



OAAA E-WEEKLY

THE OFFICE OF AFRICAN-AMERICAN AFFAIRS E-NEWSLETTER
HIGHLIGHTING EVENTS AND OPPORTUNITIES FOR OAAA STUDENTS

“YOUNG, GIFTED & BLACK: 40 YEARS OF PREPARING STUDENTS FOR THE QUEST”

WEEK OF MONDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2017

2017 BLACK HISTORY MONTH EVENTS

QUOTE OF THE WEEK

The cause of freedom is not the cause of a race or a sect, a party or a class --- it is the cause of human kind, the very birthright of humanity.

-Anna Julia Cooper

SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS



Shontell M. White is a Fourth-Year from Danville Virginia, who is double-majoring in Youth and Social Innovation (Curry) and Sociology (CLAS). She has received numerous academic awards at UVA, including: Intermediate Honors, Dean's List, OAAA Honors, and is a member of the Raven Society. On Grounds, Shontell has engaged in research as the lead student on a Jefferson Public Citizens

project with the Young Women Leaders Program (YWLP), and assisted with the *Teachers in the Movement Oral History Project* in the Curry School. She was also chosen for a one-year term as the Curry student representative to the school's Diversity Action Committee. One activity that she has enjoyed greatly is serving as the current president of One Way Christian Fellowship at UVA. In the community, Shontell has devoted many hours to instructing youth as a camp counselor and instructor. After graduating in May, she plans to attend graduate school to become a high school school counselor, and possibly pursue a doctoral degree in guidance and counseling.

You can nominate an exceptional student (not yourself) to be featured in the Spotlight on Student Achievements. Please send your nominations to Dean Patrice Grimes (pggrimes@virginia.edu) by Thursday at 12 noon for an upcoming OAAA edition.

University of Virginia

Office of African-American Affairs
BLACK
2017

HISTORY
MONTH

“THRIVING STILL: THE CRISIS OF BLACK EDUCATION”

- 1/21 Black Gospel Explosion
| 3 pm | 105 Lankford Avenue
- 2/6 “Black History in our Current Context”
| Gary Flowers | Maury Hall Room 115 | 6 pm
- 2/11 BSA presents: Black Ball 2017
| Alumni Hall | 7 pm
- 2/13 Open Black Presidents Council Meeting with
President Teresa Sullivan
Multicultural Student Center | 6:30 pm
- 2/15 BMI presents: MOONLIGHT
| Multicultural Student Center | 6pm
- 2/17 Join BCW at PVCC for Community viewing of
|HIDDEN FIGURES | 5:30 pm
- 2/20 BMI Lunch Forum: Reflections on
| I AM NOT YOUR NEGRO | LPJ | 12 noon
- 2/20 Make It Stick: Thriving Under Pressure
| J. Andy Thomson, MD | South Meeting Room
| 7pm
- 2/21 “Working Though Microaggressions”
| Open Lecture | Nicole Fischer, PhD |
| Ruffler Hall Room 137 | 3:30 pm
- 2/22 BSA Presents: Annual Black History Bowl
| Kaleidoscope Room | 6 pm
- 2/25 BCW Presents: Black Women’s Retreat
| Multicultural Student Center | 10 - 2 pm |
- 2/25 Paul Robeson Players Present:
The Miseducation: A 24 Hour Play Project
| Runk Green Room | 8 pm
- 2/27 BMI Bookclub: The Fire This Time | LPJ | 12 noon



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QUOTE'S CORNER:



Anna Julia Haywood Cooper

Anna Julia Haywood Cooper (August 10, 1858 – February 27, 1964) was an American author, educator, speaker and one of the most prominent African-American scholars in United States history. Upon

receiving her PhD in history from the University of Paris-Sorbonne in 1924, Cooper became the fourth African-American woman to earn a doctoral degree. She was also a prominent member of Washington, D.C.'s African-American community and a member of Alpha Kappa Alpha sorority. **For more information visit:** <http://www.blackpast.org/aah/cooper-anna-julia-haywood-1858-1964>

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

MAY 2017

Sunday 7th & Wednesday 10th	Reading Days
Friday, 19th	Donning of the Kente Ceremony
Saturday 20th & Sunday 21st	Final Exercises

ADD/DROP/WITHDRAWAL DEADLINES (varies by school)

Friday, April 28th – Drop with a W**	Law
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ADD/DROP/WITHDRAWAL DEADLINES (varies by school)

March 15th – Drop with W **	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Architecture - Arts & Sciences - BIS Program - Commerce (1) - Education (2) - Frank Batten School of Leadership & Public Policy - Nursing
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ADD/DROP/WITHDRAWAL DEADLINES (varies by school)

March 1st – Drop without Penalty (course removed from transcript)	Engineering
March 15th – Drop with W **	

OAAA ANNOUNCEMENTS & SERVICES

OAAA Calculus Tutoring

Tuesdays 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm & Fridays 3:00 pm – 5:00 pm

OAAA in the WEB DuBois Conference Room

Statistics 2120 @ McIntire

Tuesdays • 5:00 PM – 7:00 pm • Rouse Robertson 118 - Food!

Contact Jessica Thornton (jat9xe@virginia.edu) for more information

RTB 4.0 Study & Tutoring Sessions-Spring Semester

Sundays through Thursdays

5:00 pm – 8:00 pm

LPJ Black Cultural Center (study with Peer Advisors)

&

WEB DuBois Conference Room (small group tutoring):

Monday – Open

Tuesday – Calculus (OAAA grad tutor)

Wednesday – Open

Thursday – Biology (peer)

For details, see Raising-the-Bar Coordinator: Soyini Nibbs (skn2eh).

RTB 4.0 – It's Not Just for First Years' Anymore!



Black Friday
FRIDAYS

1:30 pm

LPJ Cultural Center

Come join us for food & fellowship!

UPCOMING EVENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY

FINANCIAL AID DEADLINE - MARCH 1, 2017

If you intend to apply for need-based financial aid for the 2017-2018 academic year, March 1, 2017. To be considered for all forms of state and institutional need-based financial aid, complete the following applications, available now:

- 2017-2018 CSS/Financial Aid PROFILE, available at student.collegeboard.org/css-financial-aid-profile
- 2017-2018 Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA), available at fafsa.gov

You will use 2015 tax year documents to complete both applications. U.VA.'s FAFSA School Code is 003745. More information is available at <http://sfs.virginia.edu/undergrad/apply/2018> If you have questions, email sfs@virginia.edu or call (434) 982-6000.

Scholarship and Fellowship Series -- Spring 2017

Mondays (through March 6th)

4:00 pm – 5:00 pm

Rotunda Multipurpose Room (121)

There are awards for students at all stages (undergraduate, graduate, professional) – and even alumni. It is never too early to start learning about these opportunities. Other events are:

UK Awards (Ex. Churchill, Gates, Marshall, Mitchell, & Rhodes) - Monday, February 20th
Opportunities in the United Kingdom and Ireland -- learn what they are, what it takes, and how the University of Virginia can support you.

Awards for STEM Students - Monday, February 27th
This session will explore some awards specifically geared toward STEM students as well as others.

NO SESSION* (Spring Break) - Monday, March 6th

Fulbright Forum

Tuesday, February 21st

5:00 pm – 7:00 pm

Special Collections Library Auditorium

Panel discussion with four former participants in the Fulbright US Student Award program, followed by a reception. Among the panelists will be a PhD student, a former English Teaching Assistant, a nanoscientist, and music teacher.

THIS WEEK IN BLACK HISTORY

WEEK OF FEBRUARY 20TH – 26TH



February 21, 1965 - Malcolm X was assassinated in New York City at the age of 39 by assassins identified as Black Muslims. Malcolm X, born Malcolm Little, also known as El-Hajj Malik El-Shabazz was assassinated by three members of the Nation of Islam in New York City. Born May 19, 1925, in Omaha, Nebraska. Many thought he was a courageous advocate for the rights of blacks; others accused him of preaching racism and violence. By March 1964, Malcolm X had grown disillusioned with the Nation of Islam and its leader Elijah Muhammad. He ultimately repudiated the Nation and its teachings and embraced Sunni Islam. After a period of travel in Africa and the Middle East, including completing the Hajj, he returned to the United States to found Muslim Mosque, Inc. and the Organization of Afro-American Unity. While continuing to emphasize Pan-Africanism, black self-determination, and black self-defense, he disavowed racism. The Autobiography of Malcolm X, published shortly after his death, is considered one of the most influential non-fiction books of the 20th century.

This week in 1940, Actress Hattie McDaniel known for her supporting roles on the silver screen, became the first African-American to win the Oscar Award for her portrayal as 'Mammy' in the movie *Gone With the Wind*. Actress Hattie McDaniel was born on June 10, 1893, in Wichita, Kansas. By the mid-1920s, she became one of the first African-American women on the radio. In 1934, she landed her on-screen break in the film *Judge Priest*. In 1947, after her career took a downturn, she starred on CBS radio's *The Beulah Show*. She died on October 26, 1952, in Los Angeles, California.



DID YOU KNOW...?

This is a partial list of African-American inventors and scientists who have invented items or made discoveries in the course of their lives.



Born into slavery in 1850, inventor and entrepreneur Sarah E. Goode became the first African-American woman to be granted a patent by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office, for her invention of a folding cabinet bed on July 14, 1885. After receiving her freedom at the end of the Civil War, Goode moved to Chicago and eventually became an entrepreneur. Along with her husband Archibald, a carpenter, she owned a furniture store. Many of her customers, who were mostly working-class, lived in small apartments and didn't have much space for furniture, including beds. As a solution to the problem, Goode invented a cabinet bed, which she described as a "folding bed," similar to what is now called a Murphy bed. When the bed is not being used, it can serve as a roll-top desk, complete with compartments for stationery and other writing supplies. Goode died in 1905. **For more information visit:** <http://berkshireremuseum.org/blog/inventor-profiles-sarah-e-goode-garrett-morgan/>

Lonnie George Johnson was an engineer for NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory in 1979. During his time at NASA, Johnson worked on the Galileo mission to Jupiter, the Mars Observer project, and the Cassini mission to Saturn. He earned multiple awards from NASA for his spacecraft control systems. His is best known for his invention of the Super Soaker water gun, which was the top-selling toy in the United States in 1991 and 1992. In 1980, Johnson formed his own law firm and licensed the Super Soaker water gun to Larami Corporation. Two years later the Super Soaker generated over \$200 million in retail sales and became the bestselling toy in USA. Over the years, Super Soaker sales have totaled close to one billion dollars. Currently, Johnson holds over 80 patents, with over 20 more pending, and is the author of several publications on spacecraft power systems. **For more information visit:** <http://www.johnsonrd.com/ie/li/ljprofile.html>



Mental Wellness Screening Day

Thursday, February 23rd
11:00 am – 3:00 pm
Newcomb Hall - Ballroom

Free and confidential in person screening for eating disorders and other mental health concerns available. No appointment necessary, screening takes about 15-20 minutes. CAPS Elson Student Health Center

Black Women and the Carceral State, Then and Now: A Conversation between Talitha L. LeFlouria and Mary Ellen Curtin presented by: Carter G. Woodson Institute for African-American and African Studies

Thursday, February 23rd
Minor 110
3:30 pm – 5:00 pm

Join historians Talitha L. LeFlouria and Mary Ellen Curtin as they discuss Professor LeFlouria's multi-award-winning book, *Chained in Silence: Black Women and Convict Labor in the New South*, and its contemporary implications. A book signing will follow.

Ain't I a Womanist: Black Women and Biblical Interpretation with Nyasha Junior

Thursday, February 23rd
4:30 pm
Wilson 402

Virginia Center for the Study of Religion (VCSR) is sponsoring a lecture, "Ain't I a Womanist: Black Women and Biblical Interpretation" with Nyasha Junior, an assistant professor of Hebrew Bible at Temple University where she researches and teaches on the intersections of race, gender, and religion. Her book, *An Introduction to Womanist Biblical Interpretation* will be available for purchase, and a book signing will follow the lecture. Please RSVP on our [Facebook event](#) and bring friends!

UVA Drama To Present Federico Garcia Lorca's Blood Wedding

Thursday, February 23rd – 25th & Wednesday, March 1st & 2nd
8:00 p.m.
Culbreth Drama Department Building

UVA Drama Department production of *Blood Wedding* by Federico Garcia Lorca with translation by Langston Hughes. All UVA students can receive a free ticket to the production with 24 hour advance reservation. Tickets are \$14.00 for adults, \$12.00 for UVA faculty, staff and UVA Alumni Association members, and \$8.00 for students. They are currently available online at www.artsboxoffice.virginia.edu, by calling 434-924-3376, or in-person from noon until 5:00 p.m. Monday through Friday at the UVA Arts Box Office, located in the lobby of the Drama building. Free parking for all UVA Drama performances is available at the Culbreth Road Parking Garage.

Time Management Workshop

Monday, February 27th @ 12:00 pm New Cabell 209
Wednesday, March 1st @ 3:30 pm New Cabell 415

Come to a 50-minute Time Management Workshop. You don't need to register. Just show up. It's free and meant for any student interested in getting their schedule under control. Offered by Katie Densberger, Ass't Director of Student Academic Support, College of Arts & Sciences. Email kad7k@virginia.edu for more information.

Reorientation

Thursday, March 2nd @ 12:00 pm W.E.B. DuBois Conference Center

Join Dr. Nicole Fischer and Dean Mason in a discussion about the transition from being a fourth year into entering the real world. Reorientation is a place to explore your thoughts surrounding graduation and anxieties around leaving friends, getting a job, and feeling (un)prepared for the new chapter of life. Lunch provided.

Symposium: The True Impact of Bias on Health & Wellness in America

Wednesday, March 15th – Thursday, March 16th
Newcomb Hall

This two-day symposium is designed to host authentic and thoughtful dialogue on the impact of unconscious bias on the health and wellness of all individuals, populations, and communities. Nationally-known experts and members of our local community will gather to share their knowledge/experience, and guide town hall sessions to develop solutions. Participants will be asked to reflect on their own experiences and build approaches to mitigate the impact of bias on health. **Register HERE.** Sponsored by the Office of Continuing Medical Education of the University of Virginia School of Medicine.

Black Alumni Weekend Student Volunteers

Deadline to Sign Up: Friday, March 17th

The 2017 Black Alumni Weekend Planning Committee needs dedicated and motivated student volunteers to help make this year's reunion a success! Volunteers have the opportunity to network with hundreds of Black Alumni, enjoy free food, receive a free t-shirt and gain entrance to the weekend's events. **BAW 2017 will be held Friday, April 7th – Sunday, April 9th. To apply go to:** <http://alumni.virginia.edu/reunions/black-alumni-weekend/baw-2017-student-volunteer-sign/>



Patricia Bath, Ophthalmologist, born in Harlem, New York, on November 4, 1942, became the first African-American female physician to receive a patent for a medical invention. Her inventions relate to cataract surgery and include the Laserphaco Probe, which revolutionized the industry in the 1980s, and an

ultrasound technique for treatment. After graduating from high school in only two years, Bath headed to Hunter College, where she earned a bachelor's degree in 1964. She then attended Howard University to pursue a medical degree. Bath graduated with honors from Howard in 1968, and accepted an internship at Harlem Hospital shortly afterward. The following year, she also began pursuing a fellowship in ophthalmology at Columbia University. Bath became the first African American to complete a residency in ophthalmology in 1973. Two years later, she became the first female faculty member in the Department of Ophthalmology at UCLA's Jules Stein Eye Institute. In 1976, Bath co-founded the American Institute for the Prevention of Blindness, which established that "eyesight is a basic human right." Through her studies there, she discovered that African Americans were twice as likely to suffer from blindness as other patients to which she attended, and eight times more likely to develop glaucoma. Her research led to her development of a community ophthalmology system, which increased the amount of eye care given to those who were unable to afford treatment. **For more information visit:**
https://cfmedicine.nlm.nih.gov/physicians/biography_26.html

Charles W. Chappelle, born July 11, 1872, was an early 1900s African-American aviation pioneer and medal winner, electrical engineer, and businessman. Chappelle learned his skills by attending Knox Institute in Georgia, and Morris Brown University in Atlanta, Georgia, and several United States correspondence schools. After receiving an education, Chappelle also worked as a school teacher in Georgia. Chappelle's successfully designed a long-distance airplane. He won a medal for being the only African-American to invent and display an airplane at the spectacular 1911 First Industrial Airplane Show held in conjunction with the U.S. International Auto Show at Manhattan's Grand Central Palace in New York City. **For more information visit:**
https://www.revolve.com/main/index.php?s=Charles+W.+Chappelle&item_type=topic



Born in New York City in 1919, **Jane C. Wright**, cancer researcher and surgeon, became well known for her contributions to chemotherapy and for pioneering the use of the drug methotrexate to treat breast and skin cancer. Jane graduated with honors from New York Medical College in 1945. She interned at Bellevue Hospital from 1945 to 1946, serving nine months as an assistant resident in internal medicine and completing a residency at Harlem Hospital. In 1949, testing began with a new chemical on human leukemias and cancers of the lymphatic system which lead to several patients who participated in the trials going into remission. Wright was appointed head of the Cancer Research Foundation, at the age of 33. In 1955, she became an associate professor of surgical research at NYU and director of cancer chemotherapy research at NYU Medical Center and its affiliated Bellevue and University hospitals. In 1964, Pres. Johnson appointed Dr. Wright to the President's Commission on Heart Disease, Cancer, and Stroke. In 1967, she was named professor of surgery, head of the Cancer Chemotherapy Department, and associate dean at New York Medical College, her alma mater. Dr. Wright was the highest ranked African American woman at a nationally recognized medical institution. In 1971, Jane became the first woman president of the New York Cancer Society. After a long and fruitful career of cancer research, Dr. Wright retired in 1987. During her forty-year career, Dr. Wright published many research papers on cancer chemotherapy and led delegations of cancer researchers to Africa, China, Eastern Europe, and the Soviet Union.



UVA's First Global Black Girlhood Conference - Undergraduate Portion

Saturday, March 18th

3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Harrison Institute and Small Special Collections Library

The Global History of Black Girlhood Conference brings forth the narrative of the past and present Black female through a unique form of memorialization and celebration. Attendees will discuss the history of Black girlhood through the lenses of violence, slavery, emancipation, migration, age, beauty culture, performance studies, technology, literature, and a number of disciplines. The convocation of diverse expertise, cultures, and accomplishments will contribute to the enhancement of the University's race relations and inclusive nature. Visit for more information: <https://globalhistoryofblackgirlhood.org>
Contact: Heba Abdelhameid, Diana Wilson, Email: GBGCUVA@gmail.com

OPPORTUNITIES WITH DEADLINES

2017 Beckman Scholarships

Applications Due Friday, February 24th

The goal of these scholarships is to promote a professional level of scientific achievement during the undergraduate years by pairing students with proven mentors, providing financial support, and sponsoring travel to national scientific meetings. Each year the 1-3 awardees will receive up to \$21,000 in scholarship, travel, and other funding. Their mentors will receive an additional \$5,000 each to be used in direct support of their scholar (including travel with them). Also, scholars must work with one of 15 approved faculty mentors. Please visit the Beckman Scholars @ UVA web site to learn more and to find application instructions. Contact: Beckman.Scholars@virginia.edu

Adventures in Veterinary Medicine (AVM) Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine at Tufts University

Applications Deadline: Late February/Early March

AVM participants can explore the wide variety of careers available within veterinary medicine and discover first-hand what it is like to attend veterinary school. AVM is a great way to gain a deeper understanding of the profession and to experience life as a veterinary student and explore opportunities within the field. Full details, including eligibility, tuition, and the online application, can be found on our [website](#).

James Madison Graduate Fellowships

Application Deadline: Wednesday, March 1st at 5:00 p.m. CST

This scholarship is named after President James Madison and is awarded to students who are or who plan to be teachers of American history, American government, or social studies at the secondary level. The award is to fund a master's degree (MA, MAT, or Med) that will improve the student's understanding of American history in general, and the Constitution in particular. For more information, please visit: <http://www.jamesmadison.gov/>

The Institute for the Recruitment of Teachers (IRT) Summer 2017 Workshop

Spring Webinars! [RSVP](#) for a webinar!

Wednesday, March 1st 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM EST & 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM EST

Friday, March 3rd 12:00 PM – 1:00 PM EST & 7:00 PM – 8:00 PM EST

This opportunity is perfect for students considering graduate school to explore a career option in the humanities or social sciences. Summer study includes examining traditional and cutting-edge theory and cultural criticism in the disciplines of education, the humanities, and social science. Classes are designed to introduce students to the philosophical rigors associated with the kinds of texts one encounters in graduate study. For more information visit: <https://irt.andover.edu/>

The Astronaut Scholarship Foundation

Application Deadline: Tuesday, March 14th by 12:00 NOON

The ASF will award up to \$10,000 to a qualifying UVA undergraduate student majoring in natural or applied science, engineering or mathematics with intentions to pursue research or advance their field upon completion of their final degrees. Students must be nominated by a UVA faculty member, be a U.S. citizen, and have completed two years, or be in their second year of full time study at UVA. Students intending to pursue a practice in professional medicine are not eligible for the scholarship. **For more information visit:**
http://people.virginia.edu/~kt4n/Astronaut_Scholarship/Astronaut_Scholarship.html. You can mail nomination to P.O. Box 400746, or as an email attachment to kt4n@virginia.edu

Hoos in the Office: Volunteer in the Admissions Office

Hoos in the Office, under the Virginia Ambassadors, allows current students to volunteer in Peabody Hall, connecting them with prospective students and parents. Duties include checking in students and parents in the morning and answering student-life questions in the afternoons. This is a very relaxed and fun commitment that has rewarding results. Email gwm5xe@virginia.edu to learn more.

Bunche Summer Institute at Duke University (NC)

For those interested in Political Sciences, visit website- <https://sites.duke.edu/bunche/>

Becoming A Research Partner Special Education Teacher Development at the Curry School of Education

Students engaged in special education study will get preparation for how to prepare teachers to work with students with disabilities. Undergraduate students will have the opportunity to assist with survey administration and analysis, recruit participants for in depth case studies, develop interview questions and protocols, and transcribe and code interview data. Training & support will be provided for each aspect of this project. If interested, contact Hannah Matthews at hmm8ep@virginia.edu

National Science Foundation (NSF)

The National Science Foundation funds research and education in most fields of science and engineering. It does this through grants, and cooperative agreements to more than 2,000 colleges, universities, K-12 school systems, businesses, informal science organizations and other research organizations throughout the United States. For more information about funding opportunities visit: https://www.nsf.gov/funding/pgm_list.jsp?sel_org=NSF&status=1&ord=date&org=NSF&page=1

UNLEASH – Research Assistants

Professor Shigehiro Oishi, Department of Psychology, is looking for undergraduate research assistants who are interested in topics such as happiness, culture, and social ecology. Assistants typically run experiments, code data, gather data on the web, and attend bi-weekly research meetings. Please visit Professor Oishi's lab page: <http://people.virginia.edu/~so5x/lab.htm>. For more information, visit: <https://med.virginia.edu/faculty/unleash-undergraduate-research-program/> If you are interested, please contact Hyewon Choi (Ph.D. student in social psychology) at hyewonchoi3@gmail.com.

Association of American Medical Colleges – Summer Undergraduate Research Programs (SURP)

AAMC is dedicated to transforming health care through innovative medical education, cutting-edge patient care, and groundbreaking medical research. The AAMC summer 2017 programs include research opportunities and introduction to clinical settings in the medical field. For more information, visit the website- https://www.aamc.org/members/great/61052/great_summerlinks.html

Center for Undergraduate Excellence (CUE) Programs

For an up-to-date list of spring 2017 activities and programs, visit: <http://www.virginia.edu/cue/> or contact Andrus Ashoo (aga3i@virginia.edu)