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300 Students Attend Black College March

By Timothy Tyler

When approximately 300 students from the Atlanta University Center, Fort Valley State College and Jackson State College assembled in Morris Brown College's Herndon Stadium, the result seemed to be a cross between a Greek step show and an Ivy League pep rally.

Whatever the appearance seemed to be, there was little doubt that the crowd was well aware of their purpose for getting together.

According to organizers, the students gathered to celebrate National Black College Day. The march was to begin at the stadium and make its way to Woodruff Park in Downtown Atlanta.

The volume of the crowd intensified as the students sang and chanted to encourage a pre-rally enthusiasm.

Kirk Shelton, a Morehouse student from Akron, Ohio, said that his presence and enthusiasm came out of his concern for the lack of funds most black schools experience.

"I'm basically here to march

for the cause. Black schools are poorly funded and we're out here to raise some money," said Shelton.

Not far from Shelton, a group of young ladies from Spelman College were chanting, "Black colleges on the right y'all, black colleges on the left y'all ..."

Among them was Tammy Simmons of Spelman College. Simmons a native of Cartersville, Tenn. said she felt that most people don't realize the importance of black institutions. The Spelman freshman said that she especially wanted to promote the schools of the Atlanta University Center.

"This is the only place in the whole world that you will find four black colleges connected together and I think that's very important," Simmons said.

During the course of the pre-rally, it was hard not to notice a group of Morris Brown students wearing purple and white caps and vigorously waving football game-type streamers.

Tia Hinton, a Morris Brown freshman, showed no hesitation in expressing her pride for black



colleges. Originally from Columbus, Ga., Hinton said that she felt black institutions are just as good as white institutions.

"I feel that I am receiving a quality education," she said.

One visible organizer at the event was Thomas Williams, Student Government vice president at Fort Valley State. Wearing slacks, a tie and a red and white hat laced with fraternity Greek letters, Williams said that he

attended a black school because he felt the environment would help him achieve more.

"Being around black students and black professors gives you a reason to want to do more," said Williams.

The Fort Valley representative said that his parents went to black schools and he wanted to attend an all black school as well. He feels black schools offer a unique education.

"It's two fold, you learn how to cope in a black environment and you learn the importance of being black," Williams said.

A group of students in the center of the bleachers began warming up for the event by harmonizing to a self-invented tune. One young lady helping to bring out the alto part was Ida Arlington.

Ms. Arlington said that prior experiences at an all white

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City Says Campus Bridge Must Be Replaced

By Kristian Crawford

When the City of Atlanta, Department of Public Works declared the campus bridge "unsafe" in September of this school year there were many long faces.

After a routine check conducted by the city's draftsman, Jim Bruffey, chairman for the Division of Public Structures, announced that the bridge was "too weak to bear the load of students over a normal school year. Its condition," he said "is

due mostly to weather wear and age deterioration. It simply needs replacement." Bruffey added that because it's a wooden structure there really isn't any way to prevent this kind of deterioration.

Currently the bridge is just one of many others that have been considered for repair. However, Bill Keels, the department head, says that the structure will need to be replaced. It had previously been reinforced with a steel support structure.

When the bridge will be replaced at this time is unknown. A proposal has been placed on the agenda for the next department meeting in November. There is an estimated cost for replacement of \$14,000.

Many students had no idea how important this antique structure was to student life until its users found it closed. When asked how this affected her, Torrie Jackson, an office administration major of the class of 1989 said, "Whew! life is hard

without that bridge. It was so convenient."

Vincent E. Harris, a senior anticipating graduation next year said, "It saved me so much time getting to and fro." Harris'

biggest concern, however, is how soon it will be replaced.

"It has been a tradition that Morris Brown graduates march

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Men's Attitudes Toward Black Women Surveyed

By Reginald McClure

Attitudes toward black women have been a great importance to many. And so much so to the Freshman Orientation class of Col. Tyrone Fletcher, director of admissions, that they were inspired to do a field study on the attitudes of black males, within and without the Atlanta University Center.

Tangela Williams received the following responses to the question, "What is your attitude toward black women?"

Junior, Clark College: "Black women are needed in the world and society. Without them, we

never would be, never could be, never shall be. Their struggle is possibly just as hard, if not harder than a black man's struggle."

Freshman, Morehouse: "I have a positive attitude toward black women. I think they have the best qualities over white women. I like their appearance and the roles they play. I wouldn't mind if they worked outside the home, but they should not push it if they make a higher salary than the man. I would be willing to help out with the housework and the children."

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Lowery: Black Colleges Won't Close Down

by Timothy Tyler

The Rev. Dr. Joseph Lowery told a group of students in downtown Atlanta that black colleges have made significant contributions to America.

Rev. Lowery speaking at the September Black College Day rally in Woodruff Park, said that black colleges would not close down because they are important to this country.

"You and I must send a message, not of apology but of commitment and determination that our black colleges will not only survive but will continue to grow and expand their ministries," Dr. Lowery said.

The United Methodist Minister told the crowd that black people have made too many sacrifices to give up and turn back due to recent political pressure.

"We've come too far. We've marched too long. We've prayed too hard. We've wept to bitterly. We've bled too profusely and we've died too young, to let a California cowboy or a callous Congress turn us back," he said.

Dr. Lowery asked the students to consider their future. He said that education is not enough. He said the future of this nation and this world lies in the hands of black college students.

"The black college was born in the black church and what has made us great is that we have



Dr. Joseph Lowery
President SCLC

combined a trained mind with a warm heart," Dr. Lowery said.

The SCLC president said that he was afraid of the attack of drugs and alcohol on black college campuses. He said that these alien substances cloud our minds because our hearts have grown cold as we grow farther and farther from the heart of the black college which is the black church," Dr. Lowery said.

Dr. Lowery challenged the students to put their priorities together and to return to the spiritual roots of black colleges.

"I'm worried that you haven't got your priorities together," he said. "Black folks don't need no alien substance to feel good. We are the sons and daughters of Mary McCloud Bethune, Frederick Douglas, and Shilo Hawkins Brown, and Martin Luther King."

Dr. Lowery warned the crowd

to watch this sense of value. He said that people spend too much for what they want and beg for what they need.

"Black colleges must depend on you, your contribution, your stewardship, your scholarship and most of all your commitment to the God who made you and the church that founded these institutions," Lowery said.

Dr. Lowery, President of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference and pastor of Cascade United Methodist Church, is a graduate of Knoxville College in Knoxville, Tennessee.

Also speaking at the rally was Actor Gita Kimbuka. Mr. Kimbuka, best known for his role in "Roots," told the students that they must dare to dream. "Dare to stand up because no one can really stop you from doing anything you really want to do," he said. Mr. Kimbuka encouraged the students to not only prepare themselves to get jobs, but he told them that they must train themselves to be employers.

Other speakers at the rally were Archie White, SGA president, Morehouse College, Roderick Price, SGA president, Morris Brown College, Spelman College SGA President Lewis Logan, president, and Thomas Williams, SGA vice president, Fort Valley State College.

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school motivated her to support black colleges.

"I attended a white university a couple of years ago and I found that it was impersonal. So I thought that maybe a black school would make a change in my life and it has," the Spelman upperclassman said.

As the crowd prepared to leave Herndon stadium for the march and rally, it was evident that some flaws existed. According to organizers, most of the schools taking part in the event refused to excuse students from class to take part in the activity.

Clark College, located in the Atlanta University Center, had little or no participation in the march. Whitney Young, Clark College's Student Government president, said that his school chose to give the students a mandatory test the day of the march.

Later in the day, Young expressed his disappointment over the fact that his peers were not able to take part.

"I'm very disappointed in Clark College. Not only with the students, but with the faculty and administration because this is a very important day to me and to you. We all need to be out here," he said. "For our professors to be giving a test on a day like today, I think, is a shame."

Despite the setbacks it was evident that the day would progress as scheduled. The Black College Day ralliers poured out of the stadium and lined up on Vine Street and Martin Luther King Jr. Drive. Atlanta police officers waited at the head of the crowd to direct traffic. After a moment of preparation, the march was on.

Woody Farrar, an Afro-American history instructor watched from the sidelines as the students marched.

Farrar, a Spelman college lecturer, said that he assigned his classes to the march because he felt that this was history being made.

"I think it's important to get black students, faculty and staff out for these sorts of things. Black colleges are our bread and

butter," he said. "All of us chose to be here. So we should show our support."

The instructor, speaking in a slow, philosophical tone, said that he attended a white school, but that his experience encouraged him to want to teach at a black institution.

"I promised myself that I would use my skills to serve the black community," Farrar said.

As the Monday morning marchers progressed up Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, their pace took on a rapid speed. Bringing up the rear was Stephen Reid, president of the National Pre-Alumni Council of the United Negro College Fund.

Reid, one of the organizers of the rally, said that the yearly rally is held to let Atlanta know that they, the students, are proud of their black schools.

The Morris Brown College junior said that the schools are still open so "we must be doing something right."

Lisa Randall, a student from Skidmore College in upstate New York, did not seem to feel out of place even though she was the only white student taking part in the march.

Randall said that she participated because she goes to a black institution and she supports black colleges.

The medium blonde-haired student said that America does not realize the potential and significance of black Americans.

"Marches like this can make this population aware," Randall said. She said that her friends do not understand why she would do such a thing. They think that white colleges are superior."

The songs and chants of the students began to echo off the surrounding buildings as the students neared the downtown rail station. Groups within the march began to come up with steps to accompany their chants. Soon the merchants and other interested onlookers began to line the sidewalks, obviously curious about the march.

As the marchers entered Woodruff Park, they filled into the cement bleachers in preparation for the noon rally.

"We are aware how important the bridge is to the students, we're staying on top of it."

Recent soil samples and stress checks were made around the area of the bridge.

International Students Unite

By Nigel Cooper

Did you know that there are 287 international students from 21 different countries currently enrolled at MBC? That is approximately 22 percent of the student population. Stop and think is there an international student in your class?

"Morris Brown is blessed to have such a diverse family which comes from 21 countries," said Moses Mazokera, president of the newly formed MBC International Students Club. This club was inspired by Dr. Farokhi, the director of international students. The purpose of the club is to promote international

understanding. An international students club was not formed before, because there was not a lot of interaction between the three main fractions, which are: Middle East students, African students and Caribbean students.

The forming of the MBC International Students Club has fused these fractions to form a whole. Put bluntly by Mazokera, "Our objectives are unique, being that we're in a foreign country primarily to get an education."

It is with this type of constructive attitude that the MBC International Club has been able to accomplish a great deal during

its short term of existence. In September, the club sponsored an enlightening program which centered on different cultures called "Getting to Know You." It was not well-supported by American students.

Other plans which are on the drawing board include a dinner function. An all inclusive package tour of Jamaica, at a special student rate, is planned. The club has started a Morris Brown soccer team which has been sponsored by Rev. Childs, housing coordinator of Borders Tower.

Congressional Act Include Black College Funding

Final agreements reached by House and Senate conferees for the reauthorization of the higher education act include a funding level for the "Black College Act" (Title III, Part B) of \$100 million, an amount close to that proposed by the House and supported by UNCF. The following compromises were also reached as the conference committee closed out its sessions:

Title III, Part A: \$120 million - eligible institutions with high percentages of minority students will be allocated 25 percent of funds appropriated above the FY1986 level.

Title III, Part B: Institutions are allowed to use up to 50 percent of their allocation for maintenance and construction.

Title IV: Student Aid - GSL - \$3.2 billion; Pell Grants - \$4.6

billion; SEOG - \$490 million; NDSL - \$275 million; CWS - \$656 million; SSIG - \$85 million; TRIO - \$205 million

Title X, Part B: Minority science improvement program: \$7.5 million

Before funds may be appropriated, the compromise bill must be approved by both houses and signed by the President.

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across that bridge after graduation. I hope I'm not denied that privilege," he said.
Mr. Bruffey was reassuring.

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Memories of:

H-O-M-E-C-O-M-I-N-G '86

by Kathy Lightfoot

It's just like Christmas, it seems to take forever getting here, but once it's here, it's gone in a flash. What is it? H-O-M-E-C-O-M-I-N-G.

This year's homecoming festivities at Morris Brown College started Thursday evening, October 2, with the Queen's reception following the 1986 Coronation of Miss Morris Brown College emphasizing the theme, "The Essence of Black Beauty."

Friday morning began with a program dedicating the new Thomas Elliot Huntley Memorial Prayer Room, wherein Mrs. Thomas Elliot Huntley, an Alum-

na of MBC, showed her gratitude and love toward the school. Later on in the day the ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. Gamma Gamma Chapter held a reunion in the Main Lounge of Cunningham Auditorium.

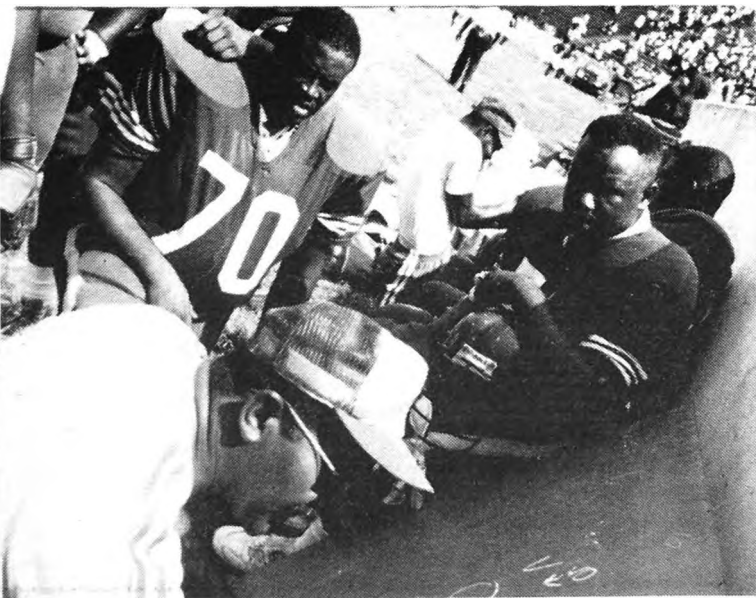
That night the spirit intensified as the Brownites got together for the event of the day — the pep rally, featuring a mock funeral, introduction of the members of the football team and the newly formed drill team, Ecstasy. But, of course, the band got busy.

Things started kicking earlier Saturday as Brownites Pee Wee Hermand, Cabbage Patched and just plain ole got down from 3:00 a.m. til 7:00 a.m. Then came time to take the party to the

streets as preparations began for the parade starting at Northside Drive and Fair Street and taking it to the bridge, so to speak. The winning trophies were given for the parade competition. The Trio Program (Special Services, Upward Bound and Talent Search) won for car competition and First Step School won for float.

Following this came the showdown between MBC Wolverines and Savannah State College Tigers. Despite the loss in the game, it would seem that the Brownites' Spirit would be crushed, but there was still a homecoming to celebrate, which took the Brownites to the next event — the step show. Zeta Phi Beta, Inc. Beta Chapter took the winning trophy for the sororities and Alpha Phi Alpha, Iota Chapter was the winning fraternity. While this was going on, the other brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha, Iota Chapter held a reception in Fountain Hall.

Wrapping up everything was the concert given by Cashflow and a party following it.



MBC Loses Homecoming Game Within One Second

By Jimmy Taylor

It was that time in the football season once again — time for the annual Homecoming game for the Morris Brown College family. The MBC spirit lingered throughout the campus as the old and new Brownites were welcomed home.

Morris Brown College and Savannah State College have developed strong competition and mutual respect for each other over the years.

This year's Homecoming game between the Wolverines and the Tigers ended in a last second 55 yard field goal. This gave the Tigers a 10-7 victory over MBC before a crowd of 8,247 homecoming fans.

Coach Greg Thompson said that the officials of the game made a bad decision when they allowed a second to remain on the scoreboards clock. "The horn had sounded to end the game but there still was one second remaining. There was definitely bad officiating during the game and this may have cost us the game," said Thompson.

In the first quarter of the game, SSC struck first with 9:31 on the game clock. The Tigers senior running back Casey Grigley scored on a 15 yard touchdown run and senior defensive tackle/kicker Calvin Tucker kicked the point-after-touchdown to give them a 7-0 lead.

Once again the Wolverines failed to score points in the first quarter of the game, as in

their last two contests.

The second quarter of the football game went fairly slow with each team taking turns exchanging the ball on offense. Then with only 33 seconds remaining in the quarter, MBC's 6'1", 175 pound senior quarterback Frank Wesley unleashed a 66 yard touchdown bomb to sophomore wide receiver Lionel Camel to give the Wolverines the lead. MBC's junior running back/kicker made the PAT to tie the score at 7-7.

The halftime festivities were filled with the excitement and beauty of the crowning of Miss Morris Brown College and Court for the 1986-87 academic year. The honor went to Karon Ammons who is a senior majoring in Journalism. The First and Second Attendent honors went to Sherrell Dowdell, a senior majoring in political science and Kenna Garner, also a senior majoring in political science.

The Wolverines played aggressive football throughout the entire game on defense and made repetitive mistakes on offense. Steve Calhoun, a 6'2", 195 pound freshman defensive back from Decatur, Ga., recovered two fumbles and made eight tackles. Johnny Brown, a junior, had one fumble recovery and seven tackles. Eric Thomas recorded one fumble recovery and 15 tackles to lead the MBC defense.

The strong play of the defense held SSC scoreless in the third quarter of the game. The Tigers

of SSC could not get anything going offensively and neither could MBC. At the end of the third quarter the score remained tied at 7-7 going in to the final period.

In the fourth quarter of the game with the score even, neither team could pull off the victory. MBC got the football into scoring position on many occasions but was unable to capitalize. The Tigers were also held in check by the Wolverines aggressive defense. The game looked as though it would end in a tie.

On SSC's last possession with only seconds remaining in the game, the Tigers attempted one of the longest field goals recorded at Herndon Stadium — a 55 yarder. The kick sailed through the air and with the help of a strong wind floated through the goal post, and was good with no time remaining in the game.

"It was a surprise to me and probably everyone who attended the game to see the football go through the goal posts. I think SSC was just as surprised as us," said Coach Greg Thompson.

Calvin Tucker, the Tiger senior defensive back/kicker, spoiled the Wolverines' Homecoming game with a miracle heart-breaking last second field goal.

"It was a tough loss for the team to lose the Homecoming game. We missed out on scoring opportunities that we should have capitalized on. That also hurt us a lot," Thompson said.

FEATURES

Channel 2 News Reporter Speaks at Convocation

By Jimmy Taylor

Channel-2 news reporter Carolyn Sawyer said on Thursday October 30, that striving for achievement begins with deciding what you want to do in life and making the sacrifices to achieve those goals.

Sawyer speaking at the John H. Lewis gymnasium for the Special Services Program, urged black college students to never sell themselves short by being prepared to take the pit falls.

"Believe it or not but my teachers did not find out that I could not read until the 5th grade. Somehow I managed to get by in school up until that time. I worked very hard to overcome this problem and eventually I did, so do not sell yourselves short," Sawyer said.

The special services assembly was one of many held in the gymnasium to honor Special Service Students.

Sawyer is a native of Atlanta, Georgia. She attended Southwest High School and graduated with honors at the age of 16 in 1980.

Sawyer began her career with WISTA News in 1984 as a weekend anchor reporter in Columbia, South Carolina. "People felt that I was too young and

"I jokingly tell people that I am Monica with a different hair style."

because I was black, the job and responsibilities should not have been given to me." Sawyer told students.

After gaining experience in the newsroom at WISTA, Sawyer decided to come back to Atlanta to pursue her career as a news reporter.

She was hired by WSB-TV

Channel 2 News station. Sawyer is currently the youngest person hired in WSB-TV's history. She will be 23 years old in December.

"I faced reality as a youngster, when one day I saw this little boy with his mother and they were waving and smiling at me. When I got within close range of them he stopped smiling and waving because he had mistaken me for Monica Kaufman. I jokingly tell people that I am Monica with a different hair style," she added.

Sawyer said there are 3 points a person should have in his or her mind while in school, no matter what major or area of study. "The first is, a person should make up their mind about what he or she wants to do in life, secondly being prepared to make sacrifices such as missing parties, concerts, and things of that nature and thirdly always be prepared for the pitfalls because all will not be easy.

Restaurant Brings Competition

By Timothy Tyler

The ingredients which go into making the sandwiches would probably conjure up thoughts of indigestion, bad breath and calories, but most of the people who have eaten at the Kegg simply describe the food as good.

The modestly furnished dining facility located on James P. Brawley Drive has been operating for three weeks, according to the restaurant's co-owner, Robin Landry.

She said that the business venture was her brain-child along with her husband Mike, a graduate of Morehouse College.

Dressed in a white jogging suit, showing greasy evidence of a hard day's work, Mrs. Landry said that the sandwich shop has been in the planning stages for two years. The couple, originally from Chicago, first considered starting a sandwich shop, after moving to Atlanta in 1979.

"This was a prime location and we had our eye on it," she said.

Mrs. Landry said that right now, she is pleased with the volume of customers being served each day. At present, all three shop owners assist with the daily duties of ringing up orders and fixing sandwiches. Mrs. Landry said that there is only one paid employee but she hopes to hire at least two more in the future.

Jueretta Joseph is the newest employee at The Kegg. Ms. Joseph, cleaning off tables, said she enjoys working, but stressed

that she had only been employed for one day. The smiling Clark College student, a native of California, said she hopes the restaurant is successful.

The owners of The Kegg said they realize this success won't come without a little friendly competition. Stegall Food, long-time convenience store and grill, sits a few feet away from the sandwich shop. Stegall's, which serves mostly fried and grilled foods could, at one time, boast of being the only late evening snack shop in the immediate area.

When asked his opinion about the Kegg, John Stegall, owner and proprietor, said he welcomes his new neighbors. While busily frying up an order of chicken wings, Stegall said that he was proud of black men who decide to go into business for themselves.

Stegall said that the new eating establishment has not affected his clientele.

"We as blacks have a tendency to criticize each other. Years and years ago the Jews had shoe stores right beside each other, so why would I let one little business like that stop me?" he said. "I'm proud of the young man."

Some customers like Gregory Brewer, a student at Morehouse College, said they prefer the Kegg's atmosphere over Stegall's. Brewer, while waiting for the turkey and roast beef subs he'd ordered, said he planned to

make The Kegg a new hang-out.

"The food at Stegall's is kind of greasy. It doesn't seem the same way here," Brewer said.

Renee Kimbro, an Atlanta University student from Los Angeles, agreed with Brewer that the food is good, but she was not so ready to abandon her old hang-out.

"I like The Kegg better, but as far as making a general comparison we need Stegall's too," she said, "Besides it has a grocery store."

Competition may not be the number one issue on the minds of The Kegg's owners, but they make no bones about expressing a desire to see the establishment grow.

Mrs. Landry admitted that there are still some kinks in the business. A back kitchen area with food wrappings and spilled cooking flour were evident signs of an incomplete system, but Mrs. Landry said that passed experience would see the business through.

"The only thing I've done in the past is manage a high volume Pizza Hut. If I could do that then I can manage something of this capacity," Mrs. Landry said.

When asked what advice she would give to other students who might be interested in going into business, Mrs. Landry said, "Stick to it and don't let anyone tell you 'no.' Just keep going until you find the exact way you want it done and how to do it. It's best just to take your time."

Student Spotlight

By Karon Ammons

He's won arts awards in Zurich, Switzerland and Tokyo. And Nancy Reagan bought one of his hand-crafted shell chandeliers. But Raymond Dillard, a 29-year old sophomore at Morris Brown College, wants to become a nurse.

"I'll do art as freelance, Raymond said. "If I did it as a professional, I would burn myself out."

It seems, however, that Raymond will never have to wrinkle his forehead over what strokes to glide on canvas. He paints four days a week and has stocked about 350 oil paintings over the years.

Backed by his sponsor, The New York Arts Association, Raymond reaches into his stash or creates artwork for entry into competitions throughout the United States and around the world. Raymond has won hands down over his competitors consistently.

His chandeliers have won him grand prizes totalling \$15,000 in Zurich, Switzerland, Melbourne, Australia and Munich, West Germany. His latest competition was in Paris, France.

"I should win again in this competition," Raymond said.

Raymond believes his talents are either innate or were sculptured by his grandfather, also an artist, at the age of 4.

"My grandfather would have me to help him," Raymond said. "He said you brush here and brush there. I would watch him and duplicate or do my version of his."

A native of St. Thomas, Virgin Islands, Raymond was born into a family of artists. All three of his sisters are artistically inclined. But his sister Ruby Bellany is the better talented, said Raymond.

However, when a member of The New York Arts Association came to view the family art room, it was Ramon who they offered to sponsor. He was the only sibling who fit the characteristics of amateur status. Raymond was a 16-year-old high school student.

Raymond freelanced for the association until he was 21.

"My technique improved 150 percent. That's when they (the association) knew they had a gold trinket," Raymond said.

Raymond says 20 percent of the awards he receives goes to him, while 80 percent is placed into an escrow account. Meanwhile, the art association gets to help an amateur artist become a household name. When he graduates college, Raymond's works will sell for \$5,000 to \$8,000 and up.

"Raymond Dillard" is a name already common to the White House. Nancy Reagan bought one of Raymond's chandeliers that her son Brian spotted at the Washington, D.C. Arts Festival in February. Raymond said he wanted to buy the chandelier then, however, he had to settle temporarily for pictures since the piece was in the show. Weeks later Mrs. Reagan purchased the chandelier for \$1,200 and Raymond was invited to dinner at the White House.

The chandelier is made of 3,500 seashells from St. Thomas, and are connected with nylon string. The piece hangs four feet down from the White House ceiling. Three months of tedious work went into the creation.

But that's not the only brush with greatness Raymond has experienced. Emelda Marcos, former First Lady of the Phillipines, implored him to paint a portrait of her from a picture. She instructed him to leave space for pearls to be placed on her dress in the shape of the Phillipine Islands. She purchased the portrait for \$2,800.

Raymond doesn't know if the portrait was ever finished and hopes to discover what happened to it when the Marcos family fled the Phillipines.

In spite of all his accomplishments — one of which will be an appearance on Good Morning America as one of five outstanding college students — Raymond wants to remain low key while attending Morris Brown. But that's a lifestyle he couldn't enjoy while he attended DeKalb Community College — a two year institution, from which Raymond recently graduated.

After Mrs. Reagan bought his chandelier, Raymond said he knew no peace.

"I was a celebrity the next day and I don't want that to happen here," Raymond said.



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Editor Speaks

by Karon Ammons

Since the onset of this semester, I have heard several complaints about Morris Brown College. There have been complaints after complaints, and questions after questions.

As a senior now, MBC has gotten in my blood and I doubt if I could get it out even if I tried. So, hearing these — more often than not — unfounded remarks hurts at times. I've tried my best to answer all the inquiries, with supportive facts and countless examples of successful Brown graduates. This is usually to my dismay.

But don't have pity on me, because I have overcome. With some friendly advice from Col. Fletcher of the Admissions Office, I have learned to let go. Now I say, "If you really feel that Morris Brown can't do anything for you, leave. Upon graduation, having confidence that you are prepared for the world of work is important. If you leave Morris Brown without this confidence, you won't be very successful. And that's what it's all about." I have that confidence!

There are several students here — underclassmen and upperclassmen alike — who are adding weight to the problem, instead of being a part of the solution. With all the bad comments about Morris Brown, I would think that the power of the pen would dawn on some disheartened Brownites. But few editorials are submitted. This goes for those students that have good things to say about Brown, as well.

Take a look at this page, it has an advertisement, a political perspective and my editorial on it, right? This could have been an entire page of editorial comments, but because few have had the insight to air their opinions in print, it is not. As I said in my previous column, the Wolverine Observer is your — the students' — voice. We aim to tell it like it is. Please help us.



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Political Perspective

History Mirror For Present

by Noran Moffett

In the summer of 1919, many bloody race riots broke out around this country. Many of us have little knowledge of this historical event. Even more important to note is what conditions caused that history.

Most people find history in the academic structure to be boring. It is my experience with this type of attitude that causes me to understand the importance of historical analogies, not to mention that history serves as a source of reference.

In the Summer of 1919 many African-American men returned from fighting for this country in World War I. Also many African-

Americans had moved North to provide the civilian labor force needed. After the war in the year 1919 these opportunities were eradicated. The KKK and governmental suppression coupled with the aforementioned factors caused the conditions which led to the 'Red Summer of 1919.' If you don't believe it, then read about it and be mindful of our present condition. There was a President who had just gone throughout Europe pulling together various countries with his "Fourteen Points" in an effort to establish a League of Nations.

Well how does that relate to us

NOW? There are events today where you have a President who goes around the world in support of victims and to galvanize Europeans into a state of harmony. Yet there are victims at home, Yes victims of cuts in Student Aid, victims of Social Security cuts and just plain domestic victims in America. That's you and me unless you are being led to believe by some of these 20th Century Uncle Toms in the 'Star Spangled Hustle.'

What we must understand especially the youth today, is that no people on the face of this earth forgive and forget their history but African-Americans.

We must also remember the enemy is more sophisticated than he once had to be. As you leave for the summer of ... take these thoughts with you. When someone controls your source of knowledge he controls your mind. That is why Black Colleges must not become conservative whatever the cost may be.

It is said an institution of higher learning is a microcosm of the greater society. So, if Black colleges are destined for extinction - Black people are destined for ... If conservatism, militarism, racism, and Uncle Tomism are on the rise, we will be its victims - Black people.

HAPPY



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New Drill Team Formed at MBC

by Deadira Brown

What is rapturous delight at Morris Brown College? It is none other than the drill team Ecstasy! Ecstasy is a group of 15 dedicated young ladies that are out to dance and have a good time in the name of M.B.C.

The idea of having this group was brought up to mind by Angela Sanders, a transfer student from Lander College in Greenwood, South Carolina. The group was formed in mid-September and on Monday, September 30, 1986, 25 determined young ladies tried out of these 25 girls only 15 made it. The judging was done by members of Georgia State University drill team.

Some of the categories that they were judged on was poise, personality, appearance, rhythm, timing, knowledge of dance, smile, motions, eye contact, and over-all performance.

While in the midst of selecting the members of Ecstasy, Ms. D.M. Davison was asked to become the advisor over this group. Ms. Davison who is presently the coordinator of Cochran Towers, co-sponsor of the M.B.C. Cheerleaders, and teaches a class here at Morris Brown College, decided after a long period of thinking said yes

Black Women

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Junior, Georgia State University: "I love black women! Some are not that friendly. They are all about money. I don't think she belongs in the kitchen. Society tells us that a woman should be like this or a man should be like that. I think it is a shame to see how black women would turn against black men and talk to white guys."

Technician; 28 years old: "I think black women are beautiful. They are the backbone of American black society. They are very strong, courageous females. Black women have to prove themselves more than the black man does. I don't respect women who don't respect themselves."

Senior, Morehouse: "I think black women are beautiful, precious, strong and loving. However, there are some who contain these qualities, yet because of poor attitudes, will not let them shine."

Security Guard, 20-years old: "I love them. I like the idea of black women getting out in the work field, but I dislike the idea of them neglecting household, motherly and wifely duties. Most are not very obedient and don't listen to their husbands' requests."

Freshman, Morris Brown: "I love them! Some are not that friendly. There's nothing better than a black woman. They are built better than white women. If she wants to work, there's nothing wrong with it at all. If she wants to stay pregnant, there's nothing wrong with that, but I wouldn't babysit."

to the job.

When interviewing Ms. Davison she said, "When first asked to be advisor over Ecstasy I was thinking no, but after meeting with the young ladies and described to them just what I expected of them, I learned that they were all dedicated and willing to work."

When asked her what was the difference between Bubbling Brown Sugar and Ecstasy, she said, "Bubbling Brown Sugar are Majorettes, Ecstasy is a drill team. Ecstasy dance on current hits." Also asked will Ecstasy get uniforms, she said, "yes. Although the uniforms for Bubbling Brown Sugar may be flashier; the members of Ecstasy intend the ingredients of the dances to outline their uniform at all times.

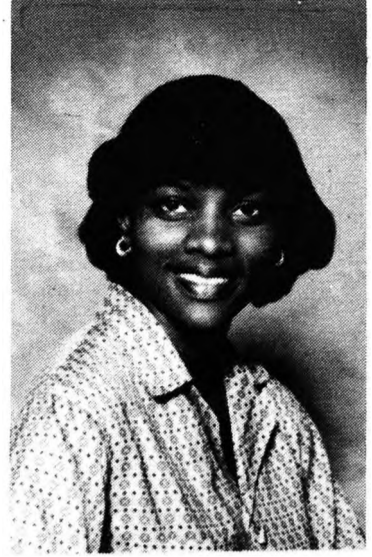
Some of the goals that Ms. Davison has for the drill team is to work with various high schools, fund raisers, have programs featuring "Ecstasy" and have a summer drill team camp. In asking how did they get the name Ecstasy, they submitted 4 names: Unity, Radiance, Odyssey, Ecstasy. Ecstasy won the vote.

The regular practice routine is 5 days a week, Monday thru Friday followed by weight training.

Ms. Davison also said next year when the charter is approved, the girls will hopefully be selected by their grade point average, size, attitude and many other qualities needed to uphold the name of Morris Brown College.



Monique Thomas
Co-Captain, Ecstasy



LaShawn Hall
Co-Captain, Ecstasy

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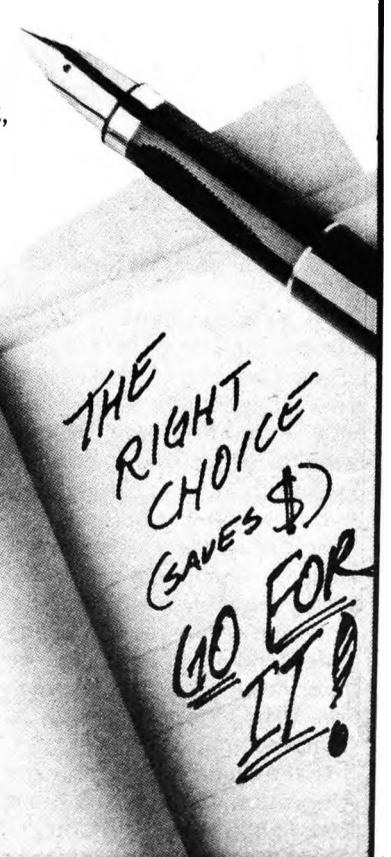
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WOLVERINE SPORTS

Basketball Team Adds New Faces

The Wolverines of Morris Brown College 1986-87 football season has come to an end and the basketball season has arrived.

Coach Harold Merrit begins his second season as head coach of the Wolverines basketball team.

Despite finishing seventh out of the eight teams in the conference the Wolverines posted a 12-18 record and were runners-up in the SIAC conference championship game. Merrit says that this year's basketball team in comparison to last year has more depth. "Last year's team only had about six really good ball players playing regularly. During the off season I did a lot of recruiting and now we have about 12 to 13 very good ball players," said Merrit.

Leading the way and providing the team with some added experience are two senior players. Jeff Lewis a 6'2" guard from College Park, Ga. and 6'5" forward Levoyd Wardlow from Los Angeles, California. Lewis, a 20 point per game scorer from last year's team is expected to lead the Wolverines' offensive attack.

The newcomers to the team expected to help fill the loss of 6-8 forward Jeff Brown's scoring and rebounding are 6-7 Cornelius Jones, a native of College Park, GA, 6'6" forward Jerome Shelton, also from College Park, and 6'6" forward Ron Amey of Decatur, Ga.

With the added talent to the team, which has a great deal of new faces, should be interesting and fun to watch as they learn to

play together, according to Merrit.

"This year I have a lot of new guys who I can start out with and can expect to give their best effort. Last year we had only two players scoring in double figures. I expect to have maybe three to four players averaging points in double figures. We obviously need a better scoring balance to have a better team," Merrit said.

The Wolverines basketball team hopes to improve in all areas to be in a position to challenge for the Conference title.

"We expect to have a better team this season and be in a better position to hopefully return to the Conference championship game," said Merrit.



Mr. Harold Merrit
Head Basketball Coach

Morris Brown Forms Chess Team

For those of you who have been waiting over the past few years, Morris Brown College now has a chess team. All interested students should attend

the meetings on Fridays at 3:00 in Griffin-Hightower, Room 125. If you can't meet at 3:00, contact Dr. Hwang in the Mathematics Department.

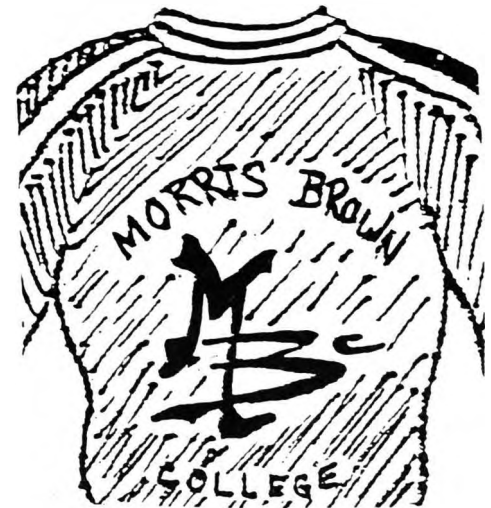
BASKETBALL

Wolverines

November:			
25	U. S. Army (EXBT. GAME)	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
26	Talladega College	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
28	Clark Classic	Atlanta, Ga.	7:00
29	Clark Classic	Atlanta, Ga.	7:00
December:			
3	Clafin College	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
6	Georgia State (A)	Atlanta, Ga.	1:30
8	Columbus College	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
12	Morehouse College	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
13	Springhill College	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
15	Talladega College	Talladega, Ala.	7:00
January:			
7	Paine College	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
10	West Georgia	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
14	Alabama A&M University	Huntsville, Ala.	8:00
17	Tuskegee University	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
19	Savannah State (C)	Savannah, Ga.	8:00
21	Albany State	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
26	Benedict College (C)	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
28	FortValley State	FortValley, Ga.	8:00
31	Alabama A&M University	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
February:			
2	FortValley State (C)	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
4	Albany State (C)	Albany, Ga.	8:00
6	Clark College (A)	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
9	Paine college (C)	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
14	Tuskegee University	Tuskegee, Ala.	8:00
18	Morehouse College (A)	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
20	Clark College	Atlanta, Ga.	8:00
23	Columbus College	Columbus, Ga.	8:00
26	S.I.A.C. Tourney	Atlanta, Ga.	TBA
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28	S.I.A.C. Tournev	Atlanta, Ga.	TBA

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November:			January:		
21	West Ga Tournament	West Georgia	28	Fort Valley	Away
22	West Ga Tournament	West Georgia	31	Ala. A&M	Home
26	Talladega College	Home	February:		
28	Xavier University	Away	2	Fort Valley	Home
29	Dillard University	Away	4	Albany	Away
December:			6	Clark	Away
8	South Carolina St	Home	7	Benedict	Away
15	Talladega College	Away	9	Paine College	Home
January:			14	Tuskegee	Away
7	Paine College	Away	18	Berry College	Away
10	Berry College	Away	20	Clark	Home
14	Ala. A&M	Away	S. I. A. C. Tournament		
19	Savannah	Away	Head Coach: Vista Bryant		
21	Albany	Home	Asst. Coach: Cedric Evans		
26	Benedict College	Home			



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