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Lady Bison Wallop Pirates in 100-Point Game

BY TOM AKINBOWOSI

On January 5, just four days after the Howard Bison burst onto the Hampton University campus, the Hampton Lady Pirates and Virginia State Lady Lions opened a game that many spectators had anticipated. However, if anyone had asked Howard if they would have predicted a thirty-point lead on the Lady Pirates last night, they would have said "Yes." "I dream about it last night. I knew that it was going to be a big win for us," Howard junior forward Benson said. The Lady Bison dealt the Hampton team a cringe as they continued the Howard three-game winning streak.

Everything went right for the Lady Bison, who jumped on an 8-4 lead early in the first half. Benson had any three points in the first five minutes of the game, which helped set the tone for the game. The Lady Bisons were able to dominate the basketball court when the fact that they were defense-carried, even in the midst of a highly physical match-up.

"Our defense is no lie at all," Howard’s guard Johnson said. "We try to score in ten seconds or less and put them on defense, get the ball and then score again."

The defense forced Hampton into committing astounding 27 turnovers, which were easily converted into Bison points. The Lady Bison played a well-executed game where free throws and points-filled baskets are the defining factors. Among the starters, Johnson put up a point, Ebony Lacey contributed 12 points and 9 assists, and Benson added a high-performance level of 10 points. The bench was also a large factor, as Shannon Carter and Ali Logan contributed 10 and 13 points, respectively.

"The bench really has a lot to contribute on the offensive end," said Benson. "I love having my running mate Stephen Gordon, a junior psychology major, on the court because of his school."

Candidates Begin Campaigns

Candidates began distributing campaign materials after their applications were approved last week.

With posters going up everywhere, it is clear that the Howard student election season is underway. Though there have yet to be any official candidates or debates, candidates are already campaigning for the campus.

"This is one of the biggest events every spring semester, and some of the most coveted seats are for the presidencies and vice presidencies of the Howard University Student Association (HUSA)." This year, Jennifer Lawson, vice president for Channel 13 program management, and the more than 100 students interested in the roles are collecting a great deal of support for the campaign materials.

"I'm really excited to get my campaign materials right now, and just trying to get my feet this start," said Gordon, who is running for HUSA president-elect for the College of Arts and Sciences.

"Salary: PhD, who is running for HUSA junior presidential in the College of Arts and Sciences, said that her team is still in the process of preparing the materials they will use in the summer." Right now we are just making posters and distributing them to every campus area," she said.

Bobbie said that she and her running mate are making posters for the road ahead.

"We're motivated, and we've got a lot of work to do," said the campaign manager.

Still students are taking note of the efforts already being made by some candidates.

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In the event titled “Kujilchagulla - Self Determination: Soul Determination in Black Relations,” panelists tackled issues such as homophobia, the separation of the black family within the church and the community in their Nguzu Saba Week. Ubiquity will continue to host events throughout the remainder of the week.

Poor Attendance Plagues Candidate Meet and Greet

BY AYESHA RASCOE

Luther Vandross

A singer group in high school, which performed at the legendary Apollo Theater in Harlem then in 1980, Vandross released his first album, “Don’t Stop Loving Me,” and had a hit with his first single, "Power of Love," which sold over 2 million copies. By the end of his career, Vandross had accumulated dozens of his singles, including "Give Me the Reason," "Dance With Me," and "Here, Now," which sold over 2 million copies. Vandross

Daniel Hale Williams

Luther Vandross captured the hearts of countless fans with his timeless romantic ballads. Over a three-decade career, Vandross sold more than 50 million records, with each one of his 14 albums selling platinum, or multi-platinum status. Vandross was born April 4, 1951 in New York City to a family with strong ties to gospel and soul musical traditions. After losing his father to diabetes at the age of 8, Vandross recalled his family's constant struggle with his health. As a child, he was told to "be a doctor" by his parents. By the age of 13 years old, he was...
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Sexual Harassment Cases Still Unreported

BY ROBIN BELLAMY

Close to half of U.S. college students have experiences sexual harassment on campus. Sexual harassment can range from offensive jokes and gestures to actual unwanted physical contact. According to a recent study by the American Association of University Women, 62% of students have experienced sexual harassment on campus. Sexual harassment can involve offensive jokes and gestures to actual unwarranted physical contact.

The study done by the AAUW, which surveyed 2,036 undergraduate students at 26 universities across the U.S., found that most students are aware of sexual harassment. The study also found that sexual harassment is not a rare occurrence. While some students might be afraid or don't know what to do, the study shows that sexual harassment is widespread on college campuses.

The procedures for filing a sexual harassment complaint are usually straightforward, but can vary by institution. Students and faculty members are encouraged to file a complaint if they believe sexual harassment has occurred. If a complaint is filed, the institution will begin an investigation. The person who the complaint is being filed against will be notified and given an opportunity to respond. The investigation will include gathering information from witnesses and documents. Both the plaintiff and the defendant will have the opportunity to present their side of the story.

Although students can enjoy a cigarette outside whenever they want, the right to smoke at restaurants and indoor public facilities is currently in the hands of Congress. If approved, the ban would take two years to go into effect.

The trial for acknowledged al-Qaida terrorist Zacarias Moussaoui is underway, with jury selection taking place in Parkville, Md. Moussaoui was removed from the U.S. in early May. The trial is expected to take about six to eight weeks, with the first witness set to testify on Monday, May 22. The trial is scheduled to begin on Monday, May 22.
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Who Will Accept the Baton?

It seems that Black History Month serves as the largest reminder of all the greats we've lost since the days when blacks were fighting for basic rights. The Civil Rights era endured in the spirit of activism that many were fighting for basic rights. Any suggestions? When we all were fighting for basic rights, we shrugged shoulders at the important people we've witnessed and many other deaths usually leaving us.

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Who Will Accept the Baton?

The baton symbolizes the burden of leading our people and finding out exactly what we need and the best way to fill our racial void. The actual race is the struggle for equality and the empowerment of black people. The only problem is with a race there are one different positions to be filled. One person will become tired if they do all of the running and eventually drop the baton. Each leg of the race has an individual strength that hasn't found in any other leg of the race. Some leaders are easy and others have great talents. What we need are people who are willing to look to the past as a source of inspiration and strength and update the movement. We have opportunities at our fingertips to reach new leaders and to take a target.

Our View:

It seems that we have no leaders, direction or potential to carry on the legacy of the fallen Civil Rights activists.

Drug Sentencing and Possession

Dr. George Dawson

As an African American whose family has been touched by drug use problems and incarceration related to crack, what I find truly alarming is the way they or north users are portrayed in the media. Black and in some instances African American families are being just as demonized from crack as blacks were devastated by crack. How I often see that whites are portrayed as more sympathetic persons in need of treatment, and often actively seeking treatment. Note that this is one of the most important things we can do to prevent children from being caught in such a web and eventually fall into the trap of drug and many other crimes. Dear is being removed from dysfunctional white families who are caught up in this mess.

Want to write for the HILLTOP?

Come grab a story at the budget meeting on Tuesday @ 7:00 PM
Yesterday, students packed into the stands in what appeared to be one of the best turnouts of the basketball season. The second match-up of the Howard University Bison and the Hampton University Pirates drew a crowd of enthusiastic students, who cheered the Lady Bison to victory and supported the Bison, despite their loss. The Mecca Mob led the contributed to the hype, as the cheerleading squads and cheerleaders performed. Other acts included the Showtime Marching Band, Flashy Flags, Ohh La La Dancers, and Vizlon Performance Team.
Bison Fall to Hampton, 75-63

BY DESeree SMITH

In front of a packed Kresge Gymnasium, Howard fans watched as the Bison men's basketball team were unable to reign victorious over the Hampton University Pirates, who scored the Bison with their 12th loss in a row.

"Tough, I think that we were just playing a very good basketball team," head coach El-Jahim said. "We didn't want to do it defensively, but on offense we just weren't finishing shots, and we got behind," he said.

After trailing 77-75 at the half, and shooting 33.3 percent, the Bison's struggles continued on in the second half. Despite making a small run late in the second half, and coming within seven, the Bison proved to be too much for the Bison, winning the game, 75-63.

"Hampton's guards played very well," Jahim said. "I think we were just playing a very good basketball team." He added that the game played hard, and "we have to work on our offense and start to make our open shots.

The Pirates (14-6, 6-3) lead the MEAC in assists (13.2), defensive rebounding (35.0), assist/turnover ratio (6.8), rebounding margin, and in rebounding offensive (17.6). So in earlier meeting this season, Hampton defeated the Bison 71-65, and this time Hampton is leading the series between the teams.

"We just had too many turnovers," said junior forward James McFadyen, who ended the game with seven points. "That turnover really hurt us. We were playing good defense, but our offense wasn't coming through.

"There is no denying the hype that goes into the game that encompass the long time battle of the "Real Deal." We are excited that many attended the games for either the Howard "Real Deal," but the nearly dressed Hampton, the always Peggy Bison cheerleaders, or simply interested just to see the who's who amongst the MEAC, but what about the actual game?"

After half-time, the stands considerably dwindled, and the most packed four columns became vacated.

"I don't think the crowd was in it," junior forward Jason Turner said. "The crowd really didn't take us out, but they were quite vocal when we did win (as an example)

For members of the newly formed "Mecca Mob," the lack of crowd participation is frustrating. "It was strange that the fans were never really on the team, but in the atmosphere."

"The problem is that people come to the game expecting to flat out win, and that's not realistic," freshman "Mecca Mob" member Brittany Liedhart said.

People complain about the crowd, but they've never been here (to support). They come to support the band, and the cheerleaders, and that's it," she said.

Howard has still been unable to win in 2006, but a Jackson official that the team has never really been down on conference leaders Delaware State at 4 a.m.

The Bison travel to Dover, Del., to Saturday, Feb. 23, to take on conference leaders Delaware State at 4 p.m.

"Our main goal is to execute defense and gain respect," Trotter said.

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Heavy Syndication Set To Take ‘Nation’ By Storm

By JANETE MACFARLANE

Heavy Syndication is scheduled to begin appearing in print next week after it was announced Monday that the media company will begin taking the popular tabloid Nation to a new audience. The company, which includes Nation, has been interested in expanding its reach for some time, and this move is expected to be a major turning point for the publication.

The company has been working on this project for several months, and it is the culmination of many efforts to reach a broader audience. The publication will now be available in a new format, which includes a larger, more visually appealing design, and will be distributed in a wider geographic area.

The move is expected to be a major success for Heavy Syndication, and the company is confident that it will be able to capitalize on the growing interest in news and current events.

The publication will feature a mix of news, analysis, and opinion pieces, with a focus on topics that are of interest to a broad range of readers. It will be distributed in the nation’s major metropolitan areas, and will be available online as well.

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Heavy Syndication, along with Little Brother, will be performing at Boston Nightclub on Friday Night.

Spring Break Spotlight: South Beach, Miami

By ANGELA BACON

With spring break fast approaching, many students are looking forward to a chance to relax and enjoy the sun and fun. For many, South Beach is the ultimate destination.

South Beach is often known for its vibrant nightlife. Hundreds of bars, clubs, and dance halls dot the area, offering a wide variety of entertainment options. Whether you’re looking for a more laid back environment or something more upscale, South Beach has it all.

With its beautiful beaches, warm weather, and nightlife, South Beach is a popular vacation spot for college students. Many choose to go to South Beach for the beach and nightlife, while others are drawn to the area’s popular tourist attractions.

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Regardless of where you end up staying, you’re sure to have a great time in South Beach. The area is home to over 400 primates, including many that are native to the region. This wildlife tour is a fun way to relax and enjoy nature. This is a great way to do something different and enjoy the outdoors.

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