EDUCATION







Sentinel-Voice photo by Randy Merritt

Claude Logan, president and CEO of Institutional Foodservice Management, left, join Mike Waller, corporate secretary, right, for lunch during the presentation of their first high school senior scholarship to William Covington, center, of Advanced Technologies Academy.

Duo's in-class, community exploits earn scholarships

By Deborah Kohen Sentinel-Voice

William Covington and Ronald Espinueva insist they aren't a break from the norm.

The two - Covington, a senior at the Advanced Technologies Academy, and Espinueva, a junior at Silverado High — are stellar students in the classroom and in life.

Both were recipients of scholarship awards handed out at a March 17 luncheon by Institutional Foodservice Management as part of the company's philanthropy.

Claude Logan, president and CEO of the firm, and Mike Waller, corporate secretary and treasurer, created the scholarship awards to "give back to their community." The awards are based on financial need, community involvement and academic excellence.

Covington received \$1,500; Espinueva got \$500. The money has been placed in trust accounts at the Enterprise Community Federal Credit Union and will be used to cover college

Covington, who chose to attend A-Tech because it has a pre-law program, hopes to attend Moorehouse College, a historically black university in Atlanta, to pursue a degree in business administration and marketing. He is also eyeing law school, and eventually wants to own a management agency catering to entertainers and athletes.

Covington keeps a hectic schedule. He serves as student body vice president and holds down two part-time jobs: he interns at the City of Las Vegas' Neighborhood Services Division on afternoons, then works for the Bank of America at night. Outside of school, he mentors teenagers from single-parent homes.

Espinueva, who will be eligible to reapply next year for the larger senior award is one of the nation's best students - as his listing in "Who's Who Among American High School Students"

A music enthusiast with skill on the saxaphone, bassoon, flute, clarinet and jazz piano, he participates in both the jazz and symphonic bands at school.

He credits his other passion, science, to his father.

Twice mentioning the PBS series "Stephen Hawkings' Universe" which broaches cuttingedge discoveries in physics, Espinueva said he and his father are always tuning in to fascinating science programs that make a career in medicine extremely attractive.

Besides, he said, "I've always wanted to be a doctor." After graduation, he hopes to pursue a degree at the University of California at Los

Espinueva said neither he nor Covington are rarities, "I know lots of kids who're working hard," he said.

Education link to economic independence

By Dr. Conrad W. Worrill Special to Sentinel-Voice

In this era of economic and educational onslaught against the African Community in America, it is important that we understand that the rise of African Centered Education Movement should be linked to our quest for economic independence.

We must free the "African mind" through African centered educational activities so that we might better understand the importance of economic self-reliance.

One model that we can draw strength from the one established by the Honorable Marcus Mosiah Garvey and the Universal Negro Improvement Association (UNIA) in the

At the core of Marcus Garvey's program was his urging African people to acquire educational and economic power. As he always stated, "A race without power is a race without respect."

When we examine the economic condition of Africans in America, and throughout the world, we find one glaring problem: African people do not control our economic resources at the level we should.

This is primarily due to our miseducation as a people.

In a disproportionate manner, African people depend on the European and Asian world for food, clothing and shelter. More often than not,

the European and Asian worlds are the producers, processors, distributors and wholesalers. African people are the consumers.

This was one of the major problems that Garvey addressed during his lifetime and that Minister Louis Farrakhan is addressing today.

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