

SOCIAL AND COMMUNITY NEWS

SSU College of Business to host golf classic March 30

The College of Business Administration at Savannah State University (SSU), a vital part of the Savannah-Chatham County business community, and its advisory board will hold the sixth annual golf classic on Monday, March 30, 2009, 12:30 p.m., at the Savannah Golf Club.

Proceeds will be used to support scholarships and other professional development activities for SSU business students.

The fee, \$500 for a foursome and \$125 for individuals, includes full use of the driving range, green fees and carts, scramble format with

handicaps for the team and captain's choice of all shots, awards and prizes, refreshments and box lunches.

Mulligans are \$5 each and are limited to two per player.

Organizations may sponsor the tournament at various giving levels from Tee Sponsor at \$200 (individual) or \$600 (foursome) to Platinum Sponsor at \$2,500 (includes two foursomes).

Sponsoring organizations will be prominently listed on tournament materials according to specifications for each giving level.

Early registration is encouraged as spots are limited to 120 players. For more information on registration or sponsorship levels, contact Keenya Mosley at (912) 356-2836 or mosleyk@savannahstate.edu. Established in 1890, Savannah State University is on the move to become the best value-added university in the nation.

The university's approximately 3,450 students are enrolled in 23 undergraduate and five graduate programs in three colleges: Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Business Administration and Sciences and Technology.

Support the BRAVO Music Camp

The BRAVO Music Camp Annual Fundraiser, a luncheon, will be held at the Marriott Savannah Riverfront, Saturday, March 28, 2009, 100 General McIntosh Boulevard, 12 noon. The price is \$40 a ticket. You may call 912-236-6681 or 912-236-1934 for tickets.

The BRAVO Music Camp, organized as Black Youth Reaching to Achieve in Vocal and Orchestral Music, is opened to all children in the Savannah and surrounding area. BRAVO will hold the 11th summer music camp July 6 - 17, 2009, at Alfred E. Beach High School.

The ten day camp includes band, strings, theory, music appreciation, private tutoring, vocal training, beginner keyboard, piano master classes, ensemble and a culminating concert on Friday, July 17. This congenial, nurturing environment directs the summer musical experience of over fifty campers, kindergarten thru high school, with a staff of professional musicians, guest artists, and community volunteers. During the year, the BRAVO Music Company performs for many charitable causes in Savannah.

The tuition for each camper is \$385, exception, the

family plan: 1st child \$385, 2nd child \$285.

Some campers need financial assistance to attend. We offer full or partial scholarships to students who have demonstrated an interest in music but lack the money to attend.

The camp hours are 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Some expenditure include: the professional musicians, guest artists, breakfast, hot lunch, snacks, the facility used, and the custodian of the facility.

Due to the recession, some services that we provide

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Local Cemetery Needs Volunteers

Families and friends for Evergreen Cemetery are requesting the assistance of volunteers for the improvement, clean-up and maintenance of Evergreen Cemetery.

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 19,

2009, 6:00pm at the Liberty City Community Center located on Mills B. Lane Blvd.

Regular Meetings will be held every 3rd Thursday of the month. The first volunteer cleanup will be held on April 11, 2009 from 10:00am to 2pm.

For more information and to volunteer, contact: Dr. Becky Gaston-Dawson (912) 233-5895 Rev. Augustus Johnson (912) 398-5409 Mr. James Council (912) 691-0406 Mrs. Brenda Price (912) 656-2021.

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has awarded \$300,000 to Harambee House, a local nonprofit organization for continuing work to help the Hudson Hill and Woodville neighborhoods understand and reduce local pollution.

The award is part of EPA's Community Action for a Renewed Environment (CARE) program which supports communities in creating and using collaborative partnerships to reduce exposure to pollution through voluntary risk reduction activities.

Since the program was established four years ago,

CARE has provided a total of \$10.4 million to 64 communities nationwide.

The Savannah CARE project is one of just four nationally to have received both Level 1 and Level 2 funding.

"Under the first phase of the grant, Harambee House and its partners were extremely successful in educating Hudson Hill and Woodville about toxic issues," said Russell L. Wright, EPA Region 4 Assistant Regional Administrator.

"With this second grant, the communities will engage new partners, including local businesses and

industries, and build on their success by implementing new projects to help reduce the risk of exposure to everyday toxins."

Some of the goals of the Savannah CARE Level 2 project are to engage business and industry representatives to determine emissions reductions and other environmental improvements that can be made on a voluntary basis, with support from EPA's Voluntary Partnership Programs, the implementation of strategies to address community environmental public health concerns, implementation of Emergency Preparedness Plans and Procedures in the

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Historically Black College and University Address

You are cordially invited to participate in Savannah State University's State of the Historically Black College and University (HBCU) Address, hosted by the Savannah State University Political Science Association (PSA), College Democrats and Black Students with a Mission (BSWM).

The panel forum will commence on March 11, 2009 at 7:00pm in the Howard Jordan Building auditorium.

Earlier this year Georgia's State Senator

Seth Harp introduced a proposal to merge two historically black colleges with two traditional institutions.

Even though Georgia's Board of Regents has not listed the school consolidation on its agenda, we here at Savannah State feel it is essential that students and the community began to have a discussion about the future of HBCUs.

Within that discussion we will ask the questions: are HBCUs still relevant? What impacts do they have on the community?

Joining the discussion

will be several prominent members of Savannah State University, Armstrong Atlantic State University, and the Savannah Community at large.

Please note that this is a formal event, professional attire is required.

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GOSPEL MUSICAL WORKSHOP AND CONCERT

The House of Bread Christian Fellowship and Ministries is sponsoring an adult and young adult gospel musical workshop and concert March 25-28, 2009 with special guest arranger, musician, and producer; Kelvin Broughton.

Broughton's impeccable musical abilities and personal touch with the community has afforded him the opportunity to serve as musical coordinator for the 5,000 voice Atlanta Paralympic Games Choir, the musical director of the highly famed theatrical production of "The King of Glory," and music writer for the acclaimed television series "In the Heat of the Night".


Well established as a highly demanded musician and arranger, Broughton has collaborated with local, national, and international recording artists such as Richard Smallwood, Kirk Franklin, Yolanda Adams, James Bignon, Candie Staton, Luther Barnes, Pace Sister, Donnie McClurkin and a host of others. His awards and honors include Producer of the Year (Atlanta Choice Awards) and Best Musician (Gospel Music Workshop of America).

Mr. Broughton currently serves as Director of Music at New Hope Ministries of Scottdale, Georgia and the Musical Director of the Atlanta Super Choir. He remains an active music arranger, producer, and music consultant for artists across the country.

The workshop is free for the general public and open to the first 75 people who call and register. The workshop will be held March 25-27, 2009 at 6:30 and the concert will be March 28 at 6:00 pm. The deadline for registration is March 20, 2009.

House of Bread Christian Fellowship & Ministries
12020 Abercorn St. Savannah, Ga 31419

For registration contact
Carleatha Lambert (912)201-1047
Apostle Archie E. Simmons-Pastor



Kelvin Broughton

Curves Presents 11th Annual Food Drive

During the month of March, Curves of Savannah Mall will participate in the 11th Annual Curves Food Drive to benefit local food banks.

Collectively, over the past five years, nearly 50 million pounds of food were distributed to local communities all over the world through the Curves Food Drive.

Curves of Savannah Mall is also giving back to the community by waiving its normal service fee for any new member who brings in a bag of non-perishable groceries and joins between March 9th and March 28th.

This promotion will help the women of Savannah Mall manage their weight and their wallets by joining Curves for free, while also helping feed hungry people in the community.

"We have a chance to help so many people at a time when the food banks are lowest. Especially during these uncertain times, this food is needed

more than ever. It's a win-win situation for everyone, and we're very proud to participate."

Others wishing to donate may drop off non-perishable food items at Curves Monday through Friday during business hours through the month of March.

Curves works every major muscle group with a complete 30-minute workout that combines strength training and sustained cardiovascular activity through safe and effective hydraulic resistance.

Curves also works to help women lose weight, gain muscle strength and aerobic capacity, and raise metabolism with its groundbreaking, scientifically proven method that ends the need for perpetual dieting.

Founders Gary and Diane Heavin are considered the innovators of the express fitness phenomenon that has For more information, please call Kimberly Fischer at 912 921-1771.

Kindergarten Orientation

Kindergarten Orientation will take place at all Public School elementary sites, Wednesday, March 26, 2009 from 9:30 a.m. until 10:30 a.m.

Parents and guardians of children who will attend kindergarten next school year are encouraged to attend the orientation at the school their child will be attending in September 2009.

Children will have the opportunity to visit a kindergarten classroom and participate in activities to help them feel more comfortable about starting school.

Parents will attend all informative session conducted by the school principal, nurse, counselor and teachers. For more information, contact the elementary school site your child will be attending or call 395-5635.