

# FOR YOUR INFORMATION

ON AND OFF CAMPUS NEWS BRIEFS

## Attention all Bennett Belle writers

Interested in participating in a writing contest? Well here's your chance. The 1994 Black History Essay contest, sponsored by the Lee Education Program is accepting 1,500-word essays featuring the contributions of outstanding blacks Americans. The contest deadline is 5 p.m., Feb. 28. For more information contact Dr. Alma Adams 100 Steele Hall.

## Journalism students attend minority job fair

Four Belles majoring in mass communications attended a minority job fair in Birmingham, Ala. Feb.17-20.

LaTasha Gordon, Orangeburg, S.C. sophomore; Christine Lewis, Washington, D.C. junior; Stephanie McCorkle, Raleigh junior; and Kaetina Davis, Columbia junior joined more than 150 other students from colleges and universities and more than 40 newspaper recruiters. The Belles were interviewed for internships by such notable newspapers as the St. Petersburg Times, The Birmingham News, the Associated Press and The Columbus Ledger-Enquirer. The job fair was sponsored by "The Birmingham News," the American Society of Newspaper Editors, and the Newspaper Association of America. Other sponsors of the event included the "Atlanta Journal and Constitution," The New York Times Regional Group and the Southern Newspaper Association.

## UNCG, Bennett to co-sponsor women's health conference

"Women, Science and Health: Breaking with Tradition," will be the topic of the women's studies conference Friday, Feb. 25. The conference is jointly sponsored by the Bennett College Women's Leadership, Development and Training Program and UNCG's the Woman's Studies Program., and other local organizations. Keynote speakers will be Dr. Nancy Tuana, philosopher, University of Texas and Dr. Agnes H. Donahue, director, The Office on Women's Health, U.S.Public Service. The registration fee for Bennett College community is \$20. For more information call 334-5673.

## Greensboro mayor speaks at National Trio Day celebration

Mayor Carolyn Allen spoke at the National Trio Day ACES Feb. 10. Allen spoke on diversity in educational partnerships for the future. Also in attendance were city councilwomen Alma Adams and Yvonne Johnson, who is also a Bennett graduate.

## Founder of African American history museum visits

Dr. Margaret Burroughs, the founder of the DuSable Museum of African American History visited the campus of Bennett College during the week of Feb 19. She attended an opening reception which was held at the Greensboro Cultural Center, a symposium that focused on black aesthetics and an evening of public speaking that was held in Black Hall.

## Law school prep program sponsored

The National Institute for Legal Education is sponsoring its 1994 summer intensive Law School Prep Program at Stanford University in Palo Alto, Ca. ( June 26 to July 8 ) and American University in Wash., DC (July 16 to July 28 ). N.I.L.E. offers one -week and two-week programs for residential and commuter students. For more information contact: N.I.L.E., P.O. Box 811086, Boca Raton, Fla ,33481-1086 or call (407) 392 - 2220.

## National Library of Poetry announces contest

The National Library of Poetry will sponsor its North American Poetry Contest The deadline will be March 31. There is no entry fee and the contest is open to everyone. To enter, send one original poem to the National Library of Poetry, 11419 Cronridge Drive, P.O. Box 704-YD, Owings Mills, Md . 21117. The poem should be no longer than 20 lines. The poet's name and address should appear at the top of the page. Entries must be post-marked by March 31.

## Go to Mobile for spring break

A Black College Reunion and the Greek Picnic will be held March 30 to April 3 in Alabama. This trip includes a \$ 99 event registration package and is for 18 to 24 year old African American college students This trip is sponsored by the Morgan Group of Chicago. For more information call (312) 769-5101.

# Comer program helps "raise a child"

By Crystal Simenton  
Banner Reporter

The Education Department has come across a possible opportunity to collaborate with the Guilford County School system to assist in educating community children.

The opportunity is called the Comer Project.

The Comer Project, started at Yale University by Dr. James P. Comer in 1968, is based on the African proverb: "It takes a whole village to raise a child."

According to this philosophy, a child needs more than teachers to be educated. A child's complete education involves participation from parents and the business community.

This participation promotes collaboration, builds and bridges relations, and the empowers all constituents involved said Dr. Alice Stone, Education Department chair.

The participation

helps students considerably. "It enhances student performances," Stone said.

The Comer project involves six critical pathways in the development and growth of a child. Intellectual growth, emotional development, moral ethics, social interactive, speech and Language, and physical growth.

According to Dr.

Stone the children involved are usually elementary students but the Comer project has been tried in middle schools as well as high schools.

The project — made up of parents, staff, and community businesses — forms a committee that meets as often as needed, holds discussions about the welfare

and education of the children and makes joint decisions about the children.

"This way everyone

benefits from this wonderful project," Stone said.

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