Opportunity to Receive a Free Bible

Tyndall House Publishers is offering free “Bound for Glory Parallel Bibles to the college community.” In order to receive the Bible please PRINT your name on one of the lists that will be posted in the Library, Cafeteria, Post Office, Book Store, and Chapel. ONLY SIGN ONE LIST AND ONLY SIGN ONCE.

The week of November 7, 2011 will be your last chance to receive this free gift.

Announcements

IN CASE OF EMERGENCY...

Emergency notifications for students, faculty and staff will be handled by mass email, Channel 19, WURC 88.1 FM, RC-TV2, and campus loud speakers. If you would like to receive emergency notifications by text message, please submit your cell phone number to Mrs. Carolyn Hymon, Dean of Students. The numbers will be used for emergencies only and will not be distributed.

Emergency Numbers:
Security office: 662-252-8090
Security guard on duty: 662-216-3429

In case of emergency...

Rust College Students to Host Breast Cancer Awareness Events

October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. The Human Growth and Development Class at Rust College is sponsoring a number of events to honor breast cancer survivors and promote breast cancer awareness.

A Round Table Discussion on breast cancer awareness will be held Friday, October 7. The community is invited to come out and speak with breast cancer survivors on a wide range of topics about living with and treating breast cancer. The Round Table Discussion will be held in Heard Auditorium of the McCarty-Vannell B.C.S. Building on campus. Light refreshments will be served.

The annual Walk-a-Thon for Breast Cancer will be held Saturday, October 8 at the Eddie L. Smith Multi-Purpose Center, 235 North Memphis Street in Holly Springs, Mississippi. This annual Walk-a-Thon helps raise money for breast cancer awareness and research. A $1.00 donation is encouraged. Proceeds will go to the Sisters Network® Inc., a national African American Breast Cancer Survivorship Organization. Sisters Network® Inc. is committed to increasing local and national attention to the devastating impact that breast cancer has in the African American community.

For more information on the annual Walk-a-Thon for Breast Cancer, or if you are a breast cancer survivor and would like to participate in the Round Table Discussion, please contact Martha Stovall, 901-246-9086, or Monique Lewis, 662-252-8000 ext. 4352.

New Cases of Breast Cancer in African American Women Increasing

Breast cancer is the most commonly diagnosed cancer among African American women. An estimated 26,840 new cases of breast cancer are expected to occur among African American women in 2011. The overall incidence rate of breast cancer is 10% lower in African American women than in white women. Among younger women (under age 45), however, the incidence is higher in African Americans than in whites. Breast cancer incidence rates increased rapidly among African American women during the 1980s, largely due to increased detection as the use of mammography screening increased. Incidence rates stabilized among African American women aged 50 and older during 1995-2005, while rates decreased by 0.7% per year among women under age 50 from 1991-2005.

At this time, there is no guaranteed way to prevent breast cancer, which is why regular mammograms are so important. A woman’s best overall preventive health strategy is to reduce her known risk factors as much as possible by avoiding weight gain and obesity, engaging in regular physical activity, and minimizing alcohol intake. Women should consider the increased risk of breast cancer associated with menopausal hormone therapy (MHT) use when evaluating treatment options for menstrual symptoms. More information about breast cancer is available in the American Cancer Society publication Breast Cancer Facts & Figures, available online at www.cancer.org.

Source: sistersnetwork.org

Dr. Ishnell Edwards, Vice President for College Relations
Ms. Adrienne Phillips, Public Relations Specialist
Dr. David L. Beckley, ’67, President
Mensa, the high IQ society, provides a forum for intellectual exchange among its members. There are members in more than 100 countries around the world. Activities include the exchange of ideas through lectures, discussions, journals, special-interest groups, and local, regional, national and international gatherings; the investigations of members' opinions and attitudes; and assistance to researchers, inside and outside Mensa, in projects dealing with intelligence or Mensa. Mensa has three stated purposes: to identify and foster human intelligence for the benefit of humanity, to encourage research in the nature, characteristics and uses of intelligence, and to promote stimulating intellectual and social opportunities for its members. Membership in Mensa is open to persons who have attained a score within the upper two percent of the general population on an approved intelligence test that has been properly administered and supervised. There is no other qualification or disqualification for initial membership eligibility. Generally, there are two ways to prove that you qualify for Mensa: either take the Mensa test, or submit a qualifying test score from another test. There are a large number of intelligence tests that are "approved".

For more information on MENSA, visit www.us.mensa.org. For more information on the upcoming MENSA test, contact Dr. Nellie Smith, 662-252-8000 ext. 4552.

ATTENTION!
IMPORTANT FINANCIAL AID INFORMATION
Rust College NEW Loan Disbursement and Refund Policy
EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

LOAN DISBURSEMENTS
For students who have less than 30 hours, loans will be disbursed to the College in two equal payments for the fall and spring semesters on the following dates:

2011 Fall Semester
1st payment...............September 26, 2011
2nd payment...............November 21, 2011

2012 Spring Semester
1st payment...............January 17, 2012
2nd payment...............March 19, 2012

REFUNDS
If the student account shows a credit balance after a payment has been applied to the student’s college expenses (tuition, room and board, etc.), a refund check will then be issued to the student no later than 14 days after the credit balance has been noted. Students MUST be enrolled in at least six hours each module at the time refund checks are disbursed.

Rust College Theatre Guild Presents Obituary Blues
The Rust College Theatre Guild will open the season with the world premiere of Obituary Blues by Von H. Washington, Sr. The National Black Theatre Festival established Conversation at Midnight, a stage reading of new plays by new and established playwrights. The play, Obituary Blues was presented as a stage reading at the 2011 National Black Theatre Festival. Rust College scored big time getting the rights to the play. Theatre Guild director and instructor John A. House is excited to have his students present the play.

“I attended the stage reading of the play and I liked the play. Von [Washington] and I talked about the play and Rust College was given the rights to present the world premiere. I am thrilled to be the first to direct the play,” said Mr. House.

Obituary Blues tells the story of members of the Women’s Auxiliary Committee. The ladies have gathered to finalize plans for their yearly outlay of money to the poor. However, on this occasion, they also have to make a decision about an unexpected monetary gift left by a recently deceased member of the committee. During the discussion, several secrets are revealed about the unexpected gift.

The cast includes Tamika G; Balentine as Sister Larose; Naomi Rahn as Sister Sylvia; Neuman Savage as Sister Mona; Juunita Lackey as Gladys; Joneses Rois as Sister Phyllis and Nigel Chimbetete as Brother Duke. Obituary Blues will open on October 7 at 8:00 p.m. followed by performances on Saturday, October 8 at 8:00 p.m. and Sunday, October 9 at 3:00 p.m. The public is invited and admission is FREE!