**QUOTE OF THE WEEK**

Leadership should be born out of the understanding of the needs of those who would be affected by it.  
-- Marian Anderson

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**SPOTLIGHT ON STUDENT ACHIEVEMENTS**

Yolande Bertille Pokam Tchuissaeu is a Fourth year student from Takoma Park, Maryland, studying cognitive science and neuroscience in the College of Arts & Sciences. She plans to attend medical school after pursuing a Masters of Public Health degree next year.

Yolande is very active in University life as the President of the Student Teledmedicine Organization, Facilitator in the First Year Seminar Program, a Peer Advisor & GradSTAR assistant for the Office of African-American Affairs, and past President of the Gates Millennium Scholars. She is also an Undergraduate Research Grant recipient, a University of Virginia Center for Global Health Scholar awardee and has been recognized for her work in the Minority Health & Health Disparities International Research Training program.

Yolande plans to become a physician for underserved populations. She is preparing for her goal through her public health research experiences in St. Kitts and Nevis (summer 2015) and Nicaragua (summer 2016). In both places, she learned about the importance of disease prevention and health promotion. She is known for her positive attitude and willingness to help others, no matter how small the task.

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Sundays through Thursdays
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LBJ Black Cultural Center (study with Peer Advisors) & WEB DuBois Conference Room (Small Group Tutoring):

- Sunday – Chemistry (peer);
- Monday – Quiet group study time;
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- Wednesday – Statistics (OAAA/McIntire tutor);
- Thursday – Biology (peer).

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

**OAAA ANNOUNCEMENTS & SERVICES**

**Calculus Tutoring**
5:00 pm – 8:00 pm
WEB DuBois Conference Room (Small Group Tutoring)

**Black Fridays**
Friday, September 16th
1:30 pm
LPJ Cultural Center
Food + Fellowship

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**IMPORTANT NOTICE**

*Thursday, September 15th* is the deadline for current students to have proof of health insurance with the University. If you do not document coverage, you may be billed for the 2016-2017 premium ($2613 per year). For details, visit the Student Financial Services website [here](http://sfs.virginia.edu).

**Application is now on line for the GradSTAR:**
Mentoring Program – Deadline Friday, September 23rd by 5:00 pm

Develop a one-to-one relationship with a UVA faculty or professional staff in 2016-2017

[http://oaaa.virginia.edu/faculty-mentoring-program-application](http://oaaa.virginia.edu/faculty-mentoring-program-application)

**Personal Branding Seminar Series** – On-line application coming soon!
All students are encouraged to explore these professional development opportunities. For more information, see the OAAA Program webpage or contact Dean Grimes (pgrimes@virginia.edu)

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

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**Black Male Initiative – First Meeting**

Monday, September 12th, 2016
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm
W.E.B Dubois, Conference Room

**Black College Women**

Wednesday, September 14th, 2016
12:00 pm – 1:30 pm
W.E.B Dubois, Conference Room

**Lunch provided at both meetings!**
QUOTE'S CORNER: Marian Anderson

Marian Anderson (February 27, 1897 – April 8, 1993) was an American contralto and one of the most celebrated singers of the twentieth century. She became an important figure in the struggle for black artists to overcome racial prejudice in the United States. In 1939, the Daughters of the American Revolution (DAR) refused permission for her to sing to an integrated audience in Constitution Hall. In Washington DC. Instead, she performed a concert on the steps of the Lincoln Memorial. The incident placed her into the spotlight of the international community. She continued to break barriers for African-American artists, performing at the Metropolitan Opera in New York City on January 7, 1955.

More Info VISIT: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Marian_Anderson

EVENTS AT THE UNIVERSITY & IN THE COMMUNITY

Black Male Initiative Book Club Meeting– First Meeting
Monday, September 19th, 2016
4:00 pm – 5:30 pm
Newcomb Hall – Board Room- Rm 376
Snacks will be provided!

Career Exploration Workshops
Wednesdays from September 14, September 21st, September 28th
3:30 pm – 4:30 pm
The Career Center
Learn how your major relates to future career opportunities, what employers want, and how your skills and values influence your career path. Work with a career counselor and other interested students. Visit: http://career.virginia.edu/calendar/070916-1500/career-exploration-workshop-9716-92816 to learn more.

Peace Corps Application Workshop
Monday, September 12th, 2016
12:00 pm – 1:00 pm
Open Grounds
Have you been looking into the Peace Corps and have questions about when to apply, what positions you qualify for, or what should be on your resume? Bring your resume and attend this workshop. Students, faculty, staff and community members are all welcome. A returned Peace Corps volunteer will answer questions and share tips to help you prepare a competitive application. Visit: https://career.virginia.edu/calendar/120916 to learn more.

Career Fair Simulation
Monday, September 12th, 2016
5:00 pm – 6:30 pm
Bryant Hall at Scott Stadium
Engage with employers in a simulated career fair setting. Alumni and recruiters will be on hand to help you practice your elevator pitch and provide real-time feedback on your approach. In between pitches, career counselors can provide coaching and advice. Visit: http://career.virginia.edu/calendar/120916-1200/peace-corps-application-workshop to learn more.

Intro to Investment Banking & Sales/Trading
Wednesday, September 14th, 2016
7:00 pm
Kaleidoscope Room – Newcomb Hall
This information session is for students interested in pursuing investment banking summer internships. Visit: http://career.virginia.edu/calendar/120916-1700/career-fair-simulation to learn more.

Human/Ties: Landscapes of Slavery & Segregation
Wednesday, September 14th through Friday, September 16th
Various times & Sites across Grounds and Charlottesville
Attend various presentations and exhibits that examine the challenges of interpreting, preserving, and reclaiming sites related to slavery and segregation. Visit: Event Guide PDF to learn more.

Confronting Race and Memory in Charlottesville
Thursday, September 15th, 2016
12:30 pm – 2:00 pm
The Jefferson School City Center, 2nd Floor
233 4th Street NW, Charlottesville
Visit the local spaces and objects of Charlottesville, specifically the historic interpretation of enslavement at UVA, and learn about the recent local debates about the Confederate memorial landscape in downtown Charlottesville.

The Memorialization for Enslaved Laborers (MEL) General Meeting
Thursday, September 15th, 2016
7:00 pm
New Cabell 132
Meet and engage with UVa students who advocate for remembrance of those who built the Grounds, and seek ways to build a better University community in 2016.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

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Steven Bantu Biko born in 1946, was the most influential anti-apartheid leader of the 1970s. Dies of severe head trauma on the stone floor of a prison cell in Pretoria. Six days earlier, he had suffered a major blow to his skull during a police interrogation in Port Elizabeth. Instead of receiving medical attention, he was chained spread eagled to a window grill for 24 hours. On September 11, he was dumped, naked and shackled, on the floor of a police vehicle and driven 740 miles to Pretoria Central Prison. He died the next day. In announcing his death, South African authorities claimed Biko died after refusing food and water for a week in a hunger strike. Visit: http://www.history.com/this-day-in-history/steven-biko-dies to learn more.

OAAA Peer Advisor Program presents: Capture the Flag and Sand Volleyball
Saturday, September 17th, 2016
6:00 – 8:15 pm
Nameless Field
Come to Nameless Field and play Capture the Flag and Sand Volleyball with the Peer Advisors! Snacks will be provided!

GEM Grad Lab
Saturday, September 17th, 2016
8:30 am – 3:30 pm
Jefferson Scholars Foundation Hall, 112 Clarke Court Charlottesville, VA 22903
A fun event designed to inform and motivate students from underrepresented groups in STEM fields to understand the importance of a graduate degree. Learn how to successfully apply to graduate school and find funding opportunities. Visit: Gemfellowship.org/gradlab to learn more.

Monticello: Public Summit
Saturday, September 17th, 2016
10:00 am – 12:30 pm
Thomas Jefferson’s Monticello
931 Thomas Jefferson Parkway, Charlottesville 22902
The Monticello Summit is the capstone event of Human/Ties, a four-day celebration of the National Endowment for the Humanities 50th anniversary, organized by NEH and the University of Virginia. All programming is free and open to the public. For more information and to view a complete schedule of events, visit: humanities2016.com

Women Against Violence: Rise Up!
Saturday, September 17th, 2016
7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
Old Cabell Hall
Attend an A-Capella benefit concert, presented by the Virginia Women’s chorus, to raise money for the Women’s Center and the Sexual Assault Resource Agency.

“What More Sci-Fi Than Us?” Black Sci-Fi Colloquia Interest Meeting
Tuesday, September 20th, 2016
5:00 pm
Minor Hall
Are you a student of color who is interested in black sci-fi, Afrofuturism, or race and technology? Do you have an interest in the performing, literary, and/or visual arts? Come join us for the year long series of meetups where we will think about ways in which people of the African diaspora have engaged with technologies, science, science fiction, and fantasy in the past and present. Students will be encouraged to address the representations of black peoples as technological in their artistic, academic or activist work. RSVP with 250-word bio and statement of interest to: mjhamiltons@virginia.edu

NAACP Monthly Membership Meeting
Second Monday of each month
7:00 pm
Jefferson School City Center - Mary Williams Center, 1st floor

Center for Undergraduate Excellence - Scholarship and Fellowships Series Fall 2016
Mondays
4:00 pm – 5:00 pm
Rotunda Multipurpose Room (121)
There are scholarship and research wards for students at all stages (undergraduate, graduate, professional) - even alumni. It’s never too early to start learning about these opportunities!

An Introductory Workshop
Monday, September 19th, 2016
Don’t know what national scholarships & fellowships are? Wondering what the point of pursuing any of them might be? Unsure of how you could be competitive? Come enjoy a chance to envision yourself as an applicant for these incredible opportunities.
Rangel International Affairs Program
Monday, September 19th, 2016
Charles B. Rangel International Affairs Graduate Fellowship Program is a U.S. Department of State program administered by Howard University.
Visit: http://www.rangeprogram.org to learn more.

Churchill Scholarship
Monday, September 26th, 2016
Specifically for the STEM students, this scholarship funds a year of research at Cambridge University, where a student also earns a graduate degree. Apply as a fourth year (or within 12 months of graduation). Visit: http://www.winstonchurchillfoundation.org/index.html to learn more.

White House Fellows Program
Founded in 1964, the President’s Commission on White House Fellowships is the nation’s premiere program for leadership and public service. The fellowship offers exceptional Americans first-hand experience working at the highest levels of the Federal government. After a competitive application process, selected individuals spend a year in Washington, DC working as a full-time, paid Fellow to Cabinet Secretaries, senior White House staff, and other top-ranking government officials. Fellows also participate in an education program consisting of roundtable discussions with renowned leaders from the private and public sectors. Fellowships are awarded on a strictly non-partisan basis.
Visit: http://www.whitehouse.gov/about/fellows to learn more.

Laura W. Bush Traveling Fellowship
Deadline: Friday, September 30th, 2016
5:00 pm
The Laura W. Bush Traveling Fellowship will help fund a proposal to conduct brief work in a foreign country related to the mandate of UNESCO – using education, natural sciences, social and human sciences, culture, and/or communication and information to build strong ties among nations. To qualify, you must be: A U.S. citizen eligible for foreign travel; at least 18 years old and not older than 25 at the time of application; currently enrolled in an accredited U.S. college or university in the United States.
Visit: http://www.state.gov/p/io/unesco/programs/143138.htm to learn more.

The Jefferson Trust - Now Accepting 2016-17 Grant Applications:
Application Deadline: Friday, September 30th, 2016
Alumni Hall
The Jefferson Trust is pleased to announce that the application for funding for the 2016-17 grant cycle is now available. Visit our website to find more information on recent Jefferson Trust grants, grant guidelines and FAQ's, and the proposal template. Special funding available for both student-initiated and globally-oriented grants! As a result of leadership gifts from Trustees Dan Adler and Larry Sperling, grant proposals from students, as well as proposals that support global initiatives are being solicited. For more information, contact Amy Bonner at 434-243-9078.

2016 STEM Open House @ Penn State University
Thursday – Sunday, October 13th -16th, 2016
Phone: 814-863-1663
Email: PSUSTEM@OpenHouse@psu.edu
gradschool.psu.edu/diversity

Begin your STEM3+7cyj career on a solid foundation, with a Penn State education. Unmatched research facilities, faculty expertise, and opportunities await you. Partner with Penn State to reach your maximum potential! Visit: gradschool.psu.edu/diversity/openhouse to learn more from the Office of Graduate Educational Equity Programs
Mary Burnett Talbert (September 17, 1866 – October 15, 1923), an American orator, activist, suffragist and reformer, was born. Called "the best known Colored Woman in the United States," Talbert was among the most prominent African Americans of her time. She used her education and energies to promote anti-lynching and anti-racism work. Talbert also supported women's suffrage and in 1915, she spoke at the "Votes for Women: A Symposium by Leading Thinkers of Colored Women" in Washington, D.C. During her national and international lecture tours, she educated audiences about oppressive conditions in African-American communities and the need for legislation to address these conditions. She was instrumental in gaining a voice for African-American women in international women's organizations. As a founder of the Niagara Movement, Talbert helped to launch organized civil rights activism in America.


On September 18, 1895, at the Atlanta Exposition, Booker T. Washington rises to national fame when he delivers what came to be known as his “Atlanta Compromise” speech, in which he advocates for the races to work together while remaining separate socially.

Visit: [http://www.history.com/topics/black-history/booker-t-washington/videos/booker-t-washington-on-race-relations](http://www.history.com/topics/black-history/booker-t-washington/videos/booker-t-washington-on-race-relations) to learn more.

IIE UPS Scholarship for Minority Students
DEADLINE: Tuesday, November 15th, 2016
3577 Parkway Lane
Suite 200
Norcross, GA 30092-2833

IIE’s scholarship and fellowship program is in place to recognize graduate and undergraduate industrial engineering students for academic excellence and campus leadership. The UPS Scholarship for Minority Students is available to undergraduate students enrolled in any school in the United States and its territories, Canada, and Mexico, where the school’s industrial engineering program or equivalent is accredited by an agency or organization recognized by IIE and the student is pursuing a course of study in industrial engineering.


UNLEASH

Wondering how to get involved with Research on Grounds? UNLEASH is an endeavor to match U.Va undergraduate students with research opportunities sponsored by U.Va faculty. Hence the title: Undergraduate Novel Learning Experience And Scientific Hands-on or UNLEASH.

Visit: [https://med.virginia.edu/faculty/unleash-undergraduate-research-program/](https://med.virginia.edu/faculty/unleash-undergraduate-research-program/) to learn more.

Volunteer with CPK
C4K’s Design Studio at Frank lx Building in Downtown Charlottesville

Be a mentor at Computers4Kids. Come join a unique community of young people and adults who create, invent and explore together using the latest technologies! Serve as a role model to our youth members while building your own skills and connecting with like-minded volunteers in our community.

Visit: [www.computers4kids.net](http://www.computers4kids.net) to learn more.