Blackville-Hilda High School Principal Receives State Principal of the Year Award

By Kaelyn Pfenning-Staff Writer/The People Sentinel

Blackville-Hilda High School Principal, David Norman, has been selected as the South Carolina Athletic Administrators Association (SCAAA) Class A Principal of the Year.

“I’m very humbled,” Norman said. “I’m a first-year principal.”

“It’s a great honor to have Mr. Norman represent Class A as the Principal of the Year,” BHHS athletic director Michael Beasley said in an e-mail.

“I’m fortunate to have a veteran athletic director in Mike Beasley,” Norman said. “It has helped me in my first year.” Beasley nominated Norman and said, “The nomination was made based on the support that Mr. Norman gives to athletics, not only on the school level but the state level as well.”

John Carlisle, SCAA executive director, said in an e-mail to Norman, “It gives me great pleasure to notify you that you have been selected as the South Carolina Athletic Administrators Association Class A Principal of the Year. This award recognizes your significant support of high school athletics.”

The award was presented at the awards breakfast of the Spring Conference for Athletics on March 11, 2012 in Charleston.

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Dr. M. Evelyn Fields Establishes Faculty Scholarship

By Tameka Kenan-Norman

If you ask the students that she teaches, they will tell you that they love her passion and her genuine willingness to help them. So, when a student came to her needing assistance to pay her tuition, Dr. M. Evelyn Fields, associate professor of early childhood education at SC State University, did what she typically does; she began to call around for help. After securing assistance from Mr. Anthony L. Holloman, vice president for the Division of Institutional Advancement, Fields returned the favor when Holloman asked her for a $1000.00 contribution to assist other students like the one she sent to him. As a result, the Dr. M. Evelyn Fields Faculty Scholarship was established.

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Weight Loss Guru to Speak during SC State’s Annual Minority Community Health Summit

By Antia Dawkins

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