

# Here's the BUZZ

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## Meet the Sweet 16

After 28 rounds of great competition, the teams below emerged as the Sweet 16.

ALDRIDGE	W	L	PPT
Tenn. State	7	0	12.43
SUBR	6	1	13.03

TURNER	W	L	PPT
FAMU	6	1	14.52
Alabama A&M	6	1	13.79

WELLS	W	L	PPT
Alcorn State	7	0	12.83
Tuskegee	6	1	12.89

DU SABLE	W	L	PPT
Oakwood	7	0	16.47
Langston	5	2	9.31

BUFFALO	W	L	PPT
Prairie View A&M	7	0	13.96
Hampton	6	1	10.90

WALKER	W	L	PPT
NCCU	6	1	11.56
Morehouse	6	1	12.26

BECKWORTH	W	L	PPT
Howard	7	0	17.24
Grambling State	6	1	11.34

SMITH	W	L	PPT
Norfolk State	6	1	12.55
West Virginia	6	1	13.37

The first and second rounds of single-elimination competition ended with the final four teams who will compete today for the 2008 HCASC title: Oakwood University, Southern University-Baton Rouge, Howard University and Alcorn State University.

## New Beginnings on the Honda Stage



*Alcorn State's Final Four team discusses a bonus in its Elite Eight game.*



*Oakwood University's HCASC team huddles in preparation for its first game of the day.*



*Howard's captain, Christopher Bonner gives a bonus answer after conferring with his team.*



*Southern University listens intently to the moderator in round-robin play.*

The end of Saturday round-robin game play is a second beginning for the teams that earn a Sweet 16 birth. It all begins anew as the goal becomes "making it to the stage" as opposed to the earlier goal of "making it out of the room."

This year brings different faces to the stage. Alcorn State last made it to the semifinals in 2003, Howard University in 2002 (second place), Oakwood University in 1998 and Southern University-Baton Rouge in 2000 (second place).

The Braves of Alcorn State, defeated Morehouse in the Sweet 16 and went on to a rematch with fellow Wells division team Tuskegee. Alcorn found its groove in the second half anticipating toss-ups and capitalizing on bonuses, besting Tuskegee, 315-165.

Howard University in a strong showing overtook Langston and went on to meet Alabama A&M. Playing the game in stride, the D.C. HBCU took its place in the final four.

Oakwood had a tight fight in its Sweet 16 game with Hampton, ending the half behind by five points. They roared back in the second half and won by a commanding 110 points. Carrying the momentum into the Elite Eight game, Oakwood moved on to defeat West Virginia State enroute to the Final Four.

Returning to the scene of its 2007 Sweet 16 disappointment, Southern won a nail-biter with FAMU and then moved on to a Bayou Classic squared. Grambling and SUBR met in an HCASC replay of the Louisiana classic game. It ended in the same fashion with an SUBR victory.

## HCASC FRESH EYES



*Desmian Alexander, freshman at Fisk University, works on a bonus with her team.*

My first experience at the HCASC tournament is now drawing to a close, and I can say that it has been an educational and enjoyable experience. The games were often intense and required being mentally present at all times, something I confess has been a problem of mine in many academic areas. I was not only impressed by my fellow competitors' depth of knowledge in the game room, but also during our free time this weekend.

I've discovered that the gathering of pins is no laughing matter and that many methods of hustle are often used to obtain said pins; pool games can provide a springboard into philosophical conversation; and all gambling can (and did in my case) lead to the same end: poverty (thank God it was fake!).

This has been an experience that I will treasure and I am looking forward to competing in future tournaments. Good luck in the future to all of you and I hope to see some of you in the years to come.



*Kentucky State relaxes poolside.*



*Guitar Hero is not a game it is an art.*



*Students discuss their options at the Graduate School Expo.*



*HCASC Casino Night: Sometimes even losing fake money is hard!*

## EXPO WINNERS

Tournaments of another kind have reigned supreme in the Honda Expo as teams were able to compete in Madden Football, Spades, Dominoes, casino night and several other games.

Winning an iPod for her participation in Honda Careers 411, Charlene Barnor of Medgar Evers. She spoke to several Honda representatives about the opportunities for Education majors within the Honda family. Barnor filled out a survey that made her eligible for the iPod raffle.

Daren Eason, a senior at Paul Quinn College, was crowned the Domino champ of HCASC defeating several in a game he has played since he was twelve. His father taught him and for his prowess on the ivory tiles, Eason received an iPod shuffle, something he has wanted for three years.

### *Additional Winners*

Student Pin Trading: Terri Day, WSSU

Volunteer/Coach Pin Trading:  
Dr. Jonathan Stadler, Fisk University

Student Casino Night: Lauren Gross  
and Chaztin Stiegers both of Jarvis  
Christian

Congratulations to all of our winners!



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