

## BRIEFS &amp; REVIEWS

## Banner Briefings

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## New Banner Staff Announced

The Banner staff office is accepting applications for staff positions for the 1996-97 school year. Thus far the new staff members are co-editors Paquita Herring, a sophomore mass communications major from North Carolina, and Keita White, a junior mass communications major from New York; sports editor, Kisha Dodson, a junior English major from Virginia; sports reporter, Bianca Williams, a junior mass communications major from D.C., and photographer, Camisha Gentry, a sophomore interdisciplinary studies major from California. The Banner will continue accepting applications for reporters, photographers, ad sales reps and an office manager until Aug 30. More information is available in Shell C-2.

## Tuition Increase Approved

The Board of Trustees has approved an overall increase of 5.5 percent or \$559 for 1996-97. The increase will continue to help to strengthen the faculty and academic programs. It will also help defray the costs of automating Holgate library, upgrading the residence halls, the physical renovations of campus buildings and food quality and service.

## Residence Halls to Close and Open

All students must vacate the residence halls by noon Saturday, May 18. Dorms will reopen for the 1996-97 school year Sunday Aug. 18 at 9 a.m.

## Black HERstory this month

May 1, 1946 Emma Clarissa Clement, mother of Atlanta University President Rufus E. Clement, was named "American Mother of the Year" by The Golden Rule Foundation. She was the first African-American woman to receive the honor.

5, 1950 Gwendolyn Brooks wins Pulitzer Prize in poetry for "Annie Allen."

6, 1982 Loretta Glickman, a former teacher and singer became mayor of Pasadena, Calif. She was the first black mayor of a major city in the United States.

18, 1956 Mary McLeod Bethune, noted black female educator and political leader, died in Daytona Beach, Fla. She was one of the founders of Bethune Cookman College.

22, 1989 Oprah Winfrey, an African-American TV talk show host on television, received a honorary doctoral degree from Morehouse College in Atlanta, Ga. She gave

the all-male college a gift of \$1 million.

22, 1942 Marguerite Ross Barnett was born in Charlottesville, Va. She became the first black and the first woman chief administrator of the flagship of the four-campus Houston system, when she was appointed president of the University of Houston in 1990.

24, 1966 Leotyne Price opens Metropolitan Opera season.

25, 1971 Jo Etha Collier a black girl, was shot dead in Drew, Miss. at the age of 18. She was killed in a drive by shooting less than an hour after her graduation from the newly desegregated Drew High School where she had been designated, "The student with the most school spirit." Three white men were arrested and charged with her murder on May 26, 1971.

29, 1965 Vivian Malone is first black to graduate from the University of Alabama.

## Replace 'Substitute' with another movie

Tamu Johnson

Banner Movie Reviewer

*The Substitute*, a film starring Tom Berenger as an ex-mercenary turned substitute teacher is a horrible film.

Berenger, plays "Mr. Smith" a vigilante teacher that literally beats American history into his students in an inner city public high school in Florida. He's the "Conan" of the Miami public school system.

Smith has been ostracized by the U.S. government and now he is teaching minority students who have been ostracized by society,

and because of Smith's efforts some of the students develop an

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interest in their education.

The plot gets somewhat interesting during his tenure at the school, Smith notices the principal, played by Bernie Hall, wearing an expensive watch. This observation leads Smith to become suspicious, so he sets up a surveillance and catches

the principal filtering drugs through the school with the help of a street gang whose leader is in Smith's history class.

The unrealistic aspect of the film is the depiction of a war against the drug dealers and Smith after the students have been dismissed.

If you're interested in seeing an unrealistic way of fighting drugs in schools this is the movie for you but if you like action films with plots try another movie. "*The Substitute*" is now playing at the Janus Theaters.

## 'Blues' not good for summer reading

Donna Barden

Banner Movie Reviewer

*Your Blues Ain't Like Mine*, a novel by Bebe Moore Campbell, was just that; it gave me nothing but the blues. After the first page I knew that it wasn't the type of book I was interested in. The only thing that kept me truly interested was that a murder occurred and the suspense of finding the killer kept me there.

The novel is fiction and set in

the 1950's in rural Mississippi. As in many stories during the 50's, a black boy spoke "an innocent French phrase" to a white woman

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and after that incident, it becomes a black and white issue, with animosity from both races towards

each other.

It is a good history story, if you're reading it to learn about history and not for true enjoyment. I would recommend it for that reason only.

Although I enjoy reading books by Ms. Campbell, this one I found did not keep my attention. I suggest reading the novel if your interested in the civil rights movement.

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