The Hampton University community mourns the loss of Mr. Reuben V. Burrell, beloved Hampton University campus photographer since 1949, who passed away on Feb. 3. Mr. Burrell, 95, was a treasured photographer for more than 65 years. A treasured campus fixture for several decades, he captured on film the spirit of HU—the essence of its students, faculty, alumni, administrators, and staff. Mr. Burrell is survived by his wife, children, grandchildren, mother, sister and other family members. Although Mr. Burrell didn’t have any children of his own, he was a uncle, father and grandfather figure to many generations of Hamptonians. He will be missed.

In Loving Memory of HU Photographer Mr. Reuben V. Burrell

Mr. Reuben Burrell was a true Hampton University legend. He captured the Hampton spirit through his lens for more than 65 years, said Hampton University President Dr. William R. Harvey. “His photographs and his stories were an inspiration. He reached the lives of many Hampton University administrators, faculty, staff, students, alumni, vendors and visitors. I can personally attest to his artistic mastery of the camera because for 37 years he took pictures of the Harvey family including my wife, children, grandchildren, mother, sister and other family members.”

Upon his discharge, Mr. Burrell resumed his studies at Hampton University, earning a B.S. in industrial arts in 1947. After serving as an M.A. in industrial arts education at New York University in 1949, Mr. Burrell returned to Hampton to teach and found that the Diesel Engines course and some of the other Trade School courses had been deleted. He was then put in the part-time position of photographer at Hampton Institute. To make it financially, he was a self-employed photographer taking photographs in schools and communities in Hampton and Norfolk. Mr. Burrell became Hampton Institute’s full-time photographer in the 1960s. Referring to himself as a “self-taught” photographer, Mr. Burrell experimented, read and practiced, becoming a masterful photographer for the Hampton University Archives.

In Mr. Burrell’s memory, donations may be made to the Hampton University’s archives.

School of Pharmacy Accreditation continued for Eight Years

by Leha Byrd

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SOP Dean, Dr. Wayne Harris, said this decision by the ACPE Board of Directors is a testament to the hard work of his faculty, staff and students, and their commitment to the School’s success and longevity.

Set to launch this summer, the fellowship is designed to focus on diverse or underrepresented students and give them the opportunity to explore businesses and journalism and the fundamental skills of news production, as well as provide the unique experience to work in a newsroom with the highest caliber journalists in the field.

“We are pleased with this expansion. We are very excited for the opportunity to work with some of the best newsrooms across the world and financial market news and information to its vast portfolio of digital products including CNBC.com, CNBC PRO, the premium, integrated desktop/mobile service, and its suite of mobile products including the CNBC Universal App for the iPhone/iPad.

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“The School is designed to be a public health intervention aimed at helping the community, particularly African-Americans, control and prevent the disease,” said Mrs. Byrd. For more information about the SOP call (707) 727-5071 and for more information on the Conference on the Black Family visit http://events.hamptonu.edu/cbf.
Hampton University joins Initiative to Implement Solar Power on Campus

By Matthew White

The Council of Independent Colleges in Virginia (CICV), has been awarded more than $887,000 in federal funding from the U.S. Department of Energy SunShot Initiative to implement solar power on their campuses through the Solar Pathways Program.

"The DOE Solar Pathways Program is a great partnership with the U.S. Department of Energy, SunShot Initiative. The Council of Independent Colleges in Virginia (CICV), and Hampton University have a unique opportunity to lead the way in solar power innovation and technology in our community," said Dr. Eric Sheppard, Dean of the HU School of Engineering and Technology. "We will work with CICV to implement solar power in a manner that is accessible and affordable for other higher education institutions. This project will provide valuable data and insights to others who are interested in implementing solar power on their campuses."