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Rams 'Represent' At Black College Day



Vince Woody
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October 3 marked the fifth year that Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) in North Carolina came together to celebrate Black College Day '97.

The event was held at Charlotte's Johnson C. Smith University. It was an opportunity for students from the 11 historically black colleges and universities to fellowship, communicate and share ideas with one another.

The theme of this year's event was very appropriate because students represented their colleges by displaying their talents during the historical moments segment of the event.

Winston-Salem State University's Vincent Woody, a senior mass communications major recited an original and very powerful poem entitled, "Black Power." Students from Shaw University, Livingstone College and Johnson C. Smith University displayed their talents through poems and dramatic interpretations.

The keynote speaker of Black College Day '97 was The Rev. Mignonne E. M. Snipes, Director of Programs Residence Life at Livingstone

College in Salisbury.

Snipes' topic was "We Must Do More." Snipes stated that the students that attend HBCU's must continue to show school spirit and morality and make sure their image is built up and not torn down.

LaShonda Alexander, junior special education major said, "It was an unforgettable event and I was amazed to see so many different colleges there supporting it."

Snipes also gave students the ABC's to Leadership and stated how they can apply them to helping to do more in their communities as well as helping to boost the morality of their institutions.

Along with the address given by the keynote speaker, Student Government Association presidents, and college queens from the universities and colleges also reminded the students about keeping a positive image and helping to boost school spirit and pride in HBCU's.

Many students that attended Black College Day 1997 thought that it was a positive and enjoyable event that brought students from area colleges together for one common goal.



Deneen Dixon, Misss WSSU
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