

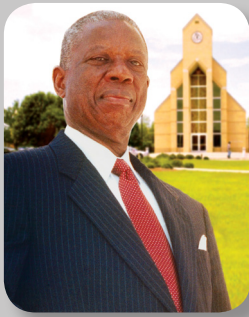


# CAMPUS REPORT

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PRESIDENT'S CALENDAR

## **March 18, 2012**

11:00 AM

Morris College Day  
New Bethel Missionary Baptist Church  
Sumter, SC

Speaker: Rev. James A Jamison

Music: Gospel Choir

## **March 22, 2012**

10:00 AM

President's Lecture Series/Who's  
Who Convocation  
Neal-Jones

## **March 24, 2012**

9:00 AM

State Youth Convention Planning Meeting  
Human Development Center  
Greetings: Dr. Luns C. Richardson

## **March 25, 2012**

10:00 AM

Morris College Day  
Reedy River Missionary Baptist Church  
Mauldin, SC

Speaker: Luns C. Richardson

Music: Chorale

10:30 AM

High Hills Baptist Church  
Sumter, SC

Music: Gospel Choir

## **Visiting Professors Share Expertise**



*BEEP visiting professors with President Richardson*



*Picture taken at Thursday's assembly*

President  
Richardson  
awarding  
Curtis Odom  
the  
Distinguished  
Visiting  
Professor  
Award

More than 13 visiting professors are on campus for the 2012 Black Executive Exchange Program Career Fest, hosted by the Career Services Center. Several of them spoke on the theme: "Top Demands of Employers: Strong Work Ethic and Job Proficiency for Career Success," at Thursday's Career Services Assembly.

Ms. Kendra Speed, the director of development at Data Systems & Technology, Inc. of Reston, Va., did an outstanding job moderating the event. She gave the fitting acronym, PIE (performance, image and exposure), as the "differentiators that separate average performers from those who are exceptional performers." Elaborating on the three, she shared that one should seek to exceed the employers' expectations in regard to performance, send a consistent message about one's brand (self) and regularly meet with superiors to gain feedback on performance.

As the other speakers shared their professional experiences with students and the campus community, several elements were consistently given as keys to exceptional performance and career success: image, self-motivation, flexibility (adapting to the employer's needs and culture), self-motivation, self-improvement, a good work-ethic and developing relationships with individuals who can foster career growth.

In addition to Speed, the following visiting professors spoke at the assembly: Mr. John Funchess, process engineer for Safelite Glass Corporation; Dr. Kenneth Smith, Sr., chaplain manager, Tuomey Healthcare System, Sumter, S.C.; Ms. Gina Hutchins, corporate industrial engineering training and development director with UPS; Ms. Constance Lane, global diversity consultant for McDonalds; Ms. Maria Newton-Ta'bon, principal of Wilder Elementary School, Sumter, S.C.; Ms. VonGretchen Nelson, diversity manager for Nature Conservancy; Dr. Annette West, business professor for Herzing University, online programs; Mr. Derrick Waters, director of engineering for UPS Central California District; Ms. Ella DuBose, coordinator for the Office of Administrative Services for the Human Resources Group, Human Resources and Communications Directorate; Mr. Curtis Odom, director of personnel management for the U.S. Coast Guard, and Ms. Aviva Seabrooks, senior finance manager, Newell Rubbermaid.

Following the presentations, Mr. Curtis Odom was honored by President Richardson with the Distinguished Visiting Professor Award.

In his closing remarks, President Richardson thanked the visiting professors for assisting faculty to prepare students and for assisting students to prepare for the future. He also commended Ms. Margaret Bailey, director of Career Services, and her staff for a job well done.

A National Urban League Program, BEEP was established to expose Black college students to professional role models.

## Pinkston to Present at President's Lecture Series

Brandolyn Thomas Pinkston, former administrator of the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs, will be the guest speaker for the President's Lecture Series/Who's Who Convocation on Thursday, March 22, 2012 at 10 a.m. in the Neal-Jones Auditorium.

Pinkston distinguished herself as a people's advocate by implementing innovative consumer programs and championing legislation that protects consumer interest. She has been a featured speaker on consumer issues across the United States, in Mexico and in Canada.

The ceremony will recognize students for their academic achievement, service to community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.



### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

#### March 19 - 23, 2012

Academic Planning, Advisement and Pre-Registration for Spring Semester

#### March 19, 2012

6:00 PM

Campaign Speeches  
Neal-Jones Auditorium

#### March 20, 2012

9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

SGA and Class Elections  
Student Center Conference Room

7:00 PM

Prizes and Awards Night  
Neal-Jones Auditorium

6:00 PM

Bible Study and Fellowship  
Religious Center  
Room 224

#### March 22, 2012

1:30 - 4:30 PM

Institutional Service Activities  
All classes cancelled  
from 12:30 - 5:00 PM

#### March 22 - 24, 2012

Spring Alumni Telethon  
Film Lecture Room

#### March 23, 2012

7:00 PM

Mr. & Miss Blue Review Pageant  
"An Evening Amongst the Doves"

Sponsored by  
Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc  
Neal-Jones Auditorium

## SGA and CLASS ELECTIONS

**Tuesday, March 20, 2012**

**9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

**Student Center Conference Room**

Hear SGA Campaign speeches on  
Monday, March 19, 2012  
Neal-Jones Auditorium , 6:00 PM

## NEH Awards for Faculty at HBCUs

The National Endowment for the Humanities is offering fellowships for faculty at Historically Black Colleges and Universities. The awards support the equivalent of six to twelve months of full-time work and carry a stipend of \$4,200 per month.

**Application deadline: April 17, 2012 (Projects beginning in 2013 and 2014.)**

For a detailed program description, application guidelines, and contact information, please see the NEH Web site:

[http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/AF\\_HBCU.html](http://www.neh.gov/grants/guidelines/AF_HBCU.html)

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