



NEWS BRIEFS

Sankofa Returns to Winston-Salem

Sankofa, the acclaimed film about slavery's place within African-American culture, will return to Winston-Salem for a two-week run at the North Point Theater, beginning December 9th. The film played to a sold-out audience last month at the Steven's Center.

The writer and director of the film, Haile Gerima, a Howard University professor, had lunch with Mass Communications majors and held a "chat" with members of the student body when he was in town.

WSSU Students Featured In Ebony

Winston-Salem State University students Eric F. Garner, a 22-year-old senior Mass Communications major from Cleveland, Ohio and Aku Opata, a 17-year-old freshman biology major from Laurinburg, showcased some of this year's hottest "Campus Fashions" in a special section of the October issue of *Ebony*. They modeled both collegiate and office attire for comfort and style.

Final Early Payment Date Coming Soon

Students who register but do not pay tuition and fees by Thursday, Jan. 5, 1995, will have their schedules deleted from the system. Students who have their schedules deleted will be required to submit a new schedule request form in order for courses to be entered into the student information system.

Chancellor Thompson Resigns

PUBLIC AFFAIRS NEWS
Release & Staff Report

Chancellor Cleon F. Thompson Jr., announced on December 1st, he would resign as Winston-Salem State University's chancellor on June 30, 1995.

He has accepted a job as special assistant to Larry K. Monteith, the chancellor of N.C. State University.

Since becoming the university's chancellor 10 years ago, the university's

enrollment has increased, the average SAT scores of entering freshmen has increased and the percentage of faculty members with doctorates has also increased.

Several new programs and degrees have been added and several buildings have been built or renovated. Examples of this is the renovation to the O'Kelly Library, Anderson Center and the new 400 student

Wilson Hall.

According to school officials, under Thompson's leadership WSSU's endowment comprised of contributions from individuals and companies, grew from approximately \$900,000 in 1985 to \$8.5 million this year.

Faculty, staff and students had mixed emotions upon hearing about Thompson's resignation.



Chancellor Thompson

HBCU's Form Consortium with South African University

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The North Carolina Historically Black Colleges and Universities/South Africa Consortium is designed to link students and faculty at higher education institutions in South Africa with students and faculty here in the United States.

In October, a press conference was held here at Winston-Salem State University announcing the launching of this consortium. Seven HBCUs in North Carolina established this consortium to link their

students and faculties with universities in South Africa.

This initiative was formalized at a meeting between representatives of the U.S. schools and Professor June Sinclair, deputy Vice Chancellor and Vice Principal of the University of Witswatersrand (WITS), Johannesburg.

Winston-Salem State University, Elizabeth City State University, NC A&T State University, St. Augustine's College, Shaw University and the University of Witswatersrand are the

schools participating in the consortium.

Dr. Cleon Thompson, chancellor at Winston-Salem State University and a consortium member said, "This consortium will allow us to share educational philosophies and to explore strategies for students, faculty and curriculum development. Just as education is a force for positive change in the US, so it can be a force in South Africa. We at WSSU, consider it a moral obligation to help make a difference in South Africa and to improve ourselves in

the process. Information flow will definitely have to come in from South Africa in order to get things going between them and us."

The consortium's purpose is to foster educational exchanges and collaborative between the NC institutions, WITS and HBCUs in South Africa.

WITS has a multi-racial student body and a long standing tradition of extending educational opportunities to blacks. For example, Nelson Mandela earned his law degree

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