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FedEx Manager to Speak at MSCC's Black History Event

Rose Jackson Flenorl, manager of Global Citizenship at FedEx in Memphis, will be the featured speaker at Mid-South Community College's Black History event on Friday, Feb. 18.

Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend the program which is scheduled to begin at 11:15 a.m. in the Donald W. Reynolds Center for Educational Excellence. The theme for the event is "Choices...The Road to Success or Failure."



Flenorl, the first African-American female named to the Student Hall of Fame at the University of Mississippi and the first black president of the Ole Miss Alumni Association, directs and implements FedEx's community outreach strategy in the areas of Disaster Relief, Safety, Education, and Health and Human Services in national and international markets.

"It's a great honor to have someone of Mrs.

Flenorl's caliber to come and empower our student body to make positive choices," said Tony Wilson,

MSCC Student Activities coordinator. "She is

known for her commitment to faith, family values, education, leadership and community service which is the same story that many of our students share."

"Her heart and passion for community outreach aligns with one of the goals of our college organizations, and that is to encourage students to contribute to their communities through volunteerism and community service."

At FedEx, Flenorl is responsible for building and maintaining relationships with organizations serving African-American, Hispanic, Asian, and other diverse audiences. She manages a nine-member staff and a \$33 million contributions budget.

Flenorl also designs and executes programs that support the FedEx brand globally. She manages relationships with both internal and external stakeholders, acting as the Social Responsibility representative on the company's internal Corporate Social Responsibility Roundtable, and communicating the company's community philosophy, objectives and programs to audiences worldwide.

Flenorl's outstanding leadership qualities and humanitarian spirit have cultivated opportunities to improve lives in diverse communities throughout the world. She represents FedEx on the Center for Corporate Citizenship Advisory Board at Boston College, the American Red Cross Corporate Advisory Council and the Conference Board Contributions Council II.

An active participant in the community, Flenorl serves on several boards including the United Way of the Mid-South, the National Civil Rights Museum, Saint Francis Hospital, and the University of Mississippi Alumni Association. She is a graduate of Leadership Mississippi, Leadership Memphis and Tennessee Leadership.

Flenorl has earned the Memphis Black Business Directory's "Simply the Best Award" as premier civic supporter, the Girl's Inc. "She Knows Where She's Going Award," and the Mertie Buckman Mentor Award from the Women's Foundation.

She is a recipient of the Memphis Woman Magazine "50 Women Who Make A Difference Award," the National Society of Fund Raising Executives' Crystal Award for Philanthropy, the Black Business Association Benny Award for Outstanding Community Involvement, the Urban League J.A. McDaniel Award, and the Girl Scout Council of the Mid-South Character Award.

The University of Mississippi journalism graduate was chosen by Glamour Magazine as one of the top 10 college women in the United States. She was inducted into the Ole Miss Alumni Hall of Fame in 1998. In addition to serving as President of the University of Mississippi Alumni Association, she serves on the Ole Miss Journalism Advisory Board and is a charter member of the Ole Miss Women's Council.

Flenorl is a member of the Greenwood C.M.E. Church and is married to Richard Lee Flenorl. They have one daughter, Lillie Clarissa.

MSCC student Brionna Crume will open the day's activities by singing the national anthem in coordination with the Army National Guard Color Guard. Mid-South students will also present "African American Women of Worth," and the program will end with the singing of the old spiritual, "Lift Every Voice and Sing."

In addition to Flenorl's presentation, MSCC is observing Black History Month in a variety of ways. The Sandra C. Goldsby Library is featuring an "African-American Pioneers" display-case exhibit, and on Feb. 21, Hollis Conway, U.S. Track and Field Olympian, will be the guest speaker at the Baptist Collegiate Ministry Luncheon.

MSCC students will travel to the Civil Rights Museum in Memphis on Feb. 23, and men will participate in the statewide African American Male Mentoring Conference at the University of Arkansas-Little Rock.