



Yolando Jones, Angela Corbett, Dr. Valerie Saddler and Pam Murrell.



Yolando Jones and Pamela Murrell (back) at airport.

News Argus Editorial Staff Attends Communications Conference

by Victor Coffey

Members of The News Argus' editorial staff and their advisor were very enthusiastic as they boarded a People's Express 747, and ventured the friendly skies to the 15th Annual Communication Conference held at Howard University.

Yolanda Jones, Angela Corbett, Joy Bridges, Pam Murrell, Tanya McDougal, Victor Coffey and their advisor Dr. Valerie D. Saddler, spent three days and nights in our nation's capitol at the Howard Inn.

The theme of this year's conference was "Communications: A Key to Economics and Political Change." The conference was held February 13-16 at Howard University's Armour J. Blackburn Center.

The purpose of the conference was to provide the students with a unique opportunity for an interdisciplinary focus on problems and prospects in communications. The Job Fair provided the students with opportunities to interview with representatives from America's leading media organizations. The exhibits provided glimpses of the latest in books, audio-visual materials and supplies.

Some of the newspapers that were present at the conference were The New York Times, The Washington Post, The Associated Press, St. Petersburg Times and Evening Independent, Wall Street Journal, Kight-Ridder, Gannett, Inc. (newspaper and business) and Detroit Free Press. The broadcasting companies were American Broadcasting Companies (ABC), CBS Broadcast Group, CBS News Recruitment, Greater Media and NBC (New York and WRC-TV).

The Communication Conference brought scholars, researchers, professionals and students from such colleges and Universities as Hampton University, Johnson C. Smith, A&T State, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, Spellman, Virginia Union, North Carolina Central and Winston-Salem State University.

Happy April Fools Day!

Dr. Sonia Sanchez, Poet, Writer Scholar and Political Activist Speaks at WSSU

by Victor O. Coffey

Dr. Sonia Sanchez, Professor of English at Temple University was guest speaker at a Joseph N. Patterson Lecture and Assembly Series held on February 20, 1986.

Dr. Sanchez is the author of 12 books which includes "Homecoming," "We A Badd-DDD People," "Love Poems and Other Stories." Her most recent book is "Homegirls and Handgrenades" which won the 1985 American Book Award. She is also a poet, political activist, playwright, editor and scholar.

While at WSSU, Dr. Sanchez was able to share her experience and read some of her poetry during a session open to students and the community. After this session she participated in a workshop with Dr. John Holman's creative writing class.

During the workshop Sanchez discussed the types of poems like the haku, the villanelle, prose, free verse, etc. Sanchez emphasized certain techniques and steps students should follow before submitting poetry. She clearly stated that a poem should be written and rewritten numerous times before it is finalized. Sanchez also took time to critique the poem "A Cultural Beating" by Carter Cue.



A Washington street scene.

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