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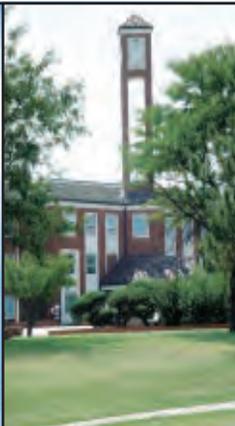
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## LU recruits future Langstonites through High School Day 2004

BY TONYA GRANT & PETER JOHNSON

High School Day 2004 attracted more than 400 students from 22 different high schools throughout the state of Oklahoma.

The event, coordinated by Brent Russell, assistant director of admissions and recruitment, assists in recruiting and educating high school students about Langston University.

Students had the opportunity to learn about majors in which they had an interest during the college fair, as representatives from each department were on hand to answer their questions.

High School Day also introduced students to the Greek fraternities and sororities on campus. The organizations performed a small show on "the yard" to let students know about their particular organization.

Afterwards, the LU Marching Pride Band marched around the campus for additional entertainment.



Photo by De'Shawn Saffold

Over 400 high school students attended High School Day 2004.

High School Day 2004 did not bring in as many students in comparison to last year's event, which brought over 500 students; however, the coordinators were still happy with the outcome.

"It's hard for a lot of students to attend High School Day because of the current budget cuts," said Russell. "Some schools won't allow students to take a day out of school for events such as this. For that reason, some of the students had to come on their own and accept an absence just to be here."

The threat of an absence obviously did not stop these students from coming down to represent their school; Del City, Moore, Enid and Douglas were among some of the schools whose students attended the event.

In a further attempt to recruit students, the day included speakers, such as Roy Henderson, activities coordinator for the Student Government Association (SGA), and Vanessa McGlothen, SGA president.

Both representatives welcomed the high school students and

spoke a few words about the campus while offering other general information.

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## Honda Campus All-Star Challenge seeks student participants

BY LATRISE HORTON

The Honor's Program is searching for Langston's brightest students to participate in the annual Honda Campus All-Star Challenge (HCAS), set for Friday, Nov., 12, 2004.

The HCAS is an annual contest between all participating historically black and/or predominantly black colleges and universities across the nation. The competition tests people on a variety of subjects, including literature, pop culture, math, sports, history and science.

The challenge features teams of four students and an alternate. Each team represents a participating HBCU in the competition for a share of \$329,000 in grants to upgrade campus facilities and other resources students will need to improve their learning experiences at their school.

The varsity squad will advance to the National Championship Tournament in the spring. The nationals are the academic version of "March Madness." It will feature 64 HBCUs at one location with 320 students competing for their prospective schools.

To sign-up for the HCAS challenge, contact Gloria Birdine in the University of Women building, Rm. 109, ext.3413. The deadline to sign-up is Nov. 2.

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Photo by De'Shawn Saffold

Members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. show off their "steps" during the annual High School Day.

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# LU

## SGA hosts political forum

BY JIMMY EARLY JR.  
& MUNIRAH SALAAM-MOORE

The Student Government Association (SGA) hosted a political forum last Wednesday in the multipurpose building to introduce candidates running for office.

The event, similar to the "speak out" held a couple of weeks ago, gave students and members of the community an opportunity to hear from several political leaders. However, the forum was geared more towards actually getting students to go out and vote.

SGA student activities coordinator, Roy Henderson, said that with state and presidential issues com-

ing up, the SGA wants the student body to vote.

"Langston chose to have this event because this year is a very important election year. We feel that voting will be a part of our growth as a university," said Henderson.

Making a return visit to the LU campus were State Senator Mike Morgan and district county commissioner candidates Mike Pearson and Kevin Leach. New faces at the forum included Morgan's opponent, Chuck Brewer, along with Susan Custer and Dr. Lee Denney--both are running for state house representative. All

spoke briefly on what they would contribute if elected.

Several motivational speakers joined the event as well, including Joshua Bugsby, a member of the Young College Republicans. Bugsby talked to students about the importance of "being a voice" in the upcoming election.

"A voteless people are a hopeless people!" Bugsby continuously stated.

The political forum gave students one last chance to get to know what each candidate has to offer, so that when Election Day comes, students can make an informed decision.

## Competitions for the crown begin

BY SHAMIA JACKSON

Pageant season is here. The Miss Krimson & Kream Scholarship Pageant, held yesterday, was the first of many pageants hosted each year for those seeking scholarships, notoriety, and the chance to don a much coveted crown.

Students can still compete to become the next Miss Black & Gold, Miss Jabberwok, Miss Ebony in Blue, Miss Fashionetta, Mr. AKA, Mr. Debonair, Miss Black Langston, and Mr. or Miss Langston.

While all the pageants give away a monetary award and crown, the requirements and the format of the pageants vary.

Participants vying to become campus royalty, for example, which includes Mr. and Miss Langston and Miss Black Langston, must have a G.P.A. of 2.5 or higher, be in good standing with the university,

and have no disciplinary action against them. During the pageant they must complete an interview, model swimwear, casual attire and evening wear, answer a question on stage, and showcase a talent.

"The sky is the limit," said Deshnik Lewis, a coordinator for the campus royalty pageants and manager of the Student Union. "In addition to winning scholarships and free room and board, Miss Langston is given a wardrobe allowance, free travel, and any other resources she may need in order to represent the university."

Some students are hesitant to participate in these pageants because they assume that the most popular student will win.

"It's important to know that there is no ideal person to win," said Rachel Goff, the current Miss Black Langston. "Don't assume that the judges are looking for a

perfect candidate; they are looking for someone to display and express themselves through the given categories that often include art, fashion and societal views," she explained.

While some students believe the world of pageantry is made up of lip gloss and hairspray, contestants say that pageants provide a valuable experience.

"When I was Mr. Langston I was an ambassador for the university, representing the university and myself in a life that was pleasing to my peers and the administration," said Thomas J. Flagg, former Mr. Langston and current chair of the Kappa Alpha Psi's Miss Krimson & Kream Pageant. "We as royalty take pride in our leadership positions."

"The skills that are developed during a pageant are skills that can help to mold you as an individual and throughout life," said Goff.

*BET's College Hill series is looking for 8 LU students!*

*BET and Edmonds Entertainment are getting ready for the second season of "College Hill," a one-of-a-kind reality series that will be filmed in Langston! They are looking for EIGHT unique individuals to complete their exclusive cast. If you consider yourself a compelling student with the ability to captivate millions then they want to interview you!*

*When: 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. on Friday, Oct.29*

*Where: The multipurpose building*

# Vote or Die!

*Your one vote can make a difference in this year's election*

# LU Voices

## Will my one vote count?

One of the biblical writers of *Proverbs* tells us, "When the righteous are in authority, the people rejoice; but when a wicked man rules, the people groan." (Proverbs 29:2, NKJV).

Our sixteenth president, Abraham Lincoln (b.1809—d.1865), said over a century ago, "I see in the near future a crisis approaching that unnerves me and causes me to tremble for the safety of my country. As a result of the [Civil] war, corporations have been enthroned and an era of corruption in high places will follow, and the money power of the country will endeavor to prolong its reign by working upon the prejudices of the people until all wealth is aggregated in a few hands and the Republic is destroyed."

My fellow Langstonites, I agree with President Lincoln's sentiments, and dedicate my 137<sup>th</sup> *Chapy's Corner* to those of us who think that our *one vote* will not make a difference during this apocalyptic 2004 election between the two front runners: incumbent President George Walker Bush (R—TX) and U.S. Senator John Forbes Kerry (D—MA). Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> election.

One of the excuses I hear most often for not voting in an election is "my one little vote will not make a difference." Yet I dare to submit to you "brothers and sisters" that history is full of instances proving the enormous power of *one* single vote. In many cases, the course of nations has been changed because one individual ballot was cast—or not cast—depending upon your point of view.

For you "lonestar" citizens south of the "Red River," listen to this true story. In 1844, in the backwoods area of Switzerland County, Indiana, a farmer named Freeman Clark lay seriously ill in bed on election day. He begged his sons to carry him to the county seat so that he could vote for David Kelso to become a state senator. David Kelso had defended old Freeman

Clark on a murder charge and obtained his acquittal. The old farmer got to vote for Kelso but died on his way back home. Kelso won the election by one vote.

In 1844, when the new Indiana Senate convened, democrats had

### Part 4 of "A Voteless People is a Hopeless People" Series

one more vote than the republicans—counting David Kelso. At that time, state senates had the task of electing the states' senator. The Indiana senate democrats held a caucus where it developed that a majority of the party delegation favored a man who would vote against the annexation of Texas if elected to the U.S. Senate. David Kelso refused to vote for the Democratic Party's choice and a deadlock resulted between the democratic and Whig candidates. This continued for days. Finally, Kelso made his move. He proposed a new candidate named Edward A. Hannigan. In his party caucus, Kelso notified his democratic associates he would bolt and vote with the Whigs—thus electing a Whig to the Senate—unless the democrats supported Hannigan. The democrats were successfully swayed to accept Hannigan, who was then elected as Indiana's U.S. Senator by one vote—that of David Kelso. Therefore, in 1845, Texas was admitted to the Union as a state by one vote—that of Edward A. Hannigan from Indiana.

My fellow Oklahomans, you may think that your vote, cast among millions in a state or federal election, cannot possibly count but it does. Your one vote may swing your entire precinct into your candidate's column. It is at the precinct level that elections are won or lost. Your vote is your direct voice in your county, state and country's affairs.

I am reminded of the Oklahoma governor's race in 2002. Steve M. Largent, a republican and U.S. Con-

gressman from Tulsa, was leading several media polls by a very large margin up to election day. However, with the help of a third independent candidate bent on revenge, Congressman Largent shockingly lost to then democratic State Senator Charles Bradford Henry. The voters, especially Afrikan-Americans, decided who would be the CEO of Oklahoma, not the media pundits!

My fellow Langstonites, every time you do not exercise your right to go to the polls, you strengthen the voice of the opposition. So let's use the power of the ballot. Let us all get out and vote for not only the candidates, but the issues

## Chapy's Corner

By Dr. Eric Anthony Joseph  
Chaplain  
Coleman Heritage Center



on this and every vital Election Day.

*What are you going to do this election year?* Pray for God's merciful guidance. Research the pros and cons of the issues. Vote your moral conscious! Joshua reminded the people of Israel to stay focused and serve the Lord in every situation. Remember his words when you go to the voting booth: "And if it seems evil to you to serve the Lord, choose for yourselves this day whom you will serve, whether the gods which your fathers served

that were on the other side of the River, or the gods of the Amorites, in whose land you dwell. But as for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." (Joshua 24:15, NKJV). Remember to Vote Tuesday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>! Holla!

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## What the state questions may mean for higher education

BY CHANCELLOR PAUL G. RISSER  
Special to the *Gazette*

On Nov. 2, several state questions will be voted on that may have implications for higher education in our state. I think it is important that voters be able to make an informed decision about these important issues. This column is intended to provide a description of how three of the state questions will affect higher education. Obviously, there is funding for other projects and programs in the state questions, and I hope you will do additional research before making a decision on how to vote.

State Question 705 (the lottery) has several possible implications for higher education. First, it is important to understand that the net proceeds would be transferred to the Oklahoma Education Lottery Trust Fund (SQ 706) and cannot be used to replace current funding.

K-12 public education and early childhood education would receive 45 percent of the net proceeds in the Lottery Trust Fund, and another 45 percent would be used for higher education purposes. These could include tuition grants, loans and scholarships, such as the Oklahoma Higher Learning Access Program (OHLAP), and construction

needs on campus, among other items.

OHLAP is a highly successful scholarship program that provides free tuition for students whose family income does not exceed \$50,000 per year. This program is important because it can help create more college graduates; this is essential as our state works to attract new jobs. The number of working families who are benefiting from OHLAP is increasing quickly. Since 1996, more than 22,000 eighth through 10<sup>th</sup> graders have enrolled in OHLAP. By the year 2008, OHLAP enrollment is expected to

*Please see "State questions," pg.7*

*"The tragedy in life doesn't lie in not reaching your goal. The tragedy lies in having no goal to reach."*

—Benjamin Mays, educator and activist

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# The riots reach Langston

## Guest speaker discusses new book

BY TATYANA-LASHAY JOHNSON  
& SAMUEL HILL

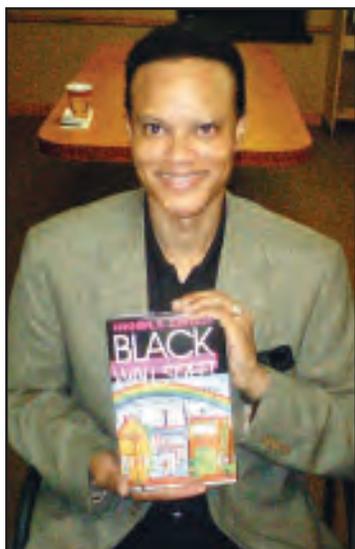
Hannibal Johnson, a noted author, recently visited the campus to speak on the Tulsa Race Riot of 1921 and to discuss his book "Black Wall Street: From Riot to Renaissance in Tulsa's Historic Greenwood District."

The riot started after a local newspaper published an article about a Black boy being accused of sexually assaulting a White woman in public. Even after the woman confirmed that she had not been assaulted, the newspaper still published the article causing a great deal of chaos.

"Tulsa was a lawless community; there was police scandal and Blacks weren't treated equally. All these things led to the riot and Tulsa is still pretty segregated," said Johnson.

In addition to writing books, Johnson is also an attorney, educator and consultant.

He graduated from the University of Arkansas with a double major in economics and sociology and



Picture by Samuel Hill  
Hannibal Johnson

earned his law degree from Harvard Law School.

"I didn't know I wanted to be a lawyer until my sophomore year in college; it has allowed me to enhance my options," said Johnson.

After completing law school, he joined a major law firm in Tulsa,

Okla., and later became the founding director of the Oklahoma Appleseed Center for Law and Justice.

Johnson has been a panelist and a guest speaker on a variety of issues, including reparations, diversity, human rights and human relations issues.

Johnson has written three other books, including "Up From Ashes," a children's book; "Acres of Aspiration: The All Black Towns in Oklahoma;" and "Mama Used to Say: Wit and Wisdom From the Heart and Soul," an autobiography about his upbringing and phrases his mother commonly used.

"You will enjoy and learn things from my books. In "Black Wall Street," one can learn about human spirit. A person should never be sheltered on what is told to them; always seek out the information that you want to know," said Johnson.

Hannibal Johnson's books can be purchased from publisher, Eakin Press, at [www.eakinpress.com](http://www.eakinpress.com), or from Amazon Books at [www.amazon.com](http://www.amazon.com).

## High school day (continued from pg. 1)



Picture by De'Shawn Saffold

The LU Marching Pride performs during High School Day 2004.

"The students of Langston were asked to speak because kids listen better when they see people closer to their age in positions of leadership," said Russell.

A few students from the Concert Chorale sang tunes, attempting to "put Langston on the map." Devin Lewis and Thomas Flagg sang "Slow Jam," a remake by Usher and Monica, while Jeremy Jackson and Jeremiah Johnson sang "Incomplete" by Sisqo.

Langston put a lot of effort into this recruitment process, but did the hard work pay off?

"All in all, I had a good time," said Tasha McGee, a senior at John Marshall High School in Oklahoma City. "I still don't know if Langston is where I want to go, but I will definitely consider it."

## LU band marches through the South

BY CHONDRRA KIRKLAND

The Marching Pride Band made a special appearance at the St. Louis Original Battle of the Bands, held inside the St. Louis Edward Jones Dome last Sunday.

High schools throughout St. Louis compete in the event for an award every year. College bands are normally invited to perform as guests to show high school band members what a college band is like.

Lincoln University also performed at the event, which resulted in an unofficial competition between the two LUs.

The Marching Pride opened the event with a pre-game show and played the national anthem. As the

last act for the evening, the band stepped onto the field once again to perform their field show. The crowd full of students and parents went crazy as they heard the sounds of "In the Stone," "Next to You," and "Who Do I Turn To?"

As a bonus, band and choir member De' Vin Lewis sang along with the band as they played "Closer." The breakdown featured the latest hits, including "Work-out Plan," "Magnolia Clap," "Lean Back," and "Goodies" by R & B artist Ciara.

In addition to performing, The Marching Pride also served as an ambassador for the university by handing out student enrollment

packets full of brochures with information about the band and Langston University.

Attending events like the St. Louis Original Battle of the Bands helps the Marching Pride build a better name for itself and draws a lot of attention to LU. To increase the band's notoriety, band members hope to compete in the Honda Battle of the Bands in Atlanta, Ga. in 2005.

To vote for the LU Marching Pride Band as the best band in their division so they can win the chance to compete in Atlanta against other HBCUs, log onto [www.Hondabattleofthebands.com](http://www.Hondabattleofthebands.com).

## Langston to Guthrie Shuttle

### Departures from Langston:

Scholar's Inn: 10:24 AM, 1:24 PM, 3:14PM

Centennial Court: 10:38 AM, 1:40 PM, 3:30 PM

Student Union: 10:34 AM, 1:34 PM, 3:24 PM

### Departures from Guthrie:

Sears/ Dollar Store: 9:46 AM, 12:36 PM, 2:36 PM

Wal-Mart: 9:53 AM, 12:53 PM, 2:43 PM

Homeland: 10:00 AM, 1:00 PM, 2:50 PM

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# Sports

## Lions tame the Bobcats 31-14

BY JAMUEL WALLACE  
Sports Writer

The Langston Lions broke out of a three game funk with a 31-14 win over the Peru State Bobcats last Saturday at the Oak Bowl in Peru, Neb.

The Lions tied the overall series between the two teams at three. The win improves the Lions' record to 4-4 overall and 1-3 in conference, while the Bobcats drop to 1-3 in conference and 1-7 overall.

	LU	PS
First Downs	27	12
Rushes-Yds	44-164	41-152
Passing Yds	276	72
Comp-Att HI	22-38-0	9-25-1
Plays-Yds	82-440	66-224
Pnts-Avg	4-36.8	6-35.2
Fmb-Lost	1-1	1-1
Pnly-Yds	9-63	6-65

On the first drive of the game, the Bobcats needed nine plays to strike as running back Lynn Meyer ran the ball in 12 yards, giving Peru State the early 7-0 lead.

After the Lions turned the ball over on downs deep in the Bobcats' territory, Lions cornerback Jamal Harley caused Bobcats RB Meyer to fumble and it was recovered by safety Eric Cooper. Cooper returned it 30 yards, cutting the Bobcats' lead to 7-6.

Israel Jacobs' 28-yard field goal gave the Lions a 9-7 lead going into intermission.

In the third quarter, QB Tony Williams hit Jimmy Early Jr. 54 yards, resulting in Jacobs' second field goal.

After a Bobcats punt, Williams and Early hooked up again—this time the end result was a 47 yard

touchdown, giving the Lions a 18-7 lead.

In the fourth quarter, Williams finished his assault of the Bobcats' defense when he threw two more touchdown passes—a six-yard pass to tight end Jeff Martin and a 22-yard pass to sophomore WR Corey Samuels.

Offensive leaders for the Lions were Cermase Barry, Tony Williams and Jimmy Early Jr. Barry rushed for 67 yards on ten carries. Williams was 20 of 32 for 257 yards and three touchdowns. Early had seven catches for 146 yards and a touchdown.

On defense for the Lions, Demetrius Bastian, Dexter Falls and Adrian Fisher led the way with seven tackles. Fisher and defensive lineman Enjai Bush both had sacks for the Lions. Charles Casey, Elijah

Booker and Darnell Brown added five tackles, while Jamal Harley had four tackles, a forced fumble and an interception.

Next up on the Lions' road show is a trip to Waxahachie, Texas to face the Southwest Assemblies of God Lions. The game starts at 2 p.m.

PS-Lynn Meyer 12 run (Beveridge kick Good)  
LU-Eric Cooper 30 fumble recovery (Israel Jacobs kick no good)  
LU-Israel Jacobs 28 field goal  
LU-Israel Jacobs 32 field goal  
LU-Tony Williams 47 pass to Jimmy Early Jr. (Barry run no good)  
PS-Gerdes 95 kickoff return (Beveridge kick good)  
LU-Tony Williams 6 pass to Jeff Martin (Israel Jacobs kick no good)  
LU-Tony Williams 22 pass to Corey Samuels (Israel Jacobs kick good)

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Langston Univ.	6	3	9	13	31
Peru State.	7	0	7	0	14

## Anticipating Eight LU's track nears completion

BY JONATHAN MONTGOMERY

After years of having to compete on other university's tracks, the Langston University track and field team will finally be able to show off their speed in their own stadium.

Like the football team, the track team has always wanted to run in front of the home crowd and hear the cheers from peers and faculty members. With the new stadium underway and a newly remodeled eight-lane track this will now be possible.

"With an eight-lane track we can now host championship track meets. Things like this will make Langston become more known, especially when it comes to recruiting new athletes," said Jimmy Hilliard, head track and field coach.

Langston's track had been a seven-lane track since the mid 1980s, which prevented the track team from hosting meets because an eight-lane track is needed. In the early part of 2004 it was torn up for reconstruction. Over the years wear and tear took its toll on the track. The long jump pit was not visible because it was full of grass and broken glass, and the track had cracks in it that caused the runners to have an excess amount of injuries while practicing.

"It was hard. We barely could see the lanes we were running in because the paint was mostly gone and it seemed uneven," said Tenisha Foreman, a junior from Arlington, Texas.

The new track will have a better long jump pit and jump station. All field events will take place outside the stadium, ensuring that the football field doesn't get damaged and the athletes can warm up on the field before their race without any flying objects putting them in danger.

"This is a great advantage to Langston's track and field program," said James Hall, a junior physical education major from Fort Worth, Texas. "Running at home is something I have been dreaming about since I first got on the team in 2000."

## LU Athletes of the Week

BY JUDY YATES

### Kara & Kimberly Braxton

Twins sisters Kara and Kimberly Braxton's high school days at Westview in Beaverton, Ore. were filled with basketball awards.

They were junior year state champions in 2000. Kara was named Most Valuable Player (MVP) at the state championship, was a member of the All-Star Team and received the Gatorade All-American Award. Kimberly achieved all-state, all-conference, all-tournament and all-American honors, and was one of the top 50 high school recruits in the nation.

College was next and it was the University of Georgia for both girls.

Their freshmen year the Lady Bulldogs made the "Sweet 16" at nationals.

The following year the team made the "Elite 8." Kara was the Southeast Conference Freshman of the Year, leading in every category: rebounds, points, field goals, assists, and blocks. Once



Kimberly (left) and Kara (right)

again, Kara was a Gatorade All-American. As a result, she became a member of the Junior Olympics in Brazil, and won a gold medal.

The sisters were separated when Kimberly left Georgia to attend Central Arizona Junior College.

Head Women's Basketball Coach Donnita Drain hit the jack-

pot when she recruited the Braxton sisters. Once again, these two top-notch twins are re-united.

Kara, #54, is a 6'6" power-forward center and is red-shirting this year. She is in her junior year, majoring in physical education.

Kimberly, #43, is a 6'2" power-forward and is playing this season. She is a junior majoring in business administration.

The Braxton sisters are happy to be together again as teammates.

"I like the opportunities here at Langston to be a student and an athlete," said Kimberly. "We have a lot of talent and we will be an exciting team to watch."

"I like Langston because it is a predominately Black school," said Kara. "All my coaches and teammates are just great. They are all so easy to talk to."

Both of these outstanding student athletes are looking forward to finishing their college basketball careers and attaining their degrees from Langston University.

They both hope to play professionally for the WNBA.

Support  
our  
Lions!

# Gospel Fest returns

BY MACAY BOLAY

While most students are gearing up for the approaching homecoming game, Edmund Scott, a Student Government Association (SGA) special committee member, prepares to bring back the tradition of Gospel Fest.

The event will take place on Sunday, Oct. 31, from 3:45 to 7 p.m. in the I.W. Young Auditorium.

Non-denominational churches from neighboring cities and communities will showcase individual and group talent.

SGA is sponsoring the event to kick-off homecoming festivities.

"The importance of homecom-

ing awareness is to recognize being blessed, not only on campus, but through community support," said Scott.

Mark Flemming, SGA adviser, approved the event early in September, and hopes to have more than 300 in attendance. He also hopes this event will catch on and continue into the spring semester.

Gospel Fest activities are free and open for people of any age. To help with the traveling expense of the visiting churches and assist in the sponsoring of upcoming events, the SGA will accept donations.

Scott said that he is excited to

welcome the featured speaker, Pastor Donald Woody, who preaches regularly at Judah Christian Assembly. Woody will also perform a gospel song.

"I want people to come out to be blessed at this occasion, to help make homecoming a success—not just for the campus but for the whole community," Scott said.

Scott mentioned that the proper attire for the Gospel Fest is church clothes. He also encourages everyone to look for Gospel Fest fliers throughout campus for more information and to bring a friend along in support of the event.

## BJ students attend OBEA seminar

BY PAOLO NEWMAN

Four LU broadcast journalism students—Kevono Hunt, Shaunna Cooper, Sashaye Brewer and Tiffany Taylor—recently attended the Oklahoma Educational Television Association (OETA)/Oklahoma Broadcast Education Association (OBEA) student seminar at OETA studios in Edmond, Okla.

The OBEA is the educational arm of the Oklahoma Association of Broadcasters (OAB). The organization represents broadcast educators and electronic media professionals that lead the way in preparing the next generation of broadcast professionals.

Each year, the OBEA collaborates with OETA for the student seminar to insure its continued success.

Broadcast journalism students from various universities across the state were present at the annual gathering to receive vital information for strategically navigating through their junior and senior year.

They also obtained useful advice from a diverse selection of panelists, including news producers and talk show hosts, on how to network and arrange internships that will help students land a desirable broadcasting job following graduation.

One particular panel included recent undergraduate students

that shared stories about their present success in the business.

"This seminar gives an opportunity for students who are majoring in broadcast communications to get an up close look at the profession that they are planning to enter," said OETA Foundation President Robert Allen.

He also said past students have expressed that being at the seminar reinforced their commitment to become more involved in the communications profession.

"This seminar gives a stepping stone of understanding of all the work and awesome responsibility that is involved with broadcast journalism," said Allen.

renovation to meet modern safety codes and access requirements.

Another state question, SQ 712 (State-Tribal Gaming Compact) could also help fund OHLAP. Twelve percent of the revenue raised from tribes and horse racing would be dedicated to college scholarships. In addition, 10 percent of revenue raised from horse racing tracks would go toward common and higher education needs.

SQ 713 (tobacco tax) could provide approximately \$14 million to Oklahoma higher education. Assuming that amount, \$7 million would be dedicated to help construct the Cancer Research Center at the University of Oklahoma Health Sciences Center; \$3.5

million would go to Oklahoma State University to help construct the new Telemedicine Building, including \$500,000 for telemedicine equipment; and \$3 million would be provided for indigent care in Tulsa.

Each of the state questions requires a great deal of study for you to make an informed decision. I hope this information provides you with a good overview of the implications that the state questions have on higher education in our state.

I would like to hear from you. Write me at OSRHE, PO Box 108850, Oklahoma City, OK 73101-8850 or e-mail [chancellorriss@osrhe.edu](mailto:chancellorriss@osrhe.edu). You can find out more about our higher education system at [www.okhighered.org](http://www.okhighered.org).

## LANGSTON UNIVERSITY WOMEN'S BASKETBALL SCHEDULE

2004-2005

Date:	Opponent:	Site:	Time:
<b>NOVEMBER</b>			
3	USAO	Chickasha, Okla.	6 p.m.
8	Park College	Parkville, Mo.	5 p.m.
16	Northwestern	Alva, Okla.	6 p.m.
23	Okla. Baptist Univ.	Shawnee, Okla.	7 p.m.
25-26	HBCU Classic	New Orleans, La.	TBA
<b>DECEMBER</b>			
1	Okla. City Univ.	Langston	TBA
4	TAMIU	Langston	5:30 p.m.*
6	UTPB	Langston	5:30 p.m.*
8	NWOSU	Langston	6 p.m.
11	TWU	Ft. Worth, Texas	5:30 p.m.*
13	Texas College	Tyler, Texas	5:30 p.m.*
<b>JANUARY</b>			
6	Park College	Langston	7 p.m.
8	Houston Baptist	Langston	5:30 p.m.*
10	HTC	Langston	5:30 p.m.*
13	Bacone	Langston	5:30 p.m.*
15	Paul Quinn	Dallas, Texas	5:30 p.m.*
17	SAGU	Waxahachie, Texas	5:30 p.m.*
22	Wiley College	Langston	5:30 p.m.*
24	Jarvis College	Langston	5:30 p.m.*
29	TAMIU	Laredo, Texas	5 p.m.*
31	UTPB	Odessa, Texas	6 p.m.*
<b>FEBRUARY</b>			
5	TWU	Langston	5:30 p.m.*
7	Texas College	Langston	5:30 p.m.*
12	Houston Baptist Univ.	Houston, Texas	5:30 p.m.*
14	Huston-Tillotson	Austin, Texas	5:30 p.m.*
17	Bacone	Muskogee, Okla.	6 p.m.*
19	Paul Quinn	Langston	5:30 p.m.*
21	SAGU	Langston	5:30 p.m.*
26	Wiley	Marshall, Texas	5:30 p.m.*
28	Jarvis	Hawkins, Texas	5:30 p.m.*

1<sup>st</sup> Round RRAC Conference Tournament

\* Denotes Conference Games

Head Coach: Donnita Drain

Assistant Coach: Tony Greene

Graduate Assistant: Hartford Jackson

## State questions

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increase by another 18,000 students and cost nearly \$42 million per year.

SQ 705 (lottery) also provides for the possibility of using some of the proceeds for a capital bond issue to construct new facilities on our campuses. Oklahoma's public colleges and universities continue to experience record enrollments, serving more than 228,000 students annually. On many campuses, labs are crowded and outdated. Basic functions like heating and cooling are often antiquated and inefficient. Needed classroom space—even entire buildings—are left unused because they desperately need

## LU Health Watch: Anorexia & Bulimia

BY MICKI BIDDLE  
Senior Staff Writer

Anorexia Nervosa, characterized by extreme weight loss and self-starvation, and Bulimia Nervosa, known for its sufferers' secretive style of bingeing and purging, are the two most prevalent eating disorders among women.

According to the National Eating Disorders Association, in the United States alone, five to 10 percent of females (about five to 10 million girls and women), and one million males are struggling with eating disorders. Of all anorexics, 90 to 95 percent are female, and most are in the upper teen and college-age group. Because of the shame associated with these disorders, the numbers are probably even greater because many cases are not reported.

Although anorexia and bulimia are two separate illnesses, they are somewhat similar in their origin. Poor body image usually begins at puberty, bringing with it a whole new set of emotions, attitudes and

behaviors. An adolescent's reality is generally shaped by the media. Thin super models, famous pop stars and television/movie stars virtually bombard them from all angles. Magazine covers and explicit music videos re-enforce images of the scantily-clad slender body as being the most desirable result for a young person.

When the life of a teenager isn't perfect because of added emotional stresses, such as parents divorcing or the loss of a boyfriend/girlfriend, the need for achieving a perfect body (or a skinny body), may become so vital that they are willing to risk death from starvation rather than be considered "fat."

Some signs of anorexia include a refusal to eat more than a few hundred calories a day, an intense fear of becoming fat, a distorted body image that allows the person to see themselves as overweight when the person is actually underweight, refusal to maintain body weight, cessation of one's menstrual cycle, and failure to mature sexually.

Bulimia, on the other hand, is different in that people experience recurrent episodes of eating a large amount of food (called a binge, which can last for hours) and then they purge themselves (make themselves throw-up) to compensate for the guilt they feel for allowing themselves to lose control. Bulimics are also known to abuse laxatives, fast, and exercise excessively.

Side effects for bulimia include trauma to the lining of the esophagus and mouth, erosion of the enamel on the teeth and receding gums, electrolyte imbalance, fatigue and muscle cramps.

It is not unusual for these two disorders to overlap. Treatment almost always requires professional assistance, strict adherence to a food plan, and in some cases, even antidepressant drugs.

For more information, visit [www.NationalEatingDisorders.org](http://www.NationalEatingDisorders.org), or call their information and referral line at 1-800-931-2237.

## Task force begins work on helping Hispanic students go to college

A task force designed to monitor implementation of a new state law that allows certain children of illegal immigrants to pay in-state college tuition is ready to go to work.

Members of the newly formed Advancement of Hispanic Students in Higher Education Task Force met for the first time recently to discuss the group's role as spelled out in House Bill 2145, the legislation that created the task force.

Under the bill, the task force will monitor the implementation and administration of Senate Bill 596 that was passed during the 2003 legislative session.

SB 596 directed the Oklahoma State Regents for Higher Education to adopt policies that would allow undocumented students to enroll in Oklahoma's public colleges or universities and also pay in-state tuition.

The task force will also study, report and make recommendations

on issues involving student recruitment and retention of and completion by Hispanic students in Oklahoma higher education.

The task force is comprised of the chancellor of the Oklahoma State System of Higher Education, or a designee; the state superintendent of public instruction, or a designee; and the executive director of the Oklahoma Commission for Teacher Preparation (OCTP), or a designee. In addition, the speaker of the Oklahoma House of Representatives, the president pro tempore of the State Senate and the governor each appoint five members to the task force.

Those serving on the task force include Gloria Cardenas-Barton, Oklahoma City; David Castillo, Oklahoma City; Shirley Cox, Oklahoma City; Jim Gasso, Norman; Salvador G. Gonzalez, Lawton; J.P. Johnson, Oklahoma City; Sen. Debbie Leftwich, Oklahoma City; Rep. Al Lindley, Oklahoma City; Sara Martinez, Tulsa; Dr. Kathy

McKean, Cushing; Maria Carlota Palacios, Tulsa; Tina Peña, Tulsa; Paul Rocha, Norman; Ruben Torres, Tulsa; and Constance "Kitty" Walker, Madill. Rep. Lindley will also serve as chairman of the task force.

Additional members of the task force are Armando Peña, OSRHE; Frank Rexach, State Department of Education; and Lois Lawler-Brown, OCTP.

Besides providing representatives to the task force, OSRHE, SDE and OCTP will also provide staffing support.

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## What's the Word?

COMPILED BY KEVONO HUNT, Assistant Editor

### *Should abortion be a woman's choice?*



*Yes and no—Yes in extreme cases affecting a woman's health and/or mental state, but if the woman just gets pregnant then no.*

Sharonda Bowie, freshman pre-veterinary science major  
Oklahoma City, Okla.



*Yes—You cannot legislate what a woman does with her body.*

Jeff Wilson, sophomore agriculture business major  
Kansas City, Mo.



*No—It's not a question of choice. If a woman chooses to open her legs, she should accept the responsibility.*

Greg Grant Jr, sophomore computer technology major  
Okmulgee, Okla.



*Yes—It's her body so it should be her choice.*

Demisha McDaniels, freshman nursing major  
Stockton, Calif.

# LU Calendar

## Ongoing Events

**A female Sexual Assault Survivors Group** will be held on Thursdays from 3-4 p.m. in the Professional Counseling Center, Rm. 104. More information: 466-3401.

**The Psychology Club** will have meetings each first and last Thursday of the month. The meetings will take place in Rm. 218W in Sanford Hall at 11 a.m. More information: Contact Charles Perry, president, at ext. 4875.

**The Pre-Alumni Council** will have meetings the first Thursday of every month. Membership dues are \$10. The meeting location will vary. More information: Contact Vonnie Ware-Roberts, ext. 2999.

**The National Association of Black Journalists**, a student organization on campus aimed at undergraduate broadcast journalism majors and those interested in journalism, hold meetings every Wednesday at noon in Sanford Hall, Rm. 310W. More information: Call Dr. Karen M. Clark, ext. 3297 or Steve Jackson at (405) 834-4829.

**Free AIDS testing** is available the first working day of the month at Langston University's Clinic, located on the 1st floor in the University Women Building.

## Immediate Events

### October 29

**BET and Edmonds Entertainment** are searching for eight Langston University students for their next College Hill series. Interviews will be held on Oct. 29 from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m. in the multipurpose building

### October 29-30

**Haunted Halls**, a haunted house event sponsored by the Student Government Association, will take place on the 1st and 2nd floor of Jones Hall from 8 p.m. to 12 a.m. The cost is \$2 per person. More information: ext. 3443

### Sunday, October 31

**The LU Homecoming Gospel Fest** will begin at 4 p.m. in the I.W. Young Auditorium on Oct. 31. The theme of the event is "Sing unto the Lord."

## Immediate Events

### Monday, November 1

**The annual Pep Rally and Bonfire** will take place on the northwest field of Scholars' Inn at 6 p.m. on Oct. 1.

### Tuesday, November 2

**The "LU Night of the Stars" Talent Show** will begin at 7:30 p.m. on Nov. 2, in the I.W. Young Auditorium. The event is \$1 with a student ID and \$10 without an ID.

### Wednesday, November 3

**A Blood Drive** hosted by the Lambda Alpha chapter of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority Inc. will take place from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Nov. 3 in the multipurpose building. A photo ID is required and students are advised to eat and drink well before donating blood.

### Wednesday, November 3

**The LU Comedy Show** will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the I.W. Young Auditorium on Nov. 3. The show is \$1 for students with a current LU ID. An after party will take place at 10 p.m. in the multipurpose building.

### Thursday, November 4

**The Langston University Coronation** will begin at 7:30 p.m. in the I.W. Young Auditorium and the Coronation Ball will start at 9 p.m. in the multipurpose building. Following the ball, a "Dusk till Dawn Pajama Jam" is scheduled from 12 to 5 a.m. in the multipurpose building. Each event is \$1, but only LU students can attend the "Pajama Jam."

### Friday, November 5

**The Pan Hellenic Step Show** will begin at 7 p.m. on Nov. 5 in the I.W. Young Auditorium. The step show after party will take place in the multipurpose building.

### Saturday, November 6

**The 2004 Langston University Homecoming Football Game**, featuring the Langston University Lions vs. the Panhandle State University Aggies, will begin at 2 p.m. at LU's stadium, Anderson Field. The Homecoming Concert will take place at the Cox Convention Center in Oklahoma City at 8 p.m.

### Saturday, November 6

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. will host a reception in Sanford Hall at 11 a.m. on Nov. 6; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority Inc. will host a reception at 11 a.m. in Gandy Hall.

## Lion of the Week

BY SHAUNNA COOPER, Editor

### Steve Harris

Many people could mistake his playful demeanor for a lack of knowledge, but then they would have no idea about the kind of information Steven M. Harris has retained throughout his twenty-something years.

As a matter of fact, during summer break, while many students enjoyed their time away from this dear institution of higher learning, Harris went to yet another school and conducted scientific research.

"I went to the University of California at Davis and I did some research on a new field called microfluidics," Harris said.

He used a silicone called polydimethylsiloxane, which he bonded to a glass structure, and ran experiments through a special device.

It would take him approximately 15 minutes to explain what that means in non-technical language—he has a presentation that describes his whole experiment.

"I've presented in various places, and in the spring I'll probably present three more times to wrap up the year; it's easier to show you with a picture," he said.

Harris, a junior chemistry major from Haskell, Okla., applied for the summer internship through UCLA; the university matched him with the UC Davis Center for Biophotonics, Science and Technology in Sacramento, Calif., based on his major and scientific interests.

He paid no mind to the fact that of the 28 students who participated in the program, only four were black and he was the only one there from Oklahoma.

Apparently, the LU science department recognized his potential as well. They awarded him a scholarship with the undergraduate biomedical education program



(UBEP), and an additional scholarship with Langston's Integrated Network College (LINC).

In addition to his meticulous work in the lab, Harris serves as treasurer for the two largest student organizations on campus, the Student Government Association (SGA) and the Pan-Hellenic Council.

As a member of the Beta Epsilon chapter of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Alpha Chi (National Honor Society), Beta Kappa Chi (Scientific Honor Society), and the LU Honors Program,

one might think that Harris leads a stressful life.

However, Harris said that school life only gets "hectic" during midterms and finals, "because everyone wants to give an assignment during those weeks."

In fact, he just added another responsibility to his already massive repertoire—he is now the president of the newly established Thurgood Marshall Club.

Initiated last spring, the club promotes voting, civic engagement, community service and leadership.

For students that would like to know more information regarding club membership, he said to call 466-4906.

Even though Harris could secure a job in his field after completing his undergraduate studies, he wants to attend graduate school after finishing at LU, as he has "the game" all figured out.

"The longer you stay in school, the more money you make, and you can also make money while you're in grad school," he said.

*Do you know someone who deserves to be Lion of the Week? Send your suggestions to LUGazette@yahoo.com*