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Instructor wins school board election

By LAWANDA INMAN
Staff writer

Lucy Bolden, an instructor in the English department, has been elected to the Reidsville Board of Education.

Bolden, 43, is the first Black woman in 96 years to hold a seat on the board since the system was chartered in 1887. At the time of election, she was appointed to the board in September to fill a vacated seat.

Bolden received her bachelor's degree from Bennett College and her master's degree from A&T. She also studied at U.N.C.-G.

Bolden taught in the Reidsville School System for six years before coming to A&T. She has two daughters, Vanessa 16, and Kimberly 9, who are enrolled in public schools.

In reference to her appointment, she said, "I feel that I have much to contribute to the board because of my background in public school education and also my experience in teacher training, and my personal point of view."

She said, "If I feel that race is not important in this instance, but how well one does the job."

Lyceum series presents Pearl Williams-Jones

By FRANCES WARD
Staff Writer

Lyceum events to be held at A&T this year will include a variety of cultural programs including gospel and instrumental music, drama, history, jazz, and dance.

"We have an exciting program for this year," said Dr. Dorothy Barnett, chairperson of the Lyceum Series committee. "We have a representation of all the arts."

"The purpose of the programs is to enrich the cultural experiences of the students," she said.

The first event will feature nationally prominent Gospel singer Pearl Williams-Jones at 8 p.m. Monday in Harrison Auditorium.

The musician and scholar will sing gospel selections by Edwin and Walter Hawkins, Thomas A. Dorsey, Andrae Crouch and James Cleveland. She will also sing contemporary and traditional spirituals.

Jones, a native of Washington D.C., and associate professor of music at the University of the District of Columbia, is a leader in the field of Black American music education, research and performance.

She has been a consultant for the Smithsonian Institution's Folk Life Festival and an administrative staff member of its African Diaspora Advisory Group.

In 1977, she served as consultant for the Festival d'Automne, an international festival of the music of Africa, Europe, and the United States, in Paris, France, by invitation of the French government.

Jones received a grant from the National Endowment for the Arts for research on development of curricular in Black American gospel music.

The Black American music specialist lectures and performs on radio, television, and has appeared at major universities and colleges. She is secretary of the Board of Directors of the D.C. Community Orchestra and editorial advisor for Minority Voices, an interdisciplinary journal of literature and arts.

Other cultural performances sponsored by the Lyceum see Lyceum, page 2

Agricultural Extension Agency

Godfrey receives highest award

North Carolina Agricultural Extension Service has honored Dr. Daniel D. Godfrey with its highest award, the 1983 State Leadership Award. Godfrey, administrator of the Agricultural Extension Program received the award during the annual state extension conference banquet held in the McKinnon Center in Raleigh.

Godfrey was cited for his superior leadership and the improvements he has made in the extension program at A&T, including his success in doubling the number of counties in the state that have A&T Extension programs specifically developed for limited-resource families and individuals.

In addition to receiving the leadership award, Godfrey has also been nominated for the U.S. Department of Agriculture's Distinguished Service Award.

As a native of Pasquotank County, Godfrey has worked in Extension for 17 years. Prior to joining extension at A&T in 1975 and becoming administrator in 1977 he served as a county extension agent in Wayne and Greene counties.

Godfrey earned a B.S. in agricultural education at A&T in 1963, an M.S. in adult education at North Carolina State University in 1969, and a Ph.D. in rural sociology from Cornell University in 1975. He is married to the former Betty Cross of Lexington.

Shirley Rouse, a 4-H extension agent employed by the Agricultural Extension Program received a 10-year service award at annual state extension conference held in Raleigh.

Rouse received her M.S. in adult education from A&T in 1977.

Rawlins is new legal counselor

By PENNY TAYLOR
Staff writer

A&T State University has recently hired Benjamin E. Rawlins as a new legal counselor.

Rawlins, the special assistant to Chancellor Edward B. Fort, has been in office for approximately three weeks now.

"I am available to advise the Chancellor on any legal matters of the institution, such as the administration as a whole." Rawlins said.

Rawlins also reviews contracts for Fiscal Affairs and deals with any internal legal problems in the university.

"By law, he can not advise Fort should A&T have to go to court for any problems involving the university."

"He said, "If the university has a legal problem and if we have to go to court, then I can not represent A&T because that responsibility falls on the Attorney General.""

At this point, his responsibilities do not include providing legal counsel and representation for individual students directly.

"I only represent the students indirectly. For example, had I been here for Homecoming, then I would have been the person to review the concert performers' contracts submitted by the SGA," Rawlins said.

"To my knowledge there is no individual who provides legal services for students here on campus," he said.

"At other institutions students hire their own attorney through the student Legal Aid office, which is provided by the SGA to help those individuals with legal problems."
Jaycees are moving up

HENRY MIGETT
Special to the Register

The United States Jaycees is a non-profit, leadership training organization comprised of 290,000 young men and women between the ages of 18-36. The membership is composed of individuals from a wide range of occupations, interests, and social economic levels. The organization’s history spans 60 years of service with a two-fold purpose of (1) promoting leadership training and individual development for its members, and (2) providing community service to local areas. Although national in scope, the organization operates through its 50 state organizations and approximately 7,400 local chapters, one of which is located right at A&T. The chapter here is newly formed but has already exploded into a self-operating major contributing chapter. With 27 active members the chapter has already involved itself with community and campus related service projects. Leadership training is the backbone and is continuously embedded in the minds of its members.

If you’re ever thought of what the future will be for your family, the community and the nation as the conditions relating to drug abuse, pollution, crime, health and safety remain the same, the responsibility and challenge is yours, “to lead or to follow.”

Will you remain a part of the problem, or will you contribute to the solution? If you seek success and wish to meet and work with new acquaintances and interesting people and to enlarge your social contact with others of similar age, economic position, and interest, then maybe you should seek the Jaycees. The desire for self-improving, to learn how to accept responsibility, to make decisions, become effective speakers, and develop management techniques are reasons to join the Jaycees. The desire for community involvement, to have a hand in identifying and solving community problems are reasons to join. The desires for fellowship and to meet and associate with progressive young people of the same age bracket with similar interests and objectives are reasons to join. The friendships made are a part of the Jaycees chapter, but extend nationally and internationally as well. Our members come from all walks of life. It is this blending of skills, talents and knowledge that gives us the foundation to tackle the many different problem areas. Social activities as well are among the planning of more details. Meetings are held every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in Room 214 of the Memorial Student Union.

His lecture topics include Listen to the Blood-Readings from the Black Experience, Seeds For the Next Spring: A Discussion of the Task Before Us), Black History, White History, and the American Dream, and The Shaping of Black America.

A concert will be held March 22 with The Latinaires, an Ensemble and Red Rodgers Dance Company will present an evening of poetry, percussion and protest on April 15. All Lyceum programs will be held in Harrison Auditorium and are free to A&T students and the general public.

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The National Economic Shrine Development is a host of collections featuring the first women cosmonauts and Russia’s largest inventions, like satellites and other space inventions.

The many forms of transportation include hydrofoil boats which travel the Moscow River and trains which travel from Sagaras to Vilnius, the capital of Lithuania.

Mo-Del will be collaborating with the Business Administration organization to present a fashion show tonight. The fashion show starts at 8:00 p.m. in the Student Union Ballroom. Admission is 75 cents and a door prize will be given away.

The hour long presentation will model fashions of the business world. Clothing stores sponsoring the show are D.A. Kelley, the County Seat, Gingiss Formal Wear, Hit and Miss, Chess King, Blumenthals, and The Slack Shop.

The registration fee will be used to help pay for some of the expenses.

Lyceum committee will be Horatio Miller on January 24, a young pianist and violinist of Concerts at the Philadelphia Academy of Music and Kennedy Center. A student of Charles Engel at Settlement Music School and recipient of a B.A. degree in musicology from the University of Pennsylvania, Miller is presently a faculty member of the Germantown Settlement School and an instructor at Temple University School of Music.

On February 8, African American Drama Company of California will perform dramas, “Can I Speak For You Brother?” with actor Phillip Walker, portraying nine Black leaders and “Ain’t I A Woman.”

Walker, who has two theatre-related masters degrees and has been a professional actor for nine years, established the African American Drama Company in 1979 to present Black and African plays to American audiences. Senior Editor of Ebony Magazine and former editor of Jet, Lerone Bennett Jr. will lecture on March 18.

Bennett is a renowned author, poet, biographer, social historian and world traveller whose works have been translated into five languages.

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By MERITA BRADLEY
Special to the Register

The Soviet Union, a slide show and commentary presented by the Phi Alpha Theta lecture series was given by Dr. James Nutsch of the Department of History.

Nutsch traveled to Russia in 1979.

Nutsch discussed the cultural life styles like the commune villages, country side, loped houses and the tight coagusted city apartments.

He also discussed the historic sites such as the Cathedral of Assumption (set- for the Czars), and the Cathedral of Archangel (used for the church officials of Russia), and the best known piece of art in the country St. Basiliis Cathedral, and the 15th century built Kremlin Palace, where Red Square (Lenin’s tomb) is located.

Lenin who was the 1917 revolutionary leader of the communist party, died in 1924 is buried beneath the Red Square.

Nutsch said the largest department store in the world called Gums goes the length of the Red Square. The most important interest to most of all the attenders were the homes of the Czars, The Great Palace in Moscow and the Winter Palace (Leningrad), which was built by St. Petersburg.

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Black institutions should not close

Editor of the Register

During these difficult times of Reaganomics and arch-conservatism it seems that everyone is searching for a plausible rationale to bring about changes in the way we conduct our lives and educate the populace. I think we all know that there is no panacea for all of our ills. Debates pro and con run amok as to the way we should raise and educate our children and youth.

The numerous articles and reports of late identify some serious problems in our educational system. There have been suggestions, accusations, and recommendations for improving our schools. Many have merit. The least of which is the suggestion to close the Black schools. The questionable article written on David Reilly, Dean of the School of Education at UNC-G asserts the production of poor teachers by Black institutions; that these institutions should be closed.

There is little doubt that our nation in general and North Carolina in particular are having serious educational problems that need to be dealt with judiciously. Dean Reilly identifies some very significant issues and concerns. But he is suggesting that Black schools of education be closed because they are "producing poor teachers." This is a fallacious and erroneous assumption. It is using North Carolina as a barometer to make such an accusation, I would suggest to him to observe the percentage of white and Black teachers employed in the state of North Carolina.

There are approximately 85 percent white teachers to 15 percent Black teachers. Ninety-nine percent of the white teachers come from white institutions. The 15 percent Black teachers come from white and Black institutions. Now, does this suggest closing white schools of education?

The few Black teachers coming out of traditional Black institutions are not being hired to teach—at least not in North Carolina. The very few who are being hired, are hired on a paraprofessional (teacher aide) level to give some color to the picture. They are not the ones charged with facilitating learning, human growth and development. Again, I ask my colleague Dean Reilly, what schools should we close?

I agree, however, that we need better trained teachers, higher standards, and more competent schools of education, but Dean Reilly's sight is out of focus. Let us at least focus on the schools that are producing the teachers who are being hired to teach the white schools.

Morris C. Peterkin, Ph.D. Associate Professor of Education A&T State University

Speech Festival to be held

MICHAEL THOMPSON
Managing Editor

The Speech and Theatre Arts departments are sponsoring a speech festival, designed to increase communication skills. The event is funded by a grant from the University Cluster, according to Cathy Ayers, a speech instructor and director of the festival.

It is not a contest, but a "learning experience for the speaker and the audience," Ayers said.

All participants are currently enrolled in Speech 250. Each class section will select a speaker, who will represent the section. Each speaker will make a persuasive speech to all the sections.

The speeches will be no longer than five minutes and on any subject of the students' choice.

A guest critic, who has not been announced, will give an oral critique of the speeches. The critic will evaluate such factors as organization, supporting material, voice, physical delivery and poise.

The festival will be Tuesday, November 29, at 6 p.m. in the Bluford Library auditorium.

The official Thanksgiving holiday for the Aggie family begins Wednesday, November 23, at 1 p.m. The holiday ends Mon. Day, November 28, at 7 a.m. The A&T Register wishes everyone a very safe and happy holiday.

The next edition will be Tuesday, November 29.

America never ready for Blacks

Editor of the Register

In reply to a recent article I read in the A&T Register "America is Not Ready For A Black President." I reply: has America ever been ready for a Black to be anything?

The Democratic Party Nomination for president is in March 1984 and I definitely believe that a Black person, namely Jesse Jackson should seek nomination for president.

Is America ready for a Black president? America doesn't have to be ready. America wasn't ready to free Black slaves. America wasn't ready to give Blacks their civil rights, and recently America wasn't ready for a Black person to be mayor of Chicago, the second largest city in United States.

Whether or not America is ready for Jesse Jackson to be president is debatable. Jesse Jackson does have strong and weak points. But do Ronald Reagan or George Bush have all strong points? Does Jesse Helms, senator of North Carolina, have any strong points?

William Barlow
Haley Hall

The Mu Phi chapter of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity held a candlelight service Thursday night in observance of its Founders' Day. The fraternity was started November 17, 1911 at Howard University. (Photo by Derrick McRae).

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Thanksgiving is anytime

During and immediately after the season of Thanksgiving, people have a tendency to acknowledge their blessings and good fortunes more than ever. It has not been determined if it is because Christmas is right around the corner and it is an attempt to butter someone up in time to receive a nice gift. It is truly a mystery why devils turn to angels around Thanksgiving.

Well, the A&T Register received its good fortune a little early and what better time than Thanksgiving to acknowledge the thoughtfulness of a former Aggie. It did not take any buttering up to receive this gift. All it required was a little time to print some facts.

As a result of printing the truth, which concerned the condition of our house and newspaper, a former Aggie decided to let us know that he was still concerned about his alma mater.

He took time out of his busy schedule to write a very encouraging letter. Deeds, such as those exercised by John Dyer and others like him, are what keep organizations such as ours kicking.

These kind deeds also prove that former Aggies are truly concerned about this outstanding university and are willing to lend a helping hand.

It is nice to know that the true Aggie force is all around the world and the home base is not forgotten. So this Thanksgiving, if you find it hard to acknowledge a good fortune; just think about it for a moment, then think: AGGIES!

The response of the Register

By GINA E.E. DAVIS

Recently, The A&T Register received a letter from the Division of Fiscal Affairs, purchasing office, to let the printing of The Register up for bids.

The A&T Register has been printed by Hinton Press for several years and believe it to be the best bargain.

We have looked at other printers in terms of cost, quantity per print, size, delivery dates, stock and frequency of publication, and have come to the conclusion that Hinton Press offers the best.

Why the administration is looking for another printer is beyond The Register staff, especially since the purchasing office owes Hinton Press a sizable amount of money from last spring and hasn’t even paid one copper cent since the semester began for these editions. So how could they possibly consider putting it up for bids?

Not only does Hinton Press print The Register “free” (since they haven’t been paid), every year at The Register Awards Banquet, it gives a monetary award to four students.

These sorts of actions with the administration causes one to wonder if competent people run this great university.

You have administrators you call for an interview and they act like they have something to hide. Not only do they evade the issue, but sometimes they fabricate what they want you to think.

Others are so busy that it is impossible for them to do one job right.

The administration does not appear to have any positive organization. Some lose files, give students hard times, no respect, and basically act like they do not know what they are doing.

Before they should even consider making any recommendations to The Register or anybody else, they should get themselves organized - RIGHT.

Whose doing the driving?

By MICHAEL THOMPSON

The Thanksgiving holidays are almost here and many students are looking forward to the journey back home.

However, if you are not traveling by car, plane, train or Trailways, you may experience a setback.

In other words, you may have to leave the driving to someone else, since Greyhound bus drivers are on strike; the hound dogs of the highways aren’t racing, at their usual rate.

Maybe it’s time to ask one of your home boys or home girls about reserving some space for you, if need be.

Then again, maybe it’s time for you to discover and get acquainted with some of your home people whom you previously didn’t know of.

Mom and dad, or some other relative may have to rescue you, depending on how far away home is.

Of course, some students who are from northern states are not worried; since they are accustomed to going home with friends who live closer than, for example, New York, Washington, D.C. or Chicago, or either they have relatives who live close by.

So, if you can’t enjoy Thanksgiving with your family, make the most of the holidays with your friends--your Aggie family; even if you have to leave the driving to someone else.
CAMPUS HAPS

THE MEMBERS OF THE ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEERING SOCIETY are raffling a "GIANT SMURF" on Friday, December 9, 1983, at 5:00 p.m., in the F.A. Williams Cafeteria. The tickets are 50 cents each and can be purchased from members of the Architectural Engineering Society or Room 322-Cherry Hall.

The "GIANT SMURF" will make a perfect Christmas gift for anyone. Please hurry while the tickets are available.

THE UNITED CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP GOSPEL CHOIR OF A&T UNIVERSITY will celebrate its 9th anniversary on Sunday November 20, 20, 1983 at 6:00 p.m. in the Richard B. Harrison Auditorium. All are welcome to attend.

THE ORGANIZATION OF MASS COMMUNICATION STUDENTS will meet Monday, November 28 at 6:15 in Room 328 Crosby Hall. A door prize will be given away.

BROTHERS OF BETA EPSILON CHAPTER OF ALPHA PHI ALPHA FRATERNITY, INC. announce the opening of their Christmas Toy Drive to help the needy children in the community. If you have a toy or game that is no longer in use or with a few repairs that can bring a smile to someone less fortunate, please contact John H. Ross at 373-7907 days; 275-6727 evenings; or any brother of BE to pick up your donations. The drive begins November 16-December 14. Help us bring joy at Christmas through continuing service to the community.

STUDENT UNION ADVISORY BOARD will be having a Cultural Expo '83 on November 29, 1983, at 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. in the student Union Lobby and Ballroom.

This event will consist of an African art exhibit, international hors d'oeuvres, cultural fashions, music, games, prizes and much more. Event is free to the public.

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Jones chases record

Mike Jones is looking to erase a few records Saturday when the Aggies take on Tennessee State in Aggie Stadium. Jones needs 30 yards to eclipse Waymon Pitts’ all-time rushing total at A&T.

The Youngstown, Ohio, senior needs 92 yards to become the first 1,000-yard rusher in A&T history.

Last week against North Carolina Central, Jones gained 42 yards in 20 rushing attempts. Another outing similar to that and it’ll be a long time, perhaps, before the mark will seriously be approached again.

“I haven’t been thinking about it (1,000 yards) as much as I did last week,” Jones said. “I think that’s when I gave me a few problems. Central ran such a confusing defense that it was hard to run against them. We had problems against them last year, too.”

It shouldn’t be too easy this time around against the Tigers’ defense. They have been ranked high in the Division I-AA poll all season under mentor John Merrill. The Tigers’ strength lies in their massive offensive line.

The last three quarterbacks to play there have gone into the pros. Kenneth Biggles figures to follow in their footsteps. But it’s their defense which has Jones concerned, not the offense.

“They’re defense is not as big as it has been in the past three years.” Jones said, “I feel we can move the ball against them. We should have a real good game against them. With the defense they run, we should be able to run and pass.”

Will A&T install special plays specifically designed for Jones’ onslaught on the 1,000 barrier?

“Not really,” Jones said, smiling. “We may run a few more trap plays than we normally do, but nothing too differently.”

The NFL was shocked not once, but twice this week. It learned that it would lose a quarterback—and maybe regain a runner.

Vince Evans, a Greensboro native who attended Smith High School, announced his intent to join the Chicago Blitz of the USFL. He will first play out his current contract with the Chicago Bears which expires this season.

Elsewhere, the NFL’s all-time rushing leader said he is considering making a return to the grid in order to preserve his record. Franco Harris and Walter Payton are closing in on Jim Brown’s all-time mark of over 12,000 yards.

Brown, 48, set the mark while playing for the Cleveland Browns. He has been in retirement since 1965. If Brown’s plans for coming out of retirement prove fruitless, his record will surely be broken. If not surpassed by Harris or Payton, please keep your eyes on rookie sensation Eric Dickerson.

When the Los Angeles Rams take on Washington Sunday, one Aggie will be watching intently. Mike Jones’ brother, A.J. “Jams” Jones, will be on the Rams’ special teams.

Aggies face Tigers

A&T will not be just playing the string when it ends the season Saturday against Tennessee State at 1:30 p.m. in Aggie Stadium.

The Aggies have incentives to finish the season on a winning note.

A&T has not beaten the Tigers since 1965 and senior tailback Mike Jones is still within reach of becoming the Aggies’ first running-back to rush for 1,000 yards in a season.

Tennessee State, which is coached by legendary John Merrill, owns an 11-2 edge in the series. There has been one tie. The Aggies suffered a 34-6 loss last season in Nashville.

Not only is Jones seeking to reach a runner’s dream of surpassing the 1,000-yard barrier, the product of Youngstown, Ohio could also erase Wayman Pitts’ single season rushing mark of 936 yards.

USFL: a way for Black QB’s

Grier

By RICHARD L. WILLIAMS

Sports Editor

A&T’s starting quarterback Alvin Grier said he is considering the possibility of playing in the United States Football League once the 1984-85 season ends.

But, he adds, there are a few wrinkles that must be ironed out during the off-season in order to have a productive campaign next year.

“Yes, I’d love to play in the USFL,” said Grier. “I don’t know right now my chances are slim.”

One year from now the 21-year-old health and physical education major hopes to be singing a different tune. He understands it will take hard work to better his chances. He said he has outlined his weak spots and plans to work on them after the current season ends Saturday.

“I really need to work on reading defenses better,” said Grier. “I need to throw the ball out of bounds more instead of forcing it into the defense, and I need to stay in the pocket on pass plays.”

“It’s no secret that I have weaknesses,” he said, “but to grow into a leader on and off the field. Since the first week of the season he has been ranked among the top quarterbacks in the league. His rapid maturity was a welcome sight for second-year head Coach Mo Forte.

Personally, I’m satisfied with my performance,” Grier said. “My goal was to pass for 1,500 yards. With a good game against Tennessee State, I still can reach it.”

The Aggies, 3-6-1, entertain the 7-2-1 Tigers 1:30 in Aggie Stadium.

Another goal of Grier’s was to be named to the all-MEAC team. He’ll have to wait at least another week before he gets word on that, though. All season, Grier hovered around the .500 mark in pass completions. He is also among the leaders in touchdowns thrown and completion percentage.

If Grier’s improvement continues in the months set forth this season, playing professionally may become a reality.

“I think the USFL is a way for Black quarterbacks,” Grier said. “I don’t know why Blacks can’t make it in the NFL. It’s a just a trend, I guess.

In the NFL, there are a lot of politicians involved,” he said. “But “the USFL are just looking for good athletes because it is a new league trying to survive.”

Currently there are three Black quarterbacks in the USFL: Johnnie Walton (Boston Breakers), Reggie Collier (Birmingham Stallions) and Doug Williams (Oklahoma Outlaws). Vince Evans will still be in the USFL next season when his contract expires with the Chicago Bears. Evans recently signed a contract to play with the Chicago Blitz.

“I think the USFL will eventually be as competitive as the NFL,” Grier said. “But it’ll always be the NFL first because it was around first.”

That doesn’t bother Grier. He wants to play football professionally and right now his eyes are on the USFL.
Fraternity aware of the community needs

Many students fail to realize or even see the important role Greek organizations portray on campus.

The brothers of the Beta Epsilon Chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc. are making sure the students on A&T's campus are aware of what we are doing.

The "Alphas", as we are informally called, are once again on the move in a positive direction. We can't go wrong: we have to go right. Despite the problems and challenges of the world today, we are continuing to hold high the aims and goals of our fraternity.

Alpha Phi Alpha is a repository of social morality which was founded December 4, 1906, on the campus of Cornell University, Ithaca, New York. It was the first of all Black Greek Letter organizations.

On March 28, 1929, the Beta Epsilon Chapter was started at A&T. We are forever branching outward and installing the teaching of manly deeds, scholarship, and love for all mankind.

We are not as some would say "merely a social show", for we are here to serve the campus and surrounding communities with service activities.

We feel very strong in the belief of carrying out programs set on our national, regional, and institute levels. We took it upon ourselves to go back into time and once again bring the visions of our Seven Jewel founders back into reality.

Realizing that minority students have been denied various educational advancements, we awarded three area high school seniors with sizeable scholarships to aid them in enrolling in the university of their choice.

We also implemented a program entitled:"From High School to College"; just as our forefathers did; with this program we visited Greensboro high schools to encourage students to attend college upon graduation.

With various members of the chapter present we set up displays, discussed various fields of study, talked about ways to get financial assistance, and discussed the job market of the future.

Referring to our national history book we were able to promote another idea dealing with our vast minority. That idea was presenting a program entitled:"A Votless People is a Hopeless People", in which several flyers implementing the idea of Blacks registering to vote were placed all across campus and in the communities. Dealing hand in hand with this program the brothers rendered services with a voter registration drive as well as assisted several of Greensboro's outstanding political figures in their efforts of campaigning for political offices.

We also served as volunteers at the City Stage '83 Celebration held in downtown Greensboro.

Several of the brothers participated in the March on Washington rally held earlier this semester, as well as the I.D. picture taking process and the Blood Drive held on campus.

We conducted a rape prevention seminar for women that was held in Babee Hall.

A workshop of self-defense for women held at Bennett College, was conducted by three members of the chapter who were very familiar with the field.

A pregnancy prevention workshop for men is presently being revised and will be conducted in male dormitories on campus later this year.

The chapter annually sends contributions to a chapter sponsored child in India via Children Inc., a youth sponsored agency. We also made a sizeable contribution to the Lincoln Jr. High School football team in the hope that they soon will receive new football jerseys. We serve as tutors at the Hayes-Taylor YMCA and we also assisted with a Halloween party they had. We helped set up and participate with a haunted house for Deaf Youths which was held in the Fairview Recreation Center.

Already the chapter has provided the campus and the community with well over 40 projects. Our major project for the school year will be our annual Miss Black and Gold pageant. This pageant is to raise funds for our scholarship fund in which scholarships are annually awarded towards the end of the school year. The ladies involved have the opportunity to raise money and compete for the coveted title of Miss Black and Gold.

Trophies are awarded and recognition is given to the ladies involved in the pageant.

On December 4th the brothers of Beta Epsilon will be having a Founders Day celebration. They will have a program with guest speakers, a step show, a dinner, and a night on the campus with "Alpha". This all day celebration is open to the public with no admission.

So as you can see, we the Brothers of Alpha Phi Alpha are not sleepwalking structures rambling about. We are men alive and aware of the needs of humanity. We strive for the scholarship of knowledge and perseverance in this hardship called life. We are the granules of the burning sands that typify the molding of men. Wherever we are, we plant the seeds of Alpha, which carry our supreme and sacred principles, making the difference in a man.

So when you ask "What are the Greeks doing on campus?" Don't believe the lies that you've been told, just behold the men in Black and Gold and the story surely will be told.

In closing, we hope this semester as well as the spring semester will be an enjoyable and prosperous one for you. Together we can make it happen.

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Editor to the Sphinx
Johnnie Walton: ‘Transition was hard’

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This is second part of three-part series looking at the transition of a former National Football League star, a former college coach, and now a quarterback in the United States Football League.

At first, Johnnie Walton wasn’t too sure about joining the new league. After all, he was secure as head football coach at Elizabeth City State. But something was missing inside of his well-built frame (6-2, 209), and he saw the opportunity to plug the gap.

Johnnie wanted to stay on as head coach of the Vikings and continue to build on the school’s upstarting football progress, plus give the new league a try.

Director of athletics and head basketball Coach Bobby Vaughn didn’t think that would work. When Johnnie signed a contract with the Boston Breakers, he had to resign from the university.

“It was a difficult decision to make,” Johnnie said in his home, taking a break from stretching exercises. “But I always had a lifelong dream of starting for a professional team and I saw a better chance of trying to do that. The USFL was not up to par with the NFL and I felt I could start. RETIRING is something that nobody really looks forward to.

“The transition was hard back to playing,” he said. “Sometimes you lose talents you’ve had all your life, but you never know until you get out there.”

Johnnie, the father of two boys and two girls and says “that’s it too,” believes the USFL will soon be on the level of the NFL. He notes that his league has smaller people playing in backup positions. But that will change, he says, “in three to four seasons when players will be going to both leagues freely.”

Johnnie, at 36, may not be around then. He hopes to stay free of injuries and call signals for at least three more seasons. A knee injury sidelined him for a game last season.

The USFL was without seasoned quarterbacks last season, with the exception of Johnnie and a couple of others who failed in the NFL. The USFL with 12 teams last season, hopes to expand to 18, establishing a greater demand for quality quarterbacks.

“The expansion initially will distort balance,” he said. “It shouldn’t be noticed in just the second season, though. Eventually, however, it will bring parity around the league. They’re trying to get teams into good market areas.

The biggest problem is finding quarterbacks for these teams. This problem in not unique. It faces the NFL and it will face any league. Once in a while you’ll get lucky and land a Bobby Hebert (Michigan Panthers), but if you get a young kid it’ll take time.”

When you need some notes at 3:00 a.m., you find out who your friends are.

Löwenbräu. Here’s to good friends.