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Newsletter #1

FIRST NEWSLETTER!

The Association of Black Employees has issued its first newsletter with the purpose of being a forum for black employees at FTU. As FTU and the ABE grow and change, the newsletter acts as the communication link to keep everyone abreast of new faces, new ideas, and new possibilities. We look for this to be the first of a series of quarterly newsletters. We are seeking your support, your information, and every contribution you can make to both the newsletter and the ABE. Join us today!

NEW MEETING TIME

Meeting times for the ABE are scheduled for 1:00 p.m. every third Saturday of each month at the Village Center. All members are encouraged to set aside a little time on Saturdays to contribute their valuable expertise to the group. Bring a Brother or Sister with you. Remember:

3rd Saturday of each month
1:00 p.m. VILLAGE CENTER

LET'S GET IT ON!

The ABE sponsored several hot social events these past months and is right in the thick of planning future happenings.

LOOK FOR THE COMING EVENTS:

1. May 20, 1978 Gospel Singing
Saturday 7:30 p.m. Fountain Head Baptist Church
Oviedo, Florida
2. May 27, 1978 Silver Springs
Saturday All day to 4:00 p.m.
Silver Springs, Florida

A bus with limited seating will be leaving from Fountain Head Baptist Church at 7:00 a.m. May 27 for Silver Springs. To reserve a seat, contact Mr. Willis Perkins, Ext. 2741. Donation \$1.00 per person.

3. ABE will be sponsoring a Soul Food Dinner June 3 at Fountain Head Missionary Baptist Church Annex 11 a.m. to 6 p.m....Fill everyone...Fantastic meal... Without the kitchen heat!

HIGHLIGHTS OF PAST SOCIALIZIN'

The ABE put on three outstanding fund-raising affairs during the 77-78 season which are worthy of mention:

Banquet- November 4, 1977- Holiday Inn South. Good food, good people, and good fun had by all. First event of the year for ABE.

Christmas Party- December, 1977- Beautiful holiday season was matched by beautiful holiday spirits as the Brothers and Sisters of FTU got together to sing, "I'm Dreaming of a Black Christmas." Lots of good times for everyone!

Microwave Drawing- April 1, 1978--Mary Tice's Apt. This was one of the most successful fund-raising events of the year. After all expenses, the ABE cleared \$85 to put in the coffers. Sandy Cherepaw, School & Community Relations, was the proud winner of the Sears Microwave Oven.

Thanks go to all the members who sold tickets and especially to non-members Pamela Cherry, Shirley Wade, Marva Norton, and Janice Brodie for making the project a success.

MEMBERSHIP DUES DUE

Yearly membership dues are \$20.00.
Paid semi-annually: \$10.00 twice a year.

The second half of the membership dues are due this month, May 1978.

OLD DIRECTIONS FOR A NEW ORGANIZATION

Black employees at FTU have long recognized the need to organize as a group to enhance our contribution to FTU as informed, capable employees and to strengthen and increase our skills to make us more valuable in today's job market. For us, both social and professional growth are increased by rich communication with other black staff and faculty to keep abreast of how we as a university community and as a part of the total community can maximize each and every member's potential by providing an opportunity to serve black people, and the community in general.

Therefore, the ABE:

1. Serves as a communication network for black employees.
2. Encourages FTU in increasing the number of black employees and aids FTU in placing blacks at all levels of positions within the university, especially at higher employment levels, where blacks are under-represented.
3. Solicits and establishes communication and assistance from the community and surrounding areas.
4. Mutually works with the university to achieve all Equal Opportunity/Affirmative Action programs.

5. Serves as role model, advisor, and encourager.

MEMBERS

FTU Ext.

John Cummings, President	2771
Tommie Nelson, Vice President	2421
Mary Tice, Secretary	2828
Alice Battle, Treasurer	2885
Willis Perkins	2741
Ginnie McFadden	2739
James Williams	2741
Elizabeth King	2739
Betty Browdy	
C. B. Brundidge	
James McKinnon	
Teresa Bowden	
Debbie Rivers	
Dr. Hugh Martin	
Loretta Browdy	2141
Dr. Leroy Lloyd	2716
Dr. John Washington	2227
James Rouse	2741

BUDGET AND MEMBERSHIP

Alice Battle, Chmn.
 Napoleon Ford, Co-Chmn.
 Hugh Martin, Co-Chmn.
 James Rouse
 James Ammons
 Shirley Wade
 Loretta Browdy

AGENDA, ELECTIONS, PUBLICITY

Mary Tice, Chmn.
 John Cummings, Co-Chmn.
 James Ammons, Co-Chmn.
 Johnny Williams
 Betty Browdy
 James McKinnon
 David Washington

CHARTER

James Ammons, Chmn.
 John Cummings, Co-Chmn.
 Tommy Nelson, Co-Chmn.
 Mary Tice
 Ginnie McFadden
 Leroy Lloyd
 Debbie Rivers
 John Washington

PROJECTS

Napoleon Ford, Chmn.
 James McKinnon, Co-Chmn.
 Tommy Nelson, Co-Chmn.
 Leroy Lloyd
 David Washington
 John Cummings
 John Washington
 Sub-Committee: Scholarships
 L. Lloyd, Chmn.
 H. Martin, Co-Chmn.
 S. Wade, Co-Chmn.
 T. Nelson
 W. Perkins
 S. Johnson

SOCIAL (SERVICES & ACTIVITIES)

Willis Perkins, Chmn.
 Debbie Rivers, Co-Chmn.
 Sandy Johnson, Co-Chmn.
 J. Ammons
 Elizabeth King
 S. Wade

HISTORY

Tommy Nelson, Chmn.
 A. Battle, Co-Chmn.
 Gracia Muller, Co-Chmn.
 Mary Tice
 David Washington
 James Williams

COMMITTEES ARE OPEN TO VOLUNTEERS.