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Activities:

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To: James T. Bryan
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Director, Office of Student Activities

Re: Cultural Diversity Activities 92-93

Our Student Activities Department has assumed the leadership role of advocating cultural diversified activities and programs. The following programs and activities are some examples of our efforts in bringing diverse activities to this campus.

5. Student Government Lecture Series:

Programs:

1. Mentoring Program with the Wilkes-Barre School District. Thirty minority students were shown what "College Life" is like. This program was run in conjunction with the Afro-American Society and Student Government. One student is currently enrolled as a freshmen.
2. The Afro-American Society offered to teach a course on Black History during the Black History Month for the Scranton School District. Also, the two officers offered to share their experiences as coming together from two different backgrounds and races and becoming close friends.
3. The Youth Initiative was formed by some students on campus who asked to plan a conference and forum for students. Some discussion groups on Racism in the high schools were established.
4. The Korean Club/Chinese Club has offered their assistance in working with the Asian/Korean population in the school system.
5. Leadership Development Program has assisted several organizations in planning their events.

Activities:

1. Student Government cultural committee sponsored several students to attend the Kirby Theater to see the " Sounds of Africa"
2. The University, Co-Sponsored with Marywood and Keystone Jr. College "Black Artist Past and Present".
3. Student Government sponsored Vernon Bellecourt, a Native American, who spoke on his culture.
4. Martin Luther King Celebration
5. Performing Arts Series:
 - George Wesley, Jamaican Reggae Artist
 - Yin Cheng Zong, Chinese Pianist
 - Mary Jefferson, Afro-American Blues Artist
6. Student Government Lecture Series:
 - Yolonda King
 - Vernon Bellecourt
 - Clifton Davis, Actor/Minister
7. Student Government Cultural Series:
 - Regency Acapella Group

In order, to be effective, the student activities must be perceived as having expertise on cultural diversity issues. We must continually incorporate under-represented students into existing student organizations and sponsor special events. We should be recruiting under-represented students to join existing student clubs, student government, activity boards, and governance committees on campus.

Special events on campus are being planned such as Hispanic Culture Week, India Club Program, Black History Month, and International Festivals.

For your information, the Afro-American Society has changed their name to "United Colors", to incorporate a broad base of support. We have about 25 active members.

cc: Dr. Shirley M. Adams, Dean Hanley College