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## IT'S HOMECOMING YALL!



Photos by Garrett Garms

## Operation: *Code Red*

The Homecoming theme for this year will be: "Operation Code Red" which will include a weeks worth of activities for students, alumni and the local community to enjoy.

The celebration kicks off Oct. 19 with House II, the gospel play featuring Stephanie Drake of Tyler Perry Madea's Class Reunion, Bishop John Health of

the North Carolina Black Repertory Company, Stellar Award winner DeWayne Woods and many more. The play begins at 6 p.m. in K. R. Williams Auditorium.

Highlights of homecoming will be the crowning of Mister WSSU Theodis Chunn and Miss WSSU Latoya Perry, the parade, and the game as the Rams

(1-5) take on the Bethune-Cookman Wildcats (4-2).

This year's grand marshal is alumna Sylvia Sprinkle-Hamlin, the wife of the late Mr. Marvtastic, Larry Leon Hamlin, founder and artistic director of the North Carolina Black Repertory Company.

*Details of homecoming activities are on Page 5.*

## Restoration planned for historic depot

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The Union Station, a well-known landmark in the Winston-Salem State community, may be restored.

The last train that pulled out of the Union Station was in 1970.

Union Station, a historical building is known as Davis Garage, located at 300 S. Martin Luther King Jr. Drive, just beyond the university campus.

Davis Garage is an auto repair shop owned and operated by Harvey Davis.

Davis said that he will be relocating next year and selling the station to developer Bill Cannon.

The proposed plan by Cannon, titled "Excelsior Street Station," for the historic depot will be a conversion into a transportation hub offering rail, bus and streetcar service.

Union Station opened in 1926 and served the Norfolk and Western, the Southern and Winston-Salem Southbound railways.

The trains went to Charlotte and Greensboro and as far as New York. After the construction of major interstates in the area, train travel decreased eventually causing the stations to close.

In 1976 the station was renovated and converted to Davis Garage, a auto repair shop.

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### BRIEFLY STATED

**Presidential candidate** Barack Obama spoke with college editors via telephone during a conference call Oct. 5. Obama told the group why the Nov. 4 election is so vital. "Voters in every single state have been involved. I think that there is a sense [of urgency] among the next generation of voters that we're in a defining moment in history," Obama said.  
Source: Black College Wire

**Anderson Center** is the official voting site for the WSSU community. Early voting begins Oct. 27 through Nov. 1 from 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. Persons may register and vote at the Anderson Center during this time. This option is not available Nov. 4.  
Source: fcvotes.com or sboe.state.nc.us

**A new dress code policy** that prohibits sagging pants on campus of Savannah State University has been approved in early September. The policy states that the main objective is to ensure that every student will have the opportunity to experience success inside and outside of the classroom. SSU students will be denied admission to various functions if their manner of dress is inappropriate.  
Source: Black College Wire

Always Watching

