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Gateway Inc. targeting digital divide via college partnership

WASHINGTON (AP) — Gateway Inc. announced a plan Friday aimed at bridging the "digital divide" and getting more blacks access to computers.

The nation's second-largest computer-maker and the National Association for Equal Opportunity in Higher Education are forming a partnership to sell discounted computers to historically and predominantly black colleges and universities and their students, faculty and alumni. The association is an umbrella organization for black colleges.

The partnership is for two years with options to renew for up to three years, and could be valued at up to \$250 million.

"This is the most significant activity taking

place so far to impact the digital divide," said Sterling Adams, spokesman for Florida A&M University.

Under the program, the schools and people affiliated with them will buy Gateway computers at discounted prices that vary by product. Gateway would then pay the school 2 percent of each sale for scholarships, and give a rebate to the school of up to 3 percent, based on volume.

"No component of this is a donation," said Mark Mose, Gateway's account executive for Maryland. "They're going to earn a lot of these benefits."

A Commerce Department report last July revealed a widening technological gap between whites and minorities, urban and rural citizens. The report found black and Hispanic

households are only two-fifths as likely to have access to the Internet as white families.

Gateway and association officials say more than 4 million people will be able to take advantage of the program. The partnership also will include internships and college recruiting on black campuses by Gateway.

While the partnership is a good public relations move for the company, Mose said it also makes financial sense.

"It's an important marketplace that we need to be a major player in," he said.

The partnership will provide an 800-number for people to purchase equipment at discounted prices. Callers will have to identify their school but will not be required to provide proof of affiliation.

High school top gun to fly with Air Force

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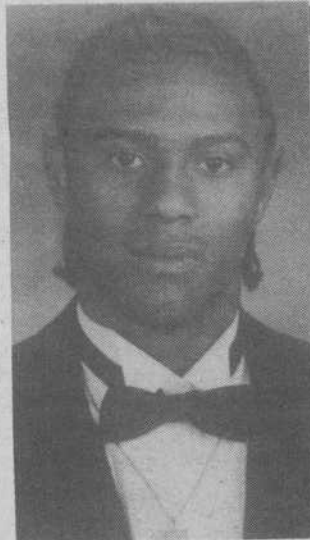
Las Vegas High senior Anthony Park recently received a full-ride academic/athletic scholarship to the Air Force Academy.

Republican Congressman Jim Gibbons secured the appointment.

Park earned 3.6 grade point average and scored 24 on his ACT test, and 72 on his ASVAB test. He starred in football and track.

"The Air Force Academy offers me academic excellence," Park said.

"The opportunity to compete in football and track ... it is an ambition ... but I am absolutely confident that I can



ANTHONY PARK

succeed, serve my community, and my country."

Park ranked 20 out of a senior class of 595.

On the gridiron, he saw time as a played wide receiver, punter, field goal kicker and kick return specialist.

He led the state with 58 receptions, 1,027 receiving yards and was selected to the all-state team as a wide receiver last year.

In track, he competes in the long jump — his best leap is 23 feet, 8 inches — the high jump — his best 6-feet, 6 inches — 110-meter high hurdles — he's posted a personal best of 14.7) — and the 40 yard dash where he runs a 4.5.

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"Its outstanding...out of the top ten (slots) I have seven (that placed)," said 7th grade math teacher Mary Jo Lopez who had teams ranked in the first, second, third, fourth, sixth, eighth, and ninth spots. "This is the first time I've ever had teams place."

Stock game team winners were treated to 50 dollar and 200 dollar checks for their participation as well as T-shirts that read "I Beat Wall Street".

"We finally know that you can get something out of the stock market," Schawanna Rhodes said.

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run on college campuses to provide training for young people and information for the media," Campbell said.

Like Frisby-Greenwood, Campbell would said although the NCBCP doesn't just focus its Black Youth Vote Programs on college campuses although they do admit that most of their work is focused in the South and most of their coordinators for Black Youth Vote are based on college campuses.

With plans to launch their 2000 effort,

Black Youth Vote intends to train youth and open dialogue between black youth and election candidates. "We plan to continue work in South Carolina, Alabama, Georgia, and even Ohio," said Campbell.

And as November draws near Campbell wants black youth nationwide to keep the Black youth vote slogan, VERMA in mind: Voter, Education, Registration, Mobilization, and Accountability.

"Young people must be empowered to be accountable and get out there and vote," Campbell said.



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Members of the Delta Kappa Chapter of the Gamma Phi Delta (left to right) Gladys Collick-Palmer, Atholynne Thomas, Kathy Fox, Patricia Feaster, Ruby Ami-Pilot, Gladia Bell and Jean Myers congratulates Isis Ezikpe, Nakea West, Tanya Frederick, Felicia Brown, Daphne Scott and Anthony Alexis on their essays.

Four seniors earn \$1,000 scholarships

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Four students earned \$1,000 scholarships during a luncheon last month sponsored by the The Delta Kappa Chapter of Gamma Phi Delta, a professional business women's sorority, and the Clark County School District Partnership Program. The scholarships were awarded last month during the sorority's fifth annual Career Day Event at Community College of Southern Nevada's Cheyenne Campus.

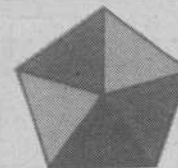
Anthony Alexis placed first, with Daphne Scott, Felicia Brown and Tanya Frederick finishing second, third and fourth, respectively.

Career Day started with a "kick off breakfast" pairing students with their corporate mentors. High school seniors then job-shadowed

Career Day participants wrote essays about their experiences for a scholarship competition.

Councilwoman Lynette Boggs-McDonald and Jean Myers, a member of the Delta Kappa Chapter, established new scholarships.

Myers created a \$500 scholarship in honor of her son and Boggs McDonald established a \$250 dollar in honor of her late father, Dr. Nathaniel Boggs.



Urban Chamber of Commerce
Presents

Gaming Venues In The New Millennium

"Societal Impact of Politics, Money, Technology and Locale"

The Urban Chamber of Commerce is hosting an international conference on gaming from July 6-8, 2000 at the MGM Grand Hotel.

The conference theme is Gaming Venues in the New Millennium, "Societal Impact of Politics, Money, Technology and Locale."

The conference will feature topical workshops on issues associated with the gaming industry to include the following:

- Providing goods and services to the gaming industry**
- The Economics of the Gaming Industry**
- The Social Impacts of Gaming**
- Community Empowerment; Building Solid Partnerships**
- Federal and State Legislative and Tax Issues**
- Role of African-Americans on Boards and Commissions**

In conjunction with the conference, several recreational and entertainment events will be held.

Attorney Deane Buchanan, Chairman of the Tiger Woods Foundation is serving as honorary chair of a golf tournament which will be held at the Las Vegas Golf Club on Thursday, July 8, 2000.

Jon Astor White will be serving as the executive producer of our Excellence in Achievement Awards Program. This program will honor national and local businesses, organizations and individuals that "Set the Standard and Made a Difference" in business, civil rights, entertainment, media and sports.

For information about registration and tickets to individual events, please call the Urban Chamber at 648-6222