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“Do Right!”

What a simple, seemingly obvious, message that Senator Tim Kaine delivered to the VSU Spring graduating class.

Do Right. It’s very easy in principle, but much more difficult when an individual, or institution, is faced with a situation in which Doing Right may mean enduring the slings and arrows of those who feel that “doing loud” or “doing now”, trumps Doing Right.

As an institution, there is so much for which we are rightfully proud! By institution, I mean everyone associated with Virginia State University – our students, our alumni; our faculty; and our administration. We are a family dedicated to Doing Right.

In this issue of VSU Magazine, you’ll read many stories of “Doing Right.” Senator Kaine exemplifies Doing Right, as a public servant, missionary and family man. He started by working in his own neighborhood and has moved toward “Doing Right” around the world. We are a community that consistently asks what we are doing for others. As we aim to serve, we are “doing right.” Doing right is being embedded into the VSU culture.

Our Trojan student-athletes certainly “Did Right” in competition, winning several CIAA championships, earning national rankings and capturing coach- and player-of-the-year honors in several sports. More importantly, our student-athletes made us proud by “Doing Right” in the classroom and in the community. Forty-one percent of our Trojan student-athletes earned “Scholar-Athlete”

status with at least a 3.0 grade point average. VSU athletes have the CIAA’s highest graduation rate and the fourth highest graduation rate in the NCAA Division II Atlantic Region. Our student-athletes spend countless hours mentoring elementary school students and volunteering with food banks and other organizations, helping to build a better community. They are “Doing Right” in multiple ways.

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With recent developments in Nigeria, Doing Right for our world’s young girls takes on new meaning. Associate Professor of sociology, social work and criminal justice Dr. C. Nana Derby was awarded a prestigious Fulbright U.S. Scholar Grant to teach and conduct research on human trafficking, with

a special focus on child domestic servitude in that beleaguered country. Her work will bring new meaning to Doing Right for countless young girls and their families.

Finally, welcome home to Col. Charles Hamilton of the U.S. Army’s 101st Sustainment Brigade. Col. Hamilton recently returned from his third tour in Afghanistan. His service to his troops and country personifies the commitment to Doing Right embedded into every VSU ROTC cadet. We are proud and humbled by the service of Col. Hamilton and the 100s of young men and women who began their military careers with the gold bars of the VSU Trojan Warrior Battalion.

“Do Right.” This is our commitment and our promise.

Dr. Keith T. Miller
President, Virginia State University

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Dr. C. Nana Derby (in VSU Shirt) with some of the student beneficiaries of her Fulbright project: the director and field assistant, tutors of the school the students attended, two student interns from Canada's McGill University and a cross section of parents she addressed.

Dr. Nana Derby receives Fulbright Scholar Grant

Virginia State University faculty member C. Nana Derby, Ph.D. has been awarded a prestigious Fulbright U.S. Scholar Grant for the 2014-2015 academic year. Dr. Derby is an Associate Professor in VSU's department of sociology, social work and criminal justice. She will teach and conduct research from January 2015 through August 2015 on human trafficking, with a special focus on child domestic servitude in Nigeria. "This is a great opportunity for to represent VSU in Africa and at the national level," said Dr. Derby.

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Dr. Derby said the project's long-term goals are the protection of vulnerable women and children and the prevention of trafficking and child domestic servitude in Ghana. Project activities consist of a media campaign and partnerships with governmental and nongovernmental agencies to protect vulnerable women and children, prevent trafficking for purposes of domestic servitude and others and to collaborate with the police and courts to prosecute offenders. She projects that 300 beneficiaries will be removed from servitude and reunited with their parents or families in their communities of origin, and subsequently enrolled in schools or some type of apprentice training to reduce their vulnerabilities to future trafficking and servitude.

As a Fulbright Scholar, Dr. Derby joins the ranks of distinguished scholars and professionals worldwide who are leaders in the educational, political, economic, social and cultural lives of their countries. Dr. Derby was selected, in part, because she demonstrated the qualities of excellence and leadership that have been the hallmarks of this respected international academic exchange program founded in 1946 by the U.S. Government.

Dr. C. Nana Derby receives INTERNATIONAL DISTINGUISHED SCHOLAR AWARD

Virginia State University faculty member C. Nana Derby, Ph.D. was recently named by the Association of Behavioral and Social Sciences as one of four, American, McGraw Hill Distinguished Scholar Award winners. Dr. Derby is an Associate Professor in VSU's department of sociology, social work and criminal justice.

Dr. Derby currently serves as President of the Virginia Social Science Association. Last year, she was appointed Associate Editor of the *Ethnographic and Qualitative Research Journal*. She also served as the Editor for this year's Ethnographic and Qualitative Research Conference and of the American Association of Behavioral and Social Sciences.

Recipients of the McGraw Hill Distinguished Scholar Award are drawn from early, middle or senior career statuses. Peer-reviewed publications and paper presentations at national, juried research conferences are given particular weight when considering nominees.

Among nominees who qualify in scholarship, particular consideration is given to individuals with regular AABSS attendance and/or who have assisted with the conference. Award recipients must attend the keynote luncheon when the award is formally bestowed. As an acknowledgement of the recipient's achievement, McGraw Hill provides a free book from their comprehensive catalogue of publications (inside or outside of the recipient's teaching field).

In addition to Dr. Derby, this year's awardees were Professor Lorenzo Cherubini of Brock University, Canada; Emeritus Professor Laurence French of Western New Mexico State University; and Professor Robert J. Griffore of Michigan State University.

Two students earn GILMAN STUDY ABROAD SCHOLARSHIPS

VSU students Chelsea J. Harris, a senior; and Lillian Coffey, a junior were recently selected to receive the prestigious Benjamin A. Gilman International Scholarship.



Chelsea J. Harris



Lillian Coffey

Harris and Coffey will participate in a Hospitality and Tourism Management International Internship program in Chengdu, China, during the spring and summer 2014 academic terms. In addition to studying Mandarin language, the students will complete courses in Global Issues and Tourism, Chinese Food and Culture and Multinational Business in China. Their program will be completed with an 18-week internship at an international luxury hotel in Chengdu.

A resident of Charlotte, NC, Coffey is treasurer of the VSU Chapter of the National Society of Minorities in Hospitality. Her career goal is to become a general manager of a luxury hotel. Harris, a resident of Glen Allen, VA, was a recent inductee into the VSU College of Agriculture Honor Society and the Eta Sigma Delta International Hospitality Honor Society. She is pursuing a career in lodging operations management.

Gilman Scholars receive up to \$5,000 to apply toward their study abroad program costs. A limited number of Critical Need Language Scholarships are given each year for a total award of \$8,000. Scholarship recipients have the opportunity to gain a better understanding of other cultures, countries, languages and economies.

The Gilman Scholarship Program is sponsored by the U.S. Department of State Bureau of Educational and Cultural Affairs and administered by the Institute of International Education (IIE) in Houston, TX. The program brings diversity to study abroad participants and the countries and regions in which they study.

Benjamin A. Gilman retired in 2002 after serving 30 years in the U.S. House of Representatives, during which time he chaired the House Foreign Relations Committee.

For questions about the Gilman Scholarship application process, contact Dr. Maxine Sample, Director of International Education and the Gilman Scholarship Program Campus Advisor, at msample@vsu.edu or 804-524-5986.



Eric Spiegel, President and CEO of Siemens Corp. USA (L) presents VSU President Keith T. Miller with a plaque designating VSU as a Siemens Academic Partner

Siemens awards VSU \$105 million



Siemens has awarded Virginia State University \$105.6 million in software that will support six technology-focused programs. The VSU award was part of more than \$1 billion of in-kind software grants Siemens presented to manufacturing programs at community colleges and universities in Virginia. The awards were presented at the Commonwealth Center for Advanced Manufacturing, of which Siemens is a founding corporate member and VSU is a founding university partner. The VSU software grant will support student research in Manufacturing Engineering, Computer Engineering, Computer Science, Electronics Engineering Technology, Logistics Technology and Mechanical Engineering Technology.

The software grant provides VSU students with access to the same Siemens product lifecycle management (PLM) software used throughout the global manufacturing industry to design, develop and manufacture some of the world's most sophisticated products in a variety of industries, including automotive, aerospace, consumer products, medical devices, machinery, shipbuilding, apparel and high-tech electronics.

"This grant allows our students to train on the cutting edge of technology," said VSU President Keith T. Miller. "This software will allow students to see things from a different perspective and discover the possibilities in advanced manufacturing."

"Organizations like Siemens and VSU have to work together to build the synergy we need to compete in a global environment..."

The series of in-kind grants was established as a result of an industry need for skilled workers and is designed to support the state's largest industrial employer, Newport News Shipbuilding, a division of Huntington Ingalls Industries, and other companies with local ties such as Rolls-Royce. The grants are part of ongoing workforce development collaboration among community colleges, universities and organizations like CCAM, the Virginia Manufacturers Association and the Southern Virginia Higher Education Center – an organization that provides workforce training to the rural population.

"The manufacturing industry in America is on the rise and is being transformed by a software revolution that is enhancing productivity, increasing efficiency and speeding time to market," said Chuck Grindstaff, president and CEO, Siemens PLM Software.

President Miller heralded the grant as a direct benefit of the partnerships CCAM was established to foster. "Organizations like Siemens and VSU have to work together to build the synergy we need to compete in a global environment," he said.

more than
in advanced software

Dr. Nicolle Parsons-Pollard

selected as a 2014-15 ACE Fellow

The American Council on Education has selected VSU's Dr. Nicolle Parsons-Pollard, Assistant Vice Provost for Academic Operations and Associate Professor, Sociology, Social Work and Criminal Justice, as one of 31 college and university senior faculty and administrators for the 2014-15 class of the ACE Fellows Program. She represents one of three fellows selected from a Historically Black College or University.

"I am honored to be selected as a fellow and look forward to the experience," said Dr. Parsons-Pollard.

Dr. Parsons-Pollard is the fourth VSU administrator selected as a prestigious ACE Fellow. She is the second to receive the honor while at VSU. VSU's previous ACE Fellows were: Dr. W. Weldon Hill, Vice President for Academic Affairs; Dr. Muriel Hawkins, Associate Provost for Partnerships and Engagement; and Dr. Douglas Fiore, Professor of Education and Assistant to the Provost for General and Continuing Education.

Established in 1965, the ACE Fellows Program – the longest running leadership development program in the United States – focuses on identifying and preparing the next generation of senior leadership for the nation's colleges and universities. The fellows are assigned to work for a year with a senior administrator at another institution, while also attending special educational programs. Nearly 2,000 higher education leaders have participated in the ACE Fellows Program since its inception, with more than 300 Fellows having served as chief executive officers of colleges or universities, and more than 1,300 having served as provosts, vice presidents and deans.

"For nearly 50 years, the ACE Fellows Program has transformed lives and cultivated future leaders," said Joan Wodiska, ACE vice president and chief leadership officer. "The ACE Fellows Program is unique. The program immerses Fellows in learning experiences to gain insight and understanding into the changing environment of higher education."

The ACE Fellows Program combines retreats, interactive learning opportunities, visits to campuses and other higher education-related organizations, and placement at another higher education institution to condense years of on-the-job experience and skills development into a single year.

Fellows observe and work with the president and other senior officers at their host institution, attend decision-making meetings and focus on issues of concern. They conduct projects of pressing concern for their home institution and seek to implement their findings upon completion of the fellowship year. Projects have included developing an internationalization process, designing a post-tenure review policy, strategizing to create a teaching-learning center and crafting an initiative to support the academic success of first-generation college students.

At the conclusion of the fellowship year, Fellows return to their home institution with new knowledge and skills that contribute to capacity-building efforts. Wodiska noted the diversity of this year's Fellows Program participants, by gender, race/ethnicity, institution type and disciplinary background.



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VSU students place **FIRST** IN **ROBOTICS** competition

A team of Virginia State University math and computer science undergraduate students recently finished first in the Cylinder Sorting Task category of the ARTSI 2014 robotic competition in Seattle. Another VSU undergraduate team

“Thanks to VSU, the FIRST Tech Challenge South Central event was incredible and enjoyed by teams from all over Virginia...”

placed third in the competition. ARTSI (Advancing Robotics Technology for Societal Impact) is a consortium of computer science educators working to develop an active African American robotics community and recruit underrepresented students to pursue graduate training and careers in research. ARTSI was formerly funded by the National Science Foundation’s Broadening Participation in Computing program, which now funds the Institute for African-American Mentoring in Computing Sciences (IAAMCS). IAAMCS is the sponsor of the ARTSI robotics competition.

This year’s competition required teams to develop a solution to autonomously move cylinders in a confined arena to a designated goal area. Solutions developed by VSU teams performed superbly in both simulations and in the competition arena.

VSU’s first-place team was Bruce Batson of Dinwiddie, VA; Alfree Conklin of North Augusta, GA; and Hope Gibbs of Newport News, VA.

The third-place team was Cesar Flores-Montoya of Tampa, FL; and Montrae Hill of Portland, OR.

The VSU teams were coached by mathematics and computer science professors Dr. Ju Wang and Dr. Hui Chen

In addition to their performance excellence, the VSU teams demonstrated extraordinary sportsmanship during the competition by lending equipment to other participating universities and helping them solve technical problems.

The winning VSU solutions are available on YouTube by searching “VSU Robotics Club.”

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Real Women... Real Talk, written by Paulette W. Johnson and published by FriesenPress, flows with personal truths, life experiences, provoking questions, humour, and testimonials from other women. Each of her points is highlighted with a personal life story, and Paulette's voice is clear and engaging throughout the book, and readers will close the final page with a sense of empowerment and self-realization. Paulette believes in keeping it simple, and keeping it real.

Real Women... Real Talk is available for order from FriesenPress.com/bookstore, Amazon, and most major book retailers. The eBook edition is available for download for Kindle, Barnes and Noble's Nook, Googlebooks and any .pdf enabled device.

Dr. Paulette Walker Johnson is the creator and host of a radio talk show that focuses on women's issues. She is a graduate of Morgan State University, Springfield College and Virginia Tech. Dr. Johnson is an associate professor at Virginia State University where she spent 35 years coaching the nationally recognized "Woo Woos" cheering squad. She is a member of the CIAA (Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association) Hall of Fame and a motivational speaker who lectures and facilitates workshops throughout the East Coast.

“Paulette believes in keeping it simple, and keeping it real.”

Real Women...Real Talk

“Real Women...Real Talk” is a contemporary, non-political, entertaining, not for women only, talk show featuring real women discussing real issues. The host of the show is Dr. Paulette Walker Johnson, former VSU Cheerleader coach and CIAA Hall of Famer. The show can be heard every Sunday evening, 7-8 p.m. on Virginia State University's radio station, The Source, 91.3 WVST. WVST also re-airs shows from the past every Friday, Noon-1 p.m. Aside from listening in the area, the show, and WVST, can be heard worldwide online at www.vsu.edu/wvst, or by using the free Tune In app. You can also find out more about the show, its hosts, and more online at www.realwomenrealtalk.net.

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(l to r) Agriculture Deputy Secretary Krysta Harden, First Lady of Virginia Dorothy McAuliffe and VSU College of Agriculture Dean Jewel Hairston at the White House Summit on Working Families at Virginia State University

White House Summit visits VSU

Agriculture Deputy Secretary Krysta Harden led a regional forum of the White House Summit on Working Families at Virginia State University. The forum brought together stakeholders with government and regional leaders to identify initiatives for working families and businesses in rural areas.

First Lady of Virginia Dorothy McAuliffe and Ann Marie Mehlum, Small Business Administration Associate Administrator for the Office of Capital Access also presented. This forum was part of a series of regionally hosted conversations that led up to a June 23 White House Summit on Working Families.

VSU selected to **national collaboration consortium**

Virginia State University is one of 15 Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCU) named to a national consortium to create innovation and market-ready research in HBCU communities.

The Association of Public and Land Grant Universities' HBCU Innovation and Entrepreneurship Collaborative, will pair administrators, faculty and students from the selected HBCUs with federal government and industry resources to spur economic development. The Collaborative is a cohort of 15 HBCUs (both public and private) that are committed to participating in a multi-year collaboration to foster innovation, commercialization and entrepreneurship on their respective campuses.

This collaboration, funded by The Lemelson Foundation, will build off of the momentum established by the 2013 HBCU Innovation Summit held at Stanford University.

Participating universities will have the opportunity to work in a collaborative community, seeking to increase innovation and entrepreneurship across disciplines (i.e., agriculture, business, science, mathematics, engineering and technology, etc.) in order to build an innovation ecosystem among institutions, administrators, faculty and students, the federal government and private industry. This cohort of HBCUs will be able to access current and future funding opportunities that will be available only to those universities that commit to participate in this unique collaborative.

The participating schools were selected from 44 applying institutions, and chosen based upon their existing capacity in technology transfer, federally funded research, intellectual property profile and record of collaboration between academic disciplines.

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Dr. Jewel E. Hairston receives recognition for food desert study

Dr. Jewel E. Hairston, dean of Virginia State University's College of Agriculture, was recognized recently for spearheading Cooperative Extension's study to identify and address food desert conditions existing in eight rural and urban Virginia localities. Food deserts, as defined by USDA, are areas with limited access to affordable and nutritious food. The study suggests that ignoring these issues could result in escalating health care costs to residents and epidemic rates of adult and childhood obesity. In acknowledgement of her leadership role, the Virginia Food Systems Council presented Hairston the Sustainable Table Award during the annual Virginia Urban Agriculture Summit held in Lynchburg.



THE BEAT GOES ON:

Band Boosters discover old uniforms bring new funds

In a spacious sewing lab in Gandy Hall, five students enrolled in the Textiles, Apparel and Merchandising Management (TAMM) program are huddled around heaps of deconstructed band uniforms, carefully analyzing various parts to determine where they best fit in the task at hand. The students are creating limited-edition fashion accessories from 100 decommissioned uniforms to raise money for the upcoming Trojan Explosion marching season.

The brainchild of Barbara Steverson, president of the Trojan Explosion Booster Association, the project will offer hand-finished tote bags, cross-body bags and clutches by the end of August. When asked about the inspiration for the project, Steverson says, "I saw a YouTube video that showed students creating things from uniforms, and thought it would be great to do the same for the Trojan brand. I wanted this done as cost-effectively as possible with our students. I approached Dean Hairston [College of Agriculture] with the idea and she was very supportive and connected me with the TAMM department".

Leading the effort is Dr. Dana Legette-Traylor, program coordinator, and instructor David Montoya. "What's remarkable and rewarding about the opportunity is that it simulates the accessory production process using sustainable practices,"

says Legette-Traylor. Sustainability has a positive impact on the environment and TAMM: the uniforms are decommissioned, or surplused, every 10 to 12 years. Now, instead of going to waste, they can be repurposed for a completely different use or item by TAMM students, who in turn, gain needed

experiential learning. Senior TAMM student Tierra Arrington says her participation has given her a "greater appreciation for handcrafted items", because of the time dedicated to development and quality assurance.

The project entails designing, pattern-making, constructing and finishing the products, with each phase presenting its own unique challenges. Angelina Morgan, senior and designer of the cross-body bag says her appreciation is from the challenges presented by the products. "Each uniform is sized differently," she says, "so we have to take

great care when cutting pieces from a fixed pattern to avoid waste."

With the amount of care and attention to detail going into the bags, buyers are assured they are purchasing and carrying a quality, "Trojan-worthy" accessory. The bags will be offered as pre-sell only, with a starting price of \$60. For more information, please call (804) 262-7533, email VSUBandBooster@comcast.net or visit www.band.vsu.edu.



TAMM students Tierra Arrington (left) and Dimond Alston help repurpose band uniforms into Trojan Explosion accessories

VSU men reach **Final Four** in National Intramural Basketball Tournament

The Virginia State University men's intramural basketball team recently placed fourth in the 2014 National Intramural Tournament at North Carolina State University in Raleigh, NC. VSU lost 40-32 in the semifinals to eventual national champion Georgia Tech. The other final four teams were Columbus State University and the University of Texas. The VSU squad was among 80 teams competing in the national tournament.

A women's team also represented VSU, with several members earning individual recognition.

VSU men and women included among the Top 20 in individual statistical categories included:

Men:

Curtis Bunn, fourth in blocked shots and 20th in steals

Jamar Cooper, ninth in three point field goals and 20th in free throws

Robert Douglas, third in steals, fifth in rebounds and 17th in MVP voting

Terrance Granger, second in tournament MVP voting, 10th in rebounds, 13th in blocked shots and 16th in free throws

Cedric Kwindja, ninth in rebounds

Terell Sitton, fifth in steals, 14th in blocked shots, 15th in MVP voting and 19th in free throws



VSU men's team (L to R) Jamar Cooper, Earl Gee, Curtis Bunn, Robert Douglass, Terrance Granger, Dominique Cox, Tyrell Sitton (not pictured Cedric Kwindja)

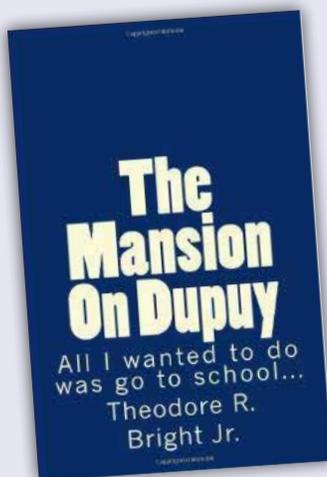
Women:

Brittany Bates, 11th in rebounds and 19th in blocks

Taylor Henderson, second in three point field goals and sixth in tournament MVP voting

Katherine Mathieu, 12th in blocks

Lorraine Turner, ninth in three point field goals and 19th in rebounds



Theodore Bright (Management major and May 13 grad) authored a book available online via Amazon. Theodore's book "The Mansion on Dupuy" details his experiences in college and provides an insightful perspective on what college life is really like.

After a rough first year in school, both my parents forced me to take a year off to get myself together. When reaccepted into school, I needed a place to live because I did not have the money to pay for room,

and board. My older cousin offered me a place to stay, but I was skeptical to stay with her because of her rules of the house. Days later, she informed me about a place to stay with her godson, Uri for only three hundred bucks a month. The house is on Dupuy Road in Petersburg, Virginia. I gladly accepted, but bit off more than I could chew. From the wild college parties, to the power outage, to the massive basement flooding, how long will I survive in The Mansion?

Virginia State University Homecoming 2014 presents

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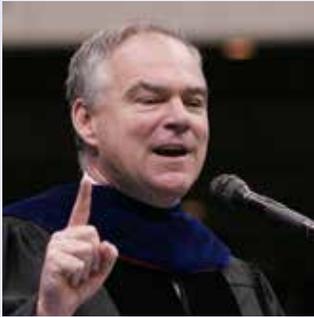
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Senator Kaine urges grads to **Do Right**



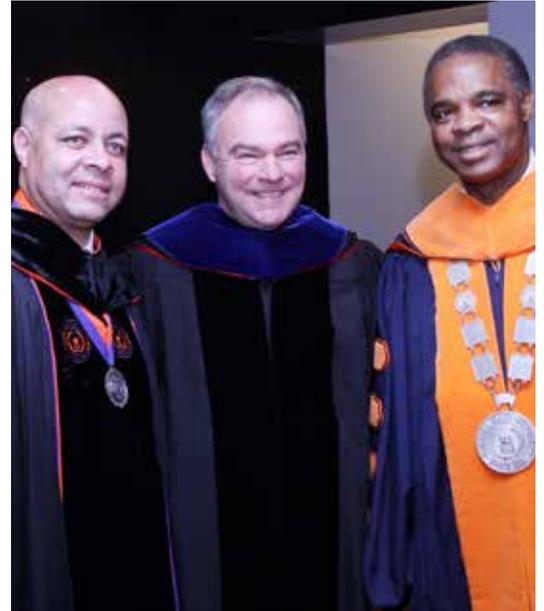
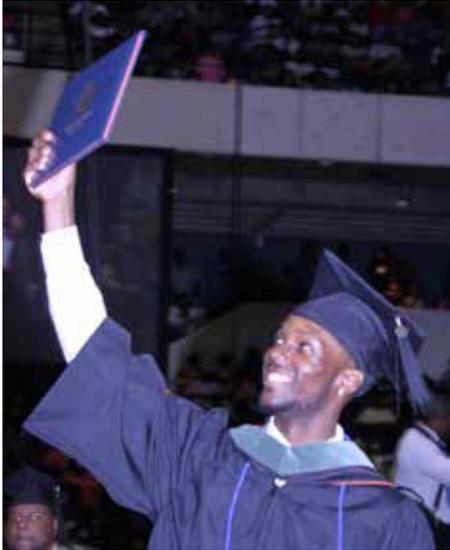
Before a boisterous crowd estimated at 9,000 in the Richmond Coliseum, Virginia Senator Timothy M. Kaine delivered a simple message to the 667 graduates at VSU's 2014 Spring Commencement. "Do Right," he said, "is more important than being right."

In a Mother's Day address marked by brevity, Senator Kaine told the graduates that, while they would never remember his words, they should instead do something for another person on this day that they would never forget. "Wish someone well. Give your family a hug. Don't hold back. Show how much you appreciate the love you've received. This, they'll remember, maybe 40 years later," he said.

The Senator said his core message was one he learned from his own mother. She taught him that "people who do right are positive and optimistic. These individuals are capable of shaping events to a positive outcome."

VSU bestowed upon Senator Kaine the University's first Presidential Medal, established to honor individuals who have distinguished themselves and who have contributed to the well-being of the University. VSU also honored Dr. Dorothy Cotton, a renowned figure in the U.S. civil rights movement and Virginia State alumna, with a Doctor of Humane Letters in honor of her life's work. Mr. James Keith Copeland of Dale City, VA was honored as VSU's Alumnus of the Year.





Football team winners on the field, in the classroom and in the community

There will be high expectations for the VSU Football Trojans heading into the 2014 season. Last season, the Trojans captured the CIAA Northern division title and finished with a 9-1 record in Head Coach Latrell Scott's first season in Ettrick.

Scott promises a business-as-usual approach for this year's team. "We understand that we will get everyone's best shot and we will make sure that our team stays both humble and hungry. We play in a very competitive league and we will have to bring our A game every week if we want to be successful," Scott commented.

On offense the Trojans return eight starters, but will be without last year's All-CIAA running back Jordan Anderson. VSU will also have to replace big play quarterback Justin Thorpe. Sophomore quarterback Tarian Ayres started and won two games last season and finished the spring as the number one quarterback. He will be pushed by redshirt freshmen Niko Johnson and Eric Washington.



Junior Kavon Bellamy, who started at linebacker last season, has moved to running back and finished the spring atop the depth chart. He will compete with Norfolk State transfer Dallas Simmons for carries. Senior Ty Wilson, and Sophomores Andrew Clark and Torrey Pettis will all see action at the tight end and fullback.

VSU returns three of their top four pass catchers. Senior Gene Holloman leads the group, along with his junior Jaivon Smallwood. Sophomore Willie Stubblefield made several key catches a year ago and the return of senior Dion Futch has Scott excited about this group.

The offensive line returns four of five starters from last year's group that helped the Trojans lead the league in rushing. Senior Ray Rijos and sophomore Jahmil Haley headline a group that is anchored by All-CIAA pick Ronnie Ransome.

The Trojans return eight starters from last year's nationally ranked defense.

The defensive line is led by seniors Bryant Frazier and Ronald Lewis. Senior Darien Jones, junior Ray Prorise and sophomore Daryl Simmons will also be key contributors up front as well.

All-Rookie team member Shaquille Edwards moves from defensive end to linebacker and will be joined by senior linebacker Brandon Robinson. Senior Andrew Faison and sophomore Geo Feggins will see snaps at linebacker for the Trojans as well.

The secondary loses All-CIAA corner Sean Smith and free safety Virgil Loiseau, but Scott believes the secondary will be just fine. Juniors Darion Thomas and Tyrell Smith will start at the corners and the safety positions will be held down by juniors Dontrell Jones and Devonte Piggott.



TROJANS' 2014 FOOTBALL SCHEDULE

features six home games

The defending CIAA Northern Division champion Virginia State University Trojans announced a challenging 2014 football schedule that features six home games. VSU will play two of its first three games on the road, kicking off the 2014 campaign at Adamson Stadium against California University (PA) on Saturday, Sept. 6 in the first-ever meeting between the two teams. In week two, VSU face 2013 Division II runner up Lenoir-Rhyne University at Rogers stadium on Saturday, Sept. 13. In week three, the Trojans will travel to Frankfort, KY to take on Kentucky State University.

Following the Kentucky State game, VSU will play three consecutive home contests, against Fayetteville State University, St. Augustine's University and Elizabeth City State University.

DATE	OPPONENT	LOCATION	TIME
September 6	California PA University	California, PA	1:00 p.m.
September 13	Lenoir-Rhyne University (Military Appreciation Day)	Ettrick, VA	2:00 p.m.
September 20	Kentucky State University	Frankfort, KY	4:00 p.m.
September 27	Fayetteville State University	Ettrick, VA	2:00 p.m.
October 4	St. Augustine's College	Ettrick, VA	2:00 p.m.
October 11	Elizabeth City State University	Ettrick, VA	2:00 p.m.
October 18	Bowie State University	Bowie, MD	TBA
October 25 (Homecoming)	Lincoln University	Ettrick, VA	2:00 p.m.
November 1	Chowan University	Ettrick, VA	2:00 p.m.
November 8	Virginia Union University	Richmond, VA	TBA
November 15	CIAA Football Championship	TBD	TBA

VSU will visit Bowie State University on Oct. 18 for the Bulldogs' homecoming.

VSU will play Lincoln University for Homecoming 2014 on October 25. The final regular season home game and senior day will be on November 1 versus Chowan University.

The Trojans conclude the regular season Nov. 8 with longtime rival Virginia Union University.

Football Coach **Latrell Scott** earns national "Coach of the Year" honor

Virginia State University Head Football Coach Latrell Scott has been named HBCU Mid Major Division National Coach of the Year by Dr. J. Kenyatta Cavil's HBCU Football Weekly Report. This marks the third "Coach of the Year" award for Scott. He previously was honored as the 2013 Virginia Sports Information Directors College Division Coach of the Year and the Richmond Touchdown Club's Willard Bailey Coach of the Year for NCAA Divisions II and III.



Dr. Cavil's HBCU Football Weekly Report introduced its newly redesigned HBCU Football awards in 2012, presented at the end of the each football season. Dr. Cavil published weekly polls throughout the HBCU football season. Dr. Cavil serves as an entrepreneur, HBCU sports and sport business analyst and lecturer at Texas Southern University in Houston. He also serves as an assistant professor and acting coordinator of the Sport Studies and Leadership Program at TSU.

In Scott's first year as VSU coach, the Trojans won the CIAA Northern Division with a 7-0 conference, and 9-1 overall, record.

VSU Athletic program **exemplifies** **competitive and academic excellence**

The Central Intercollegiate Athletic Association (CIAA) has presented Virginia State University with the conference's Loretta Taylor All Sports Award as having the conference's best women's sports program and the C. H. Williams All Sports Award for the CIAA's overall best men's athletic program. This marks one of the few times one school has received both the men's and women's awards.

The VSU Trojan athletic program enjoyed a banner 2013-14. In fall sports, the football team won the CIAA Northern Division and head coach Latrell Scott was named Dr. Cavil's HBCU Coach of the Year, along with several other Coach of the Year honors. The VSU Volleyball team also won the CIAA Northern Division and Ivana Rich was named CIAA Coach of the Year.



Loretta Taylor All Sports Award

In the winter, the VSU women's basketball team completed one of the most heralded campaigns in school history, winning the CIAA Northern Division, achieving a top-10 national rank, advancing to the NCAA Atlantic Regional tournament and earning the CIAA's John B. McClendon Sportsmanship Award. Coach James Hill was honored as CIAA Coach of the Year and Dr. Cavil's HBCU Mid-major Women's Coach of the Year. Senior Lamesha Deal was named CIAA Player of the Year and Dr. Cavil's HBCU Mid-major Women's Player of the Year. In indoor track & field, Hughnique Rolle won the 3000m, mile run and 800m during the CIAA Championships, to earn the CIAA Most Valuable Female Track Performer.

In Spring Sports, the VSU bowling team won the CIAA Championship and earned honors for the highest team GPA in the conference. Rebecca Clements was CIAA Bowler of the Year and Amber Seay was the CIAA Tournament MVP. The softball team won the CIAA Northern Division, while pitcher Jessica Matia was the 2014 CIAA Softball Player of the Year and first-year Coach LaTasha Branch was honored





C. H. Williams All Sports Award

as the CIAA Softball Coach of the Year. The VSU golf team captured its second consecutive CIAA championship and advanced to the NCAA Atlantic/East Regional Tournament. Golf Coach Jeff Hamilton was named CIAA Coach of the Year. In track and field, VSU men Te'Shad Chambers, Justin Williams, Charles Robinson and Clive Cameron earned All-American status in the 4x400 relay, with Robinson also earning All-American in the 400m. Daniel Ross was named All-American in the 400m hurdles. Trojan 800m specialist Taylor-Ashley Bean also earned All-American honors.

“The VSU Trojan athletic program enjoyed a banner 2013-14.”

While the VSU Trojan athletes have a well-deserved reputation for excellence in competition, where these student-athletes truly excel is in the classroom. This year, 110 Trojans earned Scholar-Athlete status with at least a 3.0 grade point average. That equates to 41.5 percent of the total number of Trojan student-athletes. At 70 percent, VSU athletes have the CIAA's highest graduation rate, and the fourth highest graduation rate in the NCAA Division II Atlantic Region, which includes the CIAA, the Pennsylvania Athletic State Conference (PSAC) and the Mountain East Conference (MEC).



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ALUMNI NEWS

The VSUAA Middle Peninsula Chapter held an appreciation luncheon to recognize **Ms. Alice Sheppard '45** for her service to the community and University. Ms. Sheppard taught for 38 years at several area schools and served as a mentor and advisor for many students and adults.



Mrs. Phyllis L. Sweat '59 was recently inducted in the U. S. Track and Cross Country Coaches Association Hall of Fame. Coach Sweat was selected as being an integral member of the

athletics departments at both Hampton and Norfolk State Universities. Her squads won nearly 30 conference crowns and were among the nation's elite in NCAA DII. Among Coach Sweat's other significant accomplishments: she was voted as the NCAA DII Coach of the Decade for the 1990's; selected as a coach for the U. S. Track Team at the Olympics in Sydney, Australia in 2000; inducted in the CIAA Hall of Fame in 2005; and inducted in The Hampton Roads African American Hall of Fame in 2007.



Porcher T. Taylor M.A. '61 and retired Vice President for Student Affairs, was named Virginian of the Year by the Virginia Press Association. Taylor joins a list of past recipients that

includes civic leaders, politicians, athletes and celebrities.

"There is no question that he has certainly demonstrated superior achievement for the betterment of our community," Del. Rosalyn R. Dance, D-Petersburg, wrote in a nomination letter. "He is devoted to inspiring and motivating our youth."

Taylor grew up in Florida during the Great Depression, the son of a newspaper publisher. He joined the military as a teenager, serving in both the U.S. Navy and U.S. Army during World War II, the Korean War and the Vietnam War.

Among his medals and commendations are the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Combat Infantryman Badge and the Meritorious Service Medal. He was the first African-American promoted to full colonel at Fort Jackson, S.C. and one of the first African-Americans to receive a Ph.D. from the University of South Carolina.

He is a life member of the Tuskegee Airmen Inc. (a veterans organization for those blacks who first flew fighter planes) and 555th Parachute Infantry Association (a veterans organization for the first African-American airborne unit) to spread the history of blacks in the military.

Regina Haley-Grant '80 is the new Site Director for the Defense Logistics Agency Installation Support in Richmond. "I love people and especially taking care of employees and families. The various paths I have taken have brought me to this job in Richmond, and I am happy and appreciative of this opportunity."

Kelsey Evans '13 has been awarded a Fulbright Student Fellowship for the 2014-2015 academic year. She will be serving as an ETA (English Teaching Assistant) in Bangladesh. Kelsey is currently in her first year of a master's degree program in International Affairs at the New School in New York.



Lynwood Randolph was honored as Lone Star College-Montgomery's recipient of 2014 Black History Month

Outstanding Community Leadership Award. Randolph, who in a varied and distinguished career that included a business leadership program degree from Harvard, most notably spent 25 years with NASA, retiring in 1998 as the aerospace executive director of education based out of the space agency's Maryland research and education office. Listed in "Who's Who in the Frontiers of Science and Technology" and "Who's Who in Outstanding Black Scientists," among a plethora of awards he received throughout his career, Dr. Randolph also received the NASA Exceptional Service Medal.



Left to Right are Emerson Lopez, Kendrick Kelly, and Ramone Edwards

They started as college roommates and are now business partners of New Legacy Youth Services LLC. Three VSU Alumni participated in the VSU College of Education's Career Expo in March.

Kendrick Kelly '01, Ramone Edwards '98, and Emerson Lopez '01 returned to VSU to help students achieve their career goals.

Founder and Chief Executive Officer Kendrick Kelly started New Legacy Youth Services as a licensed mental health organization that focuses on the development of today's youth and families in need of clinical counseling services.

Director of Human Resources Lopez, praised the VSU Career Fair. "Interns and recent graduates are essential to our organization," he said. "We expect our professionals to learn and grow as much as they can with us. The career fair was a success."

Edwards, who serves as Chief Financial Officer for New Legacy, said "I was proud to return to VSU with a goal to help others. My advice to students is to stick with it even when obstacles come your way. The reward of hard work is worth it."

If you have news you'd like to share with your fellow Trojan alumni, please e-mail university_relations@vsu.edu or mail your news to Alumni Notes; VSU Magazine; PO Box 9085; Virginia State University, VA 23806.

VSUAA Chapter News

Tidewater Chapter

The Tidewater Alumni Chapter of Virginia State University has continued to exemplify its motto of "Doing It Big in the 757". The chapter has visited First Baptist Church South Hill in Chesapeake, VA for Founder's Day and presented Rev. Dr. Michael Tolliver a "Big State" jersey as a token of appreciation. This congregation is a big supporter of VSU and its sanctuary was the venue for the VSU Gospel Chorale Concert last fall.

Other activities during the year included membership drives at area restaurants and a social for current students from the Tidewater area during the Christmas holiday. The chapter also bridged the generational gap by visiting older alums who are homebound or reside in nursing homes.

At the Annual Scholarship Luncheon, five outstanding members were honored for their commitments to serve the community in the Tidewater area. Troy Brinkley, Lillian Brinkley, Charles Brockett, Alexis Rogers and Corrine Jones were presented with plaques as their biographies were shared with approximately three hundred guests at the Virginia Beach Convention Center. During the luncheon, four members were inducted into the Powell Society: Charles A. Brockett, Karen Munden, Pamela Munden-Orr and Garvester "Tim" Thompson. The keynote speaker was VSU First Lady Nicollette Miller, who spoke of Trojan Love and its strength to open doors of the past and the future. Our hostess for the afternoon was WVEC 13 on-air personality Regina Mobley as we celebrated with the theme "100 Years... The Legacy Continues"



VSUAA Chapter News

Northern Virginia Chapter



The Northern Virginia Chapter supported the VSU Department of Student Activities in its First Alumni/Student Mentoring Breakfast at Gateway Dining Hall. This event served as the pilot program for a more formalized process that will include all alumni chapters. Deborah Goode, Co-Curricular Program Coordinator and Brenda Stith Finch, Northern Virginia Alumni Chapter President, developed the program. The Alumni/Student Mentoring Program will begin in the Fall of 2014. Along with Deborah Goode and the students, chapter members pictured included Jaunese Harris, Keith Copeland, Wilbert Briggs, Joe Creasy, Vivian Bowie, Darryl Sharp and Brenda Stith Finch.



Northern Virginia is proud to have the 2014 National Alumnus of the Year (Keith Copeland) and the 2014 National President of the Year (Brenda Stith Finch) in its Alumni Chapter. Other members pictured include Frances Ball, Wilbert Briggs, Sadie Strong, Chiquitta Bazemore, Joe Creasy, Ronald Pemberton, Melanie Wade, Darryl Sharp, Gladys Fitzhugh-Pemberton and Vivian Bowie.

Our next big event:

The Northern Virginia Chapter will host its 12th Annual Scholarship Dance on November 22 at the Sheraton Pentagon City in Arlington Virginia. Details will be posted on www.VSUAANOVA.org.



Front row left to right: Sadie Strong, Gladys Fitzhugh-Pemberton, Shirley Alexander, and Vivian Bowie. Back row left to right: Frances Ball, Chiquitta K. Bazemore, LTC Darryl W. Sharp, Sr. Brenda Stith Finch, and Joe Creasy.

VSU Northern VA Chapter honored Lt. Col. Darryl W. Sharp, Sr., with a retirement luncheon at the Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall, Virginia May 29, 2014.

Virginia State University Alumni Association- Prince George's County Chapter awarded its first annual scholarship to Jaime Blair, a graduate of Crossland High School, Temple Hills, MD, who will be attending Virginia State in the Fall of 2014. Pictured here are (L to R) Joanne Brown, Valerie G. Davis, Jaime Blair, Alice Knight and Thomas Brown



ALUMNI WEEKEND



"Doc" Hurley left a legacy of dreams fulfilled

Walter "Doc" Hurley, Virginia State Class of 1950, a legendary figure who helped hundreds of students attend college, died in February. He was 91.

"There are hundreds of people whose lives were transformed because of the higher education opportunities that Doc Hurley provided over the past several decades," Connecticut Gov. Dannel P. Malloy said. "He truly is a legend and is proof that one person can make a lasting, positive impact."

Hurley was a standout, four-sport athlete at Hartford's Weaver High School before returning to the school as an administrator. Nearly 40 years ago, he began seeking support for modest scholarships to help high school students pay for college. Year after year, he gave \$1,000 checks to 50 students. Later, the scholarships grew to as much as \$10,000.

"Doc Hurley represented hope," said Windsor football coach Rob Fleeting, a 1988 Weaver graduate and former football coach there. "If someone in the community needed guidance, a parent seeking advice on how to get a son or daughter into a college, you'd call Doc. He helped a lot of students go to college with scholarships or by calling college administrators he knew to open up a door."



Hurley's larger-than-life status was established even before he created his scholarship program. In 1968, after the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., Hurley was credited with calming hundreds of angry, distraught

students at Weaver, sparing the school from the rioting that flared elsewhere in Hartford and beyond. He was subsequently named assistant to the principal at Weaver.

Hartford Mayor Pedro Segarra said Hurley's legacy is the generations of children he helped along the way. "He will be remembered for all the great things he did for our community," Segarra said.

After his father died when he was boy, the Hurley family moved to Hartford. After graduating from Weaver in 1941, Hurley went to Virginia State College. He served in the Marines starting in 1942 and fought in the Pacific. He later graduated from Virginia State and became a

teacher and basketball coach in Portsmouth, VA. He played professional football in the 1940s with the All-American Football Conference's Brooklyn Dodgers.

He returned to Hartford in 1959 and never left. Hurley was married to his wife, Gwendolyn, for 56 years before her death in 2002.

"He truly is a legend and is proof that one person can make a lasting, positive impact."

LETTER FROM VSUAA President-Elect



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June 3, 2014

Greetings Loyal Sons & Daughters;

I am Franklin H. Johnson, Jr. and it brings me great pleasure to introduce myself as the new President of the Virginia State University National Alumni Association. I wanted to take the opportunity to introduce myself and share with you how excited I am to be here.

I received my Bachelor of Science in Information Systems from VSU in 2004 and a Masters of Business Administration from Strayer University in 2010. Since May 2012, I have served as the Vice President of VSUAA and President of the Washington, D.C. Chapter.

Becoming actively involved with VSUAA was one the best decisions I have ever made and it has been the privilege of a lifetime to work for Mr. Ernest E. Miller the past two years. I share Mr. Miller's optimism for VSUAA's bright future. Mr. Miller has been an incredible leader and mentor to me, as well as the entire team of officers and our amazing Chapter Presidents.

We have thousands of alumni and friends of Troy throughout the world and we encourage them to be active and engaged members of VSUAA. You can play a crucial role in helping us translate our incredible alumni loyalty into increased VSU Alumni Association membership. Our organization exists to unite alumni and magnify their impact at our university; therefore we ask the following:

- Join the Alumni Association, if you are not already a member.
- If you are a member, consider upgrading to Life membership.
- If you have friends or relatives who are also VSU alumni, urge them to join.
- Ask at least one other VSU alum or supporter to join. Just think if everyone did this, our membership would double overnight!

Membership in the VSU Alumni Association offers a rich array of benefits, but joining the association represents more than a transaction – it is a chance to become involved. Since our founding, our chapter network has expanded and we have activities ranging from game-watching and socials to tailgating and other networking gatherings. Let's keep the momentum going!

I also would like to welcome and reintroduce your executive officers;

1. Vice-President – Julian Jackson, Middle Peninsula Chapter
2. Recording Secretary - Starrie Jordan. Greater Petersburg Chapter
3. Corresponding Secretary/ Sgt. at Arms - Dr. Conrad Gilliam - VSU Alphas Chapter
4. Treasurer - Irene Logan - VSU Military Chapter
5. Financial Secretary - Brenda Jones Cotman, Charles City Chapter
6. Chaplain - Gracie Quarles- Louisa Chapter
7. VSUAA Executive Administrator- Stephanie McNeil

Finally, by joining the Alumni Association, you are providing a significant boost to VSU's reputation as a change agent and leader in higher education. Alumni engagement is one of several measures of quality used to rank major universities in the U.S. and your membership helps increase the prestige of our university.

I am confident our best years lie ahead of us and that together we will continue on our unending path of greatness. I'm looking forward to meeting everyone at events throughout the year.

In Trojan Spirit,

Franklin H. Johnson, Jr. '04
VSUAA President Elect

Welcome Home “Lifeline”

COL. CHARLES HAMILTON



VSU Alumni Col. Charles Hamilton (r) and General Dennis Via

Following his third tour in Afghanistan, Col. Charles Hamilton, VSU Class of 1990, and his 101st Sustainment Brigade – the “Lifeliners” returned to Fort Campbell, KY to a hero’s welcome.

Col. Hamilton, a native of Houston, TX, was already in the Army when he arrived at VSU from Fort Lee, VA. After earning a degree in Business Administration, Col. Hamilton embarked upon an officer’s career that has taken him to posts throughout the United States, Korea and of course, Afghanistan. “We were there at the beginning,” he says. “Then, we went back during the President’s surge and now we returned to bring it down.” His brigade’s mission was, at first to set up Forward Operating Bases and finally, to retrograde the equipment back out.

The work was arduous and dangerous. In a note to another VSU alumnus, General Dennis Via, Col. Hamilton writes, “I can’t say enough about our soldiers and the courage they displayed... beyond words. As you can imagine I’m extremely proud of what they accomplished. I was honored to have led them in combat.”

General Via, says Col. Hamilton, epitomizes the excellence of VSU’s Trojan Warrior Battalion ROTC program. “It’s one of the best, at any level,” he says. “Graduates of VSU, and HBCUs in general, look a little sharper, a little crisper.”

According to Hamilton, General Via, with whom he shares a military and fraternal bond (Kappa Alpha Psi, Inc.), represents

another key quality inherent in VSU graduates. “I go way back with General Via. I’ve known him since I was a lieutenant,” he says. “He has always been nurturing and has served as a mentor. The older officers make it a high priority to ensure our younger officers represent at a very high level.”

Col. Hamilton’s awards include the Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal (3rd Awd), Meritorious Service Medal (9 OLC), Joint Service Commendation Medal (2nd Awd), Army Commendation Medal (2 OLC), Joint Service Achievement Medal, Army Achievement Medal (5 OLC), Good Conduct Medal (2 Awds) and OEF Campaign Awards. He has also been awarded the Army, Joint Staff Badges and the Combat Action Badge.

As Col. Hamilton awaits his next mission, he plans on spending time with his wife, retired Lt. Col. Regina, and four children. He also plans on visiting his Alma Mater to fulfill what he considers an obligation. “In our ROTC department, alumni play a huge role in making sure the program stays viable” he says. “There is still a great need for the education and skills a VSU cadet brings to the Army.”

Col. Hamilton represents the best of the VSU Trojan Warrior Battalion. As a University and a country, we are grateful for his service.

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HOMECOMING 2014

OCTOBER 19-25, 2014

VIRGINIA STATE UNIVERSITY

SUNDAY- 10/19

GOSPEL CONCERT
DANIEL GYMNASIUM
4:00 PM - 6:00 PM

WEDNESDAY- 10/22

STUDENT ORGANIZATION BAZAAR
UNIVERSITY AVENUE
2:00 PM - 6:00 PM

JAZZ ON THE HILL
VA HALL FRONT LAWN
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM

EVENING EVENT TBD

MONDAY- 10/20

CARNIVAL
BACK LAWN
1:00 PM - 9:00 PM

THURSDAY- 10/23

KINGS AND QUEENS BALL
DANIEL GYMNASIUM
6:30 PM - 11:00 PM

SATURDAY- 10/25

VENDORS BAZAAR
BAND FIELD
9:00 AM - 02:00 PM

TALENT SHOW
ANDERSON TURNER
7:00 PM - 9:00 PM

FRIDAY- 10/24

**PRESIDENTIAL SCHOLARS
GOLF TOURNAMENT**
8:00 AM

HOMECOMING PARADE
DOWNTOWN HISTORIC PETERSBURG
9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

TUESDAY- 10/21

COMEDY SHOW
DANIEL GYMNASIUM
8:00 PM - 10:00 PM

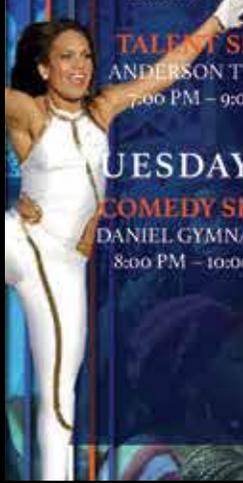
VENDORS BAZAAR
BAND FIELD
12:00 PM - 6:00 PM

FOOTBALL GAME
ROGER STADIUM
1:00 PM

PEP RALLY
ROGER STADIUM

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1:00 PM - 3:00 PM

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