

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT NO. 508
County of Cook and State of Illinois

16TH ANNUAL BLACK HISTORY MONTH ORATORICAL FESTIVAL
WASHINGTON COLLEGE

THE CHANCELLOR

REPORTS that the English/Speech-Theatre Department of Harold Washington College held its 16th Annual Black History Month Oratorical Festival on Thursday, February 13, 2003 at 2:00 p.m. in room 104; and

that this year's five finalists presented their 5-7 minute orations to a capacity house; and

that the 1st place winner was Reginald McGee who spoke on "Dr. Martin L. King, Jr.," the 2nd place winner was Ingrid Yonata who spoke on "Nelson Mandela," the 3rd place winner was Kenji Toyomura who spoke on "Kofi Annan," the 4th place winner was Niyyah Odom who spoke on "Madam C.J. Walker" and the 5th place winner was Capri Reese who spoke on "Charles Brashear;" and

that scholarships ranging from \$250.00 for the 1st place winner to \$125.00 for the 5th place winner were awarded; and

that musical entertainment was provided by the Children's Gospel Choir from St. Ailbe Catholic School and by our own staff member, Maceo L. Thomas. The musical accompaniment was supplied by Mr. Robert Murphy and ensemble; and

that the panel of judges from outside the HWC community consisted of Michael J. Doroney (actor/voice over artist/stand-up comedian), Sarah Love-Williams (educator/speech team coach/entrepreneur), Sandford Gaylord (actor/writer), and Dr. John H. Thissen (retired chairman of the English/Speech-Theatre Department of HWC/writer); and

that the Master of Ceremonies was Sporty King (motivational speaker); and

that the members of the festival committee were Dorothy Clark, Sydney Daniels, Dr. Juanita Moseley, and John Metoyer.

Respectfully submitted,

Wayne D. Watson
Chancellor

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