

People In The News

Graves Takes Leave From University

By Sam Davis

Clifton Graves, Affirmative Action Officer at WSSU is currently working on loan to the United Way. Graves will resume his duties at Winston-Salem State on November 7.

At the United Way, Graves will be responsible for writing proposals and making presentations to private businesses. He will oversee several projects to solicit funds for the non-profit agency.

A native of Winston-Salem, Graves received his undergraduate degree at Tufts University, in Medford, Massachusetts. He went on to receive a J.D. degree at Georgetown University Law School in Washington, D.C. Graves is married and has a daughter.



Clifton Graves

(photo courtesy of WSSU Public Relations)

Rev. Jesse Jackson Reaches Accord With Anheuser-Busch

ST. LOUIS—The Rev. Jesse L. Jackson has dropped his call for a Black boycott of Anheuser-Busch products because the world's largest brewery has pledged more than \$320 million to minorities in the next five years.

Jackson's group, Operation PUSH (People United to Save Humanity), ended its year-long battle with Anheuser-Busch over the brewery's treatment of minorities in allocating jobs, business contracts and beer distributorships.

Jackson and August A. Busch III, president and chairman of the brewery, issued a joint statement Sept. 9 outlining an agreement to improve economic opportunities for minorities.

"We are determined to strengthen our partnership with the minority community," Busch said. "We are determined, moreover, that nothing our company does shall contribute to any divisiveness in the community."

About 18 percent of the brewery's work force is minority, but Busch has promised to continue hiring Blacks and Hispanics in proportion to population figures.

As part of the agreement, the brewery will set aside at least \$23 million for contracts with minority suppliers, \$120 million with minority construction companies and \$8 million in advertising with minority-owned media.

Minority-owned banks will receive at least \$2 million in certificates of deposit, \$6 million in lines of credit and \$6 million in payroll deposits, the statement announced.

Anheuser-Busch also said it will increase the number of minority-owned distributorships beyond the current three owned by Blacks and three owned by Hispanics.

Jackson and Operation PUSH called for a boycott of Anheuser-Busch products last September after attacking the brewery's minority policies. Jackson said a recent meeting with Busch had convinced him the company was committed to minorities.

"We recognize that this program represents a base and we look forward to future announcements of various new programs designed to build on this effort," Jackson said.

WSSU Student Visits China

"Studying Nursing"

By Sam Davis

Linda Hutchins, a senior at WSSU is currently in China as part of a visiting professors program. Mrs. Hutchins who is married to Dr. Phillip Hutchins, professor at Bowman Gray School of Medicine will spend 2 weeks in the Orient with her husband, who is lecturing at the University of Canton.

Mrs. Hutchins said she is very happy that her instructors at WSSU allowed her to take the trip. "I'm beginning to get excited about the trip," she said before leaving September 20. "I'm going in with an open mind."

Mrs. Hutchins is looking forward to graduating in December and hopes her visit will not knock her off course. For this reason Mrs. Hutchins carried all of her books, along with course syllabi with her.

She also asked several classmates to take notes for her while she is away. Upon her return to WSSU, Mrs. Hutchins will make a presentation to her instructors on nursing in China. Hopefully the grade she receives will make up for the time she lost in class.

Although Mrs. Hutchins speaks no Chinese at all, she hopes to learn a lot about the Chinese during her visit. While in Canton, the Hutchins' will have a host family to help make their stay comfortable.

A Nursing major, Mrs. Hutchins hopes to learn a lot about nursing in China. She hopes to find out about the training, certification exams and other requirements of nursing in China.

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