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## Spelman Receives \$10 Million in a Landmark Partnership With Lehman Brothers

**S**pelman College has taken a giant step forward in paving the way for the future of Black women pursuing careers in business. The College and global investment bank Lehman Brothers have entered into a historic corporate-academic partnership that will allow Spelman to prepare more women for active participation in the global marketplace, as well as the financial sector.

The bank's \$10 million commitment to the endeavor—the single largest corporate donation received by Spelman and the largest gift made by Lehman in the firm's history—will establish and develop the Lehman Brothers Center for Global Finance and Economic Development at the College.

Housed in the Milligan Building, the Lehman Brothers Center will develop an interdisciplinary curriculum and course offerings focused on global finance and economic development as a minor course of study that will evolve into a full academic major over the next several years. In

addition to recruiting new finance and economics professors and prioritizing core subjects not currently offered by Spelman, the partnership will bring together finance professionals and academicians to drive thought leadership in U.S. urban economic development.

"Last year, women, on average, made up 33 percent of the analysts, a job filled mostly by those just out of college. Women represent 25 percent of associates and 14 percent of managing directors," stated a *New York Times* article about the partnership. In 2003, according to the "Diversity in the Finance Industry" report from the U.S. Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, African American women only made up 4 percent of the 554,242 officials' and managers' jobs and a little more than 6 percent of the 820,542 professionals in the industry.

"The financial services industry has been dominated by White men," said President Beverly Daniel Tatum in *The New York Times* article.

"Certainly we have had some students pursue careers on Wall Street," she added, but most come "from backgrounds where they have limited exposure to financial services."

To that end, the Lehman Brothers Center will establish the Lehman Brothers Scholars Program to provide development and scholarship opportunities, to provide for international internships in finance, and to match Spelman students with Lehman mentors.

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## Pandemic Influenza Preparedness at Spelman College

**A**t Spelman College, preparedness is a top priority in preventing and protecting students, faculty and staff from contracting and spreading any highly infectious diseases.

In February 2007, the Pandemic Influenza Planning Committee was formed, chaired by Dr. Johnnella Butler, Spelman's provost and vice president of academic affairs. The committee is working diligently on several initiatives, including receiving and implementing recovery and operational plans for all departments.

There have been three influenza pandemics in the past century, with attack rates reaching 25-35 percent of the population, according to [www.pandemicflu.gov](http://www.pandemicflu.gov). The site explains "flu pandemic occurs when a new influenza virus emerges for which people have little or no immunity, and for which there is no vaccine. The disease spreads easily from person to person, causes serious illness and can sweep across the country and around the world in very short time."

While experts know there is currently no pandemic flu in humans, it is also extremely

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Rendering/Courtesy of Menefee & Weiner

**A rendering of the lobby of the new Lehman Brothers Center for Global Finance and Economic Development.**

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## A DIALOGUE WITH DR. T.

### A Green Choice to Change the World

**A**s you approach the campus of Spelman College from the Lee Street exit off Interstate 20, you immediately notice the large new residence hall under construction on the right, situated just behind the Milligan Building. Then, as you approach the Spelman entrance, you spot a blue and white banner displayed on the gate, announcing "Spelman Recycles." What do the new building and the Spelman banner have in common? Both are signs that Spelman is "going green"—strengthening our commitment to environmental sustainability with the choices we make each day.

At Spelman we recognize that our commitment to be "a choice to change the world" for our students must include educating them and our entire community about the need to take responsibility for protecting the earth. Each of us is *always* changing the world—and not always for the better—through our excessive consumption of the world's resources. Understanding our own environmental impact and seeking to reduce it is a choice that all of us can make every day and learning to do so should be an integral part of a Spelman education. Our journey to becoming a "green" campus is just beginning, but we have taken some important steps. Our new residence hall, the first building constructed at Spelman in this new century, has been designed with environmental sustainability in mind, including energy-efficient heating and cooling systems, improved wastewater management, the recycling of construction materials, the inclusion of parking spaces for bicycle riders, and the use of less toxic paint and carpeting materials, to name just a few of its "green" features. Our new residence hall will be the first of its kind in Georgia and among historically Black colleges and universities.

Under the leadership of Arthur E. Frazier III, AIA director of Facilities & Management Services, we have also begun a pilot program using environmentally friendly cleaning products and we are replacing incandescent light fixtures in the residence halls with more efficient, cooler fluorescent bulbs. This fall the Office of Communications created posters, visible in restrooms and hallways across the campus, urging water conservation at school and at home. We received a grant from the Associated Colleges of the South to support two student "recycling interns" this year—Jalika Street and Bianca Coley—chosen to assist with instituting campus-wide recycling. We also launched a Sustainability Task Force comprised of students, staff, and faculty to begin the process of developing a sustainability strategy for Spelman College. The work of the Task Force has been aided by the presence of Ms. Jewell Harper, an executive on loan for two years from the Environmental Protection Agency. Serving as a visiting lecturer, she is joining with a number of faculty members who are focused on the environment in their courses, demonstrating the clear intersection of academic and administrative commitments to environmental sustainability.

Student concern for the environment is evident in the growth of the Environmental Science program led by Dr. Victor Ibeanusi, and fostered in environmental studies, more broadly defined, as represented by the scholar-activist work of Dr. Fatemeh Shafiei in political science who has been working with K-12 educators to help them develop age-appropriate curriculum materials to raise environmental awareness in their classrooms. Environmental awareness has helped our students achieve their educational goals as well through scholarship support from the Environmental Protection Agency. Dr. Stephen Johnson, head of the EPA, paid a visit to the campus in October to announce the latest recipients of the Greater Research Opportunity (GRO) Fellowships at Spelman College. Of the 15 scholarships the EPA awarded nationally in 2007, four went to Spelman students. Spelman has been the leading producer of GRO recipients, with fellowship awards now totaling over \$1 million. Dr. Johnson also presented Spelman College with the "Green Key" Award, in recognition of our support for study in environmental fields, an award made even more special by the fact that we are the first institution to receive such recognition from the EPA.

As we celebrate our successes, the drought conditions in the Southeast and the climate changes around the globe remind us of the urgency of our actions. We know that there is more work for us to do in this arena. We want Spelman College to be strong and vital far into the future, but it won't matter if the world we live in has become uninhabitable. Let us be consistent in our actions, consistent in our values, consistent in our efforts to preserve the environment. *Together we can make a "green" choice—a choice to change the world... for the better.* ●



Dr. Beverly Daniel Tatum

# Spelman Goes Green

**S**pelman College is aiming to be an environmental leader. From encouraging recycling to building a “green” dorm and from local efforts to maintaining its presence at national environmental conferences, the College is embracing green as part of the “Improving Our Environment” aspect of President Beverly Daniel Tatum’s Spelman ALIVE initiative. Spelman has made strides in the green arena and was recently presented the first-ever Environmental Protection Agency Green Key Award by EPA Administrator Stephen L. Johnson.

Awarded for recognition of student excellence in environmental research and green campus projects, the Green Key Award is just the latest accolade Spelman has received from the EPA. Students Terri Ambrose, C’2009, Akosua Dosu, C’2008, Juandalyn Coffen, C’2010, and Elan Mitchell, C’2009, are recent recipients of EPA-sponsored Greater Research Opportunities fellowships, which now total more than \$1 million.

Among Spelman’s most recent initiatives is the launch of the recycling efforts throughout the campus. The recycling program in the residence halls began in October 2007 with metal bins for co-mingled recyclables (aluminum and plastic) and boxes for paper (magazines, newspapers, copy and colored paper). There are plans to expand the recycling program to the administrative and academic buildings this spring.

In the quest to meet the highest disposal standards, Spelman has engaged Iron Mountain for secure document destruction. From July 1, 2006, to September 1, 2007, Spelman reduced air pollution by 6,543 pounds. It also saved natural resources, including 185 trees, 76,335 gal-



**Members of the Environmental Task Force: Jalika Street, C’2008 (co-president), Janille Chambers, C’2008 (Ms. Spelman 2007-2008), Zetah Young, C’2009, Monia Johnson, C’2009, Sarah Jones, C’2010, Akosua Dosu, C’2009 (vice president), Chanel Jackson, C’2011, Jazymn Scott, C’2011. Not pictured: Bianca Coley, C’2008 (co-president).**



lons of water, and 5,016 gallons of oil, according to the quarterly “Green Paper Report” the College receives from Iron Mountain, which helps organizations reduce costs and risks associated with information protection, storage and destruction.

Spelman is exchanging ideas in the environmental movement

through organizations like the Academia Environmental Council, a professional group of about 25 members from Georgia Tech, Emory, Agnes Scott and other institutions. Spelman is represented on the council by the College’s facilities coordinator, Jeff Austin. The College has also formed a Sustainability Strategic Planning Focus Group made up of faculty, staff and students to develop the direction for sustainability on campus through resource management, environmentally preferable purchasing, education, awareness, alternative transportation, green building, and corporate social responsibility. ●

## Green Dorm Update

Spelman College’s first “green” residence hall construction of the 21st century will be certified under the Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design Green Building Rating System, making it the first of its kind at a historically Black college or university, as well as the first in the state of Georgia.

To adhere to the LEED practices, the design team’s goal is to recycle more than 50 percent of the construction waste. Trees that were removed were ground into mulch to spread across campus. The building will be 21 percent more energy-efficient than minimum energy code requirements.

By reducing pollutants during construction, air quality will be minimally impacted when the residence hall is ready for occupancy. Green housekeeping (for example, using less toxic cleaning products and filtered vacuums instead of sweeping) and pest control will be instituted to provide the least hazard to people, property and the environment.

Projected to open in August 2008, the dorm is in the “dried in” stage, where heat is being provided, and interior dry wall and exterior brick work has begun.

The estimated construction cost of the new housing project, which will consist of approximately 300 suite-style beds, parking for 100 cars underneath the building, dining for 150, and other amenities, is currently \$34 million, with an estimated total project cost of \$40 million.

Even the parking deck will be green, including preferred spaces for environmentally friendly, low-emission, and fuel-efficient vehicles, as well as covered secure bicycle storage areas. ●

## Q&A With... *Environmental Task Force Co-Presidents Jalika Street, (C’2008), and Bianca Coley, (C’2008)*

### What are the most recent initiatives being made by the Environmental Task Force (ETF)?

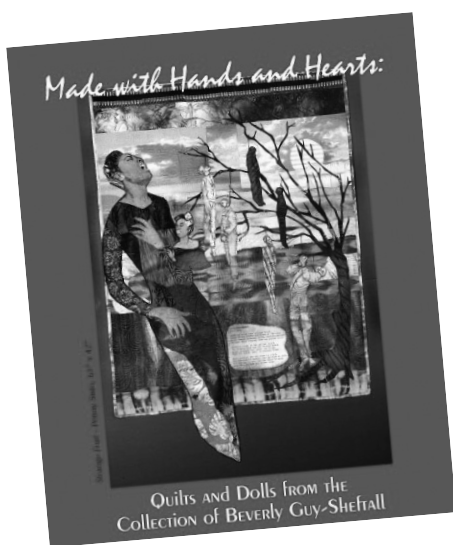
**BC:** In November, the Georgia Conservancy, along with others (the Sierra Club, the Georgia Water Coalition) and the ETF co-sponsored a community meeting in the Science Center to discuss the drought, how we can conserve water, and what needs to be done by the Georgia Legislature to improve the Atlanta water situation. Another recent initiative is a focus on sustainability. During Green Week in October 2007, Spelman had a focus group on sustainability, of which Jalika and I were a part. Basically, this focus group was an effort by Facilities manager Art Frazier to get Spelman focused on more sustainable practices over the next 10 years.

### What activities were involved in Green Week?

**JS:** We had a tree planting. That is when recycling in the dorms was started. There was a sophomore class assembly featuring Willie Potter from the Centers for Disease Control [and Prevention]. We had

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- Spelman received two groundbreaking grants, totaling more than \$500,000, from the National Science Foundation and The Boeing Company. The grants will provide resources to attract more African Americans to computer science and robotics, as well as support education, research and curriculum development in the field.
- Athletic director Germaine McAuley received the Nell Jackson Administrator of the Year Award from the National Association of Collegiate Women Athletics Administrators.



- The work of Dr. Beverly Guy-Sheftall, C'66, founding director of the Women's Research and Resource Center and the Anna Julia Cooper Professor of Women's Studies, was on exhibit at the Hammonds House Museum in Atlanta. "Made with Hands and Hearts: Quilts and Dolls from the Collection of Beverly Guy-Sheftall" ran from November 18, 2007 through January 13, 2008.

- On September 28, 2007, Atlanta's Praise 97.5 brought the nationally syndicated "Yolanda Adams Morning Show" to Sisters Chapel. Special guest performers included Byron Cage, the Anointed Pace Sisters, Canton Jones, Deitrick Haddon and Beverly Crawford. Bernice A. King, C'85, attended the live broadcast, which also featured the Spelman College Glee Club, as well as the Sisters Chapel Praise Team and its Spoken Word Ministry.

- The Digital Moving Image Salon, under the leadership of founding director Professor Ayoka Chenzira, recently received a \$60,000 grant from the Andrew W. Mellon Foundation to support a collaborative faculty development program with Bennett College for Women to strengthen the women's studies programs at both campuses.

- Dr. Ikhide Imumorin, assistant professor of biology, received two grants for gene research — one from the National Institutes of Health / National Center on Minority Health and Health Disparities and the other from Cooperative State Research Education and Extension Services/U.S. Department of Agriculture — totaling \$670,000. Dr. Imumorin's research will be used to better understand hypertension in American males and genetic events associated with cloning livestock.

- Forty Spelman students and six Morehouse students spent part of their winter break in Rome, Italy, and Paris, France, visiting Vatican City, the Sistine Chapel, the Louvre, and the Notre Dame Cathedral. Accompanying the students were Spelman staff members Dr. Vera Dixon Rorie (dean of students), Dr. Maria Arvelo Lumpkin (director of student activities), Taronda Spencer, C'80 (historian and archivist), and Angela Guinyard (program coordinator for international and commuter student services). The trip, dubbed "Two Countries in Eight Days," was a collaboration between the Student Affairs Global Experience, the Spelman Student Government Association, the Division of Student of Affairs, and the Office of Student Activities.

- President Beverly Daniel Tatum has been elected to the Council of Independent Colleges Board of Directors. She will serve a one-year term from January 2008 to January 2009.

- Robert "Danny" Flanigan, vice president of business and financial affairs and chief financial officer, was celebrated for 12 years of dedicated service as a leader on the board of Commonfund, a nonprofit corporation devoted to investing the endowment resources of educational institutions, foundations and nonprofit health care organizations.

- The artwork of Barbara Nesin, associate professor of art, was showcased in her "Allegories: The IWA as Mediators" exhibit from November 7 through December 29, 2007, at Wilmer Jennings Gallery at Kenkeleba in New York City.

- Dr. Jane E. Smith, executive director of the Center for Leadership & Civic Engagement, spoke about leadership and the journey of life as a featured speaker at "A Taste of Road Scholar—World View of Richard Wright" on January 24, 2008, at the Woodruff Arts Center in Atlanta.

- In collaboration with the Spelman College Department of Art, "Arturo Lindsay Love," the final exhibition in a series of three solo exhibitions that explored the personal and collective experiences of the Spelman professor of art, ran from September 27, 2007, to January 13, 2008, at the Museum of Contemporary African Diasporan Arts in Brooklyn, NY.

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## Q&A With... *Environmental Task Force Co-Presidents Jalika Street, (C'2008), and Bianca Coley, (C'2008)*

green Market Friday, where various environmental agencies and companies were on campus talking with students. And we even had a hybrid car on campus.

### Has the ETF been able to participate in off-campus events?

**JS:** I attended the PowerShift Conference [pictured right] with six other Spelman students at the University of Maryland, College Park, in November. It is the largest student conference on climate change. Forty students from the Atlanta University Center attended. It was a great time to see how other students are involved in environmental work on their campuses. There are a lot of funding opportunities for African Americans because we are so underrepresented in environmental issues. We did a lobby visit to the Capitol where we spent 30 minutes with Congressman John Lewis, as well as time with Sen. Saxby Chambliss talking about environmental issues in Georgia.

### What will ETF focus on in 2008?

**BC:** ETF will continue to focus on sustainable living practices. A simple method to practice sustainability is the phrase: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle. ETF wants to have different activities to show people how to live more sustainably. Some plans include showing well-known environmental films and documentaries, Market Friday activities, seminars and recycling contests. ●



# Cookie Johnson Discusses Sexual Health With Spelman Students

The highlight of Cookie Johnson's November 15, 2007 visit to Spelman was a roundtable discussion about women's health, HIV/AIDS and spirituality with current and former students. The discussion centered on empowering African American women to make more informed decisions about their sexual health.

"Women need to be empowered to talk to their partners," said Johnson, who announced on December 1, 2007, World AIDS Day, that she would be touring the country throughout 2008 with the "I Stand With Magic" campaign. Johnson, the wife of Earvin "Magic" Johnson, said the campaign would center on educating African American women on the importance of HIV/AIDS prevention, testing and treatment. "It's about loving yourself and taking care of yourself. I want to empower [women] to educate themselves and take control of their lives."

According to the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, AIDS is now the leading cause of death for African American women aged 25 to 34. Seventy-four percent of Black women living with HIV/AIDS in 2005 were infected through heterosexual contact.

Students participating in the discussion said they were well aware of these statistics, noting that women of color have to come to a place of self-love, which means having the courage to talk openly about sex and HIV with their partners and stop thinking "it can't happen to me." ●



Pictured above from left to right are Towalame Q. Austin, president of the Magic Johnson Foundation, President Dr. Beverly Daniel Tatum, Cookie Johnson, and Eloise Alexis, C'86, vice president of institutional advancement for Spelman.

## Rockefeller Rededication

Originally dedicated in 1886, Rockefeller Hall's most recent rededication was on October 17, 2007. Attending the event were: Robert "Danny" Flanigan, vice president of business and financial affairs and chief financial officer; Leon Russell, project engineer, Winter Construction; Eric Harris, senior account executive, Dekalb Office Environments; Jacqueline James, director of administrative support services; Art Frazier, director of facilities management and services; President Beverly Daniel Tatum; Delilah D. Wynn-Brown, principal, Clement & Wynn; Don A. Blackston, senior program manager, Clement & Wynn; Richard Collins, senior project manager, Winter Construction; and Tony Menefee, Menefee & Weiner. ●



1886 Nurses Training Class



2007 Rededication

# Spelman Faculty and Staff Raise \$18,000 for United Way

**I**n less than one month, the Spelman College faculty and staff raised more than \$18,000 in pledges for the 2007 United Way campaign. The figure is a sizeable increase from last year's \$12,108.

The results were announced in November during the United Way campaign celebration, featuring Milton Little Jr., president of United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta, and the first African American to hold the post.

"We're excited and very happy about this year's campaign, due to what we were able to accomplish in a short time," said co-chair Dr. Sandra Sims Patterson, Ph.D, associate professor and chair of the Department of Psychology, who served alongside Ivan Page, Ph.D., director of Title III.

"It's really about community service," said Dr. Page, explaining the importance of Spelman's involvement with the United Way. "It allows us to have some part in addressing critical issues in our community." The money donated is divided among United Way affiliated community agencies in the metropolitan Atlanta area.

Faculty and staff received giveaways during the celebration. Jamila Canady (continuing education) was a first-prize winner with two roundtrip business class tickets on AirTran Airways; Terreca Preston (Enrollment Management)



Attending the United Way campaign celebration were campaign co-chair Dr. Ivan Page, director of Title III, President Beverly Daniel Tatum, campaign co-chair Dr. Sandra Sims Patterson, C'70, associate professor and chair of the department of psychology, and Milton James Little Jr., president of United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta.

netted second prize with two roundtrip AirTran tickets; and Colm Mulcahy (math) and Veta Goler (drama and dance) won third and fourth prizes, respectively, each receiving \$100 spa certificates from D'Lor and Spa. ●

## The Spelman College Museum of Fine Art Presents Part II of 'Cinema Remixed and Reloaded'

**O**n January 24, 2008, the first-time collaboration between the Spelman College Museum of Fine Art and the Contemporary Arts Museum Houston continued with Part II of the groundbreaking exhibit, "Cinema Remixed and Reloaded."

Part I of the exhibition (September 14 – December 8, 2007), received popular and critical acclaim. It included works by several artists, including Jessica Ann Peavy, Howardena Pindell, Adrian Piper, Tracey Rose, Berni Searle, Carrie Mae Weems and Lauren Wood, and it focused

on themes that engage the complex perceptions surrounding the Black female body and the spaces of empowerment where women have defined themselves.

Art critic Lisa Kurzner, writing for *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution* noted, "Most germane are global and historical perspectives of feminism, race and gender identity, served up by an impressive roster of international artists of three generations." Promising to be equally engaging, Part II continues these explorations and examines such subjects as classic cinema and the male gaze.

"Cinema Remixed and Reloaded" features installations, CD-ROM projects, projections and cinematic video and is curated by Andrea Barnwell Brownlee, Ph.D., C'93, director of the Spelman College Museum of Fine Art, and Valerie Cassel Oliver, curator at the Contemporary Arts Museum Houston. This groundbreaking survey traces the evolution of video presentation during the past 30 years and chronicles the critical contributions that Black women have made to the field of contemporary art. The contemporary art exhibition also encapsulates the Spelman College Museum of Fine Art's unique mission as the only museum in the nation that focuses on works by and about women of the African Diaspora. ●



From the exhibit, "BigGurl, 2006" by Lauren Kelley.



## PAGE TURNERS

► Coverage of the Lehman Brothers gift to Spelman College included articles in *The New York Times* and *The Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, which also featured interviews with Spelman students in the November 29, 2007 article, “Should I Vote for Obama Because of My Race?...Or Vote For Clinton Because of My Gender?” Other media coverage of the Spelman community included:

- President Beverly Daniel Tatum was named one of Georgia’s 100 Most Influential Leaders and she’s featured in the January 2008 issue of *Georgia Trend Magazine*.

- The January 16-22, 2008 issue of *Creative Loafing* featured *A Song for Coretta*, a play written by Pearl Cleage, C’71, and directed by Crystal Dickinson, assistant professor of drama at Spelman. The play, which debuted at Spelman last February, opened at 7 Stages Theatre in Atlanta on January 17 and is running through February 17.

- Dr. William Jelani Cobb, associate professor of history, received significant national coverage as a result of his January 13, 2008 bylined article in *The Washington Post*, “As Obama Rises, Old Guard Civil Rights Leaders Scowl.” A subsequent article quoting Dr. Cobb and written by Shannon McCaffrey of the Associated Press, “Black Voters Generations Apart,” was picked up by more than 200 national and local outlets.

- Eloise Alexis, vice president of Institutional Advancement, is prominently featured in the Winter issue of *Uptown Magazine*. In an article titled, “The State of Black Philanthropy,” she participates in a roundtable discussion on African American giving.



Attending the announcement: President Beverly Daniel Tatum, Joseph Gregory, president and chief operating officer of Lehman Brothers, Dr. Jane E. Smith, C’68, executive director of Spelman’s Center for Leadership and Civic Engagement, and Spelman student Ashley Tolbert, C’2009.



## Spelman Launches New Tool for Giving

On January 4, 2008, the Division of Institutional Advancement expanded online giving options by launching Alumnae & Friends Self-Service, a tool that allows online gifts to Spelman College to be made via a secure credit card site. Now donors can get access to view their giving history, print online receipts for their gifts, request academic transcripts online, update contact information in the alumnae database, and select subscription mailing and interest lists. The Alumnae & Friends Self Service is the beginning of a wider range of forthcoming online tools that promote lifelong ties to Spelman. ●

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There will also be forward-thinking programs and events, including the creation of a Chinese-language instruction program and a sophomore “investment banking boot camp” to introduce them to careers in finance.

“The interdisciplinary curriculum and programs of the Center will be rooted in our core strength as an excellent liberal arts college and focused on critical thinking, problem solving, quantitative reasoning and the ability to com-

municate ideas with clarity, and to demonstrate socio-cultural understanding,” explained Dr. Tatum. “These are skills that will be necessary to confront the challenges of a global economy and the social, political and economic implications of living in a ‘flat world.’ I cannot imagine a better partner than an industry leader like Lehman Brothers to help us prepare our students to successfully enter an arena where they have been historically underrepresented. We are

very excited about this wonderful opportunity and grateful for this very generous gift.”

Spelman has begun the search for the director of the Lehman Brothers Center, expecting to fill the position by the fall of 2008. With planning for the renovations to the Milligan Building, including environmental design and practices, already under way, the Lehman Brothers Center is on track to be fully implemented in the fall of 2009. ●

## Pandemic Influenza Preparedness

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difficult for them to predict when and how severe the next outbreak may be.

In the event of pandemic influenza outbreak, experts advise that we all should know how to protect ourselves and our families. To better prepare and test the readiness of the Spelman community and the Atlanta University Center in the event of a flu pandemic or an anthrax outbreak, the College hosted a conference and participated in a countywide emergency preparedness drill.

The Department of Student Health Services hosted the “Pandemic Influenza: Next Steps!” conference on September 10, 2007, in the Johnnetta B. Cole Living Learning Center. Conference attendees received information regarding state, regional and local response, discussing how colleges and universities across the state of Georgia can prepare their campuses for a pandemic influenza outbreak. They also received pandemic flu education material and alcohol-based hand sanitizers donated by CVS pharmacy.

On October, 25, 2007, the Fulton County Department of Health and Wellness hosted an

emergency preparedness drill at Spelman. The College was one of five locations of the metro-wide drill being organized by the Community Continuity Atlanta Partnership.

“We were one of the first colleges to participate in this type of program, which has never been done in the United States, so far,” says Spelman’s director of Student Health Services Brenda Dalton, who served as the assistant point-of-dispensing manager during the drill.

Ms. Dalton also addressed faculty and staff during President Tatum’s Town Hall meeting on November 29, 2007, sharing community-based interventions, public health response key elements and public health prevention strategies. She detailed preventative information as well, including a family preparedness checklist, guidelines for protecting employees and healthy habits to prevent the spread of flu.

For more information about pandemic influenza visit [www.pandemicflu.gov](http://www.pandemicflu.gov), [www.cdc.gov/flu/](http://www.cdc.gov/flu/) or [www.osha.gov](http://www.osha.gov). ●

## Save the Date Calendar

March 28	Cosby Chair Conference <i>-Hottentot to Hip-Hop: The Black Female Body in Art and Visual Culture</i>
March 28 - 29	Toni Cade Bambara Scholar-Activism Conference
April 6 - 12	Founders Day
April 18	Research Day
May 15 - 18	Reunion Weekend
May 18	Commencement



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