

Happy Valentine's Day Broncos



The Broncos' Voice

of Fayetteville State University



February 14, 2003 Volume XI, Issue 2

'TO INFORM, EDUCATE, INSPIRE, AND ENTERTAIN'

SPRING 2003 EDITION

FSU Celebrates Black History Month

Fayetteville State University celebrates Black History Month throughout February with music, drama, poetry, art, movies, lectures and more.

A centerpiece of the celebration was the drama "A Long Road To Hoe" by local playwright Olivia Green.

It was presented Wednesday, Feb. 12 at 7:30 p.m. in the school's Butler Little Theatre.

"It's a series of vignettes that depict the black experience from slavery through the civil rights movement," Green said.

The show uses dramatic readings, acting, dance and poetry to get across its message.

"We try to give a face to what happened during that period," Green said.

The vignettes include a piece told from the point of



Tarleton Blackwell's art on display in Rosenthal Gallery

view of a lynching victim, then from the perspective of his wife.

Others look at slavery, emancipation, the Jim Crow era, the civil rights struggle and the black power movement.

"The audience feels the full impact," Green said. "It brings awareness of that period."

Green and her actors have

performed "A Long Road to Hoe" since 1999. They have performed at bookstores, churches, schools and libraries.

"I'm hoping to inspire someone to pick up a book, even if they don't agree with what we're saying," Green said. "I want to start a dialogue."

Other Black History Month

events include:

The Fayetteville State University faculty recital was Tuesday, Feb. 11 at 2 p.m. in the Rosenthal Choir Room.

North Carolina African American "Sheroes" presentation was Thursday, Feb. 13 at 2 p.m. in the Rosenthal Choir Room.

Festival of Jazz, Feb. 18-21 in Rosenthal Choir Room and Seabrook Auditorium. For more information 672-1397.

The Charles Chesnut Library film festival featured the movies of Denzel Washington, Monday, Feb. 10 through Thursday, Feb. 13. Movies were free and began at 6 p.m. in the J.C. Jones Board Room at the library. Discussions followed each showing.

The schedule began with the 1999 biopic "The Hurricane" featuring Washington as boxer Rubin

Carter on Monday, Feb. 10. Tuesday, Feb. 11 the school showed Spike Lee's "Mo Better Blues," Thursday, Feb. 13 brought Washington's first movie, the 1981 comedy "Carbon Copy," and the series closed with the hospital drama "John Q."

"Changing African American Imagery" panel discussion, Feb. 23 at 4 p.m. in Helen T. Chick Building. For more information call 672-1248.

"Book Talk: Amos 'n Andy and Other Stereotypes in the Media" lecture, Feb. 27 at 12:30 p.m. in the Continuing Education Library. For more information call 672-1416.

"The Art of Tarleton Blackwell," through Feb. 28, Rosenthal Gallery. For more information call 672-1057.

Courtesy of The Fayetteville Observer

Search Committee Meets To Discuss New Chancellor

About 60 people have submitted applications for the chancellor's position at Fayetteville State University, the chairman of the search committee said.

The search committee met in closed session Feb. 4 to start reviewing the applications. Members reviewed about 15 to 20 applications, said Nathan Garrett, chairman of the search committee. The committee is scheduled to meet again at 5 p.m. Tuesday. Chancellor Willis McLeod plans to step down July 1, or when a replacement is named.

"We've just begun the process," Garrett said. "Our purpose is to decide which of the 60 we feel strongly enough about to arrange for interviews."

He wants to schedule interviews for late February and early March but said that was tentative. He said he does not know how many people the committee will interview.

Garrett said he could not say whether any applicants are from FSU or whether any worked at other historically black colleges. He said men and women have applied for the position.

The process is being coordinated by Heidrick & Struggles, a search firm based in Atlanta.

Garrett said the committee will continue to accept applications until five finalists are presented to the board of trustees.

Courtesy of the Fayetteville Observer

Noted Scholar Pays Visit To Fayetteville State Univ.

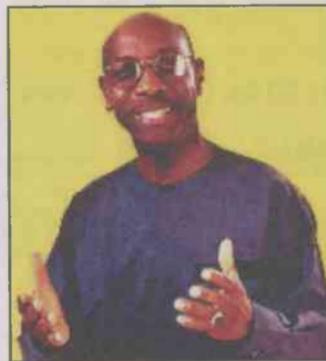
Staff Report

Na'im Akbar, an African author and clinical psychologist at Florida State University in Tallahassee, Fla., spoke to many FSU students, Feb. 13. His appearance was made possible by the Student Government Association as part of their Speakers Guild Series.

Introduction

He is what they call a Black Psychologist, an Afrocentric Scholar, sharing his thoughts on national issues with the entire population through books, articles, lectures, seminars, radio talk shows and Internet chatrooms.

His message is clear and simple, yet provocative and



well grounded: Black people in America are "crazy." Not so much individually, but culturally. This scholar, psychologist, author, business owner, and lecturer was acclaimed by Essence Magazine as "one of the world's preeminent psychologists and a pioneer in the development of an African-centered approach in modern psychology."

His name is Dr. Na'im Akbar and his ideas have penetrated most aspects of progressive thought affecting the minds of African people throughout the world. His insight and his analysis of the social concerns affecting African-Americans in particular and humanity as a whole is soul stirring, superbly rational and highly informative. Actively quoted and interviewed in print media, broadcast media and the Internet; and celebrated on five continents, Dr. Akbar is one of the greatest Thinkers and Orators of our time.

Background

Dr. Akbar was born and received his early education

See Scholar Page 8