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## Yearbook Photos for 2008-2010 "Rust College Bearcat"



Campus organizations that still need to take group photos for the yearbook can do so April 7-8, 2010.

### Doxey Building

Wednesday, April 7th: 9:30 a.m.—4:00 p.m.  
Thursday, April 8th: 9:30 a.m.—2:00 p.m.

## Rust Listed in *Washington Monthly* "Top 10"



Rust College recently received a "Top 10" award from *Washington Monthly* Magazine. The award was given after Rust was ranked in the top ten of the Social Mobility category for Liberal Arts Colleges in the 2009 *Washington Monthly* College Guide.

According to the magazine, the Social Mobility score indicates the percentage of lower income students who graduate. Researchers at the magazine say they have data which tells them the percentage of a school's students on Pell Grants, "which is a good measure of a school's commitment to educating lower income kids."

Rust College ranked 57th out of 237 liberal arts colleges, which represents the combined score of the magazine's three categories: Social Mobility, Research, and Service.

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# Where Tomorrow's Leaders are Students Today

## Campus NewsBriefs

A Weekly Update of Activities at Rust College



## United Methodist NOMADS: Service to Others

### Mission Volunteers Visit Holly Springs to Renovate Rust House



Center photo—Seated left to right: Earl and Lynn McClelland, Betty Uithoven, Hazel Baker, Mary Jo and Jim Reeves.  
Standing: George and Terry Lair, NOMAD Leaders

Rust College welcomed the NOMADS (NOMADS On a Mission Active in Divine Service) mission group to Holly Springs for three weeks during the month of March. The group of eight worked to remodel the house at 305 Randolph Street. NOMADS is a mission outreach ministry of the United Methodist Church through the General Board of Global Ministries. The NOMADS program offers persons with recreational vehicles (RVs) the opportunity to share their time and skills in United Methodist projects, including churches, camps, mission agencies, disaster areas, and local neighborhoods.

All from different parts of the country—Michigan, Tennessee, Illinois, and Pennsylvania—most of the mission volunteers only met each other when they arrived in Holly Springs. Group leaders George and Terry Lair have been involved in NOMADS for eight years and have more than 50 projects under their belt. Other volunteers have as many as 30 projects done; working three to five projects a year. The Lairs and volunteer Hazel Baker are full-time NOMADS, having sold their homes, and who travel from city to city by RV.

Mary Jo Reeves says she and her husband decided to come to Holly Springs and Rust College after hearing the Rust A'Cappella Choir perform at her church, First United Methodist, in Marietta, Georgia. She said when they began the project on Randolph Street, there were only four volunteers. After seeing the deteriorated home with—among other problems—floors that had fallen through and a bathroom in terrible shape, they decided they needed some help.

"We sent out an SOS, and once we did, four more people came to help," said Mrs. Reeves. (cont'd page 2)



### C.O.P.E. Center Receives Grant: Students Travel To Orlando for Training Academy

*Submitted by Dr. Juanita Seals-Jones*

The C.O.P.E. Center at Rust College is excited to share that they have received another Dr. Lonnie E. Mitchell Policy Academy grant, in the amount of \$10,000, which is supported by the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration (SAMHSA). Rust College was one of 17 HBCUs that was supported by SAMHSA in an effort to identify behavioral health priorities, define outcomes that will move the priorities forward, formulate a sustainable plan to achieve the outcomes and implement and measure the impact of their plans. The Policy Academy involves three stages to help teams plan and implement the pilot projects. They are Laying the Groundwork, Academy and Action Plan Implementation.

Rust College’s team consisted of the Project Director and grant recipient, Dr. Juanita Seals-Jones, Director of First Year Experience and C.O.P.E. Center; Mr. John Peaches, faculty leader; Mr. Greg O’Ryan Johnson, student leader, Ms. Darjai Payne, Sophomore Class Vice President; Ms. Crystal Jones, Junior Class Vice President and Mr. LaKendric Williams, Student Government Association Chaplin.



The team traveled to Orlando, Florida where they participated in the Academy on March 15-17, 2010. The two and a half day Academy featured town hall style meetings, a marketplace, and concurrent breakout sessions focused on the two themes of leadership and partnership.

*Pictured Standing from left to right: Greg O’Ryan Johnson, LaKendric Williams and Mr. John Peaches. Seated from left to right: Darjai Payne, Dr. Juanita Seals-Jones and Crystal Jones.*

*NOMADS cont’d*

Simply helping out is the main component of being involved in NOMADS.

“We enable agencies to carry on their mission,” said Hazel Baker.

This is the second visit to Rust College and Holly Springs for Earl and Lynn McClelland. Mr. McClelland says the last time he came to Rust, he fixed the lighting above the pool in the McMillan Multi-Purpose Center.

The group will leave Holly Springs and go their separate ways on Friday, April 2—some to the next project, and others traveling back home or to visit family. When not working and helping others, they like to spend time with grandchildren. Mrs. Lair says she is looking forward to baking cookies for her grandkids, while Mrs. Reeves says her grandchildren have already summoned her to help tie-dye T-shirts.

A jovial group, the NOMADS have made much progress on the home they are renovating and Rust College thanks them.

*For information on NOMADS and their projects, visit [www.nomadsumc.org](http://www.nomadsumc.org).*



*Mary Jo Reeves, Jim Reeves, and Betty Uithoven working in one of the bedrooms.*



### Rust Hosts Budgetball Tournament

Students were able to have fun and learn the importance of financial planning by participating in a Budgetball Tournament held Thursday, March 25. Budgetball is an active sport of quick passes, tough defense, and bold comebacks designed to increase awareness of the national debt and reward strategic thinking and collaborative problem-solving around the issues of fiscal responsibility.



*Mr. John House, with his Budgetball team, “House of Pain”.*

Eight Budgetball teams participated in the tournament: “Young Money”, “House of Pain”, “Recession”, “Crème de la Crème”, “Money Makers”, “Debt Busters”, and “Apple Jacks” consisted of students who major in the different Divisions at Rust College. Each team had to make decisions on the type of strategy and defense they would use. Some challenges that the teams faced were hoping on one leg while in possession of the ball, and wearing hats, oven mitts, and floating tubes while playing.



*Left to right: Dr. Bryna Helfer, Sr. Dir. of Civic Engagement, NAPA; Pasquail Cook, Rust Budgetball Scholar; and Sharron Goodman-Hill, Budgetball faculty advisor.*

Visiting Rust to help with the tournament was Dr. Bryna Helfer, Senior Director of Civic Engagement at the National Academy of Public Administration (NAPA) in Washington, D.C. Dr. Helfer, along with Mrs. Sharron Goodman-Hill, Budgetball Advisor and student Pasquail Cook, Budgetball Scholar, coordinated the tournament and acted as announcers during the games.

According to Dr. Helfer, the purpose of Budgetball is “to get students engaged in economic responsibility through a combination of fiscal and physical strategy.” She also said it helps students to think about bringing fiscal responsibility to the community.

Rust is one of ten HBCU participants. Budgetball is sponsored by a grant through the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education (NAFEO).



*Teams discuss strategy before the game begins.*



*Hats and floating tubes were part of strategies the teams implemented.*



*Dr. Helfer discusses the benefits of Budgetball with Dean Carolyn Hymon.*