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BLOOMINGTON, Ill. –David Hilliard, a founding member of the Black Panther Party will speak at the Hansen Student Center (300 Beecher, St., Bloomington) on the Illinois Wesleyan University campus Thursday, Nov. 11 at 7 p.m. Hilliard's address entitled, 'What was the Black Panther Party: Is it a Model for Today,' is free and open to the public.

The event is sponsored by the IWU Office of Multicultural Affairs.

Hilliard will focus on the historical context of the Black Panther Party, as well as the current day efforts of the Huey P. Newton Foundation. The address will be followed by a question and answer session.

Founded in 1993 in Oakland, Cali., the Huey P. Newton Foundation is committed to honoring the legacy of Black Panther Party co-founder Huey P. Newton and effecting progressive social change by teaching practical lessons of community service.

The foundation works with the Black Panther Party to enhance community awareness about their free social service programs such as the Party's Sickle Cell Anemia Research.

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