News

Experience B.H.M.

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The Association of Black Collegians is sponsoring "The Black Experience" in celebration of Black History month. The remaining events follow:

Mime Troop-Shiloh Baptist Mime Troop 2/20 @ 7 p.m. in Reed Lecture Hall

"Go Tell it On the Mountain" 2/23 @ 9 p.m. in Tigress Lobby

Ethnic Fashion Show- A Touch of Class 2/27 @ 7 p.m. in Reed Lecture Hall

"Uncle Tom's Cabin" 2/28 @ 8 p.m. in Lawrence Lobby

Dia Harris, president of The Association of Black Collegians said, "The Association of Black Collegians is striving to enrich and enlighten faculty, staff, and especially students. We've entitled this month's long celebration, 'The Black Experience.' This title, as well as the programs, was made and designed to give people the opportunity to 'experience' and 'learn' the various life-long contributions that the Blacks contributed to society. encourage everyone to come out and join us for the remaining events."



Behrend enlightens its students with diversity

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Judy Spangler, the Executive Director of the YWCA of Erie, followed by saying that women were talking about the same things 140 years ago.

"When are we going to get up and moving," she said. "We need to take the power away from the power brokers and take the power ourselves."

When asked about the role of African-American women in society, Spangler answered, "i don't think that there is a role. We have a number of roles that we need to fulfill and that's based on an individual need."

Another question raised before the panel was the question of erasing the "hyphenations" from races and continuing as Americans.

"It's not obtainable until all hyphenated Americans can get along with other hyphenated Americans. Unless we are dealing with things on a personal level we cannot break these ties," Spangler said.

Nicole Miller addressed racism in her generation as possibly being more violent than in the sixties, because it seems to be promoted by the media.

Spangler concluded the session by saying that African-Americans spend too much time looking outward at how they are perceived by the world rather than looking inward and stopping the problems in their own race.

Conchita Dixon, 04 Accounting, said, "I think that African-American women have evolved and have evolved different attitudes depending on the different eras they were raised in. It's a benefit for someone my age to look up to someone like Mrs. Curry and develop my own opinion and attitude based on her history."

"It (the program) brought out a lot of topics that need to be covered and paid attention to. Hopefully, it will open a lot of people's eyes to society," said James Owens, 06 Accounting.

"I felt it was very beneficial to hear three different points of view from three different generations. It gave a broader outlook to what is going on and it was very educational to see that," Yonna Jolly, 02 Biology, said.

Tonya Reid, 02 Business, added, "Even though this is Black History month, this is a topic that could be addressed anytime and to anyone."

"It's a really good program," Dia Harris, 08 Communications, said. "We got to see the unique aspects of different generations, especially of growing up as African-Americans."

Sybil Laryea, 02 DUS, said, "It was interesting and educational. A lot of the topics really touched me."

