## Three from same family involved with writing and publishing

Tuskegee has long been a seat of culture and learning. For many years, Ralph Ellison, author of *Invisible Man*, was our only widely-acclaimed author. His friend and fellow Tuskegee alum, Albert Murray, also authored several books, including *South to a Very Old Place*.

But today with the advent of selfpublishing Tuskegee boasts several new writers.

One published author in the family is admirable, but what about a family that has produced three? Tuskegee's own Wise family has done so.

Garland and Frankie Wise's daughter, Michele, was the first to be published. Michele Wise Wright, Ph.D. authored the dynamic, *Dear Success-Seeker: Wisdom from Outstanding Women*.

Following in her footsteps was her mother, Frankie Berry Wise, whose first novel was titled, *Exit*. Frankie's second novel, *Breaking the Chain*, was recently published. Not to be outdone was Frankie and Garland's youngest daughter, Marshalette. She is the author of two children's books, *Much Hairdo About Nothing* and *Johnny's Birthday Surprise*, with a third book in progress.

In addition, Marshalette Wise, M.Ed, is the founder of WISE Scholars Publishing.

Michele Wright is a top-performing national and international multiple award-winning corporate leader who currently serves as the Senior Director of the National Biotechnology & Pharmaceutical Association (NBPA). She has worked with Fortune 500 organizations, including Genentech Biotech, Novartis Pharmaceuticals, Pfizer Pharmaceuticals, The Pillsbury Company, Procter and Gamble, Honeywell and Martin-Marietta.

She most recently served as CEO of the Greater Ozarks-Arkansas Region of the American Red Cross

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Tuskegee resident Frankie Wise is a professional homemaker, an awardwinning cook, a part-time actress, a serious writer and a passionate animal rights activist.

Born and raised in Franklin, Ga, Frankie's hobbies extend beyond cooking to include art, teaching, volunteering, acting, reading and writing. She studied art while attending undergraduate studies at Tuskegee Institute.

Additionally, Frankie has been an art consultant and educational advisor for the Tuskegee Institute Community Education Program, a teacher's aide and substitute teacher for several local schools and a volunteer at the Tuskegee Veterans Administration Medical Center.

Frankie also loves acting. she has had roles in various local plays and commercials, and appeared as an



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**The Three Wise** authors are from left Marshaleete R. Wise, Frankie Berry Wise, and Michele Wise Wright

"Extra" in two movies ("The Long Walk Home" and "Blue Sky").

Marshalette R. Wise has earned a B.A. in English Language Arts Education from Tuskegee University, a Master's in Educational Leadership with a Minor in African Diaspora Studies from the University of Minnesota, and a Cambridge CELTA teaching certificate for teaching English as a second language.

She is the founder of WISE Scholars Foundation, a non-profit organization with the mission of assisting socioeconomically disadvantaged and atrisk youth with dropout prevention, school completion and college attainment.She believes in "Preparing Today for Higher Education Tomorrow." www.facebook.com/wisescholarspublishing.

Books by the three Wise women are available for purchase through a link on http://www.wisescholarspublishing.com.

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