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Fostering sisterhood at Bennett College

by Tracey E. Fox Bennett Banner

Friendship and unity are two words that are well known to the ladies of Bennett College.

To aid and foster this friendship the Big Sister/Little Sister program was implemented. In the program, a junior (Big Sister) can be assigned up to two

freshwomen (Little Sisters).

ask questions about the school. their own lives that they may not tion. Keli Vanterpool says, "I can't be able to ask anyone else. The big sisters can also give tips on coping

in their new college environment. Big The program is put together sisters are there to lead their little so that incoming students will have sisters in the right direction and to an experienced student they can lend a shoulder to cry on if need be.

Many little sisters say they Additionally, these young students enjoy having a big sister to look up to. may have personal questions about They feel it is a form of communica-

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Profile of Bennett College Graduating Seniors (1987-1993)	
YEAR	# OF GRADUATES
1987-88	70
1988-89	82
1989-90	55
1990-91	65
1991-92	79
1992-93	118

Source: Bennett College Office of Management Information Services



COMMENCEMENT SPEAKER: Noted psychlatrist and psychoanalyst, Dr. Frances J. Bonner, is the daughter of former Bennett president, David Dallas Jones.

LEAD STORY

Bennett graduation honors high achievers in science

by Gloria Carr Bennett Banner

On Sunday, May 9, 1993 at 11:00 a.m. Bennett College will hold its 63rd commencement exercise since becoming an all-women's institution in 1926. This year's theme is "Celebrating Women in the Sciences." The commencement address will be delivered by Dr. Frances J. Bonner, MD. a noted psychiatrist and psychoanalyst. Dr. Bonner is also the daughter of the late David Dallas Jones, a former President of Bennet College. She is a Bennett College graduate of 1939 and a 1943 graduate of Boston University School of Medicine.

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McKissick-Kemp's fight is in the genes

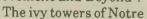
by Gloria Carr Bennett Banner

Carrying on the legacy of a man like Floyd B. McKissick, Sr., is quite a task. But Bennett communications professor Charmaine McKissick-Kemp is doing quite a job.

Few men were as effective in the struggle for southern civil rights as her father.

He was a speaker at the March on Washington in 1963, a civil rights attorney and activist, judge and spokesman for the doctrine of black power. McKissick- Kemp is the youngest daughter of the McKissick Sr. family.

McKissick-Kemp inherited her father's passion for justice and empowerment for African-Americans. That passion was on display when in the spring of 1992 she was awarded the Coca-Cola minority faculty fellowship at the University of Notre Dame. McKissick-Kemp taught a course entitled "The Civil Rights Movement and Beyond".





by Deanne McLeod MCKISSICK-KEMP: Towards black empowerment.

Dame proved quite a formidable challenge.

In the beginning the students were not receptive to the idea of an educated African-American woman instructing them on such a touchy issue as that of the struggles of African-Americans during the civil rights movement.

McKissick-Kemp's familiarity, however, with the dilemmas of the movement and her dogged determination to adequately explain the subject matter to her students made the ex-

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