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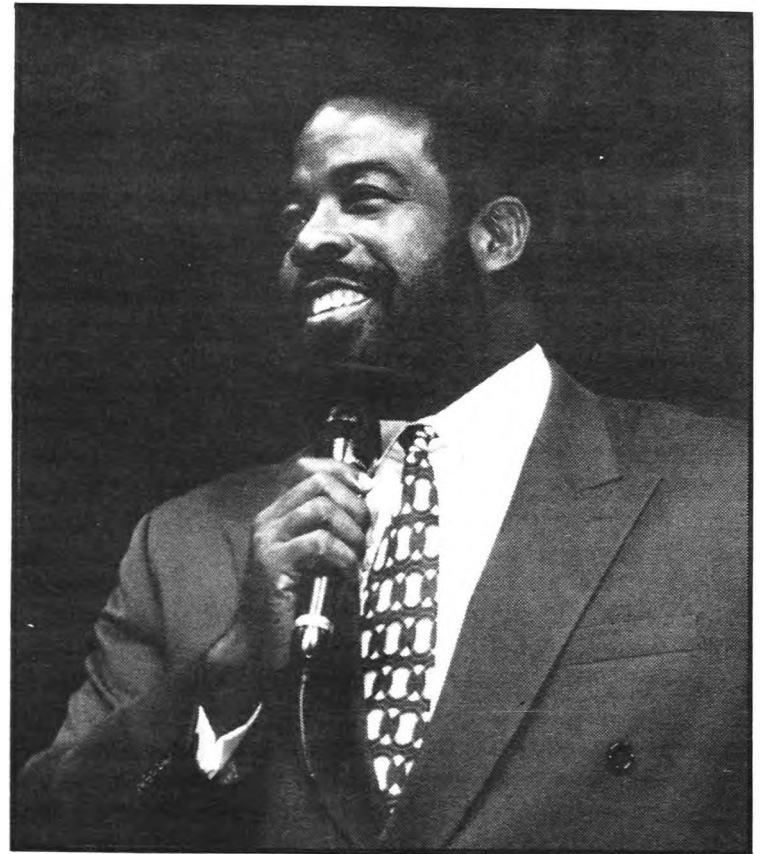


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"Dedicated to Educating the Leaders of Tomorrow" in the AUC

Les Brown to speak at Morris Brown's 117th Commencement



Les Brown

Renowned motivational speaker, author and philanthropist Les Brown will address the 117th commencement class of Morris Brown College 2 p.m., Monday, May 18, 1998, at the Atlanta Civic Center.

Graduating this year are an expected 250 students, 36 with honors.

COLD SEASON PART II: *Disability Awareness Week*

By Anissa Vitalis

As the second semester of the 1997-98 academic year comes to a close, eyes are starting to open. The word is finally getting out that there is a new organization and office on campus that needs your help. I am referring to the Students With Disabilities (organization) and the Challenge Center for Disabled Students.

Many persons on campus have chosen to ignore us or have failed to deal with the

issues of students with disabilities, but we will not simply go away, nor will the issues. When the Wolverine Observer published our article "Cold Season" earlier this year, some persons came forward and the Challenge Center was at least recognized. Now their eyes are open. Because at first there seemed to be few faculty and students who were deaf and blind, people did not want to hear about disabled students or their problems. We have



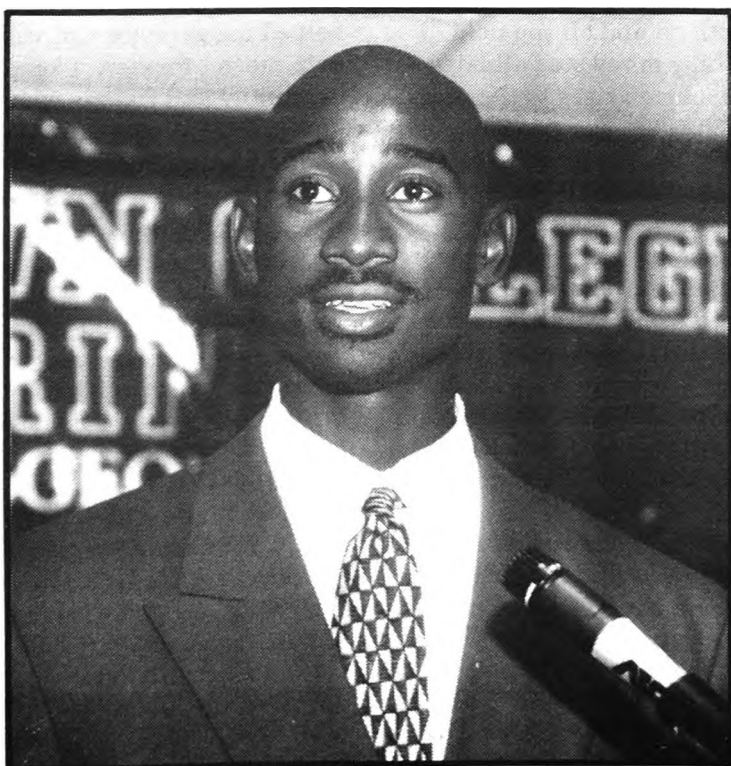
Jennifer Holliday

come a long way since last semester and have even had the chance to celebrate Disability Awareness Week (April 27-29).

The week featured a special motivational convocation featuring Broadway star and

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Tadpole drafted by the Green Bay Packers



Rosevelet "Tadpole" Blackmon

by Simona E. Rabsatt

His unusual nickname draws the attention of many, but it is his energy on the field that has drawn the attention of the National Football league. Known to his family and friends as Tadpole (because his father was called Frog), Roosevelt Blackmon has turned his dream of becoming a pro-athlete into a reality. On Sunday, April 19, 1998, Blackmon was drafted by the Green Bay Packers as their third pick.

Having begun his college football career at Morris Brown college many would say that Blackmon came out of nowhere to help lead the Fighting Wolverines to a 6-5

record (their best record since 1988) his last season of play. Despite an early season injury that took him out of commission for part of the season, it was his will to play and make things happen that garnered him all of his success.

This Bell Glad, Florida native had his mind set on playing football and would

not take "no" for an answer. His decision to come to Morris Brown was aided by a cousin who already attended the institution. But, when he went to try out for the team his size got in the way.

Not one to be put on the back burner for long, he decided he was still going to be a part of the team and signed

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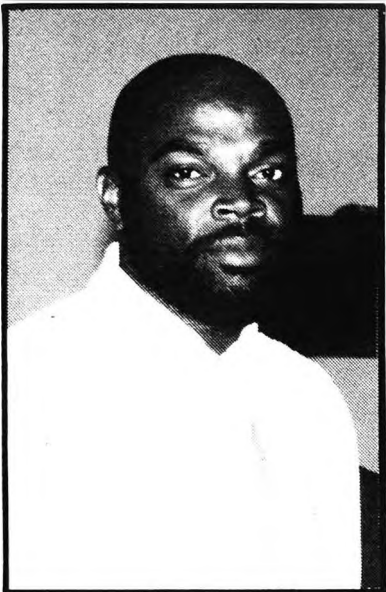
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EDITORIALS

An Open Letter to the Morris Brown Campus Community



Miquiel Banks, Editor-in-Chief

The Costs of Being a Wolverine

Freaknic, what does it mean to me? It is when we get together and have a good time or is it when we go out and pick us a freak? You know, kinda like a freaky picnic? Especially when we consider that whites use to gather together and buy slaves, or as they put it, pick a nigger, which probably became pic-a-nic, or picnic as we call it today. It's no accident that it's called Freaknic, my friends. Believe me, there's always a reason for names and what is the cost to us - our dignity, pride, and respect.

Lock at the following examples - Los Angeles, doesn't it look like a rearranged spelling of Lost Angels? New York, what was the old York? Atlanta, can you see a rearranged spelling of Atlantis, I wonder why? Therefore Wolverines, we see now, the importance of names, but we obviously don't understand this concept. Only a few years ago, our ancestors fought against being labeled

as a nigger and now we address one another as niggers and what's the cost to us - our identities.

We complain about how high tuition is, but do we complain when someone snatches a water fountain out of the wall in the Borders. The cost to us is \$15,000.

There was a fight - things got out of hand. It cost us a gifted student's life, Hartwill Cornelius. We have a few problems and we run to the off campus media for help. We got by this time because it only costs us our name.

We're given rooms at the Howard Johnson - we encounter a few minor problems - once again, we run to the off campus media. This time, it costs us our reputation and without that, what do we really have?

On the other hand, our newspaper wins first place, but did we notify the media? The public and the surrounding community found out because of the W.O. distribution? Our Cheerleading squad won first place, but did we tell anyone? Our UN Model Team won first place and was written about in Jet magazine, but did we tell anyone outside of our own campus media? Those moments are history in the making. Therefore, the cost to us is simple - when we forget our history, we cease to exist.

As Dr. Frank M. Reid III said on two different occasions. First, know who you are and whose you are. You are yourself, but you are a part of the Morris Brown family. Never forget that. Next, we can't go on blaming each other - because we've all been hurt at some point and we must move forward, not backward.

The Alma Mater says it all - Dear Ole Morris Brown. That name means a lot to us for we are the descendants and in-

heritors of a triple and powerful legacy - our African ancestors, our MBC founders, and our various families abroad throughout the world. They love and loved us enough to sacrifice for us, now my friends, are we going to let them down? We must become powerful lights so that we can shine throughout the universe because he who has a light doesn't hide it, no, he places it where it can shine. Therefore, this light of mine, I'm gonna let it shine. How about you, my fellow Wolverines?

Well wishes from ALPHA LAMBDA CHI

As we prepare for the summer, the men of ALPHA LAMBDA CHI FRATERNITY INC. would like to wish each and every member of the Morris Brown College Family a productive and safe summer in your many endeavors. To the class of 1998 we wish you luck in your future plans and hope that as alumni you will give back to this great school. Remember everywhere you go; you represent not only yourself but our beloved institution.

The men of ALPHA LAMBDA CHI would like to wish a special congratulations to our S.A.P.P.H.I.R.E.S. sisters who are graduation: Kesha Gay Adama Hudson Nakia McGuire Annika Young

Holliday

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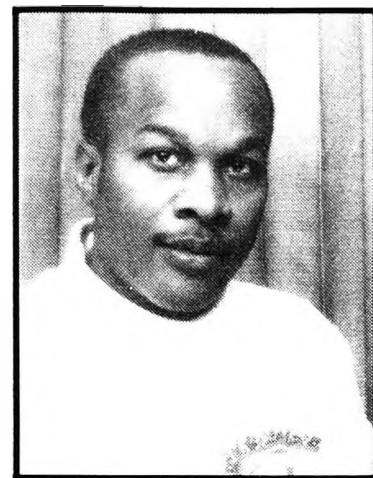
Grammy award winner Ms. Jennifer Holliday. The campus was asked to be empathetic by 'Choosing a Disability for a Day'. The purpose was to promote awareness and sensitivity on campus to the plight of disabled students. Morris Brown alumna and paralympian, Curtis Lovejoy also participated in the week's activities.

We wish to thank all those who supported our activities and continue to support our cause. If you wish to show more support, please contact Rev. Deborah Grant at the Challenge Center for the Disabled, room 209, Hickman Student Center or call 404-220-3744.

The Incredible Power Within You

by Chad Nathaniel

Within you, there resides an incredible inexhaustible Power that you can tap into so that you may be able to attract the kind of career or job opportunity that you want most in your professional life. Although you may have never made this discovery, there lies within you hidden powers, unlimited in nature, ready to do as you command. This Intelligence, or incredible Power, has been around and available every since the creation of the universe. It is a Creative Force that is operative in each and every one of our lives. Yes, you have access to the greatest power in the universe and guess what, it lives within you. Now that you are aware



of having an incredible Power within you and it is at your disposal for attracting the right career or occupation towards you, you may be asking yourself, where is this great Power and how do I get in touch with it in order to get the kind of career or job I am after?

First, you are a spiritual being. Being that you are a spiritual being living in a universe governed by spiritual and mental laws, you have what is called an Inner Self. Your Inner Self is that dimension of your personality that has unlimited creative

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Blackmon

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up to work with Cecil B. Fredd Jr. as an assistant equipment manager. He washed uniforms to help pay for his tuition as well as his room and board. And in 1994 walked onto the team providing the Wolverines with some of the most spectacular highlights.

As a cornerback, he has matured into one of the top defensive backs and most dangerous punt returners in the country. During his years at Morris Brown, Blackmon has been blessed with many honors, among them: Morris Brown's Male Athlete of the Year (1996) and - in his last year of play - the prestigious Golden Helmet Award which is given by Coca-Cola Corporation to the student-athlete who exemplifies outstanding sportsmanship and ability both on and off the field.

Like many star athletes, Blackmon rises to the occasion whenever needed. "I first remember hearing about Roosevelt in 1994 while coaching at Savannah. I heard he was a good player who was the ball boy the year before. The first day we met he asked about my philosophy so much I asked him was he the AD (athletic director)," states Coach Joe Crosby who has coached Blackmon for the past two seasons. He goes on to say, "...the one thing I promised him was that he would leave Morris Brown College a winner."

Under Crosby's tutelage he has become a winner who has had the opportunity to perform at the ALL-SIAC team as well as the Senior Bowl.

Each of these opportunities has brought him face to face with the who's who of college and pro-football. Not one to miss the opportunity to show his skills, Blackmon has made the best of his time catching the eye of many.

Now that he is headed for the big leagues his name is popping up on the list of the sports media. He has already graced the pages of ESPN Magazine, Sports News and The Atlanta Journal-Constitution to name a few; he's been heard over the air waves on V-103 and talked the talk with WQXI's *The Zone*. Television has not missed the beat either with WSB Channel 2, WAGA Channel 5, AUC Sports and ESPN already knocking down the door for interviews.

So how does this rising star keep his head on straight and his eye on the prize? "I keep my faith in God," Blackmon states. "He's the one who's helped me get here and will help me get farther. I keep my family and friends who have been with me all along close to me and I turn to those I trust like my mother, Coach Crosby, my agent, etc."

His good sense of humor and wit along with his strong beliefs will help him go far. He has joined a list of student-athletes who helped bring Morris Brown College to national attention. He's not afraid to say where he came from and where he is going. He won't take no for an answer when he knows "yes" let's him show his best. He is a dreamer that has turned a dream into a reality and shown the world that with a little gumption and belief in yourself anything is possible.

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POLITICS:

Senate Bills passed during the 1997-98 Session

The following is a synopsis of senate Bills passed during the Student Senate Legislative session

SB 1997-001 F

A document be produced and a flow chart that completely outlines the processes that a Bill/Resolution undergoes once it is ratified by the Senate and approved by the SGA President.

SB 1998-001 S

A document be produced by the vice President of Finance and submitted to the Senate outlining the breakdown of the Student Activity Fee.
Status: The document appears in this issue of the Wolverine Observer.

SB 1998-002 S

The college make available the funds for an effective P.A./Sound and Lighting system/equipment. All persons who will operate said equipment shall be properly trained and be supervised by the Office of Student Activities, the SGA or the Director of Audio/Video services.
Status: Awaiting administrative approval/funding.

SB 1998-003 S

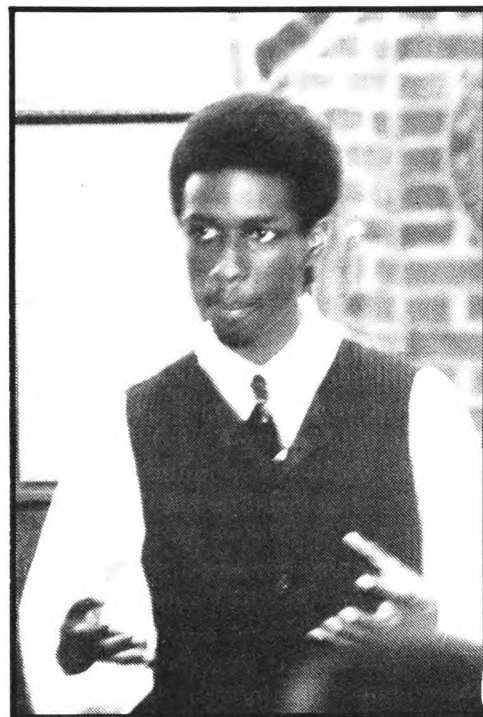
A child care director be hired on campus and a facility provided for students with young children.
Status: Awaiting administrative approval/funding.



Allen Francois
SGA President 97-98



Tonya McAlpine - External Vice President



Wole Ralph - SGA President

Dear Brownites,

Many institutions have fallen short of a prosperous end, and Morris Brown continues to rise.

Many claim to be number one and succumb, and still Morris Brown lives on.

We are recognized as "the diamond in the ruff," and we continue to shine.

For those who know of us say, "we are the best kept secret," but now it is time for us to rise, shine and tell the secret that has kept us alive for 117 years.

As a graduating senior, I have seen many changes occur at Morris Brown College. Changes that have healed dear ole Morris Brown and changes that have made the struggle more difficult. As students we see negative changes and think that our institution is at the brink of distinction. *As long as we remember that our institution is founded under the order of God and whoever believeth in him shall not perish, but have everlasting life,* then we will exist for a lifetime.

As Brownites, we must continue to love and support our institution through thick and thin. In the thick because that is when obstacles are infinite and through the thin because that creates solidarity for our institution.

This year we dedicated ourselves to diligence and perseverance. We committed ourselves to serving our fellow Brownites. That we have done. We are appreciative of the unfettered support and love exemplified by the student body. Although, everything can not be corrected in one year, the legacy, the torch, and the inheritance must continue.

As an individual, continue to rise, shine and talk about Morris Brown College.

God bless and keep supporting all of our Black Institutions.



Michelin Taylor - Miss MBC

1998 SGA Election Results

	Count	Pct
Ballots Cast - TOTAL	710	
For SGA President		
Wole Ralph	375	53.27
Dwayne Hill	173	24.57
Brelon Jones	156	22.16
For SGA External Vice President		
Tonya McAlpine	623	100.00
For SGA Business Manager		
Akosua 'Koko' Nyannor	382	57.70
Fred Watson	280	42.30
For SGA Recording Secretary		
Tara Merriweather	629	100.00
For Miss Morris Brown		
Michelin Taylor	603	100.00
For Miss Senior		
Tokie Rome	188	100.00
For Junior Class Secretary		
Bianna Ine	186	100.00
For Miss Junior		
Kesha McCollum	99	49.50
Montenia Anderson	51	25.50
Crystal Moon	50	25.00
For Sophomore Class President		
Maurice Goss	155	100.00

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powers. However, your Inner Self has two regions to it but in contemporary culture we are so often familiar with only the first region which is the Outer Self. With this region of your being, you think, reflect, reason deductively and inductively and analyze. Now the second part of your personality is called the Inner Self. This region is just below the surface of the Outer Self. This region, the Inner Self, represents the incredible Power within you.

This is the part of your being that has unlimited powers. It, believe me, can do anything. Your Inner Self has great creative powers and if used constructively, you can attract or draw any desirable career or occupation into your professional life.

One of the most unique ways of getting in touch with this incredible Power so that you may attract whatever career or occupation is through the process of visualization. Through the process of visualization you are

getting in touch and communicating to this great Power that which you want out of your professional life- career change, job promotion or even increase in salary. Visualization means that you are sitting quietly with your eyes closed creating mental images or pictures of whatever you want right now from life. After you have done this for sometime over and over again, your incredible Power then goes to work with all of its resources and brings back to you whatever you have

visualized - over time. You are an incredible person because you have within you an incredible Power that will do anything for you. Call upon it, visualize your desirable career or occupation. Visualize the kind of career or occupation you want most out of your professional life and believe me your Inner Self will bring it into your life sooner or later.

Sincerely,
Chad Nathaniel
Atlanta, GA

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Unbearable.

Dangerously
Believable.

Subsequently
Fatal.

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CAMPUS NEWS

MBC Alumna WINS New Car in Scholarship Raffle



Dr. Adams with Carolyn Cramer Coordinator for Institutional Advancement

ATLANTA - Morris Brown College alumna Dr. Nellie W. Adams is the proud new owner of a 1997 white Oldsmobile Cutlass GLS, thanks to the National Oldsmobile Marketing Association and the Bryant Gumbel/UNCF Golf Classic. The automobile was awarded to Morris Brown as a raffle prize by NBA stars Bill Russell and John Havlicek who participated in the golf tournament on behalf of the College last fall. The campus car raffle raised \$15,000 towards student scholarships for Morris Brown.

Adams, who purchased 100 raffle tickets, was shocked to hear her winning ticket announced at Morris Brown College's 117th Founders Day Celebration on March 5, 1998.

"It was a big and pleasant surprise," says Dr. Adams, "That's the only vehicle I have in operation, so it

came at a good time."

Adams, a 1950 graduate of Morris Brown, is a long-time supporter of the institution. "Morris Brown has done so much as far as my being what I am today. I am indebted to the College. Whatever I can do to uplift the school I will do. That's my driving force, Adams says.

Adams' new car originally was provided to the UNCF by the national Oldsmobile Marketing Association. The car was the grand prize at the Bryant Gumbel/UNCF Golf Classic held last year at Disney World.

Russell and Havlicek were a team during the Classic and selected Morris Brown as the UNCF college they would represent in the fundraising golf tournament. Their expertise on the golf course netted them the grand prize Oldsmobile Cutlass GLS.

Racquel N. Watson accepted to program in Cortona, Italy

Morris Brown College's own Racquel Watson was accepted to an Art and Design School in *Cortona, Italy*. Racquel is the *first* student from Morris Brown College to be admitted

to the program. Furthermore, she is one out of one-hundred students chosen from a national pool of over 200 applicants. Last month, Racquel's work was displayed in the annual Benedict College HBCU's Art Invitational. She was the *only* person selected in the Atlanta University Center to submit her work.

Racquel's efforts are to raise **\$10,000.00 by May 15, 1998** to support her efforts to attend the UGA Studies Aboard Program at Cortona, Italy. There has been a scholarship fund established at *Capitol City Bank & Trust Company*, located at I-20 and Lee Street in the West End. For more information please call 404-830-7085. All financial gifts will be accepted and greatly appreciated. *Racquel Watson, Student Representative to Cortona, Italy for the 1998 Summer semester.*

Wyatt wins \$5,000 Wesson Oil "Chefs of Tomorrow" Scholarship



Pictured left to right: Ron Ewald, Account Manager, Hunt-Wesson, Inc., Audra Dannelle Love, \$750.00 merit recipient, Michael Wyatt, \$5,000 Chef's of Tomorrow, Chantanel Carmichael, \$750.00 merit recipient, Gloria Tate, Chair-Hospitality Administration Department

Michael Wyatt, a Decatur, Georgia native and sophomore Hospitality Administration major at Morris Brown College, is one of four grand prize winners of the Wesson Oil \$20,000 "Chefs of Tomorrow" Sweepstakes. Grand prize winners were randomly selected in a national drawing among eligible entrants. Each will receive a \$5,000 scholarship to a culinary school, trade school, college or university to pursue a degree or certificate in a food-related area such as food science, nutritional science, culinary science, hospitality, or home economics.

In addition to the "Chefs of Tomorrow" scholarship prizes, Wesson Oil has awarded more than \$16,000 in scholarships to colleges and universities that hosted the Wesson

Oil City-Wide Chicken FryFest Finals - an 11-city grassroots promotion program that celebrated the legacy and unique-ness of African American cooking through fried chicken competitions among local churches.

The following Morris Brown students received a Wesson Oil "Heart and Soul of Good Food" Educational Assistance Scholarship in the amount of \$750 each: Chantanel T. Carmichael from Pomona, California and Audra D. Love, of College Park, Georgia. Both are juniors majoring in Hospitality Administration. Selections were based on academic performance, participation in department sponsored events and organizations, and part-time employment in the hospitality industry.

HBCU Technical Assistance Conference

Jackson State University will be the host institution for the Second Annual Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) Technical Assistance Conference Monday and Tuesday, May 18 - 19, in Jackson.

The conference will bring together key U.S. Department of Labor /Employment and Training Administration (USDOL/ETA) officials, presidents and representatives of the nation's HBCUs, and state and local governmental agency leaders in a collaborative effort to enhance the working relationship among the groups and advance USDOL goals.

Focusing on the theme, "Working

Together to Create and Strengthen Partnerships," the conference is designed to increase opportunities for HBCUs to participate in DOL/ETA workforce initiatives, information exchange, partnership development and program planning.

There is no registration fee for the conference, which will be held at the Crowne Plaza Hotel, 200 E. Amite St., Jackson. For reservations, call (601) 969-5100.

For more information or to receive a registration form, contact Dr. Charlie Gaulden by telephone at 601-968-2472; fax: 601-974-6124 or E-mail: cguaden@stallion.jsums.edu.

The Wolverine Observer *Welcomes* New Additions to the MBC Family

Dionysia Johnson-Massie
Vice President - Legal Affairs and Secretary
to the Board of Trustees
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Dr. LaVeta Small
Vice President - Student Affairs



Karon Ammons Daniel
Campus Communications Coordinator

Support for the Scholars of Student Support Services

Honor's Day held on April 4, 1998 was especially significant for the Student Support Services Program. Sixty-two Student Support Services participants were among the Morris Brown College honorees who achieved high honors of 3.0 averages or above. Participants in the Student Support Services Program enter Morris Brown College with academic need and poor pre-college preparation, so when they succeed academically in college, they are to be commended.

In addition to the honor award that is given to them by the college, Mr. Marvin King, the TRIO director, and the Student Support Services (SSS) staff shower them with additional awards. Being proud of the students' achievement, the SSS Program reward them for overcoming hurdles to succeed. SSS Assistant Director, Ms. Bertha Bernie Ford's vision for the program is that the program's three components (Tutorial, Counseling, Support) provide personal-social nurturing, skill-enhancing instruction, leadership training, and diverse cultural equipping to graduate students who are sharp-sighted strategic scholars.

The Support Component of SSS provides tangible assistance for students through mentoring, cultural educational exposure, the SSS Advisory Committee, and recognition for academic achievement. Of the eight groups (Morris Brown institutional departments, SSS alumni, other SSS programs, SSS SGA officers, mentors, parents, businesses, and friends of SSS) targeted by the Student Support Advisory committee, the parent group has been very active. The SSS Open House during Parent's Weekend in April, 1998 was attended by many proud parents and SSS students. To reward the seniors for achieving the ultimate success of graduating which is the mission of the SSS Program, twelve graduating seniors were honored on April 21, 1998 at Cooper's Lounge. Then on April 23, 1998 in Cooper's Lounge, the SSS Culminating Activity included presentations to over one hundred SSS students who had maintained grade averages of 2.5 - 2.99.

In the event that SSS students experience severe academic difficulty and must be placed on academic probation, faculty mentors are assigned to assist the students return to good academic standing. Academic success provided through tutoring, counseling, and cultural exposure assists the SSS students to reach their optimum potential and become the sharp-sighted strategic scholars: learners for a successful life!

MBC Sophomore becomes UNCF/MELLON Fellow

ATLANTA - Michael Ralph, a Sophomore at Morris Brown College, has been selected to participate in the UNCF/Mellon Undergraduate Fellowship Program. Ralph is among 25 students from historically black institutions who meet the criteria of outstanding academic achievement and potential as a teacher and scholar at the college of university level.

Ralph will attend the Fellowship's Summer Institute at Emory University in June. During the junior and senior college years, he and other Fellows will engage in supervised research or other comparable activities, and will receive a stipend of up to \$1,500. Fellows who eventually enroll in specified doctorate programs are



Michael Ralph

eligible for "loan forgiveness" for their undergraduate studies. The Undergraduate Fellowship

Program seeks to address the critical shortage of minority scholars among college and university faculty who hold the Ph.D. degree. The program strives to increase the enrollment of outstanding minority students in Ph.D. programs in the humanities, mathematics, and certain science disciplines.

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Offers FREE Summer Science Programs for High School Students

ATLANTA - High school students in grades eight through twelve interested in careers in science and health are invited to take advantage of Morris Brown College's Summer Science Programs. The programs offer extensive training in a college environment with instruction from exceptional educators in the sciences and pre-health disciplines.

The four week **Summer Science Day Camp** beginning June 22, 1998, will feature two tracts - one for 8th and 9th graders and another for students in grades 10 through 12. Students will receive instruction in mathematics, laboratory science, computer applications, communication skills and problem solving, as well as career counseling. Thirty slots are available for each tract and the application deadline was

April 17, 1998.

The **Pre-college Summer Science Program** is geared toward graduating high school seniors who plan to attend Morris Brown College and are interested in the sciences - with an emphasis in health careers. The program is designed to provide enrichment and reinforcement in biology, general chemistry, and qualitative and quantitative mathematics. Students also will receive communications and test taking skills, critical thinking and other learning and study strategies to improve the students' chances of successfully completing academic requirements needed to enter and graduate from college and pursue health careers.

Students with a "B" average in biology and other science courses were eligible to apply on April 30,

1998, deadline. The six-week program begins June 21. Scholarships are available for tuition, fees, books and room and board.

For an application and more information on the summer science enrichment programs, contact Mustapha A. Durojaiye, Ph.D., or Mrs. Ansahta Garnett, Msc., at 404-220-0166.

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Pictured left to right: Dr. Gloria Anderson, Interim President, Abram Mathipa Rakau, Phuti Helen Rakau (his mother), alumna Chuck Barlow.

South African Dual Degree Recipient

by Carvel Bennett,
staff writer

A little over three years ago Adram Mathipa Rakau worked in the Kloof gold mines outside Johannesburg, South Africa. Today he has mined another kind of gold - dual degrees from the Georgia Institute of Technology and Morris Brown College.

He graduated from high school in 1985 (he didn't attend school in 1984 due to political unrest in South

Africa) and worked in the gold mines to support his long ambition - go to college and get a degree in civil engineering. However, he soon realized that his dream was not going to become a reality in South Africa so he contacted the American Consulate in order to get information on scholarship and admissions procedures to US colleges and universities.

Among the many pieces of information Abram received was a bro-

chure/application package from Clark Atlanta University. Later when he applied, he was told that they were filled and forwarded his credentials to Morris Brown. Director of International Student Services, attorney Leroy Evans, received the information and started to assist him. Attorney Evans informed him that the Mayor of Atlanta, Bill Campbell, was leading a trade delegation to South Africa (Johannesburg) and suggested that Abram try

to meet with the delegation. The purpose being, to see if anyone in the delegation could assist him with funding his education at Morris Brown.

Abram was used to challenges, he had worked as a safety inspector, mine support installer, and drilled holes for explosives in the Kloof mines. He would meet with the delegation. He got special permission from the US Consul General to meet with Mayor Campbell and set out on his journey. When he got there, the delegation had already left for the day. Abram waited at the consulate until they got back later that evening.

He was introduced to Mayor Campbell by a member of the delegation Ms. Stacy Davis of (Fannie Mae, Atlanta). He then informed the mayor that he had been accepted to Morris Brown but lacked the financial resources to attend. MBC alumna, Chuck Barlow, also a part of the delegation, took up his cause and promised to see what he could do to assist. The delegation then returned to Atlanta.

Chairman of the Board of Trustees, AME Bishop Donald Ming, later got involved and with the assistance of Mayor Campbell, international correspondences, meetings and long distance calls, Abram secured a scholarship to Morris Brown College. He arrived on campus in 1995.

He graduated in April (1998) with a degree in Civil Engineering from the Georgia Institute of Technology and will graduate in May with another degree from Morris Brown College in Mathematics. Abram plans to return to South Africa and start his own civil engineering company. He hopes to be able to provide scholarships for others to attend Morris Brown. He will work with Beers Construction company here in Atlanta until he returns to South Africa in December.

Shopping for Student Loan:

All loans are not the same

It's that time of year again. You've submitted Your Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and you're waiting to review your Student Aid Report (SAR). In just a few months, you'll receive your financial aid award for the 1998-99 school year. After applying for college financial aid once or twice, you probably can recite the process in your sleep.

While reapplying for financial aid is a pretty routine process, applying for a student loan isn't. Did you know that not all student loans are the same? The difference is in the repayment options your lender offers. It may seem a little early to think about repaying your loan, but the extra thought you put into choosing a lender now is worth the hundreds of dollars you'll save later.

"Many students don't realize the difference between student loan lenders," says Steve Stocks, Directory of Financial Aid Services, Sallie Mae. "Choosing a lender that offers money-saving programs can save borrowers hundreds of dollars in repayment."

When choosing your lender for the 1998-99 school year, be sure the financial institution offers borrower benefits that can reduce your repayment costs and help you manage your loans. Lenders that partner with Sallie Mae offer three money saving programs:

The **Great Rewards® Program** reduces the interest rate on your federal Stafford loan by two full percentage points after you make the first 48 payments on time. A typical borrower with \$10,000 in student loans would save \$578 at current interest rates (8.25% over a 10-year repayment term).

The **Great Returnssm Program** credits your account with Stafford loan origination fees paid in excess of \$250. That would mean a savings of \$97 to a student who borrows \$10,000.

The **Direct Repaysm Plan** cuts your interest rate by ¼% when you authorize Sallie Mae to automatically transfer your monthly loan payment from your checking or savings account. For the student who borrowed \$10,000, Direct Repay

would save a total of \$242 in interest payments.

Through the combination of Great Rewards, Great Returns and direct Repay, students borrowers can save a substantial amount of money. Borrowers with \$10,000 in loans can save a total of more than \$866 through these money-saving borrower programs.

Also be sure your lender offers flexible repayment alternatives and toll-free customer service knowledgeable representatives who are available after regular business hours.

For more information, talk to your financial aid administrator or check out Sallie Mae's Web site at www.salliemae.com.

Students also may call Sallie Mae's toll-free financial aid hotline at 1-800-891-4599, Monday through Friday from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. EST.

Sallie Mae, which services one in three outstanding federal student loans, is the nation's largest source of funding and servicing support for education loans for students and their parents.

CICERO'S CORNER

WHY?

by Wylene Jones-Moore

Ask me why I need you.

Ask why I care.

Ask me why whenever you call I'll always be right there.

Ask me why when skies are dark

Your presence brightens my world.

Ask me why your love is more precious

Than the ocean's most beautiful black pearl.

Ask me why when you don't call

My heart aches and I feel so blue.

Ask if there's someone else for me.

Not hardly, after loving you.

There's really not a need to ask at all

For your love is so dear to me

Winter, Spring, Summer, and Fall

From now until eternity.

MORRIS BROWN COLLEGE SALUTES HONOR STUDENTS

ATLANTA - Morris Brown College saluted more than 600 students at the school's annual Honors Day Program, on Saturday, April 4, 1998. Morris Brown College 1970 alumnus Dr. Jack O. Jenkins, Graduate School Dean of the State University of West Georgia in Carrollton, Georgia delivered the keynote address.

More than 250 of the students who received honors have earned a cumulative Grade Point Average (GPA) 3.0 or better with no grade below C for two or more semesters. Rounding out the honorees are students who qualified for honors only one semester during the 1997 academic year. Also, students who rose above special academic needs identified upon enrollment of the



Honor's Day 1998: Mr. Marion King, Morris Brown College TRIO Director, Student Support Services Honorees with their parents and relatives

College received special recognition for achieving honors status. Among other groups to be recog-

nized were members of the National Honor Society, Alpha Kappa Mu and Presidential Scholars. The program

took place in John H. Lewis gymnasium located on the College campus.



Dr. Lee A. Ransaw, Dean of Arts and Letters; Dr. Sharon Willis, MBC Concert Choir Director; Ms. Ruth Mekel, Cultural Attache' for Israeli Consulate; Mr. Zvi Vappi, Israeli Consule; Tzvi Avni, Composer and Dr. Sara West, MBC Music Department Chair.

Morris Brown College and Israeli Consulate Participate in Cultural Exchange

by Karon A. Daniel

ATLANTA - Israel is turning 50! In celebration of this event, Morris Brown College and the Consulate General of Israel in Atlanta participated in a cultural exchange through song on Thursday, April, 9, 1998. The Spring Choral Performance of the Morris Brown College Concert Choir featured selected pieces by acclaimed Israeli composer Tzvi Avni. The performance took place at Viola Hill Auditorium in Fountain Hall on the campus of Morris Brown College.

The idea for the choral performance was sparked by Avni's visit to the College as a guest lecturer last Fall. Morris Brown's Music Department Chair, Dr. Sarah West, believed the performance contributed to better world relations.

"Just being exposed to each other's cultures will help the world grow. When we talk more, rather than depending on hearsay, we can learn from each other," Dr. West said.

Avni is one of the foremost composers of the so-called "Second Generation" of composers in Israel. His works include orchestral pieces, chamber music, vocal and choral music and electronic pieces. Avni has composed music for the ballet, theater, art films, and radio plays. Many of his works have been printed and issued on commercial records and are performed frequently in Israel and abroad.



The MBC Concert Choir performing for the Israeli Consulate. The choir has been invited to perform in Israeli.

Exchange Student

by Carvel Bennett, Staff Writer

The Hospitality Administration Department (HAD) has played host since February, to senior Guillermo Burga. Mr. Burga spent the semester as an exchange student from Cenfutur (college) in Lima, Peru.

Guillermo says he is excited about being here, learning more about the Hospitality Industry, meeting people, and improving his English. The Lima native returns to his homeland



Guillermo Burga

in May where he will graduate from Cenfutur. He says he is unsure what area of hospitality he will be working in, but is considering hotels, restaurant management or catering.

When asked what he liked most about being at Morris Brown, his reply was - "The people. Everyone here is so friendly. It is a good college and the students and teachers are very kind to me. The students help me with everything I need and they also help me with my English."

I hope that more people from my college in Peru will get the chance to come here, because it's a great opportunity to say in another country, learn the language and make new friends."

He extends his appreciation to Ms. Gloria Tate (Chair, HAD), Mr. Windsor Jordan (Mary Jordan Foundation), Mr. Leroy Evans (Dir. International Student Services), Mr. William Settle (Dean of Students), and Coach George Ragsdale (Dir. Wilkes Hall),

The entire Morris Brown College family wishes Guillermo all the best for the future and looks forward to having other Peruvians here with us.



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IS THE SALVATION OF
HUMANITY**



Miss Atlanta Peach Carnival Pageant 1998

At Atlanta First Annual Caribbean Pageant will be presented by the Atlanta Caribbean folk Festival, Inc. to crown "Miss Atlanta Peach Carnival Queen" on Sunday, May 3, 1998 at 4:00 p.m. at the Atlanta Center of Employment and Training Building (A.C.E.T.).

Eight young ladies representing different Caribbean Islands will compete for the title of Miss Atlanta Peach Carnival Queen.

The contestants are: Finiana Joseph - (St. Lucia), Maxine Line - (Belize), Gerthy Samedia - (Haiti); are all students of Morris Brown College. Other contestants are students from surrounding colleges or universities. They are Ann Marie

Jordan- (St. Croix), GA State University, Zola Thomas - (Jamaica), GA State University, Nicholle McKoy - (Jamaica), Spelman College and Deidrea Morton - (St. Croix), DeKalb College.

The categories will consist of National Attire/Dress, Talent, Swimwear, Evening Gown, and Impromptu Question.

The Carnival Caribbean Queen will be based on character, inner beauty and cultural pride. "This is what make this pageant different from others," said Rose Grant, Pageant Coordinator. Ms. Grant mentioned that the ultimate goal and objective is to promote and preserve the rich heritage that is indigenous to the Caribbean.

CICERO'S CORNER

Yearnings

Although it is clear, you will never be mine,
The thought breaks my heart in two.
Still, I cannot let go, or leave you behind,
For my sun rises and sets around you.

When we are together, time quickly goes by.
I find myself longing for your sweet touch.
Oh! How I pray for a mystical remedy,
to stop my heart from aching so much.

So say that someday, what I feel right now,
Will be reality, for you, my darling too.
For if there is one thing, I indeed do know,
Is that there is no me, my love, without you.

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Morris Brown College Washington, D.C. Trip March 1998 with Gerber Tours

Top Row/l.r. Kameca Loyd, Eric Johnson, Fernando Walker, Tonja Hicks, Reginald Dye, Priscilla Mapp, B.B. Ford, Kimberly Walker, Jakaun Barnes, Torriah Alexander, Versha Washington

Bottom Row/l.r. Nerieda Andrew, Erica Lockhart, Lakeisha Preston, Tamika Green, Jason Whitehead, Detrick Coates, Chantay Brooks, Carita Gee, Myesha Waring, Datomika Mapp, Lakeisha Smith

Cultural Exposure for Student Support Services Students

The twenty students above of the Morris Brown College Student Support Services Program spent two days in Washington, D.C. and two days in New York during their Spring Break on March 13-19, 1998. The twelve-hour bus ride nor the cold weather did not deter them from being model ambassadors of goodwill for Morris Brown College and the Student Support Services Program. The Student Support Services Assistant Director, Ms. Bertha Bernice Ford, along with a parent assistant, Ms. Priscilla Mapp, successfully chaperoned the students in both cities.

Funded by the United States Department of Education to provide eligible students with academic,

counseling, and support services, the Student Support Services Program met this requirement in great measure on this trip. In both cities the students were exposed educationally, historically, and culturally in ways that will enhance their academic careers. Sites visited in Washington, D.C. include the White House, the U.S. Capitol Building, Arlington National Cemetery, Washington's Memorials, Metropolitan A.M.E. Church, Lincoln Park, the Frederick Douglass Home, the Anacostia Museum, the JFK Center for Performing Arts, the national Museum of African Art, and the Bureau of Engraving and Printing.

Sites visited in new York included the Empire State Building, the

Statue of Liberty, Ellis Island, Wall Street area, Macy's, Harlem, the Apollo Theater, the Broadway play, **Bring in da Noise, Bring in da Funk**, and Columbia University.

Ms. Ford attributes the success of the trip to the twenty students whose trip participation is evidence that they are striving to become their best; the parent chaperone, Ms. Priscilla Mapp, a representative of the Student Support Services Advisory Committee, for her support and concern for the students and for the program; Mr. Marvin King, the Trio Director, for his leadership and support, the Student Support Services staff for their continued dedication to the program; Mr. Charles Barker, the former Student Support Services director for his

massive fundraising efforts which helped them afford such a luxurious trip; the institutional offices of Morris Brown College, especially the Finance Department for the efficient and timely manner in processing their trip funds; the professional tour guides, Kirk Johnson (D.C.) and Louise Walker (N.Y.) for their enthusiasm and knowledge; and the courteous and patient drivers, Mr. Jimmy Killens and Mr. Van Wheelen, of Kingsmen Coach Lines.

After having visited the most powerful city in the world, politically (D.C.) and the most powerful city in the world, materially (N.Y.), the Student Support Services Programs plans for the 1998-99 academic year to tour the most powerful city in the state of Georgia, ATLANTA!!

DISEASED FRUITS & VEGETABLES

"Washing and cooking destroys most harmful microbes"

Outbreaks of disease associated with contaminated meat and dairy products get the headlines, but new research shows that the leading cause of food-borne illness in the United States is now fresh fruits and vegetables.

Michael Osterholm, an epidemiologist, told the first International Conference on Emerging Infectious Diseases in Atlanta that much of the nation's produce is now imported

from other countries where health regulations are less strict. For example, the outbreaks of cyclospora-contaminated Guatemalan raspberries in 1996 and 1997.

Washing and cooking destroys most harmful microbes, but Osterholm says the increase in the number of Americans eating outside the home are sometimes exposed to unwashed or uncooked foods that causes an exposure to food-borne microbes.

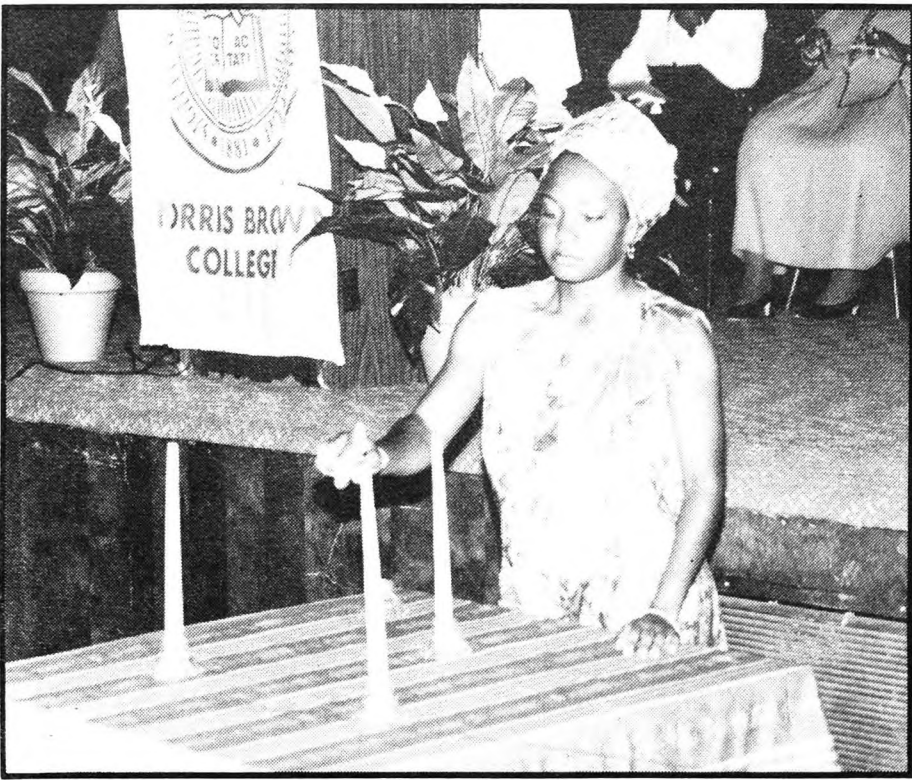
Current research suggests that food-borne illness has increased by about 80 percent over the past 20 years and now occurs in somewhere between 6 million and 81 million cases every year.

fight new and re-emerging infectious diseases that pose a danger to the United States. Donna Shalala, Secretary of Health and Human Services, said the federal budget proposal includes \$25 million for prevention programs at the U.S. Center for Disease Control and Prevention. In addition, there is a proposed \$1.1 billion budget increase for National Institutes of Health, which will designate a significant part of that for fighting diseases.

News Brief

The nation's top health official said she is seeking \$25 million to

MEMORIES OF *Women's Week '98* WOMEN: CELEBRATING OUR JOURNEY



Lighting of Memorial Candle - Ms. Erica Cooper



Terescah Lemon, Women's Week Co-chair - Juandolyn Stokes, Keynote Speaker and WCLK Radio Host - Gloria L. Anderson, Ph.D., Interim President Morris Brown College



**MORRIS BROWN
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Morris Brown College Concert Choir Ensemble "Angelic Voices"

Reception Honors New Golden Key Members

The Golden Key National Honor Society chapter at Morris Brown College held its annual membership induction on March 5, 1998, in Atlanta, Georgia. Academically superior juniors and seniors throughout all fields of study at Morris Brown College were initiated into the Society.

Each new member was recognized at the reception with a certificate of

membership. Friends and family members of the initiates were also in attendance. Activities of Morris Brown College were announced for the coming year, and scholarships were awarded to the outstanding junior and senior initiates.

Tonya M. McAlpine, a resident of Spanish Lake, Missouri, is this year's junior recipient. McAlpine is majoring in Legal Studies and carries a 3.61 grade point average. Tonya is captain of the Morris Brown College Mock Trial Team and is a volunteer at St. Patrick's Day Center for the Homeless.

Gregory Anthony Wiggan, a resident of West Palm Beach, Florida, is the senior recipient. Wiggan is majoring in Hospitality Administration and carries a 3.5 grade point aver-

age. Gregory is a systems engineer for the National Society of Minorities in Hospitality and is a Morris Brown College community Service Award recipient.

Selected for honorary membership in the society and recognized at the ceremony were President Thomas W. Dortch, Ms. Cheryl McAffie-Mitchell, Dr. B. Wayne Kong, Ms. Miranda Mac McKenzie, Ms. Rose James, Ms. Wanda Jackson, Ms. Monica Ewing, Ms. Louise Hollowell, Mr. Leroy Evans, and Governor Zell Miller. Honorary members receive full rights and privileges of the Society and are selected based on their contributions to the community, the university and its students. More than 5,000 honorary members have been named to the Society including

President Bill Clinton, author Alex Haley and former First Lady Barbara Bush, among others.

Golden Key National Honor Society is one of the nation's most dynamic academic honors organizations.

Golden Key chapters are active, student-run organizations on campuses. They vigorously create, organize and manage projects which promote academic achievement, serve the community and provide valuable social interaction. An example of their commitment is the Society's national program, The Best of American - an alcohol and drug abuse prevention effort directed at school-aged youth.

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Denise Smith-Moore
Vice President, Finance

Ghost of the Past, the Spirit of the Present, the Hope for the Future

funding has been nonexistent.

The spirit of teamwork and customer service has not been a priority.

The Spirit of the Present records accomplishments which demonstrate that we are committed to improving the division and ridding it of past ills include:

A procurement function has been established which has resulted in cost savings to Morris Brown College, a larger pool of quality vendors, and better contract terms for the college.

The Morris Brown College budget has been revised to be more reflective of actual commitments. Spending is now monitored for budget compliance and no cost overruns are evident.

Thoughtful analysis in student accounts has allowed Morris Brown College to identify weaknesses in the registration and financial aid award processes that will allow better management of these functions. The cleanup of student account balances is underway.

The Hope for the Future of planned improvements demonstrates that there is still a lot of work to be done. The following list is but a sample of the voluminous set of objectives this division plans to accomplish in the near future. With your cooperation, ideas, and understanding, we know we can accomplish the following ambitious schedule of goals and objectives:

The Procurement Department objectives include developing value

the processing time required to effect a purchase order.

The Accounts Payable Department plans to improve its filing systems and payment processes to assure that all vendors are paid timely, and all employees and students are reimbursed expeditiously.

The Payroll Department plans to decrease and eventually alleviate the error rate in the ongoing payroll process by acquiring better software, training internal personnel as well as eternal timekeeper personnel, and providing ongoing feedback and communication, and quality control.

The Morris Brown College Accounting Department will seek to have accurate and timely bookkeeping practices that support fiscal responsibility. This includes establishing detailed checklists, financial reports, and quality control over posting to the ledgers.

The Students Accounts Department seeks to improve services to all of the constituents by correcting past accounting errors on each individual account, by including a suggestion box, and by developing an internet/E-mail site for two-way communication.

Our ultimate measurement of success on this one will be a favorable customer service rating from students.

My goals as Vice-President are to have a cohesive, synergistic, and technically qualified fiscal affairs team and to optimize the efficiency of operations in all departments and manage the college's resources with integrity and a customer service focus.

In summary, we know that we don't have the option of calling ghostbusters to exorcise Morris Brown College's ills; and divine intervention is not likely. However, we do know that the power of teamwork, cooperation, critical thinking, and prayer can overcome all!

NAFEO ANNOUNCES NATIONAL PARK SERVICE JOB OPENINGS FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS

NAFEO, the Historically Black College Association, is pleased to announce that it is recruiting students for job openings with the National Park Service, U.S. Department of the Interior. These are exciting opportunities for college students to experience nature in an outdoor setting, and to learn about the environment. Work assignments are at locations all over the United States—including Alaska! Jobs include... Tour Guides, Park Rangers, Forestry Technicians, Visual Technicians...and more. Salaries range from \$8.00 to \$13.00 per hour and above.

Students enrolled in community colleges, or universities are eligible to apply. Students attending Historically Black Colleges and Universities are strongly encouraged.

For applications and more information contact: Mrs. Freeman, NAFEO National Park Service Summer Jobs, 8701 Georgia Avenue, Suite 200, Silver Spring, MD 20910-371, 301-650-2440/FAX 301-495-3306, rjmpub@earthlink.com.

The following is an excerpt of the Fiscal Affairs recent presentation to the Executive Committee of the Morris Brown College Board of Trustees. The purpose of the presentation was to provide a status of the division. I chose the theme because I believe it exemplifies the state of affairs in the Finance Division and perhaps college wide. It seems that while we are presently seeking to move forward with progressive thinking and plans of action, the past keeps haunting us in one fashion or another. Nevertheless, we maintain hope that Morris Brown's future will be exorcised of its past ills.

Ghosts of the Past

that we seek to lay to rest permanently in Fiscal Affairs include:

Non existent financial planning; Morris Brown College had no system to monitor investments including the endowment, and returns have been substandard. Morris Brown College also lacked cash flow planning.

The Budgeting Process was lacking. The current year's budget was undocumented as to the rationale for budgeted costs. Salaries and many contractual obligations were under-budgeted. As a result, prior years' budgets had been overspent.

The Procurement function at Morris Brown College was nonexistent. Vendors were in control of this function which often times resulted in high prices and substandard goods and services to the College.

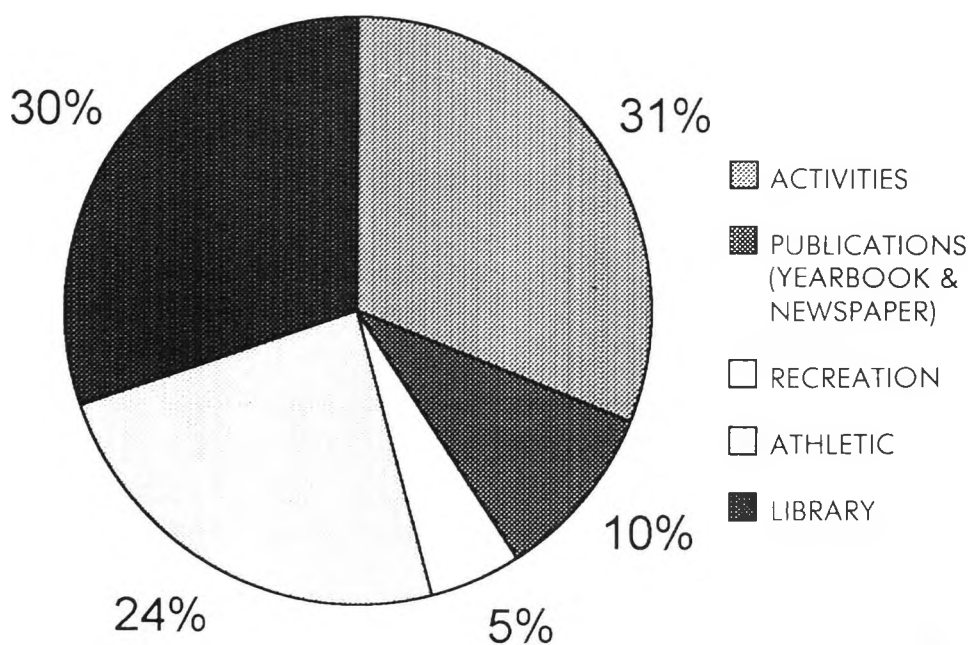
The administration of and accounting for restricted grants was inaccurate and non-compliant with the grant requirements for several programs.

The accounting for student charges, payments, and balances has been grossly inaccurate. In general, accounting entries have been incomplete and inaccurate.

Fixed Asset accountability and related capital planning, and capital

Student Activity Fee Analysis

ACTIVITIES	AMOUNT	PERCENTAGE
PUBLICATIONS (YEARBOOK & NEWSPAPER)	72	10%
RECREATION	36	5%
ATHLETIC	174	24%
LIBRARY	219	30%
	726	100%



Cash Flow and Investment management has improved which has resulted in transfer of the endowment to Nations Bank from an East Coast fund manager that would not even return phone calls to my office. We monitor cash flow daily and currently have approximately \$5 million of operating funds on hand and invested.

Over \$1 million in construction grant funds was successfully requisitioned. The college was entitled to these funds, however, the amounts had remained dormant and not monitored by Morris Brown College for over a year.

added relationships with our vendors whereby our students will receive opportunities for internships and employment opportunities. The vendors must give back to Morris Brown College.

The Procurement Department realizes that Morris Brown College can afford to be more selective of its vendors. Therefore vendor certification as well as vendor outreach is a priority.

The Procurement Department also wants to be less bureaucratic and more user friendly by providing training to users, automating the requisition process, and decreasing

Honda Campus All*Star Challenge Team Much Improved



The 1998 Honda Campus All*Star Challenge Team showed much improvement at this year's tournament in Orlando, Florida, ending up with a 5/2 win/loss record. The team played in the highly competitive Red Division where three teams ended up with similar records, however, Elizabeth City State made it to the round of sixteen, based on the number of points they had accumulated in the opening rounds.

The other AUC colleges- Clark Atlanta and Morehouse - ended with 4/3 win/loss records. The young Morris Brown team is now highly motivated and prepared to make it to the prestigious 'round of sixteen', during next year's competition to be held in Washington, DC. Sixty-four historically and predominantly black colleges and universities from around the country are invited to participate each year. This is Morris Brown's third year in the new format of this academic event.

Members of the Morris Brown College HCASC team with Eric Conn (center) Senior Manager, Auto Advertising, Honda Motor Company.

The Morris Brown College HCASC team sponsored by Gwinnett Place Honda in Duluth, GA. Seen here with the team is Lee Crupton, General Manager - Gwinnett Place Honda.



Million Youth Movement In Atlanta, Georgia

Youth leaders through out America, Africa, the Caribbean, Canada, and Europe are gearing up to convene a million Youth Movement to be held on September 7, 1998 in Atlanta, Georgia.

The Movement will be a four (4) day event consisting of, a town hall meeting, panel discussions, entertainment, worship, and a major gathering which will begin on September 4. Organizers, who are working with the City of Atlanta, plan to convene the major gathering on Monday, Labor Day September 7, 1998 on the Historic Sweet Auburn Avenue in Atlanta.

The theme is "PREPARING YOUTH FOR THE NEW MILLENNIUM." The purpose is to reinvigorate a God-centered youth movement for the 21st century. Among the issues to be addressed are: strengthening the family, economic development, increasing political involvement, youth activism, education and stopping violence and drugs in our communities.

The March is being organized by youth, with the guidance of elders, to promote leadership development among youth and build partnerships with our elder leadership.

In order to make sure that this event is not merely a one day event, organizers are also developing a Ten Year Action Plan. This Action Plan is based upon the objectives in the

NBGSA Holds Annual Conference at UTA

The National Black Graduate Student association (NBGSA), headquartered at Jackson State University, will hold its 10th Annual Conference May 27-31 at the University of Texas at Austin.

The conference is a scholarly and working conference, with participants attending from around the nation to present papers and participate in roundtable discussions, seminars and workshops and attend the NBGSA general assembly and annual business meeting.

This year's conference will include a scholarly paper presentation and

competition, a graduate school /career fair, and professional development work-shops. The workshop topics will include: *Funding Your Education; GRE and GMAT Testing; Interviewing and Resume Writing; Black Masculinity; Leadership Development; Faculty-Graduate Student Mentoring; Black Women and Feminism; Grant Writing; Applying to Graduate School; and MCAT and LSAT Testing.*

The National Black Graduate Student Association, Inc. is a non-profit student-run organization devoted to improving the status of students of

African descent in higher education by systematically identifying and creatively addressing their needs and concerns.

Registration fee is \$405 for faculty and non-students; \$360 for undergraduate, graduate and professional students; and \$195 for commuter and day participants.

For more information, call the NBGSA National Headquarters at Jackson State University at 974-6055 or write NBGSA, Inc., Jackson State University, P.O. Box 17309, Jackson, Miss., 39217. The e-mail address is nbgsa@ccaix.jsums.edu.

TOTEBOARD

BLACK DIVISION

INSTITUTION	WIN/LOSS
Florida A&M	7/0
Norfolk State	5/2
Xavier	5/2
Huston-Tillotson	4/3
Talladega	4/3
Lane	2/5
Grambling	1/6
Jarvis Christian	0/7

BLUE DIVISION

INSTITUTION	WIN/LOSS
Alabama State	7/0
Hampton	4/3
Clark Atlanta	4/3
Texas Southern	4/3
West Virginia	4/3
Central State	3/4
Dillard	1/6
Livingstone	1/6

BROWN DIVISION

INSTITUTION	WIN/LOSS
Southern-Baton Rouge	7/0
Mississippi Valley State	5/2
Morehouse	4/3
LeMoyné-Owen	3/4
Saint Paul's	3/4
Voorhees	2/5
Virginia State	2/5
Winston-Salem	2/5

GREEN DIVISION

INSTITUTION	WIN/LOSS
Howard	7/0
Alcorn State	5/2
North Carolina Central	5/2
Prairie View A&M	3/4
Tennessee State	3/4
Lincoln Univ.-Missouri	2/5
Stillman	2/5
Clafin	1/6

ORANGE DIVISION

INSTITUTION	WIN/LOSS
Oakwood	7/0
Virginia Union	5/2
Philander Smith	5/2
Langston	4/3
Fisk	3/4
Savannah State	3/4
Bennett	1/6
Miles College	0/7

PURPLE DIVISION

INSTITUTION	WIN/LOSS
Jackson State	7/0
Maryland-Eastern Shore	6/1
Alabama A&M	5/2
Harris-Stowe State	3/4
Johnson C. Smith	3/4
Bethune-Cookman	2/5
Wilberforce	1/6
Sojourner-Douglass	1/6

RED DIVISION

INSTITUTION	WIN/LOSS
Fayetteville State	6/1
Elizabeth City State	5/2
Morgan State	5/2
Morris Brown	5/2
Albany State	4/3
Texas	2/5
Arkansas-Pine Bluff	1/6
Shaw	0/7

YELLOW DIVISION

INSTITUTION	WIN/LOSS
Tuskegee	7/0
South Carolina State	5/2
North Carolina A&T	5/2
Fort Valley State	4/3
Tougaloo	3/4
Benedict	3/4
District of Columbia	1/6
Southern-New Orleans	0/7

PLAYER ALL-STARS

PLAYER	PT. TOTAL
André DeShields	560
Frederick Pettway	450
Fredrick J. Batiste	445
James Martin	445
Shofaetiyah Watson	415
Anthony Santagati	395
Tony Frazier	390
Timothy J. Foster	380

Florida A&M (275)	Florida A&M (335)	Florida A&M (350)	FLORIDA A&M UNIVERSITY ALL-STAR MATCH EAST 140 WEST 175
Hampton (265)	Fayetteville (120)	Oakwood (65)	
Eastern Shore (125)	S. C. State (110)	Tuskegee (245)	
Fayetteville (130)	Oakwood (330)		
Southern-Baton Rouge (150)	Elizabeth City (165)		
S. C. State (215)	Alabama State (160)		
Oakwood (295)	Alabama State (305)		
Alcorn State (115)	Tuskegee (375)		
Jackson State (145)	Howard (140)		
Elizabeth City (225)	Tuskegee (280)		
Alabama State (220)			
Virginia Union (180)			
Tuskegee (245)			
Norfolk State (165)			
Howard (190)			
Mississippi Valley State (155)			

Baylor named one of nation's top medical schools

by Kathy Major

Baylor College of Medicine in Houston has been named one of the country's best medical schools.

In U.S. News & World Report's annual listing of U.S. graduate schools, Baylor ranked 13th among the nation's 125 medical schools, up two places from last year. Baylor continues to remain the highest-ranked medical school in Texas.

For specialty programs ranked best by medical school deans and senior faculty, Baylor's pediatrics program ranked sixth, tied with the University of Cincinnati.

For health disciplines, Baylor's physician assistant program ranked third in the nation and the audiology program tied for 10th place.

School rankings are determined by U.S. News using objective data and reputational ratings. The 1998 "America's Best Graduate Schools" issue and guidebook is on newsstands.

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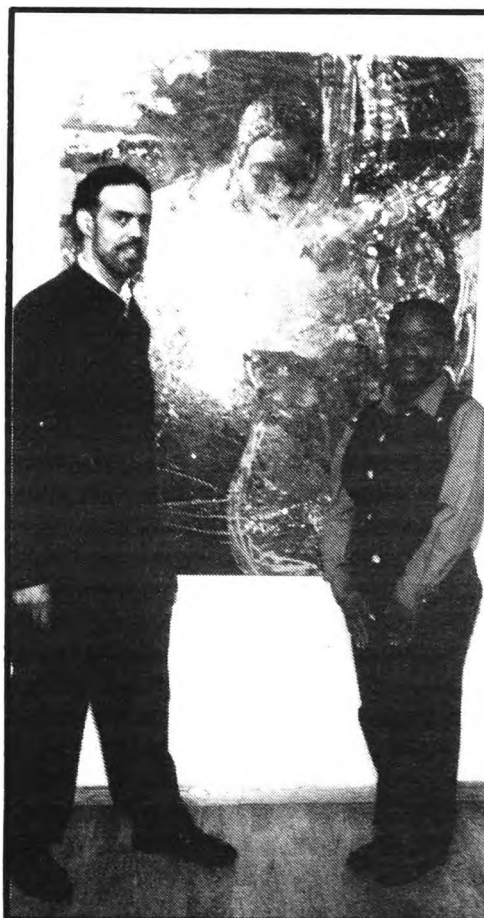
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Louis Delsarte presents Works in Rhythm of the Waves Exhibit

Louis Delasarte, Art Professor and Daphane Tucker, MBC art student.



by Carrie A. Bowden

Nationally acclaimed artist and Morris Brown College Art Professor, Louis Delsarte selected pieces from his collection to showcase in the *Rhythm of the Waves* exhibit at City Hall East.

The exhibit illustrates the evolution of African American existence from the Middle Passage into the modern era. Delsarte's pieces reflect the rich cultural influences African Americans have contributed to today's society. Pictured are Louis Delsarte and Daphane Tucker, Morris Brown College art student in front of Delsarte's painting "Midnight Blue." *Rhythm of the Waves* is a part of City Gallery East's annual Master Series, an exhibition spotlighting the careers of Georgia's most talented and recognized artists.

CAMPUS ORGANIZATIONS

Leadership Program Graduates 100

by Jill Strickland

When Morris Brown College (MBC) initiated the Albert J. Edmonds Leadership Training Program last October, it was a carefully crafted experiment in developing human resources for the global community in the next millennium.

It began with a two-day off-campus retreat where leadership training experts from Virginia and New York kept 100 MBC student leaders busy in seminars and workshops from 7:30 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. in the evenings. It culminated with an inspirational luncheon at MBC April 25th where the students were congratulated on completing the six-month program.

Ms. Tiffany Cochran, Anchor/Reporter for Channel 11 News, WXIA-TV, was Mistress of Ceremonies. She is the daughter of Attorney Johnny Cochran who became nationally known as O.J. Simpson's lawyer.

The six-month training program was orchestrated by Dr. Carroll F.S. Hardy, president of the Stuart Educational Leadership Group in Williamsburg, Virginia. It featured an address by Retired U.S. Air Force Lt. General Albert J. Edmonds for whom the program is named. He energized students with a dynamic speech on the need for leaders and what it takes to become one.

He cautioned the students to constantly question their core values and urged them to let "doing the right thing" become as normal as breathing. The General added, "You should aspire to become a person who does not have a price, but instead a very well defined and obvious set of core values."

Dr. La Veta Small, vice president for student affairs at MBC expressed her personal endorsement for the leadership training program. Dr. Samuel Jolley, Jr., past president of MBC, received a standing ovation when he was invited to the podium. The leadership training program



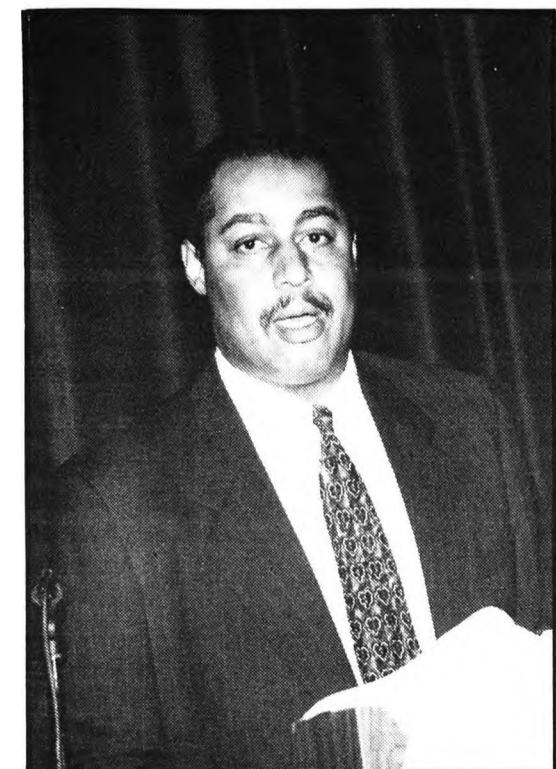
Supporters of the Edmonds Leadership Training Program - Allen Francois (outgoing SGA President), alumna Lt. Gen Albert Edmonds (Ret.), Dr. LaVeta Small (V.P. Student Affairs), Ms. Tiffany Cochran (Anchor/Reporter, WXIA TV), Mr. Marcus Bell (Chief-of-Staff), Dr. Samuel D. Jolley (former MBC President).



Dr. Carroll Hardy, President/CEO, Stuart Educational Leadership Group



Dr. Gerald Durley delivering an inspirational keynote address.



Mr. William Settle (Associate V.P., Student Affairs)



Alumna John Carter (BellSouth executive)



Alumni Robert Barnett (Pres., Athletic Foundation), Ms. Fannie Allen (Chief of Grants Div., USIA), and Bruce Taylor (retired American Airlines pilot).



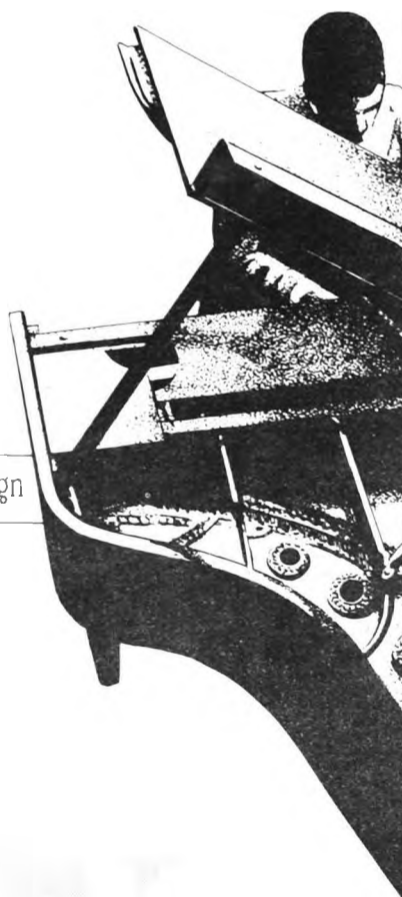
Ms. Fannie Allen being presented with a plaque by Ms. Brrok Brandon (SGA Internal V.P.) on behalf of the student leaders. Other members of the SGA look on.



Ms. Pola Coper (right - campus coordinator for the Leadership Program

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was initiated during his tenure as president.

Dr. Carroll Hardy received a sustained standing ovation when she was acknowledged. The program developed under her watchful eyes while she provided quality assurance throughout the follow up period when instructors serving as personal mentors to the students reported to her on each step of the progress.

The students were held spellbound by keynote speaker, Dr. Gerald L. Durley, director of health promotion and research at the Moorehouse School of Medicine. He gave personal examples of his own motivations to serve mankind.

As the program was brought to a close, the student leaders themselves publicly expressed their appreciation and admiration for the MBC officials and alumni who made the leadership training possible. Faculty members and students agreed unanimously that the experiment in human development started six months ago had met its objectives and inspired many to believe the program should become a regular part of the MBC curriculum.

Clearly, it was an investment in students that will pay large dividends as they develop into community and global leaders.

The Wolverine Observer Staff would like to thank the many that contributed to this years First Place newspaper.

MBC hosts National TRIO Day



The last Saturday in February was the day established by Congress in 1986 as National TRIO Day to call the nation's attention to TRIO Programs which include Upward Bound, Educational Talent Search, Student Support Services, Educational Opportunity Center and Ronald McNair Post-baccalaureate Achievement. Five TRIO programs are presently funded by the department of Education here at Morris Brown College directed by Marvin R. King.

This year the Georgia Association for Special Program Personnel (GASPP) observed its 12th National TRIO Day Celebration which was hosted by our own - Morris Brown College Marvin R. King was the National TRIO Day Chairperson for GASPP. The coordination to the National TRIO Day Celebration was a collaborative effort between GASPP and the Morris Brown College family.

On Saturday, February 28, TRIO Programs from throughout Georgia gathered on campus to participate in the celebration. The Opening Session in the John H. Lewis Gymnasium began with a welcome from King and greetings from Dr. Reginald Lindsey - Interim Vice President for Academic Affairs, Allen Francois - SGA President, Camille Zeigler - GASPP President and Doreatha Tyson - National TRIO Day Chairperson. A college information fair followed the opening session with representatives from Atlanta Metropolitan College, Atlanta Technical Institute, Clark Atlanta University, Clayton State University, Georgia Institute of Technology, Morehouse College, Georgia State University, Spelman College and Morris Brown College. Mr. King and his National TRIO

Day Committee envisioned a grand and noble plan for the remainder of the Celebration. A *March to the Capitol* was planned and executed well with the MBC Marching Wolverines leading the processional in grand style. College officials, the Morris Brown College TRIO Programs participants and all the other Georgia TRIO Program participants lined up behind the band to march to the Capitol wearing identifying T-shirts and waving TRIO banners. At the Capitol, another observance of the national TRIO Day Celebration was conducted with the theme "TRIO: Preparing Students to Meet the Challenges of the New Millennium". Greetings and challenges were given by Dr. Gloria Anderson, Interim president of Morris Brown college and a representative for Bishop Donald G.K. Ming, Morris Brown College Board of Trustees Chairman and Presiding Prelate of the Episcopal District of the A.M.E. Church.

Our speaker for this part of the Celebration was the Rev. Dr. James L. Davis, Senior Pastor of historic Big Bethel AME Church, an alumnus of Morris Brown College, a former TRIO student and also a member of the Morris Brown College Board of Trustees. Dr. Davis gave a very spirited and motivating speech encouraging all students to take full advantage of the opportunities the Trio Programs provide. He challenged the students to do well because they owed it to their parents and those who have gone before them, to themselves and most important, to God.

Proclamations from the Governor's and mayor's offices were given, as well as remarks from the offices of Senators Paul Coverdell and Max Cleland. The program closed on a high note with remarks from National TRIO Day Chair for GASPP, Marvin King and united hands of all present singing "We Are the World".



Alumna Dr. Alfreda Barnett, Lisa Crawford, and Tammy Fox were in attendance (Morris Brown Center)

Morris Brown College... BLACK to AFRIKA

by Morris s. Biggers III

The International African Students Association (IASA) held its fourth annual conference at Howard University, hosted by the African Students Association, on April 3-5, 1998. The theme of the conference (Toward 2000: the role of the African Student) was right on time; in light of the dawn of the new millennium and the current trend of "Globalization" of the world's economies. The topics discussed at the

elections for officers and Morris Brown College's own Nzogi Bruno Felipe and Michael Ralph emerged victorious as the new President and Secretary General respectively. "I assure you that my primary focus as president of IASA shall be to develop an agenda for African students, cooperate sponsors and political leaders," said Nzogi. "Historically, we have been committed to preserving our history, and as IASA Secretary General, I am prepared to record and preserve IASA's history," said Michael.

Both student leaders agree that the next IASA Annual conference can and will be hosted by Morris Brown College. Nzogi envisions IASA as a medium to uplift the Morris Brown college name on the world stage. "I am forever committed to help advance the propagation of



The MBC Delegation along with three alumni at the hotel: 2nd on left: Cleopatra Warren, Back: Stacy Herring, Far right: Serenita Lewis (all alumni).

conference were very relevant and enlightening and over 300 persons were in attendance from colleges and universities.

Morris Brown College (MBC) sent a ten person delegation representing a diverse group of student organizations. Among the organizations represented from Morris Brown College were: The Model United Nations/Organization of African Unity Society; Accounting Club; Amnesty International Club; The Society of MAAT; The International Students Association; Marketing Club and the Political Science Club.

The conference held its annual

principles and institutions that will facilitate progressive African development', said Nzogi. He is anticipating the largest turn out ever for the next convention and has already secured corporate and Morris Brown College administration sponsorships. The aims and objectives of IASA are noble, as stated in their preamble (which I have reprinted in its entirety) and articles of their constitution:

"We, as African students are seeking to foster unity among the people and nations of Africa and to uplift our continent. We shall endeavor to raise the consciousness of

Health Briefs

by George Kovacic

Surgery may be an option for epilepsy patients

Many epileptics may not be aware that surgery is an option when medication is not successful in controlling seizures.

A brain surgery, called temporal lobectomy, offers relief for epilepsy patients whose seizures begin in the temporal lobe, an area located on both sides of the brain near the temples.

"Eighty percent of temporal lobectomy patients will be seizure free," said Dr. Robert Grossman, chairman of neurosurgery at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. "Most can reduce their medication, and in some cases, stop their medication."

A small piece of the temporal lobe is removed during surgery. Patients spend about six days in the hospital and most experience an immediate end to their seizures.

"With the seizures under control, most patients are able to do things they avoided in the past and have no limitations," Grossman said.

Sports and recreation are still options for many people with disabilities

A physical disability doesn't have to mean the end of an active life.

From mountain climbing to playing board games, sports and recreational activities can help improve self-esteem and provide a sense of accomplishment.

"Most rehabilitation facilities and programs incorporate recreational therapists who are skilled at teaching people proper techniques and

approaches to recreation," says Lex Frieden of Baylor College of Medicine and the Institute for Rehabilitation and Research in Houston.

Some patients might start by pitching a ball to a therapist and progress to shooting baskets. Others, including those with spinal-cord and traumatic head injuries, might begin their rehabilitation with pool-based activities. The water has a calming effect, and the buoyancy can help people with disabilities stand upright and increase mobility.

"With proper guidance and modifications, many people with disabilities can participate in virtually any activity," Frieden said.

Those at high risk of diabetes should be tested

People over the age of 40 who are at high risk of diabetes should be tested yearly for the disease even if they don't have symptoms.

"By diagnosing diabetes before symptoms develop, physicians can intervene sooner with medication and recommend lifestyle changes to minimize the complications from this potentially deadly disease," said Dr. Alan J. Garber, an endocrinologist at Baylor College of Medicine and the Methodist Hospital in Houston.

Risk factors for diabetes include a family history of the disease, obesity, age and ethnic background. Diabetes is best treated through a combination of diet, exercise and medication. It is a manageable disease, and the outlook is bright for potential diabetics who seek early diagnosis.

Timing of sex education is important

Parents shouldn't wait until the night of the prom to talk to their children about sex.

"Kids are going to hear about sex before they get to high school by talking to friends, reading books and watching movies and TV. The information coming from these sources won't necessarily be accurate, and it

To Make Amends

by Tiffini Barnes

Atlanta, GA.-The Empress Verdiacee Ghoston, an empress of her own nation called, "The Washitaw Nation" located in Louisiana, lectured in Fountain Hall's Auditorium at Morris Brown College. She was invited by Mrs. Glenn, who teaches U.S. History, to welcome students to visit her nation and discuss her inheritance from her ancestors the Moors.

Empress Verdiacee Ghoston mentioned her inheritance was proven by documents that are located in the Congress Library. The Moors owned

may not convey the appropriate message," said Dr. Peggy Smith, director of Baylor College of Medicine's Teen Health Clinics in Houston.

Smith recommends that parents discuss sexuality with their children early and often. Any questions about sexual development and gender differences should be answered with age-appropriate information when the questions are raised. Telling the kids the "facts of life" right before puberty (usually age 12) can prepare them for what to expect as their bodies change.

Parents shouldn't worry that sex education will encourage kids to engage in sexual behavior.

"Instead, they should take advantage of the opportunity to make their teenagers aware of the risk of pregnancy and sexually transmitted diseases. Parents also should help kids develop personal values for making appropriate decisions about sexual behavior," said Smith.

three million square acres of land in America, but when she reclaimed her inheritance, the United States government gave her only 68,000 acres of land in Louisiana. It is the first black nation in Louisiana where the United States government has no jurisdiction over the land.

Her nation is number 215, which is a nation defined by the U.S. government and she is waiting for her reparation from the government which is a quadruple amount of three million dollars, since the government would not give her the three million square acres of land that was documented.

She said, "The meaning of reparation is to make amends or something done or paid to make amends. It is almost like compensation."

"My ancestors the Moors were here in the Americas before the English discovered the land," Empress Verdiacee Ghoston said.

She mentioned that the Moors originated in West Africa in Mali and sailed to America in 300 A.D. During 1300-1400 A.D. Mali was very powerful, so the Moors travelled to the Iberian Peninsula and civilized the European society. During the 711-1492 A.D. Moors ruled Europe, Spain and Portugal, but in 1200 A.D. the Moors lost power.

Empress Verdiacee Ghoston said, "In 1492 A.D. the Moors lost complete power over Europe. Then the West African Slave trade began".

Afrika CONTINUED

African youth to our role in the process of change in Africa. We recognize that dialogue among the youth, and between different generations of African society is crucial to the achievement of our goals."

- Encourage the coordination of activities and the ultimate goals of such activities, amongst and between African organizations globally.
- Deal with issues of discrimination and prejudice or any form of attack upon African students.
- Provide a social and academic support network for African students abroad and at home, as a means of enhancing educational resources and research.
- Promote contact, offer assistance and exchange information with organizations that are genuinely interested in projects which are aimed at the development of Africa and the African people.
- Promote a way of working as an organization that ensures the effective participation of all members, including those who face discrimination because of creed, national origin, disability, age or gender within the ranks of IASA.

Finally, IASA will be the cradle to many leaders of the world. Its former President, Ms. Hafsat Abiola, is the daughter of the President of one

of the richest nations in Africa and is a current Harvard graduate student. Also in attendance at the conference were several other relatives of influential diplomats: the niece of the Secretary General of the United Nations and the nephew of the president of Angola.

Furthermore, some of Morris Brown College's won alumnae are very active in IASA. Ms. Cleopatra Warren, a 1996 Morris Brown College graduate, the Field Organizer for Amnesty International's Southern Region in Atlanta, is responsible for promoting human rights awareness through organizing students at 10 historically black college campuses. In addition, she was one of the Keynote speakers at the conference. Osahar Berry, former Morris Brown College SGA President, was instrumental in making the conference a success. Osahar is currently a graduate student at American University.

Membership in the International African Students Association is open to all persons that share in their vision. An annual fee of \$10.00 is required for membership. For more information on IASA, write to: IASA Executive Board, P.O. Box 1868, Jamaica Plain, MA 02130, or contact Nzogi Bruno Felipe at (404) 880-3545.

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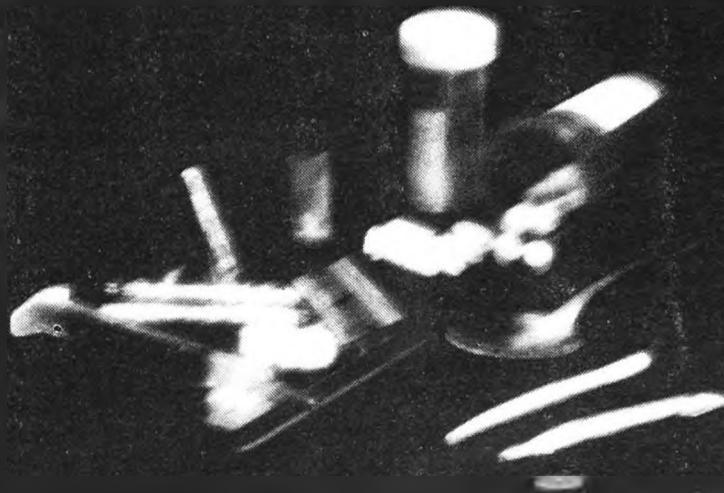
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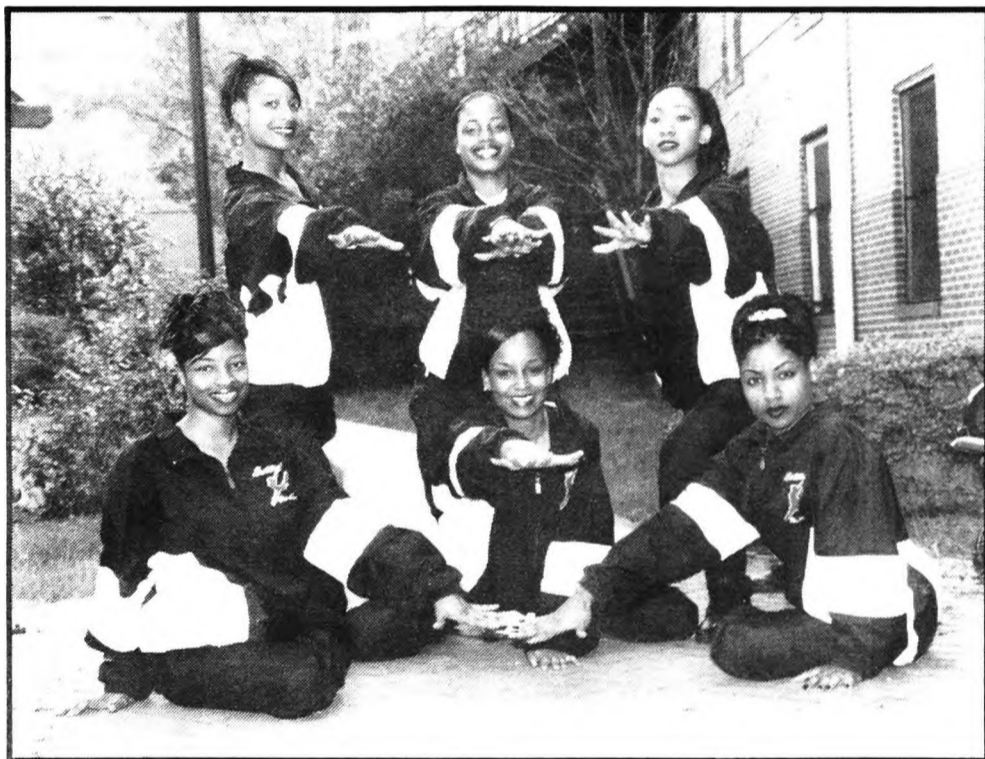
Black College National Cheerleading & Dance Competition



The MBC Cheerleaders

morris Brown College again, although not quite like last year, did well at the 1998 Black College National Cheerleading and Dance Competition. The competition was held on March 28 at the Morehouse College Basketball Arena.

In the Cheerleading Division, Morris Brown College placed second behind a very strong squad from Southern University - Baton Rouge. The Partner Stunt team of Lance Speaks and Canika Kincaid did not place, but performed well. The Dance Division was a bit more favorable. **Blackmale Dance** team placed second behind Tennessee State and won the 'best choreography award'; the **Ecstasy Dance** team placed third.



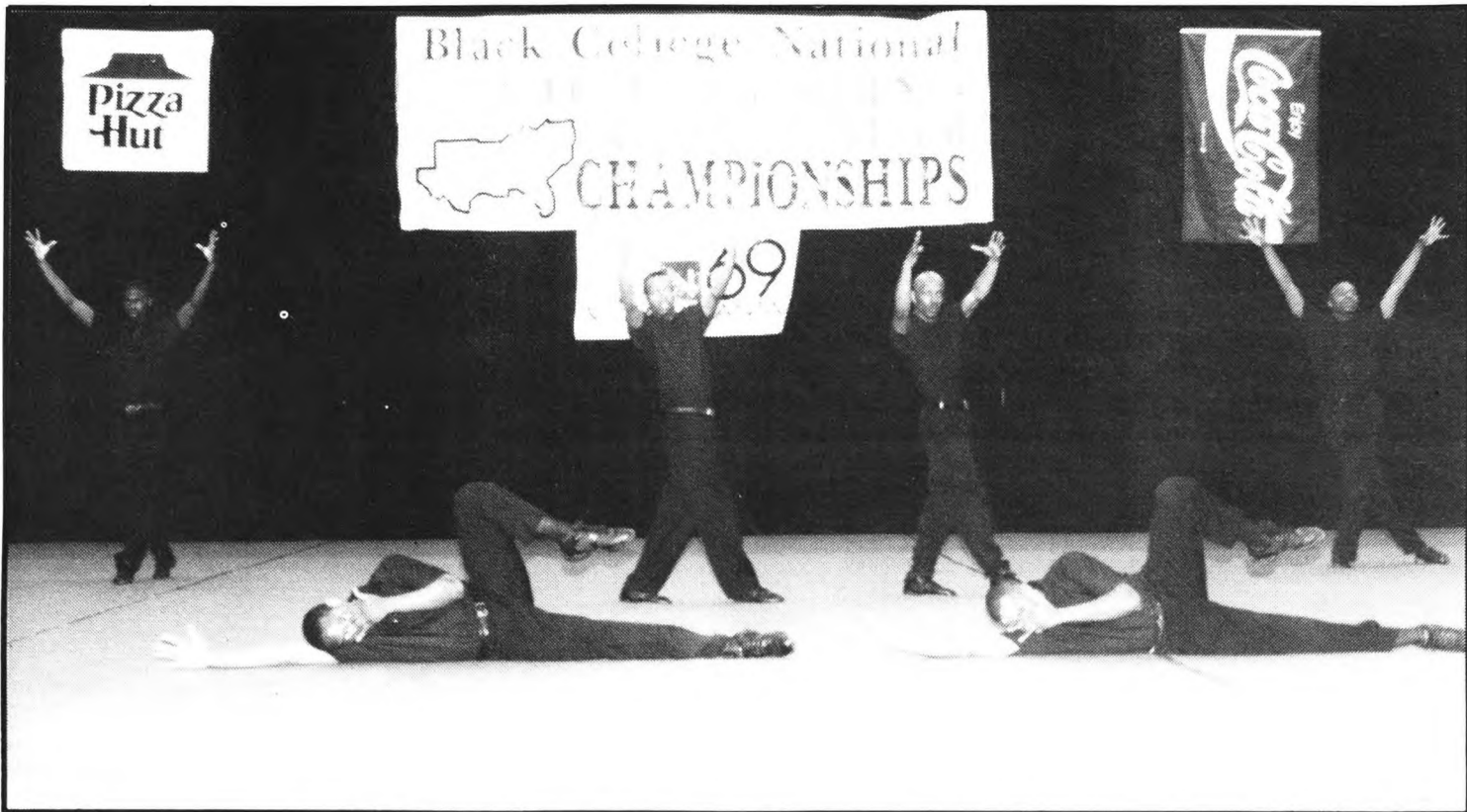
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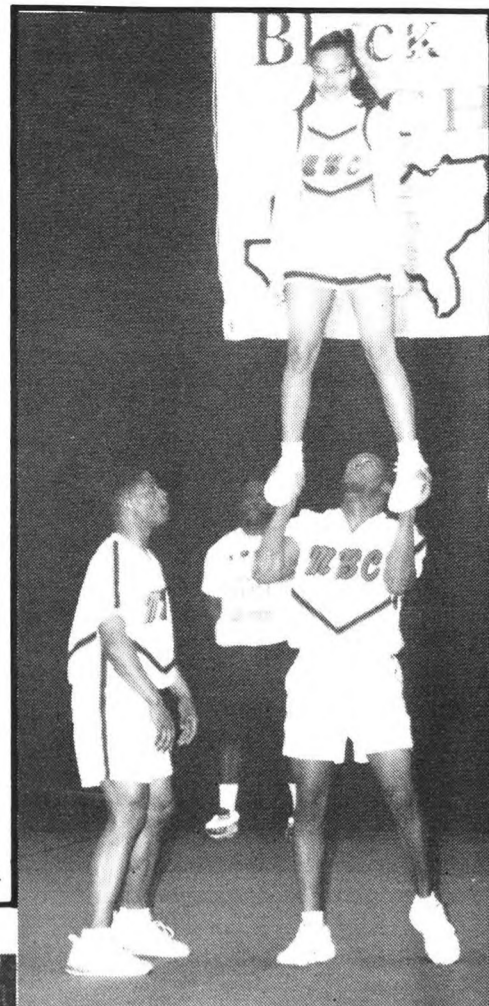
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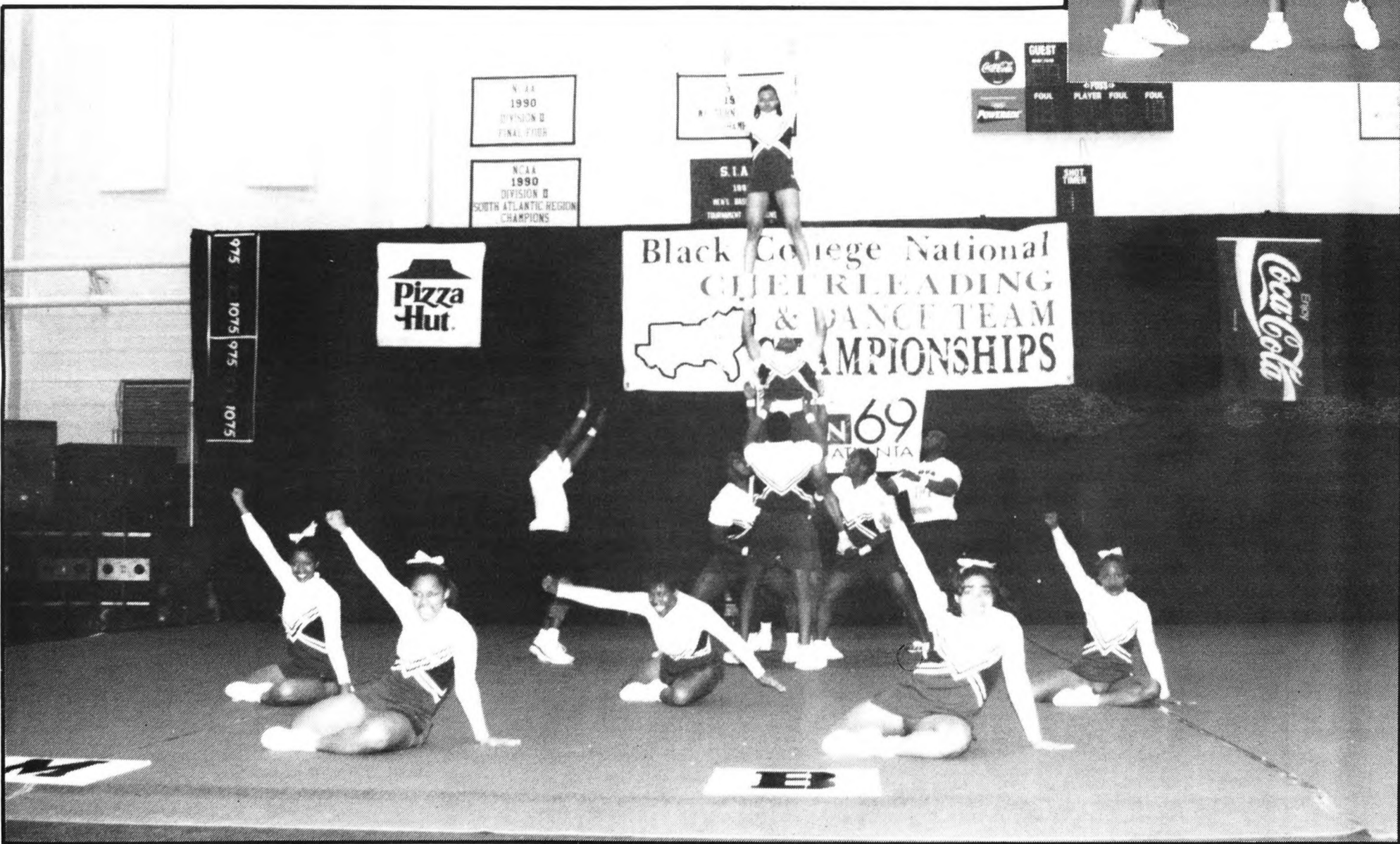
Ecstasy - 3rd place winners, Dance Division.



Blackmale - 2nd place winners and 'Best Choreography Award', Dance Division.



The Stunt Partner team of Speaks supporting Kincaid.



The cheerleaders performing their second place routine.



Kara Walker

ART REVIEW

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former Atlantan, Kara Walker, a 28-year-old-African American artist and winner of a MacArthur Foundation grant, use of stereotypes causes debate in black arts community.

by Tiffini Barnes

Kara Walker uses a combination of pornography and genteel silhouette art to convey a narrative set on the antebellum plantation that depicts black women taking pleasure in sexual violence with white men. The mingle of sex and the history of slavery are offending many in the art world.

The use of negative imagery has always provoked wide response within the black art community. One argument says, it's our history, why not deal with it in our art? Another contends these images are so powerful they can't be destroyed? Fearing that American doesn't want to let go of them, this side argues, why pollute the world with more? Michael Ray Charles, a white 30-year-old Houston artist, demands \$10,000 to \$20,000 for paintings that depicts racist imagery of blacks.

The controversy continues to grow, fueled by clashing values, genera-

tions and artistic motivations. For many, Kara Walker's works are as unwelcomed as black-on-black crime. Both are a legacy, they say, of racism in America.

The two-day symposium on the International Review of African Art had discussed Walker's works which several artists attended. Many viewed Kara Walker's work as perverse and suspicious, but others received it as enlighten and interesting.

Hamza Walker, a supporter of Kara Walker, "Stereotyping is part of human nature, it won't ever disappear, but the images the artist recycles are spectors of the white imagination. If both sides can acknowledge that they're looking at them in very different ways that's an interesting dialogue to provoke. I look to art for that kind of thing. Controversy is good."

VIEWS-EXPRESSIONS

rape

by Monique L. Jennings

If you're a first-time college or university student, you're probably looking forward to the newfound freedom you'll encounter as you head off to school. The new social scene at colleges or universities may also include sexual relationships. But for many young women (and some men), what begins as a friendship or casual date may lead to a horrifying experience. Being pushed into unwanted sexual acts by someone you know is called acquaintance rape.

Accepting a date doesn't mean accepting sex. If someone is making you uncomfortable, just say "No". In college, age, social factors and isolation all come together to make it quite risky for women. If you're coming from a small town into a large city to attend school, you may feel particularly vulnerable. If you're experimenting with sexual relationships for the first time, you may be unsure about your role. Stop and think about what you are doing before engaging in sexual activities.

Don't experiment with something you can't handle. The most important thing for women to remember is to go with your instincts rather than giving in to what you think other's want, or what is "cool." Date rape is particularly difficult to guard against because it involves someone you know, and often trust. Most women are taught to defend themselves against attacks from strangers, but don't necessarily recognize when someone they know

is being abusive.

Some women are raped because of the clothing they were wearing, but that does not give a man the right to rape a woman. According to a study from the Association of American Colleges, "Women may accept male sexual aggression as natural." This is one reason why acquaintance rape is underreported.

According to another study from the Association of American Colleges, "Men are taught early that they should be aggressive." This aggression makes its way into some men's sexual relationships. Most women don't know what constitutes a date rape.

What can you do if you are a victim of rape? The Association of American Colleges recommendation is to go somewhere where you feel safe. It is best to find someone you trust: your roommate, a friend, or your residence director or floor senior. Sometimes calling home is the most comfortable option. If you're uncomfortable talking with someone you know, many cities have sexual assault crisis hotlines that offer counseling and support.

If you have been injured, you may want to go to the hospital or clinic. Crisis centers or sexual assault workers can help you find medical care, including testing for sexually transmitted diseases (STDs). According to studies done by the Association of American Colleges, "Women can recover from rape by reading books about sexual assault to help regain some of the control that was lost when while being raped."

What is Dating Violence?

According to a study by the National Clearinghouse on Family Violence, "dating violence is the sexual, physical or emotional abuse of one partner by the other in a dating relationship where the couple is not living together. Sexual Abuse may involve sexual relations without consent, unwanted sexual touching, or being forced to engage in sexual activity."

PHYSICAL ABUSE may involve punching, kicking, slapping, pushing, choking, biting, hair pulling or striking with an object.

EMOTIONAL ABUSE may involve intimidating, terrorizing, threatening, insulting, and pressuring an individual.

HOW WIDE SPREAD IS THE PROBLEM?

A few research studies have been conducted among high school and college students. A survey done by the National Institute of Mental Health in the United States estimated more than one million sexual assaults against teenagers every year. The survey noted that the actual incidence of assaults was probably much higher because many teenagers do not report the attacks.

Facts to consider about date rape:

- ▼ Date rape has the lowest reporting rate of all forms of rape. It is estimated that only 1% of date rapes are reported to the authorities.
- ▼ Victims of sexual assault are much more likely to report the crime to the police when it is perpetrated by a stranger than when it is committed by an acquaintance, friend, or partner.
- ▼ Date rape does not fit the stranger-in-the-dark-alley stereotype.

Will the World End in the Year 2028?

by Vonda C. Echols

Are we safe from the asteroid that were predicted to hit the earth in the year of 2028. Will the new prediction stay true? Or will it change?

A group of scientist said that a large asteroid will hit earth in the year 2028, but a day after the group of astronomers predicted that possibility, NASA said "It isn't going to happen." NASA has redone the maps and checked there telescopic pictures and concluded that the giant rock (asteroid) will miss the Earth by 600 thousands miles, and we are safe from the massive damage that would have come from the large asteroid.

Dr. Brian Marsden of Harvard, was one of the astronomers to sound the alert. Dr. Marsden said "clearly 600 thousands miles is the distance, everybody calculated that same thing. Just as everybody calculated

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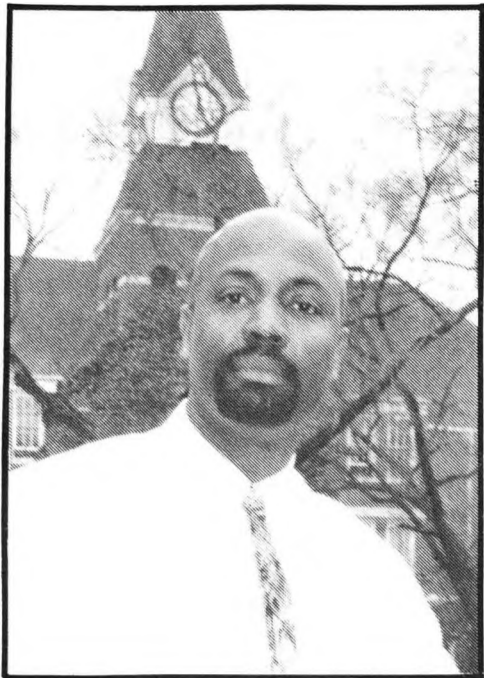
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While I am sitting here writing this article, the college's administration (and I guess some time within the next few weeks, the college's Board of Trustees) is meeting to debate/discuss the issue of the budget for the 1998-99 academic year. As one of several Directors, I along with other Deans, Department Chairs, and Vice Presidents have submitted budget proposals to be considered at this important meeting. I am hoping that not only does this article get read by the decision makers, but

that the decision regarding budgets has not already been made by the time this is published.

In my proposal, I have included funding for several non-athletic teams, academic-related extra-curricular activities and student leadership related activities and programs. This was a relatively good year for our athletic program, with one football player being drafted to the NFL, but it was an outstanding year for non-athletics teams and programs. The Model United Nations/Organization for African Unity team won first place at their competition in Cambridge (University), England. The Honda Campus All*Star Challenge team ended with a 5-2 win/loss record, placing in the top 20 of 64 colleges in competition. Blackmale Dance Team placed 2nd at the National Black College Cheerleading and Dance Competition, and won the Best Choreography award for the second year in a row, Ecstasy Dance team placed 3rd, and the Morris Brown College

Cheerleading Team placed 2nd in the Cheerleading Division. The *Brownite Yearbook* won first place for best college yearbook, and the *Wolverine Observer* newspaper took first place for best college newspaper and first place for feature articles at the 47th Annual Southern Regional Press Institute held at Savannah State University. I am sure there were some other outstanding accomplishments made by other non-athletic teams that I am not aware of, and I salute them.

My plea to the Administrative Council and the Board of Trustees is simple...please support the budget request for non-athletic teams. These teams do not participate in an olympic arena on Saturday evenings, nor do they have a band and cheerleaders routing for them on the sidelines, but it does not diminish their hard work and tireless effort. Often times they get no support from their fellow students, and when they leave for competition few people know. Despite all this, they return to the

campus with trophies and awards.

It is time the entire campus community take heed and support ALL our teams. As we take visiting groups on tours of the campus these teams should be talked about and their accomplishments made known. The Model UN/OAU team were ambassadors in England, Blackmale and Ecstasy Dance teams represented the college well on Good Day Atlanta, and our newspaper and yearbook have now set the standards in collegiate journalism. One couldn't ask for more from these students.

As we debate the budget and set about questioning the figures, please, consider the contributions to the college these young people have made as they represented us (and have won in many cases) at these various competitions around the state, country and world. Many of these teams participate not just in regional competitions, but compete in national tournaments and against schools that would be considered Division one in NCAA terms.

As the coach of three of these teams and the advisor to the *Wolverine Observer* I trust that all teams (athletic and non-athletic) will receive some consideration this year as we all strive to take Morris Brown College to the forefront of higher education into the next millennium.

Generation X Apathetic? Spring Break Activities Say Otherwise

For a few weeks in late March, college students scatter the globe in search of sun, fun, and... houses to build? That's right, the last string of the "X Generation" entered college this Fall, and is expected to continue a trend that has blown the myth of an "apathetic, selfish" generation wide open. More students than ever, over 15,000 in

1997, are skipping South Padre and Ft. Lauderdale and setting off to perform community service anywhere from Maine to Lima.

Service-oriented, or Alternative Spring Breaks (ASB), began popping up in the mid eighties, according to Ann Schimke, author of *Great Escapes: The Spring Breaker's Guide to Beaches and Beyond*. "In 1991, two enterprising graduates of Vanderbilt University decided Alternative Spring Break needed an agent, somebody to encourage and promote it," says Schimke. "They filled the position by forming a non-profit called Breakaway: the Alternative Break Connection." In 1997 Breakaway helped organize over 350 ASB programs at colleges nationwide, from swamp restoration to soup kitchen duty. In addition, service organizations including Oxfam America, Habitat for Humanity, and Christmas in April, operate Alternative Spring Breaks of their own.

Accommodations and rations on ASB's are less than luxurious, but the experience, say ASB alumni, is well worth the sacrifice. "In that week, we learned a lot about each other and life. Strangers became friends; friends became even closer" says Jason Re of St. Anselm's College, one of many student contributors who tell their spring

break tales in *Great Escapes*.

Some students choose to help their fellow GenX'ers during break. Although the typical "wet days, wetter nights" theory of spring break drinking remains, the "MTV Generation" is once again proving more responsible than given credit for. Bacchus and Gamma, two organizations run by college students, promote safe drinking behavior during spring break. Student organizers descend on Panama City and south Padre Island and set up breach events, such as rock climbing and bungee jumping. They hope these "natural highs" will dilute students' focus on alcohol, and provide a captive audience for spring break safety tips. In Panama City, Daytona Beach, Key West, and Lake Havasu, students from Beach Reach offer free rides to breakers who over-indulge. The initiative, founded by the Southern Baptist Convention, also plans pancake breakfasts and nightly Beach Express Coffeehouses during spring break.

Does all this mean the "Baby Busters" are foregoing typical spring break activities? Certainly not, but they are branching out. Ski trips, or "Snow Goose Getaways," as Schimke dubs them, are gaining popularity. Mountains in Vermont, Quebec, Colorado, Wyoming and California are attracting breakers who like their sun and fun reflected off a little powder.

Europe, Jamaica, the Bahamas, and Mexico are still seeing their share of spring break action. Start-up airlines offer cheap spring break rates and all-inclusive deals with area hotels, making leaving the country a more affordable proposition.

Other students are throwing some gear in a backpack and hitting the open trail. Members of the Intercollegiate Outing club Association plan hiking and camping breaks at hundreds of colleges. Says Schimke, "Spring break in the 1990's is as likely to mean white water rafting or a drive to the Grand Canyon, as it is 'wasting away in Margaritaville'."

These programs, destinations, and more are described in *Great Escapes*, along with plenty of trip ideas and inspiration. Schimke also addresses those not-so-fun spring break issues: date rape, drugs, alcohol poisoning, and the perils of casual sex. Her advice is straightforward, accurate, and easy to digest. You may read free excerpts, and order on-line at <http://www.octameron.com>.

Jerry Springer Show

by Monique L. Jennings

Filthy film/est: Unsafe sex, love triangles, Laura May's husband Billy Bob gets his mistress pregnant and other dirty little secrets.

Dysfunctional families and screaming audiences is that what everybody loves about the Jerry Springer Show? I wonder what it's

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the same the day before, but it was very intriguing and interesting that we got such a close approach. I don't think the new calculation that NASA got will change again."

"There are so many predictions on how the world will end, not really knowing what God has in store for us. When will these people stop trying to tell the future and work on what is happening today (now), so who's to say that the second prediction is correct. I will just keep my faith in God, and pray that the correction stands true." Said Nicola Hosier an Office Assistant working at The Economic Development Center at Morris Brown College."

"I wish that organization would verify things a little more before they go public with it, because some people value this time they have on this earth" said Alpha Harris, a cashier at Eckard Drug Store.

Should Men Over 40 Screen for Prostate Cancer?

by Vonda C. Echols

One of every 11 white men and 1 of 9 African American men will get prostate cancer during his lifetime. With improved screening, prostate cancer has the most rapidly rising increase in reported cases. Yet in the vast majority of cases, men die with, not from prostate cancer. The problem is the prostate capsule and the 10% of cancers that are more aggressive. Doctors are no longer confident that widespread screening for prostate cancer does more good than harm. The biggest problem with screening is working out whether a tumor is malignant. Two tests are commonly used to determine risk: a blood test for compound called prostate-specific antigen, and a digital rectal probe for suspicious lumps. Positive results are generally followed by a transrectal needle biopsy to see if a lump is cancerous. Yet, none of these tests can predict how nasty a growth will turn. Since it is generally a disease of older men, and because it develops slowly, most of those who harbor cancerous prostates die with them.

The prostate is one of the male sex glands. It is located just below the bladder and surrounds part of the urethra (the tube that carries urine

from the bladder during urination). The prostate produces semen, the thick fluid that mixes with the sperm from the testicles. In order for the prostate to work properly, it must depend on the male hormone, testosterone, made by the testicles.

A low-fat diet may help to keep your prostate working correctly. The American Cancer Society recommends that your intake of fat should be 30% of your total calories or less. A general rule is to eat no more than 3 grams of fat for each 100 calories.

Prostate Cancer happens most often in men over 40. You should understand that early prostate cancer usually does not cause symptoms. If symptoms do happen, they may be the same as those of benign programs, so you should see your doctor yearly starting at age 40.

The symptoms of prostate cancer:

- ❖ Urinating often (especially at night)
- ❖ Difficulty holding urine
- ❖ Difficulty starting a urinary stream
- ❖ Weak or interrupted urinating
- ❖ Pain or discomfort while urinating
- ❖ Blood or pus in urine or semen
- ❖ Painful ejaculation
- ❖ Pain in lower back or upper thighs

If you have any of these problems, see your doctor. A doctor who specializes in problems with the urinary tract is a urologist. He can diagnose and treat prostate problems.

These are the ones who have a greater chance for cancer:

Family History - There is an increased risk if a close family member has prostate cancer. It is important to learn as much as you can about your family medical history.

Age - As you go through the aging process, your prostate will get larger. This is a natural process, but it may cause problems, so it is very important for men over 40 to have yearly check-ups.

Race - African American men have the highest rate of prostate cancer in the world. This high rate has been seen only in the last few decades, which suggests that some environmental factors may be responsible.

High-Fat Diet - Scientists have recently discovered that men who eat a diet high in red meat have a higher risk of prostate cancer.

Beginning at age 40, you should have a digital rectal exam (DRE). The doctor will feel through the rectum for prostate abnormalities such as enlargement of lumps.

By age 50, you should have PSA (Prostate Specific Antigen) blood test. The PSA allows one to find out the seriousness of prostate cancer. African American men and men with a family history of prostate cancer should have this test done every year starting at age 40.

For more information, contact The American Cancer Society Toll Free: 1-800-ACS-2345.

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like to churn out trash all day. Have you ever sat down to watch Jerry Springer and think about whether the people are acting or telling the truth.

People who are Jerryholics don't think about the difference between fiction and non-fiction. Now don't get me wrong, there are times where I turn to the Jerry Springer Show to get a good laugh at how stupid the guests look, but not to the extent where I have to watch it everyday.

Now I understand why Jerry Springer's ratings are out running Oprah Winfrey in the talk show rat race. I wonder about Jerry Springer's television guests, do they have a few fries missing from the happymeal box or are they missing the whole entire meal. I guess that means the whole entire meal is gone!

I understand that sometimes you Jerry Springer fans need a little entertainment, but have you ever thought about how corrupt the Jerry Springer Show can be. There are some basketcases that actually think this trash is real. Please, give me a break, we all know that Superman isn't real.

Women stripping down to every tooth and nail, wives' husbands sleeping with the daughter, my grandmother is a bigtime drug dealer and my twelve year old son is a marijuana addict. Now come on, do you really think all of this is true or have some of you lost a few nuts and bolts?

If you don't, think about the difference between fiction and non-fiction, then some of you have a serious problem. According to our generation, this is the most popular talk show on television.

He's corrupting the minds of millions. He should be banned like asbestos. Why would someone appear on the Jerry Springer Show to embarrass their spouse or lover? Jerry Springer's revealed secrets are more like looking at someone's dirty laundry.

I wonder who comes up with these ridiculous talk show ideas or did something fall from the sky and hit Jerry Springer on the head. Maybe Jerry Springer has more on his mind that I thought. What kind of sick mind could think up that sort of stuff on a daily basis?

CICERO'S CORNER

The Passing of Mama
by Wylene Jones-Moore

When mama passed away, I felt abandoned and alone.

Didn't know where to go or what to do. I lost my companion, my confidant, my heart, and soul.

How could this possibly be true?

When Mama passed away, I cursed, I cried.

I asked, "Oh Lord, why not me?" It's the losing of my best friend in the world, That has left me in such misery!

When Mama passed away there were no more calls,

At six a.m. in the morn;

That started my day, reminded me to pray,
And helped lead me safely back home.

When Mama passed away, gone was the wisdom,

That guided me these twenty-nine years.

Gone were the answers to questions before I asked,

This thought, always brings me to tears.

NOW that Mama has passed away,
Removed, is the nuisance called pain.
She's gone on home with Maggie and Annie.

Mother and sister, whom she longed to see again.

Jerry CONTINUED

There is something wrong when a talk show producer comes up with a show topic like "My Mother Won't Stop Sleeping with My Crack Dealer." What is it about the Jerry Springer Show that everybody loves, or do people enjoy watching other people make idiots out of themselves on national television?

I often wonder why certain language is used on national television. The point I'm trying to get across to some viewers, is why would someone appear on national television and misuse words like jeopardize and confusion? O.K., I guess jepartize and confusement are two new words that haven't been placed in the Webster dictionary.

Well, you can't blame this on Ebonics. Doesn't anyone care about how stupid these people look on national television? I guess not! I'm not saying that people don't have the right to entertain themselves, but for Heaven sakes, find something better.

If I wanted to see two women pull each others hair out, then I would stop by and watch a street fight. If I wanted to hear about Laura May's husband Billy Bob sleeping with the next door neighbor, wouldn't you think I'd just go to a divorce court to watch the action.

I really think people who appear on the Jerry Springer Show need some professional help from 1-800-CHARTER. Without these trash talk shows, we would not have entertainment on television. Come to think about it - there's a Jerry Springer show live throughout the Atlanta University Center everyday.

Depression Among Older Women

by Vonda C. Echols

More and more older Americans are trying to kill themselves, and they are succeeding at an alarming rate. An estimated 24,000 people 65 or older attempted suicide in 1995 (the last year for which figures are available), and more than 6000 succeeded - a 32 percent increase over 1980. Though older people represent just 13 percent of the population, they account for almost 20 percent of all suicides, and more than any other age group.

There are many reasons, of course why an older person might logically consider suicide, including physical illness, lose of a love one or an unwillingness to be a burden to the family. But studies show that up to 90 percent of the older Americans who kill themselves are acting not out of logical despair but under the influence of clinical depression. In most cases, they might be readily treated and their lives saved.

Many Americans have mistaken ideas about late life depression, the chief cause of suicide among the

elderly. Experts offer the following advice if you suspect someone is suicidal. How they behave is the most important thing to look for such as drinking more, less interest in friends, family, hobbies and church going. Careless about personal appearance: the hair uncombed, clothes not cleaned and or pressed, gives away money and prize possessions, buys a gun, or stockpile pills. How they feel or respond: Lethargic, no appetite, no joy about life, anger expressed toward self or others, a sense of hopelessness - in a word the person is possibly depressed.

When these symptoms come into play, you must begin to remove the things that can be used to harm he/she - such as pills, scissors, or razors out of reach. Assure the person that there is a need for their presence, and also urge him/her to seek help, if there is resistance, volunteer to go along with them.

For more information call your local Mental Health Dept.

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African American Women on Tour Finalizes Workshops for 1998 Tour

by Maria Dowd, AP

ATLANTA- Starting in San Diego, CA (February 28, 1998) the Mobil African American Women on Tour comes through again with an impressive line-up of keynote speakers for its 1998 tour series. The empowerment conference will be joined by the legendary Maya Angelou, vocalists Gladys Knight and Melba Moore, author Iyania Vanzant and actress Sheryl Lee Ralph. Other keynote speakers include talk show host Bertice Berry; comedian Phyllis Yvonne Stickney; President Emeritus of Spellman College, Johnetta Cole; and women's health activist Byllye Avery.

AAWOT will feature over 25 workshops in each conference city, presented by some of the country's most sought-after workshop speakers. Among the Tour's workshop facilitators will be Los Angeles-based author and motivational speaker, Jewel Diamond Taylor. She will join over 20 other speakers at the Los Angeles, CA conference, April 24-26 as she presents her workshops "Overcoming the Enemies of Your Success" and "How to Become a Professional Speaker." This conference offers a nurturing, cultural atmosphere which embraces diversity among Black women - spiritually, physically and socio-economically," states Taylor, author of **Success Gems** and founder of the national organization, The Enlightened Circle. "I come back every year and encourage other sisterfriends to do the same, because AAWOT changes lives." Also joining the Tour in Los Angeles will be nationally recognized speaker and author, Terri McFaddin presenting "Peace, Power and Perseverance: The Keys to Success."

When the conference make its debut in Detroit, MI, May 29-31, investment expert Gail Perry Mason of first of Michigan Corp. will present a workshop focusing on money matters for African American women. In addition, popular author/activist Jawanza Kunjufu's workshop, "Good Brothers Looking for Good Sisters" examine male/female relationships from a male perspective.

In Philadelphia, PA June 5-7, AAWOT will feature several experts from across the country, including entrepreneur and author Traci Lynn, who will present "The Mind of a Millionaire".

Brooklyn, NY will host African Women on Tour July 10-12, where attendees will learn "How to Publish and Market Your First Book" with literary publicist, Julie Shaw of New York-based Shaw Literary Group.

As the Tour progresses to Wash-



Jewel Diamond Taylor

ington, DC, August 21-23, it will be joined by author and radio talk show host Audrey Chapman, who's workshop "Tender Loving: Moving Past Shame and Blame" will address male/female relationships. Also, in Washington, DC, popular author Anita Bunkley will present "Steppin' Out With Attitude: Sister, Sell Dreams."

As the Tour wraps up in Atlanta, GA, August 28-30, attendees will learn to "Live Your Purpose, Plan and Potential", with Connie Smith. Another featured speaker in Atlanta will be nationally recognized fiber artist Jacquelyn Hughes Mooney, whose interactive workshop encourages artistic creativity and imagination to uncover talents. Mooney is also the official quilter for AAWOT's Dream Quilt, a communal piece which weaves the lives of the African American women who attend the conference. In its eighth year, AAWOT will feature four powerful Rites of Passage programs - for girls, ages 12-18; young women, ages 19-25; boys, ages 12-16; and adult women.

The Tour is title sponsored by Mobil Oil Corporation, and co-sponsored by The United States Postal Service, Allstate Insurance Company, JC Penney, Reebok International, American Airlines, the Kellogg Company, *Emergence and Heart & Soul* magazines, and Mahogany greeting cards. For more information on African American Women on Tour call 1-800-560-AAWT (2298); or visit the web site at www.aawot.com.

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Track & Field and Tennis

The Morris Brown College men's & women's track team returned from the Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC) Annual Spring Championships with a third place finish (151 points) for the Lady Wolverines and a seventh place spot (27 points) for the Wolverines.

Morris Brown's Corine Hyman tied for first place in individual points scored. Hyman earned a total of 26 points and was named the meet's *Most Outstanding Female Performer - Track*. She finished first in the 3,000 meter run (11:54.02) and second in the 1500 meter (5:11.87) and 5,000 meter (21:52.07) runs.

Cloretta Ceasar (3rd) and Edwige Fouda (10th) also finished in the top ten in individual scoring. Ceasar, who won the 1500 meter run (2:22.09), took second in the 800 meter run with a time of 2:28.59. She came in third in the 3,000 meter run (12:40.06). Fouda places first in the 100 meter dash with a time of 12.09. She took second place in the 200m (24.49).

The Lady Wolverines 4x100 relay team came in fourth place with a time of 48.83, and the 4x400 relay team took third place (4:00.79). Other performances from the SIAC championships include:

Name	Event	Finish	Time
Amitia Bradley	800m	3 rd	2:29.32
	1500 m	6 th	5:33.65
Sachi Rome	800m	9 th	2:38.9
	5000m	4 th	23:16.23
	High Jump	4 th	4'10
Tokie Rome	High Jump	5 th	4'10
Tameca Tilmon	3000m	6 th	15:08.10
Christie Black	400Int Hurdles	5 th	1:17.20
	Discus	11 th	17.78m
	Heptathlon	3 rd	2533 points
Edwige Fouda	Long Jump	9 th	4.76m
Chesley Ferguson	Shot Put	4 th	34-06.50
	Discus	5 th	32.60m
Tangela Mitchell	Javelin	5 th	22.10m
Nicole Barnaby	Shot Put	6 th	29.08
	Javelin	7 th	21.30m

On the men's side, Hilton Alexander took 11th place in the 100 meter dash with a time of 11.39. he also came in sixth place in the 200 meter (22.45). Tramel Gilmore was eighth in the 200m with a 22.55 time. In the 1500 meter run, Patrick Warren was tenth place (4:34.18). Alonzo Taylor was fifth in the 5000 meter run (18:09.16) and fourth in the 10,000 meter run (37:55.97). In the 110 high hurdles, James Williams was fourth with a time 15.46. He came in eighth place in the 400m intermediate hurdles.

The Wolverines' 4x100 relay team was fourth (41.04), and the 4x400

relay team came in sixth place with a time of 3:22.02.

The Wolverine tennis team was knocked out in the first round of competition by AUC rival Clark Atlanta University. The Lady Wolverine netters did not participate in the SIAC finals.

MBC SENIOR: A SCHOLAR AND AN ATHLETE

by Karon A. Daniel

ATLANTA - About the same time Brelon Jones made 45 catches and 8 touch downs last fall to help lead the Morris Brown College Wolverines to their best record (6-5) in 10 years, he also was making the Vice President's Honor Roll for the fourth semester in



Brelon Jones

his college career. His hard work on and off the gridiron has paid off in the form of a 1998 Gillette-HBCC (Historically Black Collegiate Coalition) Scholar-Athlete Award. Jones, an Orlando native and rising Senior,

received his award on April 23, 1998, at the Morris Brown College Spring Sports Banquet. The Gillette Company also will make a donation of \$3,000 to the College's athletic scholarship fund.

Jones' many accolades are a testament to his academic achievement at Morris Brown. He is an All-American College Scholar, NCAA Academic All-American, and a Morris Brown College Academic Scholarship recipient, just to name a few of his accomplishments. Jones has not only led the Morris Brown College football team to victory, he has held student and fraternity offices.

Each HBCU was asked to nominate one female and one male student-athlete to represent their institution. The nominees were grouped into five categories based on their conference affiliation: CIAA, SIAC, MEAC, SWAC, and At-Large. The Initial Review Committee, comprised of athletic directors, sports information directors, conference officials and senior women administrators narrowed the field to two semi-finalists in each category. The ten finalists were selected by a distinguished committee comprised of college presidents, conference commissioners and Gillette representatives. The finalists recently were featured on ESPN's Black College Sports Today.

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