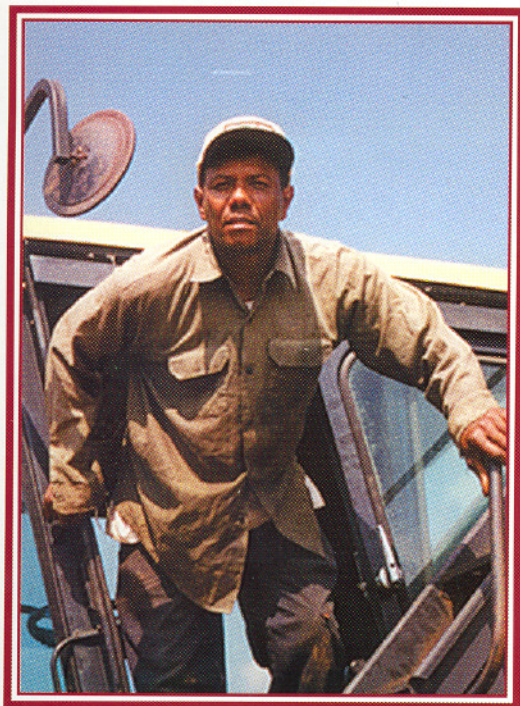


108th
Annual
Farmers Conference

“The Small Farmer: Survival Strategies for the New Century”

*February 10-11, 2000
Tuskegee University*



*Kellogg Conference Center
Tuskegee, Alabama*





Over 108 years ago,

the Annual Farmers Conference evolved out of a need to improve the conditions of rural, Black farmers in the South. The Annual Farmers Conference represented not only the pioneering spirit of Tuskegee University but the real beginning of agricultural extension in the South. Historical milestones associated with this conference include: the appointment of Thomas Monroe Campbell as the first extension agent in the United States, the development of Tuskegee University's movable school, and the establishment of the agricultural experiment station and cooperative extension program.

This year, attention will be directed toward "The Small Farmer: Survival Strategies for the New Century." It is our goal to enhance the overall quality of life for all our constituents and present opportunities to benefit the community. We also hope to make the latest farming techniques, practices, and technologies available to those they benefit most.

The 108th conference has yet another significance. It coincides with the Centennial Celebration of Sustainable International Involvement for Tuskegee University.

“The Small Farmer: Survival Strategies for the New Century”

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 10, 2000

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.Pre-Conference Forum (Meeting Rooms F & G)
Annual Meeting of the TUCEP State Extension Advisory Council
Presiding: Jesse Upshaw, Chairman
State Extension Advisory Council

1:00 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.Forest Management Practices (Meeting Rooms F&G)
Presiding: Renee A.I. Price
Forestry Project Director
Federation of Southern Cooperatives

Treasure Forest Association & Forest Management Plans
Tim Albritton, Forestry Management Chief
Alabama Forestry Commission

Bob Montgomery, Macon County Forester
Alabama Forestry Commission

Outreach Activities
Michelle Hayes, Outreach Coordinator
Alabama Forestry Commission

2:00 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.Tour of Lee Lamar Farms
Tuskegee, AL
Coordinated by Alabama Forestry Commission
Macon County Office

Participants of this tour will have an opportunity to view the Lamar farm property and evaluate the various aspects of his newly implemented forest management plan.

(Directions will be provided.)



5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.First Annual Cultural Heritage Extravaganza (Atrium)

6:30 p.m.Thomas Monroe Campbell Memorial Banquet (Ballroom)
Guest Speaker: Mike Espy, Attorney
Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens, & Cannada, PLLC
Jackson, MS

CONCURRENT SESSIONS

Session 1: Diet, Nutrition and Health Issues: (Meeting Room A)

The incidence of cardiovascular diseases, hypertension and stroke are very high in minority populations. Many rural residents do not have access to good health care. Since February is designated as Heart Month, this session will provide information on preventing cardiovascular diseases with reasonable changes in diet and nutrition by the rural family.

Presiding

Eunice A. Bonsi, Family Life/Nutrition Specialist, Cooperative Extension Program

Recording

Gertrude D. Wall, Associate County Agent, Cooperative Extension Program

Presenting

Incidence of Cardiovascular Diseases in the Rural Black Belt Counties of Alabama

*Presenters: Ralphenia D. Pace, Foods/Nutritional Scientist
College of Agricultural, Environmental, and Natural Sciences*

*Edith Powell, Medical Technologist
College of Veterinary Medicine, Nursing, and Allied Health*

*Introduction of Guest Speaker
Habiba Shaw, Health Education & Nutrition Specialist
Cooperative Extension Program*

*Cardiovascular Diseases: Preventive Measures for the Black Family
Speaker: Michael Williams, M.D., Auburn Cardiovascular, P.C.
Auburn, AL*

Questions & Answers

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Nutrition and Health Fair



Session 2: Diet, Nutrition and Health Issues (Part 2): (Meeting Room B)

This session will provide information on the types of diabetes, prevalence/incidence of diabetes in African-Americans, complications of diabetes, diabetes testing, and lower extremity amputation prevention.

Presiding

Glen E. Malone, Extension Veterinarian/Health Specialist, Cooperative Extension Program

Recording

Nadine Crawford, Tuskegee University, College of Veterinary Medicine, Nursing and Allied Health

Presenting

"Diabetes: Lower Extremity Amputation Prevention"

Debra Gunn, R.N.

Margarett Davis, R.N.

LEAP Program

Jackson, MS

Questions & Answers

11:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Nutrition and Health Fair



*Session 3: Marketing and Production Opportunities for Alabama Producers:
(Teleconference Room)*

This session will provide information updates from the Alabama Department of Agriculture and Industries on new producer incentives for vegetable producers and the State Farmers Market.

Presiding

George Hunter, Associate County Agent, Cooperative Extension Program

Recording

*Olivia W. Washington, Executive Director, Chilton/Shelby Community Action
Small Farm Marketing Committee*

Presenting

*Harold McLemore, FSMIP Project Coordinator
Department of Agriculture & Industries
State of Alabama*

*George Paris, Assistant Director of Marketing
Department of Agriculture and Industries
State of Alabama*

Session 4: Wise Financial and Investment Strategies: (Meeting Rooms D & E)

This session provides an in-depth look at financial investment options for the rural family and small farmers.

Presiding

*Charles Smith, Program Coordinator,
Small Farm Technical Outreach and Training Program*

Recording

Alphonso Elliott, County Agent, Cooperative Extension Program

Presenting

*Cindy Elliott, The Chapman Group
Baltimore, MD*



Session 5: Business and Personal Finance Management: (Conference Room A)

This session will focus on the importance of business planning and understanding the basics of mutual funds as a first step in start-up enterprises and investment opportunities. It also gives an opportunity to participants to schedule one-on-one visits with the staff of the Rural Business and Economic Development Program for follow-up technical assistance and referrals to financial management advisors.

Presiding:

*Ntam Baharanyi, Professor and Extension Economist
Tuskegee University*

Recording:

*Nyanza Duplessis, Research Associate, GWC Agricultural Experiment Station
Tuskegee University*

Presenting:

*Naima Watt, Associate Director, Rural Business and Economic Development Program
Tuskegee University*

*Youssef Diabate, Business Development Specialist, Rural Business and Economic Development Program
Tuskegee University*

Michael Ingersoll, Financial Management Advisor



Session 6: Estate Planning for Rural Families: (Meeting Rooms F & G)

This session will provide information and strategies on the essentials of estate planning for rural families, wills, property taxes, etc.

Presiding:

Gwendolyn Johnson, Associate County Agent, Cooperative Extension Program

Recording:

Jerry Burton, Assistant County Agent, Cooperative Extension Program

Presenting:

*Charlie E. Hardy, LUTCF
Senior Account Executive
MetLife Financial Services*



*1:00 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Merit Farm Family Award Luncheon (Ballroom)
Guest Speaker: Aaron Shirley, M.D.
Rural and Community Health Expert
Jackson, MS*

2000 Merit Farmer: Sandy McCorvey, Tuskegee, AL

*Land is the only real wealth in this country and if
we don't own any we'll be out of the picture*

Ralph Paige, Federation of Southern Cooperatives

*The story of African-American land loss is rooted in the social history of
this country. From the newly freed African slave of 1863 to today's Black
Farmers and Agriculturalists Association.*

Today's special feature will address this crucial issue.

FEATURE PRESENTATION:

HOMECOMING

**Sometimes I am haunted by
memories of red dirt and clay**

A Conversation with Warren James

10:30 a.m.

Kellogg Conference Center Auditorium

Presiding:

*Thomas S. Harris, Associate Administrator
Cooperative Extension Program*



HOMECOMING brings a greater understanding of the ties of Black farmers in America and the Black family. This film is a strong, poignant and refreshing look at an often overlooked chapter of American history and the struggle of our few remaining Black-owned farms to avoid extinction.

--Kweisi Mfume, President and CEO
National Association for the Advancement of
Colored People

HOMECOMING is a personal documentary on African-American farmers in the rural South. The

filmmaker uses her family connections to a small farming community to tell the larger story of Black farmers and land loss in the 20th century. Through an examination of both public and private history, the filmmaker constructs a moving portrait of one of the most tragic stories in the history of the American South.

By 1910, despite the terror of "Jim Crow" and the backlash of White plantation owners, African-Americans had managed to accumulate nearly 15 million acres of land. Today, that number has been reduced to less than one million acres. In 1982, the U.S. Civil Rights Commission issued a report that predicted that Black farmers would be extinct by the year 2000.

Rooted in filmmaker Charlene Gilbert's personal history is the story of generations of her family working the land in Montezuma, Georgia, a small rural town where several hundred people call her kin. Gilbert's journey takes us through different seasons during the course of the film. We see crops being planted and eventually harvested from the rich, red Georgia soil. As we travel through the farming season, interviews with experts on the history of African-American land loss are intercut with scenes of farm life and the rural landscape.

Warren James, the filmmakers's cousin, is a central figure in the film. As one of the youngest African-American farmers in Montezuma, Warren continues to keep his family's farming tradition alive. Attempting to beat the odds, Warren integrates modern farming techniques, installs an irrigation system and works closely with the Federation of Southern Cooperatives to qualify for a loan. Yet Warren must still work a second job delivering fertilizer to make ends meet. Using Warren's day-to-day life as the backdrop, *HOMECOMING* weaves family stories, archival footage, photographs and testimony to explore the complex relationship between African-American families, land and history. Ultimately, *HOMECOMING* is a powerful story of land, love and loss.

*Reprinted from ITVS Media Guide

A TRIBUTE TO THOMAS MONROE CAMPBELL

At Tuskegee University, the name Thomas Monroe Campbell, or T.M. Campbell as he was more commonly called, is synonymous with extension. In recognition of the fact that he was the first Cooperative Extension Agent in the United States, he headed the first Cooperative Extension Program in the nation. These facts were the product of cooperation by (1) The United States Government, represented by Seaman A. Knapp; (2) The State of Alabama, represented by Auburn University; (3) private enterprise, represented by the General Education Board; and (4) Tuskegee University, represented by Booker T. Washington on November 12, 1906.

On January 11, 1946, a bust of T.M. Campbell was unveiled and presented to Tuskegee University in honor of his forty years of service in Extension Agriculture. The statement on this occasion about Mr. Campbell and his work follows:

Mr. T.M. Campbell, Field Agent, U.S. Department of Agriculture, was appointed Farm Demonstration Agent in Macon County, Alabama, 1906. Mr. Campbell is the oldest extension worker in years of service in the United States. He advanced from County Agent to State Agent in Alabama and from State Agent to Field Agent for seven southern states: Alabama, Georgia, Florida, Mississippi, Louisiana, Texas, and Oklahoma. As a result of the effectiveness of his work, there are now nearly 600 county and home demonstration agents working in these states.

Among his other accomplishments is an extension building on the campus of Tuskegee Institute, which is headquarters for Negro extension work in Alabama.

Mr. Campbell is author of the book, "The Movable School Goes to the Negro Farmer," and also a number of articles appearing in some of the leading journals of the nation. He received the "Harmon Award" in 1930 for his distinguished service in the field of farming and rural life.

In September 1944, he was selected as one of a committee of three to make a survey of West Africa.

In short, Mr. Campbell is a pioneer in extension work. He is a nationally known and respected citizen -- a public servant of the first rank. This is his 40th year of service with Extension Agriculture.

He is honored with a Master's Degree from Tuskegee Institute, his Alma Mater.

A bust of Thomas Monroe Campbell is prominently displayed in the George Washington Carver Museum at Tuskegee University.

**Excerpt from The Role of Tuskegee University in the Origin, Growth and Development of the Negro Cooperative Extension System 1881 - 1990, by B.D. Mayberry*

THOMAS M. CAMPBELL AWARDEES

DENIS A. EBODAGHE is a national program leader for Small Farms with the U. S. Department of Agriculture Cooperative State Research Education and Extension Service in Washington, D.C., a position he has held since 1994. He coordinates and evaluates small farm research and extension programs at the Land Grant Colleges and Universities nationwide. He works with State Small Farm Program coordinators, public and private sector organizations including community-based organizations so as to improve the income levels and the economic viability of small farm enterprises nationwide. His agency is committed to meeting the needs of the small farm community by encouraging research, extension, and education programs that meet the specific needs of small farmers.

From 1990 to 1994, he was National Program Leader for Water Quality. In this position he coordinated, evaluated, and conducted on site reviews of Hydrologic Unit Area Water Quality Projects. In his present position, his duties still include conducting soil reviews, evaluating and reviewing water quality annual plans of operation and doing budgets and reports. Prior to 1990, he served as USDA Soil Scientist with USDA Soil Conservation Service in Virginia, and Assistant Professor at Virginia State University.

Denis was born and raised in Nigeria, West Africa where he obtained his high school diploma before leaving for the United States 30 years ago. He earned a Ph. D. degree in Agronomy from Virginia Tech in Blacksburg, Virginia, and a B. S. and M. S. degrees from North Dakota State University in Fargo, North Dakota. Denis has three sons, Cedric 19, Derek 14, and Trevor 9.

MIKE ESPY (See biography listed in speaker section)

JESSE HARNESS presently serves as Associate Administrator and Coordinator of Civil Rights and EEO with the Cooperative Extension Program at Alcorn State University in Lorman, Mississippi. He has held this position since 1992. He is also the Chairman of the USDA National Commission on Small Farms.

Jesse has worked with the Extension Program at Alcorn State University in various capacities since 1982. Prior to his present appointment he was Associate Division Director for Administration and Coordinator of Civil Rights and EEO with the Division of Agriculture, Research, Extension and Applied Sciences at Alcorn State University.

In 1979, Jesse received his Ph.D. in Horticulture and Extension Education at Louisiana State University in Baton Rouge, Louisiana, M. A. in Vegetable Crops and Extension Education from University of Florida in Gainesville, Florida and B. S. degree in Agriculture Education from Alcorn State University. He is married with three children.

AARON SHIRLEY (See biography listed in speaker section)

ABOUT THE SPEAKERS

MIKE ESPY is the former Secretary of the U. S. Department of Agriculture where he is credited with reorganizing the \$65 billion dollar agency, successfully negotiating multilateral trade treaties to give greater access to foreign markets for American agricultural products and for establishing the groundwork for agricultural program changes in the 1995 farm law.

As the 25th Secretary, Espy has established himself as one of the most committed reformers of the federal government. He mandated changes in consumer and industrial handling of foodstuffs and implemented changes in national food inspection systems. He also brought new focus to the importance of the nutrition and anti-hunger programs at the department and distinguished himself as an expert in rural development and infrastructure policy.

As the youngest Secretary and the first African-American to occupy the office, Secretary Espy will be remembered for his accessibility and for his hands-on management style, particularly during the aftermath of the 1993 Midwest flood, 1994 western states forest fires, GATT and NAFTA negotiations, and reorganization of the 110,000 employee agency.

Espy was a Member of the U. S. House of Representatives for seven years. He served his bi-racial district as a member of the Budget Committee and the Agriculture Committee. In addition to farming issues, he focused on welfare reform, self-empowerment legislation and the creation of community development banks. During his tenure in the House, Mike Espy served as the national Vice-Chair of the Democratic Leadership Council and the whip's organization of the Democratic Caucus.

Before his election to Congress, Espy worked as a lawyer and served as an Assistant Attorney General and Director of the Office of Consumer Protection in the Mississippi Attorney General's Office. Prior to this appointment, he served as Assistant Secretary of State and Director of the Office of Public Lands. After graduating from law school, he began his professional career as an attorney for the indigent through his affiliation with Central Mississippi Legal Services.

Currently, Mike Espy is kept busy as a lecturer, lawyer and consultant. He is presently OF-Counsel to Butler, Snow, O'Mara, Stevens & Cannada. PLLC is the largest law firm in Mississippi with offices in Jackson, on the Mississippi Gulf Coast and in Memphis, Tennessee. He serves as Senior Advisor on the Advisory Board for the Secretary of the United States Department of Energy and Director of Feed the Children International Ministries Toxin Alert, Inc., and Enterprise Corporation of the Delta.

Mike Espy was born in Yazoo City, Mississippi on November 30, 1953. He is married to the former Portia Denise Ballard of New Orleans, Louisiana, and is the father of two children, Jamilla Morgan and Michael Alexander Espy. He earned his B. A. degree in 1975 from Howard University and J. D. from the University of Santa Clara in 1978.



KEITH KELLY, a native of Red Lodge, Montana, is the Administrator of USDA's Farm Service Agency (FSA). As Administrator, Mr. Kelly reports to the Under Secretary of Agriculture for Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services, and is responsible for the administration of farm commodity programs, agricultural credit programs, and certain disaster and Federal crop insurance programs.

From 1990 - 1991, Mr. Kelly served as the first Director of the newly-created Arizona Department of Agriculture. Under the direction of the Arizona State Legislature, he consolidated four autonomous state agencies into a unified, cabinet-level department with 450 employees and an appropriated budget of approximately \$13 million. Mr. Kelly was instrumental in the adoption of a bilateral, livestock health agreement with the state of Sonora, Mexico, and he has actively promoted the North American Free Trade Agreement as a member of the Arizona-Mexico Commission. He negotiated the first official boxed-beef agreement for Arizona processors in the Mexican states of Sonora and Sinaloa in 1996-97. He was appointed by Secretary Glickman and U.S. Trade Representative Mickey Kantor to the Agricultural Policy

Advisory Committee in 1995. Following in the footsteps of his grandfather (Commissioner of Agriculture, 1939-1941), Mr. Kelly served as Director of Montana's Department of Agriculture (1983-1988), after serving two years as deputy director. From 1976 to 1980, he served as Administrative Assistant for Agriculture and Natural Resources for Montana's Governor's Office. He is past chairman of the National Governors Association Staff Advisory Council for Agriculture.

From 1972 to 1974, as a marketing specialist for the Montana Wheat Commission, he developed the first toll-free Grain Market News Service in the United States; and from 1974 to 1976, he was assistant director of Western Wheat Associates, based in Washington, DC, where he developed marketing plans for U.S. wheat producers.

Mr. Kelly was raised on his parents' sheep and cattle ranch in Red Lodge. He attended Montana State University where he received a B.S. degree in Agricultural Business in 1968 and an M.S. degree in Economics/Agricultural Economics in 1973. He served in the U.S. Army Infantry, 101st Airborne Division in Vietnam and was awarded the Bronze Star.

Mr. Kelly and his wife, the former Norma Jean Walsh of Butte, Montana, are the parents of four children.



AARON SHIRLEY, M.D., an expert in public-health and community organizing, is a leader in developing public health strategies which address a wide range of medical and social needs.

Shirley is the former director of the Jackson-Hinds Comprehensive Health Center in Jackson, Mississippi, which he founded with a group of colleagues in 1970. Based on the belief that health care is a right, the Center serves more than 42,000 citizens of Jackson and Hinds Counties, and has become a national model of health promotion, disease prevention, and comprehensive care. The Center also provides a source for recruiting African-Americans from the surrounding areas for careers in health professions, and is the basis for an exceptional school-based health program, including family-planning services.

Shirley's earlier work includes five years as a consultant to Head Start and as the director of Mississippi Action for Progress, a program serving the health and education needs of 6,000 pre-school children in rural Mississippi.

Born January 3, 1933, in Gluckstadt, Mississippi, Shirley received his B.S. (1955) from Tougaloo College and M.D. (1959) from Meharry Medical College in Nashville, Tennessee. In 1965, he became the first African-American resident at the University of Mississippi Medical Center. In 1993, he received the MacArthur Foundation Genius Grant in Public Health.

2000 Merit Farm Family Award



The Sandy McCorvey Family Tuskegee, Alabama



*Local Extension Agent: Walter Baldwin, County Agent
Macon/Montgomery Counties
Tuskegee University Cooperative Extension Program*

The McCorvey Story

A Macon County agriculturalist, Mr. Sandy McCorvey will receive the coveted Merit Farm Family Award on February 11, 2000 during the luncheon of Tuskegee University's 108th Annual Farmers Conference. McCorvey has incorporated academic principles and personal experience in his farming technique. He is recognized for his work locally and internationally.

McCorvey, a Monroe County native, was hired by T. M. Campbell to work in the Cooperative Extension Program after receiving a degree in agriculture from Tuskegee University. He worked in Tallapoosa County, and later in Randolph County. He was then asked to assume a new role as a teacher and administrator on the campus of Tuskegee University.

When he learned his position would be terminated the next year, McCorvey and his wife Regina purchased a 516-acre farm in rural Macon County. Although he vowed to "never farm again" after leaving his family farm, he believed he could rely on his experience and training to become a successful farmer.

While on a tour of Africa studying the agricultural programs of the United States Agency of International Development, Dr. Frederick Patterson, then President of Tuskegee University, realized something was missing. The African-American expertise and perspective were both needed and absent. Dr. Patterson enlisted the services of McCorvey and soon afterward, McCorvey became part of USAID. He spent the next 20 years working in Africa and wrote world-renowned books on rubber, coconut, and vegetable production, which became trademarks for small and large producers.

While living abroad, Mrs. McCorvey worked diligently establishing the only library for miles in their village and caring for hospitalized children. Their two daughters decided to receive their education abroad. In 1974, McCorvey retired from the U.S. Department of Foreign Service.

While the McCorveys' service continued abroad, a friend cared for the farm. A farm that started with a few head of cattle, had now grown to a herd of 300 improved beef cattle with a calf crop exceeding 200. Another part of the operation, the growing and harvesting of hay, flourished as well. An adequate supply of Coastal Bermuda hay was grown and harvested on approximately 125 acres of the farm. The expansive storage shed kept it readily available for the 2-day cycle McCorvey had earlier established. Originally bought merely for financial security more than 47 years ago, the McCorvey farm is currently valued at over half a million dollars. Cattle production was the primary, not sole enterprise. In recent years, two recreational lakes have been created and a commercial catfish operation is currently being implemented. In addition, he still finds time to maintain his extensive vegetable garden.

In 1985, McCorvey sold all of his cattle and planted 300 acres of pine seedlings. One hundred and thirty-nine of these acres were thinned in 1998 bringing in \$30,000. This season, he is planning to plant an additional 42.5 acres of pine tree seedlings.

The McCorveys are active in many civic organizations and church activities. Mr. McCorvey is a member of the Board of Directors for First Tuskegee Bank and is still a vocal member of several Extension related groups. In 1984, he was recognized during the Macon County Observation of Farm-Extension City Work for his countless contributions to Extension.

McCorvey has received many other honors. Seven years ago he was awarded Alabama's prize for accomplishments in fishing, hunting, recreation, conservation, and community participation. Several agencies and institutions have used his farm to develop training videos for farmers and students, making his success an asset to others. In addition, he has a USDA-Assisted Farm Development Plan.

Because of his tireless service to the University and his achievement in the area of agriculture, the Tuskegee University Cooperative Extension Program is pleased to honor Mr. Sandy McCorvey as Merit Farmer 2000.

TUSKEGEE UNIVERSITY
COOPERATIVE EXTENSION AND
CONTINUING EDUCATION PROGRAMS
College Orientation Program
Pepsico Auditorium
Tompkins Hall Student Union Building
February 11, 2000

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.General Registration (Tompkins Hall)

9:00 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.Overview of Admissions to Tuskegee University
 Office of Admissions: Paul Smith, Counselor
 Questions & Answers

9:30 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.Overview of Financial Aid/Scholarships/ROTC
 Office of Financial Aid: Julian DeJesus, Counselor
 Questions & Answers

10:00 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.Break

10:15 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.Overview of College of Veterinary Medicine, Nursing and Allied Health

11:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.Overview of College of Agriculture, Environmental and Natural Sciences
 Animal Science Representative
 Food Science Representative
 General Dietetics/Nutrition Representative
 Biology Representative
 Chemistry Representative

11:45 a.m. 12:30 p.m.Lunch (Tompkins Hall Cafeteria)

12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m.Selected Campus Tours (Please select one of the sites below)
 Veterinary Medicine
 Agricultural Sciences

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 College of Agricultural, Environmental and Natural Sciences

Tuskegee University's Involvement in International Development

The Booker T. Washington Philosophy: A Precursor to Today's Global University

1900 - 2000



Background

Tuskegee Institute (now University) founded in 1881 by Booker T. Washington, achieved international recognition in agriculture before the turn of the century. Because of this, in 1900 Booker T. Washington received a request from the Imperial Government of Germany to provide education and technical assistance in cotton cultivation to the indigenous people in its African colonies starting in Togoland. Booker T. Washington accepted the challenge. Thus, Dr. Calloway, along with a team of former students departed New York on November 3, 1900 and arrived in Lome, Togoland, on December 25 the same year. The history making trip to Togoland proved to be a monumental success, not only for Togoland but also for Tuskegee University and the German Government.

In 1907, Moritz Schanz, member of the German Kolonial Komitee came to Tuskegee to thank Booker T. Washington and to see his institution, faculty, staff and students at work.

During the past 100 years, through pioneering adventures and trendsetting linkage programs, Tuskegee University's international development assistance has continued to have an impact on many countries in Africa, Asia, the Caribbean and elsewhere. This remarkable success story is yet to be captured in its entirety and published. This publication could be viewed as an outcome of the first centennial celebration.

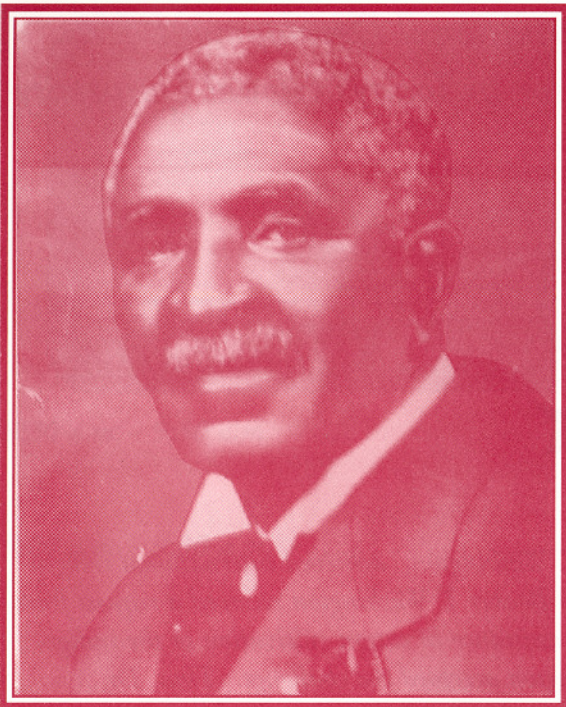
How will the centennial celebration be planned and carried out?

The Centennial Celebration will be a university-wide activity under the sponsorship of the Office of International Programs (OIP), the College of Agricultural, Environmental and Natural Sciences (CAENS) and the National Resource Center on Africa (NRCA). The planning and implementation will include all colleges and campus groups, including administrators, faculty, staff and students. In addition, external support and involvement will be invited from embassies, professionals and scholars.

TUCCID LIST OF EVENTS

DATE	EVENTS	LOCATION	DATE	EVENTS	LOCATION
Sept.15-17, 1999	*SECID Board Meeting	Kellogg Executive Conference Center (KECC)	April, 2000	International Student Association Annual Program	KECC
Dec.5-7, 1999	*PAWC/TUCCID Kick Off Theme: Global Food Security: Exploring the Nexus between Domestic and International Strategies Pre-Conference: HBCUs past and current involvement in International Programs Keynote kick-off address by: US Germany & Togo Panel Discussion by Carver Hall of Fame Banquet Address by: Dr. L. H. Sullivan	Kellogg Executive Conference Center/ TU Campus	June, 2000	Conference on Lessons Learned from HBCUs' Involvement in International Programs.	KECC
Feb.1-29, 2000	Black History Month Presentation	USIS, Lome, Togo	July - Dec, 2000	Opening of African Coins Exhibit Sponsored by: Smithsonian Institution/National Museum of African Art	GW Carver Museum
Feb. 17-18, 2000	*Annual Farmers Conference International lecture on BTW Speaker: Prof. Benjamin Sywakwazi, a BTW Scholar from Zimbabwe	KECC	Oct. 8-10, 2000	International Food and Nutrition Conference Theme: "Food for the new Millennium: Innovation in Nutrition, Safety and Biotechnology"	KECC
March 17-18, 2000	*International Veterinary Symposium Theme: Critical issues for developing countries in applications of ***SPS measures under **WTO agreement	KECC	Dec., 2000	Dedication of a Memorial to honor TU Ag. workers who died in line of duty.	Togo
			Dec. 2-5, 2000	International Session on International Papers	KECC

*Designated Centennial event: These events are co-sponsored by the Office of International Programs.
 ***SPS = Sanitary & Phytosanitary
 **WTO = World Trade Organization



Carver Decennial Celebration

A special ten-year (decennial) celebration, 1998-2008, of George Washington Carver's contribution to science and service while at Tuskegee University is being planned and implemented. Tuskegee University president Benjamin Payton initiated this decennial celebration in February 1998 with the unveiling of the George Washington Carver stamp art by the U.S. Postal Service. The National Association of State Universities and Land Grant Colleges (NASULGC) initiated its first George Washington Carver biennial lecture

at the NASULGC annual meeting, November 1999. The United States Department of Agriculture dedicated the George Washington Carver Building, a magnificent facility, at its Beltsville, Maryland, location in October 1999. The Professional Agricultural Workers Conference (PAWC), held at Tuskegee University in December 1999, honored Dr. Carver with its Annual Hall of Fame Banquet and Lecture. The focus of this year's Farmers Conference -- "The Small Farmer: Survival Strategies for the New Century" -- pays tribute to Carver's unique contributions to the small farmers and their families.

GEORGE WASHINGTON CARVER DAY

WHEREAS it is fitting that we honor the memory of George Washington Carver, who contributed to the expansion of agricultural economy of the nation through his diligent research as an agricultural chemist; and

WHEREAS by a joint resolution approved December 28, 1945 (Public Law 290, 79th Congress), the Congress has designated January 5, 1946 as George Washington Carver day and has authorized and requested me "to issue a proclamation calling upon officials of the Government to display the flag of the United States on all Government buildings on such day":

NOW THEREFORE, I HARRY S. TRUMAN, President of the United States of America, do hereby call upon officials of the Government to have the flag of the United States displayed on all Government buildings on January 5, 1946 in commemoration of the achievements of George Washington Carver.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of the United States of America to be affixed.

DONE at the City of Washington this 28th day of December, in the year of our Lord nineteen hundred and forty-five and of the Independence of the United States of America the one hundred and seventieth.

Harry S. Truman

By the President:
Dean Acheson,
Acting Secretary of State

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