Work Resource

Food Lion announces CIAA job program

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Food Lion announced a business initiative between the corporation and schools in the CIAA in a press conference held Nov. 7.

The conference, held in room 141 of the Anderson Center, outlined the major initiatives that the company had in place in order to increase the presence of blacks in managerial posi-

"We're looking at providing outstanding opportunities for our students to get the best possible training they can get to be competitive in the marketplace," said Associate Provost for Undergraduate Programs, Dr. Merdis McCarter.

McCarter also said that experience with outside competition is necessary for WSSU students to suc-

Natalie Taylor, the vice president of diversity for Food Lion, delivered the address concerning the benefits of the Retail College Programs. She said the program would serve as a "win-win" situation for Food Lion and the CIAA, and outlined the goals of the program as increasing the number of African-American college grads in store management positions, and to provoke comprehensive training.

Taylor also described the process through which graduating seniors of CIAA schools would follow in order to become managers of Food Lion.

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> Food Lion's diversity manager

"In April, the interviewing process begins and in July the 12 selected applicants will begin their journey in the retail industry."

According to Taylor, there would be no preferential treatment as far as what school the applicant came from. Food Lion is simply looking for "the best of the best."

At the end of this paid

training period which lasts for a year, the trainees are assigned their own Food Lion store to manage.

The program serves a vital role in the diversity development of the Food Lion Corp., according to the Food Lion Diversity Heather Brown, Education Manager, Heather Brown.

"We're looking to reflect the diversity of our shoppers with our staff," said Brown.

A number of WSSU students from all majors were present at the press conference. Even those who were not seniors found the information given at the conference to be valuable.

"I'm very interested in the program," said Joshua Holland, and sophomore from Ohio.

Holland said students should attend press conferences so that they will be "in the know." He also thinks that corporations should take a closer look at underclassmen when seeking interns and employee prospects.

"Most of the time, summer jobs, internships and co-ops are going to graduating seniors," said Holland. "It's unfair. If you can persuade them that you are just as knowledgeable and capable of doing the job as a sophomore."

The Retail Management Trainee Program application's deadline is Feb. 28. The packet needs to include a complete application, a writing sample, three letters of recommendations and a resume.

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war. There is always too much media involvement when we get ready to make a move," said Melissa Smith, a sophomore education major at WSSU.

"We have a challenge of keeping our plans quiet. That's why he [Hussein] will have the upper-hand if things do develop."

Chris Fox, a junior political science major at Wake Forest, said he does not agree with how the United States is handling the situation and that a more diplomatic approach should be taken.

He said that the United States may be inviting more terrorism if it becomes involved in a

"I think it's obvious that when you single out a nation that practices Islamic principles, other nations will support what they believe and eventually react against us," said Fox.

"It will have a negative effect on the economy, which is already soft. Prices will go up and winter is coming," Fox said of the economical impact of a war at this point. "

In order to go to war, the U.S. needs to get other nations involved."

Recent developments indicate Saddam is flexible on the inspections process, but the Bush administration expressed that they will not hesitate to invade should his actions change.

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If CD cases or other valuable items are left on the seat of a vehicle, the thief is not going to walk away from it because it is not an up to date model.

Criminals don't discriminate and Campus Police cannot be in every parking lot at all times. It is also not very wise to leave windows down in vehicles if they are left unattended. What would stop any random person from reaching into your automobile and taking

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"If you ever have a problem where someone stole something from your room or your vehicle it is very important that

you report it as soon as possible," said Sutton. "An officer will be dispatched, a report will be started, and as soon as the report is finished it will be given to a detective."

This is where the importance of serial numbers comes in, the more information that can be given to the officer, the better and the faster they will be able to locate stolen belongings. Sutton said he wished he could give results when the victim wants results, but it is never that easy.