

BFSA General Meeting - Tuesday, November 3, 2009

11:45 a.m.-1 p.m.

Gregory Gym, Games Room

24 members in attendance

Intro

- Intro of officers
- Still accepting dues for the year. Dues are \$20. If you've already attended 3 BFSA meetings, you have already received your money's worth! Keep coming back though!
- Kyle played Rafael Saadiq's song "What's Life Like"

Announcements

- URG Community Potluck (Tuesday, 11/17 from 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Cockrell School of Engineering. Please feel free to bring a side dish or dessert. RSVP at <http://www.engr.utexas.edu/sos/survey/38866875/index.cfm>
- Professional development planning for professional development – Seeking ideas
- Saturday, Dec 12 @ 6p.m. at the ATT Conference Center. Dinner will be served at that time.
- Annual MLK Luncheon on Thursday, 1/14/2010 from 11:30 a.m. -1 p.m.

Activity

- Gallery walk and discussion based on President Obama: One Year Later. Members walked to different areas of room to discuss different issues regarding the political climate one year after his election.
- LT reminded members about voting today. Check out <http://www.keepaustinvoting.com/> for more info.

Today's Moment in Black History (presented by Ted):

Herman Barnett, M.D. (1926-1973)

Pilot and Physician

Born in Austin, Dr. Barnett was a member of the US Army Tuskegee Airmen in 1943. He received his premed education at Huston-Tillotson in Austin and was the first African American admitted to the University of Texas Medical School (UTMB) in 1953. He is the first native Texas African American to graduate from a Texas medical school and be licensed to practice in Texas. He was also the first African-American member of the Texas state board of medical examiners and the first African American elected president of the Houston Independent School District board of trustees. For more information on this inspiring native Texan check out the following link:
http://www.history.uh.edu/cph/tobearfruit/resources_bios_barnett.html

General Announcements:

- Phaedra, BFSA Treasurer, is still accepting dues!
- Malik: Daniele Martin, BFSA member and member of dance company, Ballet Afrique performs this Saturday. Here's the info:
 - Sat., Nov. 7th 8:00 p.m. at the George Washington Carver Theater (Angelina & E.11th St.)
 - General Tickets \$12 and students, Children, Seniors \$10
 - Tickets are available at the door (box office opens at 7:30) cash or check or by phone at
 - 512-442-2300. They accept both Visa & MasterCard.

Also, check out their website for future performances and information on the company and classes at www.balletafrique.org

- Big Twelve Conference – February 25-28 at UT in the ATT Conference Center: We need your assistance in helping out (volunteering and presenting). Please complete a workshop proposal if interested in presenting or contact the group if you'd like to help. The website is www.powerful2010.com

Meeting adjourned at 12:53 p.m.