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Power, Purpose and Practice

Hines tells students to realize their power, find embrace their purpose, and practice what they want to become.

The President's Lecture Series was held yesterday at 10 a.m. in the Neal-Jones Auditorium. The series, started by the ninth president of Morris College, the late Dr. Luns C. Richardson, exposes students to interesting and illuminating speakers. Their unique insights, experiences, and accomplishments help enhance the college's learning environment. This year's keynote speaker was distinguished alumnus, author, educator, consultant and speaker, Dr. Mack Torrie Hines, III.

Dr. Hines is a 1993 Morris College graduate where he majored in Social Studies. He earned a master's degree from South Carolina State University and holds two doctoral degrees: Education Specialist (Ed.S) from Winthrop University and Educational Leadership (Ed.L) from South Carolina State University. He is currently serving as an educational consultant with regards to race, culture, diversity, and inclusion. His lectures and seminars are packed with enthusiasm and inspiration. This young scholar affirms with passion and affection the "vital role educators play in the lives of young students and the difference they make." Dr. Patricia M. Ali, Professor of History in the Division of Religion, Humanities and Social Sciences, and a former instructor of the speaker, proudly stated while introducing Dr. Hines, "Having studied history, he went out to make his own his-tory." She concluded saying, "Just like proud parents, nothing makes professors happier than to know that there are students who have succeeded and made their mark in the world."

Dr. Hines inspiring, and motivating speech emphasized three things students should take seriously while at Morris College: Power, Purpose and Practice. He challenged students to realize their power, embrace and find their purpose, and practice and perfect their practice of why they are here at Morris College. "Everyone has the power to use their mind to think!" Thinking presents hopes, possibilities, and opportunities for achieving dreams.

Purpose, as he sees it is "the importance of really finding out why we are here." Dr. Hines told students that it was not until he changed his mind about why he was in school that he discovered his purpose and became a "man on a mission." He embraced his purpose and saw his grades improve. "Do not let your four years go by," he said, "and you have not found your purpose."

Though important, he further noted that purpose alone is not enough. He dared students to put their purpose into action by practicing. While practicing his purpose, he realized that old adage, "practice makes perfect" is not a complete and qualified statement. Since we are not perfect, nothing is perfect. He paraphrased the statement to say, "Practice makes permanent." He continued, "The goal is not to be perfect, but to practice in a way so what one does daily becomes a permanent part of who an individual is." Practicing our purpose enables us to persevere in difficult times. Hines concluded his speech by admonishing students to adhere to the college's motto: "Enter to Learn; Depart to Serve." We have to be willing to give back and serve others. "The best way to show God our gratitude for being blessed is by losing ourselves in service to others and being a blessing to others."

Dr. Hines has written numerous articles and has been a featured speaker in more than 200 conferences and symposiums across the country. His most recent book, **White Teachers, Black Students: In the Spirit of Yes to African American Student Achievement**, was released August 2017.

President Leroy Staggars expressed his appreciation to Dr. Hines for coming back to his alma mater and delivering an exceptional message. "He hit it out of the park." He credited Dr. Richardson for seeing the need to bring graduates back to the campus so students could see and hear the best of our graduates. "You are a part of something great," he told students. They were able to see and hear a real life example of what they are capable of becoming if they realize their power, find and embrace their purpose and practice perfecting that purpose. The president also recognized the parents of Dr. Hines: his father, Dr. Mack T. Hines, II, who is the current chairman of the Morris College Board of Trustees, who addressed the audience with words of wisdom and his mother, Mrs. Gladys Jackson Hines.



(left to right) Dr. Mack T. Hines, II; Mrs. Gladys Hines, Dr. Mack T. Hines, III (Speaker) and Dr. Leroy Staggars (President)

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Honors Day Convocation Speaker

The Fall Honors Day Convocation will be held on Thursday, October 25, 2018 at 10 A.M. in the Neal-Jones Auditorium. Students named to the President's and Dean's Lists during the 2018 Spring Semester will be recognized and applauded for their commitment to academic excellence. The Honorable J. Wayne George, a 2000 graduate of Morris College, is the keynote speaker. On January 2, 2018, George began his tenure as the executive director of the Municipal Association of South Carolina. The Municipal Association offers "services, programs and tools that will give municipal officials the knowledge, experience and tools for enabling the most efficient and effective operation of their municipalities in the complex world of municipal government."

His political career began when he was elected mayor of the City of Mullins and served from 1988 until 2004. Prior to becoming mayor, he served on the Mullins City Council from 1980 to 1988. He was a member of the South Carolina House of Representatives and represented District 57 in Dillon, Horry, and Marion counties from 2012 until 2016. He is an insurance and real estate executive at The George Agency, which he founded in Mullins, SC.



J. Wayne George

Graduate and Professional Schools Clinic Held

Twenty-five institutions participated in the college's 37th Annual Graduate and Professional Schools Information Clinic on Wednesday, October 17, 2018. Sponsored by the Career Services Center, the event was held in the gymnasium of the Garrick-Boykin Human Development Center from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon. The primary objective of this clinic is to expose our students to the many advantages of graduate and professional schools.

College representatives were on hand to discuss with students their graduate programs in a variety of disciplines. Literature and application forms were made available to students, as well as information on admissions, financial aid and housing.

Students wanting information on graduate and professional schools should contact the Career Services Center at extension 3191 or the Academic Dean's Office at extension 3213.

Schools represented at the event are listed on page 4.

Morris College Students Participate in the SC HBCU STEM Program

-by Dr. Radman Ali



(left to right) Mr. Eugene Boykin, Ms. Brooklynn West, Ms. Cynthia Bennett, and Ms. Estiny Vogt

On Thursday, October 4, 2018 three Morris College STEM students traveled to Columbia to participate in a new program instituted by the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce: SC HBCU STEM Program. The biology majors were Eugene Boykin (Senior), Estiny Vogt and Brooklynn West (both Juniors) participated in the program. The goal of this program is to help build partnership between the state HBCUs and the state industry.

The program connects junior and senior STEM students with STEM-related industries that will prepare them for future careers in their industries. Juniors and non-graduating seniors will receive a paid summer internship after completing an academic year of activities consisting of monthly visits to various industries (one industry/month) and other project work that will expose them to opportunities that will help them transition to STEM-related careers.

Our students reported early that morning to the SC Chamber of Commerce on Gervais Street, Columbia, where they were briefed on the goal of the program and the activities of leadership development they will need in the future.

The 16 students from HBCU institutions who visited the Nephron Pharmaceuticals Corporation during the afternoon hours returned to

their campuses after enjoying a nice dinner at the Chamber of Commerce Office. Among the other corporations/agencies the students will visit in the future are: Boeing, Aerospace, and Health Professions Institutions.

Our students were excited and elated with their first experience. According to Eugene Boykin, "This program is a wonderful leadership program with many opportunities that can help me get my foot in the door to the Fortune 500 Companies". Estiny Vogt, equally enthused about the experience said, "The SC HBCU Program has already been an eye-opener for the opportunities to come. This program is helping me gain the professional skills I will need for my future in any STEM career". Brooklynn West, summarizing the experience stated, "Having this experience with the Chamber of Commerce will help me acquire an internship that will prepare me for a future job with one of the companies I visited, and perhaps for graduate school".

Ms. Cynthia Bennett, Vice President for Education and Workforce Development of the South Carolina Chamber of Commerce, pictured above, spearheads the program.

Sumter's eSTEAM Festival: Morris College, a collaborative partner of the eSTEAM Festival, had a big presence in downtown Sumter on Main Street where the event was held on Saturday, October 6, 2018 from 6:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The first annual, free, family-friendly festival featured 60+ exhibitors including NASA, Riverbanks Zoo, local industries, schools and many others. Also featured was an adventure area with inflatables and a rock climbing wall, live entertainment, and even an End Zone with TVs for those wanting to keep track of their ball scores. The stage show schedule included great local performances along with the acclaimed Fun Weird Science show. The eSTEAM Festival celebrates Science, Technology, Engineering, Arts, and Math (STEAM). For information, go to their webpage at



Pan Hellenic Council Meeting

The Pan Hellenic Council is scheduled to meet Tuesday, October 23, 2018 at 6pm in the LRC Archives Room. **This is a very important planning meeting for the "Family Feud" activity; and other discussions.** Make sure organization is represented. New officers must come prepared to uphold your responsibility.

High School Visitation Day

will take place Wednesday, October 24, 2018. High school students will visit the campus and participate in various meaningful activities. All members of the Morris College Family are expected to warmly welcome our guests and extend to them our most cordial hospitality. Thank you for your cooperation and support

Spring Study Abroad Trip

Morris College scholars will pursue the history and culture of Barcelona. Students interested in the history field trip to Barcelona, Spain, during spring break must enroll before Wednesday, October 31, 2018. For details about eligibility, cost, financing and passport application, contact Dr. Patricia Ali at (pali@morris.edu or ext. 3250).

Coronation

The Coronation of
Miss Shirlee P. Fleming,
Miss Morris College 2018-2019
&

Mr. Jalil H. Barrows
Mister Morris College 2018-2019
will be held on Friday, November 9, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. in the Garrick-Boykin Human Development Center. The attire is semi-formal. A reception and ball will immediately follow the Coronation.

(No jeans, t-shirts or sneakers will be allowed).

Contestant Deadline

Students interested in competing for Miss Homecoming, Mr. or Miss Co-Ed may pick up solicitation letters in the Office of Student Affairs. The deadline for reporting funds for competition is Friday, November 9, 2018. Winners will be declared during the Pre-Fall Harvest Rally Assembly on Tuesday, November 13, 2018.

Minster Joctea Frierson, a 2018 graduate of Morris College, graduated with a Bachelor of Fine Arts degree in Mass Communications will be the speaker on October 21, 2018. While a student at Morris he served as president of the college's Baptist Student Union and the Durham Ministerial Alliance. He is currently pursuing his Master's of Divinity degree at the Interdenominational Theological Center in Atlanta, GA. Frierson is a member of the Lambda Epsilon Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. and Lucknow Lodge #324 (Prince Hall Affiliated).

SUNDAY WORSHIP SERVICE
Min. Joctea Frierson, Speaker
*Greenbay Missionary Baptist Church
 Lynchburg, SC
 Class of 2018*

**SUNDAY
 OCTOBER 21, 2018
 9:00 A.M.
 O.R. REUBEN CHAPEL**

Graduate and Professional Schools

Alabama A & M University
Bowling Green State University
Brenau University
The Citadel Graduate College
Clafin University
Clamp Divinity School - Anderson University
Coastal Carolina University
Coker College
Columbia International University
Columbus Southern University
East Tennessee State University
Edward Via College of Osteopathic Medicine
Emory University – School of Medicine
Federal Bureau of Investigations (FBI)
Hood Theological Seminary
Limestone College
Lincoln Memorial University - Duncan School of Law
MUSC - College of Dental Medicine
Sherman College of Chiropractic
Strayer University
USC - Arnold School of Public Health
USC - College of Arts and Science
USC – College of Social Work
Webster University @ Shaw AFB
Webster University @ Columbia

UNCF October Scholarships

Get a Head Start on These Scholarships

Ossie Davis Legacy Award Scholarship: This award provides scholarships to African American incoming freshman, college sophomores, juniors, seniors or graduate students attending select HBCUs and majoring in African American Studies, Communications, Education, Fine Arts, Humanities, Performing Arts, Political Science, Social Sciences, Theater Arts/Drama or Visual Arts. **Closes November 9, 2018.**



Walton-UNCF K-12 Education Fellowship: The Walton-UNCF K-12 Education Fellowship is a leadership and talent development initiative aimed at building a robust pipeline of high-achieving African Americans engaged in education reform in America. The program selects undergraduate juniors from select HBCUs to participate in a leadership development and paid intern placement program that partners with innovative K-12 educational reform enterprises. **Closes January 13, 2019.**

PayPal Internship: PayPal is seeking undergraduate and graduate students of color with a minimum GPA of 3.0 and above to apply for a paid internships starting in June of 2019 working in web development, in Java and Java Script programming languages (for software engineering applicants) and/or provide information on your related projects or internships. **Closes February 28, 2019.**



Also: The [UNCF General Application](#) is now available for students attending a [UNCF-member institution](#). Apply now!

Remember: Complete all steps for the applications! You will not be considered for a scholarship, internship or program until you submit all the information and essays the application requires.