



*The national interest dictates that there be at least one university in the land unashamedly devoted...to the special issues, which the legacy of race has created. Howard is commanded to be such a university" .... [which is] technically competent and morally committed to the special needs of Black Americans, the Institutions which serve them and the communities which they inhabit.*  
 – Dr. James E. Cheek, 1969

*Dr. Cheek hired Dr. Billingsley who performed one of the most auspicious tasks in the history of Black education by recruiting a generation of Black scholars to come to Howard University.*  
 – Dr. Ronald Walters, former Chair of Political Science, 2010

### **CELEBRATING HOWARD UNIVERSITY IN THE DECADE OF THE 1970s**

and the

### **90<sup>th</sup> Birthday of ANDREW BILLINGSLEY, PH.D.**

Vice President of Academic Affairs, Howard University, 1970-1974

(Author: *Black Families in White America*, 1968; *Children of the Storm*, 1972; *The Struggle for Survival*, 1973; *Climbing Jacob's Ladder*, 1992; *Mighty Like a River*, 1997; and *Yearning to Breathe Free - Robert Smalls and His Families*, 2007)

Location: Howard University Campus Wednesday, April 20<sup>th</sup> – Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2016

Wednesday, April 20, 2016 | 5:00 pm – 8:00 pm | Founders Library

Thursday, April 21, 2016 | 10:00 am - 5:30 pm | Blackburn Center

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Presiding: Greg E. Carr, Ph.D., JD, Chair And Associate Professor, Afro-American Studies

Since January 2013, Dr. Billingsley has been spending three half days per week at Howard working on his memoirs with the support of the Founder's Library, the Moorland-Spingarn Research Center, the Afro-American Studies Department and the John and Eula Mae Cleveland Distinguished Chair in African American Studies.

Dr. Billingsley's previous positions:

1. Professor of Social Welfare/ Assistant Chancellor for Academic Affairs, U.C. Berkeley, 1964-1970
2. President of Morgan State University, 1975-1985
3. Professor of Family Studies, University of Maryland - College Park, 1985-1996
4. Professor, University of South Carolina, 1996-2010

Campus Co-Sponsors (partial list)

- Department of Afro-American Studies
- Department of African Studies and Research
- School of Social Work
- Moorland-Spingarn Research Center
- Ronald Walters Center for Policy Studies
- School of Communications
- Department of History

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**Session I. The Enhancement of Science and Engineering Education During the Decade of the 1970s**

- **Dr. Percy Pierre**, former Dean, School of Engineering, Howard University, currently Professor of Engineering, Michigan State University
- **Dr. Eugene DeLoatch**, former Chair of Electrical Engineering at Howard during the 1970s, currently Dean Clarence Mitchell School of Engineering, Morgan State University
- **Dr. Charles Jarmon**, Professor Emeritus of Sociology; Former Associate Dean, College of Arts and Sciences at Howard University

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**Session II. Crafting the Black University at Howard During the Decade of the 1970s**

- **Mr. Howard Dodson**, former Director, Howard University Libraries; former Director, Schomburg Center for Research in Black Culture
- **Dr. Joyce Ladner**, Previously Professor of Sociology and Social Work, Provost, Interim President, Howard Univ.
- **Dr. Russell Adams**, Professor Emeritus, Howard University, Former Chair, Afro-American Studies, Howard Univ.
- **Ambassador Ruth Amy Davis**, former Graduate Student at University of California, Berkeley, former Director of the Foreign Service Institute (1977-2001), former Ambassador to Several African and European Countries
- **Dr. Doug Davidson**, Former Graduate Student in Sociology at University of California, Berkeley in the late 1960s, Assistant to Dr. Billingsley as Assistant Chancellor for Academic Affairs; Currently Professor of Sociology at Western Michigan University, Kalamazoo, Michigan
- **Dr. Joshua Myers**, Professor Afro-American Studies, Howard University
- **Dr. Sulayman Nyang**, Professor, Department of African Studies and Research

**Session III. New Developments in the Arts and Humanities During the Decade of the 1970s**

- **Dr. Arthur Dawkins**, Chair, Former Director of Jazz Studies
- **Dr. Haki Madhubuti**, Former Poet-in-Residence at Howard University during the 1970

**Session IV. Expansion of Graduate Studies in the Social Sciences During the 1970s**

- **Dr. Clarence Lusane**, Chair, Department Political Science
- **Dr. Elaine Cannon**, Professor of Sociology California State University, Los Angeles
- **Dr. Rodney Green**, Chair Department of Economics & Executive Director, Center for Urban Progress
- **Dr. Ura-Jean Oyemade Bailey**, Professor of Human Development, Howard University
- **Dr. Lawrence Gary**, Former Director, Institute for Urban Affairs and Research
- **Dr. Anita Moore Hackney**, Former Director, University Without Walls

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**Session V. Evolution of Media Studies During the Decade of the 1970s**

- **Dr. Timothy Jenkins**, Attorney
- **Mr. Paul Coates**, Publisher, Black Classics Press

**Session VI. Closing: Reflections From Former Colleagues, Friends and Family**

- Shout-outs from the Audience
- Remembrances
- Friends, Neighbors, and Colleagues
- Family speaks
- Closing Remarks from the Honoree