



## Martin Luther King, Jr.



Martin Luther King, Jr. was born in 1929 in Atlanta. The son and grandson of prominent African Americans and pastors of Atlanta's Ebenezer Baptist Church, King earned a doctorate from Boston University in systematic theology before returning south and accepting the pastorate at Dexter Avenue Baptist Church in Montgomery, Alabama. There he assumed the leadership of the 1955-56 bus boycott, which succeeded in integrating buses in Montgomery. King served as founding president of the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, whose mission was to bring African Americans into full citizenship through constructive engagement and non-violent protest. His biggest victories came in 1965-64 when successful protests in Birmingham and Selma brought international attention to the injustice of denying Blacks basic American rights. The resulting Civil Rights Act and Voting Rights Act radically expanded African American's access to public accommodations and voting booths; the Civil Rights Act also expanded women's rights as well. King was assassinated on April 4, 1968 in Memphis, Tennessee while assisting a sanitation worker's strike. During his lifetime, King wrote several books and won the 1964 Nobel Peace Prize. In 1986 King's birthday was first observed as a national holiday. King's dream was for all of humanity to live together. "I still believe that one day mankind will bow before the altars of God and be crowned triumphant over war and bloodshed, and nonviolent redemptive goodwill will proclaim the rule of the land. 'And the lion and the lamb shall lie down together and every man shall sit under his own vine and fig tree and none shall be afraid. I still believe we shall overcome.'" (Nobel Prize acceptance speech, December 10, 1964.)

### Be Smart about Safety

Be smart about keeping yourself and your possessions safe. Crime can and does happen on all college campuses, including Georgia Southern.

- Always lock your door when you leave.
- Don't loan your keys to other people.
- Don't prop exterior doors to your hall.
- Don't let people you do not know into your hall.
- Report suspicious behavior to your RA or the police.
- Don't walk alone at night; call 681-5234 for an escort.



### Be a Leader with Upward Bound!

Upward Bound is seeking students to serve as Tutor-Counselors for the 2004 Summer Residential Program. This is a full-time, temporary opportunity for outgoing, academically gifted GSU students. To qualify, students must have completed two full years of academic work, and have maintained a 3.0 GPA. Applications are available at Human Resources and are due by February 23. For more info, contact Monica Williams at 681-5458.



### Student Room Selection Website

Returning Student Room Selection Website closes January 21, 5 p.m.

See [www.gsuhousing.com](http://www.gsuhousing.com) for more information. RA and AM applicants should participate in the room selection process if they know they wish to live on campus for Fall 2004.

## RA and AM Applications Due

Resident Advisor and Academic Mentor applications are due Friday, January 23 at 5 p.m. in Watson Hall.



### Career Corner



The Career Club and Job Club workshop series are about to begin! Presentations will be held in the Williams Center 1047/1058. If you have any questions, please contact Career Services at 681-5197.

The following are the first Job Club Workshops scheduled for juniors and seniors:

**The ABC's of Successful Interviewing**  
Tuesday, January 20, 3-4 p.m.

**Résumé Writing for Dummies**  
Wednesday, January 21, 1-2 p.m.

Thursday, January 22, 3-4 p.m.



### Spotlight on . . . Ms. Monica Williams



Ms. Monica Williams is the Assistant Director of Educational Opportunity Programs and Coordinator of the Upward Bound Project. She manages the daily operations of Georgia Southern's Upward Bound Project. (Upward Bound is a federally funded program designed to assist high ability, disadvantaged high school students in their quest for higher education through college tours, standardized test prep, cultural trips, career counseling, and a six-week intensive residential summer program.) Ms. Williams has been at Georgia Southern for almost a year. She says that she was inspired to work with the Upward Bound program because she is a graduate of Georgia Southern's Upward Bound Project, and she feels that she greatly benefited from the program and this opportunity to serve brings her "great joy."

Ms. Williams received her B.A. in Mass Communications/Public Relations and her M.Ed. in Guidance and Counseling from the State University of West Georgia in Carrollton. In her spare time, she enjoys reading novels and listening to good music, and she also writes poetry. Her advice to students, specifically freshmen, is to "create study schedules. This encourages good habits and ensures that academics are not neglected." She goes on further to "suggest that all students should live on campus" for the duration of their college careers because it not only saves a great deal of money, it also keeps you connected.

### Out and About Campus

#### Monday, January 19

Martin Luther King Observance  
"Equal and Exact Justice," Museum  
January 19 - May 16



#### Tuesday, January 20

Guest Artist Recital: Ian Altman (piano), Carter Recital Hall, 8 p.m.

Introduction to Access I, Library, Room 1042, 10 a.m.

#### Wednesday, January 21

Introduction to Word I, Library, Room 1042, 10 a.m.  
Introduction to Business Information Resources, Library, Room 1042, 5 p.m.

#### Thursday, January 22

Introduction to Access II, Library, Room 1042, 10 a.m.  
Introduction to Word II, Library, Room 1042, 3 p.m.  
Introduction to Lexis/Nexis Academic, Library, Room 1042, 4 p.m.

#### Saturday, January 24

"1000's of Daffodils—A trip to Dr. Brawner's Flower Farm," Botanical Gardern, 9 a.m.– 1 p.m.  
Hanner Hooligans Annual Cookout, Hanner parking lot, 11 a.m.-2 p.m.  
Men's Basketball vs. Charleston, Hanner, 2 p.m.  
Junior Recital: Amanda Smith (soprano), Carter Recital Hall, 6 p.m.  
56th Annual Miss Georgia Southern University Pageant, Russell Union Ballroom, 7 p.m.

### In the Halls . . .



#### Tuesday, January 20

- Marshmallow and Weenie Roast, Kennedy Courtyard, 8:30 p.m.
- BYOB (Bring Your Own Bowl) Kennedy MPR, 7 p.m.
- "Your favorite movie," Veazey, 8 p.m. (refreshments will be served.)

#### Wednesday, January 21

- Spring Break 101: Learn some safety tips and win prizes for Spring Break 2004, Southern Pines, 8 p.m.

### RHPC Applications

The Residence Hall Presidents' Council (RHPC) is looking for dedicated students who want to continue to move the organization forward. The RHPC is a great way to gain leadership experience and meet new people! You do not need action team experience to run for a position, but you do need to have and maintain a cumulative GPA of 2.25. You must have lived on campus for two consecutive semesters (including Spring 2004) and you must live on campus during your term in office. Applications are due on Friday, January 23, 2004 by 5:00 p.m. to the RHPC box in the main housing office. Elections will be held on Monday, January 26, 2004 at 8:00 p.m. in RU 2044. Each student will have five minutes to give a speech to the organization and a question and answer session will follow. Applications can be picked up from your building director or in the main housing office in Watson Hall. If you have questions, please contact Ali Williams at 688-8074.

### Celebrate MLK Day!

Come and celebrate the birthday of one of the nation's foremost leaders, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. This will take place January 19 at 7 p.m. in the Russell Union Ballroom. The speaker will be Dr. Prince Jackson, former president of Savannah State University. Refreshments to follow. For more information please, contact the Multicultural Student Center at 681-5409.



### Black Awareness Month Quiz Bowl



There will be a BAM Quiz Bowl on Tuesday, February 24 at 7 p.m. in Room 2047 in the Russell Union. The event tests students' knowledge of Black History and challenges them to learn more about the past contributions that Blacks have made in the cultural, political, and economic arenas of society. For more information, contact Arnitra Patrick or Amy Anderson at 681-5409.