

## Sports with Walter Moore



Walter Moore

### SSU Women Beat New Jersey Tech

Lashara Smith scored 21 points to lead Savannah State to a 64-56 win over New Jersey Tech in the women's Independent Basketball Tournament in Orem, Utah on March 6. Courtney Long added 17 points while Alisha Nelson had 12 rebounds and 10 points. In the opening round on March 5, SSU fell to Chicago State 74-39. CSU scored the first 12 points of the game and never looked back. Smith led SSU with 12 points while Long scored 10. In the third round, the Lady

Tigers ended their season with a 76-60 setback to Longwood on March 7. SSU shot 68 percent from the floor in the first half but trailed 40-39. Longwood broke open a close game with a 17-3 run in the second half. Smith, who was named to the all-tournament team, had 17 points while Crissa Jackson scored 13 and Nelson had 13 rebounds. SSU ends the season with a 9-22 record.

### SSU Softball Plays In CAU Classic

The Savannah State softball team participated in the Clark Atlanta Classic March 6-7 in Atlanta. SSU played three games on March 6, losing to Fort Valley State 10-4, defeating Paine 8-1 and losing to Nova Southeastern 17-0. On March 7, the Lady Tigers fell to Florida Tech 15-0 but bounced back to defeat CAU 6-5. Savannah State dropped a double header to North Carolina A&T on March 5 by scores of 12-2 and 10-5.

### Tigers Lose To USCB

USC Beaufort broke open a close game with seven runs in the eighth inning in a 15-6 win over Savannah State on March 3 at Tiger Field. Brett Pointer hit a home run in the loss. SSU journeyed to Atlanta on March 4 where they split a double header with Morehouse, winning 7-4 and losing 4-3. Andrew Mendez had three RBI, two hits and scored twice in game one and Jordan Monico had two hits and two RBI in game two. The Tigers played at North Carolina Central on March 7 and lost a twin-bill, 9-6 and 3-2. David Washington had three hits including a three-run home run in the opener. On March 8, the SSU bats came alive as they defeated Central 21-7. Darien Campbell had four hits for the Tigers (5-7) while Dexter Kelley and Tristan Smith drove in four runs apiece. Shane Mathews pitched three scoreless innings in middle relief to get the win.

### Relay Teams Shine At SSU Track Meet

The Savannah State women's 4x400m relay team won first place at the Tiger Open on March 7 at the SSU track. The women's 4x100m and 4x200m relay teams placed second in their races while the men's 4x200m team came in third. Also winning their events were Amara Jones who won the women's 400m race with a time of 58.25, Victoria Burch who won the women's 400m hurdles with a time of 1:04.78 and Eric Plump who captured the men's 100m race with a time of 11:01.

## Student....continued from page 2

of the Month. The Superintendent's Student of the Month program recognizes individual students at the monthly

board meetings who have excelled in the area of academics, leadership, and community service. Joseff was recognized by Dr. Lockamy

and presented with an award plaque and \$100 savings bond at the regular board meeting on Wednesday, March 4, 2009.

## Black...continued from page 2

much more moral content" because "the crisis in Black America is therefore...economic, political, and spiritual."

Our nation's President spoke with us in his State of the Union address on gradual economic and political plans to bring the country out of shadows of despair but we must not forget the spirit.

Now is the time to renew our spirits and pause for a period of introspection.

Take advantage of

the now to ask the hard questions.

What makes you happy? How can you be of better service to yourself and to others?

What are the dispensable things in your life? Are you partner in any toxic relationships?

We must free ourselves of the chains in our environment that keep us stationary. We must work to be clear in thought so that every decision is an informed and careful decision, whether it

relates to us as individuals or the ethnicity as a whole.

Take Dr. West's advice and "interrogate your hidden assumptions" in order to answer those hard questions and enrich your life.

Being Black in America means owning the knowledge that only when you are your best self can you learn the best, love the best, serve the best, and be the best. Take the driver seat in your life!

## Prayer....continued from page 5

ent to God from what I know he said, but we must grow in Grace. Until we decide to follow his lead we have not given Him His rightful position as God and Lord of our lives. We purposely or inadvertently draw lines in the sands of our lives that put limits on God,

even when our time with Him is so sweet and tender. We sometimes tell God "No, don't go any further", then our communication becomes controlled, and the relationship stifled. Have you drawn lines that God is trying to erase? Are there areas in your life that are

blocked off to hi touch? Let your prayer time be a "surrender time" with God. We can't afford to limit Godin our lives or anyone else's life-we need him too much! In the crunch times, say with Jesus, ".....yet not my will, but your will be done" (Luke 22:42).

## Bravo....continued from page 7

may be eliminated. We offer full or partial scholarships to students who have demonstrated an

interest in music but lack the money to attend.

The worth of this camp for young

people is extremely vital.

Please be a contributor to ensure its success.

## Youth....continued from page 9

munity and help our peers who are less fortunate", says Brian Allen, a senior at Jenkins High School and second term member of Young Voices.

Aeropostale and DoSomething.org will make sure the jeans are donated to

one of the local youth shelters that have been selected as partners.

As a result of this service project, the youth group has decided to take on a Semester of Service that will echo President Obama's Call to Service

that will lead up to Global Youth Service Day on April 24-26, 2009.

For more information about the Semester of Service Project or the Young Voices Youth Advisory Council, please contact ZaDonna Slay at (912) 651-6810.

## Rib Hut....continued from page 9

her children, staff down through the years, and other family members who continue to support her. Don't let the name of the restaurant fool you. While ribs are a specialty, The Rib Hut's

menu includes deviled crabs, shrimp, beef or pork roast, and a host of delectable deserts including potato pie and pound cake.

Feggins' kind, gentle manner, combined with

her business savvy has given her the recipe for success since 1976.

We salute the Rib Hut, and Nealese Orr-Feggins, and wish them many more successful years.

## Links....continued from page 8

body reminding them that childhood obesity has become an epidemic in Georgia and that one in every three children in our state is overweight or obese. Governor Sonny Purdue greeted the group along with Senators Gail Buckner (44), Gloria Butler (55), Vincent Fort (39), Emanuel Jones (10 - Chair of the Black Caucus), Nan Orrock (36), Ron Ramsey (43), Kasim Reed (35), Valencia Seay (34), Freddie Powell Sims, Ed Tarver, and Horacena Tate (38).

Other members of House of Representatives who visited with The Links included Katy Ashe (56), Roger Bruce, Carolyn Hugley, Sheila Jones (44), Ralph Long (61), Billy Mitchell, (88), Quincy Murphy (120), Barbara Simms (119), Calvin Smyre (132), and Earnest "Coach" Williams (89).

Audrey D. Hines (Dogwood City Chapter in Atlanta) and Beverly Y.M. Tarver (Augusta Chapter), co-chairs of the "Georgia Links Day at the Capitol," planned a program packed with information to count-

er childhood obesity and that also involved a possible legislative agenda to tackle the problem. Having a presence at the Georgia Capitol for The Links, Inc. extended beyond the legislative and the executive branches of government; the judicial branch also played a part in the day's program. Chief Justice Leah Ward Sears of the Supreme Court of Georgia, and Chief Judge M. Yvette Miller of the Court of Appeals of Georgia - both members of The Links, Inc., hosted the group for breakfast and lunch in the Judicial Office Building and participated in the panel discussions. Chief Judge Yvette Miller presented an achievement award to Representative Calvin Smyre, President of the National Black Caucus of State Legislators.

Chief Justice Leah Ward Sears of the Supreme Court of Georgia, and Chief Judge M. Yvette Miller of the Court of Appeals of Georgia - both members of The Links, Inc., hosted the group for breakfast and lunch in the

Judicial Office Building and participated in the panel discussions.

Chief Judge Yvette Miller presented an achievement award to Representative Calvin Smyre, President of the National Black Caucus of State Legislators, for his 35 years of service in the Georgia House of Representatives.

The Southern Area of The Links, Incorporated and its 3,000 plus members - Black women from Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Louisiana, Mississippi, North Carolina and South Carolina - will gather in their respective state's capitol cities, during the 2009 sessions, to let their legislative representatives know that they want the issue of childhood obesity to become a priority.

The Links, Incorporated, a national organization of more than 12,000 members, who are linked together by 273 chapters around the globe in order to enrich, sustain and ensure the identities, culture and economic survival of all people of African origin.

**Delorise Wilhite**  
Loan Officer  
Mobile: 912-844-5645  
Fax: 912-225-6750  
delorisewilhite@opteum.com  
www.opteum.com/delorisewilhite  
Specializing in Renovation Loans

**Opteum MORTGAGE**  
349 Mall Blvd., Suite 201  
Savannah, GA

**Williams & Williams Funeral Home**  
"Committed to Your Satisfaction"

"Our mission is to build upon a legacy that has been woven into the fabric of our community for over sixty years."

**We Provide:**

- \* Caring, Compassionate Funeral Arrangements
- \* Services to Fit Your Needs
- \* Pre-Need Planning
- \* Experience You Can Trust
- \* Notary Services

1012 East Gwinnett Street  
Savannah, Georgia 31401

**Tel: 912-234-1634 Fax: 912-234-2148**  
www.williamsandwilliamsfuneralhome.com  
African American Owned and Operated

**Keith B. Cooper**  
Owner

**James A. Jenkins**  
Manager & Funeral Director

**Kelvin J. Pennington**  
Owner

**Johnson's Florist AND BALLOON CO.**

Parties  
Special Functions  
Weddings  
Funerals

**"We Have Gifts for any Occassion"**

11151 Abercom Street - Savannah, Georgia 31419  
**(912) 920-4644 (912) 661-4644 1 (866) 287-1717**