

Briefs and Reviews

Critic's Corner

For Your Information

Sisterhood videoconference planned

A live interactive videoconference featuring African American women in education will be sponsored by the Mass Communications, Speech, & Theatre department March 29 in Pfeiffer Science assembly from 1-3pm. Topics include feminism, black male crisis, and black woman's student life. A panel discussion, hosted by Dr. Lenora Brodgan-Wyatt, is scheduled to follow the videoconference.

Design artist to present wearable art

Francine Murphy-Terry, a textile design artist from Akron, Ohio will give a lecture and present some of her wearable art 7 p.m. March 26 in the Pfeiffer Science Assembly.

Get set for the 'Human Race'

The Epilepsy Association of Greater Greensboro, along with other non-profit organizations, is sponsoring the "Human Race" a 5k run or walk race on March 25. The event is scheduled to begin at 10 a.m. at the Grimsley High School Stadium. Registration begins 9 am. For more information contact Dixie Hodge at 373-1404 or Portia Gordon at 373-9842.

Competency Test scheduled

The Spring Math and English competency tests are scheduled to take place March 30. The English test is from 8 to 10 a.m. and the math test is from 10:45-12:15 p.m. The last day for sign up is March 24. Good luck.

This month in Black Herstory

Compiled by Christine Lewis
Banner Chief Copy Editor

Rasin in the Sun opens at Barrymore Theater in New York.

4- 1855 Fannie Williams born in Brockport, NY. She was an organizer of the National League of Colored Women, the first Black member of the Chicago's Women's Club.

25- 1942 Singer and composer. Aretha Franklin born. She won the title "Queen of Soul", in 1967, after her first five single records sold more than a million copies on the Atlantic label.

8- 1902 Louise Beavers born in Cincinnati, OH. She was known as one of the most popular character actresses in Hollywood during 1930s and 1940s.

29- 1918 Peal Bailey noted singer, actress, comedienne and author born in Newport News, VA. She was appointed "Ambassador of Love" by president Nixon in 1970, for her love for people around the world.

11- 1959 Lorraine Hansberry's A

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'Outbreak': Wait for cable

Tamu Johnson
Banner Reporter

The new movie *Outbreak* — about a deadly virus brought from Zaire to a small town in northern California — should have been titled *Broken*. It was obvious from the beginning of the film that the plot needed fixing.

For one, there was no mystery about how the people in California contracted the virus.

It was a mystery, however, how some of those people who

were exposed to the virus did not become infected while others did.

Also, it hardly seems possible that such a deadly virus could be confined to one town. Very confusing.

Movie Review

Another major problem with the film was the unrealistic lengths that the military underwent to find a cure for the virus, once it spread within the community.

The film did have some redeeming qualities such as the per-

formances by Dustin Hoffman and Cuba Gooding Jr. (the courageous military officers who jeopardized their own safety to find a cure); Rene Russo, Hoffman's wife in the film (who due to her own careless behavior was exposed to the virus and became infected); and Morgan Freeman (the stubborn but wise commanding military officer).

I don't recommend this movie. If your still interested, though wait until it starts at the dollar theater.

On the other hand...

'Outbreak': A must see movie

Sherry Jones
Guest Reviewer

Imagine a virus more deadly than HIV. A virus that wanders through the air, waiting to invade your body and powerful enough to destroy you in less than 24 hours.

The motaba virus originated in the Motaba Valley River in Zaire. It's the fictional, but monstrous disease that caused a pandemic in the movie *Outbreak*. In days, its victims experience symptoms so horrible that death would be the only possible relief.

When the motaba virus spread in a small village in Zaire, the U.S. Army thought dropping a bomb on the area would destroy it. Instead, the host of the virus, a monkey, had already been shipped

over to a U.S. animal lab where it was later stolen by an employee.

Jimbo Scott, the employee, headed for a small California town called Cedar Creek and tried to sell the monkey to a local pet store owner. Little did the men know, they were handling a monkey that was carrying what could be the most deadly virus known to man.

Sam Daniels, played by Dustin Hoffman, a military doc-

tor puts his life on the line when making a desperate attempt to stop the deadly spread in Cedar Creek. With the help of Cuba Gooding Jr. Rene Russo and Morgan Freeman, stopping the virus is a fight to the finish.

Outbreak is a dramatic display of terror that will leave its viewers squirming on the edge of their seats. Although the story is fictional, it is based on an actual event that occurred in Washington D.C.



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