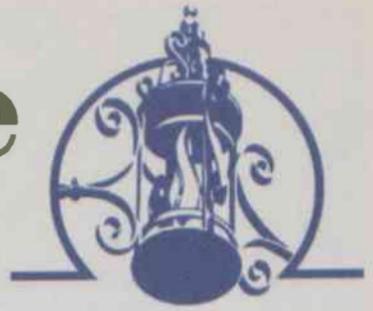




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Six Compete For Miss FSU



Richmond

Staff Report

Six women will compete for the title of Miss Fayetteville State University during the annual pageant scheduled for April 12. The event begins at 8 p.m. in the Felton J. Capel Arena. The event is free and open to the public.

The theme for this year's affair is "Royal Safari."

This year's six contestants are hoping to succeed Yvonne Richmond, Miss FSU 2002-03. Richmond is

a senior marketing major from Charlotte.

To be eligible for the competition, each contestant must possess a high grade point average and be in good standing with the university.

Contestants for Miss FSU compete in six phases of competition: onstage knowledge and awareness, student vote, athletic wear, talent, eveningwear and private interview. The private interview will be held the

Friday before the pageant with an experienced panel of judges.

Gayle Nelson and Ricardo Morgan will serve as the pageant's mistress and master of ceremony.

This year's contestants are:

*Eliza Dryer - Eliza is a native of Elizabeth, N.J. She is the daughter of Harriet and Carlton Langdon. She is a senior majoring in biology.

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Draughon



Lake



Walker



Dryer



Parker



Miller

University Gears Up For Fund-raising Drive

Bob Smith knows that now is not the best time to ask people for money.

The economy is still slumping, and thousands of troops are fighting a war overseas.

However, Smith, chairperson of the Fayetteville State University Foundation, said it is important to continue to raise money for the school for future generations of students and to forge ties with the community.

"We must face the fact that we are in an economy where it's hard," Smith said. "We have to understand that and respect that. But we have to bring in as much money as we can. The people we bring here in the future will be our business leaders."

Smith talked to FSU administrators, trustees and foundation board members on March 26, 2003 at the second annual Community Commitment Day. Dozens of volunteers fanned out through the city to ask people to give money for student scholarships.

Last year, the foundation surpassed its goal of \$250,000 by raising more than \$300,000. This year's goal is \$500,000.

"Can we do it?" Smith asked. "I know we can."

Phone solicitation

Last week, students and volunteers called potential donors and got \$5,000 worth of pledges. The money can

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Construction Can Be Seen All Over FSU's Campus

By Andrea T. McKnight
Staff Writer

Does it seem like everywhere you turn there are orange fences or road construction signs? Are you wondering what's going on?

We set out to answer this question. We went directly to the source, the Director of Planning and Construction, Robert Milton.

He said there are two major construction projects at this moment. The first project site is between Vance Hall and the third entrance to Fayetteville State from Langdon Street. This is a two-part project. The first involves the relocation of Grace Black Circle. The expected completion date is April 15 of this year.

The second is the foundation preparation for a new dormitory. It will be a four-floor, suite-style dorm. Many students are eager at the prospect of living in the new dorm. The necessity of a new dorm is in response to the continuous enrollment growth at Fayetteville State University.

It has not been decided if the dorm will house males or females. The expected completion date is November of 2004.

The second construction site is behind the R. Jones Student Center. Additional parking space has been added and a road has been built from the Seabrook Auditorium entrance of the university extending past

the Lyons Science Building, over the new railroad track and to the back of the Student Center.

The railroad crossing was created to increase accessibility around campus. Expected completion date was set for the end of March 2003.

A number of students have expressed relief concerning the new dorm. They are excited at the prospect of living there. However, some feel that it could possibly add to increased parking space problems. Many students are also happy about the new road and railroad crossing.

There is also a large group who feel that road construction is a waste of

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