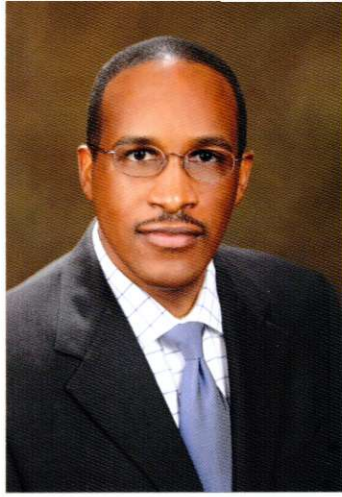




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Dr. Joycelyn Elders Speaks During Commencement 05



From The President

Walter M. Kimbrough, Ph.D.

It's Getting Hot (For Students)

A few summers ago, rap star Nelly had a major hit called "It's Getting Hot in Here." This summer party anthem could be used as a theme for higher education in Arkansas, especially in the competition for the most talented students.

Over the past few months, I have learned more and more about the buying of students in this state. Essentially, those with tremendous financial resources "purchase" the students they want with lucrative scholarship packages. Schools without those kinds of resources end up accepting the students with a desire for education, but often without the means.

Fay Vincent, former commissioner of major league baseball and a trustee at several private colleges lamented about this trend in more merit-based aid versus need-based aid. In his May 29th *Washington Post* op-ed piece, Vincent writes, "Over the last few decades, an increasing number [of colleges] have been offering significant aid based only on merit, without regard to a family's resources. In pursuit of class averages that will support a strong national ranking, these schools are essentially buying better students."

What has happened in America now is that students with the best scores, generally those from the most privileged backgrounds, are now getting the most

money for college, even though they may not need it. Students with the most need are left to receive whatever the government will give, and as many know, the Pell Grant buys only half as much college as it did just 20 years ago.

What has this meant to Philander Smith College? Our student body has the most financial need of any four-year school in this state, including public universities which were initially charged to educate the masses of the state. Yet, we have not been able to attract philanthropists interested in helping the most financially disadvantaged citizens. This fact troubles me greatly, not just for Philander, but for the masses of Arkansans who have a desire for higher education, but have average test scores and the most financial need.

My prayer is that a new wave of consciousness will cause philanthropists to assist schools like Philander Smith College who are educating the students with the most need. It won't take one billion dollars to have a sizeable impact on what we do as a College. A fraction would actually do much more for the greater good of this state.

Simply put, it is the right thing to do.



Professor Lawrence Hamilton leads the Philander Smith Collegiate Choir during the 2005 Baccalaureate Service.

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A bag of clubs seen during the 10th Annual Elijah Pitts Memorial Golf Tournament. More photos and story on page 12.

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PSC Fills Key Positions

Vice President of Student Affairs

Dr. Juliana MosleyAnderson has been appointed the new Vice President of Student Affairs at Philander Smith College. MosleyAnderson assumed her duties at PSC on July 1, 2005. She is currently Director of the Office of Multicultural Affairs at John Carroll University, Cleveland, Ohio. MosleyAnderson received a B.S. Degree in business education from Ball State University an M.A. in curriculum and teacher leadership with concentrated studies in urban education as well as a PhD. in educational leadership from Miami University. MosleyAnderson said that the job of Dean of Students calls for a colleague who “will be responsible for crafting and executing a comprehensive student development plan to create a true learning environment outside the classroom that facilitates personal growth.”



Vice President of Institutional Advancement

Delia G. Anderson was recently named as the new Vice President of Institutional Advancement at the institution. As Dean of Institutional Advancement, Anderson will be responsible for providing leadership in the areas of fundraising, marketing, and alumni affairs. Anderson has 15 years of experience in nonprofit management at the executive level and before accepting this position, Anderson served as Director of Alumni Affairs, UNCF and Donor Relations at the institution. Anderson holds a Master of Arts Degree in Journalism from the University of Arkansas at Little Rock, and a Bachelor of Arts Degree in Business Education from Philander Smith College. She is a member of the Association for Fundraising Professionals, Council for the Advancement and Support of Education, and was recently appointed as vice president of the UNCF National Alumni Board.



Vice President of Academic Affairs

Dr. John R. Simpson has been appointed the new Vice President of Academic Affairs at Philander Smith College. Simpson assumed his duties at Philander Smith College on July 1, 2005. He has more than 25 years experience in higher education and is currently Professor of Sociology at South Carolina State University, Orangeburg, South Carolina. Previously, he was Dean of the School of Arts and Humanities and has held several other academic posts at the institution, including Chairman of the Department of Sociology. Simpson received a B.S. Degree in sociology from Tuskegee University, an M.A. in Afro-American Studies from Atlanta University and a Ph.D. in rural sociology from the Ohio State University.



College Attorney

Eric Walker comes to Philander Smith College from the Arkansas Attorney General's Office where he served as an Assistant Attorney General for five years. Previously, Mr. Walker spent two years at the Pulaski County Prosecuting Attorney's Office. He graduated with a bachelor's degree from Morehouse College in 1995 and a doctor of jurisprudence from Indiana University School of Law in Bloomington in 1998. Mr. Walker grew up in Little Rock and participated in the Philander Smith College Upward Bound Program during his high school years. Duties as College Attorney include formulating and implementing institutional strategies for preventing legal problems; drafting various legal documents; serve as the legal affairs officer for the College; and serves as legal advisor on all aspects of College operations.



Director of Financial Aid

David D. Page was recently hired as Director of Financial Aid at Philander Smith College. Prior to his appointment, he was the Associate Director of Financial Aid at Dillard University, in New Orleans, LA. Mr. Page brings to Philander 12 years experience in the Financial Aid profession. He holds membership in local, state, regional and national Financial Aid organizations. Mr. Page was recently appointed to serve a two year term on the HBCU Advisory Council of Sallie Mae, Inc. Mr. Page is an Alumnus of Oklahoma State University,



The 4th Annual Presidential Luncheon

The 4th Annual Presidential Luncheon was held Friday, April 22, 2005 and featured Dr. Walter M. Kimbrough, the 12th President of Philander Smith College. It was held at the Harry R. Kendall Science and Health Mission Center on the campus of PSC.

Honorary Co-Chairs of the event were: Alex Dillard, President of Dillard's; Bruce Moore, City Manager; and Chuck Cook, President/CEO, Regions Bank.

Before the luncheon, there was a coffee with Dr. Kimbrough and the Luncheon Host Committee.



The Philander Smith Collegiate Choir led by Adrian Macklin, Assistant Choir Director.



State Attorney General Mike Beebe (at podium), gets a laugh from the head table, (from left) City Manager Bruce Moore, Dr. Walter Kimbrough, PSC President, Lt. Governor Winthrop Rockefeller and Former Secretary of Transportation Rodney Slater



Chatting before the luncheon are Mike Beebe, Bishop Felton E. May, Dean of the Kendall Center, Mrs. May, Mrs. Kimbrough and Dr. Elijah Harris, PSC Board of Trustees Chair.



Guests at the 4th Annual Presidential Luncheon enjoy their meal while listening to the choir.

Philander Smith College held its 128th Commencement Ceremony at the Statehouse Convention Center on Saturday, May 7, 2005. A total of 110 graduates received degrees. Of those graduates, 56 were awarded Honors or were designated with Distinction in Field.

PSC alumnus, Dr. M. Joycelyn Elders, former U.S. Surgeon General delivered the keynote address to an audience of more than 2,000.

Nominated as Surgeon General by President Clinton in 1993, she was the first African American and only the second woman to hold this prestigious position. Dr. Elders was responsible for the Public Health Service Offices of Population Affairs, Minority Health, Women's Health and the President's Council on Physical Fitness and Sports.

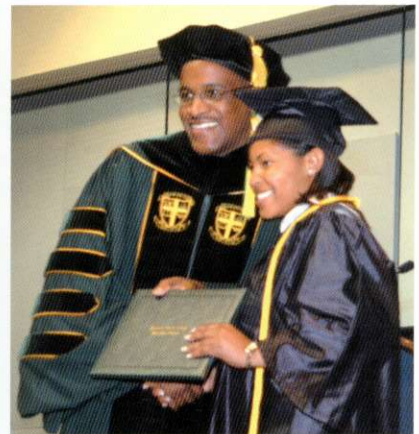
Before this appointment, Dr. Elders had been director of the



Dr. Walter Kimbrough (far right) celebrates with the Class of 2005.



Social Work faculty members cheering for the grads from their division are: (from left) Tealisa Allen, Angela Sanders, Kay Kimbrough and Hope Johnson



Dr. Kimbrough presents a diploma to Natara Johnson, President of the Senior Class.



Commencement with graduates

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Arkansas Department of Health.

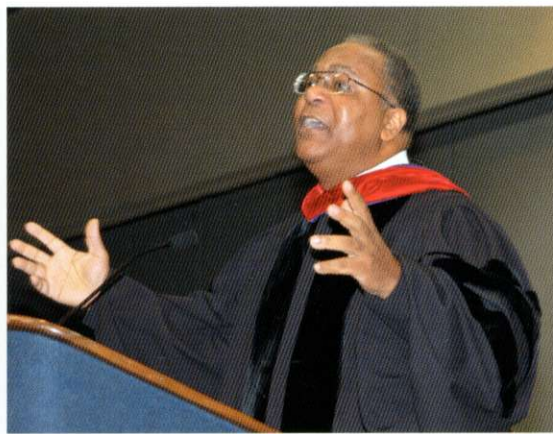
The annual Baccalaureate service took place at 10 a.m. with the Reverend Stanley Wood, Ph.D., Associate Academic Dean, Memphis Theological Seminary as the speaker. Dr. Wood served the seminary as both an adjunct faculty and as a member of the Board of Trustees. He is an ordained minister in the Cumberland Presbyterian Church in America.

Wood received a Masters of Divinity degree from Memphis Theological Seminary and a Ph.D. from Vanderbilt University. Wood and his wife, Patricia, have two adult children.

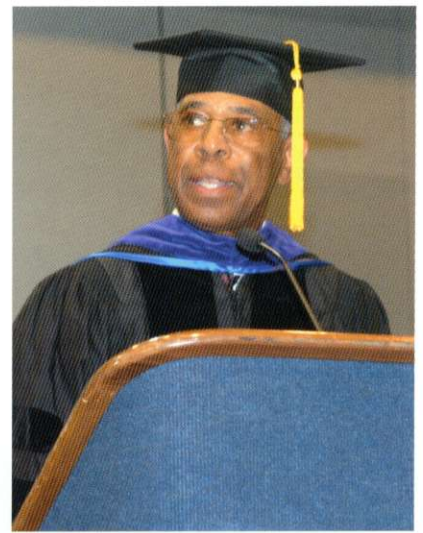
“We are very proud of our 2005 graduates and honored to have such wonderful speakers participate in the commencement ceremony,” said Dr. Walter Kimbrough, PSC president.



Guest Speaker Dr. Joycelyn Elders shakes hands following the service.



The Reverend Stanley Wood, Ph.D., Associate Academic Dean, Memphis Theological Seminary, gives the Baccalaureate Sermon.



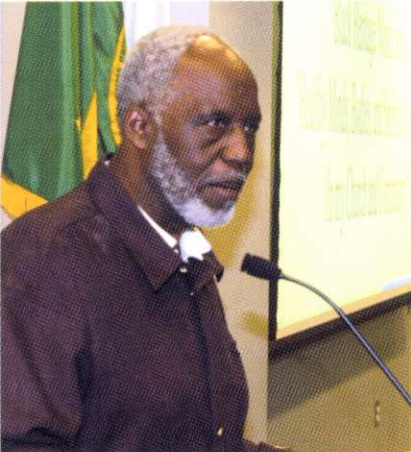
National Alumni Association President Isaac Jack Starks, J.D. inducts the new graduates into the Alumni Association.

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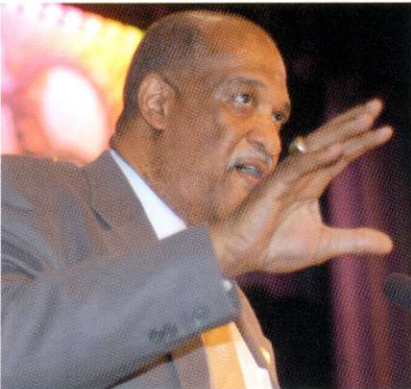
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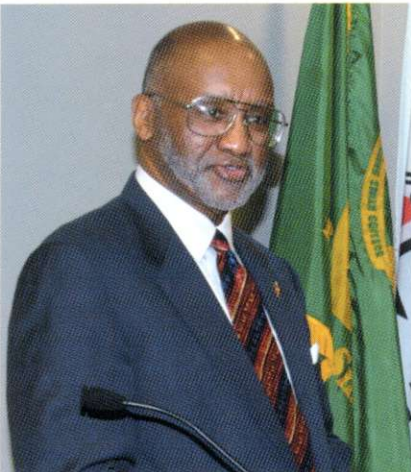
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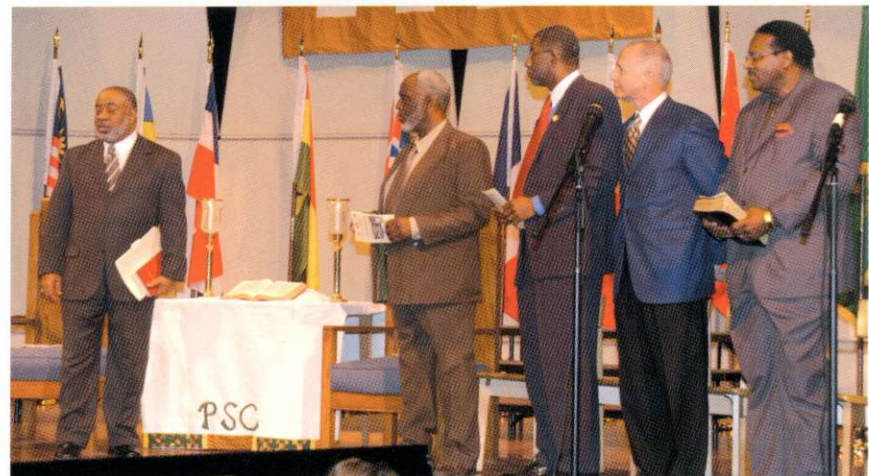
Bishop Felton Edwin May

More than a dozen seminars, focus groups and services were part of Black Heritage Awareness held during the month of February at Philander Smith College. The events were sponsored by PSC Campus Ministry, PSC Academic Affairs, and The Harry R. Kendall Science and Health Mission Center.

The guest speakers included: Little Rock Mayor Jim Dailey, Former Surgeon General Dr. M. Joycelyn Elders, PSC professor Patricia L. Griffen, Ph.D., Judge Marion A. Humphrey, Rev. Walter L. Kimbrough, PSC President Walter M. Kimbrough, Ph.D., Kendall

Center Dean Rev. Dr. Felton Edwin May, Al Assad Rasheed, Ph.D., Rev. William H. Robinson, Jr., Rev. Alfreda Lynette Wiggins. Many churches participated along with their choirs and praise teams.

In conjunction with the theme of the event "Healthy Mind, Body, and Spirit," a health assessment survey was done of the student, faculty and staff of Philander Smith College. Considering factors such as age, race, and gender, the survey was reduced to those areas of major concern and where realistic interventions could be developed. The results of this survey reflect American dietary behavior. African Americans are especially prone to having a less-than ideal diet. This survey provides an awareness and better understanding of the types of dietary and behavior changes needed to improve the eating and lifestyle patterns of students, faculty, and staff and PSC. Recommendations will be made after further analysis and the outcomes of the focus groups.



Participating in a Black Awareness Month event are Judge Marion Humphrey, Rev. William H. Robinson Jr., Judge Wendall Griffen, Mayor Jim Dailey and Rev. Larry Stagers.

David Broder Visits PSC



Listening to David Broder are Bob Lyford, President of the Political Animals Club, Former U.S. Senator David Pryor, Dr. Walter Kimbrough, PSC President and Dr. Sherman Tate, Former PSC Board of Trustees Chair.

David S. Broder, a national political correspondent reporting the political scene for *The Washington Post* was the speaker for the Political Animals Club meeting, Friday, April 1, 2005 at Philander Smith College. Broder has won numerous awards, including the Pulitzer Prize in May 1973 for distinguished commentary.

"We are very pleased and honored to have a man of his stature and notoriety address our students," said Walter M. Kimbrough, President of Philander Smith College.

David Broder's visit to Little Rock came from an invitation made by Senator David Pryor, Dean, Clinton School of Public Service.

His visit was hosted by Philander Smith College and sponsored by the Political Animals Club.

The Political Animals Club was formed in 1984 by Skip Rutherford, a former aide for Senator David Pryor. The group was formed when a few people interested in campaigning and politics started eating breakfast together to talk about politics, current events and public service. Bob Lyford is chairman of the bipartisan group.



Members of the Political Animals club and guests visit in the Kendall Center Atrium before David Broder's speech.



David Broder is greeted by Bishop Felton E. May, Dean of the Kendall Science and Health Mission Center.

Dr. Walter M. Kimbrough's Inauguration Planned for September 22 through 25

Philander Smith College will celebrate the inauguration of Dr. Walter M. Kimbrough, as the 12th President, during a series of events September 22-25. The Installation Ceremony will be the main event at 2 p.m., on Saturday, September 24, at the Statehouse Convention Center in Little Rock. The event will be open to the public, and a reception will follow at the Peabody Hotel.

The President's Lecture Series, featuring Dr. Michael Eric Dyson, will kick-off the festivities on Thursday, September 22, in the College's M.L. Harris Auditorium. An Inaugural Concert, featuring Lawrence Hamilton and the Philander Smith Collegiate Choir, will be held on Friday, September 23, and the Rev. Walter L. Kimbrough will be the guest speaker at Wesley Chapel United Methodist Church on Sunday, September 25. For more information, you may call the Office of the President, at (501) 370-5275.

Thursday, September 22, 7 p.m.
President's Lecture Series:
Dr. Michael Eric Dyson

Friday, September 23, 7 p.m.
Concert with Lawrence Hamilton

Saturday, September 24, 2 p.m.
The Inauguration Ceremony

Sunday, September 25, 10:45 a.m.
Inauguration Worship - Wesley Chapel

Carla Johnson Crowned at 2005 Coronation Ball



On February 17, 2005, the College celebrated the official crowning of the 2004-2005 Miss Philander Smith College, Carla Johnson, at the 2005 Coronation Ball held in the ballroom of the Double Tree Hotel. The theme for this year's ball "Recognizing the present while honoring the past," was appropriate. Special guests of the night included seven former Miss Philander Smith College queens (Miss PSC '78, '81, '99, '00, '01, '02, and '03 respectively). During the ball, Miss Johnson took time to address the audience, "I would like to thank the entire campus community for turning out in record numbers, as well as the 25 organizations and departmental queens for participating, my advisor, Mrs. Barbara Hatchett, the Coronation Ball Committee members, my mother for traveling here, and last but not least my royal court, Ariesha Wilbert, Tynli Frierson, and Natara Johnson. This night will reside vividly in my most cherished memories." The night concluded with dancing, picture-taking and a "royal" feast.

Moya L. Edwards is Miss PSC for 2006



Moya Leigh Edwards, a 23 year-old senior majoring in English, was recently crowned Miss Philander Smith at the 2005 Miss PSC pageant. During the pageant, she and three other contestants were critiqued on areas of interview, talent, oratorical, casual wear, formal wear, and the question and answer portion. Edwards is a native of Little Rock, Arkansas and is an active participant in her church and college community. She was a member of the Philander Smith Collegiate Choir and the Musical Ensemble. She is a member of the Mount Olive Missionary Baptist Church and is involved in the Noah's Ark Ministry, Praise Team, United Voices, and Y.A.M. (Young Adult Ministry). Edwards states that she is very energized about the upcoming school year filled with activities based on her platform "Students Uniting as One."

Excellence In Action

Spring Honors Convocation

Fourteen PSC students were inducted into the Pi Sigma Kappa Chapter of Alpha Kappa Mu Honor Society during the 2005 Spring Honors Convocation. The local chapter was established at Philander Smith College during the 1939-1940 school year. To be eligible for induction, a student must have a cumulative average of at least 3.3 on a four-point scale, must have completed 60 hours of college credits and must be currently enrolled as a full-time student.



Spring Music Chapel

The Music Department presented the Annual Spring Music Chapel on Thursday, March 3, 2005. The chapel was in Reflections and Tribute of deceased faculty member, Professor John Beck. The chapel featured the performance of music students as well as Faculty/Staff members. Also featured was the newly formed Musical Ensemble with excerpts from John Rutter's "Reluctant Dragon." The Music Department honored students that excelled both musically and academically within the department. At the end of the program, the Collegiate Choir rendered a musical tribute, composed by rising music junior, Richard Bournes entitled "We Thank you."



PSC Honda All-Stars

The 2004-2005 Philander Smith College Varsity Team of the Honda Campus All-Star Challenge qualified and competed in Orlando, Florida at the 16th Annual National Tournament on March 31 through April 4, 2005. This quick-recall quiz competition involves the first 64 qualified HBCUs scrimmaging against one another to win monetary awards. The team included: Carmen Brown, Songhai Nelson (Vice Captain); John Spears Jr.; Philip T. Johnson (Coach and Coordinator); Paul Mancilla (Team Captain); and Aaron Lovelace (Alternate). Last year the 2003-2004 Team finished the tournament with \$3000 in winnings.



10th Annual Elijah Pitts Memorial Golf Tournament



Dr. Sherman E. Tate introduces Dr. Walter Kimbrough PSC President (left) and the Pitts Family before instructions are given to the golfers.

Hosted by Philander Smith College, the Tenth Annual Elijah Pitts Memorial Golf Tournament was held at the Stone Links Golf

Course in North Little Rock on May 6. The Tourney is named in honor of a PSC alumnus, the late Elijah Pitts, a former pro football star with the Green Bay Packers and a coach with the Los Angeles Rams and

Buffalo Bills. Ruth Pitts, the widow of Elijah, was an active participant in this year's event along with son Ron, daughter Kimberly, and Sister Mary Stephens. Dr. Sherman E. Tate, chair of the event was very pleased with this year's support and looks forward to the 2006 tournament.



Ruth Pitts tees off at the beginning of the tournament.



The first place team from this year and last year: Curtis Savoy, Erle Hammans, Dr. Frank James (PSC faculty member) and James Morgan. (Savoy's son is in front)



Golfers line up putts on the course during the tournament.

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