

Panel to revisit "Nov. 3" shooting

A panel " Perspectives on November 3" will be presented to discuss the 1979 murders of five union activists at Morningside Homes and the trials that followed. The program will be in Pfeiffer Science Assembly from 10 to noon. One of the five murdered was Sandy Smith a Bennett graduate. Panelists include: Marty Nathan, M.D., widow of Dr. Michel Nathan and director of the Greensboro Justice Fund will speak about the role of the Greensboro press and national media in covering the murders and the trials; Sally Beranzohm, Ph.D, a political science professor at Brooklyn College will speak about her



Sandy Smith,
1950-1979

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1993 Alumnae Patrice Holt, speaks to the Founder's Day gathering.



From left: Recipients of the two honorary doctoral degrees, Maggie Simpson Matthew, class of 1930, (President Scott in center) Nelle Ottis Coley, class of 1930.

Founder's Day Vesper marks 121 years of academic excellence

Yvette Burton
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Celebrating 121 years of academic excellence was the occasion of the third vesper of the semester, Founder's Day Convocation, in the Annie Merner Pfeiffer Chapel Oct. 16.

Founder's Day is the time when the entire college community comes together to give thanks to all those who dedicated their lives to making a dream of higher education at Bennett College a reality.

Traditionally, faculty and staff adorn their robes and hoods and the student body wears white dresses to remember the occasion.

President Gloria Randle Scott welcomed students, faculty, staff and the entire Bennett community.

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White-clad Belles sing black national anthem at Founder's Day .

Parking prohibitions pose concerns

LaTasha Gordon
Banner Reporter

There has been confusion for quite some time as to exactly where parking is prohibited on this campus. Students have had the most trouble deciphering between the areas that are designated specifically for student parking and faculty parking.

Effective Oct. 3, the following parking areas are prohibited for students: Union Drive, the Home Management House (the area near the gym), the rear of Race Administration Building, the rear of Merner Hall, and the Security House.

Parking for students and visitors will only be the Washington St. parking lot. All other campus parking spaces will be designated for faculty and staff parking.

Crystal Proctor, a junior political science major from Washington, D.C., said, "I don't mind following the new parking rules, but I'm concerned about the safeness of the Washington St. parking lot. I sometimes come in late from work and I don't want to be harmed; I also don't want anyone to harm my car."

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Miss Bennett, royal court presented

Stephanie McCorkle
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"If you have no confidence in yourself, you are twice defeated in the race of life. With confidence, you have won even before you have started."

These words were quoted from Marcus Garvey by Deirdre Bianca Pecchioni as she was crowned Miss Bennett College 1994-1995 during coronation ceremonies Oct. 14.

The Student Government Association sponsored the event which was held in Annie Merner Pfeiffer Chapel.

The queens and their royal court were presented and were: Residence Halls: Miss Cone Hall, Kesha Cargill; Miss Jones Hall, Dehejia Butler; Miss Player Hall, Toshonique Paulley; Miss Merner Hall, Tamara Adams; Miss Barge Hall, Meonii Crenshaw; Miss Reynolds Hall, Shawn Thomas.

Academic Department Queens: Miss Computer Science, Angela Prince; Miss Mass Communication, Nicole Issac; (Miss SNCAE) Student North Carolina Association of Educators, Portia Hayes; Miss Social Work, Toyonetta Knox; Miss Political Pacesetters Club, Michelle Taylor; Miss Psychology, Shantisse White.

Organizational Queens: Miss International, Gladys Satumba; Miss Alpha Kappa Alpha, Alisha "Ki" Franklin; Miss Zeta Xi, Rochelle Huff; Miss 1908, Portia Gordon; Miss 20 Pearls, Tracey Bedford; Miss 1971, Baiyinah Muhammad; Miss Zeta Phi Beta, Lawanda Harris; Miss Chi Gamma, Donna Barden; Miss Delta Sigma Theta, Tanya Walker; Miss Psi Chi, Cherilyn Taylor; Miss SUI (Sisters United

in Islam), Kai Carter; Miss Shahada (Declaration of Faith), Treva Penn; Miss Salat (Prayer), Nadiyah Muhammad; Miss Siyam (Fasting), Maisha El-Amin; Miss Hajj (Pigriimage), Ayesha Abdul-Rahim; Miss Zakat (Charity), Tahirahana Williams; Miss Bells of Harmony Gospel Choir, Tiffany Boles; Miss Student Christian Fellowship, Jackie Brooks; Miss Belle Image Dance Troupe, Shonika Ridley; Miss Bennett Players, Latashia Turner; Miss NAACP, Jenine Samuel.

Royal Court: Miss Freshwoman, Miss Diona Street-Coe; Miss Sophomore, Miss Amina Abdul-Rahim; Miss Junior, Miss Vicki Rose; Miss Senior, Miss Rita Moore; Little Miss Bennett College, Miss Lauren Jackson; Miss Royal Blue and White, Miss Nikki Berryman.

The ceremony continued with Amanda Pecchioni, sister of Miss Bennett, and Giselle Jones, an English professor were the mistresses of ceremony during the event, following an introduction by Antoinette Rochelle, class of

1995.

President Scott arrived, much to the elation of Miss Pecchioni, and other members of the royal court as well as the audience. It was announced that Scott had a prior engagement and would not be able attend the ceremony.

Kelly Denise Kniffley, Miss Bennett College 1993-1994 was on hand to relinquish her crown to Pecchioni, following a musical salute to the new queen by LaShanna Patton, class of 1995.

After Dr. Tiajuana Mosby, dean of Student Affairs delivered her salute to the queens entitled "The Woman Beneath the Crown," Pecchioni gave her acceptance speech reminding the audience that they should not forget those who were not as fortunate to have the same advantages as they were and stressing the theme of giving back to the African American community, and having self-confidence even in the face of adversity.