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Morris Brown College

December 8, 1983 Telling It Like It Is!

Royal Ebony Beauty • Homecoming 1983-84

by Camilla Clay

As spectators stepped through the doors of the John Henry Lewis gymnasium, they were transported into a world where fairy princesses did truly exist.

On the evening of Thursday, November 10 at 8 p.m., the coronation of Miss Morris Brown College Elect 1983-84 — Sonya Hudson — was witnessed by all of her adoring subjects.

This year's theme was "Royal Ebony Beauty" was brought to life as beauties of all statures and tones paraded down the aisle. Club queens, greek queens, and class queens were all presented to the eager audience. All sporing the colors of their particular court or organization under the watchful eye of the ever-present Royal Guard.

Serving as mistress and master of ceremonies were the lovely Jacqueline Davis and the dashing James Russell. The various queens were serenaded by the

sweet sounds of the band Cold Heat. Featured singer Billy Barlow paid special homage to all the assembled queens.

Suddenly, the presence of Miss Morris Brown College 1982-83, Myra R. Brown, was announced. As if responding to some unheard order — the regally clad Royal Guard preceded down the center aisle into lines, turned to face each other, and raised their swords above their heads in silent salute.

Every eye turned toward the back of the gymnasium, as the reigning college queen entered for her final walk. Myra was greeted by a three-minute-long standing ovation as she made her way to the stage.

Before being seated, the outgoing Miss Morris Brown College rendered emotional remarks — once again eliciting a drawn-out standing ovation.

After all the clamor had died

down, the Royal Court made its stately entrance. In matching purple ball gowns, the second attendant to Miss Morris Brown College Elect, Lydia Marcus and the first attendant, Terrye L. Chastine were presented to the audience.

As each took her throne, one on each side of Myra, the air of expectation could be felt. The future queen's ladies-in-waiting, Lori Baltimore and Valerie Johnson, entered — preparing the way for the coming queen.

Restlessly, the eyes of the audience scanned the gymnasium, trying to answer the yearly question, How will the new queen enter this year?"

In answer to that question, the spotlight focused on a door to the right side of the stage. As if in a fairytale, a horsedrawn carriage entered, circled behind the stage and stopped in at the start of the center aisle.

The top of the carriage opened... and there she stood! Miss Sonya Hudson, ready to begin the journey which would end in her becoming the official Miss Morris Brown College.

As lovely and gracious as any story-book princess, she floated magestically down the aisle. Trailing a cloud of white Jace, she gently bestowed shy smiles on all of her madly applauding subjects.

When the Royal Guard snapped to attention, one could almost believe the quote, "She walks in beauty," was written especially for our own Miss Morris Brown College Elect.

The Royal Crowning was presided over by the college president, Dr. Robert Threatt. Taking the crown off of her own head, Miss Morris Brown College 1982-83 place it gently on her successor's head.

Miss Sonya Hudson was now

the official Miss Morris College for 1983-84. Complete with her cape, crown and scepter the new queen took her first official walk as her words of acceptance were heard over the public address system.

The new queen was paid tribute to in both dance and song. Dancers Michael Stovall and Caroline Phillips paid court to her majesty through creative movement, while soloist Billy Barlow rendered his voice as a gift

The royal gifts were presented by Student Government Association President F. Carl Walton and S.G.A. Vice President Sheldon Ingram.

After the singing of the college Alma Mater, all rose as Miss Morris Brown and her court, followed by all the other royalty, recessed to the Royal Reception to be held immediately after in the John Middleton Complex.

A Queen In The Making:



The crowning of Miss Morris Brown College becomes final.

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And the reign of Miss Sonya Hudson officially begins.



The Queens of Yesterday and Today. Myra Brown, Miss Morris Brown College 82-83, and Sonya Hudson, Miss Morris Brown College 83-84, pose together for the last time.

Miss Sonya Hudson... She Walks In Beauty

PPY HOLIDAYS 70 ALL

The Editor Speaks

by Camilla P. Clay



We, as students, always claim that we are never given a chance to let the faculty and administration know how we feel. Many of us also claim we never have dialogues on meaningful topics on this campus.

Yet, when we are given the opportunity to let our voice be heard, we will not take advantage of it. This past Homecoming Week is an excellent example.

Three events were scheduled that were educational - two of which allowed for communication between every branch of the college family. The events were scheduled that were educational - two of which allowed for communication between every branch of the college family. The events were the "Family Hour," held on Tuesday in Cunningham at 7:30 p.m., and a "Survival of Black Colleges" forum held at 11 a.m. on Thursday in Viola Hill.

All three of these events were sadly attended by the student body. Those that did go benefited, yet those who needed to participate most were not there.

The "Family Hour" provided the chance for students, faculty and administration to express concerns and exchange ideas. You may argue that the "Family Hour" will change nothing at Morris Brown. But who will

know that a change is needed, if we are not around to let them know?

The "Community Awareness" seminar was not so much an exchange of ideas, as it was a motivational event. Many of the things the speaker said needed to be heard by a lot of misguided and discouraged students.

What was truly amazing was the fact that less than 20 students turned out for the "Survival of Black Colleges" forum.

Since all of us attending Morris Brown are black students attending a traditionally black institution, it would only stand to reason that we would be the most concerned about this issue.

We complain all year long about the conditions at this college, but when we have a chance to find out why we are in the condition we are in - we sit at home.

If the students do not care to save our own schools, then who will?

We, as black college students, are living up to the stereotypes put on us. If there's a party, concert, dance, or greek show we fill the auditorium to capacity.

But when it comes to an intellectual activity or an event that truly affects our future - we do not even bother to come check it out.

We must begin to realize that nothing changes unless we, ourselves, try to change it.

So, the next time you complain about this college - think about what you have done are doing now to keep it in the shape it is

MBC Band Marches To Higher Heights

by Paige Wray

On November 11, 1983 an appreciation roast honoring Cleophas R. Johnson, Jr., was held at the Ramada Inn Hotel in Atlanta, GA.

Johnson who is presently band director at Morris Brown, is well versed with both a Bachelor and Master of Science degree in music education.

He has brought much attention and won many awards, citations, and honors for our school. Johnson along with his assistant director, John King has made the Marching Wolverines a spectacle to watch as the Marching Wolverines to start their tour of different states.

Under his direction, the Marching Wolverines have shattered their audiences time and time again, which is not unusual. The band has been on several trips to present their

musical and stepping expertise. This past summer, the band participated in the second annual City of Festival Parades held in Milwaukee, Wisc. on June, 21, 1983. They captivated the crowd with their showing and this in turn led to another invitation

asking them to return to

Milwaukee in June of 1984.

The Marching Wolverines will also perform in the Christmas parade sponsored by the Eglest Festival of Trees which will be held in downtown Atlanta. The parade has an expectancy of 20,000 people to attend and another 175,000 television viewers.

It will be televised on Channel 11 December 3, 1983 at 10:15 A.M. All proceeds will go to the Kidney Foundation.

The next stop will be in Chamette, Louisiana where the

Marching Wolverines will be performing in the Mystic Krewe Shangri-La Mardi Gras Extravaganza on February 25 of next year. The band will receive \$1,000 for their participation.

Soon the Marching Wolverines will be moving westward to California. They have received an invitation to participate in the Rosebowl Parade on New Year's Day. The band has been to California before in 1971 and may possibly return in 1985.

This is not all for the Marching Wolverines who have toured nationally, but they may also be headed for Berlin, Germany, to perform in the Marching Band Tattoos Parade in July of 1984.

The only factor that is holding our band back is funds, so, let's show our pride and help support our Marching Wolverines.



Invest In Your Economic Future

by Shawnee Jackson

The Free Enterprise Institute of Morris Brown College provides a college setting for creating and developing more effective relations with the American corporate syster among students. This comes about through association with business leaders and involving the business community in a dialogue with the college community.

The purpose of the Institute is to promote a closer relationship between people in the business world and other professions on one hand and educators and students on the other.

The F.E.I. operates as an agency of the college, with a director from the faculty and part-time student assistants. The membership of the F.E.I. comes from the ranks of business and professional leadership, locally and nationally.

Institute sponsored activities include: lectures, seminars, a newsletter, an annual awards program, an intern program, field trips, a library, and research projects.

The first series of seminars given by the F.E.I. were held on

Thursday, October 27 at 10 a.m. in Viola Hill Auditorium. The Theme of the seminar was "You and Your Economic Future." Guest speakers were Claibourne Darden, Jr. and Jeff Hodes.

Darden is founder and president of Darden Research Corporation, a national public opinion and marketing research firm based in Atlanta. He chose as his topic," Do you sincerely want to be rich? If so, you've got to pay for it."

The speaker discussed what it will take for today's college students to succeed in the remainder of the century.

Hodes, an economic reporter for Eleven Alive News, has served as news editor for the ABC radio network and is now a member of the International Television News Association as the Washington correspondent. His topic was "High technology in our future: How it will affect our future."

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Editorial Comments

Grenada Still Raises Questions

"Third World View"

The events of last month, propelled the tiny island of Grenada into national and international headlines. Most people had never even heard of the island. Those who had knew of it as a beautiful place in the Carribean for tourists. Unfortunately, about many of the developments and changes occuring in Africa, the Carribean, and the Third World, the African-American population is not as informed or as vocal as we should be.

In particular, Black students tend to suffer from a lack of clear and comprehensive information on events shaping the destiny of today's world. Thus, without information, Black students who are the developing scholars, intellectuals and leaders of our people, cannot make any real analysis of how these events impact directly and indirectly on our lives.

There are many lessons to be learned from the situation in Grenada. In fact, the seriousness of the issue challenges Black students to dig deep for the facts, and bring forth analysis and action. There must be a search, a probing search by Black students into the history of Grenada and its people. If that is done we will discover that the Grenadian people were enslaved in the same regions of Africa as our people. In fact, if we could really trace our history we would find that many of us are direct descendants of people brought to Grenada.

But, we must not be content to study just the distant past, we must know of Grenada's recent history. We must know why a political party called the NEW JEWEL MOVEMENT formed on the island and led a bloodless revolution in 1979. A revolution that made people all over the

world look to the tiny island and its people. We must pull out the facts, and find out why the Reagan administration acted hostilely to the government of Grenada. Why Reagan pursued a policy of threats, refusal to normalize relations and refusal to give assistance to the people in order to aid their develop-

If we ask these questions we will discover that it reaches far beyond just the shores of Grenada. We will find that overall U.S. foreign policy in the 3rd world, especially Africa and the Carribean, is a policy based upon propping up brutal dictatorships and opposing any and all movements, governments and leaders who want to develop the independence of their nations. We will see that there is a consistent pattern of interference, economic intimidation, political assination and intrique, diplomatic pressure and even (as in Grenada's case) full scale military assault.

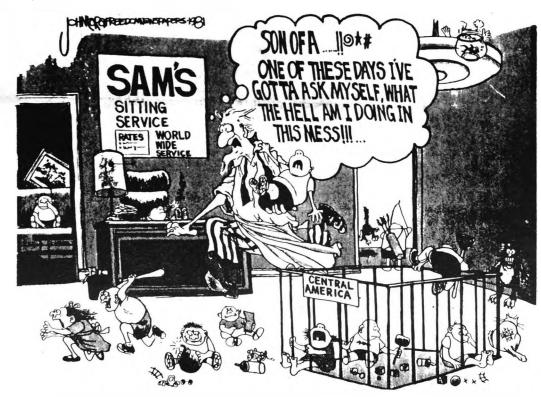
If we really search for answers to why Reagan would invade a small Black nation of 110,000 people, we might find that it is the beginning and not the end of a developing militarism coming out of the White House that could possibly push the whole world to major military conflict and war. If we are able to get a deeper understanding of world politics and economics, it will probably become clear that the invasion of Grenada was also to prepare public sentiment for increased U.S. military agression in the Third World. With that throught in mind we should remember the thousands of young Black men who are college age, that will be used on the front lines. Young Black men who will die in foreign lands fighting their brothers and sisters so that America's corporations can get richer.

Black students have always been an important force for social and political change in this country. It is time that today's students claim that history. We know what Reagan has done to Black people, women, youth, students, the elderly and poor people in this country. We can look at Grenada and see what he intends to do on a world scale. Black students must become politically informed, in order to have a complete education. And, they must become politically active to have a practical education. That brings to mind another lesson from Grenada.

In the late 1960's a young man left home in Grenada to receive a college education. Like many of you he was one of a few of his people that could go to college. He went to England, studied law and became a very good lawyer.

But, his dream of law was not so he could pursue money and material things. This young man returned home to his people in Grenada so that his education could be used to serve the people. He served them so well, that he became the leader of the progressive political movement that would eventually lead Grenada's revolution. That young man would become the most influential leader of the Carribean and the Prime Minister of Grenada. Black students must learn from the example of Maurice Bishop, and struggle to make your education as relevant to our people and our situation as he did to his. FORWARD EVER! BACKWARD **NEVER!**

Michael Simanga Chairman, NEW JUSTICE MOVEMENT 14 Nov. 1983





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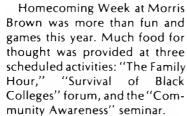






Food For Thought

by Camilla P. Clay



All three of these activities were poorly attended, but gave many challenges for the few who did come.

FAMILY HOUR

Held on Tuesday, November 8 at 11 a.m. in Viola Hill Auditorium, the "Family Hour" was an attempt to bring all branches of the college family together. Initially, Pres. Threat's idea, the "Hour" provided for dialogue between administrators, student leaders, and faculty and students in the audience.

Preliminary remarks were made by student leaders and various administration members. Each had their own definition of what it means to be a family. Threatt defined pride and strength as two major traits of a family.

Dr. Bernard Smith, Vice President for Planning, Research, and Development said that his office served the college family best by "providing you with the resources with which to run the institution."

According to Smith, the job of any administrator is, "To create, maintain, and enhance the atmosphere in which learners learn."

S.G.A. president F. Carl Walton admonished the college

family to think of problems as learning experiences and never to lose our family spirit. Above all, Walton said, never get discouraged.

College queen Sonya Hudson spoke of the Homecoming spirit as a special feeling, which she wished could remain year-round at Morris Brown.

Realizing that a family also teaches us, acting Vice President for Fiscal Affairs Edluie Walker cited some qualities which our family should teach us: sharing, concern, and compassion; love and respect of others and one's self; teacher and student responsibility and unity and values.

Wrapping up the platform remarks, Vice President for Student Affairs Magnoria Smothers reflected that the Brownite spirit refreshes memories and thoughts of good times, as well as reminds us that Homecoming is a time for rebuilding and rededication.

Many in the audience seemed to agree that this type of program should be repeated throughout the coming year, with various themes.

Almost all were concerned with the poor publicity that this program had received. As one observer put it, "We are too small a college family to have a communication problem."

COMMUNITY AWARENESS FORUM

Hosted by the sophomore class in Cunningham Auditorium on Tuesday night, the forum featured the Rev. Henry Ficklin.

Ficklin is the pastor of Mt.

Vernon Baptist Church in Macon, Ga. as well as the president of the Macon SCLC (Southern Christian Leadership Conference). A Macon city councilman and a member of the NAACP (National Association for the Advancement of Colored People), Ficklin has long been involved in civic works.

Expressing concern over America's movement to get rid of black elected officials, Ficklin stated that blacks still have not learned their history lesson. "We are still fighting for the same rights our foreparents died for," he said.

Warning that those who refuse to learn from history often repeat it, the speaker tells how whites continue to control us because we willingly play the "divide and conquer" game.

"We are our own worst enemies. Some of us get a degree and forget from whence we came. We start to look down on uneducated folks, but we forget that Grandma had more sense by accident than some of us have on purpose," Ficklin said.

According to Ficklin, Homecomings should remind us to come back to the basic ideals on which blacks have traditionally survived and thrived. Ficklin exhorted, "During Homecoming, don't just party. Come home to a struggling state of mind. We must always remember the struggle never ends, it is eternal."

He advised the sophomore class not to become bogged down in apathy and self-interest.

As a class, he told them to make up their minds to not only help themselves, but to help those who might not make it into college.

Ficklin told his audience that God had blessed them, they should want to help their fellow black men and women regardless of social station.

As Ficklin sat down, he was given a standing ovation.

SURVIVAL OF BLACK COLLEGES

On Thursday, November 10 at 11 a.m. in Viola Hill, Dr. Willie Richardson, chairman of the Social Science Division was the keynote presenter at this

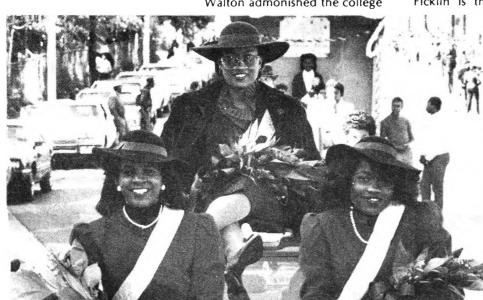
seminar, which was hosted by the junior class. Richardson, a Morehouse graduate with a Ph.D. in Business Administration, has taught in the business department at Morris

Taking his main points from an article by Paul DuBois entitled, "7 Major Symptoms of Impending Disaster for Black Colleges," Richardson outlined the following problems facing historically black institutions:

Brown since 1966.

*Reduction of grants and loans
— because of the great
dependence on federal funds,
cuts in those funds could have
significant survival implications
on our colleges.

*Direct aid to black colleges will increase in 1983 at a rate less than the rate of inflation — in other words, the money black schools receive in 1983 will not buy as many goods and services as in 1982.





The Legacy Goes On.







Fun For All

*Trends by the courts to force mergers of public colleges.

*Civil rights trends have chased off some supporters of black colleges.

*Limited resources from state legislatures.

*Inability of black college administrators to provide resources to keep institution afloat — this is often viewed as incopetency on the part of college administrators.

*Fundraising resources are no longer as plentiful.

In his closing remarks, Richardson told the junior class that it is not too late for them to still do well academically. The key is to plan our time wisely and always try to make our college good for those who will follow.

Dawn Dance

by Michael Phillips

At 4 a.m. on a Saturday morning, all the clubs and discos are usually closed or closing. All the party people had either retired or were on their way to do so. But in the land of the Wolverine, the people were just rising and the party was just beginning.

The occassion was the annual 4 a.m. Dawn Dance where Brownites of the past, present, and even some of the future party into the early hours of daylight.

As "Candy Man" (student disc jockey Cedric Brown) controlled the sounds, Brownites rocked the walls of Joron Hall to the latest sounds and even some "bold oldies" from days gone by.

For three hours Brownites partied until they tired or went to meet the call of breakfast. Breakfast would have to be short for at 8 a.m., the line-up for the annual Morris Brown Homecoming Parade would

The Dawn Dance proved to be just the event to get Homecoming Day off to a great start.

Mock **Funeral**

by Kathy Lightfoot

On Friday, November 11, the students of Morris Brown College witnessed a pre-victory funeral for Bethune-Cookman College.

The atmosphere was almost carnival-like. Never before was there a funeral where everyone was laughing instead of crying. The funeral was going according to schedule with Skip (Herman Mason, Jr.) reading an enlighting scripture. F. Carl Walton, S.G.A. president, gave a warm-hearted prayer and Chris Tard sang a very sympathetic song to ease the hurt of the family of the deceased. (Bethune-Cookman College Football players).

The sentiments shown toward the family of the deceased were cool and uncaring. While Skip was talking, the cheerleaders would hop up at intervals cheer-

In the middle of the funeral, a lady claiming to be the mistress of the deceased shouted her way to the casket and hovered over the dead corpse. The whole Morris Brown College crowd went crazy.

After she was calmed down, the Rev. Brownite (Anthony Quinn Thompson) delivered a very heart-warming eulogy and mentioned that this was the first time that he had ever preached at a funeral for the person before they were dead.

Rev. Brownite had almost everyone amening. The Wolverine spirit hit guys as well as girls. The Rev. Brownite closed the sermon with a song.

One of the highlights of the funeral was when the Morris Brown College Band Drum Section entertained the crowd.

Concert

by Michael Phillips

With the last minute cancellation of the Dazz Band, Slave became the featured group at this year's annual Homecoming concert here at Morris Brown.

Student Government Association Vice President Sheldon Ingam cited the reason for the cancellation saying, "Two weeks prior to homecoming, Green Agency called and told us that three other engagements for the Dazz Band in this area had been cancelled. Therefore, Morris Brown's homecoming was left as an isolated date and because of this, they had to increase their price to cover travel and other expenses. They went from \$5,500 to \$8,500 and we just had to cancel."

Ingram also went on to say that Greer recommended Slave as a substitute because they were in the area and only asked for \$6000 to perform.

Prior to the concert, it was the concensus of the student body that Slave was probably the better of the two groups. Slave, however, is a changed group and with the loss of Steve Arrington, they lack a dynamic lead singer and gifted musician.

Brownites were soon to discover for themselves that this was not the same group that soared to the top of the charts with hits like "Slide," "Watching You," "Just a Touch of Love," and others. With Arrington gone to embark on a solo career, one has to wonder about the future of the group, but Brownites none-the-less wish them continued success.

Despite a late start, the preliminary group, Magic Dream, a local band which has some A.U. Center students as members, entertained the audience with its own unique sound.

The group performed such popular hits as "Tonight I Celebrate My Love'' and "Tonight I Give in to the Feeling," as well as some songs of their own.

As Slave took the stage, they performed some of their old hits, but drew little response from the homecoming audience. The dismay in the crowd could be noticed by their lack of spirit, unwillingness to clap, and early

When it was all over, Slave had been on stage for little more than an hour, had only performed six songs, and most of the crown was on its way to V.I.P.'s for the homecoming after-party.









Departmental Update...

Education Department Fights Back

by Hedren Johnson

A couple of months ago, the Atlanta Constitution printed an article that reported Morris Brown Teacher Education majors that took the Teacher Certification Test are performing lower than any other school in Georgia. Does this mean that Morris Brown College is no longer a "teacher's school?"

The Teacher Certification Test (TCT) is an instrument designed to measure a future teacher's knowledge of the subject for which the applicant requests certification. The test was implemented in 1978, and since that time, Morris Brown's test scores have declined every year.

The TCT is just one of the three criteria used to certify a teacher in this state. In addition to passing the TCT with 70% proficiency, an applicant has to complete an approved teacher education program at an accredited institution, and undergo a Teacher Performance Assessment Instrument. The college has 14 approved teacher education programs including: Business Education, Spanish, Science, French, Home Economics Education, Mathematics Education, History, students scoring so low on the

One must keep in mind, as Dr.

Palmer of the Education Department says, "Tests are used to screen in and screen out."

The TCT and other professional tests are designed by testing boards that are not racially representative of the people who are supposed to take the exam. Also, the tests do not reflect the background of the student or even prove conclusively that if a student does or does not possess enough information to teach in a particular field. This boils down to testing Art Education, Health and Physical Education, and Art Education. The Education Program also trains students in Early Childhood, Middle Grades, and Mentally Retarded fields of educational study.

The third criterion, the Teacher Performance Assessment Instrument, requires a new teacher to be evaluated "on-the-job" for fourteen teaching competencies. Morris Brown students rank among the highest in this area with 90% scoring a "B" or above average in the evaluation.

What is the reason behind our discrimination.

To immediately combat test discrimination, the Education Department of Morris Brown implores students to attend the workshops and programs planned to boost test taking skills. In addition, all Brownites planning to take a professional examination should become as familiar with the exam (knowing what information will be tested, what the average score is, etc.)

A further measure to keep test discrimination in check would be to vote for a candidate who plans to make test development boards racially representative.

Finally, all black students should be mindful of efforts that are made to close the door before they can get their foot in it.

Don't Forget About US!

by Velma Scott

Rodney Dangerfield says he gets no respect, and the Home Economics department here at Morris Brown College feels the same way.

Respect is to show consideration, honor, courtesy, or a feeling of high regard, something that is long overdue for the Home Economics department.

The Home Economics department has a variety of career opportunities to offer students. There are seven different areas in which a student can devleop a

career such as School Administration, Social Work, and Public Relations Executive, just to name a few.

Most students are not informed about the many directions in employment that can be taken by majoring in Home Economics. They have been taught that Home Economics is nothing but cooking and sewing, but this is far from the truth. To major in Home Economics, students must have a strong background in Chemistry and

Math, in addition to strong communication skills, speech, and writing.

The students who majors in Home Economics will have a broad educational background which will allow them flexibility in the job market.

In the past few years, the Home Economics department has been fazed out in the Atlanta University Center. One reason for this is the lack of support from the administration. Another reason is that the public

is unaware of what Home Economics is really all about.

The decline in students majoring in Home Economics has to do with the fact that Computer Science and Business has taken potential students away. This is partially because of a lack of money for recruitment; poor public relations about the department, and not having enough money to better the Home Economics department.

The Home Economics department has been in existence since

the founding of Morris Brown College. It is currently under the direction of Dr. Minnie Ruffin.

She stated, "many improvements are needed. The curriculum needs to be updated with more classes to attract a variety of students."

One of the biggest tasks is upgrading Home Economics facilities without funds for repair. Another problem is the nursing department has taken over 2 to 4 floors of the Home Economics department, leaving the department working with less space for advancement. "The department has to work without a secretary or typewriter," she continued.

The Home Economics department no longer has the Home Management residence because the administration felt the money was too much for only six weeks out of the year. The residence house is now being leased to someone. The house is used by Home Economics students in their senior year to get the experience of being on their own," she concluded.

The home Economics department is fighting back with the help of the Home Economics Resources Board which is set up to help bring in funds and to help improve public relations for the department.

A career in Home Economics is a field that has a lot to offer students. Home Economics is more than domestic work, it is a enriching life-time major.

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Wolverine Sports

Wolverines Tie Homecoming Bout 21-21



Morris Brown and Bethune Cookman College battled to a 21-21 final score before 13,200 homecoming fans at Herndon

Victor Scott, 5'9 junior from Pittsburgh, PA. electrified the large crowd with a 95 yard kickoff return to start the game. It gave Morris Brown the momentum and the lead, 7-0.

Scott will go down in the history books for a school record returning a kick-off for 95 yards, and a 98 yarder against Morehouse College.

Morris Brown played agressive football on defense, and flawless football on offense. David Kitchen, 6'0, 195 pound junior from Tifton, Ga. had 24 total tackles, 12 solos, 12 unassisted, and one quarterback sack.

Kevin Gibbs, junior noseguard from Montclair, N.J., had 17 tackles, Clemmie Blackmon, Jr., a 6'5 and 216 pound defensive end from Monticello, Fla. along with Chris Maner, Jr., a 6'1 and 220 pound player from Brunswick, GA. both had 16 tackles.

The strong play of the denfense held the Wildcats of Bethune Cookman to 82 total yards in the first half.

Leonard Camel was on target completing 15 of 30 passes for 197 yards passing. Camel completed a 8 yard touchdown pass to Felix Williams for one touchdown, and Leon Winfrey punched one over from the oneyard line to give Morris Brown the lead at 21-14 late in the third quarter. The offense compiled 339 yards in total offense for the afternoon.

The homecoming game was exciting until the fourth quarter. With eight minutes left in the ballgame, William Scott attempted a punt on his own 30 yard line when a Bethune Cookman player rushed into Scott for an apparent roughing the kicker penalty.

However, the penalty was not called by the official. The official threw a flag for the obvious call, then miraculously picked it up and put it back in his pocket. The non-call outraged the 13,000 fans, players, and the Morris Brown coaching staff.

Head Coach Greg Thompson was so outraged by the official's action he received a 15 yard penalty for unsportsmanlike conduct and a 15 yard penalty for delaying the

The penalties proved to be the turning point of the game because it gave Bethune Cookman good field position late in the fourth quarter. Wildcat Gregory Ross, a 6'2 185 pound freshman from Miami, Fla. hit Leon Gonzales cutting across the middle for a 6 yard touchdown pass to tie the score at 21-21 with 2:06 remaining in the game.

Leonard Camel rallied his troops for one last chance to victory by throwing a 48 yard pass to Neal Cambridge. The catch put the ball on the three yard line with one minute left in the game. After three cracks at the goal line, Morris Brown came up empty, but saved the game for Dexter Simon to kick a 15 yard field goal.

The kick was just wide of the goal post to end the game with a heartbreaking tie score.

MBC Football Statistics

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*-played in Macon, GA

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MBC Athletic Schedules

83-84 MEN'S BASKETBALL

Columbus Invitational Talladega College *Morehouse College *Tuskegee Institute *Alabama A&M Knoxville College *Tuskegee Institute *Clark College *Alabama A&M *Morehouse College *Savannah State *Benedict College Paine College Savannah State *Savannah State
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*Albany State College
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*Benedict College
*Clark College
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Talladega College *Albany State College AWAY
*Indicates conference games

1984 OUTDOOR TRACK & FIELD

Albany Relays Emory University Morehouse Relays AWAY AWAY

83-84 WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Dillard University HOME
Florida A&M Invitational AMAY
(MBC, Florida A&M, Dillard,
Texas So. Jackson St. Claflin
and Tennessee St.)
*Alabama A&M AWAY
*Knoxville College AWAY
*Tuskegee Institute AWAY
*Clark College HOME
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1984 TENNIS

Mar. 3 Albany State College 17 Albany State College 28 Emory University Apr. 6 Tuskegee Institute HOME AWAY HOME 12-14 Clark Invitational So. Fulton 17-14 Clark Invitational
17 Morehouse College
20-21 Tuskegee Institute
24 Clark College
27-28 SIAC Championships
HEAD COACH: Jim Alhuti
ASST COACH: Willie Williams AWAY Albany

Wolverine Sports

MBC Students Excel In Sports Medicine

by James Barlow

Basketball fans will be pleased to see Felicia Monique Yvette Mayo, the petite pound beauty from Miami, Fla. showing the athletic world that being a trainer is not just an occupation for men only.

Many fans in the stands of a Morris Brown women's basket-ball game might feel that here is a cheerleader out of uniform, until they see her rushing to the aid of an injured basketball player and see the confidence she places in her ability.

"I was always active in high school. I felt this would be something interesting to get involved with since Morris Brown never had a female trainer before and I would be a first," said Mayo.

Morris Brown will have the honor and distinction of being one of the few black colleges to have a female trainer to aid its atheletes. The only other full time female trainer at a historically black college is a senior at Hampton Institute in Virginia.

Mayo is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Mayo in Miami, Fla. She was Homecoming Queen, cheerleader, flag girl, president of the Future Business Leaders of America, secretary of the Student Advisory Committee and Treasurer of the Inter-Club Council while a student at Miami Central High School.

She is now a freshman at Morris Brown College majoring in business accounting.

Felicia has received nothing but praise for her involvement as the female trainer for the Morris Brown football team. "I found out about her through another young lady who was interested in being an athletic trainer," says Morris Brown College Head Trainer Walter Smith.

Smith continued, "My main concern about a female trainer was her commitment and dedication to performing the job.

Felicia proved to be a very quick learner and was always prompt when reporting for duty. She continues to amaze me with her learning capacity in the overall duties of a trainer."



When you talk about dedication to a program, Craig Boyd comes to mind. The Morris Brown College football team has an outstanding young student who is dedicated to being one of the best trainers in college foot-

Craig Alphonzo Boyd is from

Pittsburgh, Pa., now living in

Atlanta where he attended

Booker T. Washington High

School in 1978 to 1982. He

became interested in sports

medicine in the eighth grade

under the direction of the Head

Football Coach, Richard McNeil

and Stanley Prittchet. Craig says

he has taught himself how to

wrap ankles and administer first

aid to the athletes while at

Washington High School in 1982

he became the student assistant

trainer at Morris Brown College.

He has done an outstanding job

here at Morris Brown as a

student trainer, and has several

Craig has an enthusiastic per-

sonality to go along with the long

hours he dedicates to the sports

medicine field. "The future for

minorities in sports medicine

looks promising and it is a good

field to go into, of which I am a

Craig credits most of his in-

fluence in the sports medicine

field to Bill McDonald, head

trainer at Georgia Tech, for

helping him gain the confidence

and guidance throughout years.

tificates from Georgia Tech,

stating that he is a certified

trainer. He received best trainer

at Washington High School in

1981-82. He has worked at Grady

Hospital during the summer as a

nurse's aide. He also volunteers

his services at Dr. Fred Almond's

Sports Medicine Clinic, and the

Lou Hudson Summer Basketball

Craig eventually, would like to become a pro-trainer in the

N.F.L. or the USFL. Craig is a

prime example of positive think-

ing, hard work, and dedication

to the field of sports medicine.

League.

Craig has received five cer-

awards honoring him.

witness to," says Craig.

After graduating from

Washington High School.

Preview 83 - 84

by Steven Coulter

Just imagine for a moment that you were the head coach of any kind of team. Imagine your team was in the midst of rebuilding for the upcoming season, and lost some of its key players. It would take some deep thought about how you would steer the team's performance.

Such is the case for Vista Bryant, Head Coach of the Morris Brown College Women's Basketball Team. Ms. Bryant begins her sixth year as head coach. With the help of assistant coach, Cedric Brown, they will both try with great enthusiasm to improve on a 61 win - 36 loss record.

According to Bryant, this year's team could be a "sleeper" because of the loss of a key scorer and rebounder. Also, there may be a lack of defense in the transition. On the other hand, for scoring, Bryant feels the Lady Wolverines should not have any problem putting points on the board.

Led by Melanie (Mel) Allen, a returning senior, who posses great potential in scoring and rebounding. Look for returning point guard Kathy Washington to control the offense.

There are also new faces to look forward to like 5'11 freshman Ronnetta Turner from Atlanta, who is a good ball handler. Bryant also has another 6-footer waiting in the wings for next semester.

"This could be our year," said Bryant. "If there's any surprises about this year's team, it should be from the defense."

It looks as if the Lady Wolverines season will be a challenge, not only on the court, but from the sidelines as well. Wolverine Cagers Ready For 83 - 84 Season

by James Barlow

College basketball has taken center stage on the campus of Morris Brown College. The attention and excitement of wolverine football has now carried over to Wolverine basketball.

If you like fast break basketball with high flying dunk shots and long range jump shots, then focus your attention on the 1983-84 Morris Brown men's basketball team. The run and gun style of wolverine basketball promises to generate enough excitement to warm up those cold winter nights

The 1984-84 team had a great year of recruiting with six freshmen players coming to Atlanta. The freshmen players will have to step in and take charge right away to support the strong sophomore and junior class players.

Bernard Tittle, 6'4, 180 sophomore, from Atlanta, Georgia, a pre-season All-American candidate is the leading scorer and leader in dunk shots. He returns to light up the gymnasium with his aggresive style of play. This should prove to be the motivating factor in playing good hard basketball by the entire team. Randy "The Enforcer" Walker, 6'5, 235, senior from Georgetown, S.C., also a pre-season All-American candidate returns to the lineup without playing a single down of football. He will be fresh when the season starts to give the team strength on the offensive and defensive backboards.





GO Wolfpack!



Good Luck 1983-84 Men And Women's Basketball Teams. . .