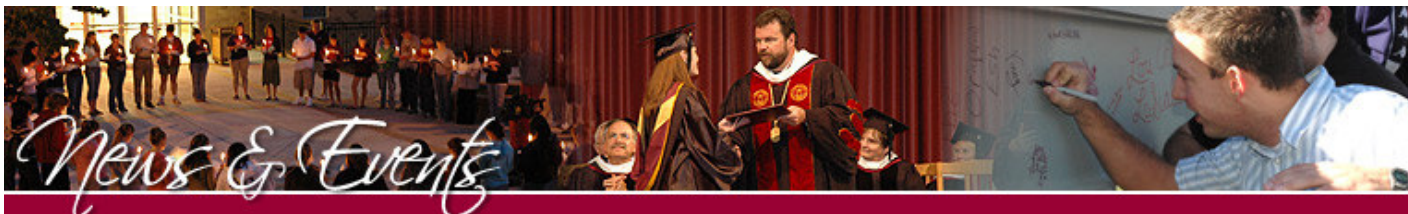




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Frederick Douglass portrayal highlights Black History Month Activities



Abolitionist and former slave Frederick Douglass, in the person of actor Lecount Holmes, Jr., recounted Douglass' life and struggles to an audience at Alvernia College last night (February 8).

Along the way, he opened eyes and raised awareness of issues which still divide us to this day.

In recalling Douglass' early years, Holmes spoke of him being taught to read as a child by his owner's wife. "You cannot teach these people to read," Douglass recalled hearing as the owner angrily scolded his wife. "When they learn to read, they will be free."

In his later years, Douglass was a powerful voice in the early struggle for full civil rights.

Holmes' presentation was part of [Alvernia's events honoring Black History Month](#).

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