



The EAGLE QUEEN *Report*

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From the Vice President for Institutional Advancement

Last month, while rummaging through boxes and files in Galloway Hall, I found copies of an internal monthly publication, *The Eagle Queen Report*. The first issue was published in October of 1993 and the last issue in June of 1998. The founding editor of the newsletter was Jean Walker, the mother of the current editor, Tamia Herndon. Apparently there was not another internal newsletter until *The "T"* was inaugurated in August of 2003 by Bentley "Chip" Washington. We treasure our history and with this issue, we resume the name, *The Eagle Queen Report*.

Our goal is to make *The Eagle Queen Report* an informative vehicle that will keep everyone up-to-date on upcoming events and activities in our various departments and programs. The accomplishments of our outstanding faculty, superior staff and exemplary students should be chronicled in this publication as well as in *The Tougaloo College News*. This can only be accomplished with your assistance. Please email Ms. Herndon any and all news that you want to share with our College family. Remember, *The Eagle Queen Report* is now published only on our intranet and internet sites so, we have no page limitations anymore. In addition, you will be sharing news not only with us but with the world!

In the Spotlight



Ms. Josephine Tyler

Ms. Josephine Tyler is a native of Jackson, Mississippi and has been employed with the College's Office of Facilities Management for the last twenty-eight years. The mother of three sons, Ms. Tyler has two grandchildren, three sisters, eight brothers, a stepbrother and a step-sister.

Ms. Tyler is an active member of Mt. Pleasant Baptist Church in Gluckstadt, Mississippi and the Prince Hall Heroines of Jericho. In her spare time she enjoys spending time with her family and friends, and fishing.

"My job is very important to me. I can truly say that I really enjoy my job and look forward to coming to work each day and being with my other family (the Tougaloo family)".

We are proud of you, Ms. Tyler, and salute you for your commitment to the Eagle Queen!

A View of Tougaloo Activism 40 Years Ago

By
Tony Bounds, Junior Archivist

Having recently observed the national holiday in honor of Dr. Martin Luther King and now during our observance of Black History Month, a quick glimpse into Tougaloo College's past history of activism is certainly in order. The 1966 February edition of *The Tougaloo Chronicle* gives us a sobering view of the turbulent times that surrounded the Civil Rights Movement. Evidence that reflects the atmosphere of protest during this era can be found in an article written by staff reporter Dorothy F. Bankhead.

She covered a story on February 12, 1966, focusing on a group of Tougaloo students who participated in a march, protesting U. S. involvement in the Vietnam War. Lauree McKnight; a Tougaloo freshman and protester, was asked for her views on the much debated conflict. Among her many other answers, she pointed to the lack of attention being given to race relations in America. She stated, "The millions of dollars spent in the Vietnamese War could be spent for some constructive project in this country such as ghetto and slum problems..." following with, "We do not believe we can be free unless our 'brothers' are free. By brothers we mean all the darker people of the world."

(To learn more about the Civil Rights Movement, please visit the Tougaloo College Archives)

Tougaloo College Hosts Eighteenth Annual Business Luncheon

On Friday, February 24, 2006, Tougaloo College will host the Eighteenth Annual Business Luncheon at the Jackson Hilton & Convention Center at 11:45 a.m. The keynote speaker is F. Duane Ackerman, Chairman and Chief Executive Officer, BellSouth Corporation.

Mr. Ackerman is a native of Plant City, Florida. He holds a bachelor's degree in physics and master's degree from Rollins College in Winter Park, Florida, and a master's degree in business from the Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

During the luncheon, we will celebrate and recognize those individuals, and business and corporate partners that help Tougaloo College advance its legacy of excellence. Over 500 business, professional and political leaders attend this event annually. The luncheon serves as a valuable networking and information-sharing forum for attendees.

Should you have any questions or need additional information, please feel free to contact Edwina Harris Hamby, Vice President for Institutional Advancement, directly at (601) 977-7871 or via email at echamby@aol.com. You may also contact Kindalin Sanders Moses, Legacy and Corporate Relations Coordinator, at (601) 206-4076 or via email at kmoses@tougaloo.edu or kindalinks@aol.com

Space is very limited for this year's luncheon due to record table sales to area businesses. If you plan to attend, please telephone Ms. Moses.

The Taubman Center at Brown University has summer research positions that are open to Tougaloo College students. These are full-time, ten-week jobs (June 1 through early August) that pay \$2,500. As a student, you would work on a faculty research project in the one of the following areas: educational policy, health care, or urban policy. Please contact Dr. Steve Rozman, Director of the Center for Civic Engagement & Social Responsibility, located at One Jackson Place, or call 977-7861 for further information.



2006 *Miss Tougaloo, Mississippi Scholarship Pageant*

*February 25, 2006, 7:00 p.m.
Holmes Hall Auditorium
Tougaloo College Campus
Admission is only \$5.00*

**Winner will represent in the Miss Mississippi
pageant in Vicksburg, Mississippi on July 22,
2006**

Birthdays & Anniversaries

HAPPY BIRTHDAY!

Valvia Wilson	2/1	Kindalin Moses	2/15
Herbert Murphy	2/1	Tina Washington	2/15
Felicia Whittington	2/2	Lashundria R. Sims	2/15
Ramona Beardain	2/4	Patricia A. Johnson	2/16
Alice Manuel	2/4	Kelvin Robinson	2/16
Regina B. Cochran	2/6	Barbara Brooks	2/17
Katherine Hych	2/6	Henry E. Sanders, Sr.	2/17
James Arthur Brown	2/9	Junoesque Jacobs	2/18
Carolyn Evans	2/9	Steven Smith	2/20
Herbert Becks, Jr.	2/13	Detrice Johnson	2/26

EMPLOYMENT ANNIVERSARY!

Michael D. Harrington	11 yrs	Regina Cochran	2 yrs
Harold Jones	7 yrs	Stephanie Joiner	2 yrs
Chiquita Hampton	6 yrs	Lillie Porter	2 yrs
Kobie Quinn	6 yrs	Candice L. Jackson	2 yrs
Valvia Wilson	6 yrs	Kristel R. Shelton	1 yr
Lillie White	5 yrs	Doris Ginn	1 yr
Gloria McCray-Watson	5 yrs	Lakeshia M. Alexander	1 yr
Marcus Harris	4 yrs	Angela D. Boyd	1 yr
Contikki Reed	4 yrs	Kimberly D. Sayles	1 yr
Barbara Brooks	3 yrs	Lashundria R. Sims	1 yr
John Holmes	3 yrs	Harry Artz Devrouax	1 yr

Please submit your birthdays, anniversaries, and other milestones to therndon@tougalo.edu

Faculty/Staff On The Move

Dr. Andrea Montgomery not only wants her choral students to sing the Negro spirituals found in their repertoire with the same fervency demonstrated by the original vocalists - she wants them to appreciate the meaning behind the phrases, rhythms, and harmony that make the songs so unique and special. The yearning to dig a little deeper into the words and notes on the pages of choral music has earned Montgomery a statewide honor. Montgomery, who chairs the music department at Tougaloo College received an Educator Award from the Mississippi Humanities Council in October 2005. The award came with a \$500 honorarium and the chance to present her research to other scholars.

The art of our own Professor Johnnie Mae Gilbert will be displayed in an Art Exhibit in Montgomery, Alabama at The National Center for the Study of Civil Rights and African American Culture at Alabama State University. The title of the exhibit is *Civil Rights: A 50 Year Reflection*. Professor Gilbert will represent Tougaloo College by displaying her piece entitled "*More Than Readin' and Writin', Good and Perfect Decisions Do Not Always Yield Good and Perfect Results*". It is a 30" x 40" mixed media piece. This work is featured in this exhibit along with works by other artists of Historically Black Colleges and Universities. The exhibit will run from January-June. If you would like more information, please contact Professor Gilbert at ext. 7743.

Student Corner

Congratulations to Mr. Jarvis McInnis for being accepted into the Charles E. Williams II Advanced Leadership Institute of the Southwestern Black Student Leadership Conference.

Jarvis is a freshman from Pascagoula, Mississippi and the Boys and Girls Clubs of America's National Youth of the Year. Jarvis is definitely an eaglet who continues to soar to new heights.

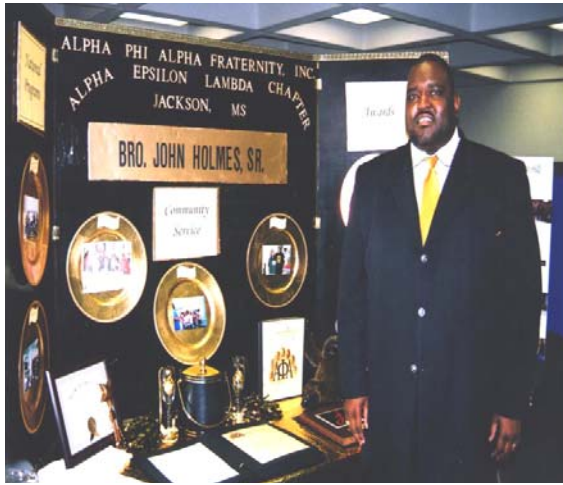
Again, our heartiest congratulations, Jarvis!



Congratulations to the Men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated, Gamma Upsilon Chapter. The chapter was recently selected as "Chapter of the Year" at their annual district conference. The conference was held at Millsaps College in Jackson, Mississippi January 20-22, 2006. This is the fourth consecutive year that these young men have had the honor of receiving this title. They continue to excel, set the tone, and uphold the light of Alpha Phi Alpha.

Once again, hats off to the brothers of Black and Old Gold on their outstanding achievement!!

Assistant Vice President, John Holmes, Recognized by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated



December 4, 2006, will mark a century of Manly Deeds, Scholarship and Love for All Mankind shared by the men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. The mission of Alpha Phi Alpha is to stimulate the ambition of their members; to prepare them for the greatest usefulness in the cause of humanity, freedom, dignity of the individual; to encourage the highest and noblest form of manhood; and to aid downtrodden humanity in its efforts to achieve higher social, economic, and intellectual status.

On Sunday, January 22, 2006, the district conference of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. was held at the Cabot Lodge in Jackson, MS. John E. Holmes, assistant vice president for academic affairs, was selected to receive the W.H. "Duke" Williams Outstanding Alumni Brother of the Year Award. The award is given based on (1) contributions to Alpha at all levels, (2) awards and achievements, (3) personal progress among and service to Alpha brothers and chapters, (4) national display and interview, (5) campus and community leadership and contributions (to church, business, civic associations, political, personal/social services), (6) degree of participation in Alpha National Programs and (7) contributions to both college and the non-academic community.

Currently, Holmes serves as director of educational activities for the Alpha Epsilon Lambda Chapter. He is also charged with overseeing the fraternity's national programs "A Vote-less People is a Hopeless People" and "Project Alpha."

"A Vote-less People is a Hopeless People" was initiated as a national program of the fraternity during the 1930s when many African-Americans had the right to vote but were prevented from voting because of poll taxes, threats of reprisal, and lack of education about the voting process. Voter education and registration has remained a dominant focus of this outreach activity for over 65 years. In the 1990s, the focus shifted to include political awareness and empowerment, delivered most frequently through town meetings and candidate forums.

"Project Alpha" provides education for young males, 12-15 years old, on sexuality, fatherhood and the role of males in relationships. In addition, it motivates young men to make decisions about their goals and values and to act in ways that support their decisions. Lastly, it builds young men's skills through role-playing, utilizing appropriate male role models and mentors.

Holmes will represent the fraternity at the 75th regional convention later this year in Memphis, TN. The theme for the regional conference is "Remembering the Messenger, Living the Legacy, Building the Dream." From its beginnings as social literacy club, to its establishment in 1906 as Alpha Phi Alpha, the fraternity has continued to pride itself on the quality and value of its members and on its commitment to the communities where it thrives.