Sheila Banks Appointed Director, Media Affairs

Philip Morris U.S.A. has announced the appointment of Sheila Banks as Director, Media Affairs.

In this newly created position, Banks serves as senior spokesperson for Philip Morris U.S.A. and is responsible for directing all communications activity with the media regarding tobacco-related issues and events. She reports to John R. Nelson, Jr., Vice President, Corporate Affairs.

Banks had hosted the television program, "This Week in Black Entertainment" on the Black Entertainment Television (BET) network based in Washington, D.C. for the past six years. From 1981 to April 1989 she also served as documentary producer and host of "Metro Week in Review" for WETA-TV, the PBS affiliated in Washington D.C.

During this eight-year period, Banks was also co-host of the BET program, "Video Soul" in 1983, and was a segment producer for the PBS program, "The Lawmakers" in 1981.

Before relocating to Washington, D.C., Banks worked as a contributing correspondent for "Alive and Well" on the USA Cable Network in Hollywood, California for a year. Prior to this, she was reporter and co-anchor for Newscenter 2 on KTVI-TV in St. Louis, Missouri for two years.

From 1974 to 1978, she was with WNAC-TV in Boston, where she held the positions of co-anchor, Newsroom 7, 12:00 p.m. news; anchor/writer, Boston cut-ins for CBS Morning News; reporter, Black news; and reporter, 12:00, 6:00 and 11:00 p.m. newscasts. During this time, she was also a stringer

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for Time Magazine at its Boston bureau for two years.

She received a local Emmy Award for the WETA documentary, "March on Washington: 20 Years Later" in 1984, and has received three other local Emmy nominations for documen-

She was honored with the Black Communications Award by Business

Exchange in Washington, D.C. in 1985, and the Achiever of Business and Education Award by the Greater Boston YMCA in 1977. She is also a member of

Who's Who Among Black Americans and has been featured in Washingtonian Magazine (1982) and Ebony Magazine (1979) for her accomplishments.

Banks has authored feature articles in several national magazines, and has produced a wide variety of industrial films.

She earned a bachelor of science degree in journalism from Boston University in 1974. She pursued further studies in dramatic writing for theatrical and television film at the University of California in Los Angeles.

Banks was born in St. Louis, Missouri. She has relocated from Washington, D.C. to the Philip Morris headquarters in New York City.

Philip Morris U.S.A., an operating company of Philip Morris Companies Inc., produces a number of leading cigarette brands: Marlboro, the largest selling cigarette in the U.S.A. and the world; Benson &

Hedges 100's, the largest selling free-standing 100 mm brand in the U.S.A.; Merit, the largest selling freestanding low-tar cigarette; Virginia Slims, the leading cigarette made especially for women; and Superslims from Virginia Slims, the first ultra-thin, lowsmoke, low-tar cigarette made especially for women. Other cigarette brands include Parliament Lights, Players, Cambridge, Alpine and Saratoga 120's.



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JUVENILE CORRECTIONS

Gang Transition Program Update & Community Input Gathering Wednesday, March 27th, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. King Neighborhood Facility Juvenile Parole Conference Room Please come and invite other interested individuals

Michael Jordan, Dominique Wilkins Dominate NBA As 'Simply The Best'



asketball greats Michael Jordan and Dominique Wilkins score big as two of the most successful basketball players in the history of the game, while projecting positive images of Black men. Also in the April issue, Ebony Man (EM) offers advice on women who manipulate men, discusses "Afterplay," with suggestions on "How To Play It Right," examines the star quality of actor Danny Glover, and showcases fashion, Italian style.

Chicago Bulls star Michael Jordan, the NBA top-scorer who is also known as the most recognizable athlete in the world, and Dominique Wilkins, the Atlanta Hawks player with a golden three-point threat, have each garnered skyhigh salaries and endorsement contracts as well as respect for their positive images. Although originating from distinctly different areas-Jordan was born in Brooklyn, New York, while Wilkins sprang from France-the two share disappointing stories of their early years, their interests in humanitarian activities and their consistency for being the best on and off the court.

Also in the April EM: One author explains how women easily manipulate their mates and why they are the power centers in most relationships; experts say that good sexual after play involves asking a woman about her satisfaction, rather than lighting a cigaette or slipping off to sleep; and superstar actor Danny Glover tells why the next fours years will be a "passionate" time for Blacks in the film industry. Plus, EM reports on the Italian flair for timeless men's wear and the latest in foul weather fashions; takes a closer look at beautiful singer and dancer Nia Peeples of TV's "The Party Machine"; details "Foods That Feed A Healthy Heart"; and offers the latest news on camcorders.

Assistance Needed for African American Wilson High Student



Cacie Cunningham

My name is Cacie Cunningham and I am a 16 year old junior at Wilson High School, in Portland. I am writing to ask for your financial assistance. I have been accepted by Nacel's Discovery Abroad Homestay Program to spend three weeks, June 8-June 30,1991 in the Ivory Coast, Africa. The cost for the program is \$2190.00, which due to my family's financial circumstances, I am trying to raise (in contributions.)

Since I am an African American, I was especially interested in visiting a French speaking African country. I feel that the opportunity to visit the Ivory

Coast will greatly expand my awareness of other cultures.

I have taken French for the past five years, and I'm fairly fluent in speaking it. I am eager to learn more about French speaking people and their culture. The homestay program offers an excellent opportunity to learn the language first-

I will share some information about myself with the hope that you will find me deserving, and will contribute any (\$10, \$25, \$50 or more if possible) amount to help me in this effort. My accumulative GPA throughout my high school career is 3.94. I am active in womens varsity basketball and tennis, as well as the National Honor Society, and Distributive Educational Clubs of America (DECA). My volunteer community activities include: student reporter for Youth Today - a local youth newspaper sponsored by the Oregonian, Jack and Jill of America, and an active member in the Mt. Olivet Baptist Church group, choir, and usher board.

I am grateful for any assistance you might be able to offer. Please make checks payable to: Wilson High School - attention Cacie Cunningham, 1151 SW Vermont Street, Portland OR 97219.

For more information or if you have any questions, please call me at 246-4011, or John Mays, S.I.S. coordinator at Wilson High School 280-5280 x428.

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Not everyone has the money it takes to take out

a home loan from a bank. But right now, a lot of people in Portland who think they can't qualify for a home loan, can. With a Home-Partners loan from U.S. Bank. It gives you the money you need to buy a house without costing an arm and a leg. Or even a foot. Here's how it works.

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The U.S. Bank HomePartners Program can help you purchase a house in Portland for up to \$49,000. You are eligible to apply if your annual household income does not exceed the following income guidelines: 1 Person—\$24,000. 2 People—\$28,500. 3 or more people—\$31,700. HomePartners is offered through U.S. Bancorp Mortgage Company.

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So, before you give up on the idea of owning your own home, take a look at what U.S. Bank's Home-Partners loan has to offer. It could save you from a lifetime of rent.





