

Honda team prepares for Quiz Show, nationals

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During the past few months, the Winston-Salem State Honda team has been preparing for a journey to the annual national competition in Florida next spring.

Part of the team's preparation involves practicing every Wednesday, hosting a campus tournament, and competing in the Black College Quiz Show in Tennessee this December.

Participation in the Quiz Show is invitation only. WSSU is one of the eight HBCUs invited this year; this is the first time WSSU will be competing.

At the Honda team's tournament in the Thompson Center Nov. 6, four teams of WSSU students competed. The first place team prize was \$200, and the second and third place prizes were \$100.

The top scorer, Krista Brown, won \$50. Brown, the team's captain, is a sports management major.

Brown's team "Subliminal" won first place with a final score of 200. Its members are Satira Holiday, an elementary education major; Teddy Howell, a business management major; and Grace Sturdivant, an exercise science major.

Brown said the team was "excited and shocked" about their win.

"We didn't really have to prepare too much for the tournament," Brown said.

"We used the knowledge we have from all of our majors to compete."

The WSSU Honda team also participated in a quiz bowl tournament on the campus of N.C. A&T Nov. 11-12. Ten teams competed in that tournament. Florida A&M won first place and WSSU came in second with a score of 75.

To be eligible to join the WSSU Honda team, students must participate in the Honda

club. The Honda club is open to all undergraduate students from all majors.

"The club is an opportunity for students to practice, so if they have to step in for someone on the team, they will be well prepared," said Terrence Hobbs, a senior mass communications major from Charlotte.

Marilyn Roseboro, an associate professor in the Mass Communications Department, has been the team's adviser for 15 years.

"Our goals for this year are to always try to increase participation from students and to make it to nationals," Roseboro said.

The money the team wins from competitions is given to the Honda campus program to cover the cost of campus tournaments, uniforms and supplies for the team.

"Only four students are allowed to compete in the national competition, and one student will act as an understudy," Roseboro said.

A new requirement for the national tournament this year is that teams must complete a community service project. WSSU's Honda team's project incorporates a domestic violence theme.

The team sponsored a forum about domestic violence Nov. 8, featuring guest speaker Kenyetta Richmond. Richmond is an alumna and a victim advocate and outreach specialist for family services.

Stephen Archie, a sophomore computer science major from Shelby, has been a team member since his freshman year.

"I want to improve my performance from last year," Archie said.

"I hope to help the team advance."

The Honda team members include Archie, Hobbs, Brown, and KraShaunda Chadwick, an exercise science and rehab studies major.

ENTERTAINING CRITICISM

Wilson brings 'Magic' to WSSU

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One hour and thirty minutes of non-stop entertainment: This what you get when you attend a Charlie Wilson concert.

Wilson performed Nov. 6 at K.R. Williams Auditorium.

Wilson is from a time where performers sing live and give their all on stage; therefore, his performance was nothing short of amazing.

Wilson began his performance with songs he sang with the Gap Band. "Party Train," "Burn Rubber on Me," and "Yearning for Your Love," got the crowd on to their feet and dancing.

During his performance,

Wilson sang songs that he was featured such as "Beautiful" and "Signs" by Snoop Dogg and Justin Timberlake.

Wilson kept the energy where it started by singing fan favorites such as "Can't Live without You," "Charlie, Last name Wilson" and "Magic."

He performed a whimsical rendition of his latest single "You Are."

Those who gathered in K.R. Williams auditorium sang and danced as Wilson took us on a journey through his entire career.

Wilson went from sensual to serious when he took a moment to briefly talk about his battle with prostate cancer. He also shared how long he has been clean

and sober. Wilson said he was very grateful that he had a chance to still be able to entertain his fans.

The show was closed with the song "There Goes my Baby."

A Charlie Wilson show does not just consist of him and a microphone. He comes with a live band and four dancers. Elaborate wardrobe changes and small band intermissions will have you excited about what is going to happen next.

It was not a concert. It was an 'Magical' experience. I would love attend another one of his concerts and I would recommend anyone else to do the same.

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and use of state property.

However, Board secretary Frank M. Dickerson said it was impossible to create another nearby site in the short time allowed.

In addition, State Rep. Larry Womble (D) said that many poor citizens in the neighborhood would be unable to vote without the WSSU site because they lacked transportation.

Board Chair Linda J. Person said that the Board would welcome suggestions for early voting locations. She said she believed that the WSSU incident was very unfortunate, but the intent was not malicious.

The Board of Elections would ensure that the location is secure with trained staff. She said that since the WSSU site serves students and staff from several colleges and a large surrounding neighborhood population, she would not be in favor of closing the site.

Previously, the Board unanimously voted for the location and the State Board approved the early voting plan. Even though the mistake occurred, the Board must always provide the most convenient locations for early voting.

Dickerson said that he shared many of the sentiments

from both sides, and that WSSU should not be approved as an early voting location in the future unless procedures were in place to prevent similar issues.

"It must be a fair and equitable location to vote," Dickerson said.

Dickerson proposed a motion for the Board to request that WSSU officials notify them of procedures to prevent a similar incident.

That motion passed unanimously.

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