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Conference, "Black Men 1984 and Beyond" to be Held at the University of Dayton

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DAYTON, Ohio, February 2, 1984 -- The University of Dayton's Center for Afro-American Affairs is sponsoring "Black Men 1984 and Beyond," a day-long conference featuring a panel discussion and two lecture sessions with leaders from Miami Valley business, government, and community organizations.

The conference, on Saturday, February 11, will be held in the John F. Kennedy Memorial Union on the UD campus from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. It is open to men and women.

Registration details will be handled from 8:30 to 9 a.m. in Kennedy Union 315, followed by opening remarks in Kennedy Union 311-312 by Faith E. Johnson, coordinator, UD's Center for Afro-American Affairs. Following her remarks will be a panel discussion on "The State of the Black Male in 1984 - Or What You Don't Know Could Kill You." Roger Swift, of the Montgomery County Children Services Board, will be the moderator, and panelists will be Clennia Bond, tumor registry coordinator, Kettering Medical Center; Al Lane, of the Dayton Contemporary Dance Company Board of Directors; Manney Murphy, of the Democratic Voter's League, and Robert Bayless, president, Capsulated Systems, Inc. The panel discussion will last until 10:30 a.m.

In Session I of the conference, "An Historical Overview of the Black Male" will be presented in Kennedy Union 331 by Jack Bennett, adjunct instructor in
UD's Department of History. Betty Crafter, director of the Black Alcoholism/Outreach program, and Swift will discuss "Macho Man and the Corner Bar" in Kennedy Union 313. The discussions will run from 10:45 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.

After a break for lunch "on the town" (from 12:30 to 1:30 p.m.), which is not being offered as part of the conference, Session II will feature Robert Steele, corporate counsel for Kentucky Fried Chicken, and Art Jordan, director of Human relations, Indiana State Teachers Association. In Kennedy Union 311 Steele will discuss "Climbing the Corporate Ladder," and in Kennedy Union 331 Jordan will address "Stress and Racism."

To register for the conference, call Johnson at the UD Center for Afro-American Affairs, (513) 229-3634. The registration fee is $10 and the deadline is Thursday, February 9, at 4 p.m.

The conference is free to UD students with a validated identification card.

For more information about "Black Men 1984 and Beyond," or UD's Center for Afro-American Affairs, contact Faith E. Johnson at the Center, (513) 229-3634.