Sports

LADY BISON GET IN GEAR

The Lady Bison basketball team is on the verge of making a move into the Big 10. The Lady Bison are looking forward to the upcoming season and are working hard to achieve their goals.

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By Tyler Brown

The Howard University Student Association (HUSA) budget, is considered by some as the "heart and soul" of the university. The official budget is divided among the Howard Student Association (VASSA), the Undergraduate General Assembly and the General Assembly. The General Assembly manages organizational funding, and it is up to its discretion what organizations receive funding and the amounts.

Though students contribute to the HUSA budget through tuition, the information about how the funds are allocated is not made public. HUSA is to claim to represent students, yet withhold crucial information, such as budget numbers, from the student body.

By Farren Hinton

Thanksgiving is next week, and that means the holiday season is right around the corner. When one thinks of the season—hand baked food, family and gifts—all seem to come to mind. While many Howard students are preparing to buy on his or her next week to be with loved ones in their home, they are considering the changing atmosphere outside Howard's borders. The season will be filled with a multitude of protection from the rapidly dropping temperatures this season. One group of Howard students understands the situation and last night hosted an event to help the less fortunate.

Following the success of last year's program, The Talented Tenth hosted their second annual charity fund raiser Friday night at the Blackburn. The event started off with a large number of attendees, and as the night went on, the numbers dwindled, but those who did attend were excited to see the evening's events.

The vice president noted how important and touching it is for the members of the Talented Tenth to hand out the blankets themselves, stating, "We are going to pass them out with love because we care about our fellow students and the people who are less fortunate."

Living in Washington, D.C., the average Howard student is currently faced with facing the homeless and less fortunate. Perkins said that he notices the big divide between the university and some of the residents in the surrounding community. "We are living down from the hallway and into the community," Perkins said.

The vice president noted how important it is for the students to come together and to help those in need. He emphasized that last year the recipients of the donations were very thankful and appreciative. "A lot of the people just sat down and cried, and we talked with them," Perkins said.

Other members of the organization are also looking forward to passing out the blankets and are excited to be involved. "I would just go in and help to distribute the blankets to some people," said freshman J. Brown. Victoria Alaje.

Rhroy Shank, a sophomore television production major who is a member of the Talented Tenth said, "I believe that the fundraiser is a real way for students to give back and try to purposely sign up for the program to be more involved in the community."

It's getting cold out here, and I don't think anyone deserves to be freezing outside in the winter. I'm just happy that I could help," Shank said.

Those who attended the event, which was open to everyone, gathered blankets or $5 to enter, all of which will go towards the purchasing of more supplies.

The donations brought the organization's support an evening full of laughter and fun as friends howled against one another and laughed at jokes.

Some of the Talented Tenth members forecast look past the event, "I think that it is amazing to be able to help the homeless and those who are more fortunate than us," said LaShawn Brand, a freshman English major.

For those who were unable to make it to the event, there is still a chance to help out. A part of this event, "The Warriors," will help to collect any donations. "We will be collecting donations through our website, "the Talented Tenth has a table downstairs in Blackburn every Wednesday."

Camping

By Byron Stewart

With the end of the football season comes the end of the Howard student government, along with their tuition, "a one thinks of the season at day conversation."

Byron Stewart, financial advisor for the Undergraduate Student Association (VASSA), noted how it was one thing to be able to speak on budget and last night hosted its meeting. Stewart said that the HUSA budget is based on the number of enrolled students, the influx from the previous year and any "outstanding fees."

Once received, the money is organized under an "imputed budget, and is, as they are: the Graduate and Undergraduate General Assembly."

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Stewart said there are procedures within the budgetary process intended to ensure the creation of a reserve-managed or reserve-managed. Stewart said that the Reserve from the rapidly dropping amounts.

In addition to staffing this pledge, VASSA plans a key role in the majority of student events such as Homecoming and Freshman Orientation Week. As well as sponsoring and funding these events, HUSA includes within its domain the entire student body, and a legiti-
Roommates Experience Terror:  

BY ASHLEY WILBON  

District Shelter Seeks Donations  

To Spread Holiday Joy  

BY ASHLEY WILBON

Despite the brutal cold that engulfed Washington, D.C., during the last week of November, the spirits of the House of Imagene Shelter remained warm. The shelter, located at 214 P St. N.W., a 12-bed shelter that has been in the area for over 30 years and is home to 12 roommates, is currently seeking donations to try to spread joy to those in need beyond Thanksgiving.

The shelter, along with other groups, has been working hard to make this a reality in 1972 with the opening of the House of Imagene Shelter. The House of Imagene Shelter has offered to assist the shelter and being a pastor, Stewart runs Happening Now, which evolved into the shelter and being a pastor, Stewart runs Happening Now, which evolved into the

Employee: Roberta McLeod

By Vanessa Mizell  

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Hold On Tight: Metrorail Plans to Make Changes to Trains Next Year

BY MATTHEW COOPER

The Metrorail system could possibly see significant changes to the seating arrangement in the cars, as the Metrorail board announced unanimously approved testing three new seating layouts next spring.

“The Washington Metropolitan Area Transit Authority is making an effort to see the crowded trains by simply changing some of the car interiors,” said Shawnicka Snipe, a junior chemistry and pre-med major.

“Crowded trains are a huge problem on the highly populated red line, which consistently has the most traffic,” Snipe said. “I want to sit down!”

Metrorail spokesperson Lashanda Clark, a senior at Howard University, said Metrorail hopes that crowds will not be uncomfortable, as the Metrorail systems in the country since 1978 have already ordered 184 of the newer trains with fewer seats and more handrails. Frequent riders are skeptical that these changes will alleviate the congestion on trains, especially during peak hours.

Crowded trains can be alleviated by spreading passengers out among eight cars and less hand rails, “Our priority is to get people to the center of the car,” said Metrorail spokesperson Linda Harstein.

“People need to get near the door and passengers can’t go on or off the train,” Harstein said.

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Roommate Problems Abound
ROOMMATE, from Page 2

This is a common story among on-campus dwellers. Last year, The Hilltop reported the situation of Laurenne Bland and her roommate, who would not clean her half of the room, a situation similar to Reid's situation.

"At times she wanted me to clean, when really I didn't care how the room looked," Reid said.

At Howard University, dorms like the Bethune Annex, the East and West Towers and Cook Hall have a system where students have suitemates or roommates. This situation is more personal, because the suitemates share a bathroom and sometimes a kitchen.

"Communication is key. Cleaning schedules and bathroom necessities have to be discussed. Because the relationships can become so personal, there are times when relationships easily break down. At times I find myself in characterized situations where my roommate is the only person I talk to," said Charlene Walton, a sophomore finance major.

Besides the fact that roommates may not get along because of differences in cleanliness, there are often times when roommates have personality differences. "My roommate and I are friends, but after midnight is when we have our differences," said one freshman biology major. "She likes quiet, and I like the television on. It can be problematic because we're always asleep and I am a night owl." Personality differences can be this way because at least when there is a problem with cleanliness, students can come to some sort of agreement; however, personalities do not change.

Although Gibbs encourages students to live on campus and have a roommate or suitemate, there are those who are apprehensive about the situation or the fear of future experiences.

"I wouldn't change my experience for the world. I learned a lot. I've been robbed, had arguments, been in the community director's office and even had to get the police involved," said sophomore public relations major Nichole Alabi. "It was bad at the time, but now I have a single room and a whole lot of life experiences."
Super Natural

T he Monas are vibrant with beautiful natural hairstyles. We are such a creative and stylish group of people. It is so wonderful to be amongst black people and black culture.

-Latunde Osun,
Staff Photographer

IN PICTURES

NOVEMBER 17, 2005
Sex Scenes More Frequent on TV

A recent study conducted by the Kaiser Family Foundation found that 70 percent of TV shows contain sexual content on average, with an increase in the number of sex scenes per hour. According to Dr. Robert蘭:\'hen Rosa Parks died, the sexuality reflects reality. It's not necessarily a bad thing as long as the scenes are mature enough to handle the content. Exposure is unavoidable, so parents need to educate and prepare their children, even if it means having a "hands and knees" dialogue. Instead of showing a soft approach during prime time, parents should have open discussions about the sex scenes. Real life situations involve unknown pregnancies, abortions, STDs, HIV/AIDS, and emotional sequences should be portrayed instead of just making sex look glamorous.

Our View: It's healthy to show some risk scenes on TV as long as they reflect real consequences.

Television could become a real medium for education for people who want information about sex and responsibilities. They should be able to see their favorite characters experience the consequences of their actions.

People can try to keep sex off of the media but it will still be coming out of people's mouths. It's the year 2005 and we need to be realistic, resourceful and talk about it with others. It's the year 2005 and we need to be realistic, resourceful and talk about it with others.
Milan, Italy Introduces Military Fashion

BY BRITTA HUTSON

Milan, the fashion capital of the world, recently introduced military inspired style to the fall/winter men's runway season, featuring the recycled military trend. The runway trend was featured on the runways earlier this year to preview the fall/winter 2005 season.

The military trend has crossed over as one of the largest trends for Fall 2005 inspired by the cool influence of military jackets and accessories. Another large influenced category is the military look and trench coats.

Internationally, one of the top designers to present the military look was Gucci.

During a preview show in Milan, Italy this past February, Alessandro Facchetti, Gucci's women's wear stylist began her show with a military jacket, belt, and a felt hat and jewels with black boots for a soft look.

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Students showed cargos and trench coats in olive and chocolate browns.

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The runway and Soho has also advertised the embroidered military jacket and capacitor jacket.

The cost of the jackets in the US start from around $150. Internationally, the retail price for the jackets range from $1200 to $5900.

Students showed cargos

M. Klean Delivers a Fresh Solo Album

BY MICHAEL IVEY, JR.

Lately, Texas hip-hop is seeing a lot of success. This tape, however, has proven to be quite a special one. With most of its initial critical acclaim from the neighborhood, the tape, "Hip-Hopweight Entertainment," has received national exposure. The Duck's Eye Media, produced by Michael Graves, provides most of the tracks on the album.

"I really hated the way we were staying for the tape," said Graves. "I've been so tired of the current album, I feel that I've made music I don't enjoy any longer when I listen to it."

Young rappers are unknown and unwavering, but Michael Graves is definitely conscious in his content. Graves even considers himself "an artist." He strives to put his "true self" into his songs, making sure they are self-reflected and relatable. Graves is known for his ability to make good lyrics and a good beat.

The blantly titled "Freaks" is the first song on the tape. This song is a good example of what Graves is trying to do. The production is simple, but Graves touches on many topics, including his experience with drugs and his "highlights and low points." Graves is currently working on a new album, "True Weight," which he says will be released in the near future. Graves is planning to release another album in the near future.

In Entertainment

Wendi Williams, Tony Touch and Tyson Beckford to Host AIDS Dance-a-thon

WELLS-107.5 FM DJ Wendy Williams, Hip-Hop legend Tyson Beckford and super model Tyson Beckford are among the special guest scheduled to serve as hosts of the Move Against AIDS Dance-a-thon, which will take place at the Manhattan Center on December 3.

Williams, a long-time advocate of AIDS awareness, will act as host to the thousands that gather at the free-hour Dance-a-thon.

Wendy Williams also chairs the National Black Leadership Commission on AIDS and will appear at the Choice Lives New York City, in December, which recognizes corporations or individual's outstanding efforts in the fight against HIV/AIDS.

Destiny's Child Gives Last Performance

It's a wrap for Destiny's Child. The chart-topping R&B superstars gave their own song-performance Tuesday on "Jimmy Kimmel Live."

Kimmel turned over his entire show to the trio in a first for the ABC late-night galas and a last for Beyoncé Knowles, Michelle Williams and Kelly Rowland.

They performed both indoors and outdoors for nearly 1,000 fans, treating radio contest winners flown in from all over the United States to renditions of "Stand up for Love" and their 2001 smash "Survivor.

Asked by Kimmel if the split would be permanent, Destiny's Child said they have "no plans" to reunite in the future.

M. Jackson Stirs Controversy over Bathroom

Michael Jackson has stirred a small controversy in the United Arab Emirates by entering the ladies room in a shopping mall.

Jackson's publicist, Raymond Bain, said: "Upon his entry, a small crowd gathered and recognized and a crowd ensued. He had to wait in a nearby bookstore until police arrived to escort him from the mall.

Local newspapers reported that the 47-year-old performer did not quietly leave the bathroom and was spotted spitting makeup before leaving.

Mary J. Blige and VIBE Editor Clash

Mary J. Blige was the primary honoree at the VIBE Awards, which was televised on Tuesday, but the singer had sharp words for the magazine's Editor-in-Chief Mimi Valdes.

On Saturday, when the urban awards show was taped, the Yonkers, New York singer scolded Valdes for the cover photography in the current issue of the magazine.

"For so many years, VIBE has given me great, great covers, but I must say, I was disappointed at the cover this time, so Mimi, me and you really need to talk, as women," Blige said during her acceptance speech. "No disrespect but, I really hated the way you guys shaved off my head, pushed my forehead way back behind my ears. I am just stunned, as that's not the respect on the cover but I thank you, and I appreciate the award.

Valdes responded to Blige's accusations and suggested that Mary wasn't appreciative of the support the publication has displayed through the years, regardless of the singer's declaration.
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Bison Aim to Surpass MEAC Expectations

BY CASSANDRA CUTNO Contributing Writer

The Howard University women’s basketball team baited from a great legacy of many scoring hostages. However, this year the Lady Bison will be jumping without their star, Ebony Lacey, who graduated last year.

“She has been a big part of the team even as a freshmen,” said Head Coach Carla Parson, who is now entering her sixth season with the Lady Bison.

On the other hand, senior Ebony Lacey is prepared to fill the void left by Hicks’ shoes. Parson considers Lacey to be as much or even more athletic than Hicks. “Lacey has phenomenal jump shots,” Parson said. But the one thing Parson hopes for is a better defense from Lacey.

During Lacey’s junior year, she lead her team with roughly three assists per game. She is also recognized by her ability to be strong and quiet on the offensive end.

Lacey thinks of her team as having a lot of talent. “We are capable of winning the MEAC championships,” Lacey said. “We just have to work hard.”

Last year, the Lady Bison fell to Coppin State University Eagles 69-74 in the semifinal round of the MEAC Tournament. “We had a good start, we just didn’t face well,” Parson said. “Coppin was just more talented and competitive.”

This season, Parson also calls on two other players that have stepped up their game in order to fill the void of Hicks along with former player, Andes Jones. Freshman 6’5” junior forward Nekia Benson and 5’10” senior guard Brittany James as the leaders of this year’s team. Both are constant in the player’s ears helping the team to grow intellectually, and they are passionate with their teammates.

This upcoming season the team would like to prove to the MEAC championships that they are much better than the predictions of the MEAC. Last year, they were predicted to place third and ended up placing fourth at the conclusion of the season.

The MEAC indices consist of faculty representatives, athletic directors and coaches. Benson expresses precision predictions of last season. “We were ranked to finish third in precision prediction this year, because they are much better than the predictions of the MEAC. Last year, they were predicted to place third and ended up placing fourth at the conclusion of the season.”

The Lady Bison have a tough schedule this season, and want to make a name for themselves. “We had a good start, we just didn’t face well,” Parson said.

This season, the Lady Bison are focused on opening the year in hopes of another winning season.

Stay tuned for Part three of our annual basketball preview series which will conclude tomorrow with the game preview of the Lady Bison’s opening game versus Tulane.

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