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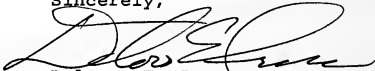
The time that you have spent at Chicago State University will have a great impact on the rest of your life. It is a time that you have grown, have gained the knowledge and experience to make you a competent, confident, well-rounded individual up to the rigors and demands of the workplace and the society of the 21st century.

In the course of your studies, you've made new friends and gotten to know faculty and administrators whose objective was always to help you succeed. As president, I am pleased that I have been able to ensure that success, through the many initiatives that I have put in place as part of the CSU experience. And that is a unique experience that provides not only academic quality but also opportunities for community service, workplace experience and international programs.

To our graduates, who will be moving on to professional jobs and graduate studies, let me congratulate you on your accomplishment. As you move on to new challenges, never forget the opportunities that are the result of your education at Chicago State University, and help those who come after you to reach for similar opportunities.

To you, our returning students, may you continue to flourish academically and socially here at CSU. Remember, always, that you are part of a family, the CSU family who care about and support one another. Your success is our success.

Sincerely,



Dolores E. Cross
President

Living And Learning At CSU

Students at Chicago State University were treated to a special surprise upon returning to the campus this fall; adding to the campus landscape was a brand new Residence Hall and Student Union Center.

The housing complex is designed to provide ultra-modern, coed facilities and an ideal academic living environment for 360 students. It contains 180 elegantly furnished double-rooms, and areas for computer access and study, general recreation; meetings and dining.

The highlight for students is the design's use of two-room suites: Each room houses two students and connects to a second room through a semi-private bathroom; that means no more than four students per bath. This small feature distinguishes CSU's suit's from other universities that only offer communal type dorms in which a whole floor may share one bathroom.

The resident hall's visual focal point is the large inner courtyard with trees, landscaping, stone walls and planned benches. Hallways jog at angles to offer as many views of the courtyard as possible while drawing in lots of natural light.

As part of a \$23 million project, Chicago State University also built an impressive student union building. This edifice features an airy, glass-topped rotunda built of intricate brick work. The building





houses the dining areas, but also student government, campus publications, student activities, career development, and a host of other departments designed to assist student development.

CSU's residence hall not only provides commuting convenience for students by housing them on campus, it also helps foster a more campus like atmosphere. Many students residents have voiced their excitement, and appreciation of the new friends made that no doubt will last a lifetime.



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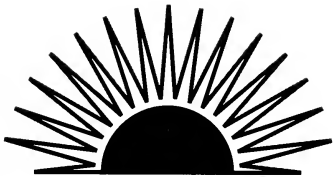
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Chicago State's Connection To The March

Organizing three buses to travel to the Million Man March, The Concerned Students of Chicago State assisted in CSU's place in history. Approximately 150 students traveled to Washington D.C., while others observed the event by staying home from work and school.

CSU's own Professor Haki Madhubutti was not only a speaker at the march, but one of its national organizers. His speech challenged brothers to, "Develop the you in you, rise above the limited

expectations of people who do not like you and never will like you."

An idea initiated by The Honorable Louis Farrakhan of The Nation Of Islam, The Million Man March was convened as a 'National Day of Atonement and Reconciliation' for the Black community. Approximately two million Black men attended the event in Washington D.C. on October 16, 1995. A historic day for the Black community, the march not only broke records of attendance, it was also a catalyst for urban renewal.



The Epiphany

Dawn creeps over kindred souls, revealing kings waiting and anticipating being among a million. To study these spirits is to study the development of humanity. From the Nile, Euphrates, Congo, or the Mississippi these souls have seen the opulence of civilization, and experienced the bitterness of enslavement.

From all walks of life we gathered on the capitol. We greeted each other with hugs, shakes, and peace signs. The air was filled with the aroma of atonement, the scent of reconciliation. It was not uncommon to see teary-eyed men moved by the spirit and moved by brotherhood.

Determined to be the vanguards for community uplifting; affirming our responsibility as fathers, sons, and husbands; accepting the task to be catalysts for moral transformation of the country; Black men boarded the buses for home and brought closure to a majestic day.



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Dr. Khallid Muhammad Electrify's CSU Students

"... I have respect for Chicago State University because I believe that the students here and some of the faculty and administrators are working hard to make this a Black institution of higher learning"

The student organization KnowledgeCorner continued their quest to bring culturally enlightening and politically educating programs to the campus of Chicago State University by hosting Dr. Khallid Muhammad of the Nation Of Islam.

Popularly known as "Farrakhans Flame-thrower", Dr. Muhammad spoke on 'The role and responsibility of the Black Student entering the 21st century.' His discussion centered on the responsibility of CSU students to take the education they received from the university, and direct it specifically toward the social, political, and economic growth of the Black community. He stressed total loyalty and allegiance to the development of one's own community, as opposed to parlaying others.

The audience, which reached a capacity of 500 people, was treated to a presentation that was not only informative, but inspiring as well. On many occasions Mr. Muhammad was interrupted by a choruses of laughter and applause.

In order to increase interaction between CSU students and the community, KnowledgeCorner opened the event to the public. A community organization, The Coalition of Intelligent Men and Women, co-hosted the event and assisted in boosting attendance.

It had been some time since Dr. Muhammad last visited Chicago. The audience was not only filled with students, but educators, activists, local politicians, and clergymen. It was an eventful evening for KnowledgeCorner and CSU, exemplified by the numerous write-ups in local newspapers.



Dr Khallid Muhammad addresses the CSU community in RUC. (opposite page-bottom right) KnowledgeCorners members-(l-r) Charles, Dessalina and Yvette with Dr Khallid Muhammad





AIDS Awareness

Rae Lewis Thornton Informs CSU



On November 20, 1995, Rae Lewis-Thornton delivered a speech to Chicago State University students, staff, and faculty members in the rotunda of the Student Union Building.

Infected with the HIV virus, Rae devoted her life to being a motivational speaker who seeks to inform and educate people about AIDS (Acquired Immuno-Deficiency Syndrome).

Diagnosed with the virus in 1986, at the age of 24 while donating blood at a Washington DC Red Cross, Rae found out that she tested HIV positive. Now at 33 she is leading her own, "crusade to educate and challenge young and old audiences to take control of their bodies, future and health". She cites her life as an example and says, "HIV is non-discriminatory and that stereotypes about the transmission of the virus often results in the acquisition of AIDS," which ultimately leads to death. Lewis-Thornton is an activist involved in numerous organizations that seek not only to increase public awareness of the disease, but also to help those who have been diagnosed with HIV and AIDS. She plans to write a book about her experiences in dealing with AIDS in the future, and urges everyone to take an HIV test and to "stay safe."



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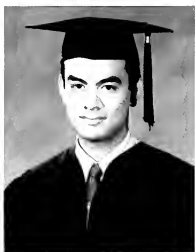
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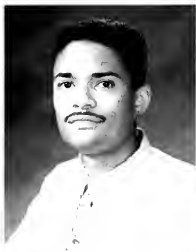
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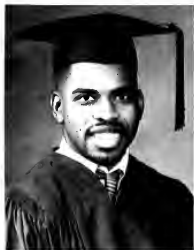
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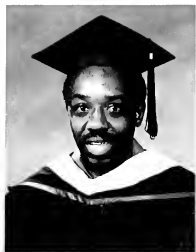
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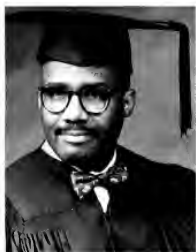
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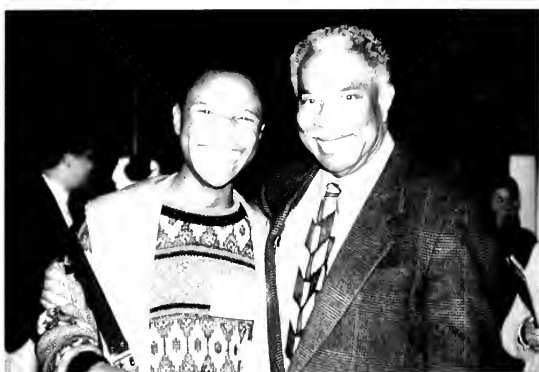


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Mr. & Ms. O O U

On April 3, 1996 in the Breakey Theater, Darnell Coleman and Nicole Marie Ford were crowned Mr. and Ms. Chicago State University.

The pageant drew a standing room only crowd. A host of faculty, family, and friends turned out to cheer on their favorites. But in the end, it was the efforts of Darnell and Nicole that prevailed over the competition.

Contestants in the Mr. and Ms., CSU pageant were judged on several categories: Talent, GPA, a written essay, stage performance, modeling, and a rigorous interview session. Prizes for the king and queen included free tuition for one year, a one-hundred dollar book voucher from the Student Government Association, and luggage.

Nicole Ford was very excited about her selection and promised to be very active with her new title. She is planning to use her influence as campus queen to promote voter registration and community activism among her peers.

Ms. CSU is a member of the Black Student Psychological Association, Psi Chi and Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. The campus queen enjoys such hobbies as reading, bowling, swimming and attending church. She is twenty-four years old, works part-time to finance her education, and maintains a 3.1 G.P.A as a psychology major.

Mr. CSU, Darnell Coleman, acknowledges that winning the title has had an influence on his behavior. "The title causes me to be on my toes more and conduct myself differently," says Darnell. He goes on to say, "I consider my views and opinions more before expressing them verbally."

At twenty-three, he describes himself as intelligent, witty, pleasant and kind. Maintaining a 3.8 G.P.A., Darnell has also excelled academically. His academic accolades consist of the Presidential Scholar Award, the Dean's List, The Highest Academic Achievement Award 1995, and the English 128 Essay Award for the Spring 1995 semester.

One of Darnell's talents includes writing. An article he wrote about the Million Man March was published in Emerge magazine. Darnell has also been news editor for the campus newspaper TEMPO; talent must surely be an asset when he pursues his goal of achieving a Doctorate in Educational Psychology.

Currently, Darnell is working full time, and also interning at the University of Chicago researching psychology. Mr. CSU anticipates graduating in June of 1997. CSU wishes Darnell much success, and will be hardpressed to find a greater example to represent our student body.



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RHYTHM

T A L E N T



S T Y L E





MODEL ILLINOIS GOVERNMENT

The Purpose of Model Illinois Government (MIG) is to help students gain a greater understanding of Illinois State government and the political process through simulation. MIG gives students an opportunity to analyze actual legislation in committees from our state legislature. CSU's Political Science Association (PSA) has participated in "MIG" for five consecutive years.

In 1996, PSA, along with several other organizations, joined forces to become the largest delegation in MIG's history, with a total of 47 student leaders, including six from area high schools (CSU's Upward/Bound program).

Chicago State's delegation managed to bring home most of the awards and trophies presented at the MIG simulation. As legislators, senators, lawyers, justices, reporters and executive officers, the students from CSU set the standard for excellence for future MIG participants to model.





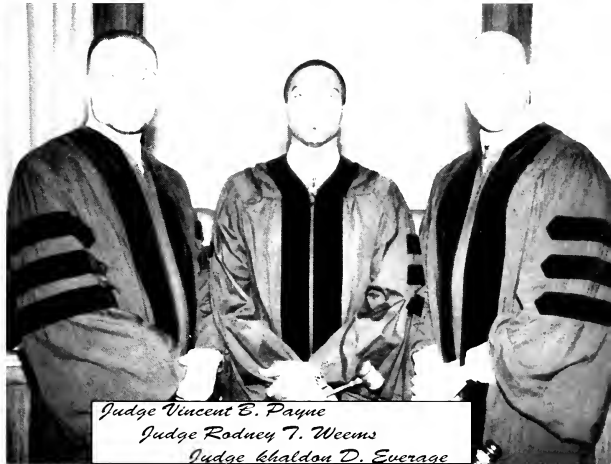
Attorney's David Sargent & Tyrone Jackson



Legislators Eric Nunnally & Pharoah Tolbert



*Secretary of State Tiffany Hope
Representative Constance Howard
Legislator Dossalina Longstreet*



*Judge Vincent E. Payne
Judge Rodney T. Weems
Judge Khaldon D. Everage*



Attorney Shawn Wang



*Legislators Darwee Rasheed Jihaad,
Deganun Whatley & Camisha Williams*

GetChA VOTE On



Power to the people! Power to the people!! All power to all people!!! There was once a time when these words had meaning and influence. They were used in galvanizing an oppressed people to change laws, social orders, and community status. The spirit of the people expressed itself through political and economic revolution. Were they successful?

The Concerned Students of Chicago State University set out on the task to answer this question. "Getcha Vote On" was a national political conference convened by and for students. The goal of the conference was to empower students as agents in the political development of their communities.

The conference operated with a past/present/future context. The first objective was to examine the historical political evolution of the Black community. The second objective encompassed studying current social conditions and determining whether elected politicians have been capable of addressing the problems. The third objective involved developing a plan of action among the students.

Registration for the activity lasted throughout a three week period and was free of charge to those interested in attending the conference. In addition to free registration, the university offered accommodations



Top right: Bobby Rush. Middle photo: Carol Meseley-Braun talking with CSU students. Bottom photo: Congressional Black Caucus Chairman Donald Payne, President of Chicago State University Dr. Dolores Cross, Danny Davis, Constance Howard, and Stan Gilkey.



VOTE

in the newly erected dorm facilities at an affordable rate to out-of-state and local participants and guests.

The workshops included a discussion on voting rights and redistricting, access to education, the Civil Rights Movement, & voter registration.

Participants included such community leaders as Dr. Anderson Thompson and Robert Starks from NorthEastern Illinois University Center for Inner City Studies, Henry Ray and Silas Purnell from Ada S. McKinley Community Services, Congressman Jesse Jackson Jr. and Chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus, Congressman Donald Payne.

In honor of the late Commerce Secretary Ron Brown, a treeplanting ceremony took place; members of Mr. Browns family attended the ceremony and reception.

Community support was evident from the first day of the program. Several students were guests on Cliff Kelley's WVON morning radio talk show. Students discussed the agenda of the conference, activities, and speakers. Many callers expressed their excitement about the conference, and the desire seen in students who wanted to be involved in community development.

The conference concluded with a ceremony to honor the outstanding achievement of the students that participated in Model Illinois Government.

A follow-up conference is scheduled for the upcoming semester. With a dramatic increase in participation and attendance expected, the next student conference will become the foundation for this generations place in history.



Top left: Calvin Atkins registering CSU students to vote during voters registration drive. Bottom left : Malaiki Berry registering CSU students to vote during voters registration. Upper right: Congressman Jesse L. Jackson, Jr. Bottom right:

BLACK HISTORY MONTH



Arthur Burton- Black and Indian Gunfighters



Dr. Conrad Worrill



Tuskegee Armen (L-R) Shelby Westbrook, Albert A. Loving, Jr., Roy M. Chappell and Beverly Dunjill

STILL



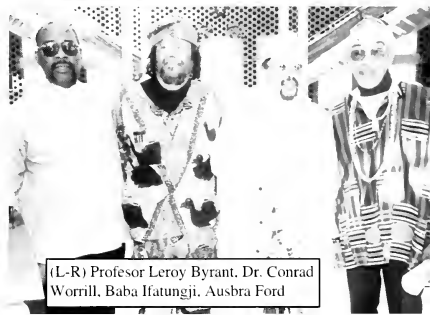
RISE



(L-R) Profesor Leroy Byrant, Jacob Carruthers, & Dr. Bartley McSwine



Molefe Asante



(L-R) Profesor Leroy Byrant, Dr. Conrad Worrill, Baba Ifatungji, Ausbra Ford

EGUNGUN CEREMONY
MARGERET BURROUGHS
IGBO TRADITIONAL DANCING
AFRICAN AMERICAN JAZZ
HAKI MADHUBUTTI
STEVE COBB & CHAVUNDUKA
GOSPEL EXTRAVAGANZA
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GWENDOLYN BROOKS

5th Annual
Black Writers
Conference

Featuring *Alice Walker*



"Living By The Word"

Every year in late October, Chicago State University becomes the center of the African-American literary world. Chicago State University's Black Writers Conference is a signature of the schools awareness of the tremendous contributions Blacks have made to literature.

Sponsored by the Gwendolyn Brooks Center, the 1995 conference featured highly acclaimed writer Alice Walker, author of several novels including the critically acclaimed, 'The Color Purple'. Writers and patrons gathered from around the country to discuss the impact and artistic grace of one of the literary community's most insightful writers, who also delivered the keynote address.

This year's conference highlighted musical performances by Hip-Hop artists Tony N' Dave and the jazz ensemble Samana.

During the five years that the conference has existed, it has grown to become a significant force in the Black literary community, serving as a forum for Black intellectuals to meet and discuss issues, network, and renew old friendships. The Gwendolyn Brooks Center's Associate Director, Dr. Joyce A. Joyce notes that the Black Writers Conference at Chicago State has become a national center for the focus on Black literary arts. Future record books will show that CSU played a leading role in illuminating the importance of the literary arts for community, statewide and national audience at a time when the federal government has launched an onslaught to reduce funds for literary and visual arts.

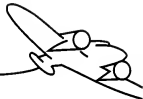
The conference also plays a vital role by inspiring future writers through experiences such as the Black Writers Conference, to understand the power of the written word.



Opposite Page lower left : Haki Madhubuti with writer Alice Walker. (O/P) upper right Gwendolyn Brooks. (O/P) lower left: Channelle Woods, award recipient embraces Alice Walker. (O/P) middle photo: Keynote speaker Alice Walker. Top photo: LaVonnie Harris accepts the Gwendolyn Brooks poetry award. Above photo: Administrative Assistant to the G. Brooks Center. Avis Woods, takes time out to register students. Right photo: Clifford Asburs enjoying the conference.



SEEDS FOR THE FUTURE



TOP PHOTO: Ms. Allie Mae Ivy, a pre-school teacher with CSU's child care center, reads to youngsters.

RIGHT PHOTO: CSU President Dr. Dolores E. Cross helps children from the child care center during a tree planting ceremony in memory of the Oklahoma City bombing victims.



DIRECTION, GUIDANCE & WISDOM

CSU Hosts Community Leaders



SUCCEED



Left photo: Mary Murphy, 1995-96 Lincoln Academy Student Laureate Award Winner. **Bottom photo:** Terrance Johnson whose work has been published by *The Sporting News*, *Daily Southtown*, and *Afro-American Reader*.



Above photo: Nicole Scarborough - 1st place oral physical sciences at AMP Research Conference. **Right photo:** Patricia Surgeon - Student of the Year. **Photo extreme right:** Debra Beal scored a perfect 100 on the Masters Program Exam in Guidance and Counseling



Pezavan Whatley

“ARE YOU
PREPARED FOR
THE FUTURE?”

KNOWLEGDECORNER

STUDENT ORGANIZATION OF THE YEAR



Members of KnowledgeCorner prepare for a protest against a Greek organization sponsored auction block to sell students. *The event was later cancelled*



Top: Calvin Atkins
Btm. right : Daawee Jhaad

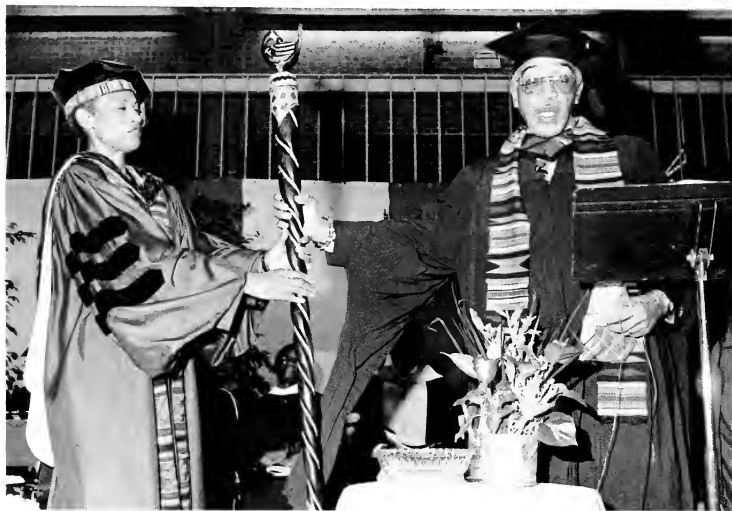


Members of Knowledgecorner



SANKOFA

MAJESTIC BIRD OF PASSAGE



Sankofa is a powerful concept toward the growth and development of the Black community. It is a bird that stands forward while looking backward. It is symbolic of first being cognizant of your history, before seeking individual or collective advancement. The African history is world history; once armored with the truth that slaves never left Africa, but African architects, mathematicians, scientist, physicians, fathers, mothers, sons and daughters were stolen from Africa and forced to be enslaved, then the descendant African-Americans can begin to make serious steps toward liberation.

Dr. Margaret Burroughs, founder of the DuSable Museum of African-American History had a cultural concept in mind when she headed to Africa to have a

linguistic staff, in the form of the Sankofa Bird, specially crafted to present at CSU's graduation ceremonies. The 'linguistic' staff comes, from the tradition of the Asante culture of Ghana. A linguist was known as the person within the culture who would communicate the problems of the people to the king or paramount chief.

Professor Ausbra Ford, of the Department of Art and Design, along with Dr. Burroughs and CSU President Dolores Cross collaborated to bring the Sankofa staff to CSU. The staff itself is created from wood and embellished in gold, which according to Ford, carries a lot of meaning in the Asante culture. "Everything in African art has meaning or purpose; there is nothing that is out of place. Gold is a symbol of quality and the facade is a

symbol of our essence and excellence".

The Sankofa linguistic staff is an excellent way to convey a very important message to the graduating class, and students at large. The message being that we have duty and responsibility to defend, develop, provide, and educate our community, and no other resource is more effective in accomplishing all of these goals than our history.





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Anderson, Joyce
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Andrews, Nicole C
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Bailey Audrey
Management BS



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Barnes, Katherine Y
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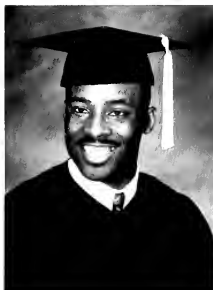
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Radio, T.V. Broadcasting BA



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Chase, Erleen G.
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Childress Sr., Clayton
Information Systems BS



Clark, Angela W.
Early Childhood BS



Cochran, Anthony K.
Physics BS



Coulter, Mark S.
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Dates, James C.
Political Science BA



Davis, Carmelia
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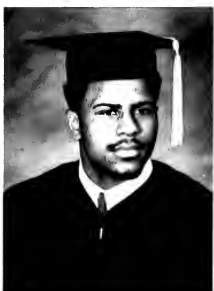
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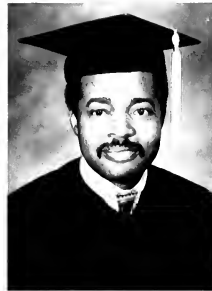
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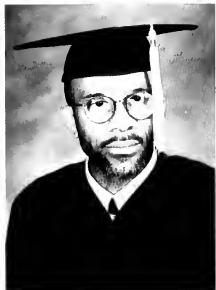
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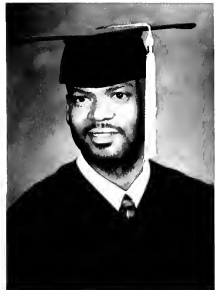
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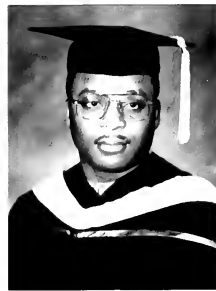
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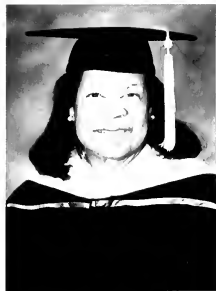
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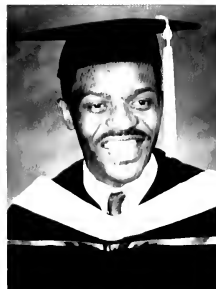


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Mangrum, Bessie M.
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Mason, Cindy
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Mathews, Cynthia M.
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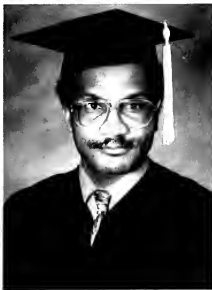
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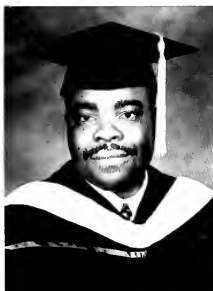
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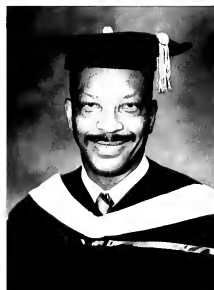
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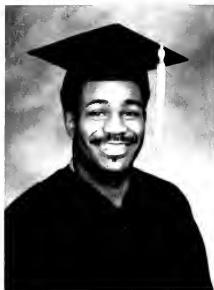
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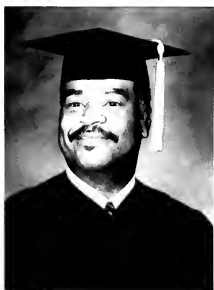
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Management-Business BS



Zahdan, Elizabeth K.
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SUCCESS





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**"I CHOSE
CHICAGO STATE
UNIVERSITY
BECAUSE
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SCHOOL
APPROACH TO
INSTRUCTING."**



Studying for class in front of the Douglass Library, is one of Chicago State's finest, Aisha Ato.





Mr. CSU, Darnell Coleman, takes time out for studying.

Karen Williams and Nephtheria Wilson sits in front of the Harold Washington Hall building taking a break after class.



Getting the right information for the test is very important to Dea Shipp and Angelo Tagle.



Marcell Wilson studying shows that he is more than just a track star.



Dana Bolton, Latoya Easter, Theresa Mills, Tasena Chumrley, Willie Davis, Jeannine Coxer, Lanell Aubert, Abdul Muhammad studies together.

PLAY BALL

Negro Baseball Leagues Saluted

Old-fashioned sports caps, sweatshirts and jackets surrounded by laminated newspaper and magazine articles, black and white and color photos and posters of sports legends, paperback and hardback books and playing cards all could be found in the William's Science Center on Feb. 15 as the Chicago State community enjoyed an exhibit and ceremony honoring the Negro Baseball Leagues.

The exhibit and ceremony was sponsored and conducted by the African American Studies Program. Former Negro Baseball League Catcher Curtis Pitts was the guest speaker.

The purpose of the Negro Baseball Leagues, which existed from



Curtis Pitts reminiscing





Mr. Curtis Pitts in his playing days

CSU SALUTES THE NEGRO BASEBALL LEAGUES



1885-1960 was to give African Americans opportunities to play professional ball. This was necessary because they were prohibited from playing with whites in the major leagues from 1885 until 1947 when Brooklyn Dodger second baseman Jackie Robinson became the first African-American to break the color barrier and forever integrate America's baseball diamonds.

The CSU event commenced when Prof. Leroy Bryant, faculty coordinator for the African American Studies Program, said "The aim of Chicago State University's exhibit and ceremony today is to formally salute the thousands of Negro Baseball Leaguers for showing tremendous skill, speed, strength, creativity, endurance and excellence while playing under the shackles of racial discrimination, segregation and sub-standard conditions for 75 years."

Bryant emphasized that if individuals focused on excelling in their classes and careers just as the Negro Baseball Leaguers focused on excelling during games, that many more would experience and enjoy success as students and as professionals.

Pitts, also a CSU administrator and an ex-catcher for the Cleveland Buckeyes and the Chicago American Giants in 1950 and 1951, said, "As a former catcher for the Negro Baseball Leagues I salute you, CSU professors, staff, administrators, supporters and students for acting like a great team by providing and receiving an accessible, affordable and quality college education for many, many years."

The former Harlem Globetrotters baseball catcher also expressed pride in seeing Chicago State student-athletes and especially its NCAA Division I baseball players develop athletically and academically, graduate and become minor and major league ball players as well as other professionals. He was an assistant baseball coach for CSU's 1987 and 1988 baseball teams.

Pitts ended the ceremony by requesting that CSU students and graduates start to "work diligently toward becoming sports team owners and various other business owners and toward helping to make society a better and more equitable place for our children and our children's children."

ORGANIZATIONS



MAKING THE DIFFERENCE

Student Government Association



Front row: Chamala Jordan, LaTonya Nelson, Natalie Patterson, Paul Alexander, Rasheedah Omar, Antandra Bailey, Carol Allen, Ayesha Omar, Malaika Berry, Cassandra Newson Back row: Calvin Atkins, Tyonna Peat, Jeanine Davis, Roxie Alexander Jones, Annika Frazier Muhammad, Juantica Brooks, Tracey Hill, Carneisha Davenport, Pezavan Whatley, Katina Shepperd

THE STRUGGLE IS NOT OVER!

CSU IS JUST OUR STEPPING STONE

WELL COUGARS, I am finally out of here, and I have truly enjoyed the ride. As president, I especially enjoyed serving the student body in every way I could. Thanks for allowing me to serve. Also, I must thank GOD first and foremost for my achievements because if it wasn't for him I wouldn't have been here.

TO ALL OF MY FELLOW COLLEAGUES:
wish you much love, success, and happiness.

Know what it takes to achieve your goals in life. You have within your reach the ability to make your dreams become reality. Also, know that through perseverance you can achieve. As you reflect upon the knowledge that you have acquired, and the challenges you've met look forward to your tomorrows with strength and confidence in your ability to contribute to a better world.

Remember not to resist the lessons that life is trying to teach you, but to learn from your mistakes and to never settle for anything less than the best. To settle for unhappiness in any area of your life is to miss the whole purpose of living. This is only the creators way of encouraging us to reach, to stretch, and to grow. life gives us exercises to develop the wisdom, courage, and strength we need to fulfill our purpose in life.

NO, THE STRUGGLE IS NEVER OVER
WE'VE GOT TO "KEEP ON KEEPING ON"

NEVER FORGET WHO YOU ARE, WHERE YOU COME FROM, AND WHO HELPED YOU GET THERE.

"WE ARE OUR BROTHER'S AND SISTER'S KEEPERS"

RESPECTFULLY,
RASHEEDAH OMAR
PRESIDENT OF THE STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION, 1995-96



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Seated l-r: John J. Kulidas, Sam A. Adeleye, standing l-r: Pattie Thomas, Jewel Nix, Monique Smith, Anjanette D. Gaston, Letitia Leonard, Clarence Jackson, B.J. Christopher, Ray Johnson, Allegra Martin, Diane Martin, Annika Muhammad, Patricia Moore

BIOLOGICAL SOCIETY

Left to right:

L. Corey Bulluck
L. Michael Reed
Dorothea Friend - Vice President
Ebony Friend
Sylvia Antonio - Secretary
Lorynda E. Taylor - President
Joseph
Anjanette D. Gaston
Jacqueline Rogers
Kahtrael Bradley



INDUSTRIAL TECHNICAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION



L-R Eduardo Jimenez, Shawn Meyer, Dr. Johnathon Key, Kristofer Kowalski,
Tomet Evansk, Torrence Barnes, Anthony K. Braxton

National Society of Black Engineers N.S.B.E.

L-R
Clarence H. Rogers II
George Dritshas-
(Vice President)
Safiya Nelson
Carlos L. Baggett
(President)
Matt Cannon - Secretary





**The
National
Organization
for the
Professional
Advancement
of Black
Chemists and
Chemical
Engineers**

row 1 L-R: Ebony Friend, Sean Jackson. row 2: Sylvia Antonio, Valerie Goss - President, Tina Beacham, Karen Hughes, Angela A. Arder row 3: Pita K. Ware - Treasurer, Brian K. Richardson, Dorothea Friend, Diana Adams, Stefanie Judd, Tiffany Burgess, Dwight A. Walkerrrow 4: Joe Greenwood, Marisa Perkins Vice President, Edward L. Coleman - Secretary, Michael Reed, Okema Wheat.

Chemistry Club

row 1-r
Marisa Perkins
Diana Adams
LaShawn Yancer - President
Valerie Goss
row 2 l-r
Stefanie Judd
Tiffany Burgess - Secretary
Dwight A. Walker
row 3 l-r
Karen Hughes
Rita K. Ware
Edward L. Coleman
Okemah Wheat
Angela Arder



T r i o



L-R: Catana Hollins - President, Nathan Harvey - SGA Rep., Kelli James - Vice President

Criminal Justice Club

NAMES UNAVAILABLE





Geography Club

l-r: James Nazy, Charlotte Milton, Maria Garcia, Adriana Balderas, Drane Washington, Chon Rivera, Michael Siola, Maria Gomez, Mark Bouman

Management Student Organization

Derrick B. Smith - President
Terence Henderson -
Advisement Officer





CSU -
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of
Minnesota
MacArthur
International
Scholars

Front row (l-r): Maria Bonnor, Yvette Pye, Professor Agber Dimah(Coordinator), Mary Murphy, Andria Watkins Back row (l-r): Jeff Blackwell, Galen Caldwell, Leslie Lester and Paul Alexander

Baptist Student Union

l-r: Natasha Banks
Jacqueline Rogers -
President
Anjanette D. Gaston





Disabled Students Services

Seated l-r: Brenda Burse, Mario Townsel, Kenneth Waterson, Celina Rocha standing l-r: Irving Vernardo, Saunder K. Saunders-Coordinator of Disabled Services

Phi Beta Sigma

seated:
Stafford D. Wilson-President
Jason Kem-Fundraising Chairman
standing: Edwing D. Daniel
Derrick Gardner - Advisor
Clifton L. Richardson
Terrance T. White
Christopher K. Hill - Advisor
Timothy Tyree Donaldson





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HOTEL RESTAURANT MANAGEMENT

L-r: William Rebeles, Leneize Hickerson, Taura Boyd and Benjamin Demus with deserts they prepared for a lucheon.

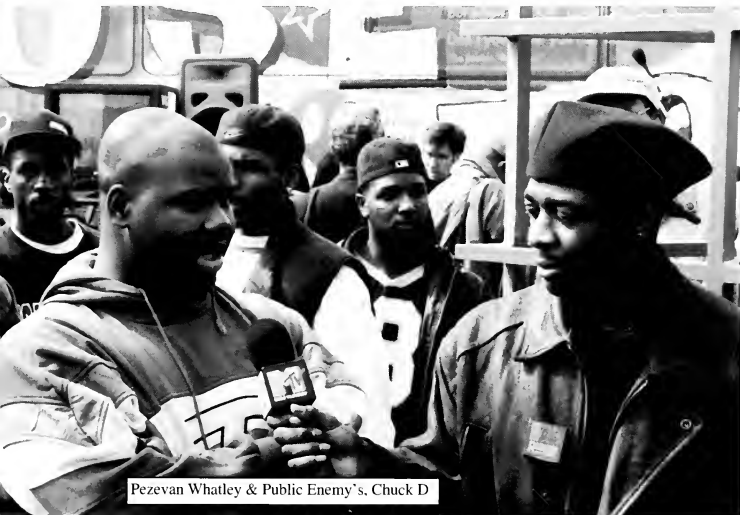


Those Who

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Khalidun Everage & President, Bill Clinton



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Calvin Atkins & Historian, Dr. John Henrik Clarke



Actress, Jasmine Guy & Cynthia Thompson

GO TEAM!



BASKETBALL



- **Basketball Team** Front row- Ulysses Butler (manager), Craig Hodges (Head Coach), Phil Gary (Asst. Coach) Second Row- Darren Dickens & Troy Ivory. Third Row- Sonny Walker & Anthony Figueroa.
- Fourth row- Todd Gillespie & Keith Love.
- Fifth row- Terrell Ingram (holding ball) & Kevin Thompson. Sixth row- Rahsaan Mitchell & Scott Davis. Seventh row- Kory Billups & James Martin. **Lower photo left:** Head Coach- Craig Hodges.



CSU Basketball



GO TEAM!



Track & Field



- Above left photo: Sude Davis, Ken Vaughn, William, Chuck, Rupert, Norman, Milton Brunner, Tim Duroucher.
- Above right photo: Milton Brunner-1994-95 M.V.P. Indoor Champion, Conference long jump champion. Above photo: CSU students, William Thompson and Tim Durvander leading the pack.
- Left photo: Howard Jones selected Most valuable Player of the Men's division of the 1996 Chicagoland track and Field Championships.

GO TEAM!



Baseball

SPORTS TALK

Chicago State University
Baseball Team 1995-96

First Row (L to R)

Steve Halman, Mark Binder, Bill Miller,
Dave Keltner, Bob Boye, Deon Thompson

Second row (L to R)

Terrance Jackson (Asst. Coach) Cortney Fritz,
Brian Naese, Kevin McCray (Head Coach),
Juan Ceballos, Mike Callahan, Bill Nelson,
Chris O'Donnell

Third Row (L to R)

Roosevelt Walker (Asst. Coach), Scott
Budeselich, Jaime Garcia, Ken Vaughn, Matt
McDonald, Warren Woods, Joe Keller (Cap-
tain), Craig Majdecki, Donny Powell, Steve
Spielman (Asst. Coach), Bobby Welsh (Head
Athletic trainer)

1996 Honors

James Renko - Most Valuable Player, First Team Mid-Con All Conference

Jaime Garcia - Most Improved, second Team Mid-Con All Conference

Joe Keller - CSU Male Athlete of the Year, Second team Mid-Con All Conference

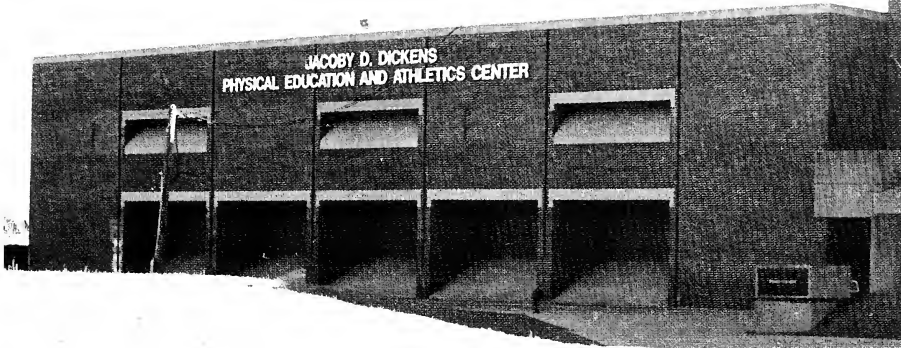
Brian Naese - First team Mid-Con All Conference



Front Row: M'rald Joshua, Natalie Manning, Tiffany Willis, Dora Ford, Nnyla Reed

Back Row (L to R): Head Coach Sandra Jenkins, Korliss Bell, Michele King, Lachanda Williams, Kelli James

Womens Track & Field



CSU Unveils Jacoby D. Dickens Center

"By dedicating the Jacoby D. Dickens Physical Education and Athletics Center today, Chicago State University is expressing its heart-felt thanks to its most generous benefactor and supporter for making the single largest financial contribution to CSU, for helping the university raise more funds this year than it has ever raised before, and for contributing towards the technological development of our community."

- CSU President Dolores Cross.



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Adrian Calleros and Encarnasion Rivera



Mercado Market R-L Celeste Henderson, and Mrs. Sorrell's daughter



L-R Julis Jackson, Rey Gonzalez, and John Martinez



L-R Rey Gonzales and Dr. Cross



Parents of 2nd place winner Juan Diaz, Juan Diaz, and John Martinez

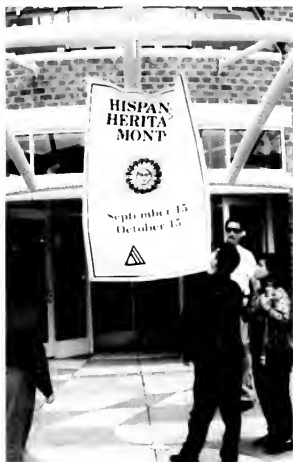
Hispanic Heritage



Dr. Cyndi Valenciano, Dr. Lopardo and Dr. Lucas



Margarito Zuniga, Dr. Norma Salazar and Liz Ortiz



Liz Ortiz and students



OLAScelebrates Christmas with children at an abuse center

Behind THE Scenes

EMBLEM YEARBOOK STAFF

"It was a joy taking and processing photographs for Emblem. Thank you for letting me serve you."

-Encarnsson Rivera
photographer



"I joined the Emblem staff hoping to utilize my creative and artistic talents while gaining additional computer skills. By putting in long hours, I more than accomplished this task. completing a yearbook is no easy task, it takes patience, commitment, perserverance and a good sense of humor. I would like to give praise to Allah for giving me this opportunity. Also I would like to thank my family for their support., and the Emblem staff for letting me have my way."

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"I really enjoyed working on the yearbook. The staff was a lot of fun to work with, and even though it was an arduose task the skills I acquired made the effort worth it. I would like to encourage everyone to follow their dreams and make them into a reality."

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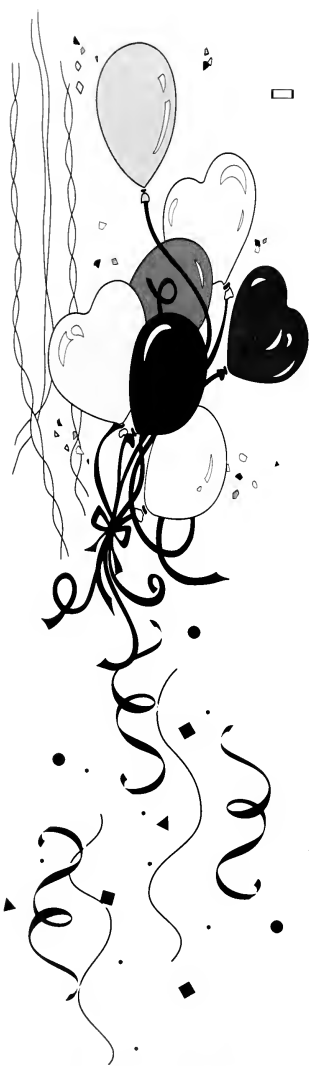
Chicago State University has remained a leader in transforming raw community talent into refined professionals.

CSU's student body has varied in racial complexion. Each era marked different social, economic and political issues for students to be concerned with. The respective graduating class experienced new challenges to overcome, and accomplishments to celebrate.

Through it all, the yearbook staff has always captured the excitement, hopes, dreams, and celebrations that encompassed the great 'paper chase' of attaining an undergraduate or graduate education.

The world has somewhat changed since the last Emblem publication. The Million Man March, The Expo for Today's Black Woman, a growing politically organized Latin American community, contrasting with the backlash from the O.J. Verdict, the dismantling of Affirmative Action, racist immigration policies and a return to the days of southern church burnings gives credence to the phrase that the more things change the more they remain the same.

Now more than ever, the students at Chicago State will have to take a proactive position as it concerns the development of themselves and their respective communities. We are not merely 'minorities', but a powerful **majority** when informed and organized. Our goal should not be to become occupational *mercenaries* that hire their skills out to the highest corporate bidder. Instead we need committed professionals that organize and solicit their services for the growth and development of the community. This is our destiny and our responsibility. With this common objective we can unite and lead the transformation of our respective communities from temporary underclass to permanent word class. *Peace*



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