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Martin Luther King, Jr. on August 28, 1963 in Washington D.C.

Continuing The Dream

by Miquiel Banks

It has been said that dreams are seeds, and once planted, develop according to the fruits of labor. When we look at the dream of this one man, the last rung on the ladder of our struggle, it is easy to see his seeds sprouting every day in some shape or fashion. Why is he the last rung on the ladder? We must always remember that the struggle for our freedom. Therefore, we stand only as tall as the shoulders of our ancestors, and in Dr. Martin Luther King Jr., we have two of the strongest.

In celebrating his birthday, we must not stop our lives in adoration, reflecting; we must mold the dream like clay, continuing to build its hallowed architecture with the essence of our souls. It doesn't matter if your part is large or small, just give something. Remember, every little bit counts. We must not be ashamed or embarrassed that our parts are not as flamboyant as Dr. King's,

we must do with what we have. His name may out-shine ours in remembrance, but his legacy is not upheld by his-story, but within the lives of our children, students, and faculty. He saved many lives and you may save one; but your achievement is just as important. Even Jesus said that men have left their entire flock to find that one, that lost sheep.

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Effects on children of Single-Parent Households Lack of Supervision, violent acts

by Essex Agee

According to a study on single-mother families conducted by Mark Lino (SIRS 96), it is estimated that half of all children will reside in a single parent family environment

at some time before age sixteen. Single parent families remain closely associated with irreversible implications of depression and disability.

With the absence of a "partner" who can share

financial responsibilities and help to create solid family ties, single mothers often find themselves hobbled by life's demands. In the race for survival, many single mothers have to sacrifice

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EDITORIALS

An Open Letter to the Morris Brown Campus Community

From the Editor:

I am happy to say that this begins a new era in the evolution of the Wolverine Observer. What has been a student publication is stepping into the bounds of being a full-fledged campus communication device. Why limit the paper to articles, current events, and something to throw in the trash when you've finished reading it?

My fellow students, 1997 begins the building of a legacy that was envisioned by the founding fathers of Morris Brown College, national recognition, and the Wolverine Observer will be one of the key elements in

this process. You're tired of school registration? You're tired of not having anywhere to park? There's nothing to do after dinner? You thought this was supposed to be college? In fact, you're right.

This school is for you, your development, your education, and your future, but you have to make your time here profitable. How is that possible? Write about your experiences, your complaints, your recommendations, and your suggestions. That's what the newspaper is here for; to acknowledge the academic vision and the ever-changing minds of the students, then blending the two visions into

our school's lifeline, the curriculum. I am challenging every student on campus to be a part of this evolution. Write what you feel. Write what you think. Express your concerns. Observe, evaluate, and speak your piece with the underlying trust that your faculty and staff will listen, absorb, and acknowledge you as the future. In addition, I am challenging all members of the faculty and staff to become the catalysts of this process. Remember, you are dedicated to educating us, the leaders of tomorrow. With that said, let's make 1997 a year to remember!

Effects on children of Single-Parent Households

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large amounts of quality family time for work-time.

Latchkey children now constitute a large proportion of children growing up in America's homes. Unsupervised children can get themselves in a lot of trouble, not to mention

homework assignments left undone, because no one was there to turn the television off.

Child supervision plays a very important role in a child's growth process. We all can testify to the fact

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NOTICE: We Need Your Help

Are You The Missing Link To The Wolverine Observer Archives?

Due to the mis-placement of newspaper archives, the staff of the Wolverine Observer, would like your assistance. We are seeking individuals who may have issues from the past ten years, to contact the publications office at 404/220-0308 or Mr. Carvel Bennett, Student Activities Director at 404/220-0312.

SURVEY

Dear Reader,

The Wolverine Observer wants to hear from you!

Let us know who you are, what you like, and what you think of the Wolverine Observer.

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- 6) Your address
- 7) Your phone number

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Coming Next Issue

- Ebonics - Help or Hindrance?
- Customer Service - What's really going on?
- Sex in the 90s
- On the Wall
- Debates to have during lunch
- Gulf War Syndrome cover-up
- Television Ratings
- Recommended Web Sites

If God in his infinite wisdom has a book in simple, everyday, and common language, why would man in his little wisdom try to write so complex? I will tell you why. The writer seeks to make up for his lack of knowledge by trying to fool the rest of mankind by impressing us with his use of imagery. The writer feels if he can prove himself to Man, he has proven himself to God as well. This is the reason why many writers start off thinking they know everything and end up knowing nothing. We are a small group that knows **only God gets things right the first time.**

Somehow, the poets are most at fault of this crime. They have made themselves critics, writers, and the audience. That way, they will be perfect amongst themselves. Sad, that if writers had the chance to try to impress God, we would probably be forbidden from him or at the least, exiled from the rest of humanity.

that a two year-old needs to be supervised just as much as a sixteen year-old. The Bennett family, a native Georgian family, are filing suit against the city of Atlanta for negligence. Their son Antione was enrolled at Camp Best Friends, a city-run network of day camps started in 1981 to keep children off the streets.

Attorneys say that allocated funds intended for the operation of the camp were diverted to run other programs. Thus, causing a cutback in dollars needed for hiring more staff and better security at the camp. The Attorney claims that security was so lax that, like the Bennett's son, children routinely wandered off from the camp unsupervised.

It was when their son (Bennett's) wandered off from the campsite to a nearby friends home that a childhood gun prank turned ugly.

Bertha Bridges, a Detroit resident who has been on AFDC for the past 15 years, might have been able to work and get off welfare if it were not for her disabled child. At age 8, her son was abused by a family friend while in the care of the accused; the boy has been in trouble ever since.

Authorities sometime send him home from school two or three times a week for profanity, fighting or disobeying his instructors, and he's been suspended for fondling several girls. He was institutionalized twice for depression and diagnosed as having suicidal tendencies. Unfortunately, Bridges as a single-parent has to battle between part-time employment and her son's handicap problems.

Princess Rowell, an unmarried mother of three doesn't want to get a job because she says "I don't want to trust anyone having my kids...I thought they needed me more than

I needed a job."

We can easily see that there is a considerable amount of trust needed to ensure a positive relationship between parent and child care facilities.

In the Bennett case we see that supervision plays a very integral role in child development. The lack of proper security, as grounds for a legal suit, proves that the lack of proper supervision is just as negligent as not providing meals for children. Their son Antoine lost a palm-sized portion of his brain after being struck in the head by a shotgun.

In the case of the woman from Detroit, her son suffers from the brutal abuse forced upon him by his day care guardian. Had he not been sexually molested by his day care guardian he would not be the suicidal mess he is today. Perhaps, then Ms. Bridges, his mother, would have been able to work more hours to raise their income level and finally get off federal aid, but her son's problem prevent that reality from happening.

The poorer economic status of single-parent families has far-reaching effects on children in these households. In reviewing the intergenerational consequences of mother-only family structure on children in these families, Irwin Garfinkel and Sara S. McLanahan concluded the effects are mostly negative. Children in single parent families are less likely to finish high school than their peers living with both parents; are most likely to have lower earnings in young adulthood and to be poor; and have a higher probability themselves of experiencing a marital disruption or having a premarital birth, thereby repeating the cycle of single parenthood.



Gaines Hall Morris Brown Campus

The Dream CONTINUED FROM PAGE 1

It is within this mind set that we must continue the legacy of our freedom, the power of his dream.

Our campus life still carries the seed of his dream; the renovation of Wilkes and Gaines Hall, Herndon Stadium, telephone registration, the

environment, we are living in the last days. We have been going to school for ourselves (to get good jobs), now it's time to go to school for something more important (our struggle for freedom). Our freedom did not end with Dr. King. He led to

He led to the uncuffing of our physical chains, and it is up to us to heal our deeper wounds, mental slavery.

CyperLab, the Wolverine Observer, and soon, our own website. Though some of these seem to be insignificant, we must see them for what they are; tiny steps in the development of Morris Brown College. However, our struggle is not confined to the campus grounds and we must broaden our vision to global consciousness. I remember reading that as long as one of our brothers and sisters is in bondage, be it Atlanta or Bosnia, we are not free. Therefore, it is time we take control of our lives within the domain of our

the uncuffing of our physical chains, and it is up to us to heal our deeper wounds, mental slavery. I say this to you, my fellow students and the honorable faculty, we must step up on the shoulders of our ancestor, this legendary King, and take our place in history. We must never forget that if the next generation steps up before us, the history of our generation will be snuffed out eternally. We must respect the struggle and continue the dream. Amen.

Atlanta 1996:

Centennial Olympic Park

by Essex Agee

On Saturday July 26, 1996 Centennial Olympic Park became a haven of destruction. Two tourist were slain in a staged terrorists attack, who were later identified as an elderly man from Turkey, and a woman from Georgia. Both casualties were suffered as a result of the inhabitants of the Earth and how we choose to resolve conflict.

My job was to martial all scheduled trucks destined to off-load at Centennial Olympic Park (CPK). From 7:00 p.m. to 12:00 a.m. my main directive was to secure the Luckie and Foundry street exits, making sure they were clear of stagnant delivery trucks, so off-loading traffic could flow freely when midnight martialing began. On the night of the bombing I was standing about 250 feet away from the blast. My first instinct was to run but my feet were stoned. It was rather shocking to see my boss



freeze up like he did. I assumed his professional years, as a member of the Peace Corp., had hardened mind to life's common atrocities.

Memories of that night cram together like pieces of a giant abstract painting full of fire trucks and people, mixtures of light and dark crash together on a multi-colored canvas to emerge as sounds of injured people looking for their family. Sirens and government officials stand out of the night in splotches of blue and black forming a coat of destructive irony. To hear the sounds of the bomb ingredients beat against the ground with the accuracy of the rain was like hearing laughter at a funeral.

In a constant effort to disguise the obvious malicious nature in all humans the deaths of those innocent tourists were written as casualties. There is nothing casual about a bomb incident that claimed innocent lives. We have seen eternal conflicts of wars being raged, one person against another, nation against nation, religion against science. I have seen this nation's addiction to war drive us toward implications of nuclear wipe-out.

Events like the Olympics are

designed to convey images of worldly peace. Each participant, spectator or sportsman, are present to experience a world of competitive games, created to invite out competitive nature. The body bags that usually follow a military assault as symbols of victory, are replaced with medals to adorn the champion for his/her fight. This was the Olympic "spirit" that I thought had embraced Atlanta until a pipe bomb spoiled my pipe dream. Whoever planted that dreadful device shared the killer instinct that A.I.D.S. uses to prey on its victims. The blatant disregard of innocent human life illustrated by the C.P.K. bombing leaves me with feelings of disgust for the human race as a whole. I say this because media figure-heads love conflict and seek to spur it into existence. It was hard for me to try to avoid the almost positive connotations of media folly depicted in their investigative reports of the "The Unibomber". Does this guy sound like a killer or super hero? This type of glamorized destruction plants seeds of internal terrorism that won't die. They arise at times when we least expect them.

POLITICS:



Members of the 1997 Student Senate.

Student Senate Reconvenes

by Carvel Bennett
Dir. Student Activities &
Campus Organizations

The Spring session of the Second term of the Student Senate would have reconvened by the time this issue of the *Wolverine Observer* made it to you the reader.

However, certain issues of interest to the general student body should be noted and seriously considered. These include the issues being discussed by the Senate, the large number of student organizations that have been consistently absent from these important proceedings, and the absence of members of the student body who by right may sit in the gallery and observe these proceedings.

Students who are not familiar with the mechanism of the Student Government Association (SGA) in general and the

zation will not be allowed to recruit members, secure space on campus for meetings, etc., or hold any kind of activity. To this end, it is imperative that faculty and staff advisors to all campus organizations ensure that their organization is represented at all Senate meetings. Students too should be vigilant in ensuring that they are represented by their Senators and should, themselves attend Senate proceedings.

Senate meetings are held the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month in Cunningham Auditorium of the Hickman Student Center, beginning at 6:30 p.m. Although there is a dress code for Senators, there is no such code for students who are just observers to the proceedings.

I am therefore urging all Senators to start doing their jobs, and to encourage students to replace those who are not working in your best interest.

Student Senate and Judiciary in particular, may come by the Office of Student Activities and pick-up a handbook from this office which contains a copy of the SGA Constitution. It would be my pleasure to explain to any member of the College community, just how the system works.

The Student Senate was created during the Summer of 1995 to replace the Student Council which was perceived by many as ineffective and lacking support. A panel of students and myself, then newly appointed Director of Student Activities, was given the task by then SGA President Ms. Matumaini Taylor of putting together the Student Senate. The third branch of the SGA - The Judiciary was added by the panel to act as a balance/mediator between the Executive and Senate and is also responsible for overseeing student elections.

Students should become more involved in the proceedings of the Senate by insisting that their campus organizations' representatives to the Senate (i.e. their Senator) attend these meetings and that such proceedings are reported back to the organizations. All registered campus organizations comprise the Senate, in addition to all class Presidents and one representative from each residential unit of the college. Every student is therefore represented in the Senate. Students should also be made aware of the fact that any Senator who is absent from three (3) meetings of the Senate (per academic year) puts that organization in jeopardy of losing its charter. This includes Honor Societies, Academic Clubs, and Hometown organizations - the three main culprits. Withdrawal of an organization's charter means that organi-

Important issues that affect student's learning and living environment should be of the highest priority to the Student Senate. This is one of the mechanism run by students for students, and with the full sanction of the college's administration, set up to help make this place more conducive to the educational process. I am therefore urging all Senators to start doing their jobs, and to encourage students to replace those who are not working in your best interest. The Student Senate is merely a model of the national political process, please do not let apathy and cynicism get in the way like we have done with national politics in Washington.

Senate Meetings for Spring 1997

January		
	13	Cunningham Auditorium <i>Inaugural meeting of the semester</i>
	20	canceled due to King Holiday observance
February		
	3	Cunningham Auditorium
	17	Cunningham Auditorium
March		
	3	Rm. 201 Hickman Student Center <i>(lower level)</i>
	17	Cunningham Auditorium
April		
	7	Cunningham Auditorium
	21	Cunningham Auditorium <i>final meeting of the semester</i>

Wisdom of the Illuminati

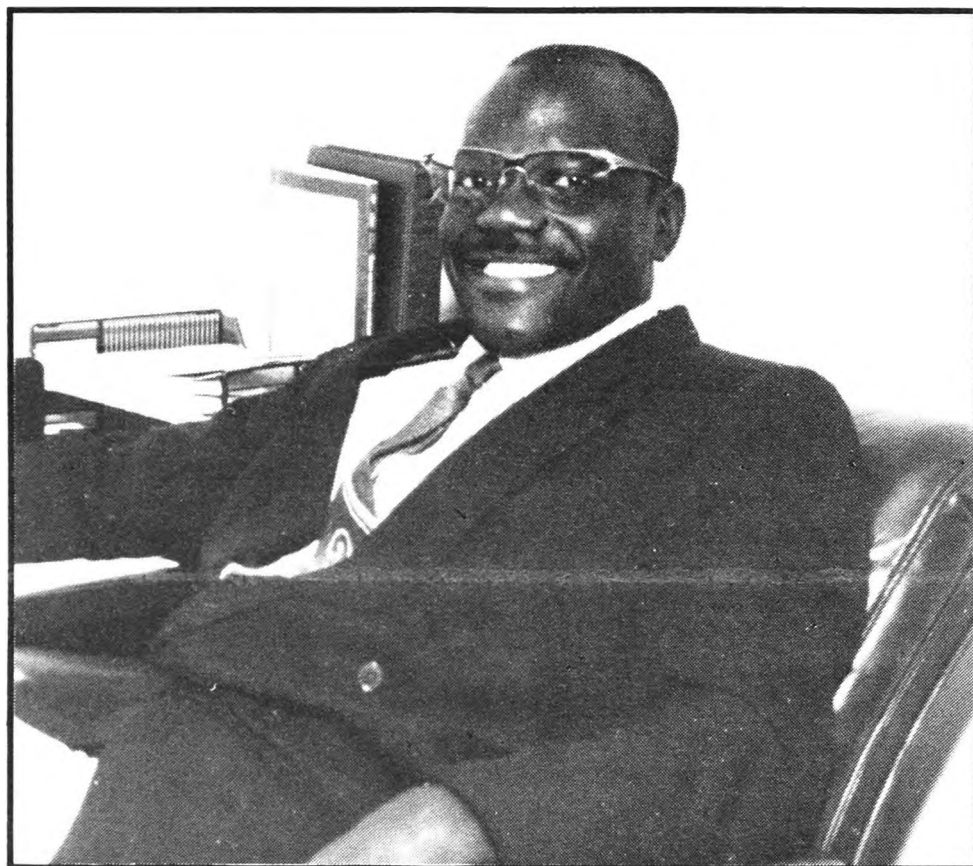
The cover of GURPS Illuminati had lots and lots of Secret Knowledge on it ...if you looked at it just right. For those who never got a copy...or those who never held it so the light hit it "just so" ...here's what it says:

Disclaimer: we have no wish to offend you unless you're a twit.
 If at first you don't succeed, change the rules.
 Anarchy - It's not the law, it's just a good idea.
 The illegal we do immediately. The unconstitutional takes a little longer.
 It's not the principle of the thing. It's the money.
 Eat the rich. The poor are tough and stringy.
 All things considered, insanity may be the only reasonable alternative.
 FNORD
 Just because everything is different doesn't mean anything has changed.
 Sincerity is the key. Once you can fake that, you've got it made.
 The breakfast of champions is the opposition.
 If we do not change our direction we are likely to end up where we are headed.
 Power corrupts. Absolute power is kind of neat.
 Always do right. This will gratify many people and astonish the rest.
 Ye shall know the truth, and the truth shall make you frantic.
 Decadence is its own reward.
 An honest politician is one who stays bought.
 Organize for anarchy!
 Circular definition: see "circular definition."
 Help! The paranoids are out to get me!

A wise man knows everything, a shrewd one, everybody.
 Moral victories don't count.
 All vacations and holidays create problems, except for one's own.
 Smile! The Illuminati are watching.
 Everything is controlled by a small evil group to which, unfortunately, no one we know belongs.
 All syllogisms have three parts. Therefore, this is not a syllogism.
 I'll have to put something into their food to make them forget about this.
 Don't steal. The government hates the competition.
 Once you give up integrity, the rest is easy!
 A Smith and Wesson beats four aces.
 I don't suffer from insanity. I revel in it.
 Always be smarter than the people who hire you. But never let them know.
 The worst thing about censorship is XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX.
 Don't tell any big lies today. Small ones can be just as effective.
 Smile! It makes them wonder what you're up to.
 For every action there is an equal and opposite government program.
 A censor is a man who thinks he knows more than you ought to.
 If we knew what we were doing, it wouldn't be research.
 The less a politician amounts to, the more he loves the flag.
 Age and treachery will beat youth and skill every time.

Forecasting is difficult, especially about the future.
 Are you sure? [N] Y
 What if this weren't a hypothetical question?
 All generalizations are incorrect, including this one.
 According to the latest official figures, 43% of all statistics are totally worthless.
 I don't see you, so don't pretend your there.
 Tell the truth and run.
 He who hesitates is last.
 FNORD
 Join the Illuminati and see the world ... differently.
 Friends come, and friends go, but enemies accumulate.
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 Beware of the superficially profound.
 Truth is stranger than fiction, because fiction has to make sense.

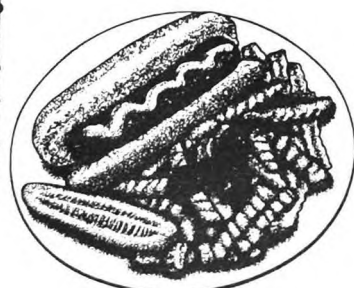
All law is codified revenge.
 Did you know that "gullible" isn't in the dictionary? Look it up.
 Hail Eris! All hail Discordia!
 If winning doesn't matter, why keep score?
 Objectivity is in the eye of the beholder.
 Smash the state, and have a nice day.
 Abandon all hope ye who PRESS ENTER here.
 No good deed goes unpunished.
 Thoughts good! Slogans bad!
 Thoughts good! Slogans bad!
 Gotta run, my government's collapsing.
 Defeat is worse than death, because you have to live with defeat.
 Eschew obfuscation!
 Someone you trust is one of us ...
 This is a test. This is only a test. Had this been a real emergency, you would all be dead by now.



Mark B. Cisco, M.Div., MA., Campus Ministry

You can get your "eat on" at the Snack Bar in Hickman Student Center.

The latest combo specials are:



Hot dog, Fries, and small drink

\$2.99

Chicken Wings, Fries, and small drink

\$4.99

Morris Brown College Prepares for Religious Emphasis Week

by Mark B. Cisco, M. Div., M.A.
 Campus Ministry

The college chaplain and Student Ministers within the Department of Campus Ministry are actively preparing for the 1997 Religious Emphasis Week. Several meetings were held prior to the holiday seasons; and meetings are held weekly to make final preparations for Religious Emphasis Week scheduled for Sunday, February 9, 1997 through February 14, 1997.

We are looking forward to a week of sharing, learning, fellowship and inspiration; please join us as we pray and plan for this mountain top experience.

You are invited to participate in our weekly ministries.

Monday 7:00 pm	Choir Rehearsal
Tuesday 7:00 pm	Prayer and Bible Study
Thursday 7:00 pm	Joy Night
Sunday 6:30 pm	Victory Worship Service

Call us at 220-0307. We will be happy to hear from you.

Welcome to the Real World

VIEWS & EXPRESSIONS

Your inner greatness



by Lynnetta J. Lee

How often do you compliment yourself? Do you view self pride as conceit, or are you merely confident? How frequently do you spoil yourself? Now think about this: how often do others compliment and spoil you?

Have you ever met people who always seemed to have great things happen to them? They have the best job offers by December of senior year; they have the best mates or they just seemed to have a perpetual string of good luck. Then you say, "nothing like that ever happens to me," and it doesn't.

Approximately one year ago, I was given the inspiration for a book on goal setting and self improvement. Since then I have studied other authors of the same topic, and I have become a people watcher. One thing that I have learned is that the people around us are mirrors of how we feel about ourselves. Furthermore, our circumstances are also reflections of the same. Those people who always have great things happening to them expect those great things to happen. Have you ever heard the saying, "when it rains, it pours," well it usually keeps pouring only because we do not expect it to stop. Since we do not always have control of the situations in our lives we must learn how to respond to them, I do not believe that there are those who never have bad situations, but there are those who respond positively to whatever the situation.

So, today is your call to action! It is not just hype. YOU CAN take control of your life! I wish that I

could say that it is as simple as acknowledging that you are worth it and moving forward, but it takes a little more work. Many of us have years of negative energy built up within us, and those feelings are our biggest enemies. You must take the time to get to know you, not the you that others have defined nor the negative person that you might have become, but you must get to know the person that you were meant to be. That is when you will find the greatness within. Take a moment

and dream. Who is the person that you see? Is that person more active in the community, a better student, a better mate, a better friend, better employed or even a thinner/thicker person? They say that if you can see it, you can be it, but that statement is incomplete. It should read, "**If you can see it, you can be it... IF you act on what you see.**" Once you have visualized the person that you want to be, you must start to become that person. Another important point is to be fair to

yourself. Evaluate your potential, and then seek to out-perform yourself. Then strap yourself in and prepare for a string of failures before you achieve success. The successful people in life are those who can handle failure without labeling themselves as failures.

So, how do you make the change? "Don't worry about that part, just begin to do something," is my professional opinion. We lose many good ideas **waiting** on a plan. The important thing is to know where you are and to know where you desire to be. Then just act on it. **DO SOMETHING!** Brian Tracy, a renowned motivational speaker says that once we are focused on a goal everything we need to accomplish that goal already exists within our superconscious minds. So, establish a goal and keep a notepad handy. It sounds odd, but try it. You will find that once you really commit to something you will begin to meet people that are able to help you. You will hear an interview on television or read an article in a magazine that is just what you needed. It's kind of like when you buy a new car and all of a sudden it seems that everyone is buying a car like yours. What is actually happening is that you have a heightened sense for cars like yours because you now own one. Well, the same thing happens with our goals. When you really get focused on a goal, you will notice that there are resources available that you would have never imagined.

I am a firm believer that everyone has the potential for greatness, but not everyone knows how to unleash it. Make the decision today to begin your journey of self knowledge and improvement. I know that **you can do it!**

Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday Observance At Emory University

*"An Evening With Poet, Nikki Giovanni"
in celebration of the life and work of
Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.*

**Saturday
January 25, 1997
8:00 p.m.**

Glenn Memorial Auditorium

(on the campus of Emory University)

This event is free
Tickets are required for admission and will be available at the
Dobbs University Center Ticket desk beginning
January 13, 1997

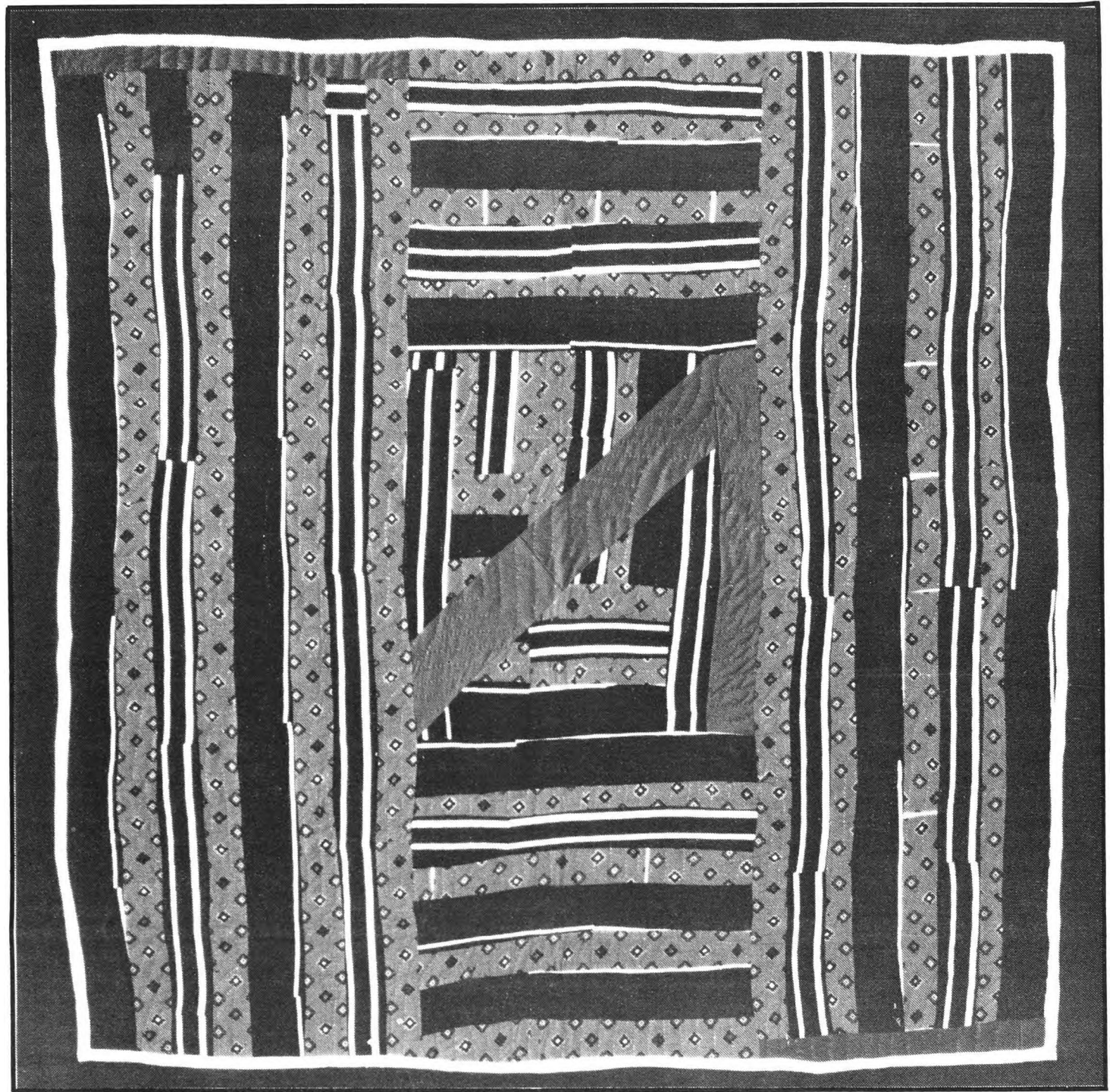
**If the Wolverine
OBSERVER didn't
tell you, who
would?**

ENTERTAINMENT

African-American Quilt Exhibition "No Two Alike"

Explore the history, tradition and culture surrounding the traditional art form of quilting now through February 1, 1997. This past year the High Museum of Art Folk Art and Photography Galleries hosted "No Two Alike: Quilt Family Day" October 5, 1996. "Quilt Family Day" gave families a chance to view the exhibition and participate in a hands-on quilting activity. The folk art of quilt making is an exciting and expressive medium in which personal beliefs and social commentary can take tangible and visible forms. More specifically, in the African-American culture there is a treasure chest of traditional motifs, iconography and patterns that have influenced contemporary quilts.

This exhibition celebrates an improvisational genre of quilt making that is traceable from one generation to the next within many African-American families. Featuring over 45 stunning works by 21 contemporary quilters, the exhibition is divided into four parts, each exploring a different expressive concept found in the art of African-American quilt making. The first section, "Square within a Square," illustrates the power of improvisation by presenting countless creative variations on one of the most popular quilt patterns, also called the "Pig Pen," "Log Cabin," or "Window Pane" design. Another section, "Maximum Contrast," demonstrates the African-American aesthetic notion of "showing up" through a selection of highly dramatic quilts in contrasting patterns of black and white. The third part of the exhibition, "Rosie Lee Tompkins," surveys the breathtaking and masterful creations of a single traditional artist. The fourth section celebrates the genre of improvisational quilt making as it is traced through "Four Generations" of women in one family. All of the works are drawn from the vast collection of quilt scholar Eli Leon of



Oakland, California.

High Museum of Art Folk Art and Photography Galleries, Curators; Joanne Cubbs, curator of folk art, High Museum of Art Eli Leon, quilt collector and scholar.

The exhibition is organized by the

High Museum of Art and is funded in part by the Fulton County Commission under the guidance of the Fulton County Arts Council.

Monday - Saturday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.; free - recorded program information: 404-733-HIGH

The High Museum of Art Folk Art and Photography Galleries is a partnership of Fulton County Arts Council, the High Museum of Art, Metropolitan Life Insurance Company, and Georgia-Pacific Corporation.

Notice to W.O. Newspaper Contributions

by Carvel Bennett
Advisor/ME

The Wolverine Observer staff welcomes material submitted by individuals and organizations for publication for each issue. However, it is necessary to emphasize the guidelines & for those who submit articles to facilitate the preparation by the staff and the distribution of each issue in a timely manner.

The following pointers for those who write for The Wolverine Observer will help to ensure publication of the articles you submit:

- ▶ Only typed copy, DOUBLE-SPACED, will be accepted, using upper and lower case. Add a by line (contributors name). Be neat, leave generous margins, and use one side of the paper only to facilitate editing.
- ▶ Be accurate in names, spelling, titles, and dates.
- ▶ Use full names and titles the first time the individual(s) is/are mentioned.

▶ Send only clear glossy black/white or sharp color processed photos. Newspaper prints or polaroids do not reproduce the quality we desire. Do not include a caption mentioning each name on a photograph where more than four persons appear; use a general picture description.

▶ Be reasonable and truthful. Don't overstate; don't throw superlatives around carelessly!

▶ Present facts: who, what, when, where, why, and how.

▶ Special feature articles, research summaries and essays are invited and should be significant or interesting and should follow the rules. Such articles will be published commensurate with space available at the discretion of the editor.

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Jomandi offers Student Special for "Ceremonies in Dark Old Men"

Jomandi Productions announces its student special: theater for the price of a movie, \$5 on preview Wednesday, January 15 and \$5 first Wednesday, January 22. Tickets must be purchased by 7:00 p.m. on the day of the performance of "Ceremonies In Dark Old Men," at the 14th Street Playhouse, 14th and Juniper. Box office opens January

14. Call 733-4750.

Called "the best play of the season" when it opened in New York nearly twenty years ago by The New York Post, this "drama of power and importance" is to men what "For Colored Girls Who Have Considered Suicide" is to women." Get your tickets now.



L - R (seated): Donald Griffin and Taurean Blacque; L - R (standing): Jay Jones, Erik Kilpatrick, Angela Mills, Amy Banks and Cedric Pendleton. Photo by Eric Johnson.

Jomandi offers opening Week-end Special to first 100 men to see "Ceremonies"

Jomandi Productions offers a "2 tickets for the price of 1" special to the first 100 men to attend opening week-end performances of "Ceremonies In Dark Old Men" on Saturday, January 18 and Sunday,

January 19. "Ceremonies..." is to men what "For Colored Girls..." is to women. Called "The best play of the season" when it opened in New York in 1969, by the New York Post, "Ceremonies" is "a drama of power

and importance."

The women brought everybody out for "For Colored Girls..." now let's see what the men can do. A forum discussion will follow Sunday's 3 PM matinee perform-

ance: "Responsibility and Challenge." Advance tickets, call Ticketmaster Arts Hotline 817-8700. Box Office opens January 14: 733-4750.

Movie Review High School High

Just another spoof about our inability to learn as black kids? Maybe. But if one takes a closer look, the prejudicial approach begins to develop into a more meaningful existence, its purpose. The movie attempts to develop a central atmosphere of comedy in the aroma of an almost subliminal caricature of our American society. For instance, Mr. Clark develops into more than just the main character, but he becomes the innate hope that makes the world go 'round. It is through this hope that the teenagers in Barry High School begin to establish responsibility for their actions and in a joint effort, become better students.

Before anyone mentions this, I know that the movie can be taken as "one of those white shadow hoaxes" that tends to whisper to us that we need white people to educate our children. Please, don't get me wrong, I totally agree; yet, we must begin to get past this idea and standpoint of acknowledgment of white oppression. In fact, when we feel the need to overemphasize its existence, we begin to take on its characteristics. All I'm saying is, yes, there is prejudice. But, we must go beyond those facets and see what the movie attempted to do and it is in that mind set that we will find the benefits of this movie.

At first, I had to think about it. A

white guy from a rich background going into the ghetto and saving black high school students. However, the movie symbolizes our society and it is in this symbolism that the movie's importance can be seen. Each of the characters represent a facet of our society and, upon reflection, we can ponder in our minds the best method with

which to deal with whites, blacks, society, and ultimately, ourselves. For the age-old wisdom of Egypt still stands to this day, KNOW THYSELF. It is with this knowledge that you will be able to laugh at this movie, appreciate it for the valiant effort, and keep the negativity down and the high school high.

Movies worth seeing

The Preacher's Wife
Scream
Daylight
Ransom
Beavis and Butthead Do America
Jerry Maguire
Ghosts Of Mississippi

I'm Not Rappaport
Some Mother's Son
Marvin's Room
The People vs. Larry Flynt

*Remember (Visit an AMC Theatre to get your student discount)

Recommended Video Rentals

- *Sarafina* starring Whoopi Goldberg
- *Posse* starring Mario van Peebles
- *Daughters of the Dust* directed by Julie Dash
- *Girl Six* starring Theresa Randle and Isaiah Washington
- *Carmen Jones* starring Dorothy Dandridge and Harry Belafonte, Jr.
- *Cooley High* starring Glynn Turman and Lawrence Hilton-Jacobs
- *Devil in a Blue Dress* starring Denzel Washington
- *Once Were Warriors* starring Rena Owen and Temuera Morrison
- *The Piano Lesson* starring Charles Dutton and Alfred Woodard
- *Zooman* starring Louis Gossett Jr. and Charles Dutton
- *Hoop Dreams* starring Arthur Agee and William Gates
- *The Walking Dead* starring Allen Payne and Joe Morton

Music Worth Buying

- *The Don Killuminati: The 7 Day Theory* - Makaveli
- *Muddy Waters* - Redman
- *Home Again* - New Edition

- *Emancipation* - The Artist formerly known as Prince
- *ATLiens* - OutKast
- *Enigma* - Keith Murray
- *House of Music* - Tony Toni Tone
- *One in a million* - Aaliyah
- *Soundtrack* - The Preacher's Wife
- *Secrets* - Toni Braxton
- *Various Artists* - Death Row Greatest Hits
- *Bow Down* - Westside Connection

Music News

Patti Labelle has a new album due out on MCA with a Sean Puffy Combs remix of *Lady Marmalade*. Other upcoming releases from MCA include Mary J. Blige and Salt N Pepa.

Arista will begin its 97 campaign with releases from superstar diva Whitney Houston and the legendary Aretha Franklin. Other hot releases include *Groove Theory* and *Brownstone*, which will be released on Epic Records. The much-anticipated reunion of the Wu-Tang Clan is due for release in February on Epic also.

The metaphysician, KRS-ONE, releases his latest masterpiece (Just to prove a point) on February 25 from Jive Records.

The highly acclaimed sensation, Camp-Lo, hits the streets in January on Profile Records.

Recommended Readings For Black Men

- *RL's Dream* by Walter Mosley
- *Joker, Joker Deuce* by Paul Beatty
- **An Easy Burden: The Civil Rights Movement and the Transformation of America** by Andrew Young
- *My Favorite War* by Christopher John Farley
- *2nd Time Around* by James Earl Hardy
- *Soledad Brother: The Prison Letters of George Jackson*
- *Rituals: Poetry and Prose* by Carig Hickman
- *Company Man* by Brent Wade
- *Monster* by Sanyika Shakur
- *Message N A Bottle: The 40 oz Scandal* by Alfred "Coach" Powell

Recommended Readings For Black Men and Women

- *Black Men: Obsolete, Single, Dangerous?* - Haki Madhubuti
- *Black Man of the Nile and His Family* - Dr. Yosef Ben-Jochannan
- *The Moors in Spain* - Stanley Lane-Pool
- *Secrets of the Federal Reserve* - Eustace Mullins
- *Behold A Pale Horse* - William Cooper
- *The Search For Justice* - Robert L. Shapiro with Larkin Warren
- *The 7 Spiritual Laws of Success* - Deepak Chopra
- *The University of Success* - Og Mandino
- *Monster* - Sanyika Shakur
- *The Isis Papers* - Frances Cress Welsing

Recommended Readings For Black Women

- *Rooted Against the Wind* by Dr. Wade Gayles
- *Flight of the Blackbird* by Faye McDonald Smith
- *The Hand I Fan With* by Tina McElroy Ansa
- *Good Hair* by Benilde Little
- *When We Practice to Deceive* by Gloria Mallette
- *Knowing the Rosalyn McMillan*
- *Mama's Girl* by Veronica Chambers
- *The Black Women's Guide to Pampering the Black Man* by Valerie Shaw
- *Push* by Sapphire
- *Man-Made Medicine: Women's Health, Public Policy, and Reform* edited by Kary L. Moss

The Good Ole Days?

1. JellyBeans Skating Rink
2. The pizza we ate in high school
3. Female riding boots
4. The Cabbage Patch
5. Head to Head football game
6. Pitfall on Atari 2600
7. The Green Machine
8. Members Only Jacket
9. Chic-o Sticks
10. Suede Pumas

Student Activities Intra-mural Calendar

January

- 13 Open Play Basketball
- 13 Weight Room Opens
- 13-17 Spade Tournament
- 24 Fun Flicks
- 28 Intra-mural Basketball Begins

February

- 3-6 Chess/Checkers Tournament
- 24-28 Bowling Tournament

March

- 10-14 Spring Break
- 20 Founder's Day

April

- 7 Pool Tournament (8 Ball)
- 21 Pool Tournament (9 Ball)

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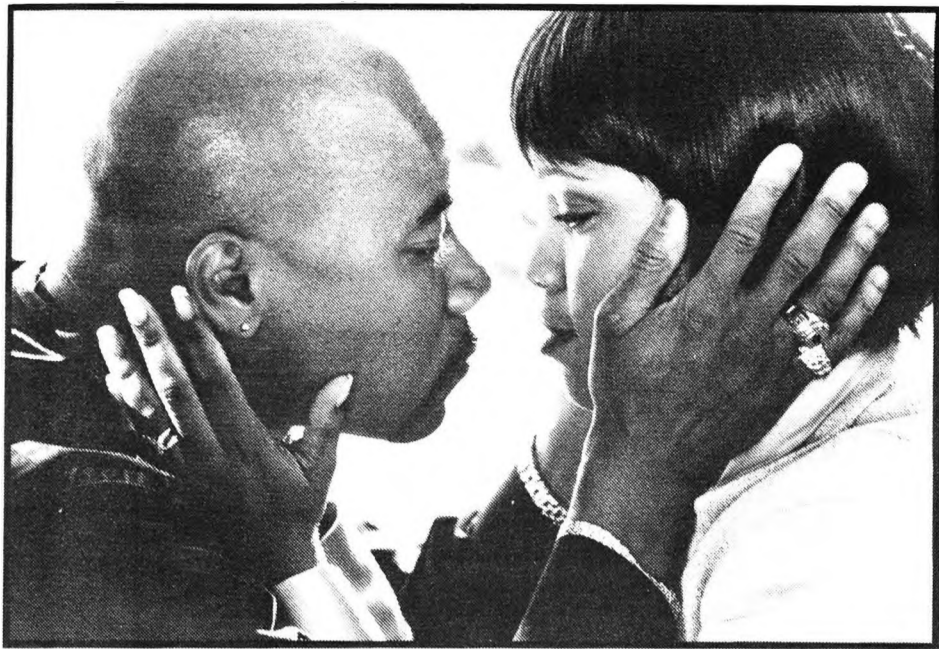
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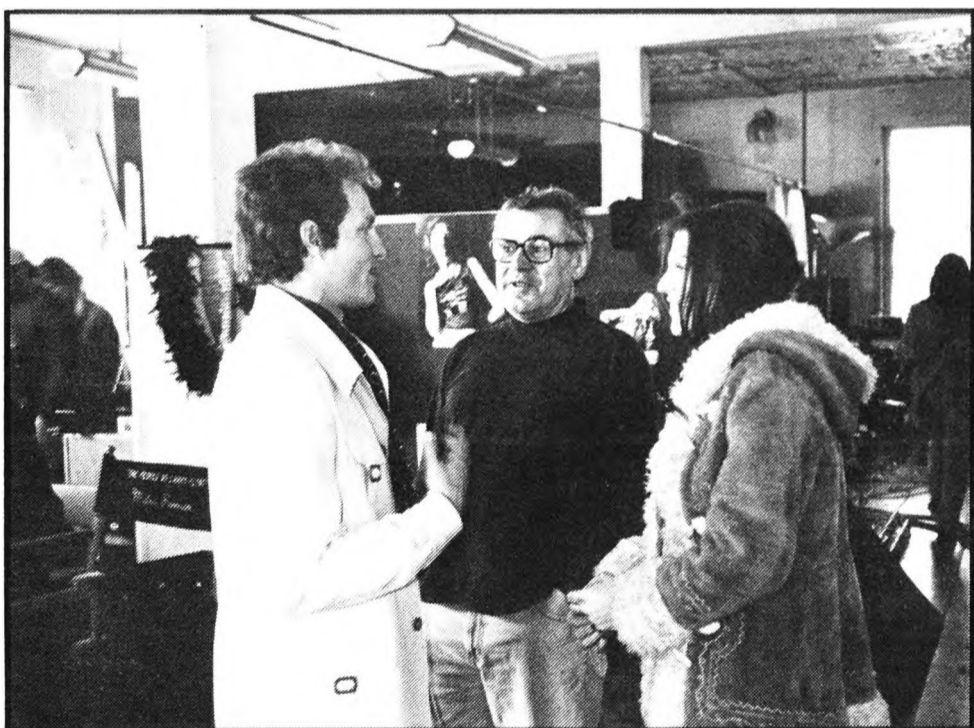
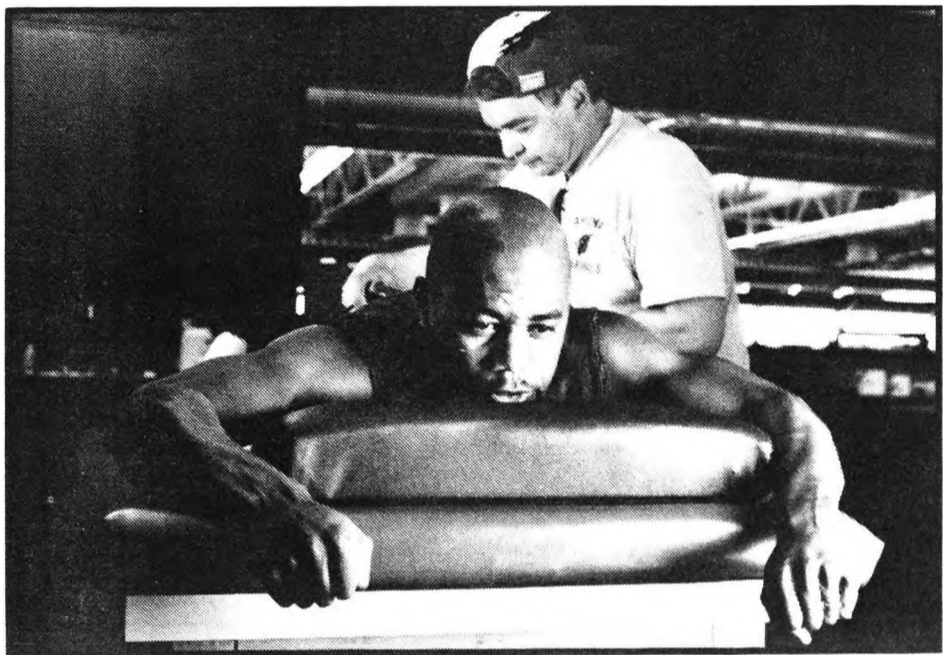
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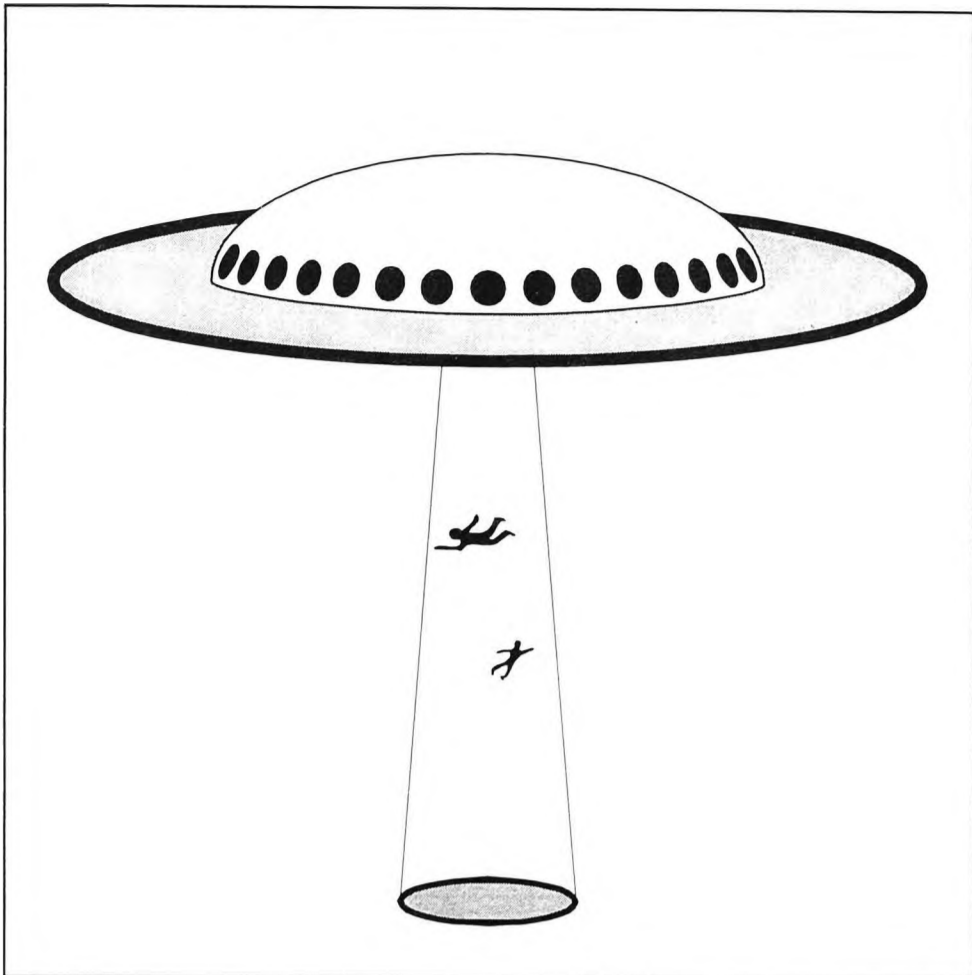


Top - Rod (Cuba Gooding, Jr.) and Marcee Tidwell (Regina King) give one another love support. Bottom - Cuba Gooding, Jr. stars as Rod Tidwell, a family man who pins his hope for success on his agent Jerry Maguire (Tom Cruise) in TriStar Pictures' romantic comedy "JERRY MAGUIRE."



Director Milos Forman, center, confers with castmembers Woody Harrelson, left, and Courtney Love on the set of Columbia Pictures' true life drama "THE PEOPLE VS. LARRY FLYNT."

Out of This World



Dear members of the Brown family,
 Let me start by saying my stay in your household has been a pleasure. I understand my early departure may spread notions of curiosity throughout the family. Please accept my apology. You all deserve an explanation for my behavior over the last couple of weeks. I am an exchange student, and I do come from a tiny province, but I am not from this world. In the year 600 b.c. A tiny planet called Zenox was invaded by barbaric space pirates. All who inhabited this nation were enslaved and stripped of all they possessed. I am a fifth generation descendant of this land. Shape-shifters by nature, those who were experts in magic, managed to combat the threat of total eradication of my kind by cloning themselves after their enemy. I do not wish to alarm the family with this news - I am an alien. The purpose of my journey to your planet was to research your kind in efforts to bring behavioral data to the high priest of Zenox.

For twenty-one earth years I have been documenting social order, person to person interaction, public opinion, government dealings, environmental deposits, animal behavior, technological advances, and opposite gender relationships among your kind. Unfortunately my results indicate a rapid deterioration in all that is morally sacred and naturally necessary. In this bureaucratically organized and centralized industrialism taste are manipulated, so that people consume maximally and in predictable and profitable directions. Individual intelligence and character are standardized. Consumption, it seems, is the main objective of the individuals who govern this land. The information box that Cynthia and young Michael watch constantly, evoke images of mystic euphoria too elaborate for their minds to evade. I have to admit falling victim to the restaurant ads, my earth-weight would have increased tenfold had I not taken Zenoxian weight

stabilizers. Before I continue I have a quick point of advice to share with Cynthia; from what I've noticed your parents are good people and mean well. I feel your immediate peer group threatens everything your

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**You can get your
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parents teach at home. Misery loves company. Don't be fooled by their crafty attempts to steal your originality. Although my physical frame has brought with it a collection of undesirable situations and inevitable pre-conceptions, everything I know is the result of a courageous battle that transcends both our worlds.

The Zenoxian way of life is very different than the life here. For example, we produce asexually in order to insure the longevity of our race. The mating ritual here is too complex. Its competitive overtones stagnate the reproductive code. Economic and materialistic standards regulate the life here on Earth like a clever joke. However, I did not write this letter to spoil our relationship by stating our differences I want to shed some light on your society. Wake up and change your ways before they blow up in your face. Let the new innocence of young Michael show you how you used to be, he will become what you are - do you like what you are? Look to the stars. I will be waving.

ZunisAndoh (Mattq)

CICERO'S CORNER

Times Are Hard by Corliss Sherrell

times are hard and it's sad to say that you have girls and boys die and parents cry each day
times are hard and it's sad to see that a boy only 12 is selling drugs for his family
times are hard and it's sad to know girls that are only 11 won't let their minds grow
times are hard and it's sad to smell the gun powder and the rotten blood; to most people it's swell
times are hard and it's sad there is nothing to do
people keep right on killing people and stalking and scaring you
times are hard and it's sad that it has to be us when little boys carry weapons to school and carry them on the bus
times are hard
can it stop today
no I do not think so
we are not having any better days

The Death That Redeemed Equality

Chapped lips, sweaty chest.
He darts through the city.
He screams, "America,
Where is my equality?"
Limp body, the smell of fresh blood.
One last breath, he murmurs, "America,
Where is your love?"

Climbing

The momentum of hurt instills discipline.
Who can deter the road of the determined?
What man is right, when we are right in our respective minds?
What determines my place in society.
But the influence of Congress?
Then again,
I fight tradition, these castes put in society.
While the government waits to push me off
If I climb too high.
How can I fulfill the American Dream
If I am killed for climbing too high?
The American Dream is my problem.
It seeks to destroy me.
Alone at the dinner table,
Hungry,
Who can I talk to?
My food is bitter, very bitter
Of what purpose is USDA when my food can be poisoned

If I climb too high.
Ah yes, climbing,
That is what every black man does.

A Haiku For You

Today, tonight, tomorrow, rest in my words
I've found a place that is calm
Let me share it's rewards with you
My dreams have been images of us
Spirits dance to our tale at night
Fly with me there we are welcome
Free to embrace our love in space

Just A Thought (Some Can't Handle)

Walk with me, talk with me, embrace my thoughts and let each stroke be your own
As I will seek the light in you until our tones be sewn
together images have power to be born
Guitar
Far too many embrace the all too little understood. I can not love in the larger world of mankind, therefore I seek refuge in the smaller. I am deaf and you are blind, so let us touch and feel to discover one another.

SURVEY

Dear Reader,
The Wolverine Observer wants to hear from you!
Let us know who you are, what you like, and what you think of The Wolverine Observer.

The following articles were requested for reprint because of their importance to our campus community.

AIDS

Are You Next?

by Monique Jennings

During the early eighties, a deadly virus was discovered. Many people who carry the virus don't know how they contracted it. The nation's concerns about this horrifying disease caused researchers to take action. Today, researchers say there is no cure for HIV/AIDS virus.

One researcher said, "Getting AIDS is like playing Russian roulette with your life, so you might as well put a gun to your head and kill yourself." The solution to the problem is abstinence. Another experimentalist says, "It is common among heterosexuals, homosexuals, and bisexuals." The main group contracting the virus are college students.

How does this effect college students? One student said, "There were many times I've had unprotected sex." Some students say if they had the AIDS virus, they would spread it around to other people. Within the Atlanta University Center there is a percentage of students carrying the HIV/AIDS virus. These students don't know they're carrying the virus.

Unprotected sex seems to be the concern for students, but students here on the AUC campuses aren't really concerned. When you are a carrier of the HIV/AIDS virus, you are putting others at risk by having unprotected sex. A person can't tell if another person has the HIV virus unless they are in the final stages.

According to the Department of

Health and Human Services, more than 60,918 cases of AIDS have been reported in the 13 - 29 year old age group - most of these young people were infected in their teens. The sex ratio of AIDS cases in the U.S. is eight men to one woman; among adolescents, it is three men to one woman.

This is one of the most deadly diseases on the face of the earth. Although, no one knows how the disease came about, there are many theories regarding this nasty virus. Unfortunately, many students aren't really concerned about HIV/AIDS, but they need to wake up. If abstinence is not your choice - then please use a latex condom. It is a matter of life and death - YOURS!

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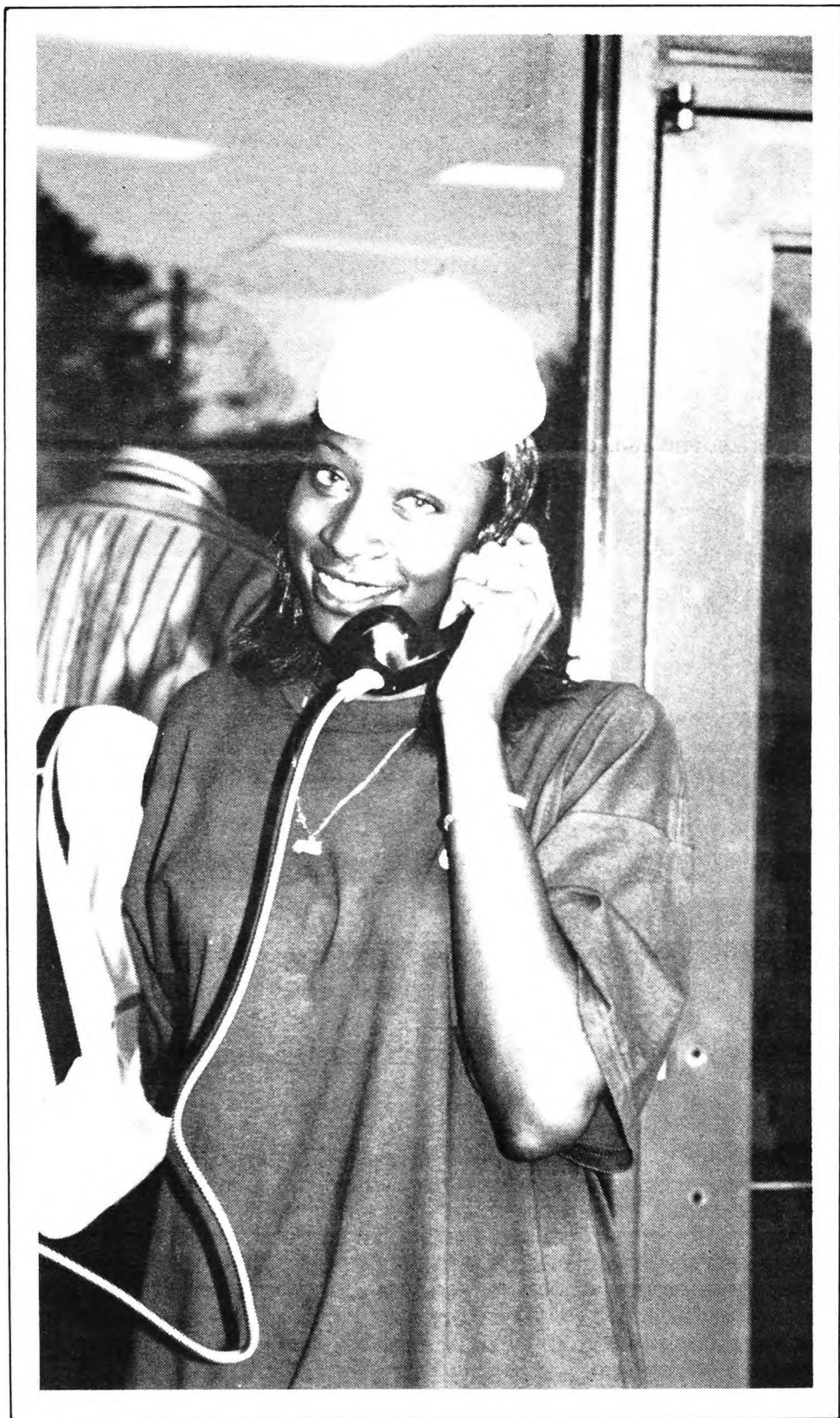
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Reducing Assaults through Protection and Education

by Richard Jones

This article is designed to focus your attention on RAPE in the African-American community. Rape is a violent act. It is not sex or passion. Its purpose is to control, humiliate, and intimidate the victim, whether it is male or female.

There are five types of rape. Date rape or acquaintance rape is committed by someone the victim knows. Marital rape is by a spouse. Child molestation is committed against a child. Incest is committed by a relative. And stranger rape is committed by someone the victim does not know.



The myth of rape is that he or she asked for it. The fact is no man or woman asks to be raped. Regardless of appearance or actions, no one deserves rape. The myth is that most rapes occur among strangers. Not true! More than 75% of rapes occur by someone the victim knows. The myth is that most rapists are African-American and most victims are white female. Not true! This racist myth began as means of social control and to create fear of African-

American men. Most rapes happen within the same race. Only 8% of rapes involve white men raping African-American women and 4% of rapes involve African-American men raping white women.

If you are raped, call the police! Reporting the assault is not the same as filing formal charges or going through the court system. Filing a report just to get the assault on record can:

- Help prevent the rapist from hurting someone else.
- Encourage other survivors to report rapes.
- Give you a sense of control over your situation.
- Be a first step in emotional recovery.

Get medical attention! *Do not* shower or clean yourself because evidence from the attacker could be on your body. It is important to have any physical injuries checked and to be tested for any sexually transmitted diseases, including AIDS.

Find a family member or friend to be with you. Emotional support is very important after the attack. Get help and support. If you have been a victim of rape, become a survivor!

Campus Ministry

Campus Ministry is starting off with high speed velocity. This year will be a year of great success. There are many scheduled events that are sure to be both convicting and edifying. Morris Brown students are in for the experience of a life time. Through dedication and a strong commitment to God, there will be many people saved this year. We are looking forward to conquering trails and making great progress in the name of Jesus. We are excited about this school year.

We are inviting students to become involved in a whirlwind experience that will take you to higher levels than you ever imagined. There are many activities that students may become involved in. There are also new ministries forming that will enhance Campus Ministry and give each participant a new lease on life. We are looking for a fantastic year in Campus Ministry. A schedule of activities are listed below, if there are any questions or thoughts please contact Campus Ministry at (404) 220-0307 from 9 A.M. to 5 P.M.

Choir Rehearsal	Every Monday at 7:00 P.M. Viola Hill Auditorium
Bible Study	Every Tuesday at 7:00 P.M. Cochran Lounge
Joy Night	Every Thursday at 7:00 P. M. TBA
Morning Prayer	Monday-Friday at 6:00 A.M.- 7:00 P.M. Borders Lounge

New Ministries Forming
Alpha and Omega Club
Hour Of Prayer
P.K. Club (Preachers Kid's Club)
Gospel Ganstars (Evangelism Team)
COME AND BE BLESSED

ALUMNI UPDATE

Morris Brown College Office of Alumni Affairs
(A Department of the Institutional Advancement Division)

What are we going to do with our traditions?

(Considerations for a rambling mind)

To our students, we are sure that registration has been "fun" because it is a tradition for patience and learning how to stand in lines. This ritual has prepared alumni over the years to be patient in automobile tag lines, income tax lines, and even lines for that major concert everyone wants to attend. The College has been working to install a computerized telephone registration system, although the implementation timetable has been slower than what the College's administrators were expecting. Once the new program is completed, we are

going to find another way to train our students for the real world.

At the time of this writing, registration is taking place for the 1997 Spring semester and high school students are submitting applications for the Fall semester. It is a special time of reflection and observation for some, and it is playing havoc with the enrollment management division.

A paradox is hearing students "praying" to find ways of getting finished with college, while others are praying to be admitted to the College. Many of those praying to get finished, have expressed some discontent with some of the processes they have experienced, however, many forget those days when they were praying for an acceptance letter.

Touring the campus has produced a few interesting observations of time tested traditions that appear to be on their way to extinction, but at a cost.

1997 Annual Fund Drive

The annual fund drive begins at Morris Brown College on July 1st and ends on June 30th of the following year. One of the major components of the annual fund drive is our **Founders Day Celebration** which will be held on March 20, 1997. The Founders Day Drive is specifically targeted for the purpose of increasing the *unrestricted* funds for the College. The unrestricted funds are used for the general operations of the institution.

The 1996/97 Annual Fund goal is \$2.8 million from all contribution areas. The years Founders Day goal is to raise a total of \$480,000, through the following category challenges:

Churches	\$125,000
Alumni	\$100,000
Board of Trustees	\$100,000
Organizations	\$75,000
Faculty and Staff	\$50,000
Friends	\$25,000
Students	\$5,000

Our entire College family has traditionally contributed during our Founders Day Drive. Such demonstrations of internal support enhances the opportunities for external funding which often looks to see how our College is supporting its own vision and mission, and then joins our efforts.

Do Not Forget Your Alma Mater as You Get Ready for Tax Season

As the end of the year approaches, consider making a financial gift to Morris Brown. There are several opportunities available to assist the College, while taking advantage of personal tax deductions.

There are a number of special programs and scholarship funds to which gifts can be made. These opportunities range from academic departments, extra-curricular activities, and endowed scholarship funds.

Gifts can be made in a variety of ways: personal check, credit cards, authorized automatic bank draft, or on an installment plan. You may request that your gift be on behalf of a reunion class or alumni chapter, regardless of how you designate your gift.

Supporters who have made in-kind gifts since July 1, 1996, but have not submitted documentation to the areas who received the donated goods or service, need to do so as soon as possible.

Endowment Activities Announcements

The family of the late Mary B. Jordan has committed to establishing a \$1 million *Mary B. Jordan Endowed Chair in Catering* for the College's Hospitality Administration Department (HAD) Alumni and friends of the HAD are invited to make gifts to this campaign.

A committee consisting of the family, alumni, and friends has been formed to institute a \$300,000 campaign to fund a *Cleopas Redwood Johnson Endowed Scholarship Fund*. Alumni and friends, and especially former band members are requested to make gifts in remembrance of Mr. Johnson, who was the director of bands at Morris Brown for 35 years.

A Scholarship Establishment Board has been organized to develop a \$50,000 endowed scholarship fund in the name of the late *Judge Josephine Homes Cook*. The honorary chairpersons of the board are Dr. Mary Shy Scott, Fulton County (GA) Commissioner Michael Hightower, and Georgia State Senator Ralph D. Abernathy, III. Real estate developer Dr. Marion Jackson, and Ms. Louise Todd Hansford of *Fine Arts by Todd, Inc.* are major sponsors of the campaign.



If the Wolverine OBSERVER didn't tell you, who would?



The new HERNDON STADIUM.

From The Office of Alumni Affairs

"The College on Diamond Hill"

Founders Day at Morris Brown College is fast approaching, and each year a special appeal is made to all Brownites and friends to make a contribution to the College. On March 20, 1997, there will be a convocation to celebrate the 116th anniversary of an institution that has touched the lives of thousands of people in the African-American community, especially in the State of Georgia.

Morris Brown College is located on Diamond Hill, the highest geographical point in the City of Atlanta. The College is a diamond in its own rights in that it has the hardness to persevere through some very difficult times, and there is much work to be done. The institution has stabilized the big picture, and is now working on the difficult tasks of implementing the details. An example is the new Herndon Stadium, which now houses portions of the athletic and music departments, is a state-of-the-art facility that has drawn the attention of even NCAA Division I schools for its amenities. The details include insuring that it is properly maintained, establishing policies and procedures for commercial use and football season operational components.

Morris Brown College is on the verge of making a serious move to take advantage of its excellent academic and financial situation. To do so will take the cooperation and understanding of the entire family to make it happen.



There has been a common theme that Morris Brown College is a reminder that "self help" is not a new phase, because it was the foundation for the establishment of the College in 1881. It has been an institution that has been on the cutting edge of presenting the opportunities to its students to improving the quality of life for themselves, and for the community where they later reside.

During the years when African-Americans really needed educators, there was Morris Brown College. When the corporate and public sectors began to open in the 1960s and 1970s, there was Morris Brown College. Now as we prepare for the 21st century, high technology, cottage industries, and environmentally related fields are developing, and here is Morris Brown College. The College has been called a "diamond in the rough", and it is time to make it shine.

There is more room in my closet at home than in the dormitory!

That was a recent comment about the new dorm rooms in the Olympic Village at Georgia Tech, and not those in the Middleton Complex. The newest dormitory at Morris Brown College was constructed in 1968, with only Wilkes Hall and the Sarah Allen Quadrangle being the only other living quarters in use on the campus. Will the renovation of Gaines Hall increase the level of competition for the campus dorm step shows or bring back the tradition of watching the football games from the corner rooms.

It is understood that the board of trustees and administration is considering plans for a new dormitory that will have an apartment complex floor plan. The question is, how many complaints will there be when the room rates rise to \$6000 per school year for the new facility?

Food, Food, Food!

Can you imagine standing outside of an entrance way in the rain and cold, waiting for the doors to open for breakfast. What about the misery of missing the 1 o'clock lunch closing time on Sundays and not getting a "goodie bag" (a sandwich and a fruit), because dinner was not offered on Sundays! Those were the days when the cafeteria was in the basement of Gaines Hall. Is anyone really using the "Time Out" snack shop in the Hickman Center? It appears that something is not

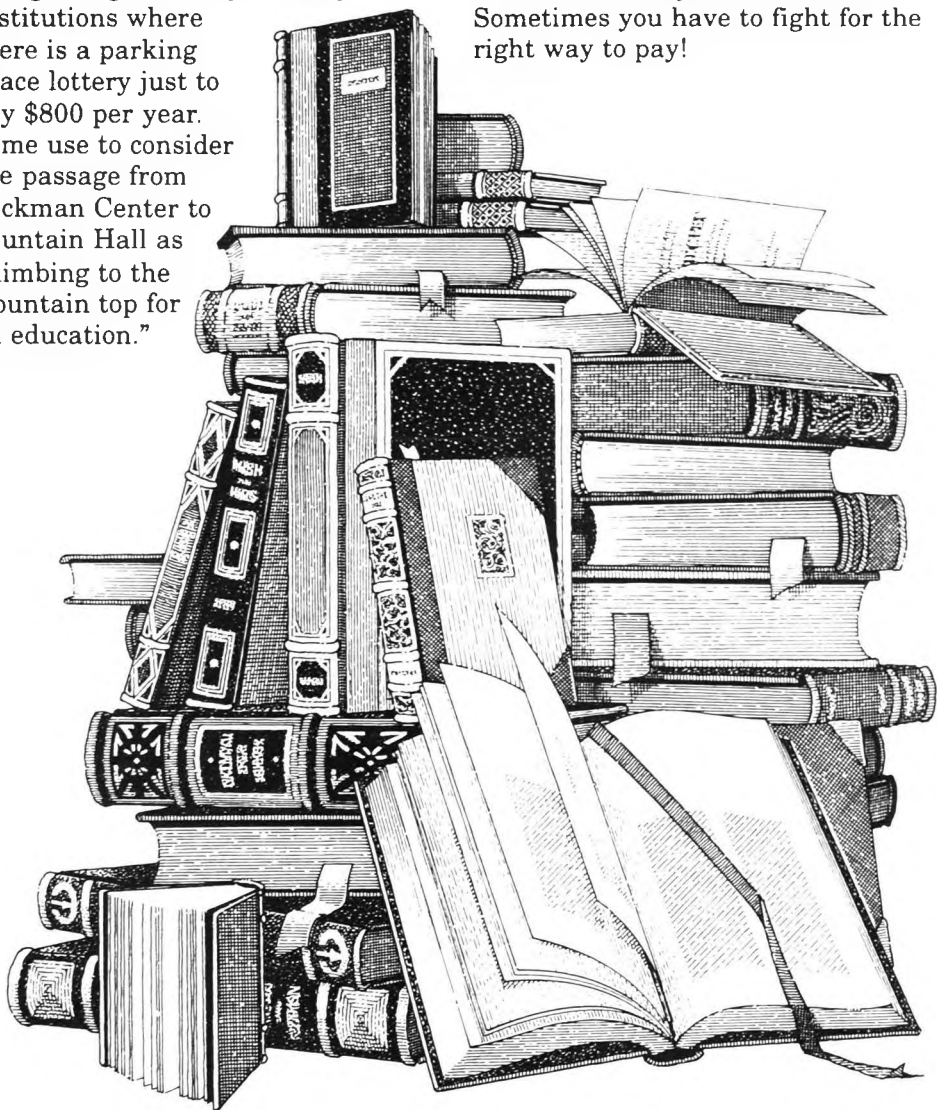
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quite working right with the culinary marketing strategy in the area, when the Hardees and the Church's Chicken franchises have closed within the past year on Northside Drive.

A slight of hand, some one attempted to break into the Scholars Restaurant area last semester...We need to hurry up and complete the renovation of the facility, folks are breaking down the doors to get in!

What part of that "No Parking" sign don't you understand?

We have already seen the days of \$15 a year parking permits go the way of ten cent hot dogs. With the current pressure for more parking spaces, we can look forward to \$800 per year parking fees for an enclosed garage, or go the way of many institutions where there is a parking space lottery just to pay \$800 per year. Some use to consider the passage from Hickman Center to Fountain Hall as "climbing to the mountain top for an education."



In the meantime, for some reason there are individuals who prefer to periodically pay (A-Tow \$75) to have their cars towed by the City of Atlanta police, rather than purchase a \$60 parking permit to park in the Hickman Center parking lot . . . go figure!

Not Taking Yearbook Pictures,

and not being involved with campus activities are two excellent ways to frustrate your director of alumni affairs! When it comes time to highlight your college experience, you can only show others a picture of yourself among a large crowd in a picture taken at Herndon stadium during Homecoming.

Scholarships, Grant-In-Aid, Loans and Refunds... I've got a problem!

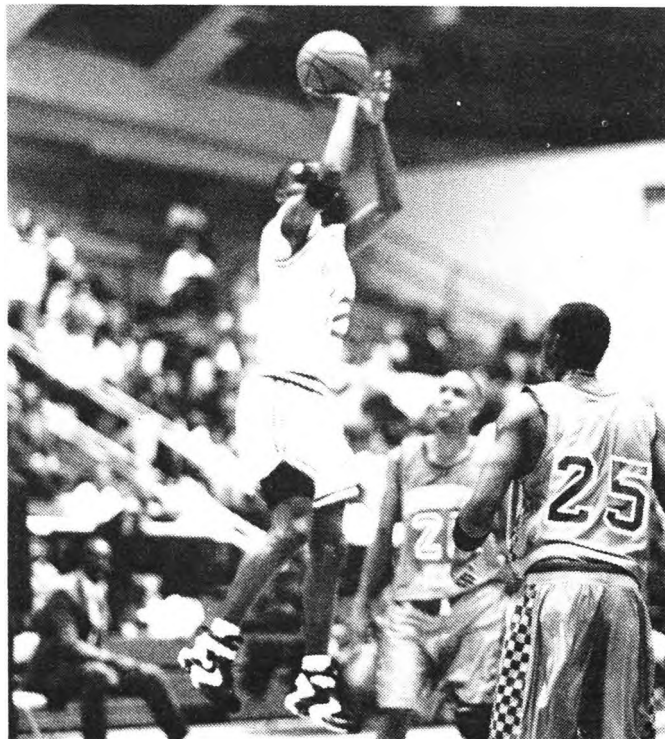
For some reason, it has been a tradition to wait until registration to consider that the financial aid department can correct 2,000 individual financial situations within a week. This semi-annual occurrence helps students, in a round-about-way, to prepare for the real world of loan processing and taxes. Financial aid is like getting a bank loan, you have to work for it and then you have to make sure everybody understands that you deserve it...in writing and make sure that you keep your documentation. Students learn that if you receive a refund check from the IRS, and you know that you owe them money, that you have to hold true to the fact that you owe, regardless of what the IRS says at the time. Sometimes you have to fight for the right way to pay!

Books cost an arm and a leg!

Students learn the meaning of sticker shock when they find out their total book bill for the semester. This reduces the anxiety factor when they go shopping for their first automobile as a wage earning adult. What is the difference between a 1997 and a 1996 automobile...about 30%! At the same time, when the Pre-Alumni Council offer to develop a book exchange program, only one student showed an interest, which means that we have to educate our students that classified advertisements work for both the buyers and the sellers.

These traditions are not isolated to the campus of Morris Brown College, but with just a little help they will change. Let us be prepared to make those changes our first priority.

SPORTS



1997 Men's Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
January 11	Clark Atlanta University(CAU)	Atlanta, GA	8:00pm
15	Miles College	Atlanta, GA	8:00pm
18	Kentucky State University	Frankfort, KY	8:00pm
20	Alabama A&M University	Huntsville, AL	8:00pm Est
22	Paine College	Atlanta, GA	8:00pm
25	Albany State College	Atlanta, GA	8:00pm
27	Savannah State College	Atlanta, GA	8:00pm
29	Paine College	Augusta, GA	8:00pm
February 1	Clark Atlanta University	Atlanta, GA	8:00pm
8	Morehouse College	Atlanta, GA	8:00pm
10	Fort Valley State College	Ft. Valley, GA	8:00pm
12	Alabama A&M University	Atlanta, GA	8:00pm
15	Savannah State College	Savannah, GA	8:00pm
19	Fort Valley State College	Atlanta, GA	8:00pm

1997 Women's Basketball Schedule

Date	Opponent	Site	Time
January 11	Clark Atlanta University(CAU)*	Atlanta, GA	6:00pm
15	Miles College*	Atlanta, GA	6:00pm
18	Kentucky State University*	Frankfort, KY	5:15pm
20	Alabama A&M University*	Huntsville, AL	5:00pm EST
22	Paine College*	Atlanta, GA	6:00pm
25	Albany State College*	Atlanta, GA	6:00pm
27	Savannah State College*	Atlanta, GA	6:00pm
29	Paine College*	Augusta, GA	6:00pm
February 1	Clark Atlanta University(MBC)*	Atlanta, GA	6:00pm
7	Spelman College(SC)	Atlanta, GA	7:00pm
10	Fort Valley State College*	Fort Valley, GA	6:00pm
12	Alabama A&M University	Atlanta, GA	6:00pm
15	Savannah State College*	Savannah, GA	6:00pm
17	Voorhees College	Atlanta, GA	7:00pm
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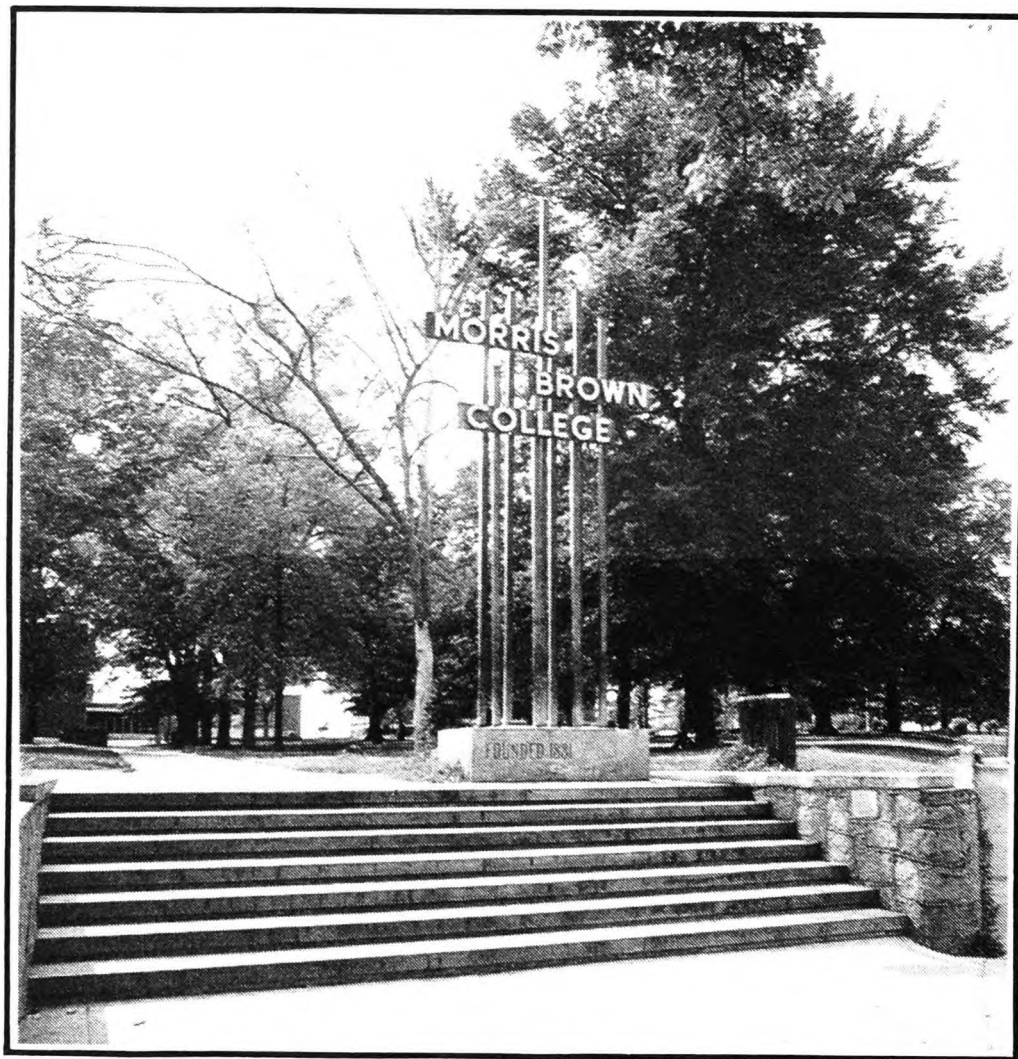
*Conference Games

1997 Men's and Women's Track & Field Outdoor Schedule (Tentative)

Date	Opponent	Site
March 8	Catherine Hardy Invitational	Ft Valley, GA
	or	
	FAMU Relays	Tallahassee, GA
15	Morehouse Relays	Atlanta, GA
22-23	Alabama Relays	Tuscaloosa, AL
28-29	Florida Relays	Gainesville, FL
29	Emory Classic	Decatur, GA
April 5	Spec Towns Invitational	Athens, GA
	or	
	Sea Rays Relays	Knoxville, TN
9	AU Center Championships	Atlanta, GA
13	GA USATF M/W's Championships	Atlanta, GA
17-19	SIAC Championships	TBA
24-26	Penn Relays	Philadelphia, PA
May 5	Georgia Invitational	Athens, GA
12	Morris Brown College Challenge	Atlanta, GA
19	Griffin Invitational	Atlanta, GA
22-26	NCAA Division II Championships	Edwardsville, IL

NOTICE

Students!
Are you having problems
with registration?..



Adding or dropping classes, Financial Aid, General Registration, and classes being overfilled. If so, contact the *Wolvering Observer* by phone or come by Hickman and let us know your problem.

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