Jacques McCoy, president of the Student Government Association, presented a challenging question to the campus community at the SGA Assembly on Thursday morning.

McCoy explained that he did not want to present a message that had been given before but intended to impart a message of value that would make an impact. He successfully did just that, as he asked the question, “Where is Your Power?” He identified “The three sources of power: knowledge, preparation, and hard work.” He clarified that it is important to know that you have power in order to use it.

He defined knowledge as, “Know-how and the will to do that know-how.” He went on to say, “It is not a collector’s item to be placed on a shelf but a tool to be used.”

McCoy said, “Preparation is taking preventive steps before the powerless situation can arise.”

Third, he said, “You must be willing to do hard work.” He shared that hard work produces a positive outcome. “The work that will make you want to give up is the work that will elevate you to the next level. Allow nothing to hold you back.”

In closing McCoy called upon everyone to use their power for a purpose; advocating civic responsibility and involvement in exercising the right to vote in all elections. He reflected upon the hard work and sacrifice of those who paved the way for the right to vote. He said, “We must honor their legacy.”

President Richardson gave closing remarks, stating McCoy delivered a thoughtful, challenging, well-delivered and well-planned speech. He also wished the officers of the freshman class a successful year. He left the campus community with a quote from First Lady Michelle Obama, “We must work like never before. When you have worked hard and done well and walked through the door of opportunity; do not slam the door behind you. You must reach back and give other folks the same chances that helped you succeed.”
Participate in Constitution Day

Morris College will commemorate the 225th anniversary of the U.S. Constitution on **Monday, September 17, 2012 at 11 a.m.** on the lawn of the Academic Hall. Red, White, and Blue attire is recommended. All are welcome to participate. For further information please contact Dr. Patricia Ali.

Fall Harvest Rally Kicks-Off

The Fall Harvest Rally Kick-Off will be held on **Thursday, September 20, 2012 at 10 a.m.** in the Neal-Jones Auditorium. Everyone is invited to attend.

Join the Morris College Pre-Alumni Council

The Pre-Alumni Council will have their first meeting of the semester on **Tuesday, September 18, 2012 at 6 p.m.** If interested in joining the council, please attend this meeting.

Who’s Who Accepting Nominations

Applications are available for nominations to Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges. Nominees must be a junior or senior with a 2.8 GPA or higher, in good standing with the college, and involved in campus and community activities. Applications are available in the Office of Student Affairs. The deadline to submit applications is **Friday, October 5, 2012.**

Have you registered to vote?

Exercise your right to vote and your civic duty. Register to vote in the Office of Admissions and Records and/or request an absentee ballot application by **Tuesday, September 25, 2012.**

Do you want to gain paid career-related work experience while earning your undergraduate degree at Morris College???

Attend the first Co-op meeting for the fall semester. The meeting will be held on **Monday, September 24, 2012 at 4:00 p.m.** in the Wilson-Booker Science Building, Lecture Room, on the third floor. For additional information, please contact Career Services at ext. 3191.