

# OAAA E-Weekly Newsletter

Office of African American Affairs

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**September 12, 2017**

## Special Announcement

The Office of African-American Affairs is on [FACEBOOK!](#)

**LIKE US** to keep up-to-date with events and more info about OAAA!

### Mark Your Calendar

**Monday, September 18** – Deadline when students must enroll in or waive their right to individual health insurance coverage - [For information visit](#)

**Friday, September 22** – Deadline when students can appeal the decision if a health insurance waiver is denied. [For information visit](#)

**Saturday, September 30 through Tuesday, October 3** – Reading Days (no classes)

**Thursday, October 5 - Saturday, October 7** -- [Cornerstone Bicentennial Weekend](#)

**Friday, November 3 – Sunday, November 5** – Family Weekend

**Wednesday November 22 – Sunday, November 26** – Thanksgiving Recess

## OAAA Announcements & Services

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**This week: GradSTAR on-line applications for the 2017-2018 Faculty-Student Mentoring Program & Fall Personal Branding Seminar Series. Coming Soon!!**

### **Black Friday - FRIDAYS 1:30 pm**

LPJ Cultural Center #2 Dawson's Row

Come join us for food & fellowship!

### **“Raising-the-Bar 4.0” Study & Tutoring Sessions- Fall Semester**

Monday through Thursday nights

5:00– 8:00 pm LPJ Black Cultural Center (study with OAAA Peer Advisors)

WEB DuBois Conference Room (small group tutoring):

Monday–TBA; Tuesday–Calculus (OAAA grad tutor); Wednesday–TBA; Thursday – Calculus & Quiet Study

For details, see Raising-the-Bar Coordinator: Destini Walker (<mailto:dw2uy@virginia.edu>)

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

### **OAAA Calculus Tutoring**

Tuesdays 4:00–7:00 pm & Thursdays 4:00–6:00 pm - WEB DuBois Conference Room & and by appointment: email: [ste3an@virginia.edu](mailto:ste3an@virginia.edu)

**Statistics 2120 Support @ McIntire – Coming soon!**

## Quote of the Week

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“Life is short, and it’s up to you to make it sweet.” – Sadie Delany

## Student Spotlight



Janetta Parker is a fourth year student from Austin, Texas, double majoring in Anthropology and Cognitive Science, with a Cognitive Psychology Concentration. She serves as a Senior Peer Advisor to the Office of African-American Affairs' Peer Advisor (PA) Program, where she is in charge of overseeing the planning of PA Orientation and monthly bonding events. In addition, she is one of 76 graduating fourth years chosen to serve as a Fourth Year Trustee, in which she is an active member of the Big Events Committee. Janetta is also a member of Phi Sigma Pi Honor Fraternity, where she has served as Fellowship Chair and most recently, Alumni Chair. In summer 2017, she interned at National AIDS Education and Services for Minorities, Inc. through Morehouse College's Project IMHOTEP, where she was named a CDC Undergraduate Public Health Scholar. Upon graduation, she plans to continue schooling to become a public health professional.

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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 ([pgrimes@virginia.edu](mailto:pgrimes@virginia.edu)) every Thursday by 12 noon.

## Quote's Corner



**Sarah Louise "Sadie" Delany** was born in Lynch's Station, Virginia, on September 19, 1889. She was an African-American educator and civil rights pioneer who was the subject, along with her younger sister Elizabeth "Bessie" Delany, of the New York Times bestselling oral history, *Having Our*

Say, written by journalist Amy Hill Hearth. Sadie was the first Black person permitted to teach domestic science at the high-school level in the New York public schools, and became famous, with the publication of the book in 1993. She died peacefully at her Mount Vernon, NY home

## Upcoming Events

### National Scholarships & Fellowships Series

Monday, September 11 – 4:00 pm – Rotunda Multipurpose Room

Meet Luce Scholars' Program Director Ling Li and learn about opportunities to study abroad in 2018. This award is for those who do not have extensive experience in Asia and is ideally suited for those students who wish to pivot their careers toward Asia. The Luce Scholars Program provides stipends, language training, and an individualized professional placement in Asia for 15-18 scholars. Students and alumni under 30 in any field are welcome to apply! **The UVA internal deadline is October 10th, 2017.**

### Google Interview Workshop w/HackCville

Tuesday, September 12 – 6:30pm – 17 Ellewood Avenue

Are you gearing up for technical interviews this fall? Brush up on your skills & tighten your resume with host Googlers who will share mock questions and tips. Food and SWAG provided. For questions, email [uvatechstudents@google.com](mailto:uvatechstudents@google.com).

### Assuring Fair Access for All: Vivian Pinn's Achievements and Legacy

Wednesday, September 13, 12 noon - 1:00 p.m, Pinn Hall Conference Center Auditorium, School of Medicine

The University proudly dedicates as Pinn Hall the medical education and research building formerly known as Jordan Hall. The building's new name recognizes UVA medical graduate Vivian W. Pinn MD, Class of 1967, founding director of the Office of Research on Women's Health at the National Institutes of Health. Dr. Pinn was the second African American woman to graduate from the School of Medicine and has had a distinguished career in pathology and in medical leadership. This dedication also calls attention to critical current issues of fair and full access for underrepresented minorities, especially African American women, as students, practitioners, and leaders in medicine, as well as beneficiaries of health care.

### UndocuALLY Training

Friday, September 15, 5:00 – 7:00 pm – Maury Hall, Room 104

UndocuAlly is a learning opportunity/workshop for educators and peers to develop and enhance their working knowledge regarding undocumented student populations at UVA. Trainings are run by DREAMers on Grounds, and organization that wish to create a more inclusive environment for all undocumented students at UVA through education, advocacy, and allyship. UVA faculty, staff and

students are invited.

### **8th Annual Fall Harvest Festival @ Buford**

Friday, September 15, 5:30 - 7:30 pm - Buford Middle School, 1000 Cherry Avenue, Charlottesville 22903

Time for the 8th city garden festival! Join Principal Eric Johnson, students, families & friends for music, food and activities -- youth led tours, an apple cider press, a delicious harvest meal and more!

### **M.S. in Commerce Annual Open House**

Monday, September 18, 2017 from 6-8 p.m., Rouss Hall

Join us for the annual M.S. in Commerce Open House and learn more about this unique one-year business degree for liberal arts, science, and engineering majors. This is the only time when prospective students can meet face-to-face with program faculty, career services, admissions, student services, current students, and alumni all at one event. Complimentary refreshments will be provided and dress is casual. Drop by any time between 6 p.m. and 8 p.m.

For more

information: <https://apply.mcintire.virginia.edu/register/?id=8a80e4bd-a9f2-42e3-b13b-e1eee9586d6d>,  
Contact Name: Sean Kelley, Contact Email: [sean.kelley@virginia.edu](mailto:sean.kelley@virginia.edu)

### **Career Center: Fall 2017 Economic and Litigation Consulting Night**

Tuesday, September 19th 2017 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Football Recruiting Room - Bryant Hall at Scott Stadium

Calling all students with strong quantitative and analytical backgrounds! Come to the 2017 Economic and Litigation Consulting Night to learn more about the field and how you can create a career of diving into data, finding patterns and themes, and presenting insights. This event is generously sponsored by Cornerstone Research! Additional participants include Analysis Group, FTI Consulting, Bates White, NERA, and BRG. More information coming soon! For more information:

<https://virginia.joinhandshake.com/events/80440> Contact Name: Dreama Johnson Contact Email: [d1m5t@virginia.edu](mailto:d1m5t@virginia.edu)

### **2017 Charlottesville Chamber of Commerce Business Diversity Luncheon**

Tuesday, September 19 - 11:00 am-1:30 pm - Jefferson School African American Heritage Center

Keynote Speaker: Michel Zajur, President/CEO & Founder, Virginia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce. For more information, contact [Andrea D. Copeland-Whitsett](#). To register for the luncheon, [visit](#).

## **NAACP Annual Freedom Fund Banquet**

Friday, September 29 – 7:00 pm - Charlottesville Doubletree Hotel, 990 Hilton Heights Road 22901

This annual fundraiser event of the local chapter of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People (NAACP) will feature live musical entertainment, a keynote speaker, a silent auction and dinner. Recipients of the Virginia Banks Carrington Award and local scholarship winners will also be featured. [For more information.](#)

## **Opportunities with Deadlines**

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### **Southeastern Medical Scientist Symposium (SEMSS)**

**Registration Deadline: Tuesday, September 15**

The annual Southeastern Medical Scientist Symposium (SEMSS) sponsored by University of Alabama at Birmingham, Emory and Vanderbilt Universities will be November 18-19, 2017 at Emory University, Atlanta, GA. This meeting is a great way for your students to meet directors of MD/PhD programs from the three schools and to network with current MD and MD/PhD students. Students also share their research with peers. There are also a limited number of travel awards for undergraduates. [For more information visit.](#)

### **Google Interview Workshop with Center for Diversity in Engineering Follow Event**

**Thursday, September 14th 2017 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm E303 - Thornton Hall**

Are you a first or second year student eager to learn more about the technical interview process? Are you interviewing with various tech companies this fall and curious about what to expect? Join us for this workshop to learn tips on how to prepare and code along with experienced Google engineers (all UVA alumni!) With questions, don't hesitate to reach out to Grace at [uvatechstudents@google.com](mailto:uvatechstudents@google.com). For more information: <https://virginia.joinhandshake.com/events/58689> Contact Name: Jamie Wright [jw9xt@virginia.edu](mailto:jw9xt@virginia.edu)

### **Fall 2017 Behavioral Interview Roundtable Follow Event**

**Monday, September 18th 2017 5:00 pm - 6:30 pm Football Recruiting Room - Bryant Hall at Scott Stadium**

Uneasy about interviewing? Wondering what to say when an interviewer asks you about your greatest weakness? During this event, students will have the opportunity to practice answering common behavioral question after a brief presentation on interviewing basics. Alumni volunteers will be seated at a table and will pose sample behavioral interview questions to each student and provide feedback on the response. Take advantage of this opportunity to practice your answers and engage with alumni!

### **Peace Corps Application Workshop**

**Monday, September 18th 2017 12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Global Grounds at Hotel A**

Make your application stand out from the rest. Attend this workshop to learn how to browse Volunteer openings, find the right program, and strengthen your application. You will have an opportunity to ask questions about service, learn steps you can take to improve your chances, and gain valuable tips to guide you through the application process. For questions about this event, contact Anna Sullivan at [PeaceCorps@virginia.edu](mailto:PeaceCorps@virginia.edu) For more information: <https://virginia.joinhandshake.com/events/55608> Contact Name: Anna Sullivan [peacecorp@virginia.edu](mailto:peacecorp@virginia.edu)

### **2017 Graduate and Professional School Fair**

**Wednesday, September 27th 2017, 12:00 pm - 3:00; Newcomb Hall**

The UVA Graduate & Professional School Fair includes graduate and professional schools from across the world who will be here to recruit UVA students for their top-notch programs. All University of Virginia students of all majors are encouraged to attend the event to learn more about program opportunities, details, and requirements.

For more information: Contact Name: Jasmine Jackson [jj4nf@virginia.edu](mailto:jj4nf@virginia.edu)

### **Sign Up for Dialogue on Race Saturday Study Circles**

**Sign up Deadline: September 30, 1:00 – 4:00 pm – Jefferson School Heritage Center**

Be a part of a community initiative to translate dialogue into action. The Study Circles will meet once a month for 3 hours from September through November; reading materials will accompany the curriculum. To sign up, go to the [Facebook event](#) page and please fill out the application to [dialogue@charlottesville.org](mailto:dialogue@charlottesville.org), which can be dropped off/mailed to the Office of Human Rights 106 5TH St. NE OR email the application to To learn more about the Dialogue on Race, visit [the website](#), look at the [Facebook event](#) page, or call (434) 970-3023

### **Churchill Scholarship**

**Application Deadline: Tuesday, November 7 by 5:00 pm**

This scholarship funds a year of research at Cambridge University, where a student can also earn a graduate degree. Fourth years (or those within 12 months of graduation) are eligible to apply. For details [visit](#).

## This Week in Black History



[Edward Alexander Bouchet](#) (September 15, 1852 – October 28, 1918) was born. An African American physicist and educator, he became one of the first African-Americans to graduate from Yale College in 1874. He was also the first African-American to earn a Ph.D. from any American university, completing his dissertation in physics at Yale in 1876. On the basis of his academic record, he was elected to the Phi Beta Kappa Society. Bouchet was also among the first 20 Americans (of any race) to receive a Ph.D. in physics and was the sixth to earn a Ph. D. in Physics from Yale.



On September 16, 1963, a bomb exploded during Sunday morning services in the 16th Street Baptist Church in Birmingham, Alabama, killing four young girls. With its large African-American congregation, the 16th Street Baptist Church served as a meeting place for civil rights activities. Fifteen sticks of dynamite were planted in the church basement, underneath what turned out to be the girls' restroom. The bomb detonated at 10:19 a.m., killing Cynthia Wesley, Carole Robertson and Addie Mae Collins—all 14 years old—and 11-year-old Denise McNair. Spike Lee's film, [Four Little Girls](#), depicts this true story.





[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.