The Division of Religion and Humanities presented various activities this week during Fine Arts Festival. It included a student art exhibit, a poetry slam, a religion forum, a piano recital, and a performance of reggae music. It will conclude today with a movie marathon.

The division’s Thursday morning assembly featured Mr. Reginald China as the keynote speaker. A former student representative to the Morris College Board of Trustees, he earned the Bachelor of Fine Arts in Broadcast Media (magna cum laude) from the college in 2001 and the Master of Arts degree in Education, with a concentration in education technology, from the University of South Carolina in 2013. He is currently employed as the news director for WIS-TV News, NBC Affiliate, Channel 10.

He informed students what they are going through right now is a process. Wondering if he made the right decision coming to Morris College, he realized he was going through a process. This was realized through the help and guidance of the late Dr. Liz Bell, a former faculty member and director of RARE. “Dr. Bell challenged me to think beyond the obvious.” Understanding the effect of being challenged and how the process was changing him, he recalled “a moment that made it clear to me that I was getting a quality education.”

During a trip to Washington, DC, to attend a National Honors Program Conference, the process came together during a roundtable discussion. China proudly remembers, “What really solidified it for me (the process) was that by the end of that conversation the students of Morris College were leading the discussion.” Although he did not see it at the time he doubted being at the college, he quickly saw its benefits. “There were instructors here that cared about us,” he said. “As the process was being revealed to me, I saw the good things that were going on at Morris College.”

China admonished students to trust the process and work hard. “You have to understand that it is up to you to get the information to do what you need to do.” He discovered that the tools are here for students to be successful if they put forth the effort.

Concluding his speech by stating three things to help students with the process, he said: 1) have integrity and responsibility; do the right things; 2) have the commitment to do the best that you can. “Start laying the seed for your life now,” he said; and 3) use education to help you make it in the world.

Dr. Richardson, in his remarks, referred to the content of China’s address as “necessities for succeeding in the world of work today” and thanked him for being a good example as a graduate. He also thanked Dr. David, along with faculty and staff, for the excellent work being done in the Division of Religion and Humanities.
Co-op Meeting Scheduled
Come to the 3rd Co-op meeting for the spring semester. It will be held Monday, March 31, 2014 at 4:00 p.m. in the Wilson-Booker Science Building, Lecture Room 209. REMEMBER: It is never too late to become a member of the Morris College Co-op Corp. If you have any questions, call Career Services Center at 803-934-3191.

Announcement From the Office of Financial Aid
The priority deadline for completing the 2014-2015 FAFSA is March 31, 2014. Also, students who wish to apply for financial aid for Summer School 2014 should do so by March 31 as well.

Don’t Miss The Toastmaster’s Meeting
The next Toastmaster's meeting will be held Tuesday, April 1, 2014 at 10:00 in the Wilson-Booker Science Building, Lecture Room 209. Please contact Career Services Center in the Brawley-Starks Building or call 803-934-3191 for more information.

Glover to Speak for Sophomore Class Assembly
The Sophomore Class will host its assembly at 10 a.m. on Thursday, April 3, 2014 in the Neal-Jones Auditorium. The speaker will be Dr. Maggie W. Glover, Activ- ity Director/Director of Developmental Programs in the Division of General Studies.

Keep Voting!
Morris College is a finalist to win a grant in the Home Depot Retool Your School competition. This means we need your vote and the vote of your friends and family every day. So go to www.morris.edu, click on the Home Depot link and vote. You can also promote our efforts on Twitter. Grants total more than $50,000. If Morris College should win the grant, it will assist in remodeling the front gate. Cast your vote for the college every day until April 15th. Your efforts will make a difference.

2014 Summer Employment Opportunity
Students interested in summer employment with the Morris College Upward Bound Program are asked to stop by their office in the Brawley-Starks Academic Success Center or dial 3193 for additional details.