

Milestones

TIMELINE OF SUCCESS

1924 LOUIS EUGENE KING AND ZORA NEALE HURSTON BEGIN THE HILLTOP ON JANUARY 22, WITH THE NAME DERIVING FROM THE UNIVERSITY ALMA MATER.

1983 JANICE MCKNIGHT, THE HILLTOP EDITOR IN CHIEF, IS EXPELLED FROM HOWARD UNIVERSITY AFTER RUNNING A CONTROVERSIAL SERIES OF ARTICLES ACCUSING THE UNIVERSITY OF SEXUAL DISCRIMINATION. STUDENT STAGE A PROTEST IN MCKNIGHT'S HONOR, SEIZING THE ADMINISTRATION BUILDING.

1989 PROTESTS OVER THE APPOINTMENT OF HARVEY LEROY "LEE" ATWATER TO THE UNIVERSITY'S BOARD OF TRUSTEES LEADS TO A SHUT DOWN OF THE UNIVERSITY AND MAKES INTERNATIONAL NEWS BECAUSE ATWATER, AMERICAN REPUBLICAN POLITICAL CONSULTANT AND STRATEGIST, USED RACIALLY DIVISIVE PROPAGANDA TO HELP GEORGE H. W. BUSH WIN THE 1988 PRESIDENTIAL ELECTION. ATWATER RESIGNS FROM HIS POSITION ON THE BOARD IN A LETTER TO THE EDITOR IN THE HILLTOP.

1991 UNDER THE DIRECTION OF EDITOR IN CHIEF KEVIN CHAPPELL, THE HILLTOP, WHICH HAD BECOME SYNONYMOUS WITH FRIDAY'S, BECOMES THE FIRST HBCU NEWSPAPER TO PUBLISH TWICE A WEEK. (ALTHOUGH IT WOULD RETURN TO ONCE A WEEK THE FOLLOWING SCHOOL YEAR.)

1993 THE HILLTOP AGAIN PUBLISHES TWICE-WEEKLY FOR A BRIEF STINT.

1994 ISABEL WILKERSON, THE HILLTOP EDITOR IN CHIEF FOR THE 1981-82 SCHOOL YEAR, WINS THE PULITZER PRIZE WHILE WORKING AT THE NEW YORK TIMES.

1995 THE HILLTOP IS NAMED THE BEST COLLEGIATE NEWSPAPER IN THE NATION BY THE PRINCETON REVIEW.

1996 THE HILLTOP RUNS A CONTROVERSIAL EDITORIAL AND CARTOON AFTER A CAMPUS VISIT FROM THE NATION OF ISLAM'S KHALID MUHAMMAD. EDITOR IN CHIEF MONICA LEWIS APPEARS ON ABC'S NIGHTLINE AND THE MONTEL WILLIAMS SHOW OVER THE COURSE OF THE YEAR.

1997 THE NEW YORK TIMES SELECTS THE HILLTOP AS ONE OF ITS FEATURED COLLEGE PAPERS, AND RE-RUNS AN EXCERPT OF A HILLTOP EDITORIAL OF THE MILLION WOMAN MARCH.

2002 UNDER THE DIRECTION OF EDITOR IN CHIEF LAUREN BAYNE ANDERSON, THE HILLTOP IS REDESIGNED AND A WEBSITE IS LAUNCHED.

2004 THE HILLTOP IS AGAIN NAMED THE BEST COLLEGIATE NEWSPAPER IN THE NATION BY THE PRINCETON REVIEW.

2005 THE HILLTOP BECOMES THE FIRST HBCU NEWSPAPER TO BE PUBLISHED DAILY.

