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## Media Advisory : News Conference

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## ***News Media Advisory***

**Event:** News Conference**Speakers:** L. Douglas Wilder  
Governor of Virginia, 1990-94Jesse White  
Illinois Secretary of StateWilder and White are key participants in the  
9th Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Gospel  
Festival, hosted by IWU, Jan. 17-18Wilder and White will meet with the news media  
just prior to the 5 p.m. start of the Gospel Festival  
program, where Wilder will be the keynote speaker.  
Dinner will be served after the presentations.**Date:** Jan. 17 (Sunday)**Location:** Titan Room  
IWU Memorial Student Center (Lower Level)  
104 E. University, Bloomington**Time:** 4:30 p.m.

L. Douglas Wilder was the first elected African-American governor in the United States. Jesse White took office this month as Illinois' Secretary of State.

Tickets for Wilder's address (5 p.m., Jan. 17, Main Lounge, IWU Memorial Student Center) and the annual fellowship dinner (Main Lounge) are \$12.50 for adults, \$8.50 for students, and \$4 for children under age 12. Tickets may be purchased at the Main Desk, IWU Memorial Student Center or by calling Corine Sims at 309/828-4602.

IWU will cap the National Holiday marking the birth of slain civil-rights leader and Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., with a seven-hour gospel festival, beginning at 2 p.m. on Monday, Jan. 18, in Westbrook Auditorium, Presser Hall (IWU's School of Music), 303 E. University Ave., Bloomington. Community activist Barbara Findley Stuart, who served on the McLean County Board for 16 years, will be the gospel festival's keynote speaker.