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**Student-Run Organizations Appraised by Own Leaders**

**BY ASHLEY JOHNSTON-ALFORD**

"We planned on doing a lot more work with different committees and initiatives," said Owen. "We aim to further incorporate our events to fit the needs of the students at large and into our role as leaders for our community." Students can expect to see more events this semester, in addition to more programs being organized by the student body.

Staff Writer

**BY CRISTAL COOPER**

"I feel like student leaders should have an influence on the presidency to help the students," Hickman said. "I remember when Nick served as president in 2007 it was the proudest day ever in the history of the Student Senate." Owen and Schwartz hope to make more changes and improve the image of the Senate.

**‘Last Republican’ is Replaced by Battle Bethune-Cookman: Women Win, Men Lose**

BY AMBER V. SMITH

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- **Howard Basketball Teams Battle Bethesda-Cookman: Women Win, Men Lose**

**BY DOROTHY MOLL**

The new and women’s basketball teams were both in action Monday night as both teams played against George Washington University in College Park.

The women’s team picked up their third straight victory over the Colonials Wednesday night.

The Colonials were led by freshman forward Cheryl Ford with 1ac double-double.

"The fight for both teams really was a struggle," said Ford. "We wanted to control the game and we did that today.

Howard Basketball Teams Battle Bethesda-Cookman: Women Win, Men Lose
The post-civil rights era is portrayed as largely one of post-racial politics. In the face of large protests, the idea that the civil rights movement has ended is rejected. The focus is on the racial tension and challenges faced in contemporary politics, particularly in the context of African American candidates vying for a post-racial political landscape. The text also touches on the racial dynamics of the 21st century, emphasizing the need for ongoing social and moral reforms.
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The answer to that question was: "Put your pants on." We pleaded. We pleaded in vain, until we were asked to leave. It was no different in college. Those professors that once were like our parents began to act like authority figures, and we were no longer the rebels who challenged them. We were now the students who were expected to follow their rules. If we didn't, we were punished. It was a process of accepting responsibility, but it was not an easy one. We had to learn to accept the consequences of our actions, and that was not always a pleasant experience.

The end.
**Editors & Perspectives**

**Daily Sudoku**

Directions: Each row, each column and each 3x3 box must include each and every digit 1-9 only once.

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**Officers Should be Held Accountable for Brutality**

For many young people living in a big city, New Year's Day is a time to celebrate with friends and family and to reflect on the holiday itself. This holiday is also the most fatal for police violence, according to researchers who study police behavior.

The case of Oscar Grant is just one example. Grant was shot and killed by a police officer on January 1, 2009, while being transported on a train. The officer who shot him was never charged.

Our View:

Police officers should be held accountable for their actions regardless of their station.

In 1988, rap group rap group NWA released "Straight Outta Compton," which included an anti-police narrative. America's love for the police has not changed since then.

It is time for incidents like Grant's case to come to an end. For 27-year-old Oscar Grant, the early morning of January 1, 2009, was the last day of his life. The police, who killed him, are still not held accountable.

**Perspective**

**A Necessary Change**

For the past two weeks, Israel has repeatedly engaged in an intentional conflict in Gaza. It is obvious that Israel has targeted civilians.

Both the Palestinians and the Israelis have a right to exist. However, the recent violence has led to the deaths of more than a dozen people, including children.

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