# Scott meets the Cos 

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Scott met with Cosby before his performance. Hailes: Was it hard to get in to see him?
Scott: Yes, I have been trying to meet Mr. Cosby for seven years. I have also been trying to get his wife, Camille to come to Bennett, but she has been working on her doctorate degree. However, I finally met Mr. Cosby on the 21 of January. I was in New York that day on business. I had a flight scheduled to leave at $3: 30$ p.m., but there was a fuel leak in the plane and therefore an hour and a half delay. I left New York about 5:19 and landed at 6:15, got home and changed and tried to be in to see Mr. Cosby by

7:40. After being stuck in a traffic accident on the way and being stuck in coliseum traffic, I finally made it back stage to meet with Mr.Cosby. He had not arrived yet, so everything worked out fine. When I walked into his dressing room Mr.Cosby asked who was I and he commented that I was looking pretty. I found Mr. Cosby to have a wonderful sense of humor. He insinuated that I was coming to beg. I quickly told him that I was there to do just that. He inquired about the seriousness of the students and the dedication of the faculty and staff. He had already heard about our single parent program and wanted to know
more about it. He told me that Camille (Cosby's wife) has a great interest in helping the community. He also said that she is the person that I need to speak with because she distributes the money. He asked if we had and auditorium and I said yes, but I did not comment on the size. He told me that if I could get seven or so people to come down he would come back and give a benefit show without charging us. Ms. Rhue, PR person for Bennett, brought in a sweatshirt for him and a plaque to honor him for his service as a conscious humanitarian for community service.
Hailes: Dr. Scott, do you feel

## Cold weather breeds colds, flu

By Stephanie McCorkle Banner Reporter

## Colds.

Everyone has had at least one in their lifetime or, the past six months. With changeable weather and high stress in the atmosphere, getting sick seems to be unavoidable.

The Health Center, located in Rose Catchings Complex has seen people with these problemsmore than frequently.
"The average number of students who have come in with colds have increased at a ratio of fifteen to twenty per week. That comes to about five people a day more or less," said JoAn Williams, registered nurse at the Center.

Williams said that there was an increase of people coming in with sore throats, as well as different combina-
tions of cold and flu symptoms.

There are repeat patients who have the same symptoms "at a core of about 50 students that are in all of the time," she said.
"The causes of these viruses that bring about colds are due to the fact are due to the fact that people are generally inside more during this time of the year, and are so close together. "

Because of the close proximity, it would make it easy to transfer a germ from one individual to another. In addition Williams said that if people do not wash their hands as often as they should when they are suffering from a virus can contribute to the transmission of colds

There are ways that the general public can protect themselves from catching viruses and germs.
"All you can do is make sure that your are drinking plenty of juices and water," she said.
"Many times the patients come in here and say that they have not had anything to eat or drink all day. They do not eat very regularly or drink fluids much."
"Stress can be a contributing factor to illness, but it mainly has to do with the general contact that is made among a lot of people, and how actively a germ is transmitted. A multivitamin can never be a substitute for a balanced meal, but if you are a person who does not eat regularly, then taking a vitamin would help," Williams said.

The Health Center is open from 7:30 a.m. to 7 p.m. Monday through Friday. There is a nurse on call every night after 7 .
that your meeting was successful and that he was receptive to you?
Scott: Well, we have the lines of communication open and we are working to put together the benefit. We are hoping that the benefit will be successful, and we are also looking to acquire a donation to the college by the Cosbys. Hailes: Is it hard to get support from celebrities?
Scott: Well, in order to get people interested in helping us, we must first show them reason why they should help us. For example, if each of the students here were to maintain at least a $C$ average, that would make Ben-
nett College stand out and would be a special incentive for people to support Bennett. I am working on getting other people involved like Ms . Oprah Winfrey and others. Hailes: Dr. Scott, I am aware that when you took office after the leadership of Dr. Isaac Miller, the college had a large debt, has that been cleared?
Scott: You know that was one of the first things that Mr.Cosby asked me. He said, "How much do you need to get out of debt?" I was happy to report that Bennett College does not have a debt. When I came in 1987 our debt was $\$ 1.10$ million and that was cleared in 1990.

## Communications Scholarship Drive

Roots Rockin' Productions is sponsoring a scholarship drive to benefit the Mass Communications Department at Bennett.

Raffle tickets are on sale for $\$ 1$ each. First prize is a
$19^{\prime \prime}$ color telvision and second prize is a VCR. Ticekts can be purchased on Thursday, Feb. 24 from $7-9 \mathrm{pm}$ in the Little Theater and on Monday Feb. 28 from 12-1:30 pm in the Student Union Foyer.

## collegiate crossword



