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SSU offers Curtis V. Cooper Health Fair to students, community

SAVANNAH—Savannah State University will host its annual Curtis V. Cooper Health Fair on Wednesday, April 27, 2005, 11 a.m.-1 p.m. in the lobby of the King-Frazier Student Center.

Sponsored by the SSU Harris McDew Student Health Center and the Top Ladies of Distinction, the fair will offer valuable information from a wide range of healthcare providers, as well as screenings and other services targeted to increase awareness and promote wellness on the SSU campus and the larger community.

The Savannah Community Blood Bank will hold a blood drive, and there will be cholesterol and blood pressure screenings, as well as sickle cell testing. Over 25 organizations will participate in the Curtis V. Cooper Health Fair, including Rape Crisis Center, SAFE Shelter, Chatham County Public Health Department, Community Cardiovascular Council, Planned Parenthood, Women's Health Institute at Memorial Health, the Curtis and Elizabeth Anderson Cancer Institute at Memorial Health University Medical Center and My Brothaz HOME, Inc.

The late Curtis V. Cooper, a long-time president of the Savannah Branch NAACP, was a prime mover and shaker in the creation of the federally-funded Westside Comprehensive Health Center in 1972. Cooper served as executive director from its inception and through the merger in 1981 with the Urban Health Center, which established the current Westside-Urban Health Center. He remained executive director for the center and president of the Savannah Branch NAACP until his death in January 2000.

All SSU students, faculty, staff and the community at large are invited to attend the health fair to gain access to critical healthcare information and screenings. For more information about the Curtis V. Cooper Health Fair, call SSU's Harris McDew Student Health Center at (912) 356-2217.

Savannah State University was established in 1890 and is the oldest public historically black college or university (HBCU) in the state. The university's 2,800 students are enrolled in 22 undergraduate and four graduate degree programs in three colleges: Liberal Arts and Social Sciences, Business Administration and Sciences and Technology.