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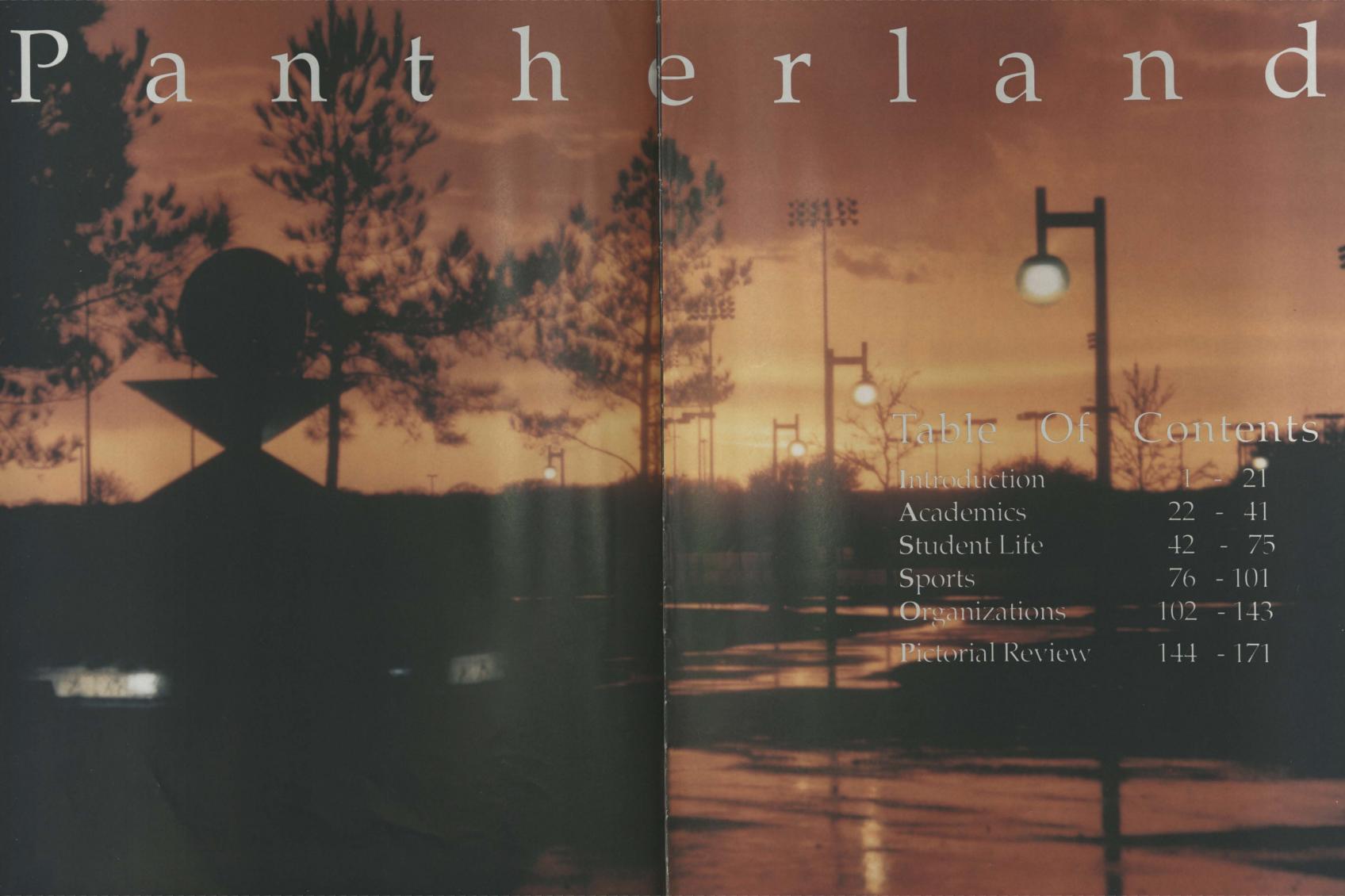


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Prairie View A & M University

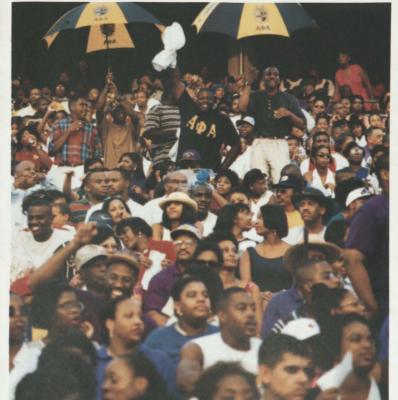
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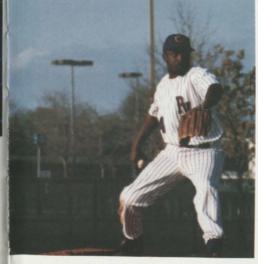








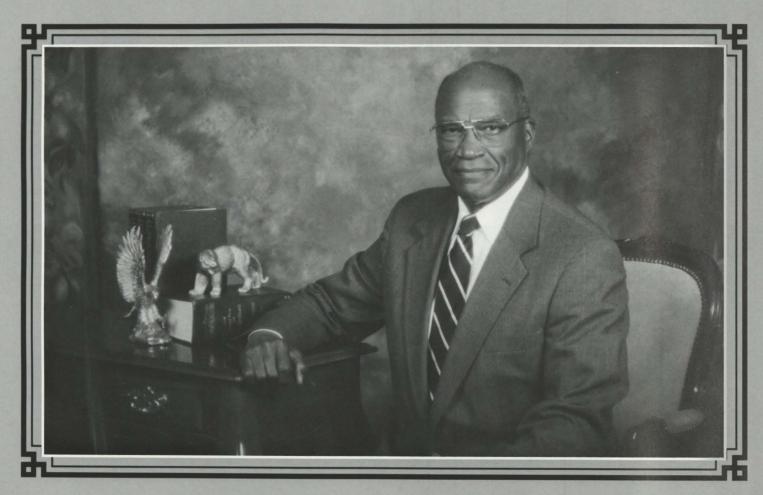






THE SIXTH PRESIDENT OF PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

CHARLES ALFONSO HINES, PH.D.



DR. CHARLES A. HINES



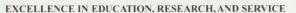
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MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT



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A Message from the President

The course is set for Prairie View A&M University to march boldly into the 21st Century. While change is necessary, we must retain the pioneer spirit and commitment of yesterday, while meeting the needs of tomorrow. As we join together to meet challenges each day, we become more powerful and more relevant.

Excellence in research, education and service, demands vision, vigilance and vitality. We must literally reinvent ourselves by committing to positive and innovative change, while leveraging technology and mining for new opportunities. In moving across this vast uncharted prairie, we can draw upon our history for courage, perseverance, inner strength, solidarity and meaning.

As President, I have set a course intended to move our University gracefully, bravely, and safely into the 21st Century. The quality of life for our students, faculty and staff is improving. University Village Phase II was released for occupancy in the Fall of '97; Phase III will be completed at the start of the '98 Fall Semester; construction for the Student Park and the Community Center will begin in March, 1998 and ground breaking for the new Science Building is scheduled for January, 1999. The Juvenile Crime Prevention Center has received funding and is operational; ACCESS continues to flourish. Plans are currently being made for a University College that will encompass our freshmen students and assist in their transition from high school to college.

Traveling and staying this course demands that we focus on the Texas Constitution mandate to serve as a "university of the first class."

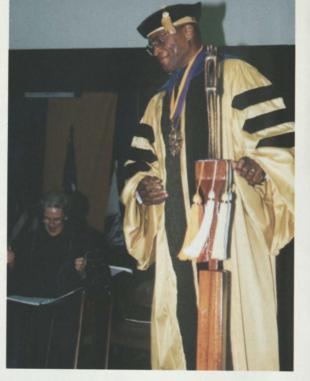
Charles A. Hines, Ph.D.

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Dr. CHARLES A. HINES





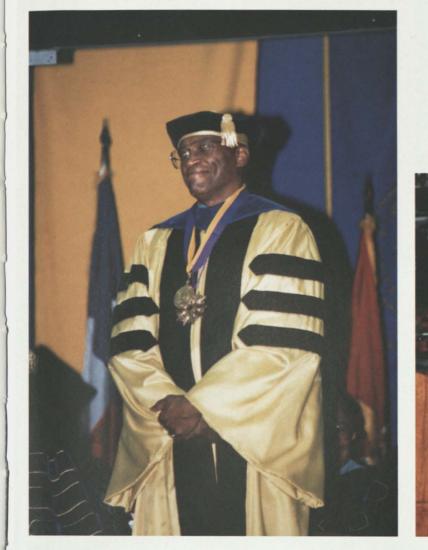


Top: The Hines Family.

Members of the Charles Gilpin Players.



Dr. Hines receives the presidential medallion from the Chancellor of Texas A&M University, Dr. Barry Thompson.

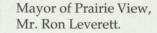


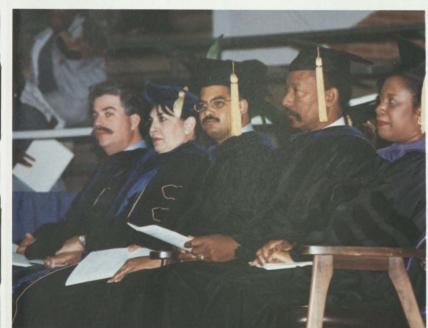
The inauguration ceremony for Dr. Charles A. Hines took place in the William "Billy" J. Nicks building on Oct. 6, 1995 before an estimated 4,000 people.



The Charles Gilpin Players, The University Marching Band (The Storm), The University Concert Choir and the Baptist Student Movement performed and offered an intrepretation of the year's theme, "Something Inside So Strong".

Dr. Hines thanked everyone who contributed to the success of the inauguration. Some of the notable guests included: Congresswoman Sheila Jackson Lee, Al Edwards, Garnet Coleman (son to Dr. John B. Coleman), former Prairie View President, Julius W. Becton Jr. and Mary Nan West (Chairperson of the Texas A&M University Board of Regents).

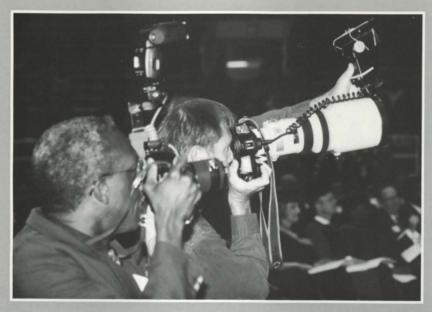






TAMU Board Chair, Mary Nan West and President Hines.

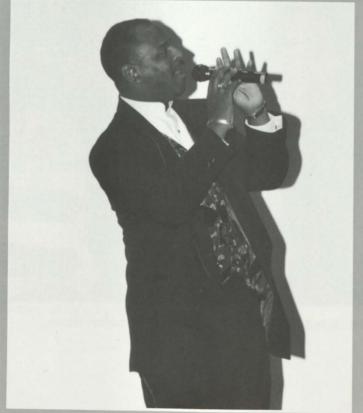
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Dr. Maurice Hope-Thompson (Faculty member) and Houston Chronicle staff.



Mr. Brian Dickens



Dr. and Mrs. Hines



Dr. Hines and Professor Mark Phillips



SGA president, Darius Starr



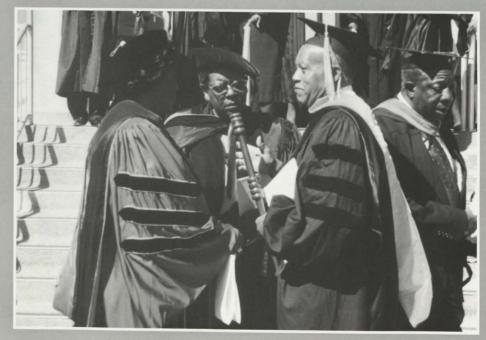
Miss Prairie View, Kimberly Williams



Dr. D.R. Kelly(piano) and Dr. R.N Hebert(soprano).



Mrs. Veronica L. Hines

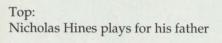


Dr. J.L. Prestage, Dr. E.N. Noel and Dr. S.A. Smith and Mr. Weatherspoon











The first of many inaugural activities was the art exhibit hosted by Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc.

Christopher toasts dad







Middle: Beverly Ledbetter

Bottom:

The guest speaker at the ecumenical worship service, Rev. William Lawson, pastor of Wheeler Avenue Baptist Church in Houston.

Mrs. Veronica L. Hines at the luncheon held in her honor .







Above: The University Concert Choir at the worship service. Middle picture: Nejay Johnson with President Hines

Prairie View is...



"where friendship grows"

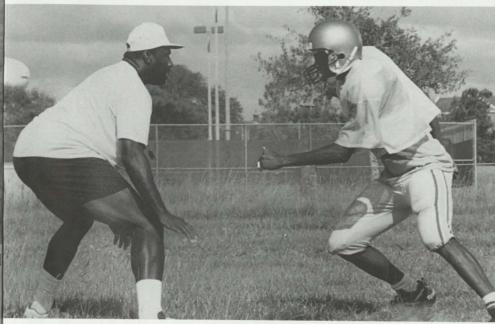


"where cops promote the wellbeing of all



(Prairie View Trailriders)
"where the posse's saddle up"

... the Place...



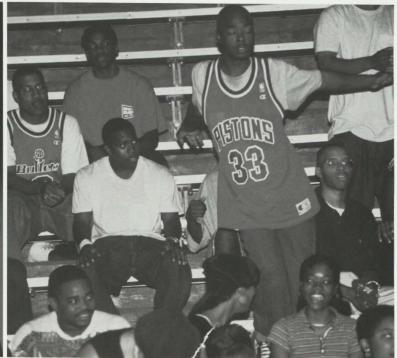
where coaching is taken seriously.



where weird fashions are worn proudly.



where performing is done with flair.



where people celebrate life.

Prairie View is:



A place where students use their bodies and souls to express their past.



(Frank Jackson)
.. where even faculty/staff member participate in fashion shows



A place where creativity has no end.

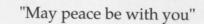


A place where alumni perform songs that are filled with joy from within.

A place where no matter what happens, in the end, people continuously unite in peace.









"Peace Out"

"Peace"

THEME

"RESURRECTION"

Welcome to the 38th edition of Pantherland, Prairie View A & M University's annual recollection of events for the 1995-98 school years. This year's theme, "Resurrection" was decided upon by the staff due to all the changes the university has undergone.

The theme 'Resurrection' has great symbolism. From Prairie View A&M University's beginning, the university has had to rise against the odds. This year has been no different. Resurrection represents the yearbook getting back into production after being dormant for two years. The theme also symbolizes the university's new leadership under President Charles A. Hines, and the university's rising status as a great place of scholarship, leadership, and service.

Prairie View was a former powerhouse in the sports arena, and this year the Panthers rose again to claim Southwestern Athletic Conference (SWAC) championships in three sports: Men's Track, Men's Basketball, and Women's Softball. In addition to sports, the appearance of the campus has been resurrected with the addition of University Village, a new form of student housing, in 1996. Another area of renewal was the architectural department, led by Dr. Iklas Sabouni. The college of architecture helped design the University park, which will be constructed in 1998.

The university's rise started with 8 young men and will continue with each obstacle the University overcomes. The Resurrection is symbolic of all the achievements of PVAMU students. They are realizing their potential and are on the path to restoring Prairie View's greatness. Nothing can hold us down. Prairie View A&M University has come too far to go back.



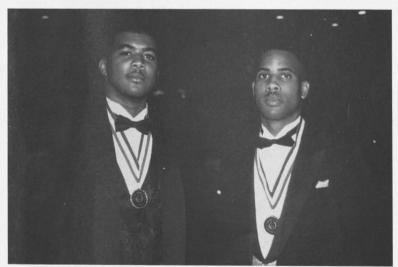
Fred Washington and Charles McClelland



Miss Prairie View (95-96), Kimberly Williams



Students chillin' at the annual Health and Fitness Forum



1995 SGA President, Darius Starr and past President Kevin Jones



Preparing for the Million man march



ACADEMICS

 $Energy = Mc^2$ His Story, or yours? Geometric population growth and.. Enthalpic of Entropic? To be or not to be... Fees; are you in or are you out?

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Ideals for the Prairie View Man and Woman

Deep in the heart of the Prairie View Spirit are embedded ten basic ideals. These ideals include Brotherhood, Friendliness, Honesty, Scholarship, Cleanliness, Health, Respect, Responsibility, Service and a Belief in a Supreme Being.

Heritage and Traditions

The Honors Convocation, Homecoming, Spring Fest, World Food Day, the Miss. and Mr. Prairie View A&M University Scholarship Pageants, the University Spirit Awards Programs, the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Birthday Observance, and the monthly Birthday Parties with the President are traditional activities at the University. Homecoming is a celebration that typically includes a concert, block parties, talent show, a royal ball and parade. The University Spirit Awards Program recognizes the students who have volunteered their talent and time to the student life program on campus. The Dr. King Observance program is designed to remind us of the struggles of the past that enabled us to have some of the freedoms that we enjoy today. Other special programs include the Emerging Leaders Seminar, Visions of Stardom, Prairie View Choice Awards, and the award winning Forensic Program, the Charles Gilpin Players, Marching Storm, University Choir etc.

Alma Mater: "Dear Prairie View"

Dear Prairie View, our song to thee we rais In gratitude, we sing our hymn of prais For mem'ries dear for friends and recollection For lessons learned while here we've lived thee For these we pledge our hearts full of devotion To serve thee now, and through eternity

As days go by our hearts will not grow cold We'll love thy purple royal and thy gold We'll throughout our lives exemplify thy teaching We'll always strive a blessing to Thy children we our love and pride confessing We'll love thee now, and through eternity

> Words By O. Anderson Fuller Music From "Finlandia"

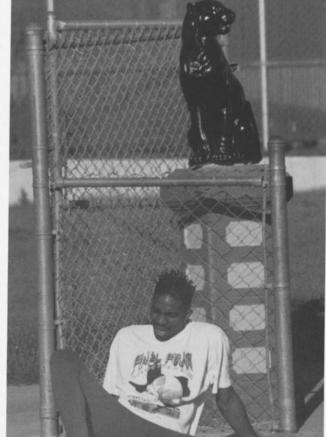
Our Fight Song: "Cheer For Prairie View"

Cheer for Prairie View Cheer for the purple and gold Let's cheer them on Till they make a score Get the ball and score some more

Cheer for Prairie View Cheer for the purple and gold We're marching on once more Till we make the score For a VICTORY

By John Greathouse '83





Panther athelete at rest



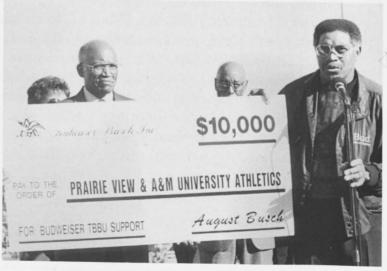
Diggin' the scene



Panthers Rule



PV's Greek Scene



Contributions to the university

Did You Know...

Access for PVAMU

Prairie View A&M University is developing a new program this Fall called Academy for Collegiate Excellence and Student Success, (ACCESS). According to PVAMU Community Relations and Marketing Officer, Carol Campbell, the program "...is dedicated to fulfilling the statewide special purpose of the University to serve a diverse population of students while simultaneously maintaining the institution's mission of excellence in education, research and service for all citizens of Texas." Formally known as Project Eagle, ACCESS hopes to improve the scholastic performance and retention of students who are from culturally diverse backgrounds, and are economically challenged and historically bypassed. The program is an intensive eight-week, highly structured, academic pre-college summer program designed to offer mathematics, reading comprehension, writing, computer and study skills training. After guiding the students through the ACCESS program, staff members will continue to track overall student progress and to provide academic counseling, tutoring, and mentorship during the students' freshman year at PVAMU. Dr. Charles A. Hines, President of the University, is the Director of ACCESS.

Jacket Honored

Former Olympic Women's coach Barbara Jacket has won so many awards that it is hard to find one that she hasn't won! However, Drake University and the Drake Relays found one that is truly worthy of her legendary status. Bob Ehrhart, director of the Drake Relays informed Coach Jacket of her selection for induction into the Coaches Hall of Fame, due to her contributions to the Drake Relays over the years.

The Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC) honored Jacket in ceremonies held in Atlanta, Ga. Jacket was along with other track/field greats that included Alice Coachman, Bob Hayes, and Edwin Moses, who were all honored for their contributions to the sport.

Peace Corps Day Comes to PVAMU

Ambassador Charles Baquet, III, deputy director of the Peace Corps, arrived on the campus of Prairie View A&M University, Monday, March 2, to kick off the agency's "Millennium Initiative." Called '10,000 by 2000,' the Peace Corps has set the ambitious goal of having 10,000 volunteers serving worldwide by the year 2000. Ambassador Baquet, an African-American, who himself enjoyed an illustrious career in both the Peace Corps and the state Department, brought his message to PVAMU, informing students and faculty about the benefits and valuable professional experience to be gained from serving in the Peace Corps. The Peace Corps is working particularly hard to reach African-Americans who could provide valuable knowledge to the organization in serving overseas. The Peace Corps is coming to PVAMU as part of its ongoing national effort to recruit African Americans at Historically Black Colleges and Universities

Did You Know...

Prairie View Graduates First USDA/1890 National Scholar

Craig Anthony Nicholas, an Agricultural Economics major in the College of Agriculture and Human Sciences, is the first United States Department of Agriculture (USDA) 1890 National Scholar to graduate from Prairie View A&M University. Nicholas received his B.S. degree at the graduation ceremonies held on May 10, 1997.

Alumnus Remembers PVAMU with Endowment

Premier educator, Dr. Benjamin E. Mays said, "The true impact of an institution of higher education is measured by the success of its students." If Mays was correct in his assessment, Prairie View A&M University can only be proud of the professional accomplishments of the late, Josie E. Washington, of Dallas. During her ninety-four years on this earth, she proved to be an inspiration to many within the field of home economics and in society. She chose, even in death... to think of others, leaving \$140,000 which will be combined with state matching funds for a total of \$280,000 to her beloved Prairie View A&M University.

From the Hill, to the Hill

For college actors, being chosen to go to the Regional Festival is like being nominated for the Oscars, and then being one of the few picks to go on to the Kennedy Center in Washington, D.C. is like winning an Oscar and a Nobel prize all in one. This is the goal the Charles Gilpin Players of Prairie View A&M University have been setting their sights on since the Fall of '96. The talented troupe has won a host of awards at the Region VI American College Theatre Festival, held February 26 through March 1, at the University of Oklahoma (Norman, OK).

The Gilpin Players received the "Director's Choice Award for BEST PLAY in Region VI (which covers a five-state area), and they received the "Director's Choice Award for BEST PLAY at the Oklahoma Festival--over six other award-winning schools. In the "Tech Olympics," a competition for Honor Crew members, Ricjuane Jenkins, Eric Jackson, and Terran Gamble were awarded the 2nd place trophy; they competed with Honor Crew members from the other colleges in various areas of technical theatre. Prairie View student, Ezekial Morgan was announced overall winner and his partner, Taryne Metcalf, received 1st runner up for the BEST PARTNER for the Irene Ryan National Scholarship.

Did You Know...

USA TODAY Honors PVAMU Student

Prairie View A&M student Tyrone Porter was one of twenty students who received a \$2,500 scholarship and was honored by USA Today for the scholastic and intellectual excellence that they exhibit both in the classroom and in the community. Porter was honored for his P.A.C..T. program that was originally started in his home state of Michigan. It involves college students speaking and encouraging middle and high school age youths. The same program was started in Prairie View and the surrounding areas.

PVAMU Alumnus Named "Engineer of the Year"

The Career Communications Group, Inc. announced that Houstonian Nathelyne A. Kennedy was chosen "1996 Black Engineer of the Year". Kennedy is the fourth individual with a PVAMU connection to be named an engineer of the year by the Black Engineer Conference which is conducted annually at the Baltimore Convention Center. In acknowledging the award, Kennedy said, "I'm very proud of the education that I received at Prairie View A&M University and I feel that education is one of the main ingredients in my success."

Kennedy has been a practicing engineer for 29 years and has worked for two other firms before founding her own, Nathelyne A. Kennedy and Associates, Inc., in 1981.

PVAMU Nursing Student Wins Fellowship and Health Award

Student nurse, Mattie McDowell of the Prairie View A&M University College of Nursing, has been awarded the Fuld Fellowship and the Helene Fund Health Trust Award. McDowell was one of fifty-one nursing students selected from a pool of three hundred nominees nationwide. (Fuld Fellowships awardees are nominated by their respective nursing schools.)

Mrs. McDowell will attend the 1998 meeting of the National Student Nurses' Association in Cincinnati, Ohio during April. Also, she will attend the 17th International Career Congress in Rio de Janeiro, Brazil during August.

Mattie McDowell is a senior who is set to graduate in December 1998. She boasts a 4.0 GPA for five concurrent semesters within the PVAMU College of Nursing. A wife and mother of four, she also works part-time at Herman Hospital. McDowell adds this award to her long list of honors: Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges ('97-98), Dean's List, Most Outstanding College Student ('95-96), Junior and Senior Class President.

Did You Know...

University Village Ribbon-Cutting

The advent of privatized housing for the students of Prairie View A&M University has long been anticipated. During the 1996 Spring term, the Texas A&M University Board of Regents (TAMU BOR) met on the campus of this 120-year-old Historically Black University (HBU), and Dr. Charles A. Hines, PVAMU president, unveiled a beautiful new vision of apartment-style living accommodations for students. Although PV students moved into the new privatized housing facilities in August, university officials announced a "ribbon-cutting" ceremony on Tuesday, October 8, 1996 at 10:30 a.m.., in front of the University Village Club House (corner of L.W. Minor and Oscar Pipkins Street).

Prairie View Students Join Olympic Broadcast

Three Prairie View A&M University students received contracts to work as broadcast professionals during the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games in Atlanta, Georgia. When the 1996 Centennial Olympic Games began in Atlanta, Georgia, two undergraduates and a graduate student of Prairie View A&M University worked alongside seasoned broadcast professionals.

Communication senior, Brian Kehinde of Houston; radio and television junior, Jamie Fitch of El Paso; and 1996 radio and television graduate, Angela Harris of San Antonio were recognized in Completion Ceremonies held Wednesday, July 10, at Clark Atlanta University in Atlanta. In attendance at the ceremony were representatives from the Atlanta Committee for the Olympic Games, officials from Clark Atlanta University and faculty advisers from each participating university. Communication assistant professor, Carol Means, served as Prairie View liaison for the training program.

Meet Prairie View's Best Kept Secret

Dr. Ikhlas Sabouni, associate dean of the Prairie View A&M University College of Engineering and Architecture, is one of the best kept secrets around! In fact, she recently received the international "Creative Achievement Award" for outstanding teaching, research, and service, presented by the Association of Collegiate Schools of Architecture (ACSA).

Before coming to PVAMU nine years ago, Sabouni received her Ph.D. from Rice University in Houston. "When I first came to Prairie View, female students were often discouraged from taking architecture as a major. After years of involvement in the program, students would often drop out," according to Dr. Sabouni. Seeing this trend, Dr. Sabouni created the "Women in Architecture Club" in order to help motivate more women to become architects.

Dr. Sabouni really cares about beautifying Prairie View A&M University and its home city and helping female students strive for their goal in becoming architects. Her dedication to community enrichment and student growth seems to suggest that, for our future, the best is yet to come!

Did You Know...

Air Force Awards PVAMU Fast Center

The U.S Air Force Office of Scientific Research (AFOSR) has awarded the University a \$3.6 million Future Aerospace, Science and Technology (FAST) Center. The center, funded over a period of six years, focuses on lightweight structural materials and processing. The competitive award was granted under the Department of Defence (DOD) Fiscal 1994/95 Infrastructure Support Program for Historically Black Colleges and Universities and Minority Institutions. The new project will establish Prairie View A&M university as a national leader for the development of lightweight high temperature polymer matrix composites. Plans for the new center include the three areas of research, education and technology transfer. The educational emphasis will have a twofold purpose: increasing the number of African-American engineers and establishing a master of science degree with a materials concentration at Prairie View.

"Delco Day": Feb. 22 at PVAMU

Prairie View A&M University honored former state representative Wilhelmina Ruth Fitzgerald Delco for her contributions to higher education during her 29 years of service in the Texas Legislature. The New Classroom building was renamed the "Wilhelmina Ruth Fitzgerald Delco" Building, on Feb. 22, 1996.

Mrs. Delco was instrumental in bringing fairness and equity to the higher education funding in Texas. She also played a major role in the University's gaining access to the Permanent University Fund. Elected to the Texas House of Representatives in 1974, Delco was the first woman to hold the second most prominent position in the Texas House. She currently holds the position of Chairperson to the Department of Education's National Advisory Committee on Institutional Quality and Integrity "which approves the nation's accreditation agencies".

Mason & Hanger Corp. Gives \$15,000 Check to PVAMU

Dr. Milton R. Bryant, dean of the College of Engineering at Prairie View A&M University, lead a PVAMU delegation to the Pantex Plant of Mason and Hanger Corporation recently in West Texas. While touring the munitions plant, Dr. Bryant, Dr. John Fuller and Dr. Shield B. Lin were presented a \$15,000 check from Mason and Hanger Corp. to support student research projects for PVAMU engineering students.

Dean Bryant commented on the Mason and Hanger contribution saying, "This check will go a long way to helping us help our students." He also noted Pantex is working with PVAMU to establish a research project for PVAMU students in the near future.

Did You Know...

PVAMU Campus All-Stars Leave Mark on National Tournament

The 1996 PVAMU Campus All Star Team participated in the competitive Honda Campus All-Star Challenge National Tournament which took place in Orlando, Florida at the Disneyworld Hotel on March 27-30, with the winner leaving with a \$25,000 grant. It included 64 Historically Black Colleges and Universities from across the nation. The PVAMU was pitted against such teams as Grambling State, St. Paul, Delaware State, North Carolina Central, and Morehouse University, and won a \$2,500 grant.



The tournament also gave the students an opportunity to network with city officials, CEOs of National Corporations, national music artists and students from the other participating schools.

Team members: Merideth Hicks (captain), Rayford Mitchell, Reginald Craft, Malcolm Sykes, Michael Smith and their coach, Frederick V. Roberts, Esq.

SIFE Wins 1st Runner-up in Nationals

Prairie View's Students in Free Enterprise took the SIFE Nationals by storm this year, by taking the 1st runner up trophy, among all the teams despite the fact that they were to be competing against other rookie teams. The PVAMU SIFE Chapter had been inactive for two years when Sam Walton Fellow, Frederick V. Roberts, brought together eleven students who all shared the same



drive and enthusiasm in the revival of the Chapter. They have since held programs, in conjunction with other organizations, to inform the community in whole on the benefits of business investments and the advantages of entrepreneurship, especially in relation to community enhancement.

Who's Who Among Students In American Universities & Colleges®

Each year across the country, a select group of students receives one of the most prestigious awards the academic community can bestow -- being selected to WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES®. This exclusive honor is conferred by more than 1,000 schools in all 50 states and the District of Columbia and symbolized by the presentation of an award certificate.

Through our years of serving higher education, WHO'S WHO AMONG STU-DENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES® exists as one of the most highly regarded and long-standing honor programs in the nation, having earned the overwhelming respect of college faculties and administrations. And for the students the outstanding campus leaders of the year 1995-96, national recognition by the Who's Who program marks a pinnacle of scholastic achievement.

Selections to WHO'S WHO AMONG STUDENTS IN AMERICAN UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES® are made each fall. In nominating the upperclassmen and graduate students eligible for the program campus nominating committees are urged to apply their own local standards of academic excellence. In general, these committees are composed of representatives from the faculty, administration and student body.

Local nomination serves to highlight the individual and diverse talents of America's most prominent students. For, through their contributions and service to community and school, these are the young adults who enhance the image of American youth.

Because curricular and extracurricular programs at schools vary greatly, each college is assigned a quota of nominees. This quota is carefully calculated to ensure a well-rounded representation of the student body. All nominations must be endorsed by a college's faculty or administration.

It should always be remembered that college students are the reservoir from which our nation draws its leadership strength. This feeling about American students is the guiding principle behind the Who's Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges® program and our efforts to proudly continue to aid campuses in honoring their students who demonstrate consistent excellence.

Qualifiers

Allison, NaKesheia Ash, Tangela Bates, Ursula Bell, Maureen Benjamin, LaBryant Bettis, Carolyn Blackwell, Clifford Brantley, Sharon Burke, Monica Carrington, Felecia Coleman, Brian Coleman, Marie Dukes, Eric Elzey, Willa Franklin, Joyce George, Lena Gray, Alan Gulley, Yvette Harris, Genia Harris, Monika Howard, Lawanda Jackson, Tamieka Jeffery, DeKeisha

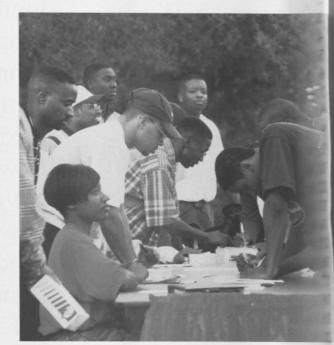
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Patterson, Kyra Patterson, Rahsaan Perry, Mariyn Pier, Shannon Pierre, Nonetta Pokorny, Ricque Pool, Tonica Pope, Chasity Ridge, LaResa Roberson, JoRetta Ross, Felisa Silmon, Bishop Snell, Tracy Spears, Velma Taylor, Tiffany Thibodeux, Kevin Tyler, Kenya Whitmire, LaKeiah Williams, Jennifer Williams, Kristle Williams, Laura Wrightstil, Melvin

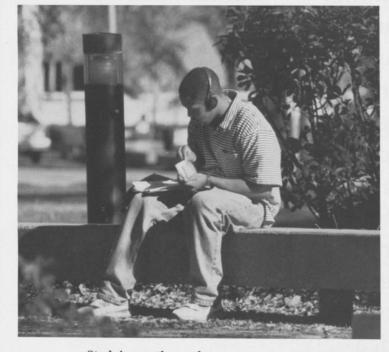
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- Cassandra Arceneaux
- Cheryl Brackens
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- Tiffany N. Edwards
- Otis R. Egins
- Valarie Evans
- Leon Foreman
- 9. Frannette D. Gans
- 10. Bretton A. Gilmore
- 11. Xyanthine Gilmore
- 12. Darrell D. Glenn
- 13. Donna Glover
- 14. Yvette R. Gully
- 15. Meredith M. Hicks
- 16. Billy J. Jackson

- 17. Oliver Jones
- 18. Tracy R. Joyce
- 19. Adrienne Lester
- 20. Rayford Mitchell
- 21. Craig A. Nicholas
- 22. Dawne Porter
- 23. Crystal F. Roberts
- 24. Meredith B.Rockeymore
- 25. Tonya C. Sawyer
- 26. Barbara A. Scott
- 27. Efrion J. Smith
- 28. Rosalind A. Spells
- 29. Kayla S. Tucker
- 30. Stacie Valley
- 31. Cedric Wheelock
- 32. Clarence Williams
- 33. Kristle Williams



Panthers participating in a voters registration drive



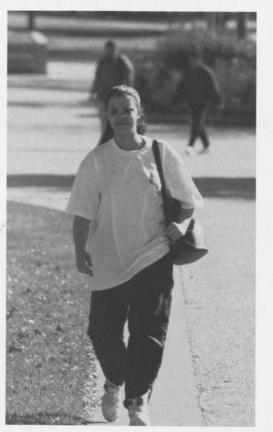
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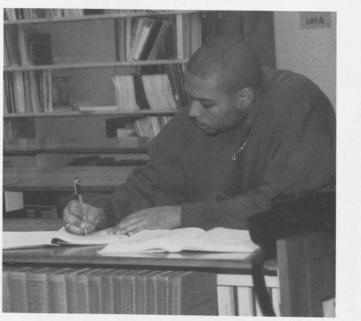
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- 1. Ms. Nakeshia Allison
- 2. Ms. Clarissa Anderson
- 3. Ms. Xandria Andrews
- 4. Ms. Cecelia Arps
- 5. Ms. Lum-Awah Atang
- 6. Mr. Gregory Ballanger
- 7. Ms. Annette Bolden
- 8. Ms. Carmen Bowman
- 9. Ms. LaShannon Boyd
- 10. Ms. Fran Chelle Caeser
- 11. Ms. Catherine Childress
- 12. Ms. Tiffani Dabney
- 13. Ms. Jacquelyn Daniel
- 14. Ms. Tiara Ellis
- 15. Mr. Brian Franklin
- 16. Ms. Lavern Freeman
- 17. Ms. Wiyatta Freeman
- 18. Mr. Eric Gaither
- 19. Mr. Bretton Gilmore
- 20. Mr. Darrell Glenn
- 21. Ms. Sheena Hall
- 22. Ms. Yvette Harden
- 23. Ms. Monika Harris
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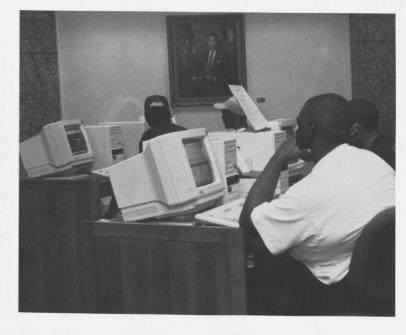


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- 29. Ms. Catina Leggington
- 30. Ms. Adriene Lester
- 31. Ms. Jeretha Lewis
- 32. Mr. William Lockett
- 33. Ms. Nyere-Dawn Lynch
- 34. Ms. Tamika Matthews
- 35. Ms. Crystal Martin
- 36. Ms. Mattie MsDowell
- 37. Ms. Bridgett McGowen
- 38. Mr. Irvin Oliver
- 39. Ms. Eugena Payton
- 40. Ms. Monika Potier
- 41. Ms. Lisa Pruitt
- 42. Ms. Kristian Reece
- 43. Ms. Yolanda Reed
- 44. Mr. Brian Reeves
- 45. Mr. Michael Russell
- 46. Mr. Bobby Scott
- 47. Ms. Meisha Smith
- 48. Mr. Adiel Taubeed
- 49. Mr. Matthew Thomas
- 50. Ms. SaKinna Thomas 51. Ms. Tanisha Toaston
- 52. Ms. Keisha Toney
- 53. Mr. David Walden
- 54. Ms. Arliss White
- 55. Ms. Kasha Williams 56. Ms. Stephanie Wilson



Studying hard!



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CAREER PLANING AND OUTREACH

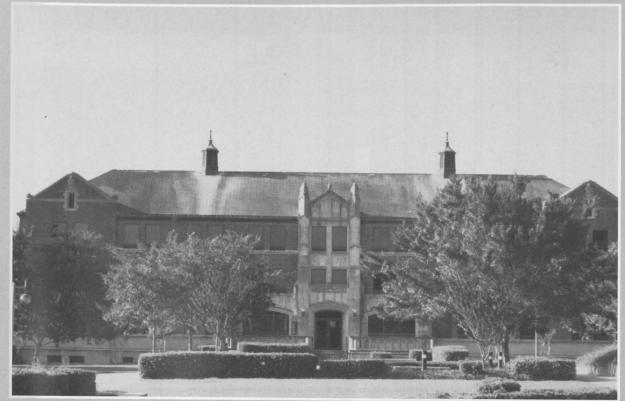


Standing: Johnson E. Pennywell (Director), Terrence White, Herbert Thomas, Harold Walker. Seated: Rhonda Wade, Stephanie Warner, Cynthia Jackson, D'Angela Davis-Boggas, Linda Gooding, Cassandra Smith.

he Career Planning and Outreach Center provides a wide variety of programs to assist graduating students seeking professional employment and continuing students seeking cooperative education and summer intern employment. The Career Planning, Placement and Outreach center is responsible for all placement services in all departments and divisions of the University. The center cooperates with each department and college in an effort to inform students about career opportunities in a variety of fields and to advise them on all aspects of career preparation and the job search process. It also provides services for former students and graduates seeking information on graduate schools and various fellows programs. In addition, the center works to inform business, industry and governmental agencies of new academic programs, fields of study and areas of need to encourage corporate support through scholarships, grants, endowments and specialized equipment.

Services

Within the Department of Career Planning and Outreach, the Career Planning Center, (more commonly referred to as the placement center) is located in Anderson Hall.



ANDERSON HALL (home of the Career Placement Center)

Career Resource Library

Major and Career Information Summer job/Internship listing Job Vacancy Listing Employer Directories Employer Literature Online Job Listing

Co-Op/ Intern Educational Programs

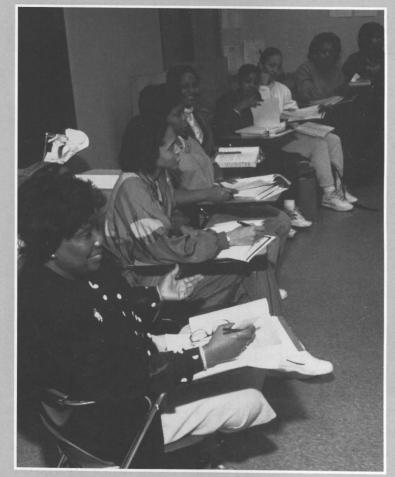
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Major and career Exploration

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Graduate/Professional School Information
Programs/Workshops/Seminars
Choosing the right Major
Marketing your skills\
Reseaching your Career
Informational interviews
Job seeking skills
Career Placement Testing

Professional Employment

Job Search Preparation
Computerized Registration System
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Video Practice Interviews
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Job search Resources



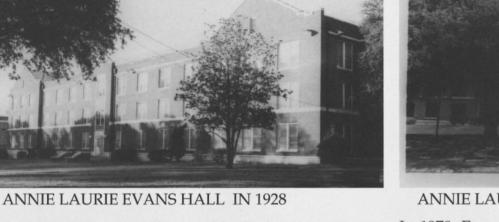
Nursing school students

SAME BUILDINGS, DIFFERENT PURPOSES

The phrase, "THE MORE THINGS CHANGE, THE MORE THEY REMAIN THE SAME" can identify with the constant rennovation and changes to various buildings on the campus of Prairie View A &M University.



Annie Laurie Evans Hall, named for the late Miss Annie Laurie Evans, a model for women students in her capacity as Dean of Women for more than a decade, was originally constructed at Prairie View A & M University in 1928 as a residence hall for 228 women.



ANNIE LAURIE EVAN HALL NOW

In 1978, Evans Hall was renovated and converted to Center for Student Services containing 22,262 square fee The cost of renovation was nearly \$1,000,000.

The first floor houses the Admissions and registrar's office and its staff. The second floor houses the offices of t Dean of Men and Dean of Women. The third floor hous the offices of the Vice-Presidents for Students Affairs.



L.C. ANDERSON HALL IN 1933

L.C. Anderson Hall, named after the late L.C. Anderson, third principal and administrative head of Prairie View A & M University, was constructed in 1933 as a residence hall for 101 women. Anderson Hall was one of three women's residence halls built with federal funds and a grant from the General Education Board.



L.C. ANDERSON HALL NOW

In 1978, Anderson hall was renovated and converted to Center for Career Education and Placement Services. As one of the prime examples of Georgian Architecture the southwest, the exterior appearance has been retaine unchanged from its 1933 construction date.



HILLIARD HALL IN 1937

From 1937 until 1972, Hilliard Hall served as the dining hall.



THE OLD W.R. BANKS

W.R. Banks served as a library until the late 70's.



ADMINISTRATION BUILDING IN 1947

This building was constructed to house the Offices of hePresident, Academic Affairs, Student Affairs, Finance, Administration and the Registrar.



HILLIARD HALL NOW

Now the facility serves the Department of Communication and KPVU, Prairie View's radio station.



THE NEW AND IMPROVED W. R. BANKS

In 1992, it was rennovated and it now serves as the Department of Mathematics.



THE NEW ADMINISTRATION BUILDING

RENAMED

During the 1995-96 school year, Prairie View A&M University named two buildings after William Billy J Knicks and Ms. Wilhelmina Ruth Fitzgerald Delco. These people were great contributors to the University.



Ms. Wilhelmina Delco

On February 22, 1996, Prairie View A&M University honored former State Representative Wilhelmina Delco for contributions made to higher education during twenty years of service in the Texas Legis lature by renaming the New Classroom Building to the Wilhelmina Ruth Fitzgerald Delco Building.

...for more than 100 years, UT A and A&M had exclusive access to the Permanent **University Fund**

Ms. Delco was appointed to the Texas House of Representative in November of 1974. Winning election to the House made her the firs African American official elected "at-large" from Travis County (late District 50). Beginning her service with the 64th Legislative Session Delco served until the beginning of the 74th Legislative Session. The ten legislative sessions amounted to twenty years of public service in the House.

Serving her twenty years of statesmanship in the Texas House of Representatives, Mrs. Delco was appointed to the Higher Education Committee in 1979, eventually leading as Chair and serving as a member of that committee until her appointment as Speaker Pro Tempore of the House in 1991. Delco became the first woman and the second African American to hold the second most prominent position in the Texas House and during her term, she was Chair of the General Investigating Committee, Vice Chair of the Corrections Committee and a member of the Higher Education Committee.

One of Delco's major accomplishments was her self-adopted mission to prioritize funding for Prairie View A&M University and Texas Southern University. She was instrumental in the effort to bring fairness and equality to the

higher education funding process in Texas. Mrs. Delco was successful in tackling the constitutional issue which loomed over whether or not Prairie View A&M University should have been the recipient of funds from the Permanent University Fund as listed in the Texas Constitution of 1876. According to house legislative report, BACKGROUND ON HJR 19, "...for more than 100 years, UT And A&M had exclusive access to the PUF. All other schools, the "outsiders", were relegated to the status of "beggars"; pleading during each appropriation process for consideration from the legislature to access general revenues for necessary expenditures." The efforts of Wilhelmina Ruth Fitzgerald Delco and her legislative allies proved fruitful, giving Prairie View A & M University new financial transfusion.





Mr. William J. Nicks, Sr. and wife

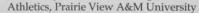
William James "Billy" Nicks, Sr.

A native of Griffin, Georgia, son of Will and Elnora Nicks, William James Nicks was born August 2, 1905. He received his elementary education in the public schools in Griffin, Georgia and his secondary education at Morris Brown High School, Atlanta, Georgia, graduating with honors. He attended Morris Brown College from which he received the B.A. degree, and the M.S. Degree from Columbia University and did graduate work at Ohio State University.

On November 22, 1996, Prairie View A&M University honored former football coach Mr. William J. Nicks by renaming the Physical Education and Intramural Complex to "The William J. "Billy" Nicks Building". Mr. William J. Nicks, Sr. joined the Prairie View staff in 1945 and served as professor, head coach for football, basketball and track. Mr. Nicks distinguished himself nationally with an impressive career record of 184-55-9. His achievements won him the following awards:

- 1952- Houston P.V. Alumni Award 1951-52
- 1953- Coach of the Year-Houston Informer, Houston, TX
- 1954- Young Men Christian Association of Dallas, TX
- 1954- American Football Coaches Association Hall of Mirrors Award
- 1958- Coach of the Year-Houston Informer, Houston, TX
- 1958- Coach of the Year-Pittsburgh Courier, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
- 1958- Coach of the Year-The 100% Wrong Club, Atlanta, Georgia
- 1958- Morris Brown College Homecoming Citation 1959- Pigskin Club-Outstanding Collegiate Coach of the Year-Washington, D.C.
- 1959- All Sports Jamboree Award-The 100% Wrong Club, Atlanta, Georgia
- 1959- Coach of the Year-The Atlanta Daily World, Atlanta, Georgia
- 1959- Pioneer Award-Atlanta, Georgia
- 1959- Native Sons-Citizen Award-Atlanta, Georgia
- 1963- Coach of the Year-NAIA
- 1963- Key to the City of Sacramento-California
- 1963- Admiral of the Navy-State of Nebraska
- 1963- Distinguished Morris Brown Alumnus Award
- 1963- W.A. Scott Trophy-Atlanta, Georgia
- 1964- Coach of the Year-The Atlanta Daily World-Atlanta Georgia
- 1964- Morris Brown College-"Man of the Year"
- 1964- Morris Brown College Salute an Illustrious Son Award-"Billy J. Knicks Day"
- 1965- NAIA Hall of Fame-Inductee
- 1965- Helms Hall of Fame Award-NAIA football
- 1965-The Dallas Official Association Award-Dallas, TX

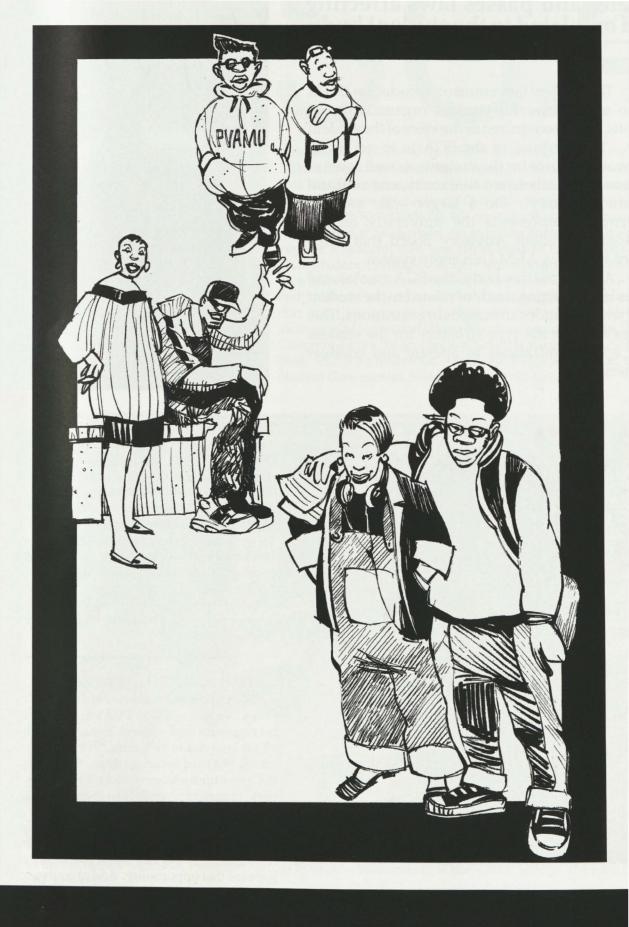
- 1967- Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.-Longevity Service Award
- 1970- Distinguished Service Chapter Award-Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc.
- 1970- Speaker's Advisory Committee-The State of Texas
- 1972- Who's Who in the South and Southwest
- 1973- Distinguished Service Award-Prairie View A&M University
- 1974- Morris Brown College Athletic Hall of Fame Award
- 1975- City of Houston Park & Recreation Department Outstanding Performance Certificate (Awarded 1975-1984)
- 1979- Miller Sport Award
- 1980- Extra Point Club, Inc. Award-Atlanta, Georgia
- 1980- Atlanta University Center Sports Hall of Fame (first inductee) Atlanta, Georgi 1982- Atlanta, Georgia-"Coach William Billy Nicks Day "December 27, 1982
- 1983- Prairie View Athletics Club-Distinguished Service Award
- 1984-Special Citation for Outstanding Performance Award-100% Wrong Club
- 1986- EXPVILCA Award-Outstanding Service
- 1987- Outstanding Contribution Award, Prairie View Athletic Club
- 1988- Sports Hall of Fame Inductee, Prairie View A&M University
- 1990- Designated Athletic Director Emeritus for Prairie View A&M University by Board of Regents, Texas A&M University System
- 1991- Distinguished Service Award, Prairie View A&M University, March 30, 1991
- 1992- Football Hall of Fame Inductee, Southwestern Athletic Conference, May 23,
- 1992-100 years of Black College Football in America Award, Department of





STUDENT

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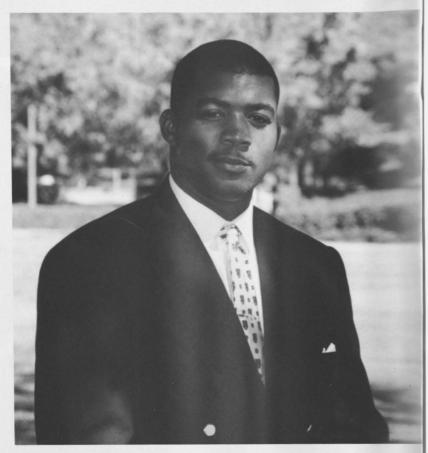


As a legislative body, the SGA creates and passes laws affecting, and or related to the student body...

The Student Government Association (SGA) is the most powerful student organization on campus, and is recognized as the voice of the student body. The purpose of the SGA is to act as an information source for the students, as well as act as a liaison or buffer between the faculty, and staff and the student body. On a larger scale student government represents the university on the Chancellors Student Advisory Board that helps govern the Texas A&M University system.

As a legislative body, the SGA creates and passes laws affecting, and/or related to the student body which includes all campus organizations. This creates an umbrella type structure for the student body and organizations to operate and conduct business.





Darius Starr, a senior electrical engineering major from Dallas, TX and president of the Student Government Association for the 1995-96 school year is definitely a young man looking for change During his tenure, Starr implemented many programs to improve student life at PVAMU and has more in the making.

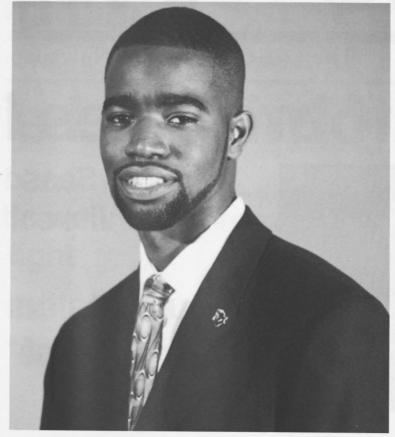
One of his most successful ventures was a program designed to provide guidance to incoming freshmen in their transition from high school life away from the familiarity of home to life at Prairie View A&M. This program helps them adjust to any academic, social and emotional changes they may face in the coming year. This program is fondly referred to as Cub Week and its success was outstanding.

Darius can also be commended for bringing a little taste of the past to this year's Homecoming in bringing the bonfire back to Prairie View.

Immortal words of David Walden:

"SGA president was probably one of the greatest learning experi ences I've had while at PVAMU. Aside from learning about time management and student issues, the most important lesson was about how not to be a critic. It is easy to criticize the condition things, but hard to change them. At the very least, I am just glad I ha the opportunity to serve and try to make a change, with the stude park, community center, just to name a few. I hop next year's and future SGA endeavors will continue to move forward to bette Prairie View A&M University for everyone. More than anythin else, I'd just like to say thank you to everyone who helped me durin my administration and thank you to the entire student body, wil gave me that opportunity. And of course, all praises to the Almigh who made it all possible."

Student Govern ment Association



Alzo Slade, SGA President 1998-99 comments on his term:

"The new Student Government Association for the 1998-99 school year has an exceptional circle of leadership within its structure. Our focus is to empower Students. Our job is to get Students to realize STUDENT POWER EXISTS! We aim to increase the awareness and participation of Students by encouraging Student involvement. If you are a Student, then you are in Student Government. Many Students do not have knowledge of who represents us. We will make each and every officer in Student Government visible to the Student body. Many Students do not have knowledge of important issues that occur on campus and effect us. We will increase Student awareness of issues that effect us both on and off campus. Student Government is to be an effective liaison between Students, Faculty, Staff, and Administration. Students have power, and through Student Government Association, we will exercise it."



Andre Pitre (L) hold up the trophy with SGA President Dareus Starr(R) with members of the "Green Gators", the team that wond at the Freshmen Cubweek'95.

Inside

The Panther
and
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as the Office of
Student Publications

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Read about the new addition of Dr. Kimetris Baltrip as advisor to *The Panther*.

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With the addition of a strong editorial staff in Spring 1998, The Panther flourished into a thriving bimonthly newspaper publication.

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Student Center at
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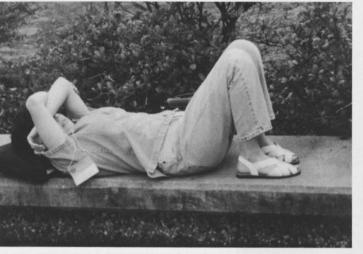
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New staff breathes life back into The Panther



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Sptlight

Students cone full circle as they fall out of '7, spring into '98



Carlos C. Hopkins Copy Editor Our staff turned into a small family that met every two weeks for a quick reunion just to put out another edition of *The Panther*. It's been an experience that I will hold with me for a lifetime.



John Scott News Editor

I'm gonna miss this place. Burning the midnight oil with my fellow writers and editors is an experience that I will not forget and will last for the rest of my life. Where else can you find characters like Eric Gaither, Tiara Ellis, and Carlos Hopkins? Without Doc's leadership the paper would never have grown to the heights that it has. See ya' in the real world.



Patrina A.
Bostic
Managing
Editor



Mixed emotions over Bush's arriva

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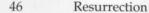
Tiara M.
Ellis,
Editor-inChief

Each issue of *The Panther* wan exciting experience because you never knew just how creative the staff could get. Some late nights showed a different side of some people we may not have wanted to see.

Since this is the most read column of The Panther, the staff thought it would only be appropriate to select our favorite questions of the 1997-98 school year. This column was not only created for your humorous enjoyment, but is was also created in hopes of provoking thought among students and faculty. And now without further ado, we present to you....

The Best of 20 uestions

- 1. Why is this the only section of *The Panther* most of you are reading?
- 2. Now that Valentine's Day is over, what will po' Miss Bettey and her flowers do?
- 3. How many points do you have left on your meal plan?
- 4. Why do the campus police try to give tickets to female who won't give them their phone numbers?
- 5. Why is it that the president had two teams in national competitions (Honda Campus All-Stars and PV Men's Basketball team) and showed up for neither?
- 6. If PV is supposed to be a business, why aren't the cus tomers always right?
- 7. Now wait a minute, we all love Kirk Franklin but when the DJ plays "Stomp" after Master P at the club, do we stomp or bounce that a**?
- 8. Why is the Homecoming concert for alumni and Springfest for the locals?
- 9. What's so "Express" about KFC and Taco Bell?
- 10. Isn't PV the only place on earth where you can walk right up to a squirrel and look him in the eyes?
- 11. Why is it that you don't hear from certain organizations until it's time for intake?
- 12. Where the hell are the communication majors? (Yo, *The Panther* needs your help!)
- 13. Doesn't Ron Jones look like Dr. Hines?
- 14. Is 1998 the year for PV sports, or what?
- 15. Why is there a flier in the MSC that says "No more fliers in the MSC"?
- 16. Since there have been so many problems found in Phase I since its arrival, shouldn't the construction men slow down just a little on the building of Phase III?
- 17. Remember when the front of Alumni used to be crunk?
- 18. Why are 15% of the females on this campus students during the day and strippers at night?
- 19. Why is University Village so trifling?
- 20. Who is the idiot who asked the AKAs "Does AKA stand for Any Kappa Anytime"?













Opposite page SGA President, Darius Starr and Vice President, Toyinka Forbes.



Bill "Dollar Bill" Waller with participants of the **Visions of Stardom** talent showcase.





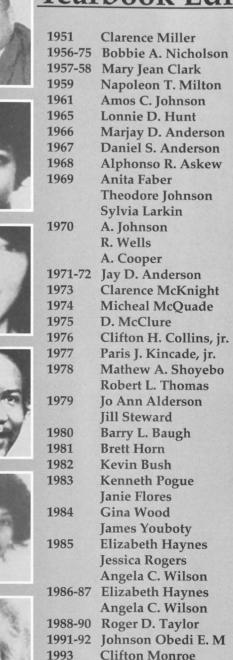




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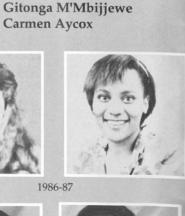




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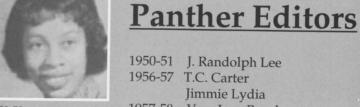


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> Candice Clay Ann Harvey







PRESENTING...



MR. AND MISS PRAIRIE VIEW 1995-96

Miss. Prairie View A & M History Mr. Prairie View A & M History

The era of the "seventies" introduced a new dimension of the Miss Prairie View Pageant. Growing out of an earlier period, which focused on the selection of a queen who reigned supreme in "Pantherland", the Miss Prairie View A&M Pageant extended its emphasis to enable the reigning "Miss Prairie View A&M" to become a competitor in the Miss Texas Pageant and ultimately the Miss America Pageant.

Broadening the university's philosophical premise that "education must encompass the personal-social development of the individual as well as his/ her intellectual, professional and cultural development", the University purchased a franchise from the Miss Texas-Miss America Pageants, to provide opportunities for its young women to enter the broader social-cultural

On April 28, 1970, the Miss Prairie View A&M University Pageant became the first pageant at the University sponsored in cooperation with the "Miss Texas" and the "Miss America" pageants. Margaret Penn of Houston, Texas was selected as the winner, and became the first Miss Prairie View A&M University to compete for the Miss Texas title. Prairie View A&M University, once again, made a major thrust forward, as it moved into the mainstream of American social life. As it made this move, it also provided for its young ladies a national experience; namely, the state and national competitions for Miss America, as an environment for learning and an environment for studying the concepts of the free enterprise system by becoming competitors in the social and cultural environment.

It was the decade of the seventies and Prairie View A&M University was on the move. A new image was being forged and the university was moving boldly to end its first century of service to the State and Nation while charting its future as it moved into its "Second Century." Throughout the University there were visible signs of changes; even, a change of its physical form. In the intellectual environment the change was electrifying, as the university moved for Excellence. In the world of academics, it broadened its scope and a dynamic faculty, students and administrators, developed programs to serve the state, the nation and the international communities. Therefore, the ushering in of the Miss Prairie View A&M Pageant, as a part of the larger Miss Texas and Miss America pageants, was compatible with the "new philosophy" at the University.

"The decade of the Seventies" was heralded with the selection of Miss Natalie McKinney of Bay City. The Pageant also made more impact during this period when Ava Malone of Houston was recognized as a non-finalist winner in the Miss Texas Pageant. She was followed by Lillie Taylor of Kinlock, Mo. and Lenice Brown of Prairie View, with the same award. The University received national recognition when Lillie L. Taylor was crowned Miss Collegiate Black America in 1985 and Shari Love was crowned Miss Black College Alumni Hall of Fame in 1987. The highlight for the Miss America System thus far has been the selection of Dellenor R. Miles of Houston, as fourth runner-up to Miss Texas in 1984, thus becoming the first Miss Prairie View A&M University to be named as a finalist, in addition to the Most Talented Singer at the Pageant.

The 1990's promise to be the decade of achievement in pageantry for the University. Mary Ann Palmer of Bellville, Texas, Miss PVAMU 1989-90 was crowned Miss Collegiate African American; Jolie McKeel of St. Louis, Mo., Miss PVAMU 1990-91 was named 3rd runner-up, Miss Black College Alumni Hall of Fame; Elizabeth E. Vaughn of Oklahoma City, Okla., Miss PVAMU 1991-92, was named the 4th runner-up in the Miss Black College Alumni Hall of Fame; Cynthia Lester of Tuskegee, Ala., Miss PVAMU 1992-93 was named 3rd runner-up in the Miss Black College Alumni Hall of Fame; Rezolia L. Johnson of Abilene, Texas, Miss PVAMU 1993-94 was named 1st runner-up, Miss Black Texas Metroplex and later named Miss Black Texas Metroplex; and Donna Tomlinson of Westmoreland, Jamaica, Miss PVAMU 1994-95 was named Miss Black Texas Metroplex. All of these charming young ladies brought international recognition to the university and the community.

The "Miss Prairie View A&M University Scholarship Pageant" has been an experience for the young women of Prairie View A&M university. It has served well as a part of the development of the "whole person", and conforms with the philosophy and treasured tradition of this great university.

Every man in his life has a part to play, and leaves a footprint, seen and followed by some other. How well that part is played depends very largely on the man. It will be played carelessly, without any thought of its scope in reaching, touching, or influencing another's life. It may be a footprint, nevertheless, and someone may follow it and be stunted perhaps for life.

On the other hand, that part may be played with great care as to every detail, with much preparation, with the thought ever in view that: "no man lives to himself alone," but that we are building character for each other for

With this idea in view, Prairie View A&M University's 1985-87, Yearbook staff decided that it was time to reveal the men who were striving to learn the lessons of true success, and who were planting such footprints on the "sands of time" that observing them one will be impressed, and encouraged to follow them, seeing they lead to excellence, not only here at Prairie View A&M, but in the greater society. The path had been set in 1983 when Thomas Carol was selected as Mr. Prairie View A&M University his performance in the campus Talent and Fashion Show.

The purpose of this contest was to honor those men whose foot prints led in the direction of success, leadership, and excellence:

Hence, in the late 80s, Prairie View A&M University was in the process of "entering a new dimension" in the sands of time. In 1987 the First Annual Mr. Prairie View A&M University scholarship Pageant, was held on April 28 in the Memorial Student Center Ballroom. The purpose of this contest was to honor those men whose footprints led in the direction of success, leadership, and excellence: men of great caliber who possessed such qualities and leadership characteristics that made them worthy to be "Lord of Pantherland" and who held the prestigious title "Mr. Prairie View A&M

Although the other contestants were competitive, Mr. Ricky Valentino LaFontaine was selected as the winner, thus becoming the first "Mr. Prairie View A&M University" selected by a panel of judges.

During the exploration of this "New Dimension," the Yearbook staff discovered that Mr. Prairie View A&M University would not only serve to honor men of this outstanding university, but also by serving women as the official escort for Miss Prairie View A&M University.

In 1988, the pageant received formal recognition by the Office of Student Activities, and Mr. Prairie View A&M was elevated to the level of Miss Prairie View A&M University and received some of the amenities such as prizes, scholarships and housing. Homer Smith, Jr. of Dallas, formally participated in the Royal Coronation for Miss Prairie View A&M University. This year also marked the acceptance and respect for the male pageant concept. The increase in pageant contestants caused the pageant to relocate to Hobart Taylor Recital Hall.

The 90s' ushered in a new era for the Mr. Prairie View A&M University Scholarship Pageant. The pageant was enhanced and received widespread recognition and was taken to new heights. Mr. Prairie View A&M participated in various campus activities as well as community-based events. The pageant also served as the impetus for the creation for the Mr. Collegiate African American Scholarship Pageant for Black College men in 1991. Mr. Deosick Burney, a junior accounting major from Los Angeles became the 1st Runner-up to Mr. Collegiate African American at the first pageant on April

MISS PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY 1995-96



Kimberly and her mother Ms. Kathrine G. Williams

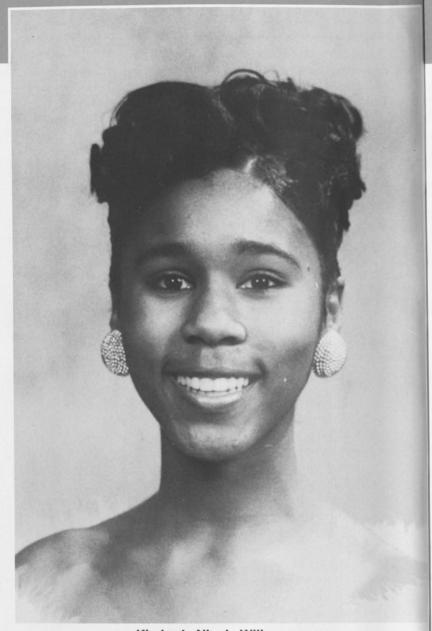


Some 21 years ago, the world welcomed Kimberly Nicole Williams with open arms. Born in San Antonio, Kimberly was the first child of her parents, Katharine and Eugene Williams. Drawn to PVAMU because of its status as a predominately black institution, and its exceptional educational opportunities, Kimberly's matriculation at PV has been very successful. Her academic achievements have been notable. A Banneker Honors College participant, Kimberly is a serious academic scholar, committed to learning. She is a firm believer that education eliminates ignorance. She is an honor student, a member of Delta Mu Delta Honor Society, and a member of Who's Who Among American Colleges and Universities. Active in numerous extracurricular, volunteer, and artistic activities throughout high school, Kim has continued to be an engaged student at PVAMU. She has served as Comptroller of the SGA and President of Toastmasters international. A member of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., Kim seeks public service programs and projects, and desires to help elevate society and enable the less fortunate to help themselves

Kim will graduate in 1996 with a BS in Accounting. Her immediate plans are to accept a position with an accounting firm. Her long range goals include operating her own business, as well as taking advantage of real estate investment opportunities. Kim recognizes that while working as an employee is one way to support yourself in life, there is much more potential for positively affecting the lives of people when one is a position to offer employment or housing to others.

What follows is Williams' personal statement:

Never did I realize receiving the title of Miss Prairie View would have such a dramatic impact on my life. Excited, nervous, challenged, yet afraid, were some of the many words that came to my mind when I was crowned



Kimberly Nicole Wiliams

Miss PVAMU 1995-96. Iknew at that moment that I wanted the title to me more than just the "image" that is generally attached to Miss PVAMU. I have met many wonderful and talented people during my reign; many whom I respect greatly and hold in high esteem. I am not referring to or those famous people who are renowned world wide, but also of staff a administrators at Prairie View who are carefully and consistently produing young leaders yearly. I am an example of the effort, care and love they put into their charges. Serving as Miss PVAMU has allowed me develop my leadership skills to their fullest potential. Where help we needed, it was freely given to me. Through participation in workshop seminars, and panel discussions, I was given the opportunity to interwith many other students and, hopefully, have been able to make a position impact on them.

I thank my Lord, Jesus Christ for giving me this wonderful title a allowing me to represent Prairie View A & M University in this capaci My mother, Ms. Katharine G. Williams, for being my strength and backbo who encouraged me every step of the way; the Dean of the College Business, Dr. Barbara A.P. Jones, for her mentoring and support, and h wonderful staff; Ms. Dora Jackson, Ms. Susan Repka, my manager, M Betty Hall; the Miss PVAMU Court, Ms. Rahsaan Patterson and Ms. Andr Parks; Dr. Jewel Prestage, Dean of the Benjamin Banneker's Honors C lege; the President and First Lady, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Hines, for the financial support in my endeavor to represent Prairie View. Last, b certainly not least, I thank the students of Prairie View A & M University their support. I entered the realms of royalty as a virtual unknown, yet I w welcomed with open arms. Thank you for making my reign the outstaring experience that it has been.



Donald Jennings

"Each man has a destiny to follow in his life. Sometimes his destiny happens to fall in his path of life. No matter what destiny he may lead he has a part to play in his life." Mr. Donald Jennings

Although the Mr. Prairie View title came to Jennings under different circumstances, the position was never the issue but making the difference was. The true meaning of Mr. Prairie View to Jennings is the development of both mind and body and overcoming the odds no matter what the situation.

Each Mr. Prairie View has a goal for his reign. Whether to be glorified, praised or to be a worker. Since all of Jennings' life has been to work, he chose to use the position as a worker. He believed the position to be that of a servant in service to the position. He was always taught that a man makes a position, not the position making a man.

What follows is Jennings personal statement:

MR. PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY 1995-96





Special thanks to all of the individuals who helped to make my tenure as Mr. Prairie View A & M University a success. I specially give thanks to my mother, Mrs. Edith R. Jennings, for her continued support and guidance in my development.

It has been my pleasure to serve as Mr. Prairie View A&M University. The title has afforded me the opportunity to travel, make new friends, meet other people and participate in various events. My participation in the service activities to raise funds for the needy and the food drive for the residents of Prairie View and Waller County has been rewarding. My visits to the elementary, middle and senior high schools were very fulfilling.

The role of Mr. Prairie View A&M University also helped to enhance my respect for the program and to become a role model for aspiring Mr. Prairie View A & M students.

It is my sincere hope that my successor will make an even more significant contribution to the program and the title.

Miss Prairie View A&M University

1996-1997

"Reflections of Royalty"





Danielle Elise White served the University as Miss Prairie View A&M University 1996-97. This Mechanical Engineering senior from Houston plans to attend medical school in the fall of 1999. Miss White is currently the Vice-President of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. and has been active on campus with many other organizations. She is a member of the National Society of Black Engineers and Pi Tau Sigma Mechanical Engineering Honorary Fraternity. This Benjamin Banneker student was also a Resident Hall Advisor and Chaplain of the Junior Class.

Miss White, also active in the community, volunteered for Ben Taub General Hospital in Houston, Habitat for Humanity, and SHAPE Community Center. She assisted with the Black Expo, USA and the National African-American Leadership Summit. Miss White believes that serving the community is not an option, but a requirement for all African-Americans pursuing higher education.

During Miss White's reign, she sought to influence the students in a positive way by representing them in a positive way. She wanted to motivate, inspire, and empower her peers to take control of their own destiny instead of having someone else define their futures. Throughout the school year, she served as an ambassador for the student body, by serving as a representative of many functions on and off campus. Mr. Prairie View, Lawrence Warren and Miss White produced a program on healthy relationships and dating. Miss Danielle White hopes that Miss Prairie View will continue to evolve along with Mr. Prairie View into powerful forces on this campus



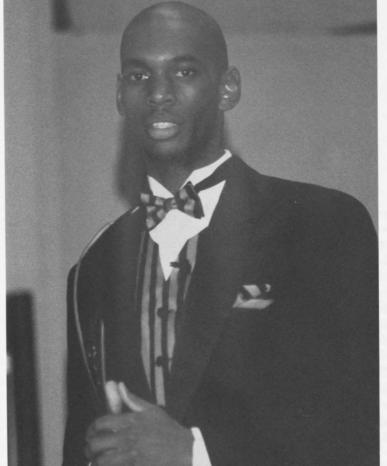
Mr. Prairie View A&M University

1996-1997

"Young Black and Gifted"







Lawrence Warren reigns at "The Hill"

In the fall of 1992, I became a proud member of the Prairie View A&M University family. After a number of years as a diligent student, I felt it was time to assert myself and get involved in a student leadership position on "The Hill." I felt that I had many good ideas that I wanted to see materialize. As an individual with a 'go for the gusto' attitude, I decided to compete for the most prestigious position Prairie View could bestow upon a student.

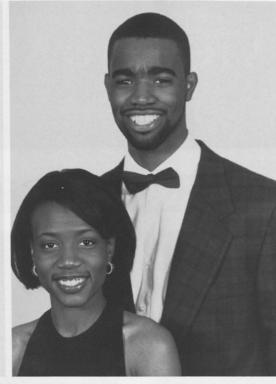
On February 29, 1996, after much sacrifice and hard work, I won the title of Mr. Prairie View A&M University, 1996-97. As a university representative, I set out to represent myself, the position, and the school well. During my reign, I was a mentor for different programs, set up a variety of seminars, and spoke at numerous affairs in the Texas area. In the summer of 1997, I ended my reign by competing nationally in the Mr. Collegiate African-American Scholarship Program in Washington, D.C.

As I look back on my years at Prairie View, I can attribute many of my accomplishments to the lessons I learned during that enlightening year. It was reinforced into my mentality that everything falls into place when you have knowledge of self. At that point in time anything you put your mind to you can accomplish. You must first conceive and then continually pursue your dreams because it is not the man with a motive, but the man with a purpose who prevails.

I thank the creator who has smiled upon me each day of my life for giving me supportive parents and friends who were in my corner every step of the way, and for bringing me to Prairie View, where I have made friendships that will last a lifetime. I just hope that all the future Mr. Prairie Views have just as much fun and learn even more than I did. It is truly an exciting position to have, and the opportunities are infinite.

As I embark upon my life's journey, which Prairie View has prepared me for, I know not what lies before me. I only know that which can guide me rests in the past, but to steer me in the right direction, I only have to follow my heart, mind, and the essence of my soul..







Chrystal Bender, Miss Priaire View 1997-98

Miss Prairie View A&M University 1997-1998





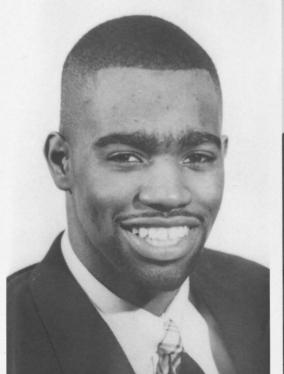
Achieving the coveted crown of Miss Prairie View A&M University affected my life in ways that led me to strengthen myself as a leader and as an individual. I saw in myself the desire to reach and inspire my peers as a student as well as a friend. I viewed the position of Mis Prairie View A&M University as a responsibility to myself and to the university. In turn, I took those charges with great humility.

Although I experienced many challenges, I found that through strength of mind and power of spirit, came the ability to perservere During my reign, I was exposed to many dynamic and ingenious individuals whom I admired. Those leaders abroad as well as faculty, sta and administrators, impacted my development and the pursuit of my life's goals.

It is with honor that I sustained the title of Miss PVAMU, and it is with fulfillment that I pass the crown to my successor. I encourage h to keep faith in her abilities to succeed, and to accept all that comes her way with an open heart.

I thank almighty God for granting me the opportunity to represent Prairie View A&M University in this most prestigious position. M gratitude goes to my beautiful parents, Waymon and Mae Bender, who have been a constant source of strength and encouragement. Than you to my very special friends, Samantha Thomas, Tamika Prentiss, and Carmen Bowman for your infinite patience and undying support the director of Student Activities, Brian Dickens, for encouraging me to utilize my full potential; my manager, Denise Simmons; the Mis PVAMU court, Latoshia Tanner and Shauntrina Alix; spiritual leader Dean Charles Lewter; Mr. PVAMU, Alzo Slade and his court, Phillio O'Neal and Reginald Egins; the President and First Lady, Dr. and Mrs. Hines for their motivation and moral support. I also express my low to the brothers and sisters of Rho Chi Psi; and to the many other individuals who supported me. To the student body, without your support my reign would not have been prosperous.

In parting, I leave you with a word of encouragement. There is nothing new under the sun. Your experiences are not new to the univers they are new to you. You must trust in the fact that there is an answer for the experiences you face. God bless you.







Mr. Prairie View A&M University 1997-1998





The many faces of Alzo Slade, Mr. Prairie View 1997-98.

To me, Mr. Prairie View was never a title. I realized that it was a responsibility to define and implement a platform for the betterment and well-being of the students. This was advantageous as I was able to use University resources at my disposal to empower the minds of the students. My platform was to educate the student body on the rich Alkebulan (African) Ourstory (History) we have as Black people. My main goal was to make students aware of our tremendous accomplishments throughout time. We are a magnificent people, but unless we realise our potential, our fate will be controlled by someone else. Most of my efforts were concentrated towards getting students to understand why we think and act the way we do, and I held several programs to stimulate interest in students to know themselves. One of the advantages of being Mr. Prairie View was the opportunity to speak to students of all ages from grade school to college and have an impact on their lives. Thank you, to everyone who supported my efforts mentally, spiritually, and financially. I am no longer Mr. Prairie View, but the struggle continues for us. I ask you not to stop.

Mr. Prairie View Programs

- -Drafted and submitted proposal to Academic Council for an African American Studies Minor. Accepted and implemented.
- -"NIGGAtivity" recognizing our participation in slavery

 "Men of Alkebulan" defining today's black manhood.
- -"Mental Calisthenics" a 360 degree discussion on politics, history/ourstory, religion and philosophy of life. -Sponsored movie night "Sankofa"
- -Guest speaker "The meaning of the 'N' word", by ZPB, "Self Healing", by AKA, "Inside the Mind of Prairie View", by RCP







Miss Prairie View A&M University 1998-1999

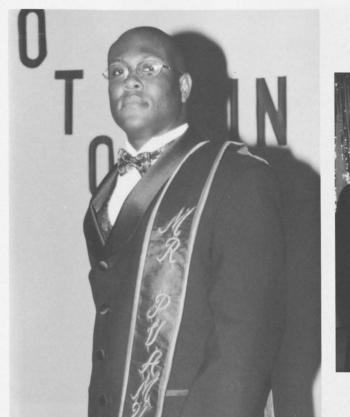
Miss. Prairie View A&M University - Lum-Awah Atang

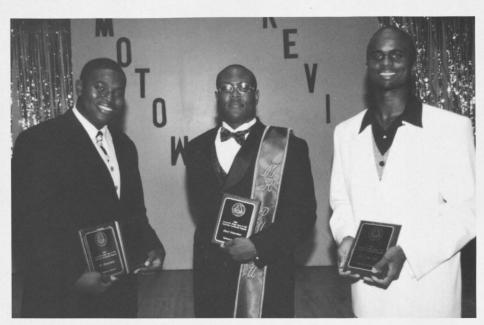
Lum-Awah Atang is a senior Biology/Pre-Med major. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Christopher I. Atang. Lum-Awah graduated from Jersey Village Senior High School of Houston, Texas. Lum-Awah aspires to become a medical doctor. Her hobbies include braiding hair, reading, roller blading, and engaging in cultural experiences.











Mr. Prairie View A&M University 1998-1999

Mr. Prairie View A&M University - Eric Johnson

Mr. Eric Johnson is the son of Mr. Boyce Bradford and Mrs. Dororthy Wheeler. He is a native of El Paso, Texas, double majoring in Psychology and Criminal Justice. This Junior hopes to become a lawyer and a doctor. Mr. Johnson's hobbies include martial arts, Weight lifting, and Egyptian Mythology.



Mr. Prairie View 1997-98 Alzo Slade, Mr. Prairie View 1998-99 Eric Johnson, Mr. Prairie View 1996-97 Lawrence Warrren







"Too much perfection for you!

STRONG



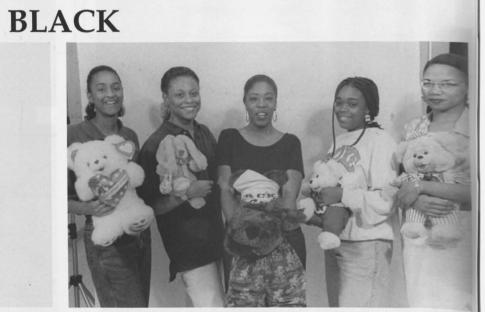
ICE CREAM....Ain't nothin like it!



WOMEN



The only DOG in my life!"
Resurrection



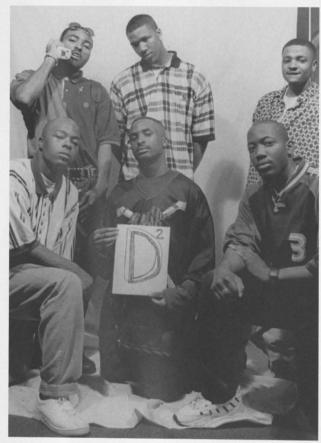
"The best men are the ones who don't TALK!"



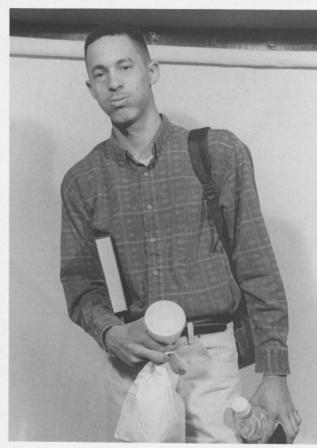
Just Cappin'



"Carmen MADE us do it!



D squared



Just trying to make it.



Oh my LORD, The dead have risen!



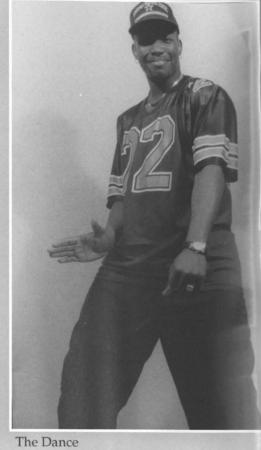
Girls coming from a good workout with a great guy.

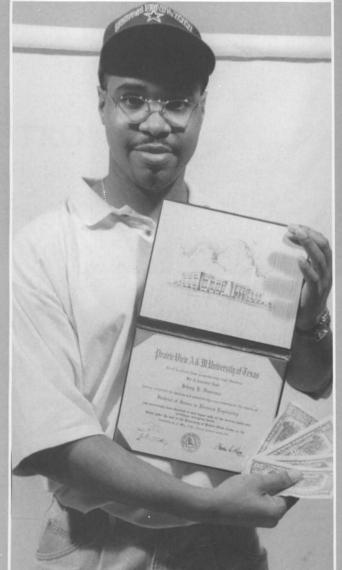
POWERFUL POSES



Lambda Ladies Love the Lord.

"Get Yours!"





Skke-Skke-Meo !!!



Rhomeo Style



U.N.I.T.Y



Three's company



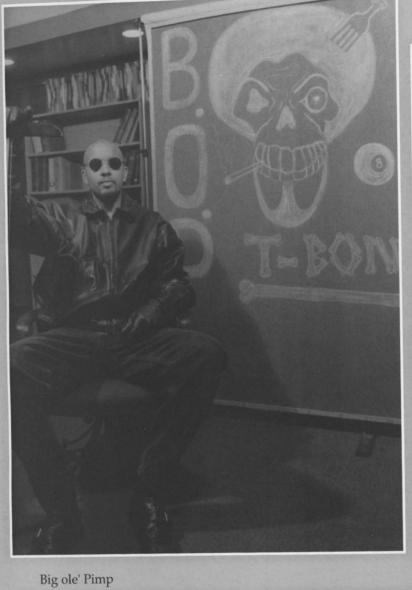
Two of a kind.



Those that read and understand will rule the world



Chillin with the Bro's.





The radian Red and Royal Blue



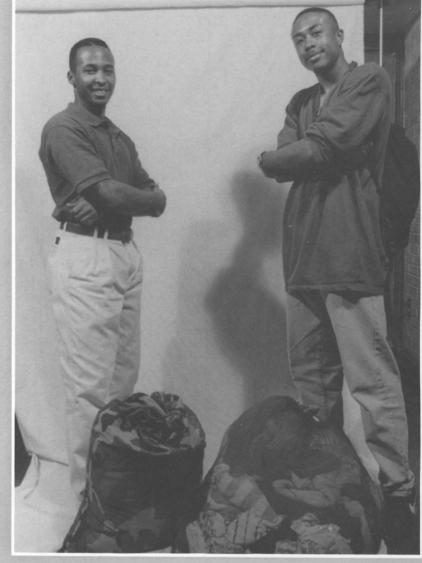
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Caution: WATCH FOR ICE!!!



The COKE bottle CREW!!!!(glasses)



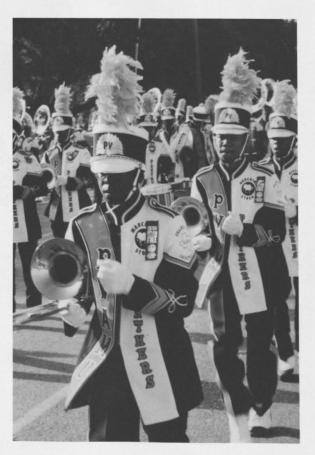
It's that time of the year..... Laundry!



Its not that bad, is it??

The Homecoming Events of 1995

Dr. A. Parks, Director of the Cooperative Agricultural Research Center and Dr. F. Richards, Director of World Food Distribution Program.













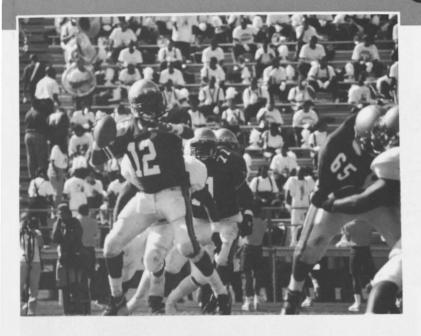






Homecoming events include a comedy show, stepshow and party, and on the final day, a parade and the big game. Alumni from around the nation come home to celebrate and reminisce about their years as a proud panther.

Homecoming On The Hill









First Annual PrairieView A&M Bonfire

Bearers of the Flame-After hours of diligent work by these members of the bonfire committee, the university witnessed one of the most spirited events of the 1995 homecoming festivities.

Bonfire continued in 1997. The students organized a spectacular fire that was seen for miles away.





Homecoming 1996 brought the Islev Brothers and Angela Winbush to Prairie View. The crowd went wild as the Isley's performed hit after hit the whole night.



No Homecoming would be complete without a concert featuring the master of funk....

George Clinton and the

P-Funk All Stars

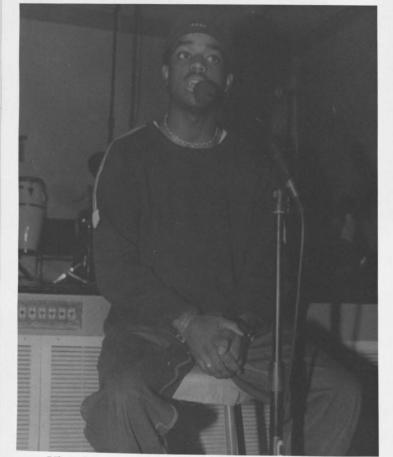
Let Me Roll: George Clinton brought 30 guitars and "Let the Funk Roll" to the P.V. crowd. He sailed with the funk till 3:00am!



In 1998, Frankie Beverly and Maze graced the Baby Dome stage for Homecoming. Not only did students and alumni enjoy the concert, but so did local area residents.



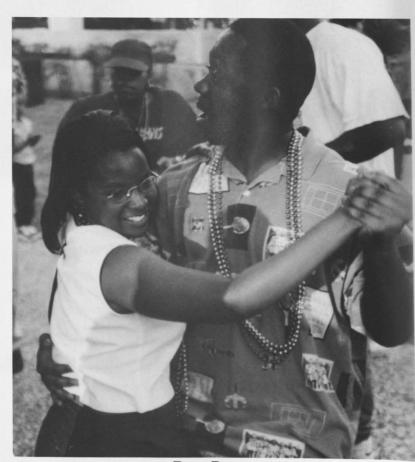
PV B-ball Superstars



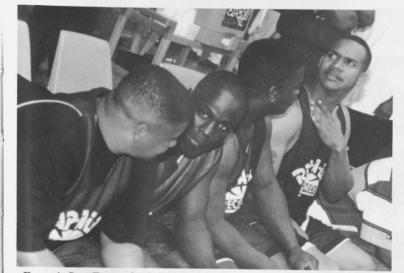
Uh, I don't remember the poem from Love Jones



Do or Die



Dos y Dos



Rap-A-Lot Record - Stick to making records and not baskets



"Sista you been on my mind Sista we're two of a kind"



You know you ghetto when you bring a purse on stage to perform

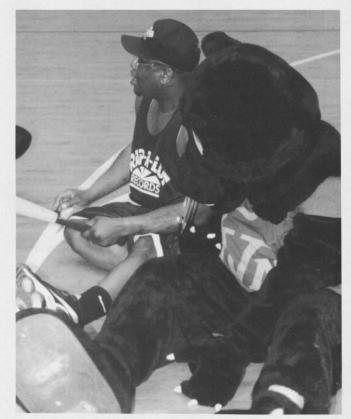


Funny "Fatman"

ents



People waiting for Alumni food - What!



Scarface acting like a Babyface



Old Mary



"We want to let each and everyone of you know that we love you."





It's a family affair



Is Westside Connection just Ice Cube?



Shaolin: Duel of the Iron Fist

SPORTS

SWAC

·basketball·

champs

bowling

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softball

champs

football

track



A LOOK BACK AT ATHLETICS AT PRAIRIE VIEW

The Prairie View A&M University athletic department continues to hold its solid foundation. Excerpts taken from an essay by Dr. E. B. Evans, "Down Memory Lane: The story of Dr. Edward Bertram Evans Sr. an early history of Prairie View A & M University", explains the evolution of the department, the rich heritage that

is a part of its foundation and the power initially instilled within.

Prairie View has dominated athletics in the Negro colleges of the Southwest since the beginning of intercollegiate athletics. Minutes of the November 13, 1908 meeting of the Board of Directors gives us our first indication of official sanction of intercollegiate athletics at Prairie View and read as follows: "Professor Terrell was granted leave of absence for November 24 and 25 to accompany the football team to Dallas with the understanding that he is to report for duty on Friday morning, November 26."

Football and baseball were the first two sports in which the institution engaged on an intercollegiate basis. The war was on, and the athletic program was somewhat dissipated because the coach, Mr. Elmer Carter, had been drafted into the army and the football team was without a permanent coach. Coaching was done on a voluntary basis until Mr. H.

B. Hucles was employed to serve as a full-time coach in 1919.

The head coaches, in order since the beginning of varsity athletics in 1904, were W. P. Terrell, C. H. Waller, Elmer Carter, H. B. Hucles, Harry J. Long, brother of Fred Long and who coached football and baseball for one year, A. J. Willis, J. H. Law, S. B. Taylor, F. T. Long, J. H. Stevens and W. J. Nicks.

Assistant coaches who made great contributions were C. W. Lewis in tennis and basketball and Leroy Moore in

C.W. Lewis was highly skilled as a coach of tennis and basketball and was an expert marksman; in fact, he organized the only trap shooting club that has been established at Prairie View, and was considered the "Father of Tennis" in the Negro colleges of the Southwest.

Although Elmer Carter had never played football, he was an excellent strategist and football coach. H.B. Hucles was also an outstanding coach and an excellent disciplinarian. He and Sam Taylor were teammates at Virginia Union as

Sam Taylor ("Father of Track" in this part of the country) was one of the strongest coaches in the country during his day, a hard taskmaster, the boys loved him. One of his greatest contributions to the athletic program at Prairie View

and to the Southwest was to bring track to the Southwestern colleges.

W. J. Nicks had the longest term of service and was the most successful coach that has ever been at Prairie View. His football team won six conference championships and two national championships. Leroy Moore, an assistant coach to Coach Nicks was the most successful coach Prairie View has ever had. His teams were constantly at the top in the conference standing and won the NAIA National Championship one year. The two games of greatest importance were the Cotton Bowl Game played at the State Fair in Dallas, and the New Year's Day Classic played in Houston, which at one time drew the largest attendance of any Negro football game in the country.

The Cotton Bowl Game was played on "Negro Day" which was a day set aside by park officials to permit Negroes the use of all facilities. It was a statewide holiday for all of the Negro public schools. Transportation was provided Mr. William "Billy" J. Nicks Sr. by the Southern Pacific Railroad, with the train running from Houston to Dallas at a cost of \$3.60, roundtrip.

One could not discuss athletics without mentioning some of the outstanding athletes whose names have gone down as immortals in the field of sports at Prairie View. The following will always be remembered: Abner Davis, W.B. Davis, J. W. Sanford, A. T. Wood, the Dykes brothers, Joe Chatman, Marian Bates, Ira T. Hunter, J. J. Marks, John Marion, Alonzo Watson, Penny Prince, Alton Adams, William Batts, Lloyd Scott, Lee Perkins, Johnnie Roberts, Ned Love, L.C. Mosley, H. C. Sells, Romeo Pierson, Sam Prince, Frank Arnold, Tom Burton and others. The names of these men will live forever in the hearts and minds of the Prairie View alumni.

Direction and guidelines for the institutions involved in the intercollegiate athletics in Texas came with the help of representatives from Bishop, Wiley, Samuel Houston, Paul Quinn, and Prairie View who on a Sunday morning in September, 1920, founded the Southwestern Athletic Conference. It was formally known as "The Big Five". Texas College joined the conference in 1922, and basketball was recognized as an official sport.

The conference was a success from the very beginning as coaches, students, and administrative officers worked

together unselfishly and gave freely of their time and talents.

An example of resourcefulness and determination was seen when basketball became an official sport in the conference. The colleges had no gymnasium or field house; consequently, the games were played out-of-doors on dirt courts when the weather was good. In extremely cold weather, the games were played in the college dining halls. Tables and chairs were removed, and players learned to maneuver around the posts on the playing floor. As time moved on, track, tennis, golf, and swimming were added to the program.

The conference should be proud of the fact that it is one of the best in the nation. It should also be proud of many fine athletes who have been coached by the men in the conference. These athletes have gone all over the world and brought honor and glory to themselves, to the conference, and to the institutions that they represented. The coaches

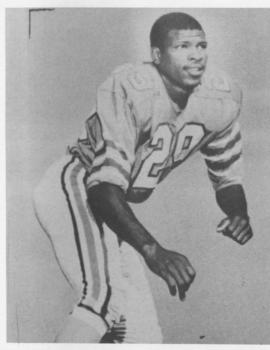
of the conference are truly "Makers of men.'

PVAMU HALL OF FAME

Prairie View A&M University has been involved in intercollegiate sports since 1904, and has developed many fine athletes. Formed in 1987, the Prairie View Sports Hall of Fame is designed to recognize and remember those outstanding athletes and their genuinely remarkable feats.

The Hall of Fame serves as a depository to honor the memory of those Panthers who have made worthy contributions in various sports and have exhibited high principles of good sportsmanship, fidelity of spirit and a tenacious desire for victory. Members are elected to the Hall of Fame based upon their athletic accomplishments at Prairie View, community service and demonstrated leadership ability. To date, there have been seven inductions of persons into the Sports Hall of Fame. Some of the present members are:





Mr. Kenny Houston

Mr. William "Billy" J. Nicks Sr.

Nicks, joined the Prairie View staff in 1945 and subsequently served as professor, head coach for football, basketball and track. Mr. Nicks distinguished himself nationally while coaching football with an impressive career record of 184-55-9 and Bowl Game record 11-1. His achievements led to his induction into the Hall of Fame, National Association of Intercollegiate Athletics and the Morris Brown College Hall of Fame, where he received his formal degree. In 1959, he was named "Coach of the Year", by the prestigious Pigskin Club of Washington, D.C.

During his tenure as athletic director, Mr. Nicks continued to foster the championship spirit by actively recruiting and employing coaches who compiled winning records in several sports areas. Under this leadership, PV won four conference championships and one national championship in basketball; three conference championships in golf; eight conference championships and four national championships in men's track; and twelve conference championships in tennis. In 1973, Mr. Nicks retired from the university as special assistant to the president.

Mr. Kenny Houston

In 1962, Mr. Houston became known around the nation as the All-American football player from Lufkin, Texas. In 1963, he received the honor of outstanding linebacker and was both on the 1964 SWAC Championship, and the National Championship teams. In 1966, Houston joined the elite All-American group, making first team All-Conference and All-American in consecutive years. In 1967, Houston was drafted by the Houston Oilers. Thus, began the Ken Houston era of 14 years in professional football. Ken Houston spent 6 seasons with the Oilers and 7 seasons with the Washington Redskins. By the time of his retirement in 1980, Kenny accomplished the following:

- 1. Twelve Pro Bowl appearances
- 2. Holder of Oilers NFL records:
 - a). Most career touchdowns with interceptions
 - b). Most career touchdowns with interceptions in a single season
 - c). Most career touchdowns with interceptions in a game.

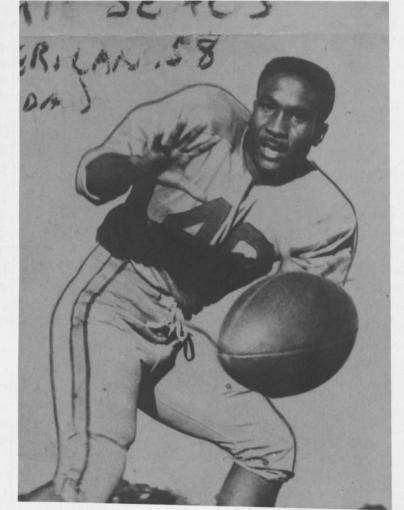
In 1980, the NFL Players Association presented Mr. Houston with its prestigious Byron Whizzer White award for humanitarian service. After retiring, Mr. Houston was inducted into the Pro Football Hall of Fame.

ALL TIME PRAIRIE VIEW FOOTBALL PLAYERS

Allen Albridge	Washington Redskins
Hise Austin	Dallas Cowboys
Sam Adams	New England Patriots
Otto Brown	Florida
Ken Houston	Washington Redskins
Jim Kearney	Kansas City Chiefs
Billian Lee	New Orlean Saints
Jim Mitchell	Atlanta Falcons
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Louis Neal	Atlanta Falcons
	Atlanta Falcons Seattle Seahawks
Fred Anderson	
Fred Anderson Clem Daniels	Seattle Seahawks
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John Payton: 1954 National Championship team



Archie Seals: All-American 1958



Football players with Ms. Prairie View of 1969.

PRAIRIE VIEW ATHLETICS

CHAMPIONSHIP SCORECARD

(Since 1926)

FOOTBALL:

Southwestern Athletic Conference titles (10): 1931, 1933, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1954, 1958, 1960, 1963, 1964. National Championships (5): 1953, 1954, 1958, 1963, 1964.

GOLF:

Southwestern Athletic Conference Titles (13): 1959, 1963, 1964, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970, 1971, 1972, 1973, 1977, 1979.

BASKETBALL:

Southwestern Athletic Conference titles (4): 1950, 1960, 1961, 1962.

National Championships (1): 1962 (NAIA).

TENNIS:

Southwestern Athletic Conference Titles (18): 1939, 1947, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1957, 1958, 1959, 1960, 1962, 1964, 1965, 1966, 1967, 1968, 1969, 1970.

MEN'S TRACK:

Southwestern Athletic Conference titles (17): 1934, 1935, 1937, 1938, 1941, 1942, 1944, 1946, 1948, 1949, 1950, 1951, 1953, 1956, 1958, 1969, 1970. NAIA District 8(3): 1968, 1969, 1975.

NAIA National Championships, Indoor (1): 1968. NAIA National Championships, Outdoor (2): 1968, 1969.

Astrodome Federation National Title (1): 1969.

BASEBALL:

NAIA District 8 South Zone (5): 1970, 1971, 1971, 1973, 1975, 1976. NAIA District 8 Titles (2): 1970, 1971.

WOMEN'S TRACK:

Southwestern Athletic Conference Indoor (7): 1977, 1979, 1980, 1984, 1985, 1986, 1987,

Southwestern Athletic Conference Outdoor (2): 1974, 1976, 1977, 1978, 1979, 1982.

AIAW National Titles (2): 1974, 1976.

USTFF National Titles (2): 1975, 1976.

Astrodome National Federation Titles (3): 1972, 1973, 1974.

TFA-USA National Championships, Outdoor (3): 1982, 1983, 1984.

NAIA National Championships, Indoor (3): 1984, 1987, 1991.

NAIA National Championships, Outdoor (9): 1982, 1983, 1984, 198, 1986, 1987, 1988, 1989, 1990.

WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL:

Southwestern Athletic Conference titles (1): 1992

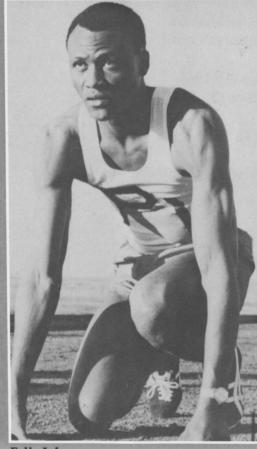
PRAIRIE VIEW A&M TRACK STARS



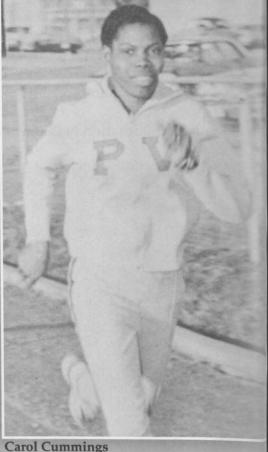
In 1973, the Prairie
View Pantherettes ranked
number one in the nation in
the womens national
outdoor meet in Irvine,
California. The
Pantherettes set an American record by running a 1:
40.6 in the sprint medley.
The Pantherettes ranked #
in the nation by running a
45.6 in the 440 relay.



Debra SapenterAll-American quarter miler.
2nd in the nation in 1973.



Felix JohnsonAll-American half miler. NAIA outdoor record in the 800 meter relay in 1969.



In 1968 ranked 4th in the nation in the 100 yadash. She represented Jamaica in the 1968 and 1972 Olympics.

PVAMU SPORTS HALL OF FAME

To date there have been **seven** inductions of persons in the Sports Hall of Fame. The present members of the Hall of Fame are:

Arnold, Frank Barnes, Carnegie Barrens, Grady Sr. Batts, William Beatty, Zelmo Bellinger, Thomas Blackshear, Edward L. Booker, Luther Brackins, Charlie Bratcher, Aubrey Carr, Jackie B. Childress, Elijah Daniels, Clem Davis, Abner Davis, Eural Dawson, Maurice A. Dearborne, George Dillon, Ray O. Dixon, George Elliott, Edward A. Ir. English, Leon Evans, Edward B. Farrington, John Flowers, Joel Gamble, James Garcia, Charles

Garnett, Erwin Gilliard, Clifton Givens, Roger Grace, Donald Grimes, Harold A. Harris, James D. Heard, Isiah Henderson, Stephen Hopkins, Andrew Hornsby, Gentris Houston, Kenny Hucles, H.B. Hunt, Jim Hunter, Ira T. Jacket, Barbara Jackson, James James, Freddie Johnson, Clifton J. Sr. Johnson, Felix Johnson, Veda Jones, Kenneth "Jo Jo" Jones, Pansy Kellum, Carol Kennedy, James Lawson, Agnes Lawson, Theodore

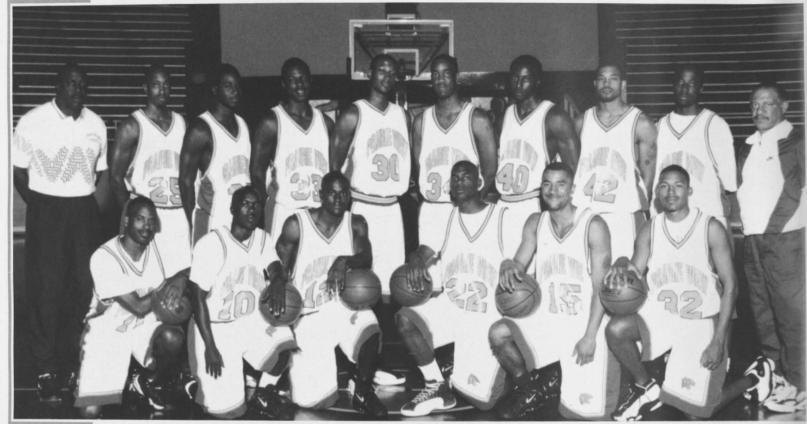
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Reed, Alvin Richardson, Morris Rolark, Calvin Rolark, Ross B.. Sanders, Milton C. Sapenter, Reginald Scott, Calvin J. Scott, Lloyd Seals, Archie Smith, Lewis Speight, Debra E. Stafford, George Stewart, A.D. Tankersley, John Taylor, Otis Taylor, Sam B. Thomas, Curtis Thomas, Oscar Ware, Paul Warren, Henry A. Webster, David A. Williams, Prenis Wilson, Claude L. Woods, Cecil Wright, Hoover

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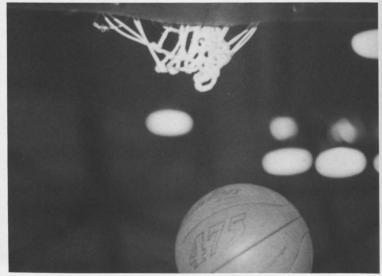
1998 S.W.A.C. Champions Basketball Team



First Row: (L-R) Mark Patton, Sylvester Lilly, King Whetstone, Tamarron Sharpe, Saladin Bilodeau, Joaquinn Arch. Back Row: (L-R) Assistant Coach Ed Phillips, Kevin Bell, Jamarcus Graves, Julius Marble, Omari Traylor, Larry Batie, Marlon Hopkins, Keith Mowbray, Landon Rowe, Head Coach Elwood Plummer

Record

	<u>Overall</u>	Home	Away	Neutral
All Games	13-17	8-3	2-13	3-1
Conference	6-10	5-3	1-7	0-0
Non-Conference	7-7	3-0	1-6	3-1



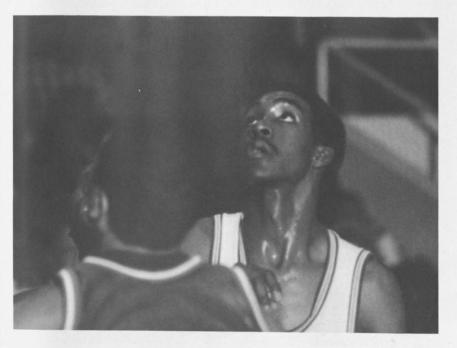
Hoop Dreams











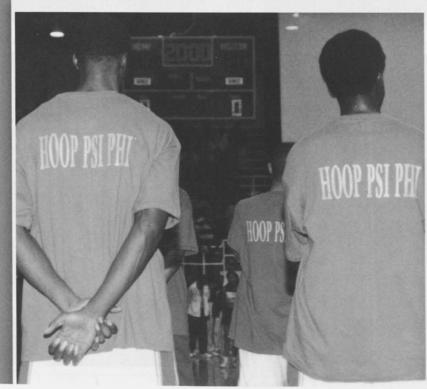


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1997-1998 SWAC CHAMPIONS CAA QUALIFIERS

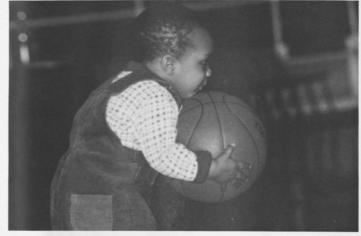




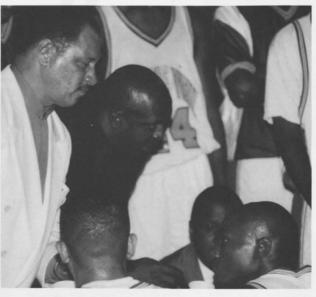










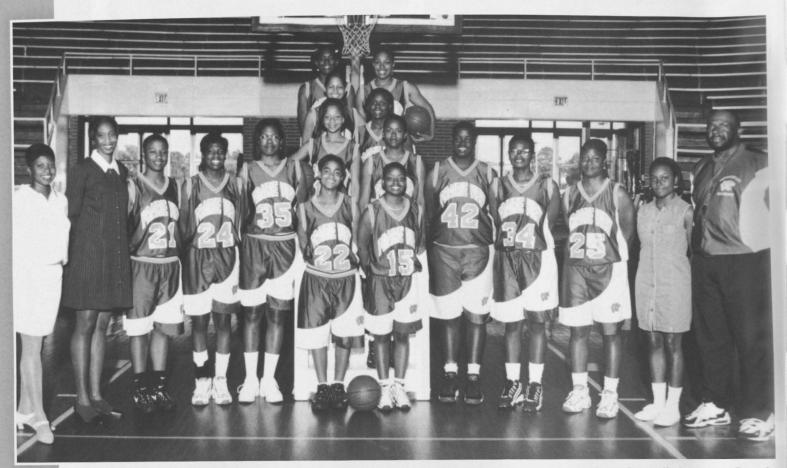








97 Pantherette Basketball Team 98



First Row::(L to R) Shonta' Greeenwood, Johunna Redmond. Second Row: (L to R) Student Assistant Crystal Powell, Assistant Coach Louise Madison, Sonya Riley, Aphrica Farrow, Keisha Hamilton, Nickolandria Taylor, Tenopra Sheppard, Brandy Gray, Kim Wright, Letisha Washington, Student Manager Tiffany Tarver, Head Coach Robert Atkins. Third Row: (L to R) Kafi Williams, LaKwan Clough. Fourth Row: (L to R) Felicia Tarver, Kristie Lucas

Lady Panthers



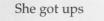
Shoooooot!



What? Unbelievable! What Happened?!

Lady Panthers







She got game



Being the best team in the land is hard work.



I'm gonna take you to the hole

100% WOMAN!





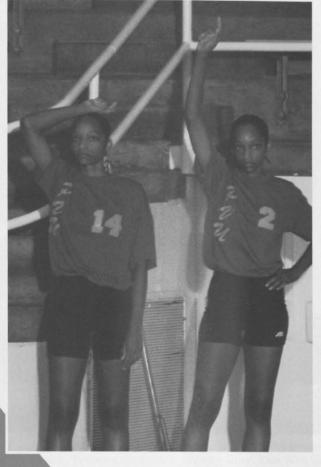
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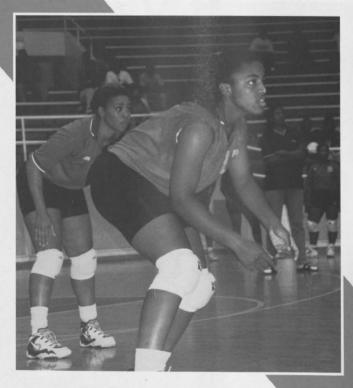
Coach Adams is breaking it down to the Lady Panthers.



The play is on.



This isn't a double mint commercial! This is serious concentration.



PVU's line of defense is unstoppable.



U-N-I-T-Y



Time for plan B!



This one is mine!



I got this one.

Prairie View A&M Baseball Team

Home Run!









Take me out to the ball park!0



Let's strike him out



It's outta here!



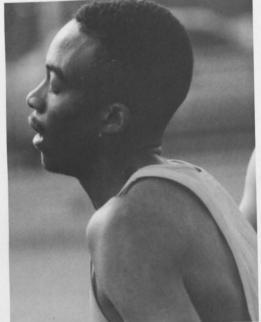
"It's okay son. You still have a chance at the big leagues."



....And the pitcher winds up...

1997-1998

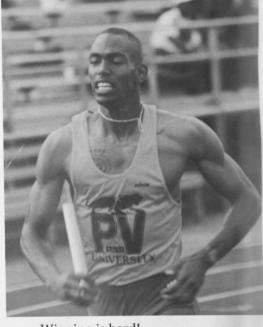
PVAMUI Track Team



Thank you Lord.



The Panther Pack is on the PROWL



Winning is hard!

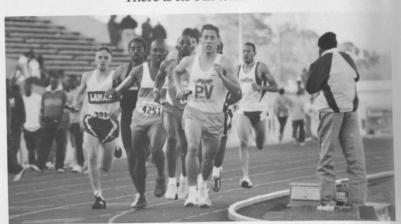




NCAA quailfier - Ron Nelson jumping an astounshing 7'2"

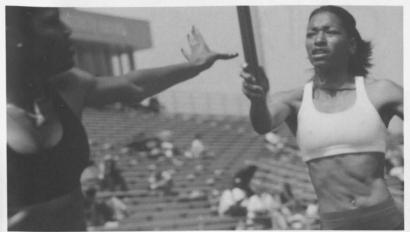


There is no I in team



Are the Panthers ahead of everybody again?

Doing It P.V. Style!!



Women's Track- getting the job done right



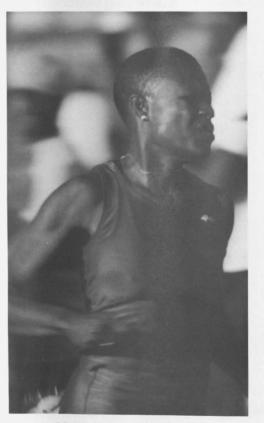
Next year, we're going to get SWAC rings of our own.



Man, I hope this was just a practice run



Ready or not, here I come



No pain, no gain



Jump contemplation

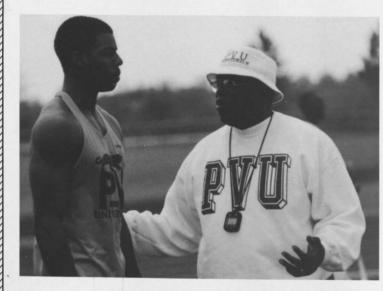


A glance at a winner

1997-1998 SWAC CHAMPS



True Panthers



Son, winning takes time.



A future champion stretching



Those guys make me proud



Eric Gaither, giving it all he's got



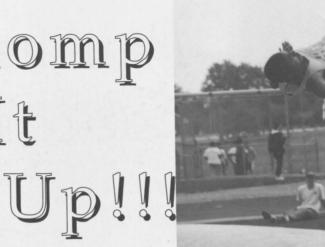
SWAC Champs 1998- leaving the competition in the dust!



And the crowd goes wild, as PV comes in first!



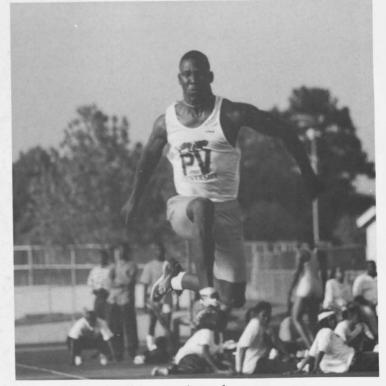
PV's at it again!



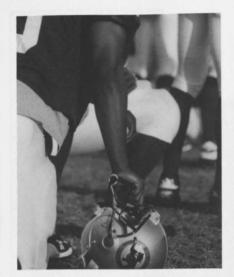
PV's gettin' over



Grrrr!!!



Walking on air made easy



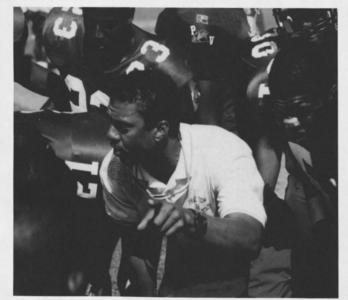
Panther Football



Are you ready for some football?



Coach Johnson



Now I want you to get out there and win this game!



This is what being a team is all about.



Time for Plan B

BOWLING TEAM



(L to R): Coach Alicia Pete, Natasha Gransberry, Shayla Mickens, Adrian Judge, FaLisha Franklin









Photos contributed by Coach Pete





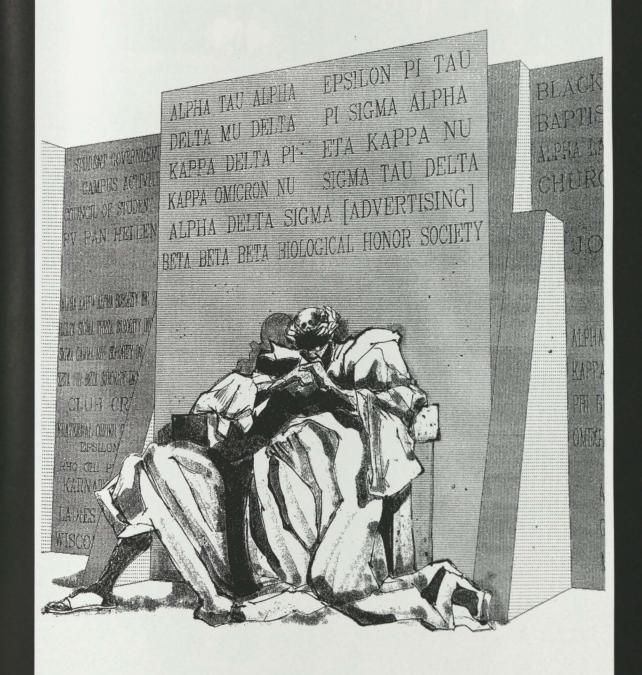




1997 - 1998 S.W.A.C CHAMPS SOFT BALL

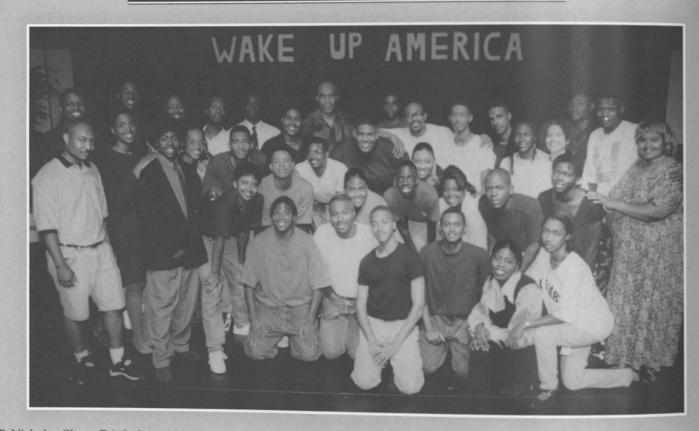


ORGANIZATIONS





THE CHARLES GILPIN PLAYERS!



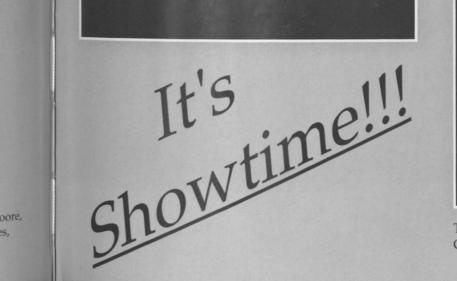
L-R, B-F: Nicholas Glenn, Eric Jackson, Natusha Howard, Adrian "Babatunde" Thomas, Audiran West, C. Lee Turner, Marc Brown, Paul Osborne, Cliff Alexander, Lester Stubblefield, Para Jackson, Jamila Anderson, Chanina Mwikita, Kelly Henton. Ricjuane Jenkins, Chantel Moore, Ezekial Morgan, Joyce Brown, Steven Scott, Sheronica Jones, Kaleeba Griffin, Sonya Evans. Lenora Holden, Walter Thomas, Richard Bratches, Phaedra Payre, Laine Bernard Lacy, Danae Williams, Ricky Haynes, Beatrice Soremekun, Regina Hearne. Kneeling: Reginald Tolbert, Cleo House, Dame Hereford, Je'Caryous Johnson, Nejay Johnson, LaQueta Johnson.













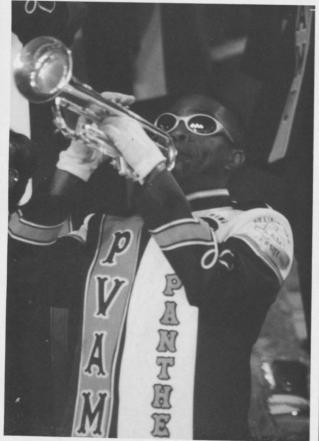
The Charles Gilpin Players with Monique Ridge (center); Gilpin Class of 1990, Co-Star of " Under One Roof ".

Organizations

Marching Storm:



Professor G. Edwards





History

The phrase "strike up the band," has a special meaning at Prairie View A&M University. The University Marching Band cannot only strike up a crowd but their rhythmic and jazzy sounds send "sweet music to your ears."

The true essence of the marching band focuses on a complete and well developed entertainment package which begins with the professional leadership of Band Director George Edwards, a graduate of Florida A&M University and Michigan State. Under his leadership the band has grown from 25 to over members.

Assisting Edwards is Larry Jones, a graduate of Tennessee State and Eastern Illinois, Mr. Mark Phillips, a graduate of Virginia State University, and Mrs. Margaret Sherrod-Willie, a Prairie View graduate who serves as choreographer for the Prairie View majorettes.

The dynamic musical force of the band does not stop with its innovative sounds; in its explosive entertainment package its reflects, craftsmanship and thunderous sounds of the marching band. They are accentuated by the Flag Corps and the world renowned Black Foxes.

In 1990, the band had the honor of performing for Gen. Colin Powell's visit to Prairie View A&M University as well as halftime performances of the NBC televised basketball game between the Los Angeles Lakers and the San Antonio Spurs. The marching band also performed in the 1992 New Year's Cotton Bowl Parade in Dallas.

The band's many honors and awards include 1st place trophies won in the 1992 and 1994 Labor Day Classic Battle of the Bands 1st place trophy against Texas Southern University and the 1994 Al Lipscomb Cotton Bowl Battle of the Bands 1st trophy against Grambling State University.

Some former Prairie View band members who have moved on to professional careers are Terry Ellis of the female musical group "En Vogue," Ricky La Fontaine of the "Richard Smallwood Singers Gospel Group," and Wendel Thompson of the rap group "Gang Star."

The University Band

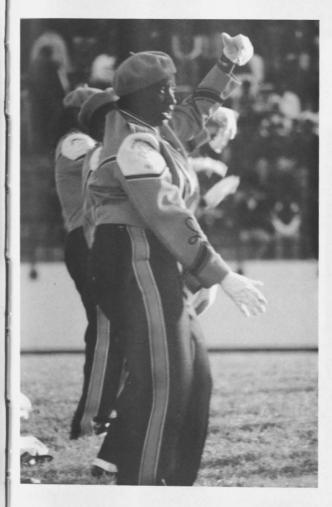














PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

he Prairie View A&M University Choir was established in the early days of the univer sity the exact date is not known. From inter views, it appears that the first choir ap peared in the late 1800's. The earliest choral director that we have record of is Dr. Oscar Anderson Fuller, who is credited with writing the lyrics for the Prairie View Alma Mater.

Other directors who served as builders of the Prairie View choral tradition were Dr. Rudolph E. Von Charlton, Dr. Nicholas Gray, Dr. Robert A. Henry, Dr. H. Edison Anderson and Thomas Wallace. The current director of the Prairie View University Choir is Jan Taylor.

The Prairie View Music Department became the nucleus for a new movement on the black college campus. The two choir systems, the A Capella Choir and the University Chorale. The two groups concertized in most of the major cities of America, the Commonwealth of the Bahamas, Mexico and Canada. The chorale has performed with the Houston Symphony Orchestra and has made several premiere performances of new compositions. The chorale participated in the Houston Grand Opera world professional premiere of Scott Joplin's Opera "Treemonisha."





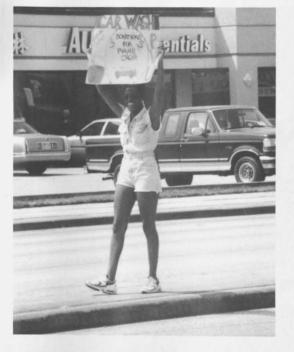


Ms. Jan Taylor, Choir Director

ACAPELLA CHOIR













THE CLASSIC

In the spirit of the founders, Jennifer Adams and Bongi Sithole, the Classic Dance Ensemble continues to show-case a variety of dance styles that include Modern, Jazz, Tap, Hip-hop and African dance styles. The troupe performs at local, state and national programs, with the spring Black College Dance Exchange being one of its main highlights. Under the tutelage of Mrs. Paula Williams (advisor), they continually strive "to be the best that they can be", as dancers and choreographers. They even take time out to instruct dance workshops in H.T Jones Intermediate school nearby.

Assisting Mrs. Williams is Kenneth Epting, who has served as their guest choreographer since 1990, and was especially instrumental in the Fall production of "Revelations", that was done in conjunction with the University Choir in 1995. This tradition has continued in the years of 1996-1998.



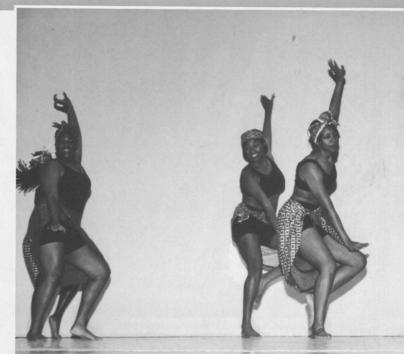






DANCE ENSEMBLE





Dance!!!





Majorettes



1997 Prairie View A&M University Majorettes



1996 Prairie View Majorettes



Alumni Majorettes performed during the 1995 Homecoming game The early 80s

Prairie View A & M University's first Majoretteline was introduced in 1961 where it was first featured during Jazz Band performances under the direction of James T. Mosley. In the fall of 1971, they gained the name" Black Foxes", "black" symbolizing the uniforms they performed in and "foxes" meaning good looking ladies. In 1984, in compliance with the 1974 Civil Rights Act, the name was officially changed by the president to the Prairie View Majorettes.

1997 saw them featured during Prairie View's Marching Band's renowned halftime show, dazzling the crowd with their elegant and graceful moves. The tradition of the Majorettes will continually be cherished.



1995 Majorettes at the Cotton Bowl Classic

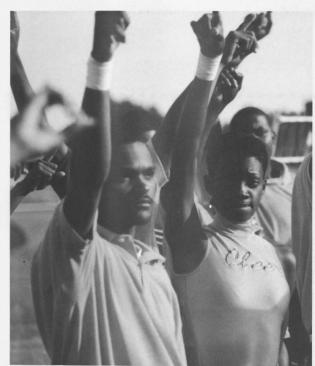


Cheerleaders



Lhe University Cheerleaders are a diverse group of dedicated young women and men who strive to uplift the spirit and pride on the campus of Prairie View A&M University. Cheering from the beginning of August until the end of March, the squad is involved in various activities on the campus, from performing at pep rallies to donating their time to other causes.

Sponsored by Ms. Pam Thomas, the Prairie View cheerleaders are known for their explosive chants, stunts, and dynamic cheers. Over the years, Prairie View has produced some of the best cheerleaders in the SWAC such as, Donetta Snell, Jim Price (Prairie View's 1st male captain and 1st All-SWAC cheerleader), and Eva Shelley.









he Council of Student Organizations



Carl Mason, Terence Halbert, Walter Williams, Jr., Tiffany Broussard, Nikeesha Adams, Shunetta Reed, Cristal Johnson, Barbara A, Herring, Tyrone L. Odister

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Jermaine Tillery, Marvin Moss, Myesha Albert, Joseph Taylor, Zhawnatae Griffin, Landré Young, Eric Johnson, Damion Taylor, Tara Williams, Yolanda Brown, Tanisha Cosby, Cynthia McDanieL, Stephanie Wilson, Ebony Mitchell, Dahl Rollins, Rebecca Johnson

ampus Activities Board



B to F, L to R: Brandon Allen, Lindell Hale, Evette Johnson, Lawrence Warren, Natasha Gransberry, Royal Collins, Ericka Johnson, Shandel Duling, Kari Corbett, Camille Carroll, Cristal Johnson, Miranda Beverly, Myishea Gilliam, Sakinna Thomas, Zharmer Hardimon

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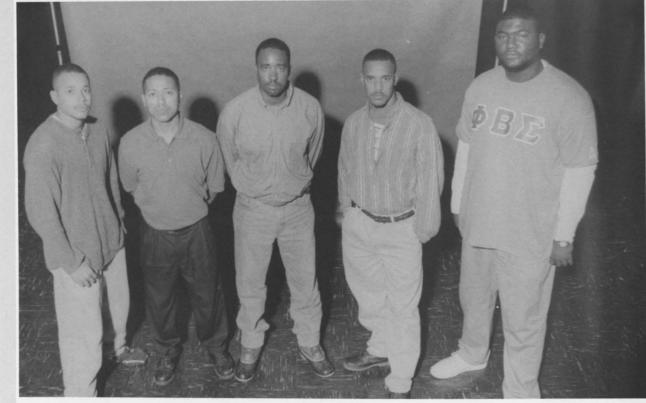
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amma Phi Delta/Alpha Lambda Omega



B to F, L to R: Frank L. Cox II, Joseph Earle, LeRoy Phillips, LaBryant Benjamin, Ingrid Zeno, Anthony Daloney, Shana Miller, Natalie Williams

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B to F, L to R: Leland Ward, Gregory Ballenger, Marlin Sinville, Ted Mercer, Terrance Toliver

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Erin Patterson, Monica Ellis, Karmyn London, Felicia Jackson



B to F, L to R: Quevarra Moten, Ms. Jacqueline Davis(Sponsor), Meredith Rockeymoore, Red Williams, Eryka Williams, Eunrekea Moore, Jerome Hurt

he Computer Group



B to F, L to R: David Reed, Doland McGown, Savalas V. Jarmon, Emmanuel Clarke, Don Hobson, Joshua Martin, Theodore R. Brown, Carmen A. Kirksey, Corey March, Aaron Hanks, Donna Glover, Maria Cruz, Lelar Corbett, Mikole Turner, Nefeteria Ra'oof

COBRA



B to F, L to R: Dr. Imari A. Obadele, sponsor, Kenyatta McConico, Toya Johnson, LaDonna Robinson, Courtney Johnson, Raseo Green, Jr.

C hicago Club



B to F, L to R:

Travis Ransom, Na'Shon Poole, Clarence K. Taylor, David Davnie, Duane Kidd, LaRondoe Hall, Ayinde Foluke, Robert Wright, Julius Hudson, Yurt Kay, Tawnita Pearson, Heather Pendleton, Lillet Hutt, Nicholas Lieteau, Belinda Lewis, Jerome Hurt, Damien Mobley, Leon Galbreath, Royal Collins

Mega Omega Beta



Yvette Gulley, Turkesha Robbins, Rosalind Spells, Stacie Harris, Natasha Gransberry, Xraka German

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Tanisha A. Toaston, Walter D. Chambers, Ester Baker, Tyeisha L. Randle, Dahl Rollins, Stephanie J. Wilson

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B to F, L to R: Shabranda Mathis, Bethaniel Jefferson, Angie Bacon, Mickilisha Miles, Virgil Flint, Nasiche Anderson, Maryanne Brown

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Tursing Club



B to F, L to R:

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Danitra Bedford, DaWanna Reed, Christina Crowder, Tiffany Hall, Shelia Simms, Jannell Price, Victoria
Montgomery, Kamesha Baszile, Shandel Duling, Crystal Humphrey, Tomeka Davis, Antoilla Marks,
Marjorie Robinson, Daketa Johnson, Lawana Aguillard, Danielle Redd, Larrah Carroll, Ruby Anderson,
Ebony Mitchell, Adrienne Waites

i Sigma Alpha



B to F, L to R: Eric Guess, Dr. Walle Engedayehu (advisor), David Walden

ocial Work Club



Anita Thomas, Rebecca Morgan, Ronald S. Briggs, Alvera Cross, Kennetha Beasley, Karl Carter, Linda Benford, Valerie King, Lia' Merle Rice, Stanley Henderson, Varion Howard, Michelle Blakely, Rhysa Murphy, Myra Castle, Francine Patterson, Crystal Robertson

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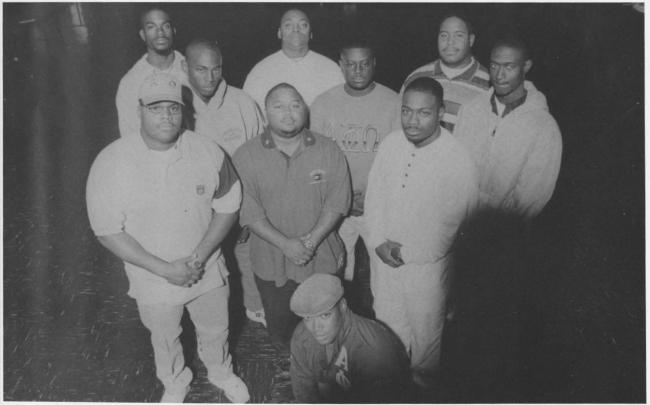
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Maurice Perkins, Patrina Bostic, Kesha C. Jones, Quevarra M. Moten, James Adams, Keisha Smith, Carlos C. Hopkins, Elroy Goffney, Eric Gaither, John Scott, Tiara Ellis, Tameka Robinson, Hope Allen, Theodis Johnson, Ta'Mitra Trimble, Bridgett McGowen, Erica Johnson, Zharmer Hardimon, Mrs. Carpol A. Means (adviser)

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Chansello Jones, Robert Hargrove, Vincent McGriffin, Demetress Dosewell, Toby Brandon, B.J. Parker, Jason Allen, Severen Archie, Alonzo Burton, Lucious Wyatt

amma Sigma Sigma



B to F, L to R: Cassandra Jefferson, LaTreva Herndon, Erica Johnson, Charvela Sanders, Ubah Jefferson, Kristie Williams, Gwynita Leggington, Condi Jackson, Kateina Scott, Xandria Andrews, Rebecca Jackson, Lelar Corbett, Celeste McNeil

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B to F, L to R:
Kirkland Matthews, FranChelle Caesar, LaTreva Herndon, Natasha Gransberry, Jonathon Tamplin,
Keio Gamble, Kelly Bates, Don Green, Margaret Crockett, Marlon Sinville, Christie Edwards, Tameka Perry,
Xraka German, Damon Mattox, Ericka Phillips, Ted Mercer, LaShonda Roberson, Chad Burton

psilon Gamma Iota



B to F, L to R:
Sedrick Scott, Andre Marshall, Jaymar Davis, Celena Anderson, Andrea Battley, Carl Mason, Treniece Terry, Christina Titus, Stacy Frazier, Tiffany Broussard, Kadiatu Brown, Q. Denise Perry, Tyrone W. T. Odister



HISTORY

Epsilon Gamma Iota, Inc. Social and Service Organization was founded in the fall of 1985, at Prairie View A&M University. The initial goal of the organization was to provide freshmen with tutorial and advisement services. Today, in addition to the freshman retention programs, the organization promotes social and academic advancement for all Engineering students.

Having an initial membership of 38, the organizational membership has grown to 214. Over the years it has offered scholarships to freshmen students in engineering and architecture, recruited new students into the university, and extended a helping hand to the university and the surrounding community through various service projects.

7 isconsin Sleepers, Inc.



B to F, L to R: C. Dwaine Goodman, Tasharia Thomas, Dena McGinnis, Terrance Phillips, Demerick Johnson, Dayna Staton, LaQuinnesias Dunham, Yvette Turnhill, Barbara Norvell, Catherine Ewing, Nicholas Lieteau, Nikki McGary, Alicia Wallace, Heather Hagger



HISTORY

Founded in the University of Wisconsin in 1963, Wisconsin Sleepers is one of the oldest coed organizations in the nation. The Lambda Psi Chapter was founded on the campus of Prairie View A&M University in 1976. Its purpose is to bring about an awareness of blackness through the invigorating outreach of its members, while promoting togetherness by fostering community service and social functions. It stresses that being unified and caring is really what being black is all about.

The organization serves both the university and the surrounding community through numerous service activities and events.

ho Chi Psi



B to F, L to R: Kiley L. Williams, Maurice Perkins, Renie K. Hughes, Charles A. Sloan, Henry Wills, Jason Thibodeaux, Joseph M. Lane, Jamonte Black, Varion S. Howard, Jirma Procotor, Phillip Merchantt, Chrystal Bender, Adrienne Rivetta, Kim Christian, Carmen Bowman, Tamika N. Prentiss, Catina L. Standley



HISTORY

On the 5th day of December 1991 on the campus of Prairie View A&M University, four freshmen students Christopher Knight, Vincent McWashington, George Spillman, and Jesse Watson Jr., founded Rho Chi Psi. Along with 26 (brothers) charter members, the four founders began to work on the purpose and criteria of the organization.

The purpose of the organization became "to recruit and retain minority students" at an institution of "higher learning". In the fall of 1992, 21 sisters were inducted into Rho Chi Psi, increasing the membership to 51 brothers and sisters. After the induction of females, the organization became an official university organization and was inducted into the Council of Student Organizations of Prairie View A&M University in the fall of 1993.

Also in the fall of 1993, Rho Chi Psi established a \$1000 scholarship in memory of, Marcus Christopher Haynes who died in the summer of '93 before the dream of Rho Chi psi was realized.

Over the past years the organization has gained public recognition as a "first class organization" and has won many awards including Prairie View A&M University 1993-94 Organization of the Year.

arnation Kourt, Inc.



B to F, L to R: Keeley K. Evans, Tasia M. Gamble, Tanjeneka S. Mc Clellann, Sherell Arseno, Heather Jones, Shunetta R. Reed, Crystal F. Robertson



HISTORY

Karnation Kourt, Inc. was founded on March 15, 1947 at Howard University, and the Zeta Beta Chapter was incorporated at Prairie View A&M University on October 21, 1983. The organization is known nationwide under such names as Kappa Diamonds, Kappa Kourt, Peppermint Swirls, as well as Krimson and Kream, Inc. Its purpose is to promote service contributions to the university and the community as well as promoting sisterhood, togetherness and strength and to ensure a good campus life. Since its birth, the sisterhood has increased to more than 200 members and has been honored as Organization of the Year (1994-95), Most Active Organization. It has also received the Most Community Service Award from the Council of Student Organizations (CSO).

The Ladies of Karnation Kourt, Inc., following in their tradition of service, were active in several service activities during the 1995-96 school year. Some of these activities included campus cleanup through CSO, tray pick up in Alumni Hall, the HISD School Board campaign, providing assistance in the Hempstead Elementary Halloween carnival as well as a Christmas blanket drive.

hi Beta Lambda



Conor Marsh, Eric McNair, Clifford Styles, Felecia Jackson, Dominique Anderson, Tyrone, Jason Jeffries, Cornelius Spencer, Terry Sheffield, Paul Culpepper, Alan Thomas, Deshay Breda, Damon Mattox, Shemieka Lewis, Krish'awna Taylor, Tamara Dean, Travise Mitchell, Shonlene Raymond, Misty Mitchell, Karmyn London, Latoya Bufford, Sonya Simmons, Camille Carroll, Shuronda Shead, Jereld Henderson, Janille Vernon, Katrina Hale, Khaleiah Taylor, Ursula Brown, Keishawna Barlow, Monica Ellis, Adria Kelly, Temeka Harris, Cecily Wagner, Kermit Thomas, Teresa Augustin



HISTORY

Future Business Leaders of America-Phi Beta Lambda Inc., was the brainchild of Hamdan L. Forkner. In 1937 he envisioned a national organization that would unite the thousands of business clubs that existed in high schools and colleges across the nation into a formal national organization. It was founded on the three fundamental principles of, service, education and progress. Its colors are royal blue and gold. There are over 12,000 chapters and more than 270,000 members in all 50 states, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands, and the U.S territories.

The Epsilon Beta chapter was chartered at Prairie View A&M university on March 10, 1962, by Richard Ferguson and Robert Ewalt. It continues to undertake activities which aid in the preparation of future leaders, business professionals, and involved citizens of the community, the nation and the world.

au Beta Sigma



B to F, L to R: Angela Smoot, Barbara Herring, Uche Aghage, Shawnta Pittman, Keedra Lindsey, Monica Brown, Janet Webster, Michelle Wilson, Arkina Carter, Linda Benford, DeAnna Ellison, Tracie Rhodes, Shirley Ward



HISTORY

Tau Beta Sigma National Honorary Band Sorority was founded in 1944 in Stillwater, Oklahoma. The Epsilon Psi Chapter at Prairie View A&M University was charted in January, 1976. It is a student service organization that assists the band director and helps in any way possible to build a better band, through leadership and enthusiasm. Its members are expected to maintain high standards of scholarship such as the 2.5 GPA that is required for intake.





B to F, L to R:
Roy Williams, Tamar Degrate, Samuel Long, Jason L. Baker, Robert A. Miller, Andre Beatty, Kurt D. Winn, Carl Dickey, Walter Williams, Keogan Breaker, Glenn A. Malone, Montree Cooper, Derek Bullock, Vernon Hunter, Dwight L. Whorton

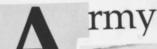


HISTORY

Kappa Kappa Psi National Honorary Band Fraternity was founded in 1919 at Oklahoma State University. Ten members of the band, led by William A. Scroggs, the band director, and the Most Honorable Bohumil Makovsky, head of the music department started this organization. The organization's purpose is to aid in the development of "building better bands." The fraternity is housed on more than 110 of the nations finest college and University campuses.

Delta Psi stepped for high school student visitation sponsored by the Admissions Office. The chapter helped with band camp and was responsible for providing positive role models for new members of the "Marching Storm." The fraternity also hosted a Crime Awareness Program for the band. Brothers acted out various hardship scenes to create a view of what's going on in today's society.

Delta Psi Chapter of Kappa Kappa Psi has accomplished many of its desired goals and continues to strive to "Build Better Bands."





B to F, L to R: M. Thomas, R. Brown, J. Odibo, I. Oliver, A. Rivon, G. Russell, W. Mathis, J. Larry, R.. Green, N. McDougle, B. Knighton, I. Sanderson, H. Green, M. Washington, K. Brown, H. Moss, T. Latson, J. Loughridge, A. Fowlkes, E. Melton, G. Hoyt, N. Denmon, S. Thompson, S. Lampkin, E. Mays, L. Evans, A. Pork, E. Banks, Q. Bailey, V. Fennell, K. Russell, L. Young, W. Scott, E. Doyle

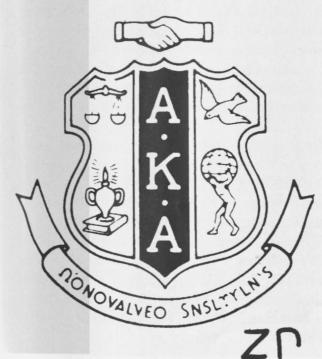


ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA



B to F, L to R: Joi Johnson, Chantell Wilson, Joyell Hayes, Kimberly West, LaChelle Holland, Kendra Stillwell, Xraka S. German, Erin Patterson, Rachelle Walls, Tovia Levy, Tamara Simon, Stephanie Wilson, Dahl Rollins, Barnetta Barnes, Adrienne Lester, LaQuinnesias R. Dunham, Natasha Gransberry

Alpha Kappa Alpha



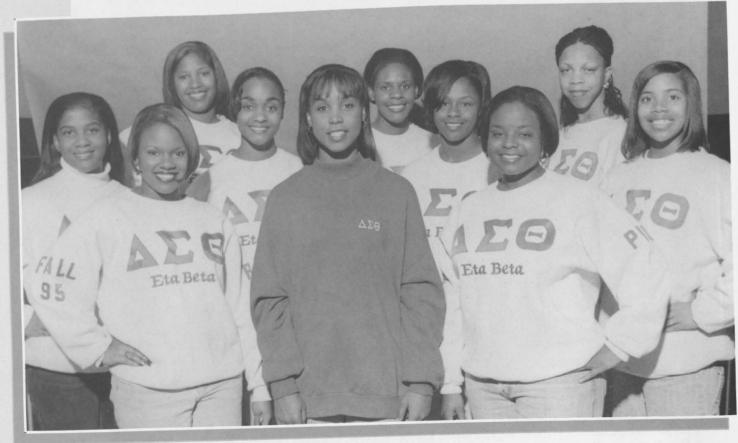
HISTORY

On January 15, 1908, a group of young women from Howard University decided to form a sorority. The idea came from a woman named Ethel Hedgeman Lyle. Later, this sorority was incorporated January 29, 1913 to ensure it would last forever. Alpha Kappa Alpha is a service organization that encourages scholastic excellence, unity, and friendship among college women. It is the first greek lettered sorority for African American women.

On December 12, 1970 the Zeta Gamma chapter was chartered on Prairie View A&M University's campus. Membership has grown to over 100,000 college women of undergraduate and graduate chapters at various colleges throughout the United States and internationally. Some famous AKAs include Phylicia Rashad, aclaimed actress, Cardiss Collins, U.S. Congress Representative, and Dr. Mae Jamison, former astronaut.

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DELTA SIGMA THETA



Kelly Bates, Danielle E. White, LaShawnda Y. Harris, Kimberly Wilcox, Catherine Brown, Tanya Wiser, Tracey L. Moore, Charlinda Nance, Sukari V. Stewart, LeAnda McPherson

Belta Sigma Theta



HISTORY

At the inception of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. in 1913 at Howard University, the founders envisioned an organization of college women pledged to serious endeavor and community service. These youthful students demonstrated a vital concern for social welfare, academic excellence, and cultural enrichment, and de-emphasized the social aspect of the sorority

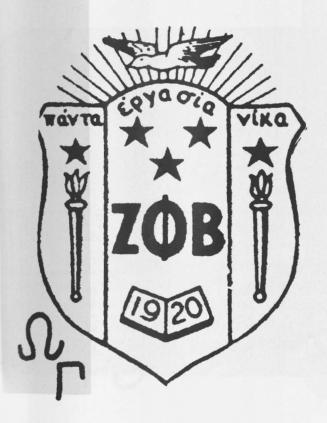
Their ideals of scholarship and service have withstood the test of time; and today Delta Sigma Theta is a public service sorority, dedicated to a program of sharing membership skills and organizational services in the public interest. In 1930, Delta Sigma Theta was incorporated as a national organization. The record of incorporation is filed in the congressional library in Washington D.C. Today there are more than 100,000 members, and almost 700 chapters in 42 states, and in the republics of Haiti, Liberia, the Virgin Islands, the Caribbean and West Germany.

ZETA PHI BETA



B to F, L to R: Angela Ashley, Letha Crittenden, Dr. Mary S. Hawkins (Adviser), Rosemary Berry, Margaret Crockett, Sharon Strong, Doris Nelson, Nicole Hetlin, LaShonda Roberson, Theresa Augustin

Zeta Phi Beta

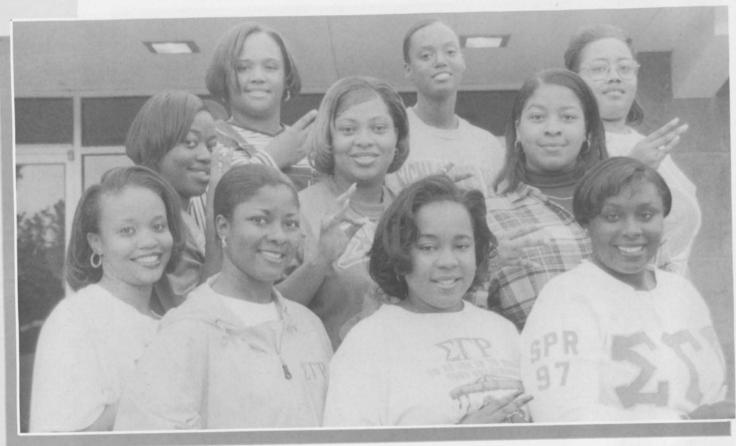


HISTORY

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc. was founded on January 16, 1920 on the campus of Howard University through the encouragement given to our five founders by Langston and Charles Taylor, members of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc. These brothers thought not to embrace the tenets of the already formed Sororities but sought to find collegiate women who possessed the ideals of Finer Womanhood, Scholarship, Service and Sisterly Love. These are the principles of Zeta Phi Beta Sorority and Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity which are the only true Greek sister and Brother organization constitutionally bound. The Zeta pearls include, Arizona Cleaver, Pearl Neal, Myrtle Tyler, Viola Tyler, and Fannie Pettie.

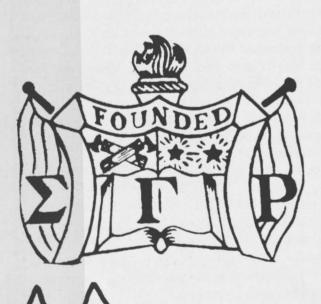
The Sorority exists in nine regions including that of West Africa, where it was the first Greek letter Sorority established there in 1948. Some of Zeta's national projects include Project Z.I.P (Zeta Investing in People) for economic development, the stork's Nest for the health and care of pregnant mothers and children, and project Zeta which stresses substance abuse prevention. The Omega Gamma chapter was charted at PVAMU in 1970. The chapter continues to support the ideals of the sorority and community.

SIGMA GAMMA RHO



B to F, L to R: Lattisha Taylor, FranChelle Caesar, Ardesia McCarty, Frances Frazier, Angie Bacon, Colita Mc Farland, Christie Edwards, Cheveria Gullette, McKella Horton, Desiree M. Harvey

Sigma Gamma Rho



HISTORY

Back in 1922, during times of severe oppression of blacks, segregation, blatant discrimination, and Jim Crow Laws, at Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana, a predominantly white instituition, seven black school teachers came together with an idea that is now a legacy. These young women had a vision. They witnessed the hardship that our people were facing and decided to unite and fight against the oppression before them. So they created an outlet "for all womankind who are interested in every phase of education".

This vision, on November 12, 1922, became known as Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority. On December 30, 1929, it was recognized nationally as the fourth, historically black, incorporated collegiate sorority.

OMEGA PSI PHI



B to F, L to R: Kirkland Mathews, Jermaine Parker, Robert Reedus, Stephen Peters, Quincy Beasley, Marques Collins, Keio Gamble, Greg Ballenger.

Omega Psi Phi



HISTORY

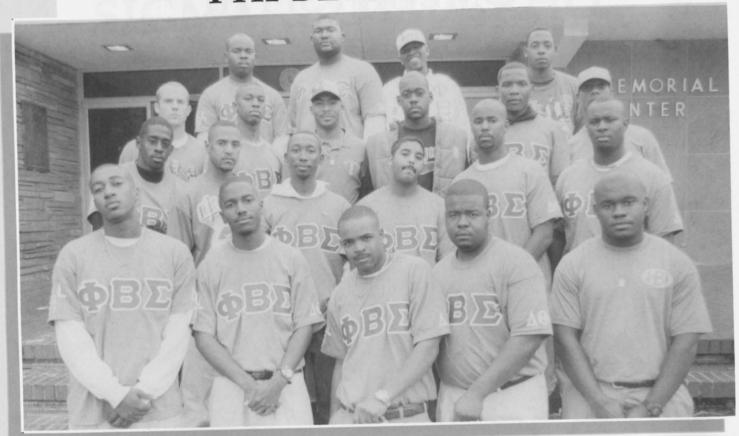
Omega Psi Phi was founded at Howard University, Washington, D.C., on November 17, 1911, and was the first Greek-letter organization for men on the campus. The founders--Edgar A. Love, Oscar J. Cooper, Frank Coleman, and Ernest E. Just--established the fraternity on a foundation of faith in basic ethical standards and in the ultimate victory of right, and upon trust in the destiny of the African American people. The bonds that existed among these founders were among the strongest bonds that bind, being based on religion, culture, and tradition. The faith of these founders has endured and has advanced a college fraternity that has benefitted thousands of men who have followed in the past fifty years.

The Rho Theta chapter was chartered at Prairie View A&M University on April 25, 1970 by Bro. Bobby Duncan and Bro. Philip Scrambling. This chapter has conducted a Black History Contest, a Black History Program featuring the assistant regional minister of the Nation of Islam, another Black History Program sponsored with Delta Sigma Theta featuring the Cardinal of the Shrine of the Black Madonna (Houston location), and an open forum on the movie "Higher Learning" sponsored with Delta Sigma Theta and Sigma Gamma Rho.

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Resurrection .

PHI BETA SIGMA



B to F, L to R:
Antonio Pinkston, Terrance Toliver, Randy Milton, Reginald Prudhomme, Chris Young, Terrance Jackson, E.J. Thibodeaux, Rashad Harbert, André Allan, Mitchell Sands, E.A. Walker, Ted Wilnercer, Sherman Corbin, Marcus LaBove, Donald Williams, Jimmy Perkins, Sheldon Anderson, Tyrone Jackson, Quincy Broadnax, Don Green, Roderick Jones



HISTORY

On Saturday, October 8, 1913, A. Langston Taylor presented to Leonard F. Morse the proposition of establishing a new fraternity at Howard University. Carles I. Brown, a student, was invited to aid in the movement. Finally, after much deliberation, the permanent organization of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity was formed on January 9, 1914. The original three founders, Taylor, Morse and Brown, chose nine of their classmates at Howard University as chapter members of the fraternity.

Since that time the ideals of Brotherhood, Scholarship and Service have spread with Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity. The Delta Theta Chapter was established at Prairie View in 1969. The Brothers of Delta Theta Chapter exemplify Sigma men the world over. Hence "Where There Are Great Men to be Made, Sigma Will Make Them."

ALPHA PHI ALPHA



B to F, L to R:
Troy Klien, Marlin Sinville, Timothy Smith, Leland Ward, Reggie Egins, Oveal Walker, Patrick Hervey, Frederick Powe, Marcus Kelley, Cameron Fisher, Clifford Meeks

History

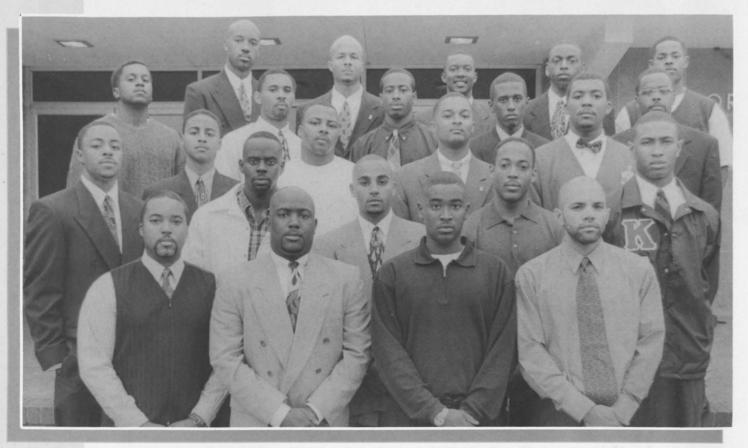
Founded at Cornell University, December 4, 1906 by seven innovative Black men Alpha Phi Alphi Fraternity, incorporated is the oldest predominantly Black Collegiate Fraternity. These seven men they proudly call Jewels, they are Henry A. Calllis, Charles H. Chapman, Eugene K. Jones, George B. Kelly, Nathaniel A. Murray, Robert H. Ogle, and Vertner W. Tandy. "First of all, servants of all, we shall transcend all," is the motto of the fraternity and it has been the endeavor of its members to make this axiomatic truth a living reality.

Originally organized to promote brotherhood among Black men on college campuses and to assist the graduate in realizing his career goals, the fraternity has since widened its scope to include programs serving many other segments of culturally diverse American and international communities.

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, the precursor of all Black Greek Letter Organizations, has a long distinguished history of involvement, achievement and leadership in civil and human rights efforts. Its leadership was evident when it launched a national voter registration drive under the rally theme "A Voteless People is a Hopeless People." It's "Go to high school - Go to college" program was equally successful. These dynamic social action programs placed the fraternity in the forefront of leadership roles in the development and delivery of services to the masses. The fraternity has agreements with the March of Dimes and the Boy Scouts of America to work in conjunction with them in providing leadership and responsibility training for young men. Alpha Phi Alpha stands equally committed today to the cause that serve the interest and common good of mankind.



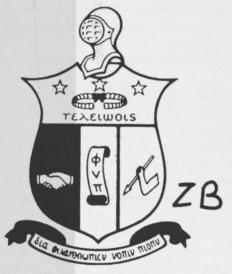
KAPPA ALPHA PSI



B to F, L to R:

Travis Ransom, Darrow Dodson, Cedric Carpenter, Bishop Silmon, Anthony Webber, Brandon Allen, Theodis Johnson, Troy Robinson, Michael Hines, Eddie Sherrod, Kyland Dobbins, Lekedrin Johnson, Jonathon Tamplin, Dareus Starr, Leander Nash, Demo Williams, Rodderick Melonson, Gordy McIlveen, Brian Flora, Jason Bell, Damon Mattox, Razak Balogun, Cameran Fowler

Kappa Alpha Psi



Jan. 5, 1911

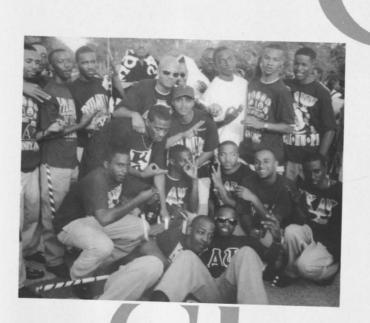
History

Ten great men came together on January 5, 1911 at Indiana University with a dream, and the reality of this dream became Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. These great men, known as achievers, were responsible for creating a bond of fraternity where the likes of which have never been seen by any other Greek Letter Fraternity.

The Zeta Beta Chapter known as the "The Zoo," was established May 5, 1970. Since then, the chapter has been involved in a variety of service projects with the community as well as the university. The chapter is also nationally known for its reputation of inducting strong men of high moral character into the bond. The bond of quality men of culture, patriotism, and honor to rise to the occasion and inspire to service. They assist the aims and purposee of colleges and universities plus they promote the spiritual, social, intellectual, and moral welfare of their members.









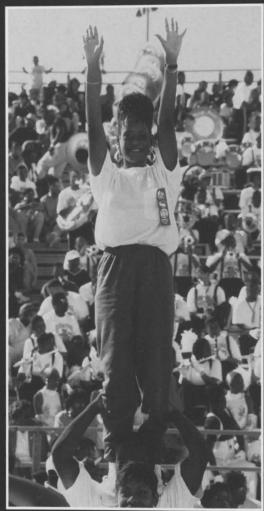














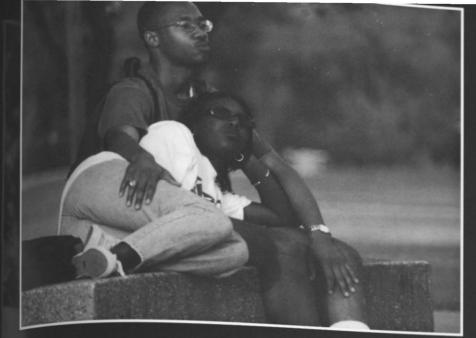








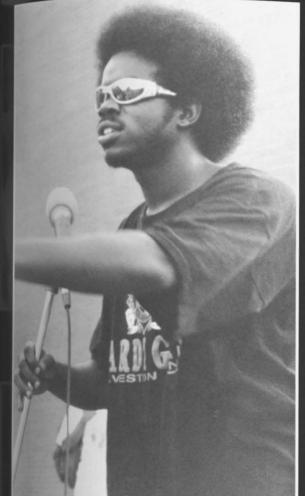




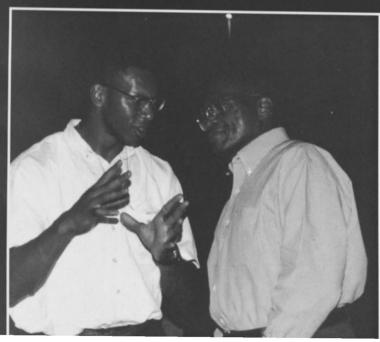






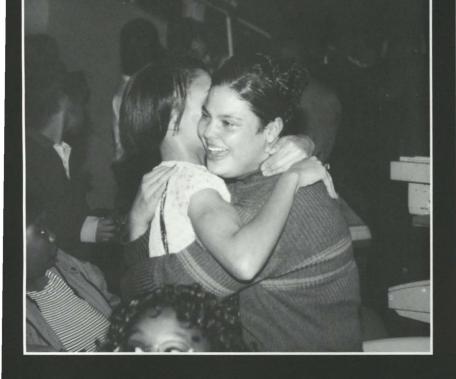






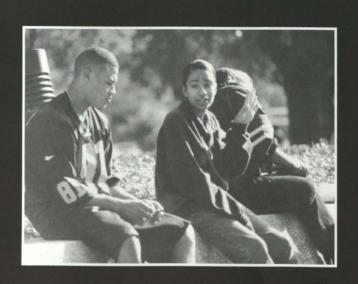


Men, Brothers, Friends

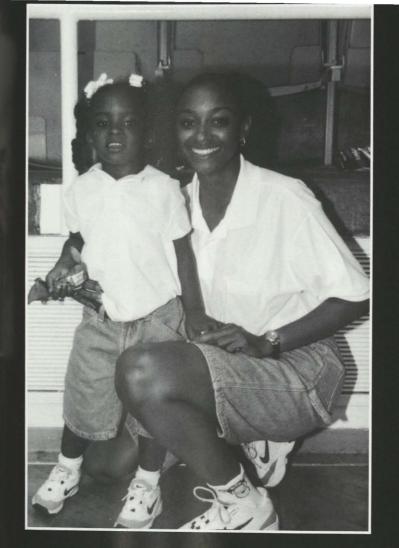




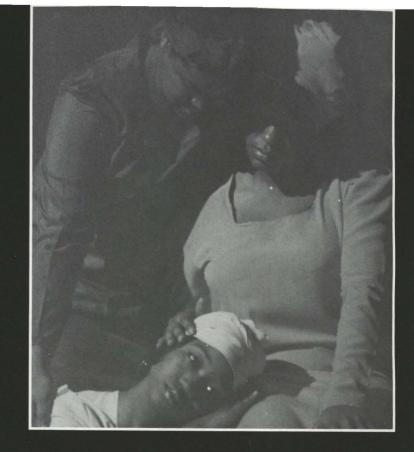


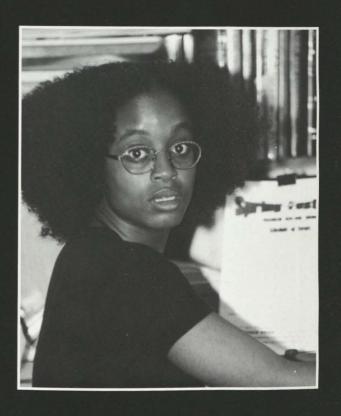




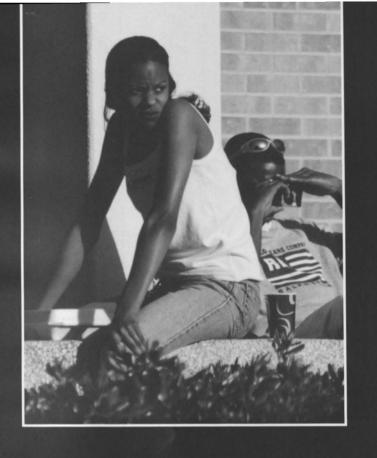


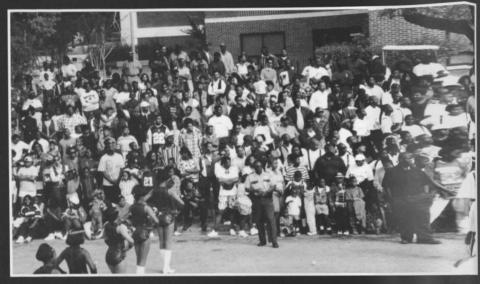






Women, Sisters, Friends





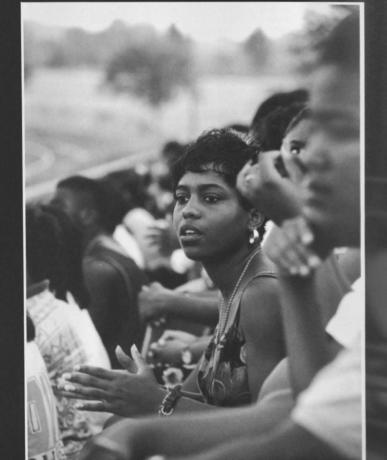


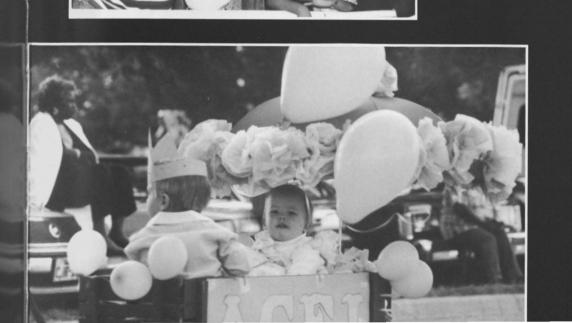


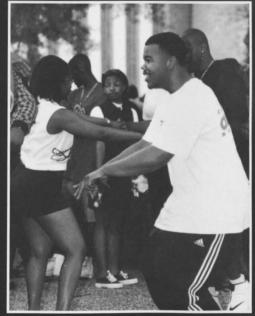


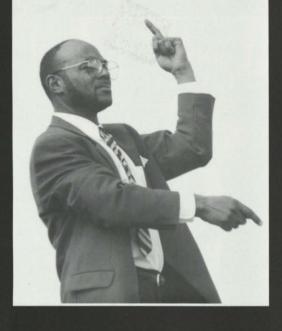




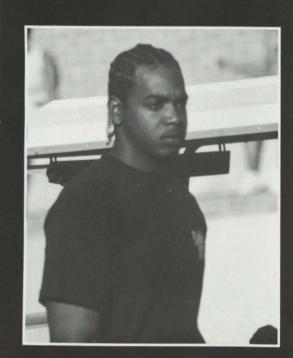


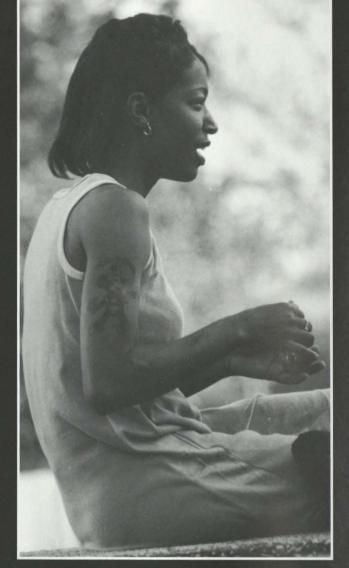


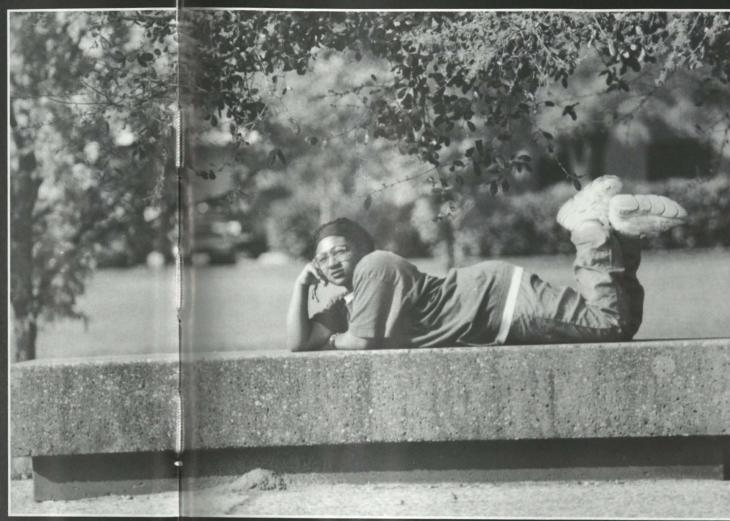












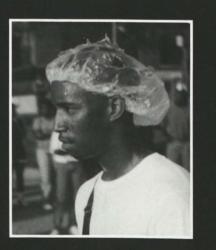






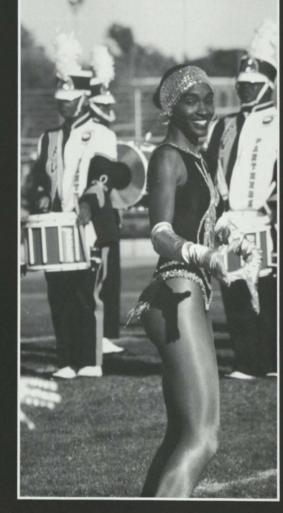


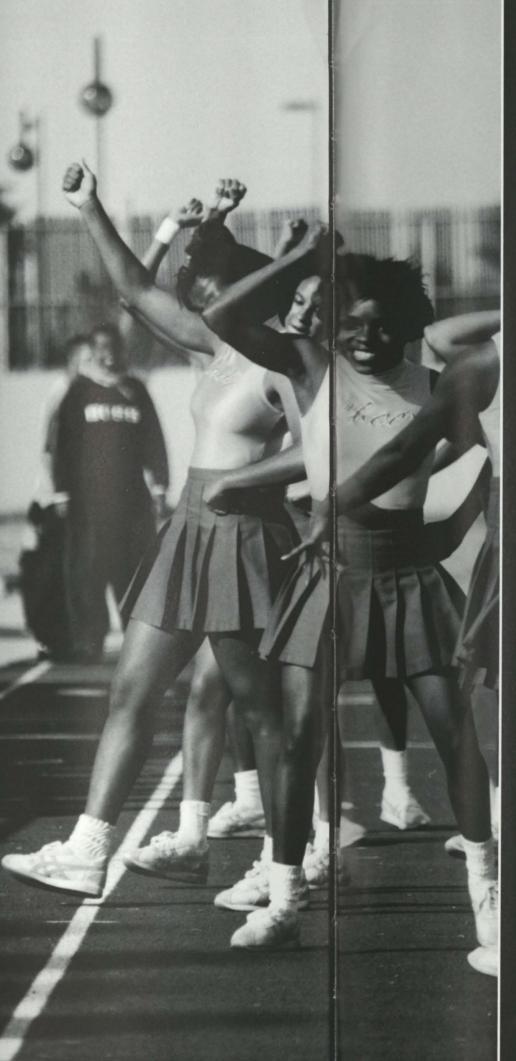










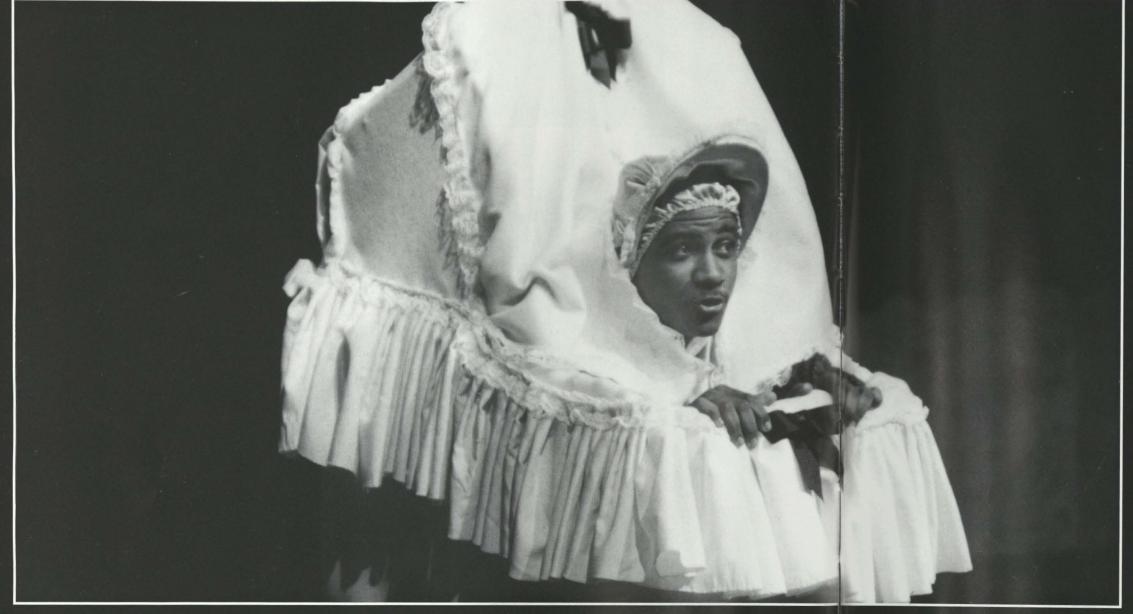












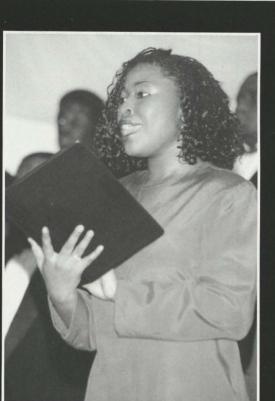






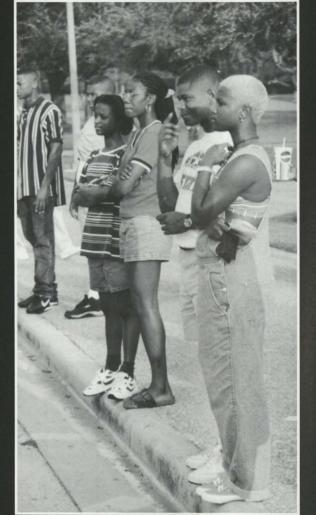


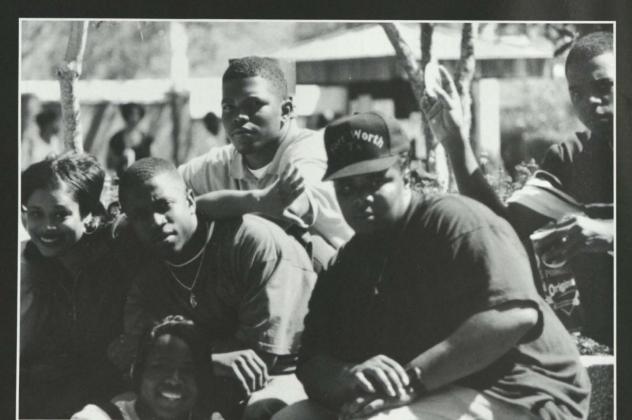




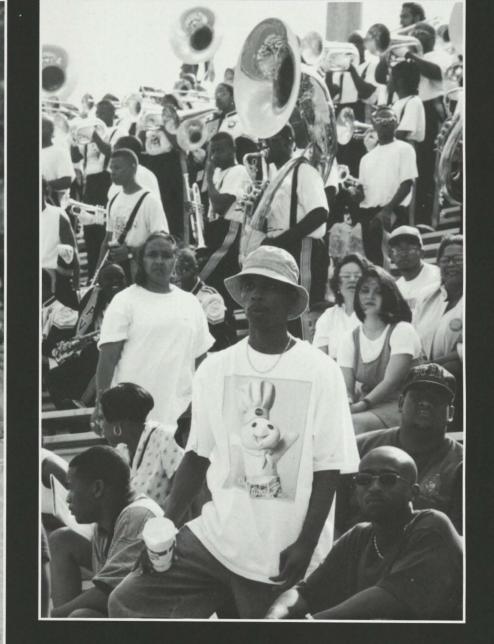




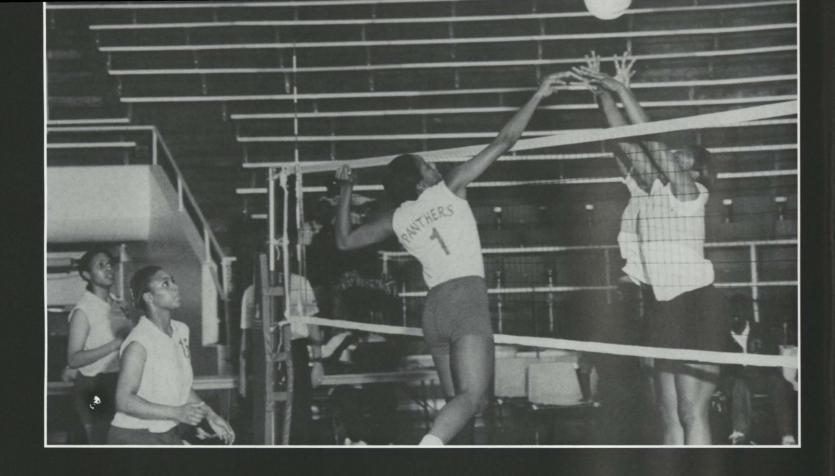


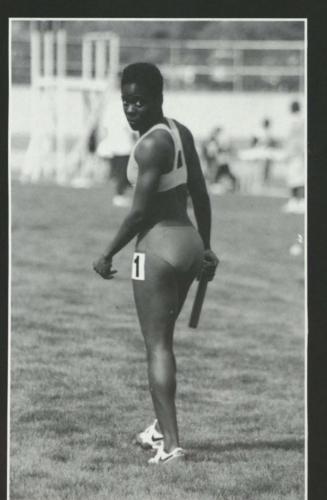


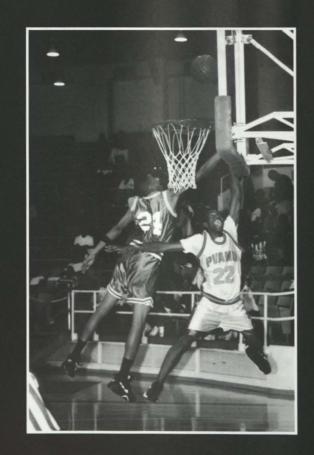


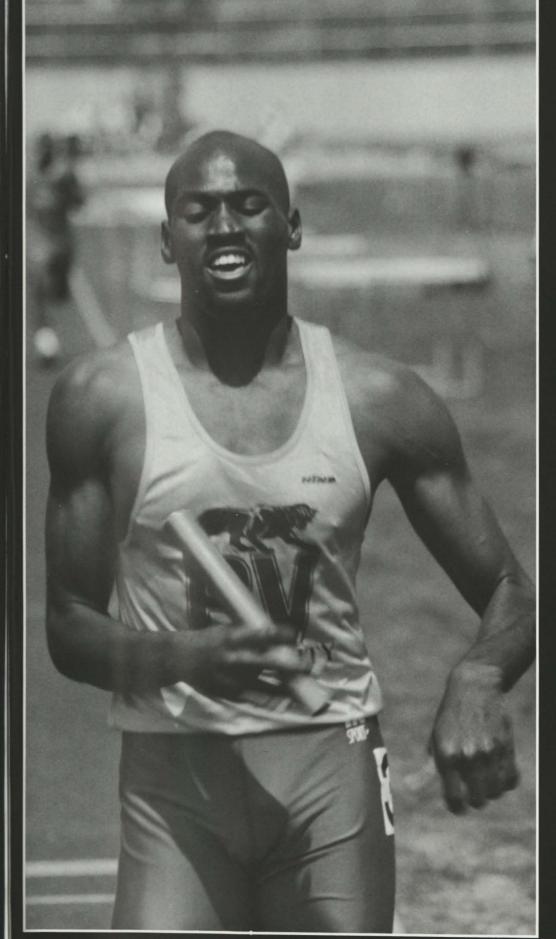












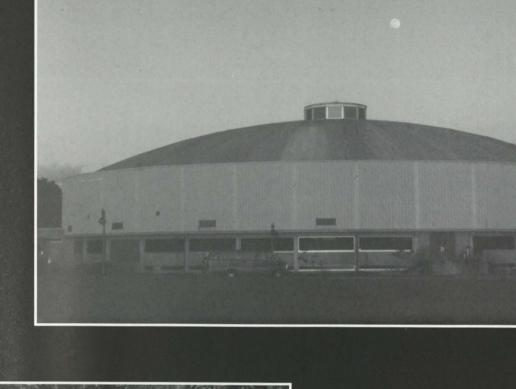






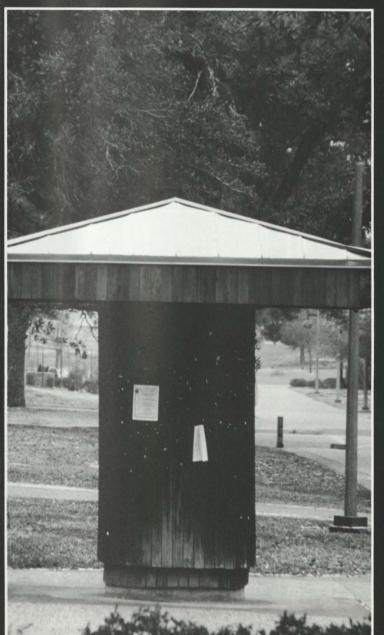
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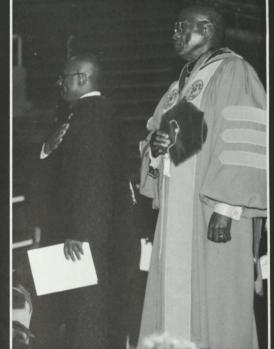


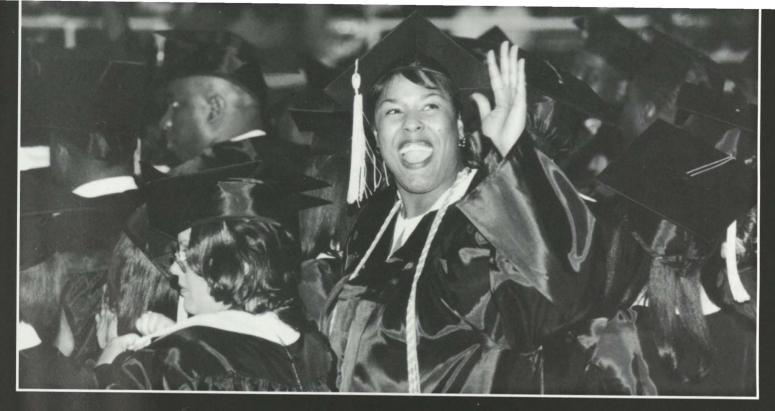


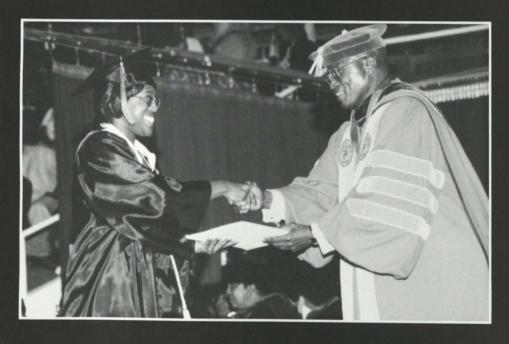


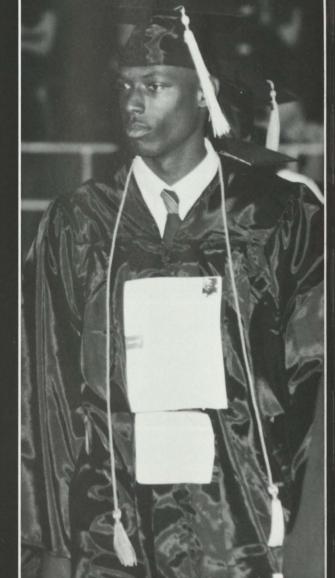
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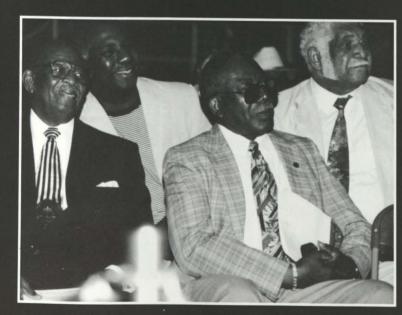


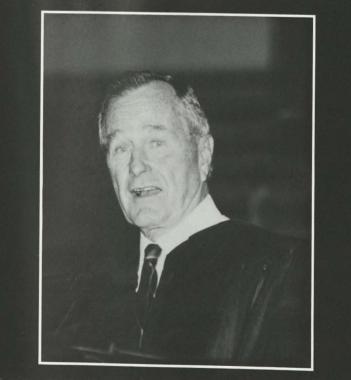


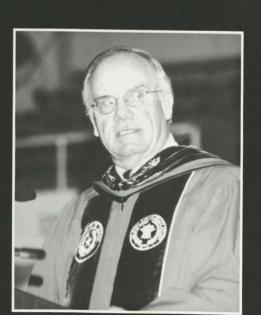




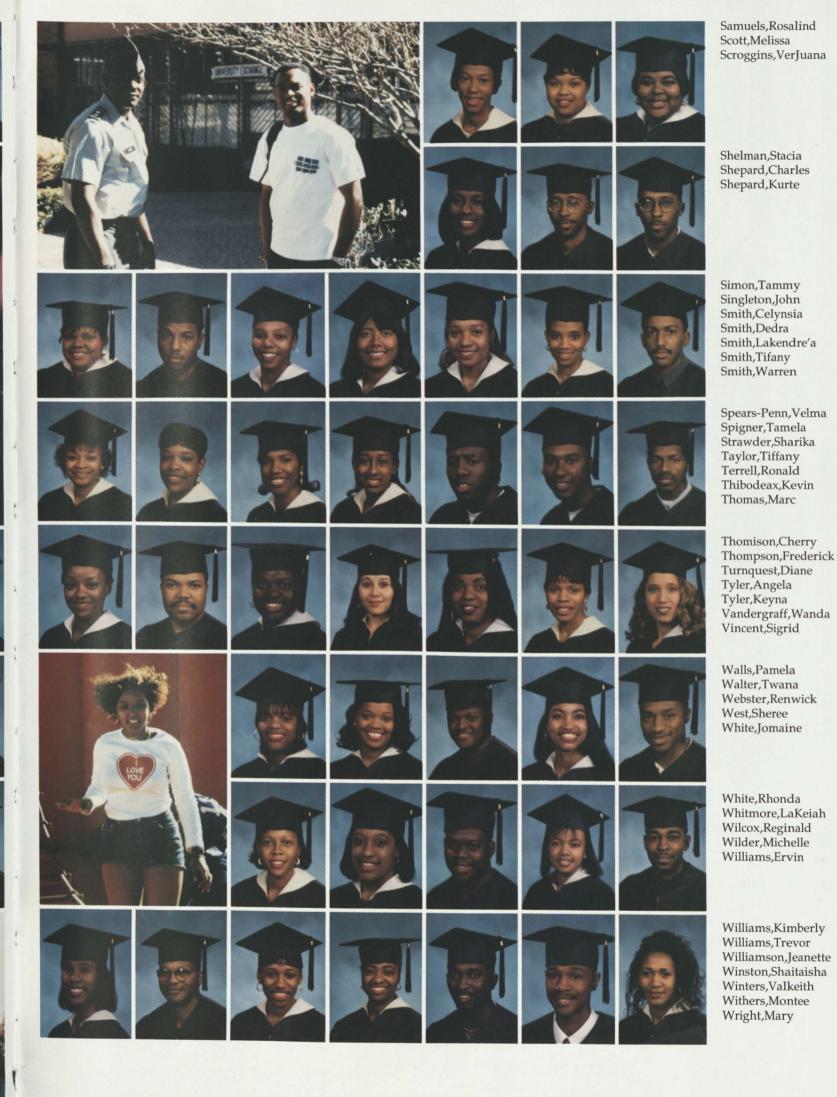




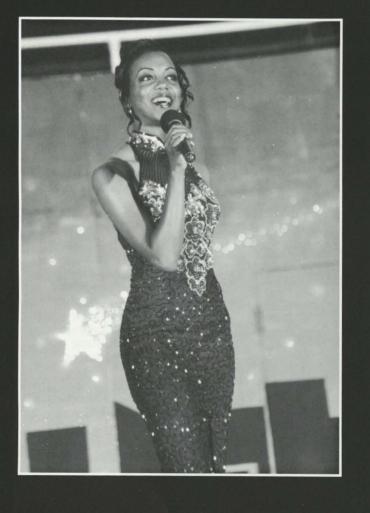




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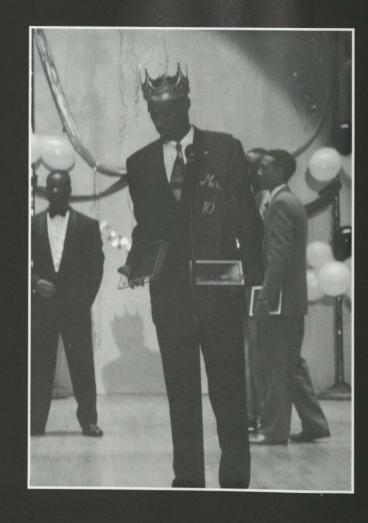
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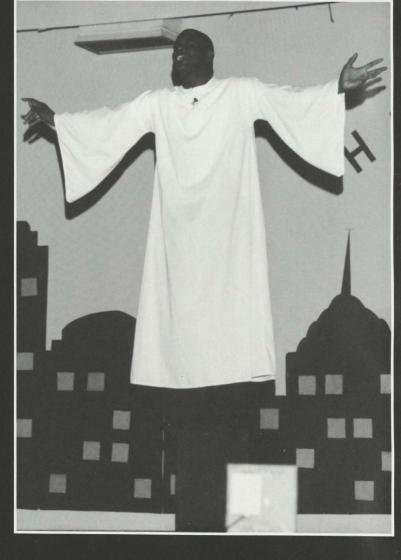














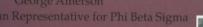
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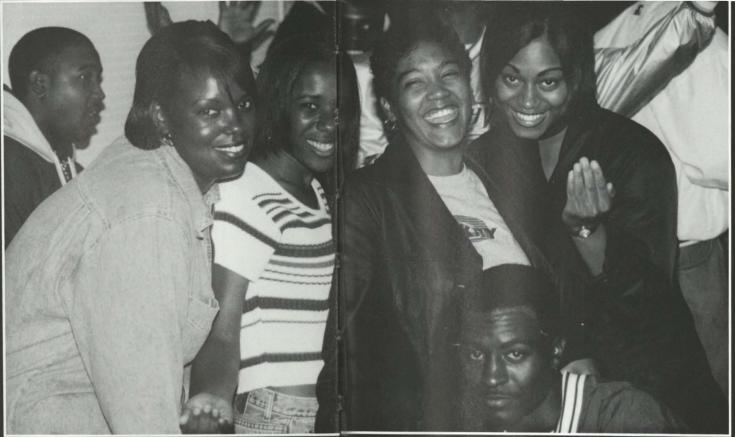
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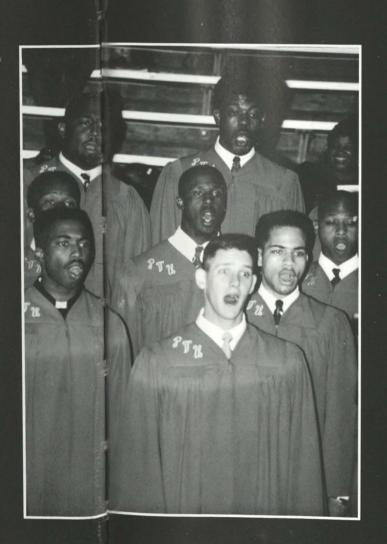
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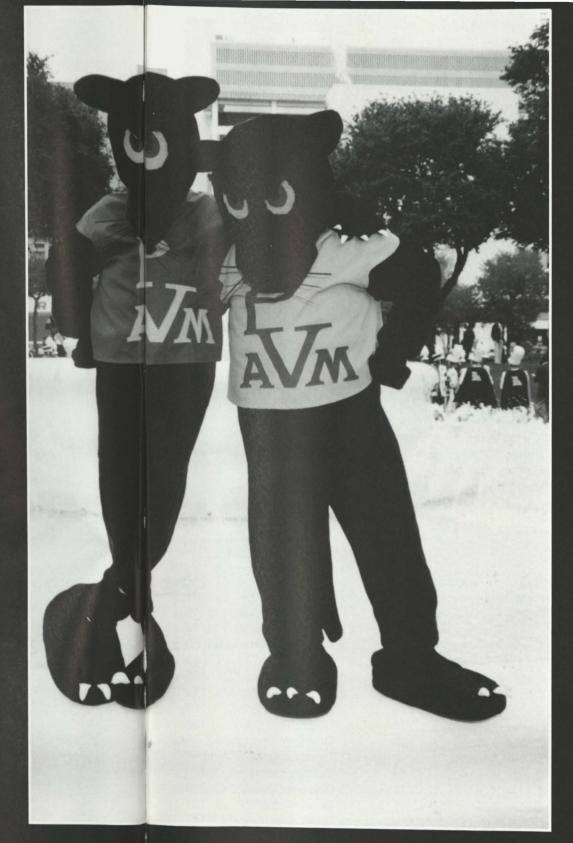


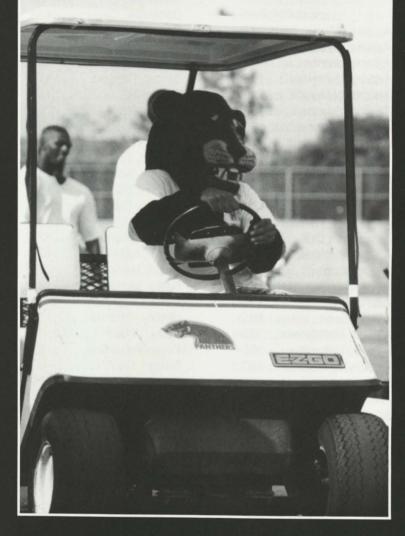














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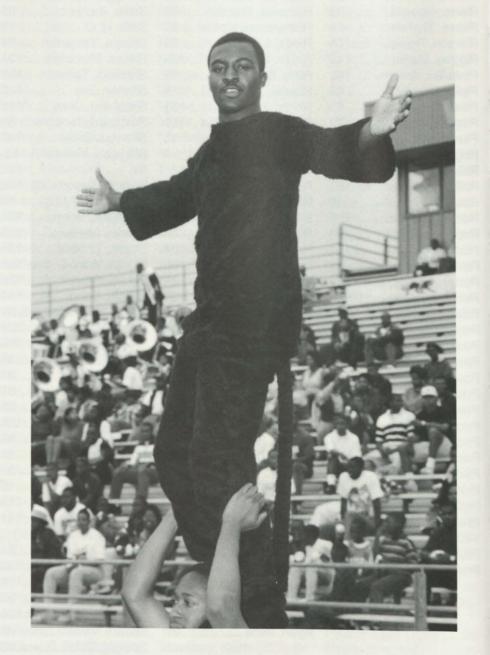
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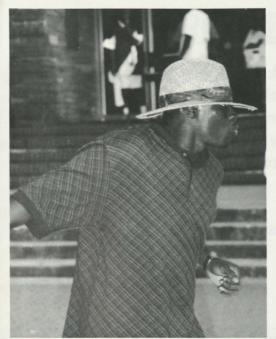
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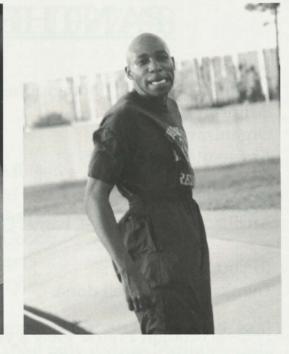
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