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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. – The Illinois Wesleyan chapter of the National Association of Black Accountants (NABA) will bring speakers to campus this year through the Darius Gant Lunch Series as a way to teach students outside of the classroom.

NABA is a minority organization focusing on economics, accounting, and finance that combines students from Illinois Wesleyan and Illinois State in order to form one local chapter. In addition to the lunch series, the group also hosts an annual banquet. Both the lunch series and the annual banquet are open to members of NABA and to interested faculty and staff.

The speaker for this year's banquet will be the managing director of Morgan Stanley in New York City. The group hopes that in bringing these speakers to campus, their members will gain valuable experience from the professionals' sharing of their stories of struggle and of success that cannot be obtained in the classroom.

The group started in 2007 and has already grown to 50 members. Last year the group received the Best Student Chapter award, and three of their members have received scholarships through the organization. Babawande Alfolabi and Tien Mao both won national scholarship awards. Alfolabi and Mao also received regional scholarships along with Florence Soyinka.

For additional information on the Darius Gant Lunch Series, contact Soyinka at (309) 750-3352.

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