the prime minister said available figures showed that serious crime, including murder, was declining, although "still intolerantly high."

BARBADOS—A new non-resident high commissioner to Barbados has been appointed to replace the late Cherrie Orr who died last September, the Government Information Service announced. The government has approved the appointment of Lorne McDonough, who will be based in Trinidad, as that country's new high commissioner. McDonough began his foreign service career in 1975 as an attaché in Jamaica's Permanent mission to the Organization of American States. He also served as deputy high commissioner to Trinidad and Tobago from 1985 to 1989 and as permanent representative to the OAS from 1992 to 1995.

DOMINICA—Nine illegal firearms and more than 1,400 rounds of ammunition were handed over to authorities during a two-week gun amnesty last month, Police Commissioner Simon Darroux has disclosed. "Although the number of firearms surrendered represents just a fraction of the unlicensed firearms circulating in the state, the amnesty has been fairly successful," Darroux said in a statement on Feb. 22.

TRINIDAD & TOBAGO—AIDS, Chicken pox and tuberculosis are rampant in Trinidad's prisons, which now hold nearly three times the number of inmates for which they were built. The conditions are described in a U.S. State Department human rights report on Trinidad which was issued by the U.S. Information Service last month. According to the report, the women and men's prisons at Golden Grove, Carrera and Port of Spain "meet minimum international standards. However, conditions are worse in Port of Spain prison, which was designed for 250 inmates but houses about 1,200."

EUROPE

BELFAST—South African President Nelson Mandela offers support to the Northern Ireland Peace Process. Mandela held telephone conversations with Protestant leader David Trimble, the British-ruled province's first minister, and Seamus Mallon, a Roman Catholic Irish nationalist, the deputy first minister.

GENEVA—The UN is starting to airlift emergency aid for tens of thousands of ethnic Albanian refugees who fled to neighboring Albania from Kosovo. The British government has supplied a transport plane which shuttles emergency supplies from Denmark into the Albanian capital, Tirana. In Kosovo, about 550,000 people have abandoned their homes so far, which is about one quarter of the pre-conflict population in the Serb province. At least 90,000 have fled to Albania since NATO's airstrikes. Another 9,000 have entered Macedonia in the past few days, and the Yugoslav province of Montenegro now has a total of 75,000 refugees.

MIDDLE EAST

JERUSALEM—Israeli unions ended a four-day strike that disrupted travel and shut down wide swaths of the public sector after reaching an agreement for a 4.8 percent pay rise with the treasury.

AFRICA

KAMPALA, Uganda—Eighteen Rwandan Hutus who killed eight foreign tourists were killed by Uganda's army. Steven Kavuma, Uganda's Minister of State for Defense, stated that 18 rebels were killed and four were captured in a clash just over the border in neighboring Congo. Around 150 rebels abducted 31 foreign tourists in the Bwindi National Park of southwestern Uganda on March 1 and murdered eight of them—four Britons, two Americans and two New Zealanders.

Compiled from wire services by staff writer

The Future of South Africa's Universities

By LYNN SIMMONDS
Hilltop Staff Writer

The United States Information Agency, World Bank, and colleges and universities such as Howard University have been helping to guide South African universities into a fairer educational system in hopes of eliminating the vicious cycle of poor universities getting poorer and rich universities getting richer.

The fledgling non-apartheid South Africa is five years old, and like a young child, it is struggling to learn new concepts and attempting to make things work. Unlike a child, South Africa has a long history of racism and class oppression. This history of apartheid continues to shape the problems and progress of the universities there.

Dr. Robert Cummings, Chair of the University's African Studies department, described South Africa's higher education struggles as a slow and steady process. There are two types of universities: Historically Disadvantaged Institutions (HDI) and Historically Advantaged Institutions (HAI) that literally oppose each other. HDIs are predominately black, while HAIs are predominately white. After the end of apartheid, "the goal of the government was to equalize financial, human, and material resources among these universities," said Cummings.

Howard University has dedicated a program, HURSAP, to help elevate South African University programs. Student exchange and study abroad programs are presently being implemented. Howard University works on the first priority of the universities, and for HDIs it is usually getting more qualified professors.

"HDIs are in need of professors with terminal degrees. There is a limited pool of Ph.D.s from [non-whites] in these universities," said Cummings. The residence-in-training program allows Howard professors to assist the staff by teaching in South African universities for a summer. This helps but is "like pouring a cup of water into an ocean," says Cummings. "Howard University gives at its peril."

"Of all the places on this planet, South Africa has the opportunity to confront racism in a positive way, even more so than America because it is so new," said Vickey Saunders, professor of Radio, TV, and Film at Howard University. Saunders recently taught at South Africa's Rand Afrikaans University (RAU) through a joint program between the University and the United States Information Agency. "I enjoyed working with everyone there," she said of her summer at RAU. Upon arrival at RAU, a Historically Advantaged Institution, she gathered all the students in her department together to meet with them. "I had to make sure that the Black students knew I was there. They were very proud that I was from Howard." She encouraged the Blacks to confide in her with issues they may not feel they could tell the all-white communications department faculty. "I still have both white and black students who e-mail me today."

One student told Saunders of her experience of having to work alone in a class for an entire semester while the other students divided themselves into groups of seven. "No one would be in a group with her and the White Afrikaan teacher said nothing," Saunders reported that event to the University.

She soon discovered that the Communications Club at the University was all Black and no whites wanted to join.

"The legacy of apartheid is what undermines the current national strategies," Cummings said.

During apartheid, Black South Africans "worked in social sciences and humanities because that was where they could get jobs," said Cummings. Blacks in fields related to government development were not supported by the government. "Apartheid maintained [non-whites] as an educated labor force that was totally dependent."

In this new South Africa, there is a greater need for an educated Black population. "You can't have educated slaves," said Cummings.

Both types of South African universities are competing for the government's limited education funds, however, HAIs have a clear advantage. Each university has to prove its value to the government in terms of tangible goods, number of graduates produced, quality of facilities and number of professors. While the number of students seeking admission is large, the HDIs' human resources are weak.

With less money being distributed to the HDIs, and more money to the already wealthy HAIs, students at HDIs may be asked to pay for a portion of the fees. These are predominately Black students. Many of the families of these students cannot afford these educational fees because of the economic legacy of apartheid.

The unfortunate South Africans who are not able to receive a degree from an HDI or HAI will have to turn to other institutions. Technikon, which are equivalent to the U.S.'s vocational technical institutions, will be one of the solutions.

At the predominately white institutions, "Whites will see them as competitors," said Cummings. "A lot of racism and personal interest serves as a barrier to the mobility of the masses." Therefore, blacks are reluctant to earn degrees, especially their Ph.D.s, from white institutions.

If less students attend HDIs, less funding will be given to them. If less funding is given to the already poor HDIs, students will not attend because they cannot pay any portion of the tuition. There may be little left for the institutions to do but close their doors. However, Cummings sees that as a big mistake, for all the education institutions are needed. The majority of South African universities are Historically Disadvantaged.

If the Black South African receives a degree outside of the country, there is a stigma attached to it and it is looked down upon, especially if it is from the United States. Blacks that believe this contribute to a powerful slave mentality or "internal crisis" that serves to further bar some Blacks from progressing, according to Cummings.

In discussions with the students during her stay in South Africa, Saunders found that many Black students are not eager to leave the country to earn a degree elsewhere because so many new opportunities are opening up for them. On the other hand, the white students want to leave because they feel that they are being blamed for the structure of apartheid, which they were born into.

"Young people are trying. There are many who want to learn and make it work," said Saunders. The students at RAU share the common goal of wanting to combat the high crime rates of their country.

"Africa has been neglected," Cummings said. "The Chinese are powerful and the Japanese are powerful because China and Japan are seen as powerful countries. Africa is not seen as powerful. As Africans themselves, they don't see each other as powerful people. We forget to empower our own institutions."

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Case to Determine College Media Censorship

By REKA ASHLEY
Murray State News

MURRAY, Ky.—College journalism may become like a poodle, all fluff and no bite, and less of a watchdog, if a courtroom in Cincinnati declares it legal for college administrators to censor certain forms of student expression.

It all began when Kentucky State University tried to put out a yearbook. Two students filed a lawsuit when a university administrator, Betty Gibson, prohibited its distribution, claiming it was poor in quality. It is fairly common knowledge the administration takes a hands-off approach to college publications unless they are obscene or libelous. The yearbook was neither.

The case, Kincaid vs. Gibson, went to court, where a judge ruled in the school's favor based on the 1988 Supreme Court case of Hazelwood vs. Kuhlmeier, concerning high school censorship. The court in the Hazelwood case stated educators do not violate the First Amendment by exercising editorial control over the style and content of student speech in school publications as long as their actions are related to legitimate concerns. The judge ruled this finding was applicable to college publications.

The case was appealed and has recently been heard by the U.S. Court of Appeals for the 6th Circuit. Attorney for the students, Bruce Orwin, argued Gibson had violated the yearbook staff's First Amendment rights when she prohibited the yearbook's release. One of the three justices hearing the case, Judge James Ryan, seemed to disagree. "Your constitutional arguments are not persuasive," Ryan said. However, the university's policies state that students have editorial control over the yearbook. The parts of the yearbook that were

brought into question were editorial style decisions.

Dale Harrison, a student at Youngstown State University who attended the hearing, said, "Any university that hands anything over to students ought to be closed." A decision is expected to be issued by the court within the next six months. Although the outlook might appear bleak, Mark Goodman, executive director at the Student Press Law Center, stated that he is cautiously optimistic about the outcome. "I've talked to several people that were in the courtroom and it sounds as if one of the judges did not have a very clear understanding of the collegiate student media," he said. "I'm hopeful once he reads all the briefs in the case he will have a better understanding."

This case is the biggest case the university has had to fight in the last 10 years. "If the decision isn't in the students' favor the case will not be over at least for a while," Goodman said. Angel Fairbanks, editor of Murray State's yearbook, said "The administrator should not have pulled the yearbook based on its quality." The attorney representing Kentucky State said during the trial the yearbook was pulled because it came in half the size, with half the photos and poor headlines. "Those are all editorial preferences," Fairbanks said. "When a person is hired as editor it is that student's right to decide."

Fairbanks stated that the publications are there for students to learn and if it does not turn out exactly right, so be it. "When I came onto *The Shield* staff I was told it was a learning experience," she said. "The advisers allow us to fail in some ways, because through mistakes we learn. We have to take responsibility for the job we do. When the administration comes in and tells us how it's going to be done we stop learning and stop being creative."

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Cluck-U Opens In Northwest

By RAFAIAH DAVIS
Hilltop Staff Writer

As soon as Marsal Tate walked into Cluck U, he knew what separated this fast food restaurant from the rest of the Georgia Avenue eateries. The woman behind the counter immediately made eye contact with him and cheerfully welcomed him.

On Tuesday, the eighteen-year-old Northwest resident was back for seconds. "There are more choices than KFC or Burger King and the prices are more reasonable," said Tate. He said that although he enjoys the food, he is not yet an addict of the buffalo wings that the store's advertisement warns are very addictive.

Since its grand opening on Feb. 17, owner Selwyn Holder said that business has not been as good as he expected. To remedy that problem, he is offering a ten percent discount to Howard University students and faculty for the spring semester. He said that he knows that college students want food quickly. "It takes about three minutes to get food from the kitchen to the customer," he said.

Holder said that he and his partner, Geoffrey Trout, picked the location at 2921 Georgia Ave. because of its closeness to the university and because it is in the inner city. "It's always good to give back to the community," said Holde. The 36-year-old

entrepreneur resides in Bowie, but is originally from Barbados.

With a location in the inner-city comes the issue of safety. Holder said that he and his partner are very concerned about the safety of their staff. "We are trying to build a relationship with the metropolitan police and with the people in the community," he said.

The Cluck U Chicken on Georgia Avenue is the first in the District, but there are five others in the surrounding areas. The franchise is minority owned.

Visitors to the community are attracted to the restaurant by its familiar name. "There's one by our school, so when this one opened we had to try it," said 17-year-old Matt Grosso. He and his friend Evan Ernst visit the store every Tuesday when they come to the neighborhood to do community service. Ernst always has the buffalo bites, and he said that the biscuits are also very good. Both the boys said that the service is quick and friendly.

Grosso had one complaint. "I just wish they would deliver, so it could come to my house." His home is located further up Georgia Avenue. Unfortunately, the owners have not decided whether or not they will deliver. Holder said that due to issues of safety, they may just offer delivery in a few select locations, such as



Cluck-U a new chicken wing store opened in February.

Hilltop Staff/ Eric Hall

Children's Hospital. While he said that he would like to deliver, the safety of the employees comes first. Assistant store manager Antonio Arthur said that the owners have a genuine concern for their employees.

"They recognize your abilities and who you are," he said. Arthur also said that by working at the restaurant he has the opportunity to become part owner or owner of his own franchise.

CITY BRIEFS

DC BLOSSOMS

The National Cherry Blossom Festival to welcome the early-blossoming trees is currently taking place all over the District. The two-week celebration started Sunday, March 28 and will be marked by various performances of choirs in several locations and even a parade. The festival celebrates the sakura flower, which blooms in late March but only lasts a few days. The Japanese regard the ephemeral blossoms as a metaphor for the brevity of life.

PGC LOSING TEACHERS

Prince George's County, MD, is looking to fill almost 1,800 teaching positions after a steadily growing loss of teachers in the county has left it understaffed. Last year, 11 percent of its teachers left, which is far above the national average of a 6 percent rate of attrition.

School officials and state legislators are trying to find new ways to attract more qualified teachers and retain them. A \$42 million package to increase teachers' salaries, a summer school program to certify teachers, and scholarships for college students who agree to teach in PGC for at least five years is being proposed.

PRINCIPAL LOSES JOB OVER PIZZA

Hundreds of students and parents are fighting to save the job of the principal of Deal Junior High in Washington, D.C. Principal Reginald R. Moss was suspended after he was accused of violating federal school policies by raising money selling Domino's pizza on campus and for spending student activity money on other school needs. The U.S. Department of Agriculture prohibits the sale of food in competition with its free and reduced price lunch program.

Students held a rally for the principal on Thursday, which was attended by parents and even teachers, despite the superintendent's orders for them to stay at their posts.

ARCHDIOCESE AGAINST FRIDAY BASEBALL

The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Washington, D.C. is insulted by the scheduling of a major league exhibition baseball game today—Good Friday.

The St. Louis Cardinals and the Montreal Expos are scheduled to play at 2 pm today in RFK Stadium. The Archdiocese said that the scheduling of the game was disrespectful to Christians everywhere. It also said that the promotions of the game, calling game day Good Friday, was proof that those who scheduled the game were deliberately trying to make a mockery of the day. A spokesman for the exhibition said that the timing and the promotions of the games were not meant as disrespect to anyone.

OLD TENANTS SUING TO BUY BUILDING

A group of former tenants are suing the city over the right to purchase the Roosevelt apartments on 16th and V streets, NW. The tenants offered the city \$4.9 million for the dilapidated building to turn it into a \$20 million facility for the elderly. The city rejected the offer and is now accepting other bids.

The tenants are saying that by denying them the right to buy the building, the city is violating a law that says that former tenants have first rights to purchase property without competition from outsiders when a tenant decides to sell.

Unfortunately for the former tenants, they have a lot of competition. According to the city, there are as many as 25 prospective buyers from as far away as Puerto Rico.

More Colleges Move Toward Smoke-Free Residence Halls

By JASON STEINHARDT
George Washington U.

WASHINGTON, DC—Colleges and universities across the country have begun to review and revise their smoking policies, as four million college students continue to smoke despite anti-smoking policies in residence halls and other public areas.

The newest policy changes nationwide have shifted from prohibiting smoking in university buildings to confining it to students' living space. A 28 percent increase in the number of college students who smoke in the last six years, according to a Harvard

University survey, has led several universities to establish smoke-free residence halls.

USA Today surveyed the nation's 30 largest colleges and universities about their smoking policies earlier this month. Of the 28 universities surveyed that provided student housing, 10 prohibit smoking in any of their residence halls and another seven universities reserve only 10 percent of their rooms for smokers.

USA Today reported that Purdue University will triple its number of non-smoking rooms this year, to make more than 30 percent of the school's rooms non-smoking. The

University of California at Los Angeles and the University of Arizona, which prohibited smoking in 90 percent of rooms, will hold a student vote this spring to increase that number. In addition, the University of Wisconsin at Madison will institute a complete ban on smoking in all housing beginning next fall.

Officials at other universities have used such policies to encourage smokers to move off campus. However, student opinions at George Washington University have proven as diverse as the number and type of smoking policies across the country. "I think limiting smoking in the

dorms is a good idea because it just smells really bad and it's unpleasant to live in," freshman Amy Errvat said. "They have a right to smoke in public places but not in a shared environment with people who don't."

Some students would love to see a policy change even though the rights of other students are recognized. "As a non-smoker, ideally I think limiting smoking is a good idea," freshman Julie Harnik said. "But it does infringe on other people's rights." While the possibility for change remains, the issue has not yet been presented to university officials.

Debate About UDC Relocation Continues

By RAFAIAH DAVIS
Hilltop Staff Writer

A bright red flyer hangs on the wall directly in front of the student government association office at the University of the District of Columbia. In bold black letters, the flyer demands "DON'T MOVE UDC" and announces a prayer meeting to protest Mayor Anthony Williams' recent proposal to move the university's main campus from its Northwest location to Southeast.

Since the mayor announced his proposal two weeks ago, UDC students have seen plenty of flyers advertising events to protest the move, and they

will continue to see them if student activists such as Marion McDowell have their way. McDowell, a senior at the university, said that she is disgusted by the idea of moving the historic university.

"It frustrates me and it angers me," said the senior early childhood major.

At times, McDowell had to monitor her tone of voice and choose her words carefully so her deep-seated anger over this issue would not show. "I'm trying to be nice, because I don't want to start cursing," she said.

Initially, the issue of moving the university seemed to have touched a sensitive spot within the UDC community, and student leaders came

forward to voice their dissension. Now, two weeks after the announcement, advisory neighborhood commissioners in Southeast want to know what is wrong with their neighborhood. Southeast was also the proposed site for a privatized prison that the community opposes, but the university is being seen as a step in the right direction.

"I think it's the right move," said C. Kenneth Johnson, commissioner of Ward 8C08. "This is where it should have been in the beginning."

Johnson said he has heard UDC students calling the mayor's proposal to move the predominantly black university from the affluent white

neighborhood to the poorer black neighborhood racist, and he was outraged. "They don't know what racism is," he said. "They want to stay with wealthy white people that don't even want them there."

UDC junior Ramona Franks is among the students who do not want the university moved, even though she is from Southeast. "Who ever heard of a university moving?" she asked. Franks suggested that moving the university could be the government's way of isolating black people to one area.

Commissioner Tracey Joyner of Ward 8A04 said that the mayor's proposal could be taken several ways. She

chooses to see the positive effects. According to Joyner, the university would improve the property values in Southeast and bring businesses to the community. "I don't care if the people are purple and orange, as long as the university is going to still give quality education I'll put out the welcome mat," she said.

Joyner thinks that St. Elizabeth, a former mental hospital on Martin Luther King, Jr. Ave., would be a good place for the university. "A lot of people take Ward 8 as a dumping ground because it is the poorest ward in the city," said Joyner. "If they are willing to spend billions of dollars into putting a prison here, why not

spend it on a college?"

In order to prevent the move, McDowell suggested that the government put a satellite campus in Southeast, and use the money to improve the current campus.


Senior Marvin Austin had a similar suggestion. He said that a career center to encourage Southeast students to go to UDC would be a positive step. Austin, who is a Southeast resident, said that although the university would be good for the area he does not think it should be moved.

UDC will hold a prayer meeting on Saturday, and the student government is planning other protests events.

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Pray For Our Black Leader

Nation of Islam leader Minister Louis Farrakhan was hospitalized in Howard University's Hospital Tuesday after a long battle with prostate cancer.

Farrakhan, who was diagnosed with prostate cancer in 1991, is now in stable condition.

Farrakhan has blatantly attacked Jews, Catholics and Homosexuals. His views have made him open to harsh criticism from many people. But Farrakhan is a man who is not afraid to stand up for what he believes is right no matter what is being said about him.

He has a passion that drives him to speak that many people can not understand.

His sickness does not touch the hearts of all Americans, but for the

African American community and the Nation of Islam, a powerful leader is fighting to stay alive. We must learn from his courageous efforts.

It is true that many African Americans do not agree with all of Farrakhan's views, but many believe in his desire to make

change. This amazing man called for a day of atonement and America listened. Almost a million men gathered on the mall to show their support for the Million Man March. The cameras flashed and Farrakhan spoke as the world listened. His ideas inspire others to believe that through gathers of large masses change is possible, gatherings such as the Million Woman March and the Million Youth March.

He is a man with no fear. Soaring above other leaders Farrakhan is not afraid to go against the masses. Losing his intricate voice would crush the Black community.

What will happen if we lose this leader? Where will we turn? Who will have the poise and confidence to speak their mind?

During his moment of pain we must give him the honor, respect, and love he deserves. Whatever god we confide in and believe in we must pray for Farrakhan. Pray for his survival, his strength and that we may have the courage to be a jewel on his crown.

"Pray for his survival, his strength, and that we may have the courage to be the jewel on his crown."

Moving UDC For What?

The University of the District of Columbia currently stands firm on its lot in Van Ness. The building where about 5,000 students attend class is located on Connecticut Avenue, NW, an area known for its high profile apartments and expensive living.

Mayor Anthony Williams and other community leaders plan to move the campus east of the Anacostia River. Williams claims this will open doors for other students in the surrounding area as they will be exposed to college students. Many of the universities students, administration and faculty are not ready to let go of a campus that hold so much history.

They can't release the building where many of them fought and protested to keep the university a live. This is their home and know one likes to be forced to move or evicted from a place they feel comfortable.

On the other hand, those community leaders on the other side of the river look forward to having a positive light coming to their neighborhood. Is moving UDC the answer to so many of the problems plaguing blacks in the District?

So why should a university that houses majority black students be moved?

Is it because the neighbors can no longer take the sight of so many black faces -are they out of place? Or could it be the fact that the lot where the university resides is hot and selling it would bring in big profit?

"This is their home, and no one wants to be forceevicted from a place they feel comfortable."



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Let Integrity be Your Dean

P. KOBINA N. YANKAH

I am not going to beat around the bush here. In tradition, today is going to be a highlight day on campus. Hundreds of people will gather on the main campus to see the first of several debuts of the Greek Letter organizations. To some just an entertaining display of stepping and other miscellaneous acts of dramatic goodness, will be to others the culmination of a diligence, hard work, and patience.

The Probate Shows, Death Marches, and Long Walks, what ever you call them, are the last vestiges of a tradition now past and a era in Howard history which seems to be fading fast.

Many of you younger students will see the shows and suddenly develop an interest in Greek life that will follow the formulation of some tightly rehearsed skit you will perform when you first approach a member of the group you want to join. Some will be genuinely attracted to the ideals of the group to which they aspire, or perhaps have a family legacy that makes membership seem like a calling. Speaking as a new member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc. Beta Chapter, I look for the one with desire to carry on the work!

It is easy to be attracted to the glory of a probate show, but if that is your soul motivation for wanting to make a lifelong commitment to

an organization, then consider yourself a shallow person. I am not saying you will not make it...Lord knows, the way things are structured these days if you can write a good check you probably will make it (sigh). I am just saying you will be a shallow person with letters on a jacket screaming at the top of your lungs about brother/sisterhood, and service.

It is good to admire the ideals of an organization, but that itself is not a reason to join. The truth is you do not need to be an Alpha to perform manly deeds nor an Omega to uplift. Let your actions portray your heart. I was an Alpha long before I was initiated, and naturally gravitated towards programs which were in keeping with the spirit of the fraternity. Anyone serious about their membership in any organization will say the same.

If you are following your parents' lead, stop right there. Times have changed and so have the organizations. Your mother's Delta Sigma Theta will not be yours.

The only reason to want to "pledge," for what it is worth these days, is the desire to serve through your organization. Remember that tradition, now past, that I mentioned. I bet most of you wide-eyed aspirants thought I meant the days of the old pledge-clubs. Wrong, I meant the days when Black Greeks held the majority of student leader-

ship positions on this campus. I refer to the days when your drive to gain prestige on this campus did not end when you finished your membership ritual, it started. I speak of the days when no Greek on this campus had a resume with only one thing under extracurricular activities.

Now due to circumstances beyond your control, Greek life has taken a beating on this campus since 1994. You aspirants will be the ones in the new millennium to restore us as leaders or reduce us to stepping, fetching, partying jokes. Look, I wish I could have been a Sphinxman cutting corners and doing greetings at high noon, but it was not meant to be. However, I will not let that stop me from being the best Alphanian I can possibly be. I do not care if someone hit you with a car to initiate you, if you join a group and proceed to do nothing, do not say anything to me about how you "Pledged." If you want to prove something to the world, pledge after you are a member. By that I mean stay up late to ensure your programs will be the best they can be. Do whatever it takes to ensure your chapter is the model of your organization, or you have failed.

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Giving Thanks for What We Have

KEYA GRAVES

Jamaica is a beautiful island. The warm sandy beaches tickled my toes and the clear blue water cooled my feet. While laying out on the beach one day letting the bright sun rays hit my copper skin I realized I did not see many of the friendly natives on the beach.

Most of the people I saw on the beach were tourists.

It didn't bother me at first. I was on vacation in Jamaica, and everything was "irie man." And I, like so many others, allowed myself to be trapped in the tourist scene of the beach and parties. But what about the culture—where were the Jamaican people?

Later, I spoke with a black Jamaican man on the beach and asked him why there were so few Jamaicans swimming on Fletcher beach. He told me that they had to pay to enter the beach and many Jamaicans did not have extra money to spare.

I could not understand this concept, of paying to enter a beach, to dish out money to walk or swim on your own country's land. A country that so many of their black ancestors built.

He tried to explain to me that it was in the best interests of the tourists, because if too many of "them" were on the beach it may scare the people.

So, the black natives are clean enough and good enough to serve tourists and trusted enough to clean rooms but "don't dare allow them on the beach with me." This is a blatant form of discrimination. The "white" natives are using money to keep the blacks from embracing their land.

Many of the businesses are owned by Indians and Asians, specifically the gift shops and clubs the tourists flock to. Why are blacks continuously stripped of their land?

Black Jamaicans are paid chump change for their hard labor and after a hard day of work they can not embellish themselves in the beauty of their own country. When speaking with a waiter he told me that he made \$30 American dollars a month, about a dollar a day. I do realize the cost of living is different, but many black Jamaicans are still worked as if they are slaves. Some are forced to live in a house the size of our bedrooms.

What I respect about many of the black Jamaicans is their hard work

and desire to work for what they want. They are great salesmen and know how to get the visitors to spend money as they bargain with tourists shopping in the craft markets.

I too find myself complaining about the injustices we receive as black citizens in the United States, focusing on the things that we don't have. But there are others in the world who are less fortunate and yearning for equality.

So many of us black Americans complain about the jobs we receive, always yelling about the "white man is cheating us." Some blacks even use this as an excuse for not getting a job—that there are no jobs out there for blacks. Let us not forget those that are less fortunate and how they work for a dollar and still must live in poverty.

Let's stop complaining about all the inequalities and moping about what we don't have. We must appreciate what lies in front of us and continue to fight and stand up for what we want and know is ours.

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Confronting Black Male Suicide

BERNICE POWELL JACKSON

The old folks used to say that black people didn't commit suicide because you couldn't jump out of the basement window. It seems as if now that many African Americans are out of the basement that old saying is no longer true.

I'm glad the old folks aren't around now as we find out that the suicide rate for black teens has more than doubled in the last 15 years.

According to a recent Centers for Disease Control and Prevention study, suicide is now the third leading cause of death for African American teenagers, after homicide and accidents. Researchers believe the cause for this dramatic increase reflects the strain some black families are feeling when making the transition to the American middle class. They conjecture that the pressures of middle class life, coupled with the breaking up of traditional black community and family networks and the weakening of the bonds to the church may be responsible for this new troubling development.

The most stark increase in suicides among African American teenagers is found among black males between 15 and 19, where the suicide rate jumped 146 percent.

When added to the high homicide rate for young black men, the sever-

ity of the problem becomes even clearer. Young black men in the United States are an endangered species.

Most of the African American male teens who killed themselves used guns. A study done at Rush Medical College in Chicago found that black teens are more likely to kill themselves in the presence of someone else, often a girlfriend or a friend.

It appears that the suicide rates amongst African American teens is growing. The growing statistics are troubling and I don't understand how someone can read them without asking why.

What overwhelming feeling of hopelessness has so engulfed black male teens that they turn guns on each other or on themselves? What signals have we as a nation given to these young men so that they see no other way to gain self-respect or peace than homicide or suicide?

How can we who are African American reach out to our own children and grandchildren, our nephews and neighbors to plant even a seed of hope which may save their lives?

How can we reach out to those who are not in our own neighborhoods, but who are our collective children, to nurture even the possibility of a future for these young men?

Are we who call ourselves middle class African Americans really providing a better life for our children?

Was integration into the larger society worth the pain? We must provide those age old support systems which helped our people survive slavery, segregation, injustices, and lynching.

I cannot read these statistics about black male teens or hear the three stories in six months of white male teens who shoot and kill their classmates without asking the question of why guns are so available to our young people.

How many have to die by their own hand or the hands of another teenager before we as a nation say enough? Now that all of our children are endangered by guns, will we act?

How have we as adults failed our children? How has the church failed our children? How have schools failed our children? How has our society failed our children?

If our nation is to survive into the 21st century those are the questions we must answer. And we don't have much time to do so. May God give us the courage to ask the questions and the strength to do something about the answers. Our future depends on it.

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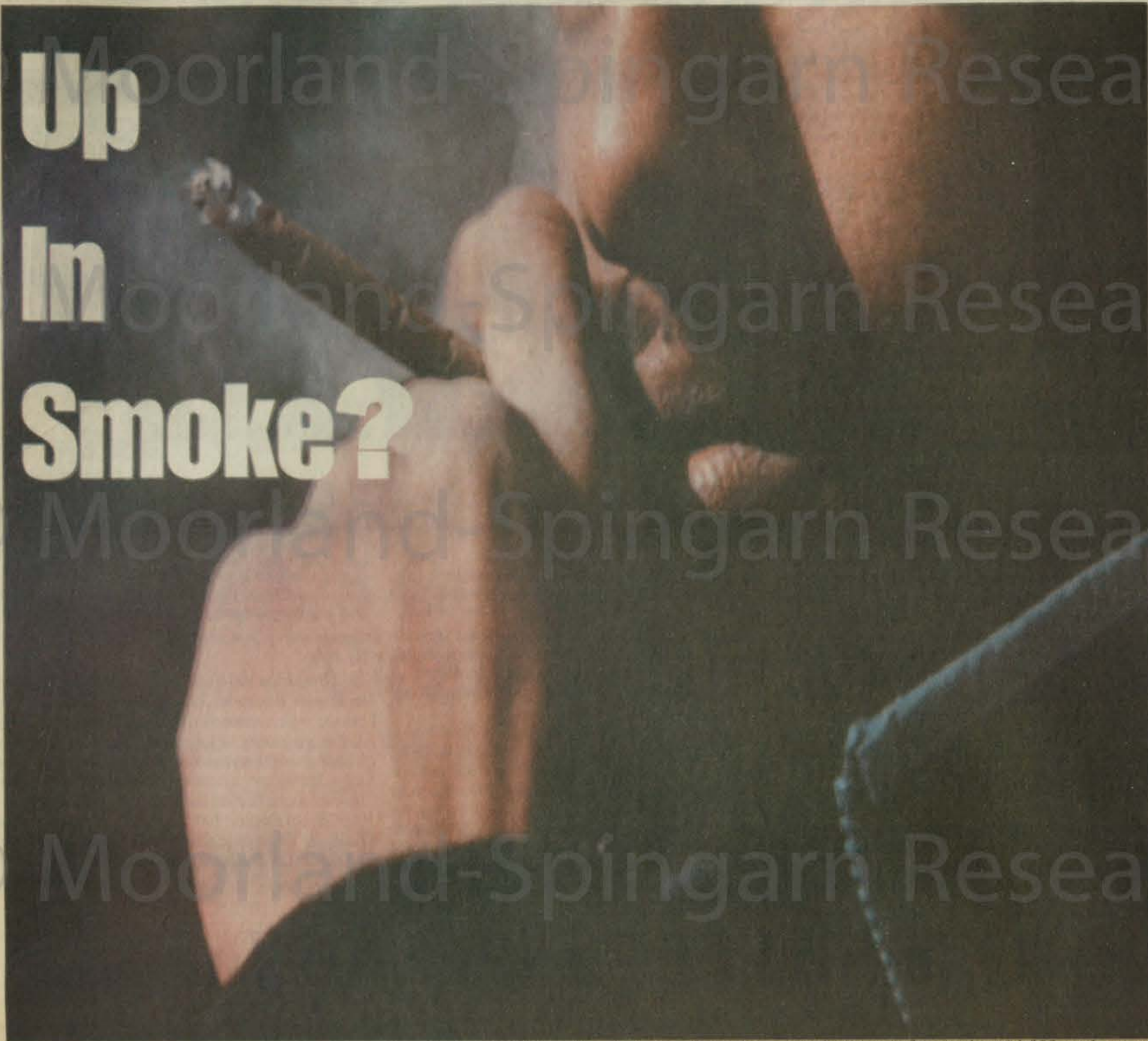
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Up In Smoke?



National Reports Show Smoking Is A Growing Trend Among College Students, Blacks

BY FELECIA DAYLE
Hilltop Staff Writer

For Fred Apierre, there was a time when finding someone to join in on his routine smoke break was a chore. But the days of smoking alone in front of University buildings are gone. Now, Apierre, who works in the media center,

can find a smoking partner just as easily as he can find a cigarette.

"I have worked on this campus for over nine years and I have noticed that there are more and more students smoking," said Apierre. "From the library to the Administration building you are likely to find up to ten or more different people smoking."

In fact, students at Howard and others schools across the nation have sparked a trend when it comes to lighting up. According to a study by the Harvard School of Public Health, cigarette smoking among college students has increased by 30 percent over the last four years. The study, conducted by Henry Wechsler, com-

pared surveys of more than 14,000 students at 116 colleges.

This study comes on the heels of earlier reports that African Americans, especially youths, are lighting up at alarming rates. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention released a report in May that said the smoking rate among black teenagers increased by 80 percent between 1991 and 1997. The smoking rate for white teenagers and Latino teenagers only rose by 28 percent and 38 percent respectively during that same time frame.

Abide With Me: Last in a Series

BY ANDRE ESTERS
Hilltop Staff Writer

Title: *Abide With Me*
Author: E. Lynn Harris
Publisher: Doubleday

At last, E. Lynn Harris has published the final book of his "Invisible Life" trilogy. Five years after the release of the second book of the series, *Just As I Am*, and eight years after the first, *Invisible Life*, *Abide With Me* explodes onto the literary scene with the engaging conclusion to Harris' story of love, sexuality, friendship, and family.

The beginning of *Abide With Me* finds Raymond Tyler, Jr., enjoying the life he has built with his partner, Trent. Raymond and Trent have relocated to Seattle, and both are enjoying success in their careers as lawyer and architect, respectively. But when Raymond receives a phone call from a U.S. Senator, everything in his secure world is turned upside down. All that Raymond has worked for comes under close scrutiny and he must struggle to keep things intact.

Then there is Jared, Raymond's best friend, and Jared's wife, Nicole. Back in New York after several years in the South, Nicole returns to the theater in a *Dreamgirls* revival. Jared, hoping this career move will make his wife happy, accompanies Nicole to New York, and offers his support. However, when a young understudy, Yancey Braxton, cunningly assumes Nicole's role in the play, Nicole's dreams of Broadway success come to an abrupt halt. Depressed and disillusioned, Nicole is forced to reevaluate her life, her career and her marriage.

Also returning are favorites from previous novels: John Basil Henderson, the gray-eyed football play-

er-turned-sportscaster; Peaches, the animated proprietor of a New York eatery and mother of Raymond's deceased friend, Kyle; and Delaney Morris, Nicole's spunky estranged best friend.

Abide With Me, like Harris' previous novels, is a page-turning drama that explores the choices and sacrifices we must make in order to be happy. Using his incredible gift for storytelling, Harris weaves a tale that forces readers to ponder life and love.

While Harris spends a great deal of time exploring heterosexual relationships, he also devotes much of his novel to two of his trademark issues: same-sex relationships and bisexuality. In

a voice that is compassionate and honest, Harris discusses the complexities of same-sex relationships and bisexuality. By delicately presenting the intimate thoughts and emotions of men involved in relationships with both men and women, Harris allows readers to better understand these taboo issues.

All this comes from a man who quit his posh job as an IBM executive to compose a novel that explores issues not addressed in other black novels.

In a way, Harris is a self-made man. At book signings, he is quick to remind his audience of his humble beginnings as an author who sold books from the back of his car. Books that he knew would capture a large audience of black female readers who wanted to read about the intimate and often times unexpressed thoughts of their men. Now, Harris enjoys a multi-cultural audience that has propelled him to the *New York Times* bestseller list—twice.

Die-hard E. Lynn Harris fans will not be disappointed by Harris' magnificent conclusion to their favorite story. In addition, those who read Harris for the first time are sure to become addicted to what some call Harris' "irresistible world!"

Abide With Me is Harris' fifth novel. The others include *Invisible Life*, *Just As I Am*, and *This Too Shall Pass* and *If This World Were Mine*.



Howard Students Kick Up Their Heels in Paradise

BY KEENAN SUARES
AND KEVA GRAVES
Hilltop Staff Writers

MONTEGO BAY, JAMAICA—Imagine this: drinking coconut water while lying on a sandy beach, enjoying 85 degree weather during the day and 73 at night, eating jerk chicken with rice and peas and dancing in clubs to reggae with a splash of soca music. Many Howard students made this scene a reality during Spring Break as they flocked to Montego Bay, Negril, and Ocho Rios, Jamaica.

Juan Davis, a former Howard student, brought several students to Jamaica through his company Black Beach Spring Break. Davis said that this year was the largest gathering of blacks in one spot for Spring Break.

"Anybody can throw a party. My mission was to bring people together to learn about Jamaican culture," said Davis, who plans events that cater towards blacks.

With the different daily events, HU students had their pick. From the wet T-shirt contests to the dirty dancing and the Spring Break Olympics, Howard students won the majority of the events.

Most of the prizes received were T-shirts, gift certificates from local restaurants, a round trip ticket to Jamaica, and Jamaica's Appleton Rum. The disc jockeys would announce on the mic during happy hour, when students received free rum punch drinks, "If you're not drinking Appleton you're just not drinking."

"I saw a side of Howard students that

most people will never know about. Howard students let it all hang out in Montego Bay and they had a good time," said Alisha Allen, a sophomore political science major.

Davis also organized daily trips to Ocho Rios, Negril and Rose Hall Beach. At Rose Hall Beach, students enjoyed an all-inclusive water sports day: jet skiing, riding on the banana boat, kayaking, sailing and snorkeling.

While some students stepped out of their swim suits at Negril's Hedonism, a nude resort, others spent their time at Rick's Cafe jumping off a cliff and plunging more than 30 feet into the water.

In Ocho Rios, students climbed the waterfall at Dunn's River, went horseback riding through several small villages and rode on a raft made of bamboo sticks in Marthabrea's River.

The activities did not stop there. At night students would dance to hip hop, reggae and soca music at Margaritaville, The Brewery and The Native.

The Brewery was known for its karaoke. College students took the mic to sing favorite hits like Vanilla Ice's "Ice Ice Baby," Salt n' Pepper's "Let's Talk About Sex," and Lauryn Hill's "Killing Me Softly."

While many club hoppers would debate which was the hottest club, the most popular was Margaritaville.

FIRST PERSON Amala: Hope For the Future

BY BRANDI FORTE

When Duane died, a part of me died with him. The essence of my livelihood and poetry had been deserted into a pasture of forget-me-nots. When I met Duane upon my 1996 arrival at the Mecca, he swept my lyrical consciousness into his life, and made me realize that he wasn't just another producer trying to take advantage of a black woman. As I finessed the mic during the 1996 Homecoming Yard Festival audition, his eyes watched me, and his ears listened to my words.

Only 18, I thought I knew everything there was to know about life. But he knew a bit more. Actually, he saw my potential as an artist, and challenged me to take my poetry to another level.

From spending long nights in the studio spinning rhymes about my dramatic life into ghetto poetry, to thinking about how I wanted to be a respectable artist, with Duane, for once in my life, I felt like a brother understood my plight.

He brought the "Cappuccino" out in me, and created another world for me to live in through my own words. From The Yard, to Cramton, to Coco Loco's, the popular nightclub, Duane was there. He told me when my performance was whack, and he smiled when he thought I moved the crowd. Sometimes Duane knew my poetry better than I did.

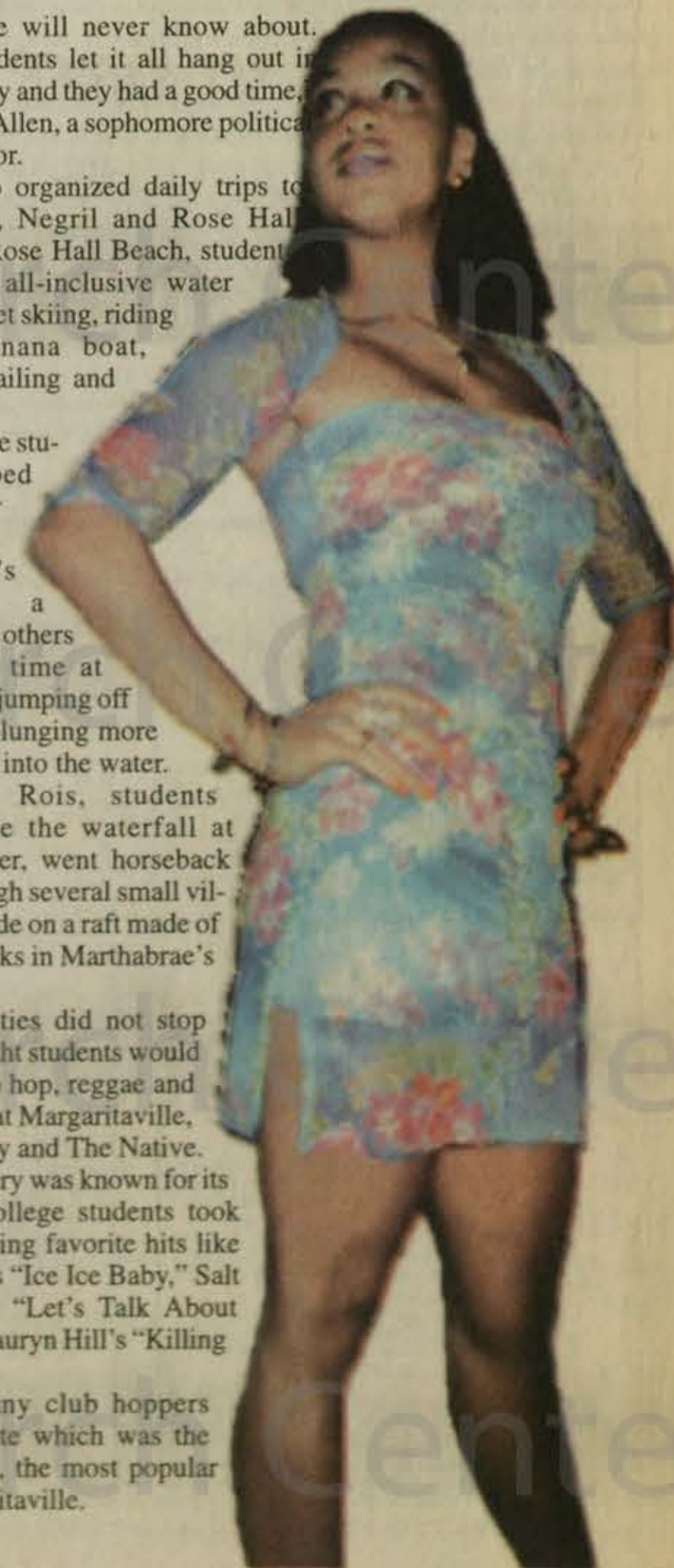
I remember when we had dreams of being rich. In our dreams, in 2003, we would rehearse his short speech at the Grammys. Today, I reminisce about the time we were at China Wonder on a cold winter night scraping up nickels and dimes just to afford a meal. We looked at each other like, "how long must we eat another egg roll or a bowl of fried rice." And he said, "Bran, we are not going to be broke forever."

Looking back, I spent three years of my life with a brother who lived to see the age of 26. Duane was a 1995 Howard graduate, an entrepreneur, talented and compassionate in everything that he did. Three months after his death, all I can do is reminisce.

Duane is gone. I would often ask myself why. Ask God.

He died from a bullet wound to his head in D.C. Duane loved New York, hip-hop, the youth, Howard, his family, his life and God. As I listen to myself, I cannot hold back. Was there a poem I could have written or screamed so that Duane could still be here? He was my drummer boy, and I was his griot, and things will never be the same. I thought that I would never be able to write another poem, or touch a microphone ever again in life, but in my own self-realization I realize that in death, there is rebirth. Why Duane? Why not someone else? I don't know. All I know is that I was wrong when I said that "N— ain't shit," 'cause Duane was a phenomenon, he was real, and he would've made a good husband for some black woman. When Duane died, I thought a part of me died, but in essence I gave birth to a new life, her name is AMALA (poetry), hope for the future, something Duane would've wanted. And I can hear him in my ear now, still telling me, "Brandi Bran, you're gonna be a star."

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TEMPO

Surprises in Store at Fourth Annual School of Business Fashion Show

Entrepreneur Coordinates "Mythical Illusions"

By Mia Somersall
Hilltop Staff Writer

To the pumping beat of catchy, no-name club music, the members of the School of Business fashion show, dressed all in black, glide down the runway exuding beauty, style, and elegance. It's all about the clothes—and the strut.

"Attitude. I want to see attitude," says a member of the training staff of the fashion show, encouraging the models during a recent rehearsal. "Give me some attitude."

Anyone who routinely goes to the annual School of Business fashion show is in for a big surprise next Saturday, April 10, in Cramton Auditorium. The show, which is themed "Mythical Illusions," starts at 7:30 p.m. and tickets range from \$10 to \$15. This year, the fourth year after its inception, it has a new coordinator, a new mission, and a new look.

The show that last year took place in the Blackburn ballroom is now in Cramton auditorium. The show that once displayed around 40 models from the School of Business has become over twice that size, with students from all majors as well as D.C. residents, many of whom have previous modeling experience. Take Royce Dixon, a model in this year's show. Dixon, a native of Washington, D.C. and business owner, was discovered by a Levis Jeans scout as a sophomore at Xavier University and has been modeling ever since. Russell Jeter III, a math teacher from the area and another model for this year's show, has participated in numerous fashion shows as well as D.C.'s Mr. Debonair pageant of 1996.

Acclaimed designers are being used by the fashion show this year—names like Tigre Valentine, Bryan Rosello and Sylvester Humbert. The show guarantees top-notch collections and a top-notch performance.

"This year it is definitely a different style," said Af

Bell, a sophomore international business major who was in the show last year. That show "was more about having fun than anything else. This year, it is very professional and I think it will be classier. The classier the better."

The annual School of Business fashion show was created to be a part of the School of Business' annual Parents Weekend program and the show originally included primarily freshman and sophomore business students. The position of fashion show organizer for three years rested on the shoulders of Dr. Gwynette Lacy who teaches business management in the School of Business. This year, however, she passed the baton to Howard business student, Laurence Borughton. Borughton said that he took the offer as an opportunity to expand in both fashion and in business.

Expanding on the idea, he pulled together a team of interested professionals and began a fashion agency: SB Fashion 100. Borughton said that the agency has progressed extremely well during the past year. It has grown into a corporation that is a new member of the Better Business Bureau; a website will be set up for the company by July.

"The key is to have a plan," said Borughton. "You have to do planning in order to keep the models on key." Consequently, the members of SB fashion 100 have been working strict and long hours since February for the April fashion show in what was dubbed *model camp*. During the first few weeks the female models learned various walks and techniques while the male models went over sequences. They all had a session about stage make-up.

The props for the debut fashion show are abundant, according to Borughton. "We have a stage set that is going to be dynamic. Everything that we've done looks real," he said. Borughton is especially excited about the staff of the show and their commitment to making it a success. Borughton has a lot of modeling experience, as he was discovered by a modeling scout while in the army, stationed in Germany. However, he admits that he could not have coordinated the entire show alone. SB fashion 100 has a large group of organizers, including modeling trainers Bessie Love and Joe



Stephenson. "They [Love and Stephenson] have 15 to 16 years of modeling experience between them," said Borughton.

Jeter said that he appreciates the personal attention given to him by the fashion trainers. "I was impressed that this show actually has a walking instructor. I've never had that before," he said. "I also like the fact that there are more people. This is huge."

Stephanie Owens, a nursing student from Prince Georges Community College, has previously modeled in hair shows and college fashion shows. She said that she got involved in the SB fashion 100 agency by chance. "I was actually supposed to interview for another fashion show," Owens said. A SB fashion recruiter noticed her look and asked her if she would like to model for the agency. Owens said that she has not regretted that decision, as the show is surprising-

ly structured and organized. She alluded to the club and house music that is played during rehearsals and said that it adds a sense of professionalism. "With other fashion shows, you just model to whatever comes on the radio."

A SB Fashion 100 model call was held last Saturday in Jenny's Restaurant here in the district. It was a chance to recruit models who wished to join the agency and an opportunity for the models to show off what they have learned during model camp, in preparation for the show. Borughton, his staff and his models are looking forward to the fashion show, according to some models. The SB Fashion 100 staff is now in the process of finalizing the scripted scenes of next week's show that, word has it, will be charismatic and eye-catching.

So, until then, "attitude."

Howard Takes Caribbean Fantasy to Jamaica

By Keya Graves
Hilltop Staff Writer

The beaches in Jamaica were cluttered with beautiful men and women of all shapes and sizes. Students strutted their stuff across the golden sand and parading up and down the Hip Strip in Montego Bay, a street filled with shops and restaurants.

So, when Howard University student, Charan De Johnston, was looking for models for a fashion show that would take place at the club The Native in Montego Bay, finding models for the show was, "no problem," as they often say in Jamaica.

Executive producer Johnston had many offers in Montego Bay after proposing her idea to have a fashion show during spring break. She settled with The Native because it was one of the few black owned clubs in the area.

Johnston flocked to different hotels and various excursions to scout out spring breakers interested in being a part of the fashion show, Caribbean Fantasy.

After auditioning 50 applicants, 20 models were chosen to be in the show. Nine of the models were from Howard University, most of whom were chosen before they left for Jamaica. Other models were from MIT, Northeastern University, Long Island University, South East Community College and two were native Jamaicans.

The Native, an elegant club with an open venue, captured a large crowd when flyers hit the hip strip about the Caribbean Fantasy fashion show. The lights were dim, setting a relaxed mellow mood.

People were adorned with colorful beads upon entering to symbolize the Madri Gras theme for the night. Party goers could gain more beads by competing in the dare games that were taking place before the show, the person with the most beads won a free trip back to Jamaica.

Mistress of ceremony Genevieve Nixon, a Howard University student who has worked on several fashion shows in the past, grasped the audience attention as DJ "Lion" Delmar Hazel spun the latest hits.

Caribbean Fantasy started with dancers from MIT, who danced to hip hop, reggae and slow jams. Then several models strolled to the stage displaying their Jamaican garments as Lady Saw's "Under the Sycamore Tree" played in the background. Rachelle Akuffo, a graduate criminal justice major at Howard, walked gracefully to the



stage in a sheer black bra with black pants.

"I wanted the show to be an interactive show," Johnston said. "Where the models communicated with the audience."

The runway for the models was swamped with people that it was sometimes difficult for others to see. Other models displayed party gear as the sounds of Notorious BIG and Jay-z played in the background.

As the Native started to get packed, the crowd eagerly awaited the lingerie scene. The night capped off with the last set of garments were by Charan De Vu.

"I thought the show was a success because HU representin. I thought it gave us a chance to see swimwear, sportswear and lingerie," said Johnston.

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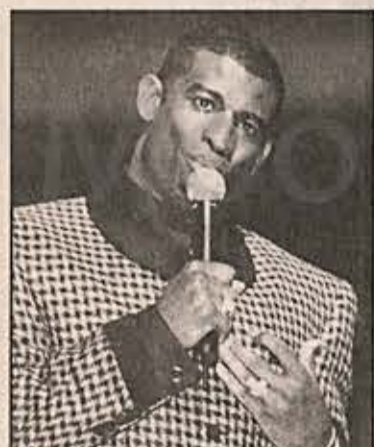
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Show College Athletes the Money!



Hilltop Staff/Mark Coleman
Dallas Cowboys' defensive back Deion Sanders gives a sermon in Burr Gym as part of a nationwide crusade Saturday.



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Lady Bison head coach Sanya Tyler discusses the team's first win in the MEAC tournament.



Hilltop Staff/Mark Coleman
Men's assistant basketball coach Lamont Franklin awaits the team's opening tournament game.



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Center Garrett McCormick and guard Bakari Adams prepare to rebound an opponent's missed shot.



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Sophomore guard Terri Holmes prepares to rebound during an early season game against Maryland.

Let's face it: money makes the world go 'round. After all, some students do not attend college for just an education; they want to get paid. The only way many students are able to pursue higher education is through a grant or scholarship. A few of those scholarship/grant recipients have disposable income which is often used for personal needs.



Kimothy K. Brown
Sports Editor

Intercollegiate athletics is a huge money-making machine for colleges and universities around the country. Athletes struggle to effectively balance sports and academics, an almost impossible task for most. I think it is sad to see athletes being used as representatives for a school and not get rewarded for it. Sure, most people will say an athletic scholarship is enough. However, I say athletes still need money to survive, just like we all do.

Of course, paying amateur athletes is illegal under National Collegiate Athletic Association (NCAA) guidelines. Despite that, we all know some schools dish out the cash anyway. How else can we explain certain schools in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) having top football programs all of a sudden?

Former University of Nevada-Las Vegas head basketball coach Jerry Tarkanian was involved in various scandals and NCAA vio-

lations during his tenure. Incidents of gambling and point shaving really allowed UNLV to live up to its Rebel nickname. I always thought UNLV paid its players. This institution is not a big-time athletic school, so who would want to go there and play sports? It's like the Runnin' Rebels came out of nowhere to become a good basketball program. All the wrongdoing finally caught up with Tarkanian and UNLV, and the rest is history. Nevada-Las Vegas is now one of the worst basketball programs in the United States.

The NCAA recently granted college athletes the right to hold part-time jobs. That is long overdue! How can they expect athletes to have the necessary resources to keep up with college life? Athletes do have meal plans, but who wants to eat cafeteria food everyday? This all makes me wonder exactly where athletes acquired the necessary funds before the new NCAA rule. Maybe their parents provided some support. If you don't know by now, parental support usually ends during the sophomore year. After that, most parents say, "get a job!"

NCAA rules regarding financial compensation for athletes are unnecessarily strict. Case in point, when former Dallas Cowboys' Head Coach Barry Switzer coached at the University of Oklahoma, he was scolded about giving a gift to a player. The player had just graduated, and was on his way to law school. Switzer showed his pride by giving the player a briefcase as a present. Consequently, Switzer drew harsh criticism from the NCAA. Another episode further showed the dictator-like nature of the

NCAA. ABC's 20/20 did a special report about the University of Arkansas' men's basketball team a few years ago. The report discussed the financial hardships faced by many college athletes. Since the Razorbacks allowed the show to conduct the report, 20/20 wanted to treat the team to dinner. The NCAA quickly shot down the idea. It was only food! Included in the report was an interview with former Arkansas star Corliss Williamson. He described how he only had \$21 in his pocket, which was supposed to last about two weeks. It's sad to see a player work hard to represent a school for virtually nothing. It's like modern-day slavery.

Opponents of my view will say many people are not fortunate enough to receive scholarships, so the athletes should just be satisfied. However, I say athletes should capitalize on the revenue they bring to their institutions. I'm tired of people saying how we as African-Americans should just settle for everything handed to us. I will be a senior next year and probably managing editor of *The Hilltop*. I was recently assigned to Carver Hall. Does that mean I should accept living in the worst dorm at Howard University? Well, believe me, I will not be living in Carver next year!

My plan does not call for a huge cash bonus for athletes. A simple monthly stipend would be sufficient. Players should feel like they are appreciated by their respective schools. We all want winning teams but most of us would reject the notion of paying college athletes. Isn't that a double standard?

Students Come Together for Intramural Basketball

BY KIMOTHY K. BROWN
Hilltop Staff Writer

Who says you have to be a member of an official Howard University athletic team to excel at a certain sport? Many students are rejecting that notion by participating in the intramural basketball program here at the "Mecca."

Games are played on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday each week on the basement level court in Burr Gymnasium. Teams such as "Supernatural," "Mecca's Finest" and "Okay I Reloaded" regularly go to war. Games are usually intense and competitive. Fans gather around the court to see who will demonstrate the necessary will to win, and women show up in their finest outfits to "watch the games."

"Supernatural" is among the top intramural teams with a 5-2 record. Headed by captain Michael Brown of Los Angeles, the team includes Thomas Parker, Shaheed Colen, Fred Wardlaw, Yusef Alexandrine, Rashaan King and Justin Grows. In Brown's opinion, New Jersey freshman Grows is the best player on the team.

"He is a remarkable freshman and his athletic ability surpasses that of any other player," said Brown. "[Men's basketball coach] Kirk Saulny should really come and watch him play."

Most members of the team attributed their participation in the program to their love for basketball. "Supernatural" power forward Parker, a junior history major from Tilatoba, Miss., is one of the team's most passionate players. He said the intramurals offer "a chance to join other brothers for something positive."



Hilltop Staff/Eric Hall
"Supernatural" player Yusef Alexandrine attempts to reject an opposing player's shot as Justin Grows and Rashaan King look on.

Parker sums up his role on the team rather simply.

"I bring physical inside presence and heart to the team," said Parker.

The unique name of "Supernatural" has an important meaning. Brown said the team's name "symbolizes inner strength in every Black man." He said when the team has its back to the wall, it looks inside to find that supernatural.

Brown also said intramurals give students a chance to "chill out" from the daily stress of studying. According to Brown, the team has no true rivals but themselves.

Another popular team is "The Circus," co-captained by Lawrence McMillian of the Bronx, N.Y. As co-captain, McMillian feels he contributes most to the team in the form of scoring and energy. He has a basic motive for participating in the intramural program.

"I like playing to stay in shape and show my talents," said McMillian.

"The Circus" is currently 4-2. McMillian says its biggest rival is a team called "FU."

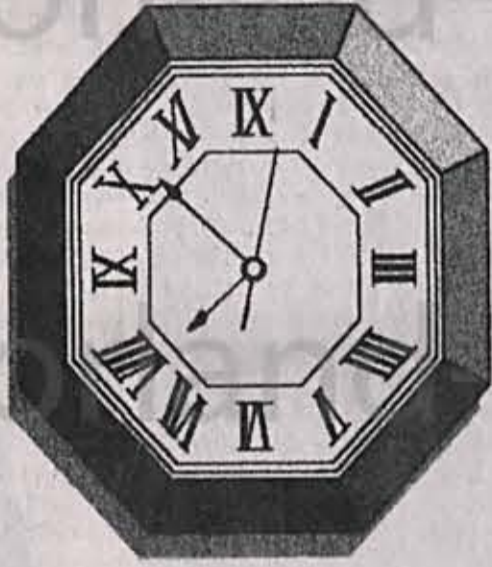
What some participants lack in talent, they make up for in strong will. Many of the players may not have all the necessary skills of top basketball players but they all have the heart of champions.

"I enjoy my intramural experience and I will participate next year," said Parker.

Intramurals will continue to roll on until a champion is crowned. It will surely be interesting to see who emerges as the top team. Will it be "Supernatural," "The Circus," or someone else? Only time will tell. Until then, spectacular shots, dunks and assists will continue to characterize the program.

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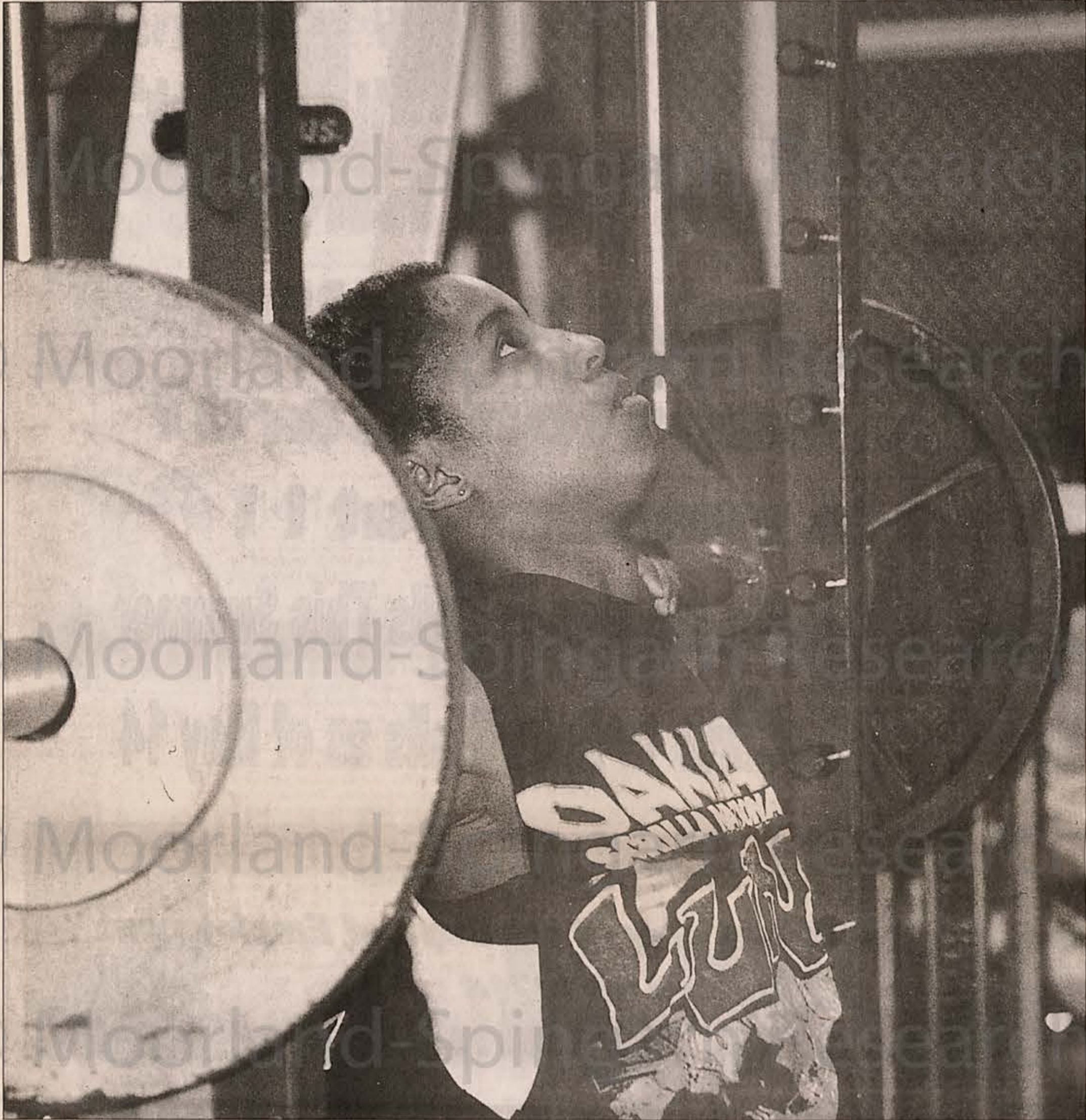
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Weight Training on the Rise at Howard



Sophomore Natasha Cabouet, who is a regular patron in the weight room of Burr Gymnasium, lifts 135 pounds.

Hilltop Staff/Eric Hall

BY KEVIN D. STEWART
Hilltop Staff Writer

Pumping iron, being "totally stoked," "getting your swole on," weightlifting—whatever you call it, weight training has taken hold of Howard's campus. In this time of fighting-oriented workout videos, spas, and gyms, the building of muscle and body sculpting by weight training has steadily increased in popularity.

Burr Gymnasium is no longer the only place students can pump iron on campus. Currently, there are a host of dorms containing workout rooms with the majority of the equipment being for weightlifting use. This proves that weight training is not just for jocks anymore.

But even with the establishment of weightlifting facilities in the dorms, the majority of weight training goes on in a small room in Burr. Students who are serious and longtime lifters, along with beginners, work out under the guidance of William Johnson, a professor of anatomy and kinesiology in the Department of Physical Education and Recreation. He teaches the course on weight training, along with other courses offered by the department.

Johnson has been working with Howard students for 30 years. Originally brought here to teach and to serve as the gymnastics instructor, he has branched out to coach most of the "bandit sports" (non-major sports). Though his involvement with weightlifting was due to the discontinuation of the gymnastics program, Coach Johnson springs his true motive for getting involved with the weightlifting course.

"I got involved in weight training more so for a personal matter as opposed to students," Johnson said. "I wanted to stay in shape, and I was getting too old to be running up and down on the [track] out there."

When questioned on the benefits of weight training, Johnson said, "When you get to my age, well, you don't need a whole lot of stress on your joints, weight training is an ideal way to stay fit."

Coach Johnson takes his course very seriously, but allows his students to enjoy the benefits of weight training.

"I view weight training as an activity that someone can get involved into for a lifetime, provided that individual has an idea of what they want to accomplish in this course," Johnson stated.

His students set individual goals, and he structures their workout schemes to allow them to reach their goals. Johnson examines the students and grades them according to how close they actually get to their goals.

Though the majority of Howard students who weightlift are here strictly for academic purposes, there are a group of committed lifters who come to work out on a regular basis.

Mario Washington, a junior chemical engineering major from Florida, is a regular in Burr's weightroom. Washington became involved in weightlifting while playing football in high school. He works out from one to one-and-a-half hours three days a week. Washington feels that this is important to maintain his physical appearance and weight.

"I use the pyramid type workout to build muscle mass and maintain my cut [physique]," said Washington.

He adds that he feels the addition of muscle by weightlifting, rather than carrying weight from a high percentage of body fat,

Glynis Pitts, a junior physician assistant major, is part of the new breed of women weightlifters. She works out in the weightroom four times a week, more than many of her male counterparts, but her motives and physical appearance dispel the myth of female body builders with more muscles than the average man.

"I get out of weightlifting a good muscle tone, a nice body, and added energy to be able to do things," said Pitts.

Both Ray and Washington feel that the increased interest in weightlifting by women is positive for both women and men.

"It's cool and it kind of makes you want to work harder. It feels like you have an audience," laughs Ray.

In the traditionally male-dominated atmosphere of the weight-

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—Coach William Johnson

will prolong his life.

Another frequent user of the weightroom is Dustin Ray, a senior biology major from South Carolina. He uses the same regimen as Washington does, with a three day workout for an hour and a half, though his motives are different from Washington's.

"[Weightlifting] allows me not to tire out as easy when I do any strenuous activity. I feel stronger and in shape. I think this increases my stamina," Ray said.

An increase in the number of students lifting weights is reflected in the number of students enrolled in weightlifting. Johnson's class sizes range from 60 to 110 students. The large number of students is due to the increased interest of women in weightlifting.

"When I first started to teach this class we had 25 students per class with very few ladies. Most of them were men. Now we have a majority of females and the classes have tripled," said Coach Johnson.

room, Glynis has had to deal with some of the stereotypical views men have of women.

"Men tend to think that you can't do anything. If another friend asks me a question [about weightlifting] a man would jump in immediately and try to answer the question, rather than thinking that I know the answer myself," stated Pitts.

All agree that the nearly 20-year-old equipment in Burr needs improvement. In addition, the size of the facilities are inadequate for the number of people who work out in the room.

"We need an improvement of the facilities and also in the maintenance of this equipment. It needs to be overhauled at least twice a year with the number of students we have in these classes. It's good equipment but it needs to be upgraded," said Coach Johnson.

Despite the lack of maintenance and the size of the facilities, Howard students still proceed to get their "swole on." Although it can be strenuous, the benefits and satisfaction of a good workout are worth it.

Gia Landry Excels On and Off Tennis Court

BY KIMOTHY K. BROWN
Hilltop Staff Writer

Tennis may not be the best known sport at Howard University, but the team remains consistent in hard work and good performances. Women's tennis team captain, sophomore Gia Landry, is a key ingredient in the team's recipe for success.

The biology major from New Orleans, La. not only excels on the court but in the classroom as well. She boasts an impressive 4.0 cumulative grade point average. In Landry's opinion, maintaining a good academic record while playing tennis is not as hard as it seems.

"I simply went to all my classes and had a good relationship with professors," said Landry. "Athletes usually don't attend all classes anyway, so I felt I had to."



Sophomore tennis team captain Gia Landry excels on the court and in the classroom.

Landry said she has always been athletic, but her tennis career began by accident. She started at the age of 12 during a family vacation at a resort. Her parents told her to pick either tennis or golf for recreation. Since she thought golf was boring, it was an easy decision for her to choose her current sport.

As team captain, Landry feels it is her duty to keep the lines of communication open between players and Head Coach Larry Strickland. She characterizes herself as a leader who sets an example for the entire team. "Coach Strickland and I have a good relationship. He understands I'm not on an athletic scholarship, but an academic one," said Landry.

Although Landry has many strengths, among them her ability to hustle, she feels her main weakness is lacking mental focus at times and overall execution on the court. To improve, she simply relaxes.

Being an African-American in the tennis world can obviously be a difficult experience. The recent success of Venus and Serena Williams is a step in a positive direction, according to Landry. The Williams sisters recently met in the finals of the Lipton Championships, the fifth largest tennis tournament in the world. Venus defeated her younger sister Serena in three sets.

"They [Venus and Serena] showed the world that African-Americans can play tennis," said Landry.

A college athletic career always has its ups and downs, which Landry herself will attest to. She said her best memory is when she was voted the team's Most Valuable Player last year as a freshman, which totally surprised her. Her worst was the team's loss to Hampton for the Mid Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) title last year.

In Landry's eyes, the tennis team has an abundance of talent that should last for a few years. She does not have a best friend on the team, because she feels the entire team is close. To pump themselves up, the team listens to rap music. "Tear Da Club Up" and "Make 'Em Say Ugh," are among their favorites.

This is the first year the MEAC championship receives an invitation to the NCAA Tournament. In addition, nobody on the team has less than a 3.0 grade point average.

"We can really have an all-academic team for the tournament this year," Landry said.

Howard has problems with the lack of adequate facilities to accommodate several sports, including tennis. Landry says that because of the inadequate facilities, it is very hard for the team to play at its maximum potential, but the team is still doing well with what it has. The team plays its home matches at Banneker's tennis courts. This presents a huge problem during the winter.

After her career at Howard ends, Landry will attend medical school and pursue either an M.D. or Ph.D. One thing is for sure: she has the potential to be the best at whatever she sets her mind to.

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Homecoming Steering Committee 1999

The Homecoming Steering Committee is seeking dedicated and qualified applicants for the following positions:

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Public Relations Director

Volunteer Coordinator

Executive Secretary

Executive Assistant

Fundraising Manager

Event Coordinators

Mr. & Miss Howard Pageant

Libation Ceremony

Alumni Fashion Show Brunch

Gospel Concert

Alumni Concert

Artistry in Motion

Comedy Show

Fashion Show

Family Reunion (YardFest)

Retro Tunnel

Hip Hop Concert

Parade

Step Show

ALL applicants will be SERIOUSLY considered.

(The "Homeboy Hook-Up" is not in effect.)

Job Descriptions and Applications will be available Monday, April 5th in the Homecoming office, Room 109 (Power Hall) in the Blackburn University Center.

U.G.S.A. SPRING BLACK ARTS FESTIVAL

4.5.99 KICK OFF PARTY

3:00PM : PUNCHOUT : \$FREE

This will be the kick-off of our week of exciting and entertaining programs. Students will have the opportunity to meet their favorite recording artist face to face.



4.6.99 INTELLECTUAL ABSTRACTIONS

7:00PM : \$3.00 SCHOOL OF B AUDITORIUM

Poetry and prose that will stimulate your soul. Intellectual Abstractions will promote cultural harmony through songs, lyricism and theatre.

4.7.99 VARIETY SHOW

7:00PM : \$5.00 CRAMTON AUDITORIUM

It's Show Time at the Mecca!!! Students will have a chance to showcase their respective talents and compete for the grand prize.



4.8.99 FASHION SHOW: ASCENSION

8:00PM-11:00PM : \$15.00 CRAMTON AUDITORIUM

Expressing beauty in all forms... This years show will pay tribute to the undying spirit of a people.

4.9.99 YARD FEST

11:00AM-5:00PM MAIN YARD : FREE

You know how we do it! Live on the mainyard in front of the entire 10,000 plus student body there will be one of the hottest mod John Blaziness artist settin' it off Mecca style. In addition to a Greek step show.



4.10.99 SALUTE TO BLACK ACHIEVERS

8:00PM : \$15.00 STUDENTS \$20.00 GENERAL

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DUKE NEXT SEMESTER?
See Ms. Betty Aikens (Room G11, Admin Bldg) about the Duke & Howard Exchange Program

HUSA Community Outreach is hosting a Youth Summit tomorrow, Sat. April 3, in Blackburn. All day.

Phi Mu Alpha Sorority Fraternity presents
FINE ARTS SHOWCASE
Ira Aldridge Theater
April 16 7:30pm

Community Day is April 10. Call 806.4135 to participate.

Please join the National Council of Negro Women, Tues. April 6th for general body meeting and election of 99-00 Executive Board com. Call 202.939.0167 for more info.

HUSA Community Outreach will be throwing a (Thank you) party for volunteers at the end of April.

Texas Club
Join us @ Uno's (Union Station)
Tonight @ 7pm!

Community Day is April 10. Call 806.4135 to participate.

The end is coming
Down South Boys Productions
The Last Party
April 22, 1999

Volunteer meeting for Community Day is Thurs., April 8 @ 7pm in Bethune Annex Seminar room

Haitian Students Association meeting
Thursday, April 8 @ 6 in Blackburn Forum Room

HUSA COMMUNITY OUTREACH needs 60-70 volunteers for YOUTH SUMMIT on Saturday, April 3rd. Interested volunteers should attend the meeting on Tuesday, March 30th in Bethune Annex at 7pm.
Contact Giselle in suite 102 in Blackburn Center or call 806.4135

CSA Picnic. Saturday, April 10, 1999 @ Rock Creek. 12-6pm. 16th and Kennedy.

Come and worship on Sunday, April 4, 1999, at Rankin Chapel with the Undergraduate Student Assembly. Our Call to Chapel kicks off our Annual Spring Black Arts Festival-April 4-10, 1999.

Class of 1999
Remember when...T-shirts
On sale next week!

Community Day is April 10. Call 806.4135 to participate.

Xerox/Howard Symposium: Developing A Corporate-Academic Partnership
Wednesday, April 7, 1999
8:30am-12pm and 1pm-5:15pm
Blackburn Center-Auditorium

Are you wearing bear goggles? See how you score. April 8, 1999 National Alcohol Screening Day. Blackburn-Recreation Area. 10-2. Free Food.

HU Represent!
Kings Dominion Black College Weekend
Saturday, April 10th
Information meeting, Monday, April 5th
Locke Hall, 8m 105, 7pm

April 5, 1999-UGSA gives you the opportunity to meet your favorite artist face to face at the kick off party in the Punchout at 3pm. Check it out! Admission is free.

Spring Fling Winners:
1st Prize: Danielle Hyles
2nd Prize: Wardell Jones
3rd Prize: Michele Salmon
Thanks everyone for your support!

Thursday, April 8th, is National Alcohol Screening Day, and HUDEPP is offering fee, anonymous education sessions where you can take a written self-assessment for alcohol problems, ask questions, and talk to a health professional-all for free! Blackburn, Recreation Area., 10am-2pm

Calling all free spirited Intellectual Abstractons seeks to uplift the diaspora through poetry and prose. April 6, 1999 at 7pm in the School of B Auditorium. \$3 admission. This is a UGSA Spring Black Arts Festival event.

Arts & Sciences Senior Week
April 25-May 1, 1999
Stop by Blackburn, Room 106 for list of events!

Howard Gospel Choir celebrates 30th Anniversary with a Pre-Anniversary Service on April 24, 1999 at 6pm at Rankin Chapel

Come and be a judge at UGSA's variety show! The audience will have a chance to vote for or against the university's top talent. Wednesday, April 7 at 7pm. \$5 admission.

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You are cordially invited to the Women Ambassadors' Conference on Women and democracy. The event organized in celebration of women's month will honor the 11 women (11 out of 173 ambassadors) who are ambassadors to Washington.
Date: Tuesday, March 16, 1999
Time: 10am-12
Place: Blackburn Center West Ballroom

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Spring Black Arts Festival brings to you the best fashion show of the season. April 8 at 8pm. One show only! Don't you miss it! Cranton, \$15 student admission.

Rough week? Jesus will lift you up! Young Adults Fellowship, Tonight, Engineering Auditorium, 7pm.

You know how we do it. UGSA is settin' it off with our annual YardFest. Join us live on the main yard for the food, fun, and festivities on April 9 from 11 am until 5pm. Free, of course!

Howard Gospel Choir celebrates 30th Anniversary with a Pre-Anniversary Service on April 24, 1999 at 6pm at Rankin Chapel.

UGSA ends the week with our Annual Salute to Black Achievers! Luncheon. The luncheon salutes Black pioneers and trendsetters and their accomplishments throughout the Diaspora. Saturday, April 10 in Blackburn's Gallery lounge from 12pm-2m.

The Undergraduate Student Assembly presents its Annual Spring Black Arts Festival-April 4-10, 1999! Come join us for each and every event; don't you miss it!

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Room 4 rent-single, female, non-smoker. Silver Spring. \$500/month includes utilities. Call 301.593.2422.

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Tutors needed for program at Gamet-Patterson Middle School. Program will run April 19-June 3rd, meeting Monday-Thursday from 3:30-4:30pm. Tutors will be paid \$10/hr. If interested please send resume to: 100 Black Men of Greater Washington 210 Rieggle Livingston 522 21st NW #510 Washington, DC 20006
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Personals

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Seniors, Remember when... Everyone went to the Magic Room?

Congratulations 2-B-99
You worked hard and earned it. Looking forward to seeing you freak it today...you sexy thing! Love Always, Spice

To the Negotiators:
Always have a plan. Don't repeat past mistakes. Tradition doesn't control you, you control tradition! No matter what you do, we ALWAYS have your back!
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BLUE PURR-FECTION IS COMING

Seniors, Remember when... The NOSIB underground newspaper came out!

Off the Hook! The Bomb! The best trip I've ever been to Black Beach Spring Break in Montego Bay, Jamaica. Thanks Juan for everything.

2-B-99:
Welcome to the spec family! You've waited a long time for this and you've earned it all! Stay intense and dedicated-the real work and reward is yet to come!
7-B-93, 2-B-95, 3-B-96

Janelle, Congratulations on getting into PT school.
Tim

Seniors, Remember when... The Quad and Drew didn't have fans!

If you missed Black Beach Spring Break in Montego Bay, Jamaica and would like to go next year call me to be a rep or get on early payment plan. 202.387.8622 Juan Davis

Some thought we were gone, but we never left. We just reinvented ourselves like granddaddy's do. To all those who hated, just look at those who waited! To those who failed to shine in our absence, step aside and let the KINGS be your guide...its gonna be ice-cold from now on. RIDE ON!! -Hed-Heru.

Jamaica Funk Crew, Jamaica was off the hook! I'll never forget Spring Break 99! I luv you guys! The True Philly Diva

UMAC Cardio Kickboxing class sign up now/low student rates. 202.387.8622 - Juan Davis.

Eric,
I love you, man! I'm prouder of you than you know. You can do anything and in everything you do you have my uncompromising love and support. ALWAYS! Welcome to the frat! '06!
- Your brother, Christopher.

Ben,
Thanks for keeping me company in Margaritville, when I was tired of dancing. You are a sweetie.
B-shot-partner

Need help with Gymnastics call Juan Davis 202.387.8622.

CHITLINS AND JELLO...MM MM GOOD!

Huy II, The Sapien III, Grim Knight V, Black Ice VI. The Fab 4 forever!

HU students held it down in Jamaica!

Bombchelle, Keya and Marquise- Jamaica was off the hook!!

To Terlika, Thanx for being here honey. I had lots of fun - come back soon darling!
Eric

Grza, i'm never going to Serbia for Spring Break again!!
Balki

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