



MONDAYMORNINGMENTIONS

May 16, 2016

Good Morning Coppin Family:



Please join with me in celebrating the graduation of over 500 Coppin State students at this Friday's (graduate) and Saturday's (undergraduate) commencement exercises.

This year's undergraduate commencement speaker will be David J. Johns, Executive Director of the White House Initiative on Educational Excellence for African Americans. We take great pride in the accomplishments of our students and seeing them attain their dream of a university degree – it is a time of reflection, anticipation and celebration. To our graduates, I salute you. You have my respect and gratitude for choosing Coppin as your university home.

Congratulations Class of 2016!

Congratulations are in order for St. Agnes Hospital nurse, Carolyn Reddick-Hooker (center) who recently received an award for **Excellence in Nursing**. Ms. Reddick-Hooker is a 2013 Bachelor of Science in Nursing (BSN) graduate from the College of Health Professions. Nursing faculty members, Dr. Charlotte Wood (L) and Dr. Danita Tolson(R) represented Coppin State University at an event held at The Belvedere Hotel and hosted by *Baltimore Magazine*. Images from the event can be viewed at the following link.

<http://www.baltimoremagazine.net/events/excellence-in-nursing-2016-event-photos>



The CSU Golf Classic is happening at this very moment. Over 100 golfers are on the course at the University of Maryland Golf Course enjoying a day of golf and fellowship in support of Coppin State University and the Senior Opportunity Scholarship (SOS) Program at CSU. The SOS program awarded scholarships to over 40 CSU seniors this past year, enabling them to complete their degrees. A huge thank you goes out to the Board of Directors of the Coppin State University Development Foundation for implementing this program five years ago. It continues to be a hallmark program for CSU and the Foundation.



Summer is upon us and that means summer camps. Camps of all kinds will be taking place on the CSU campus. The Aqua Sports Summer Camps will run throughout the summer offering a variety of swimming camps for community youth of all ages. In addition, basketball, baseball and softball camps will be held featuring CSU coaches and student athletes. Go to www.coppincommunity.org for a full schedule of camp activities taking place on the CSU campus during the summer.



Congratulations to the Division of Student Affairs (DOSA) for an outstanding program that was held on Friday, May 7, 2016 at the Forum Caterers. The 7th Annual DOSA Award program provided an opportunity for the university to recognize students who have achieved outstanding academic accomplishments and performed exceptionally as student ambassadors and leaders. Also, the awards program acknowledged students who "work away" quietly in the background and applauded those who have shown unusual growth despite temporary setbacks. The DOSA Awards program was initiated in

May 2010 as an outgrowth of the Student Recognition Day program which was sponsored by the Division since May 1988 and has grown in numbers and enthusiasm over the years.

Congratulations to the new Coppin State University Student Government 2016-2017 Executive Board Members. The chief officers were inducted May 7, 2016 at the 7th Annual Division of Student Affairs Awards (DOSA) Program.

- Rigel Moore, President
- Juanita Williams, Vice- President
- Kiara Wright, Treasurer
- Denisher Shirley, Secretary
- Mason Neal, Chief of Staff
- Paris Holmes, Chief Justice
- Allexus Young, Miss Coppin
- Jerome Hill, Mr. Coppin



With Coppin Pride,

Maria Thompson, Ph.D.
President