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*UNITED BLACK STUDENTS

The United Black Students Organization extends its warmest welcome to Western students. Good luck and best wishes for a successful semester!

THE VOICE is a new idea which we hope will aid in unifying WKU students. Let THE VOICE be your guide in planning for upcoming events.

Black History Week Agenda

Sun., Feb. 13, 6:30 p.m. Freedom
March 83. Begins at DUC, ends at
Garrett Conf. Center. The Amazing Tones of Joy will perform.
Guest speakers: Darrel Van Leer,
Dr. Charles Baker.

Mon., Feb. 14. United Black Students Dress Up Day. Martin Luther King Petition Drive to mark his birth date.

Tue., Feb. 15. Art display by Cecil Withrow, DUC.

Wed., Feb. 16. One-on-One Basket-ball Tournament. Call Carl Mason, 748-4681, for details.

Fri., Feb. 18. Greek display, DUC. Sat., Feb. 19. UCB & UBS Dance.

Details will be posted.

Sun., Feb. 20. Reception in DUC at 4 p.m. Speaker: Mr. Ronald Berry from Lexington, Ky.

*ALPHA KAPPA ALPHA SORORITY

The Sorors of Epsilon Zeta Chapter of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc. would like to welcome our 1983 spring pledges: Lisa, Cheryl, Pam, Portia and Monica -- luck and love always.

AKA is always on the move. Our upcoming events include:

*Valentine's Day Dance, in collaboration with Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, on Sat., Feb. 12, 1 a.m. at the Morgan Building. Admission is \$2 per person.

*In celebration of Black History month, AKA and the Afro American Players will sponsor a Black Theatrical and Musical Production, written and produced by soror Janice Higgs, on Tue., Feb. 22 at 4 p.m. Admission is free.

*12th Annual Miss Black Western Pageant on Wed., April 13. Anyone interested should contact a sorority member. More details later.

*April 11-17, AKA Sorority Week. Activities include a swimming party, annual skating party, toga party, Miss Black Western Pageant, afterpageant dance and step show. Several community projects will also be conducted.

We would also like to introduce our miniature pom-pom team called "A Touch of Class." It consists of 18 children, ages 6 to 11. They're cute, full of spirit and they represent us well.

AKA extends our congratulations to UBS and Scholastic Development on this first publication. We will support it and believe that this is a step towards black student-body unity and awareness.

*KAPPA ALPHA PSI FRATERNITY

The Epsilon Rho Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi has once again become the home of the Kappa League. The Kappa League is an organization of high school men who have gained recognition through their high school achievements. This year students from Warren East and Bowling Green High School make up the leaguers.

This semester should be very cultural, social and educational for the Kappa Leaguers. Activities include meeting with President Donald Zacharias, touring the campus radio station and attending financial aid workshops.

*PHI BETA SIGMA FRATERNITY

Phi Beta Sigma was founded on Jan. 9, 1914 at Howard University. Epsilon Theta Chapter was founded on Western's campus on December 4, 1971.

We, the Brothers of Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., strive toward "Brotherhood, Scholarship and Service."

February

Founders Day Program with Zeta Phi Beta Sorority.

Big Brothers/Big Sisters workshop. 26th -- step show, Austin Peay. March

Spring Break -- trip to Florida. 4 - 10 -- Sigma Week Regional in St. Paul, Minn.

April

3 -- Easter Egg Hunt with the children of Potter Christian Home.

We are always looking for new brothers to help express our motto, "Culture for Service and Service for Humanity."

*SIGMA GAMMA RHO SORORITY

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Inc. was founded in 1922 at Butler University in Indianapolis, Ind.

More than 350 chapters have been established throughout the U.S., Bermuda and Africa.

Sigma Gamma Rho is a nonprofit, collegiate sorority dedicated to the encouragement and promotion of high scholastic attainment, community service and improved quality of life.

The Sigma ladies of Eta Phi Chapter will be hosting Sigma Week at WKU, March 21-27. The week will consist of a series of displays, workshops, a mixer, a step show, sorority softball game and an "Aurora Step Show" (pledge class).

*BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Feb. 1, 8, 15, 22. A series of lunch-time learning films at the Kentucky Museum. 11:45 a.m.

Feb. 6, 6 p.m. Gospel singing, State Street Baptist Church. No fee, public invited.

Feb. 7, 5:30 p.m. Black Arts and Crafts Festival, Bowling Green Public Library, sponsored by the Black Student Union at Bowling Green High School.

Feb. 9, 6 p.m. Black History Banquet, State Street Baptist Church. Tickets: \$3 adult, \$1.50 children under 12.

Feb. 22, 7 p.m. Film at the Capitol Arts Center: "Two Centuries of Black American Art." Marilyn White of Western's Department of Modern Languages and Inter-Cultural Studies will be on hand to answer questions and lead a discussion.

*BLACK SCHOLASTIC ACHIEVERS HONOR CLUB OF WESTERN KENTUCKY UNIVERSITY

The Black Scholastic Achievers Honor Club (BSA) was formed during the 1981 fall semester to provide recognition and support to black and minority students at WKU who strive for excellence in academics. The club provides a forum for discussing typically encountered personal and academic problems. The club also seeks to avail its members to all resources on campus (e.g., scholarship opprotunities, career information, advisement, etc.). Criteria for membership includes a 3.0 GPA or higher and full or part-time status as an undergraduate student. For more information, call President Nancy Washington, 748-3791, or Dr. L. Alexander, club advisor.

*ALPHA PHI ALPHA

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. was the first Black Fraternity, founded Dec. 4, 1906 at Cornell University in Ithica, New York. The local chapter, Eta Rho, was founded March 25, 1971.

The Brothers of Eta Rho Chapter are presently involved in a civics project with the local American Diabetics Association.

Three musical albums will be raffled off by the brothers sometime in February.

*OTHER SPECIAL EVENTS

*March 19, DUC, the Student Development Foundation will sponsor a seminar on leadership skills.

Free of charge. Students are invited.

*April 1, 9 a.m. Minority
Career Development Workshop, DUC.
Activities include sessions on career planning, touring businesses, and informal rap sessions with professionals in various career fields.
For more information phone Shirley Malone, Office of Scholastic Development, 4242.

*DELTA SIGMA THETA SORORITY

Delta Sigma Theta is a Public Service Sorority. Our recent rush was both successful and fun. The purpose of the Sorority is to work in the community. This semester we plan to work with The Child Protection Agency, March of Dimes, Special Olympics, and Big Brothers and Big Sisters. Delta Week is March 21-27. A list of Delta Week events will be posted as the week approaches. We hope everyone will attend our events.

*THE SOUL OF BLACK SPIKITUALS

"The Soul of Black Spirituals" program will be Tue., Feb. 22, 4 p.m. at DUC Theater.

The program's purpose is to encourage awareness of black spiritual songs. The program is focused on the meanings of many well known spiritual songs. Songs such as "Steal Away" and "Swing Low Sweet Chariot" will be performed.

These songs have meaning for all people and it will be very inspirational to all who attend the program.

Out of the night that covers me, Black as a pit from pole to pole, I thank whatever Gods may be for my unconquerable soul.

In the fell clutch of circumstances, I have not whined or cried aloud, Under the bludgeoning of chance, My head is bloody, but unbowed.

Beyond this place of wrath and tears, Looms but the horror of the shade, And yet the menace of the years, Finds and shall find me unafraid.

It matters not how straight the Gale, How changed with punishment the scroll,

I am the master of my faith, I am the Captain of my soul.

Ernest Henley

I hope that future black athletes will keep a song of this nature in their hearts and souls. The road is hard and it is not going to get better any way soon, so whatever you may start, "See it through."

David Suggs Senior - Captain WKU Football Team

Woice

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