Step Nine: The Challenge

Last Thursday, Rust College President David L. Beckley, addressed the Class of 2013 and encouraged them to take full advantage of the academic programs and services provided during their stay at Rust.

Dr. Beckley encouraged each student, some whom he called by name, to finish the race, and embrace the future.

“Rust College salutes each student of the Class of 2013 for choosing education as the key to preparing leaders for tomorrow,” said Dr. Beckley.

Dr. Beckley was joined by members of his executive council, Dr. Ishmell H. Edwards, Vice-President, Dr. Sheila Flemming-Hunter, Vice President for Academic Affairs, Mrs. Carolyn Hymen, Dean of Students, Dr. Paul C. Lampley, Vice President for Assessment, Mr. Don Manning-Miller, Vice President for Finance, and Mr. Johnny B. McDonald, the outgoing Director of Enrollment Services.

Chaplin Brenda McCaskill, Miss Rust—Elect 2009-2010 Cynthia Smith, and Ha-kim Ameen, SGA President-Elect 2009-2010 also took part in the Rites of Passage ceremony. The ceremony concluded with the lighting of the candles at the Shrine.

The President’s Opening Convocation is scheduled for Thursday, September 10, at 2:40 p.m. in the Doxey Fine Arts Center—Morehouse Auditorium.

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Jayme Gipson
significant changes in
someone’s life when a
doctor has given up
on a difficult case.

Career advice: When
searching for a career,
make sure you enjoy your
work.

Most satisfying career
moment: I have a patient
who has a very difficult
time walking and cannot
stand to be touched -- it is
even.

A result of treatments
the patient
was able to walk without
the use of a cane and can
now be touched without it
hurting.

Also, the patient
was on several
blood pressure
medications and has
been able to decrease the
intake amount.

Person I most admire:
Without even thinking
about it, most definitely it
is my mother. My mother
always taught me that
when you find a genu-
inely good person, hold on
to them. In saying that, I
absolutely love studying the
Bible, hanging out with my
friends, reading about
my craft and spending time
with my husband.

Hobbies: Friendships are
very important to me.
Another person that I have
grown to admire is my
mentor, Dr. Alan Arstikaitis.

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young man, and I have
learned and grown so much
from working in this office.

I just really admire all the
hard work he has done for
chiropractic in Memphis.

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Last book read: “The
Laws of Thinking,” by
Bishop E. Bernard Jordan.

 Favorite film: “The Pur-
suit of Happiness”

Where is your favorite
vacation spot: Cruises are
the way to go. I absolutely
love being on the water;

it is so peaceful and relax-
ing, and it gives you a
chance to get away without
anyone bothering you --
basically no cares in the
world.

What is something about
yourself that most people
don’t know: I am very
patriotic and I despise poli-
ticians. “If you don’t stand
behind our troops, stand in
front of them!”

Change I would like to
see: There are a lot of
changes I would like to see,
but if I have to pick one,
it would be the way
society approaches health.
We are taught as children
that health is how we feel,
but that is not a true state-
ment. Health is how your
body is functioning. So the
change that I would like to
see is people leaning more
toward non-allopathic
treatments.
The Buck stops here

Brigetta Buck, 21, knew at an early age that she had to work hard academically in order to get into college.

The Sarah, Miss. native grew up 20 miles south of Senatobia, Miss. and attended Coldwater High School. Accounting was her favorite subject, and good grades led her to Rust College.

“I knew that I had to go to college to get enough hours to obtain my CPA license,” said Buck, who came to Rust in the fall of 2006.

Rewarded for her academic devotion, Buck was the recipient of the Land Bank of North Mississippi/Farm Credit Bank Scholarship Fund which will partially fund her four years at Rust, a value worth approximately $2,500 annually.

“Both my best friend and high school sweetheart were attending Rust, so I decided to apply. I was fortunate enough to receive an academic scholarship,” said Buck, a senior majoring in Business Education with a minor in Accounting.

Rust is on the modular system, which is just fine with Brigetta.

Without a college education it would be almost impossible for anyone to get a job. Education is one of the most important things in life,” said Buck, who has maintained a 3.44 GPA.

After completing her degree at Rust, Buck is looking forward to graduate school, becoming a CPA, and teaching.

Career Spotlight: Dr. Jayme Gipson, Chiropractic physician, Chiropractic Memphis

Since 2005, Holly Springs, Rust College and the Clean Hands Coalition have celebrated International Clean Hands Week.

We promote a very special message: Clean Hands Save Lives… Everyday.

Hand-washing is the single most important act you can do to prevent getting sick and making others sick. It is estimated at this time that more than 90,000 deaths are expected this flu season. The Centers for Disease Control (CDC) estimates that 5,000 people die each year from food-borne illness. 78 million people become ill and between 79,000 and 96,000 die from hospital infections each year. A direct link to many of these deaths is poor hand-washing.

Wash your hands: before you eat, after you use the bathroom, before, during and after preparing or handling raw food, after blowing your nose, coughing, or sneezing.

You are invited to share your ideas for activities to raise awareness in our homes, schools, churches and the Marshall County community.

For further information (and sharing ideas), please contact: Rust College (662) 252-8000 X4900 Nurse Jacqueline Jones, Director, Student Health Services.