

BLACK HISTORY MONTH 2012

Celebrating the Contributions of Black Culture



Black History Facts

- Lonnie G. Johnson, an engineer who performed spacecraft system design for NASA, invented the Super Soaker water gun —the number one selling toy in America in 1991.
- Henry Blair, the second African-American to receive a patent, invented a corn seed planter in 1834 and a cotton planter in 1836. Blair could not read or write and signed his patent with an X.
- African-American mechanical engineer, David Crosthwait Jr. created the heating systems for the Rockefeller Center and New York's Radio City Music Hall.
- Sarah E. Goode invented a bed that folded up into a cabinet in 1885. Contrary to popular belief, she was not the first African-American woman to receive a patent, but the second.
- John Love invented the pencil sharpener in 1897.
- Thomas J. Martin patented a fire extinguisher in 1872.
- Otis Boykin invented electronic control devices for guided missiles, IBM computers, and the control unit for a pacemaker.



Schedule of Events

Wednesday, February 1, 2012

Research Presentation sponsored by Women & Gender Studies: **Racism, Discrimination, and Prejudice: Through the Voices of Undergraduate Black Men** by Dr. Jamie R. Riley, Director for the Office of Diversity & Inclusion

Greenwood Library 209 3-3:50pm

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated **"Black History Wednesday"**

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated **"DST Spoken Word" Lankford Student Union Café 7-9pm**

Thursday, February 2, 2012

Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated **"Wrap it before you tap it"** Safe Sex Initiative: Passing out condoms and safe sex information on campus all day

Klan-Destine Relations, presented by Author Daryl Davis Wygal Auditorium 7pm

Come here Grammy-Award winning musician and author, Daryl Davis; discuss his experiences developing relationships with members of the Klu Klux Klan

Monday, February 6, 2012

Black Student Association **Poetry Slam Lankford Student Union Café @ 7pm**

Tuesday, February 7, 2012

Red Dove:" HIV/AIDS Awareness in the African American Community sponsored by Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Inc., Zeta Phi Beta Sorority, Inc., LU Health & Wellness Center, and Cross Roads Prevention Services **Lankford Student Union Ballroom 1pm**



Tuesday, February 14, 2012

Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. present Women's Appreciation Day "Spotlighting the achievements of African American women" - every hour on twitter "Distributing flowers to women" **Brock Commons 3pm-4pm**

Wednesday, February 15, 2012

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated
"Black History Wednesday"

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated will be sponsoring a Tour of the **Robert Russa Moton Museum 4-5pm**

Thursday, February 16, 2012

Black Student Association presents... **"Black History 365 Program" Lankford Student Union Ballroom @ 4pm**

Tuesday, February 21, 2012

Richmond's African American Repertory Theater, **Langston is My Man**; an interactive stage play based on the poetry of Langston Hughes **Wygol Auditorium @ 7:30pm**



SPONSORING ORGANIZATIONS & OFFICES: The Office of Diversity & Inclusion; LU Health & Wellness Center; Leadership & Civic Engagement; Women & Gender Studies; Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated Lambda Delta Chapter; Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Incorporated Zeta Xi Chapter; LU Black Student Association; Brothers and Sisters in Christ (B.A.S.I.C.) Gospel Choir; Cross Roads Prevention Services; Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated Pi Mu Chapter; Hispanic Heritage Club; F.I.E.R.C.E. Hip Hop Dance Team; Lancer Productions; Phi Beta Sigma Fraternity, Incorporated Omicron Rho Chapter; Sigma Gamma Rho Sorority, Incorporated Omicron Omicron Chapter; Student Educators for Active Leadership (S.E.A.L.); the Student Diversity & Inclusion Council (S.D.I.C.);



Thursday, February 23, 2012

Brothers and Sisters in Christ (BASIC), the Black Student Assoc. (BSA), Lancer Productions, and the Hispanic Heritage Club present Lancer Poetry Slam **Jarman Auditorium @ 8pm**

Friday, February 24, 2012 & Saturday, February 25, 2012

The Student Diversity & Inclusion Council (S.D.I.C.) & Student Educators for Active Leadership (S.E.A.L.) Host the **1st Annual Social Justice in Action Leadership Summit Longwood University Hull Building**

Saturday, February 25, 2012

Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Incorporated will be volunteering @ **FACES** Please feel free to join! Contact Alpha Kappa Alpha for details



Monday, February 27, 2012

Evolution of Dance sponsored by FIERCE Hip Hop Dance Team Location: TBA **6pm**

Wednesday, February 29, 2012

Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Incorporated presents **"African American Health Food Exhibit"** Location: TBA **5-6pm**

