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Press Release

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MCC Hosts Annual Black History Celebration February 19

WILLIAMSTON – “Learn It, Live It, Love It! Black History Embraced!!!” is the 2009 theme for Martin Community College's (MCC) annual Black history celebration to be held on Thursday, February 19, 2009 at 7:00 pm. The event will take place in the MCC Auditorium, located in Building 2 on the college's main campus in Williamston.

Each year during the month of February, the MCC Globalization and Cultural Diversity Committee hosts this evening event to celebrate the experiences, talents, and achievements of nationally known as well as local African Americans. This year's program will focus on honoring the character and determination of African American trailblazers and how those qualities have led to societal changes benefitting not only our country and the world but also our local communities. This year's keynote speaker will be Williamston native Dr. Richard Mizelle (pictured right), associate professor of psychology at North Carolina Central University in Durham, North Carolina. Inspirational performances by local acts will take place throughout the evening.



And, in honor of the recent historical inauguration of President Barack Obama, there will be a PowerPoint presentation prelude to the celebration beginning at 6:30pm that will highlight significant events in our area and nation's history leading up to this present-day trailblazer and his achievement.

Current residents or natives of Martin, Bertie and Washington counties who would like to contribute to this special presentation by sharing your stories as a first African American achiever are welcome to do so. The committee asks that you send a photo and brief description of your achievement by Friday, February 13th via email or postal mail to Brenda G. Moore, MCC Globalization and Cultural Diversity Committee member, at bmoore@martincc.edu or Martin Community College, Attention: Brenda Moore, 1161 Kehukee Park Road, Williamston, NC 27892.

For additional information about this MCC celebration of Black History month and how you can participate in it, please contact Moore at (252) 792-1521 Ext. 236 or Candance Bryant at cbryant@martincc.edu or (252) 792-1521 Ext. 229.

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