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# Banner Briefings

On and Off Campus Events • Activities • Announcements

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### Deadline Approaching

Oct. 1 is the deadline for the removal of incomplete grades and dropping course with DP or DF.

### Graduate/Professional School Fair Scheduled

The Career Center will host the annual Graduate/Professional School Fair for students and alumnae Oct. 1 in the Ida Goode Gymnasium from 9 a.m. until noon. Recruiters from graduate and professional schools will be available. For more information call 370-8727 or 370-8653.

### ECE Review Course Offered

English and Foreign Languages Department will have a review course for the English Comprehensive Exam Oct. 1, 8, & 15. The course will meet at noon in Goode Gymnasium room 10. Registration ends Oct. 20. Eligible students may register in Penny Speas' office, Steele Hall Room 104.

### Oscar Mayer seeking Interns

Wouldn't you like to get paid to travel all over North America as well as attending exciting events such as the Super Bowl and the Mardi Gras? Oscar Mayer is offering an internship to be goodwill ambassadors for Oscar Mayer foods. If interested contact Oscar Mayer, Wiernmobile Department, P.O. Box 7188, Madison, WI 53707.

### 18th Annual City Stage in Downtown Greensboro

The United Art's Council of Greensboro will sponsor the 18th annual City Stage celebration. The event will be in downtown Greensboro Oct. 3-5. For more information call the United Arts Council at 333-7440.

## Black HERstory

On this day in SEPTEMBER

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• **8, 1986 Oprah Winfrey**, talk show host, actor, business-woman and millionaire, makes television history by becoming the first Black woman to host a nationally syndicated television talk show on this day.

• **23, 1863 Mary Church** became an educator and civil rights advocate.

• **24, 1931 Cardiss Robertson**, congresswoman, is born in Saint Louis, Mo.

• **24, 1988 Barbara C. Harris**, first woman of any ethnicity to be elected a bishop in the history of the 70 million-member worldwide Anglican community on this day.

• **26, 1867 Maggie Lena Walker**, noted businesswoman and civil leader, is born in Richmond, Va.

• **26, 1937 Bessie Smith**, one of the greatest blues singers, dies in Clarksville, Miss.

• **27, 1944 Stephanie Pogue**, artist and art professor, is born in Shelby, N.C.

## LaBelle's autobiography an honest revelation

By **Kenya Samuels**  
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Before life can get better, it has to get worse.

This is the philosophy Patti LaBelle has based her life on. At 53, LaBelle is one of the world's greatest performers, but throughout her life she has had her share of pain and disappointments. Prayer and extra dosages of blessings, are what Patricia Armstead -- Patti LaBelle's real name -- says she believes can make the best get better.

In "Don't Block the Blessings: Revelations of a Lifetime" (\$24.95, 305 pp., Riverhead) the autobiography of Patti LaBelle written with

Laura Randolph, the life that Patti leads, is a tale of blessings lost and found.



Book Review

From the beginning of her career, Patti has had her share of heartache from the untimely death of her sister due to diabetes to the attempted sexual assault by fellow entertainer Jackie Wilson.

In her more than 30 plus years musical career, she has lost all but one of her three sisters to cancer, and a host of other relatives and friends in untimely ways.

These events have taken Patti on a spiritual path that would introduce her to the power of prayer and the thankfulness of every little blessing life has to offer.

This tear-jerking autobiography is entwined with many comedic episodes.

Her anecdotes of hope let the reader know that although Patti has lost a lot in her lifetime, she has gained the most powerful element: blessings.

The Critic's Corner accepts reviews, previews and criticisms of music, books, poetry, plays and movies that are 150 words or less. Articles must not have been published elsewhere. Once submitted, an article becomes the property of the Bennett Banner and may be edited.

### BANNER CLASSIFIEDS

Bennett College students may place meeting announcements, services, items for sale, etc. in the Banner Classifieds for FREE for 25 words or less. The cost for non-Bennett students is \$2.50 for 25 words or less and .05 for each additional word. For more information stop by Shell Hall C-2.

#### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Happy 20th birthday,  
Tonya Chambers  
Love Your Roommate, Kenya

Happy 20th birthday,  
Naima  
Love Your Best Friend, Kenya

#### THE BENNETT BANNER 1997-98 SCHEDULE

Deadline	Publication
Oct. 3	Oct. 10
Oct. 17	Oct. 24
Oct. 31	Nov. 7
Nov. 14	Nov. 21
Dec. 5	Dec. 12
Jan. 23	Jan. 30
Feb. 6	Feb. 13
Feb. 20	Feb. 27
March 16	March 20
March 26	April 3
April 10	April 17
April 24	May 1

Happy belated birthday,  
Niaomi Jefferson and Cartisha  
Jones

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student who assisted me when  
I fell in front of the  
Student Union  
Sept. 5  
Mary Stuart

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