

Stand & Deliver

Dr. Eric Dyson Speaks At SGA Conference

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Dr. Michael Eric Dyson, a Princeton graduate and an ordained minister, was the guest speaker for the Fayetteville State University's Stand & Deliver Conference on Saturday March 15, 2008. Dr. Dyson spoke on issues ranging from the church, to challenging the bigotry of gender oppression.

His speech was geared toward the empowerment of the youth and moti-

vating older people to expose themselves to the culture of the youth. This will enable older people to have some insight into the lives and perceptions of the younger people, he claims.

Dyson also said that the youth have the potential to change the world. He said that people who have changed the world were young people. For example, Martin Luther King Jr., at age 26, organized a boycott to end racial segregation in public transportation.

He encouraged the young audi-

ence to read, think, to use their brain cells and to be active. He encouraged readers to pay attention to the news and what is going on around them. Read beyond class, beyond the newspapers and challenge older people who say you are too young to make a change.

He then exposed his knowledge of hip-hop and rap music, which seemed to grab the attention of the young audience. He spoke of lyricists like Jay-Z, Lauren Hill, Nas, 2-pac, Snoop Dog, Mos Def, Common and many more.

He expressed his feeling on the words "Nigger" and "Nigga," and how he believes that the youth do not understand what older people went through because of those terms. Finally, Dr. Dyson closed with a discussion about his book "Why I Love Black Women" and the power of women. He said "Don't be afraid of a strong woman," which went over well with the female portion of the female audience. Overall, the audience seemed to enjoy his comedic and explicit approach to delivering his speech.

Student Nurses Association: New Members/Events

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Student Nurses Association

The Student Nurses Association mentors the professional development of future nurses and facilitates their entrance into the profession by providing educational resources, leadership opportunities, and career guidance. Nationwide, the organization has around 50,000 members. The Fayetteville State University chapter of the Student Nurses Association (FSU-SNA) provides the same services for FSU nursing students, and helps to contribute to the campus culture.

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FSU-SNA is now seeking new members! All Pre-Nursing students and Upper Division Nursing students are encouraged to join. Membership information can be found on our website: <http://organizations.unccfsu.edu/ans/index.htm>

Upcoming Events:

SNA MONTHLY MEETING: Monday, March 31, 2008 - 10AM, Cook Hall Room, 203- All members and interested students are encouraged to attend.
FUNDRAISER: Donut Sale - Monday, April 7, 2008 - 12:30PM - 2:00PM Lyons Science Building Lobby

COMMUNITY SERVICE:

* Participating in Multiple Sclerosis Walk - April 19, 2008
* Participating for Relay for Life sponsored by American Cancer Society - June 6-7, 2008 (Note: To sign up for team participation for Relay for Life please see a NSNA member for a team captain packet.)

Obama opted not to speak at FSU. Is he avoiding us?

- Barack Obama is the first African American candidate to have ever had a real shot at the presidency. That fact seems pretty important for a Historically Black College like Fayetteville State. However, when the senator visited Fayetteville this past week he decided to speak at FTCC instead of FSU. The question: Is he avoiding us? Probably. The Obama camp has done a good job of trying to downplay his race, and probably didn't want a visit to FSU reminding voters that he actually is Black.

Just something that I noticed on campus

- The sanitation score in the Bronco Cafe is a 90, which is an "A" ranking according to the North Carolina sanitation score rankings. While that may sound good to many, 94% of businesses that require a sanitation score in NC get an "A" ranking. FSU scored at the very bottom of the "A" scale, and is darn close to being ranked at a "B." The would mean our facilities are pretty bad. Who knows what it takes to get a "B," because I know I've seen bugs in our dining facility before.

Do yourself a favor:

Get involved around campus. Take it from me, the experience that I gained while working with a campus organization landed me a real-world job and prepared me in ways my classes could not.

Would you like to see an event on campus?

Have a great idea for a new student group?

Want to suggest something for the university?

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