Emergency Elections Meeting Held Thursday

BY AYESHA RASCOE
Campus Editor

General Election preliminary question was reopened on Thursday at an emergency general assembly meeting.

Although the meeting was initially supposed to last only 15 minutes and to address changes in general election guidelines, ultimately USA representatives spent the entire hour discussing other issues.

"The meeting just turned into chaos," said Jennifer Bryant, then chair of General Assembly for USA.

Prior to Thursday’s meeting Michael Lawnon, chairman of general elections, reopened applications for graduate trustee and graduate student positions, responding to complaints that they were not properly publicized for the original candidate application deadline. Lawnon declared that, without the approval of USA, which was within hours at the time according to the general elections guidelines. On Thursday, the General Assembly attempted to amend the guidelines so that new candidates can no longer make changes to elections without the agreement of USA.

In addition to approving this amendment on Thursday, they decided since the graduate position last been reopened, it would be necessary to reopen applications for UHSA presidential candidate since graduates can also run for president of UHSA. Finally they decided since the other position applications were reopened, then this change should be extended to all general elections.

"As of right now applications for graduate and undergraduate elections are now reopened until February 17th," said Catherine Troxel, College of Arts and Sciences USA representative. "But the elections are still scheduled for march and, minus them, there will be only technically two weeks left.

Stephan Nichols, who previously had been a part of the only slate officially running for USA, president and vice-president, said it is possible that students will now have more opportunities to choose from more candidates, but he disagrees with the actions of the General Assembly.

"I’m not in favor of the General Assembly over-riding a decision by the election commissioner and opening all elections," said Nichols, who is running for vice president of USA.

Each year the general assembly approves general elections guidelines. Nichols said he believes that is the time for guidelines to be changed, not when campaigning has already begun.

"The problems general assembly had could have been avoided if they had been more on time," said Nichols.

Currently at least two students are passing out petitions to become UHSA presidential candidates. Myke Jones, as president, and Provon Kotie, as vice president. Jones, who was an official candidate after the initial ballot has dropped out of the race, and party found most of the elections were reopened, but she had planned to run as a write-in candidate regardless.

"But the people that may be upset that elections were reopened, they have the advantage because they’re already more well-known," Jones said.

Although they were entering the race late, Jones and Kotie said they do not want elections to be postponed.

"We're not disfruntated, however, we are ready to take on that challenge," Kotie said.

General assembly will meet next Wednesday. fetish to further discuss this issue. what this extension will entail, and how it will affect the existing candidates campaign.

Ishmael Reed Honored at 12th Annual Heart's Day

BY FARRAH HINTON
Editor at large

The English department paid tribute to Ishmael Reed, author of works such as "Mumbo Jumbo" and "Flight to Canada," on Friday with a series of discussions focusing on satire, comedy, and irony.

The heart expanding lecture series went into more detail of African satire and included a discussion of the dramatic irony evident in works done by Langston Hughes.

Spectators shuffled in and out of the conference throughout the day as hip-hop, rap and r&b culture, as well as pop culture were discussed throughout the day. Students and guests from around the country listened intently to pop culture icons such as Dave Chappelle and black mothers were discussed.

The second half of Howard's Heart Day opened with greetings by Dr. Alexis Thornton, the Associate President, followed by the keynote address by Elizabeth K. Tepper titled "Ishmael Reed and the Discourse of the Wonderful.

Towards the end of the day the audience began to thin out as the last of the afternoon sessions got underway with the discussion of the pluralist vision of Ishmael Reed.

In his address focusing on Reed's Black-American alliance of multiculturalists, sociologist Christopher D. Shores said Reed's work's "are other people's diary, so that we find multicenterism in a good and a very strong way.

Heart Day commemorated in an honorary tribute to the accomplishments of Reed, with all proceeds going to the support of Howard University's English efforts to raise funding for the Sterling Black. Brown endowed Chair. One of Sterling A. Brown's biggest contributions to Howard was his introductions of English course be based solely on the formal study of African American literature.

After general elections were reopened on Thursday, an emergency meeting was held to discuss the changes. Elections are reopened until February 17th.
Websites Give Students a Turn to do the Grading

BY FARREN HINTON

In recent years there has been a surge in the number of websites dedicated to allow­ ing students to rate their col­ lege professors. When time for registration comes, students all over Howard's campus can be found on their computers clicking back and forth from Rater.1yProfessors.com, to the most infamous of websites, of­ ficially by students on a scale from one to one for easiness, helpful­ ness, and clarity.

Ratings such as, "He's a riot! Very helpful and very attractive," to others like "Do not take him! Do not take him! He is arcane, unprofessional, and rude. Avoid him at all costs," can be heard throughout Howard's faculty on this site.

Many, Carter also believes that these sites are a necessity due to the uncertainty of instructor quality during registration.

"When registering for classes I will often reference Rater.1yProfessors.com just to see what other students think about the professors I am sign­ ing up for. For honesty, these ratings can be extremely ac­ curate at times," said Carter, a sophomore biology/adminis­ tration of justice major.

According to the site's founder, John Swapceinski, the cost-free site was created to help students get the most out of their educations.

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KeKe Hosts Man Auction

On Saturday, at girls' night out with their overnight and sleeping bags ready to attend the 4th Annual Woman to Woman Conference Follow-Utp retreat, held at the University of Waterloo, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., and Alpha Chapter Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., held their 4th Annual Woman to Woman Conference Follow-Up Retreat Saturday, where girls attended the Conference talked about life.

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KeKe Shepard, Live at the Apollo hostess, presented men at Willing and Able Service Providers (WASP)'s auction, to raise money for Sickle Cell Anemia Research.

"She taught us that you don't need a lot of make-up to look beautiful and how to love our­selves," said Carter. At the event, the winners were featured on the event site. A special guest, Jennifer Jones, radio personality from 97.9 WKTU, surprised the girls at the retreat. The girls were featured on a 30-second radio spot that aired that day. Jones went on to dis­ cuss with the girls how she began her career.

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Can five students change the tax strategy of an entire nation? They already have.

xTAX 2005

Last fall, over 900 students from 25 colleges and universities were given a difficult task: consider how a country can achieve economic objectives by instituting a job growth and incentive tax proposal. Their ideas were evaluated by a panel of PricewaterhouseCoopers professionals, who named the top team at each campus.

Join us in congratulating all the students who participated and the top team from Howard University:

Kareem Roberts
Lisandre Roach
Magen Barnett
Paul Hobson
Troy Hamm
Alphonse Hill – Faculty Advisor

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Black Men Leaving Jail HIV Positive

BY ERIDINA MICKSICK

Dr. Treemonte, an activist and poet, and director of the African-American research center has an alternative view about what the community should focus on in regards to aiding African-American males and females released from prison.

"This issue is how we look at sex education as a whole to the community," Miller said. "We need to talk about sex education as a way to prevent people from communicating the disease."

Black men have an average Sunday attendance of 1,000,000 people. Worgs in Iraq, and the response of African-Americans, author of "The State of Black Churches" continues to spread even further. The spreading of the disease is occurring rapidly, especially among African-Americans.

Robert Franklin, professor of social ethics at the Candler School of Theological Seminary, says that church leaders are in a debate as to whether ministers shouldn't preach their politics. "When the ministers aren't engaged enough in politics," Franklin said, "they are released from prison," said Lisa Ammons, an intern in the African-American Studies Department. Ammons believes that the faith community should help African-American males and females released from prison.

"We shouldn't focus on sex education as a whole to the community," Miller said. "When the ministers aren't engaged enough in politics," Franklin said, "they are released from prison," said Lisa Ammons, an intern in the African-American Studies Department. Ammons believes that the faith community should help African-American males and females released from prison.

Dr. Lowery said, "They are like the fundamentalists and joining the traditional churches, opening electoral politics to black participation, and shifting power."

Leadership. He told Ammons, "The church has provided the platform for black people to talk about politics in the church than in the past."

"I'm in government, I'm going to focus on justice, which I believe is godly," she said. "I'm not the preacher's place to talk about politics in the church." Ammons said. "I'm not the preacher's place to talk about politics in the church."

Vanessa Mizell contributed to the reporting of this article.

What's Going On in Our Nation and World

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Local Biz In My Corner: Mocha Hut

Mocha Hut, a lounge on U St., is becoming a popular chill spot for Howard students. The lounge has a full house and features specialties including Salmon Cakes, Chicken & Waffles, Shrimp & Grits and Frittata, pictured above.

Students will be able to watch their favorite shows like "Gilmore Girls," "Smехville," "Everybody Hates Chris," and "Girlfriends" on The CW this upcoming fall.

BY KENDRA TURNER

The Hilltop Daily

UPN + The WB + The CW

I like to say it's simply your one-stop-shop for all of your favorite shows, and especially something to look forward to during that time of the week when you're trying to find cool spots to hang out and have a good time. Well, look no further because the CW is here! The CW has everything you need, from hit shows that you love to new shows that you'll love. It's the perfect spot for all of your entertainment needs.

The CW is a television network that is known for its diverse programming and wide range of content. With shows like "Gilmore Girls," "Smехville," "Everybody Hates Chris," and "Girlfriends," The CW has something for everyone. Whether you're looking for comedies, dramas, or even reality shows, The CW has it all.

The CW is also known for its commitment to diversity and inclusivity. The network has a strong focus on empowerment and representation in its programming, and it strives to provide a platform for underrepresented voices and stories.

The CW is broadcast on several channels across the United States, making it easily accessible to viewers. Whether you're watching at home or on the go, The CW is always there to entertain you.

The next time you're looking for a great place to hang out and catch up on your favorite shows, remember to tune in to The CW! With a wide range of programming and a commitment to diverse and inclusive content, The CW is the perfect spot for all of your entertainment needs.
Dr. Sigmund Theta headed a followup retreat to Women To Women Conference.

The retreat girls take to meet their mother.

When asked about relationships, Staffi advised the girls to "hold out as long as you can."

After the retreat proceeded, the guests of honor and panelists were forthcoming, despite the nature of the question.

The guys were open and honest about everything; they didn't try to hide anything," said Ashley Bembry, a junior at H.C. Manfield High School.

The girls were broken up into groups and promptly made up routines to showcase. There was a three-way tie, which had a dance off.

In the introduction, dancer members showed off step routines.

From Staffi and Dr. Sigmund Theta, from Thurgood Marshall Academy, was the talent show, with their cool and synchronized dance moves.

Shanteta Adams, sophomore from B. D. Woodson High School said, "We are all sisters, we don't need to look for boys, and our education should come first."

Though Howard has already installed a system of professor grading in its teacher evaluation form, it is somewhat insensitive to the instructor's conventions.

"I am always interested in what students think about your teaching style, which is why I take Howard's student evaluation forms so seriously," she said.

Chromos also says she would not be eating the site-to-site view her rating.

"It would definitely change what students have to say about my teaching style," she said.

In honor of Black History Month and in recognition of all graduates and professional scholars at Howard University, the Graduate Student Council suspends.

GRADUATE STUDENT WEEK:
VICTORY in UNITY, LEADERSHIP, LOVE and SERVICE

February 12, 2006
11:00 a.m., Molecular Cellular and Developmental Biology (Graduate students share stories of the week for recognition).

February 13, 2006
The Black Love Revolution: Promoting Secure, Healthy Relationships at Howard U.
1:00 p.m., the one you ask for that day at our day show Valentine's Day.

February 14, 2006
Howard's Hoop-Hop: The undanceable 70's.

February 15, 2006
At The Feet of the Elders
10:00 a.m., Lauren Campy Building

A tribute to the influential presence of our language professors, we sit in their best of wisdom on the way to understanding H.G.'s point.

Wednesday, February 15, 2006
Spiritual Awakening and Paving for Graduate School A Mentoring Workshop on campus
10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m., Laurel Blackburn Student Center

A workshop that targets the way to know what to expect for your graduate school education, and panelists were forthcoming.

Thursday, February 16, 2006
11:00 a.m., Graduate School Address

At 10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m., Laurel Blackburn College Lounge

600 - President D. S. Nugaran will provide professional advice on the status and conditions of the graduate school and graduate education, as well as the importance of the students. (The work is open to all students, administration, graduate faculty members, and graduate students)

Friday, February 17, 2006
A Gala Dinner: Saluting "The Pioneers, and Other Great Women"

Dinner will be held in the Graduate Student Center lounge and will be open to all students. (The work is open to all students, administration, graduate faculty members, and graduate students)

For more information contact: Graduate School Office: 202-806-3346.
Celebs Maintain Their Sexy

The first step to making money as an artist is to boost their profile. With endorsements, they can finally put extra cash in their wallets. There's Ashanti's Delight Deli'cious Curves jeans, Nelly's Pimped Out Adult Snack, and Stefani's Harajuku Lovers. The celebritiY endorsements, while lucrative, have gotten a bit out of control. The Olsen twins are capitalizing.

Our View:

The celebrity endorsements, projects and clothing lines have a bit of a hit or out of control.

One Hilltop ran a Master Find Lil' Romeo Rap Snack on a video cover for the upcoming film "Cruel Intentions." Another brand sold a line of actual tiny dogs not that will soon be available.

Has anyone tried Jon's Delight Deli'cious Curves jeans? We think they would be the standouts but now they've gone too far! Is anyone wearing Mandy Moore's clothing line? We think they've gone a bit shady too!

Some of the artists' clothes are great and others get two thumbs down. In any case, they're all making some extra cash. This is especially true when it comes to food. Some of the business ventures are truly hilarious, especially when it comes to food. There's Amber's Delicious Curves jeans, Nelly's Apple Bottoms, and Beyonce's House of Dereon and Seven's Stefan's Harajuku Lovers.

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Leg warmers, fluorescent colors, big hair, and macramé are only a few of the fashionable items that were part of the 1980s uniform.

During the 80s, people thrived on consumption, and it followed that the clothing choices were exaggerated and flashy. According to Ala Kwawu, a professor in the fashion merchandising department, the decade brought about considerable change in the fashion world.

"It wasn't uncommon for people to spend extravagant amounts of money on clothing," Kwawu said.

Kwawu said this extreme attitude toward fashion resulted in the emergence of the "super designers." People like Tommy Hilfiger, Gianni Versace, and Donna Karan were being elevated to celebrity status for their high-end clothes and setting trends.

Karim has been involved in the fashion industry for over 20 years. He attributes the up-and-coming fashion trends to the increasing obesity rates in the country.

The importance of the African American community in fashion is significant. "Big hair and fashion trends like bandannas, bandage dresses, key features on the runway, and autumn's key accessory were a direct influence on the African American community," he said.

Though the 80s had a major influence on the runways, the decade's influence is evident in today's trends. "The 80s had a major impact on fashion trends, and they continue to influence us today," said Kwawu.

"Hip hop and fashion exist hand in hand, and they have evolved together," said Kwawu. "The 80s brought about new influences that have continued to evolve."

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Kwawu also said that the fashion of the 80s is still relevant today.

"The 80s are back, and we see a lot of influence from that decade in current trends," she said.

One of the most significant fashion trends of the 80s was the "Flashdance" look. The film of the same name, which was released in 1983, inspired a surge of girls to wear leg warmers, sweat bands, and big hair. The trend was popularized by singer Irene Cara's song "Flashdance...What a Feeling!"

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Scripps Howard Gives Up the Beef on NFL Players

BY TAMARA KELLEY
Contributing Writer

Scripps Howard, owner of 10 NFL teams, has been criticized for its "beefiness" trend, which promotes a high-protein diet. The trend has led to an increase in the weight of NFL players, with 67% of players listed over 250 pounds, according to the NFL's own data. The trend is causing concerns about obesity and increased risk of heart disease and stroke.

Dr. Tazewell Banks, a cardiologist and professor at Howard University College of Medicine, said, "Anything over 300 pounds is a real danger." He added that a higher prevalence of cardiovascular disease and hyperlipidemia, especially in offensive and defensive linemen, is a real danger. "BMI isn't a good indicator of obesity," Banks said. "There are other factors to consider." He pointed to a study in the Journal of the American Medical Association that found a higher prevalence of cardiovascular disease and hyperlipidemia in athletes because of their "beefiness." The study categorized fifty pro-football players born since 1905.

"And it clearly is higher than in the general population," he said. The SHNS study researched the weight of current NFL players and the deaths of 10 pro-football players born since 1925. Of the 500 players studied, 130 died before age 50 and twenty-two percent of those deaths were the result of heart disease. Seventy-seven percent of players who died of heart disease qualified as obese prior to retirement and were 6.5 times more likely to die of heart disease than their trimmer teammates. There is a clear consensus that the "beefiness" trend is high-risk for those who are given NFL weight standards as a measure.

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ATTENTION!

First Love Revisited Discussion, M.E.N. Drex Hill Lounge, Blackburn Rm. 244-190, February 16 & 16 at 4:30pm Nightly

ATTENTION!

Alternative Spring Break (ASB) APPLICANTS
The ASB Steering Committee would like to thank you for your application submission. Due to overwhelming response, the committee is determined to find resources and sponsors to accommodate all applicants. The current status of all applications is pending, until further notice. All applicants are asked to attend the first of a series of orientations, next Sunday, February 19 at 4PM in the Andrew Rankin Memorial Chapel. Thank you for your understanding.

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