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Olivet College to host numerous Black History Month activities

OLIVET, Mich. — Olivet College has planned various activities to celebrate Black History Month throughout February. The following is a list of events:

- Food for the Soul - Olivet is partnering with Chartwells, the college's food service provider, to offer "Food for the Soul" every Wednesday in February. In addition to its regular offerings, Chartwells will add traditional "soul food" to its menu.
- Black History Month Information Table, Thursday, Feb. 1, 12:15 – 1:30 p.m., Kirk Center lobby - Learn about the history of Black History Month, upcoming events, view displays related to the college's celebration and participate in Black History Month trivia.
- "Hateful Things"- Jim Crow Museum Traveling Art Exhibit, Feb. 14 - 28, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday – Friday, Olivet College Art Gallery. A welcome reception with David Pilgrim, Ph.D., founder and curator of the Jim Crow Museum, will be held Wednesday, Feb. 21, 3 – 4 p.m., Olivet College Art Gallery.
- "A Taste of Soul," Thursday, Feb. 15, noon, Olivet College Art Gallery - Members of Olivet's Black Faculty, Staff and Administrators' Association will provide samples of their favorite soul food during this event.
- Black Student Think Tank, "Do you see me?" - Wednesday, Feb. 21, events at various times and locations on campus. This year's seminar will focus on images of self, others and the world in which we live. Events for the Black Student Think Tank include:
 - Workshop, "Do you see me?," 10:45 – 11:45 a.m., Dole Hall – Klock Commons.
 - Men of Color luncheon, "Little known lessons from well-known men of color," noon - 1 p.m., Oaks Dining Room.
 - Keynote speaker, David Pilgrim, Ph.D., chief diversity officer at Ferris State University, will present "The Resurgence of Racist Imagery in Popular Culture," 1:30 to 3 p.m., Mott Auditorium.

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- What's up with that? book club, "The Covenant with Black America," 4–6 p.m., Olivet College Art Gallery.

For more information or to arrange a "Hateful Things" art exhibit tour, call (269) 749-7631.

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Established in 1844, Olivet College is a private, liberal arts institution located in south central Michigan. The college remains dedicated to its vision of *Education for Individual and Social Responsibility* by providing a quality higher education to all, regardless of gender, race or financial means. The college is home to more than 1,000 students, who study under *The Olivet Plan*. In this unique educational experience, students engage in both curricular and co-curricular programs that combine real world experiences with lectures and service learning.