

TIGER HAPPENINGS

"Where everybody is somebody."



GSU Holds First Annual Ministers Conference



Ministers and college students alike were encouraged to take advantage of every opportunity they are granted during a memorable and passionate sermon delivered by Howard-John Wesley, senior pastor of Alfred Street Baptist Church in Alexandria, Va., during GSU's first Ministers Conference held March 25-27 in the School of Nursing Auditorium. ([read more](#))

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Fitness Key To Success at GSU's First Hackathon



GRAMBLING, LOUISIANA (March 24, 2015)

Louisiana has the sixth highest adult obesity rate in the country, but a personal fitness app from Grambling State University is hoping to change that.

The app is the product of Grambling's first Hackathon, a 48-hour event where students from historically black colleges and universities (HBCUs) create a mobile app over the course of a weekend.

([read more](#))

President's Corner

Grambling State University students had the honor of competing in the Honda Campus All Star Challenge National Championship tournament held March 21-25th. Honda has been conducting this HBCU Challenge for 25 years! This type of consistent support and celebration of our students' academic talent is the type of March Madness that more companies should support.

GSU Needs Your Vote



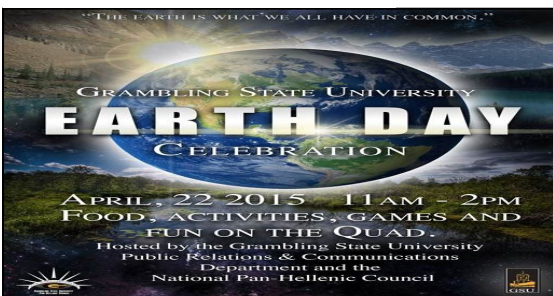
Grambling State University has dropped to seventh place in the Home Depot Retool Your School Campus Improvement Grant Program. Home Depot is awarding a total of \$255,000 to HBCUs for campus landscaping and beautification projects, and we need your help to get back up in the rankings. Please visit www.retoolyourschool.com to vote for Grambling and encourage your family and friends to do the same! You can vote daily until April 20.

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This year's road to the championship began in the fall, with 76 HBCUs vying for the final 48 slots. Through countless hours of study, drills and practice, GSU emerged, knowledgeable and ready to take on the competition. It was exciting!

Grambling's 2015 team was composed of Dave Fields Jr., Captain, a junior from Mililani, HI; John Carter, a freshman from Washington, NC; Whitney Gaston-Loyd, a senior from Shreveport, LA; and Jharrayne McKnight, a junior from Anacoco, LA. Charlette Favors coaches the team.

Congratulations to our team of outstanding students for making it to the sweet 16. Looking forward to a greater celebration for 2016!



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GSU Student Educates Uninsured about Health Issues



Brianna Johnson (center) Johnson's supervisors Monique Marion (left) and Randee Rousseau (right)

GRAMBLING, LOUISIANA (March 13, 2015) Brianna Johnson has made it her mission to educate people without adequate health insurance about critical issues in health.

Johnson, a senior majoring in kinesiology with a concentration in health promotion, is spending the spring semester interning at Our Lady of the Lady Health System (OLOL) in Baton Rouge, where she creates educational materials informing the public about a variety of health conditions.

Covering 11 parishes, OLOL is one of the largest medical providers in Louisiana. Johnson is working in the Community Advocacy Department. As part of the community's health assessment plan, Johnson is responsible for creating health education displays and toolkits that are used in waiting rooms, health fairs and other events.

"I go to different clinics in the Baton Rouge area, and I have educational tabletops. I basically provide information to the patients. I educate the underinsured and uninsured. That's my main focus, because the different clinics I go to are in rural areas, so a lot of them may not have education on different health issues," Johnson said. ([read more](#))

GSU Crowns its 47th Annual Miss Calendar Girl Pageant Winner



Grambling State University is proud to announce Joi'Lavia Porter as the winner of the 47th Annual Miss Calendar Girl Scholarship Pageant. As the new Miss Cover Girl, Porter, a sophomore psychology major, will receive \$1,200, free housing for the 2015-2016 academic year and be featured on the cover of Grambling's 2015-2016 calendar. Porter also received the title of Miss Congeniality and will promote professionalism in business as her platform.

First Runner Up went to Kristen Jackson, who will receive a \$600 prize, while Astra Watts was named 2nd Runner Up and will receive a \$400 prize. Winners of special pageant prizes include: Miss Swim Wear: Jontae Walchak; Miss Sense of Style and Most Patrons: Taylor Roberson; Miss Academic Excellence and Most Advertisements: Jimmitriv Roberson; and Miss Interview: Kristen Jackson. ([read more](#))

Do You Have What it Takes to Work at Google?



Google has been named the #1 Best Company to Work For by Fortune magazine in 2015, making it a desirable internship site for college students. If you want to work at Google, you need to be a leader, have a great resume and be flexible in a non-traditional work environment, according to Chastity Mills, a university programs specialist for Google's Atlanta office, who advised Grambling students on how they can score an internship with Google during a workshop on March 19 in the Jacob T. Stewart building. ([read more](#))

I'm A 10 for \$10 Challenge



Grambling State University is kicking off its Ten for Ten Challenge in April and is inviting alumni, students, staff, faculty, parents and friends to take up the challenge to build a strong and sustainable future for the institution. The 10 for \$10 challenge is simple. You make a \$10 donation to Grambling State University and then challenge 10 other people to match your gift. For the price of a movie ticket, two cups from Starbucks or two foot-long subs, you can make a difference for Grambling State University.

Giving back is your best gift, [donations accepted here.](#)