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A&T receives GM grants

By GINA E.E. DAVIS
Associate News Editor

A&T received two major contributions from the General Motors Corporation of Detroit, totalling $490,000, announced Chancellor Edward B. Fort.

The funds are payable to the university over a five-year period. They include a $240,000 package where $150,000 has been allocated for faculty development and equipment enhancement in the disciplines of business, industrial technology, engineering and computer science.

The remainder will be used for co-op development and GM scholarships.

As part of a nationwide affirmative action plan, the corporate structure of GM and the federal government made a $250,000 settlement which is also payable to the university over a five-year period.

Fort said the settlement is strictly for scholarships. "The money will be given to minorities and women. Preference will be given to off-

springs of General Motors employees and General Motors employees."

A&T has already received a $50,000 check from GM as a result of this settlement.

The announcement of the grants to A&T was made by Dr. Chester A. Francke, director of placement and college relations for GM and Haven Cockerham, a former Aggie and personnel director for GM’s Fisher Body Division.

This package of long-term enhancements represents a major breakthrough between A&T and the GM corporation which can exist between a university and a corporation, Fort said.

He said the funds represent a "magificent opportunity to enhance both our scholarship for students and the institution’s faculty development program. We shall be able to attract bright students and keep them, but we will also be in a position to augment our resources for faculty development for the acquisition of additional scientific equipment.

This near half a million dollars is a part of the $5 million goal for the university foundation. "This is a preview of coming attractions," Fort said. He added that hopefully others will get on the band wagon.

Both Francke and Cockerham expressed pleasure at being able to make this presentation to the university.

A&T is one of three historically Black universities with a nationally accredited undergraduate business program. The school of engineering is one of four nationally accredited engineering programs in the state and one of six nationally accredited programs at a Black institution in the nation.

The computer science program is one of the fastest growing programs on campus.

The first computer science graduates will graduate in May.

The industrial technology program is the only accredited program in the University of North Carolina System and one of 25 in the nation.


Neas is speaker for MLK service

A&T will sponsor a two-day memorial celebration in honor of the late Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Sunday (Jan. 15) and Monday (Jan. 16).

A special service will be held in Harrison Auditorium Sunday at 7 p.m. It will feature an address by Ralph G. Neas, executive director of the Leadership Conference on Civil Rights in Washington.

Neas has an extensive civil rights background and formerly served as an aide to U.S. Sen. Edward W. Brooke and U.S. Sen. David Durenberger. He is a graduate of the University of Chicago Law School.

Other speakers Sunday will be Chancellor Edward B. Fort and SGA president Christopher Onyemen. After the service there will be a candlelight march from the auditorium to the Memorial Student Union.

Monday’s program will begin at 10 a.m. in the Harrison Auditorium. Tributes to King will be made by Greensboro councilwoman, Dr. Katie Dorsett, Dr. Albert Spruell, dean of the Graduate School and James France, attorney general of the SGA.

The above photograph is one of many that will be featured in A Lasting Impression, a book of photographs of King’s civil rights movements in the United States. The book will be published on Jan. 15. (See story on page 2).

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF A&T approved a resolution authorizing the administration to set aside Martin Luther King’s Birthday on the University Calendar as a University Holiday in Dr. King’s honor. Since Sunday, January 15, 1984, is the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Monday will be observed as a University Holiday and classes will not be in session.

This observance became a reality on our campus because of the students who worked diligently to make it so. Students are encouraged to make the most of this significant activity in tribute to a great Black American.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY! Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.
Tweedle leaves 'A Lasting Impression'

Martin Luther King, Jr.'s activities in taking the civil rights movement from the South into the North in 1965 are documented in a book written by John Tweedle, the first black photographer to work for a major metropolitan newspaper. Scheduled for publication by the University of South Carolina Press on January 15, King's birthday, the book includes a foreword by the Rev. Jesse Jackson, a South Carolina native, and was compiled and edited by Hermene Hartman.

A volunteer for the Southern Christian Leadership Conference, Jackson worked with King, Tweedle, and Jackson in Chicago. Hartman says the book is the only work dealing with King's life that examines his northern experiences exclusively. "The choice of Chicago as a testing place for the SCLC's civil rights strategies was a crucial one," Hartman said. "We can see today political structure the outcome of those efforts, Harold Washington didn't suddenly appear in the '80s. His development and the development of his power base began with Dr. King's work in the '60s." Jackson explains in his foreword that King and the staff of SCLC chose Chicago as the place to focus because the city had one of the nation's largest black populations and had an efficient political machine which could effect change. Jackson quotes Andrew Young, "If Northern problems can be solved there, they can be solved anywhere."

Tweedle was a photographer for the Chicago Daily News from 1964 to 1968 and compiled the paper's ceased publication in 1978. When King went to Chicago, Tweedle became the Civil Rights Movement's "unofficial official" visual recorder. According to Hartman, "He was sensitive to the nuances of events as he deliberately documented King's Chicago year."

McNair exemplifies Aggie Pride

McNair, in a recent telephone interview from his home in Houston, recalled the foundation which he received at the classrooms at A&T. "I had very good teachers there," he said. "I had sensitive experiences at A&T as very important and positive ones."

The university was important to me in the way of total development. I'm more of a computer than the others.

McNair still maintains a close relationship with A&T. A few years ago, he collaborated with one of his former teachers, Dr. Stuart Athens, in the formation of a student space-shuttle program at the university. The 30 or more students in the program are organized into a simulated space shuttle team, and have already made a $500 down payment to NASA on a payload of student experiments - which they hope to put aboard a space shuttle in 1985. McNair is a consultant for the program and comes to the campus at least once a year to judge student scientific papers and to view the progress of their space experiments.

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Dr. Ronald McNair

Researchers at the National Aeronautics and Space Administration (NASA) are seeking applicants for the U.S. space program. He submitted an application and become one of four Blacks selected for the program out of the 11,000 applicants. Incidentally, Guion Bluford, a graduate of Pennsylvania State University and the first Black to participate in a space mission, is a second cousin to the late Dr. F. D. Bluford, a former president of A&T.

McNair says he is taking his forthcoming mission pretty much in stride. "I know that I'm the first astronaut from historically Black college," he said. But he does not seem overwhelmed by his imminent trip into space. "I'm certainly looking forward to this mission because it means an opportunity and an opportunity to be able to be a part of history. It's very serious, and I don't have the luxury of viewing it any other way."

When he is in space, McNair said he will be kept quite busy by launching satellites and completing other complicated experiments.

Dr. Samuel Bumpus, A&T's alumni director, is also excited about McNair's historical event and says several bulldogs of Aggies and their friends plan to be in the Cape Kennedy area on February 4th for the beginning of McNair's mission that will carry him 190 miles above the earth aboard the space shuttle, Challenger. The Aggies will sing a song and wave blue and gold ribbons and waving victory banners.

Fifty-one who's who

The 1984 edition of Who's Who Among Students In American Universities And Colleges will include the names of 51 students from A&T who have been selected as national outstanding campus leaders.

Campus nominating committees and the annual directory have included the names of these students based on their academic achievement, service to the community, leadership in extracurricular activities and potential for continued success.

They join an elite group of students selected from more than 1,500 institutions of higher learning in all 50 states, the District of Columbia and several foreign countries.

Outstanding students have been honored in the annual directory for the first time published in 1934. Students named this year from A&T are as follows: DeWayne Alfred, Mary Ann Barr, Maxfield Bowen, Sherrill Y. Caldwell, Stanley E. Coleman, Vicki Coleman, Ad-dieleen Gaylore Crocker, Michael R. Daniels, Gina E. E. Davis, and Derrell S. Dunn.

In addition are Elvira Denise Gaining, Derrie Gregory, Harriett Diane Hagan, Cynthia O. Heath, Sandra K. Hill, Tia Terry Hodge, Peggy Joyce Howell, Nenna Alesia Hughes, Shawn Q. Jenkins, and Joey N. Jones.

Also included are Rita Joyner, Charmine Lee-Pow, Lionel Dale Lyons, Fentress Martin, Patricia L. Miller, William H. Mitchell, Kelli Lemon Nobby, Christopher I. Onyemew, Ronald Patrick, and David G. Perry.

Included also are Rosalind E. Postell, Jacqueline L. Redd, Roger Riddick, Michael D. Rock, Terrence A. Ross, Jamie Ruff, Robert E. Scrivens, Caryn Lynn Sims, Donald Smith, and Cheryl Denise Stone.

Furthermore are Michael Darrell Thompson, Deirdre A. Thompson, Donald L. Good-mom, Bennie Lee Umstead, II, Ricky L. Wall, Bernita Angelene Whitaker, Kelvin D. White, Wesley L. Whitaker, Cathy E. Williams, Vickie Arlicia Williams, and James Theodore Williams.
Dr. King's dream must never die

Editor of the Register
On April 4, 1968, Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. was assassinated. I think back during the days of our ancestors, who for many years were treated as objects of ridicule and public humiliation. Even now in this great nation - America, has come to regard Negroes as creatures who would quietly endure, silently suffer and patiently wait. Yet, it was something about the word "wait" that disturbed, depressed and dispelled our ancestors. They waited for nearly 300 years, and still they were faced with the realization that they would not be able to break the shackles of slavery.

Our forefathers, did a lot of praying. And even though they didn't always get what they wanted, at least in their hearts they knew their prayers were heard. Our ancestors went through a lot; they took a lot; they gave a lot; sacrificed a lot and somehow made the ultimate sacrifice. Yet, inspire of all the trials and tribulations they encountered daily, they were strong, proud, determined and, most of all, united. They were never alone, because God tends to move among the midst of humble people.

We have come a long way, haven't we? The Lord has truly blessed us. Some of us even have air conditioned homes, central heating, two and three pairs of shoes; we have good food to eat, drive or own more than two cars. We are indeed living the Good Life.

Yet, some of us are too tired to attend church on Sunday, will refuse to speak to our brothers and sisters on Monday, and will get downright vicious if someone should try to take our cars, clothes or money.

Black people need to learn to be more careful and take heed to the saying "Don't forget to remember where all of your blessings come from," because what's here today may not necessarily be here tomorrow, because progress has a way of becoming regress. I am sure, if our ancestors who were in slavery, Dr. King, Medgar Evers, and so many other Black and white leaders who died so that we would have the privilege to vote, learned of this regression they would be very distressed. We need to be very careful not to let what was given to us through the blood of others be swiftly taken away because of negligence.

I, however, am very happy to be able to pay tribute to Dr. King, a man who indeed was a leader for mankind, a man who came preaching love, compassion and brotherhood, rather than cynicism and hatred, a Black man who had every reason to hate white Americans who upheld the evil of racism, and to hate Black Americans who fell prey to the evil of jealousy, but instead he chose to love. A man who was called by God to talk to America about war and peace, racial discrimination, social justice, about America's obligation to the poor, and about using non-violence as a way of perfecting social change in a world that thrives off violence and hatred; a man who realized that Blacks would not progress until they stopped praying about the white man and started praying with the white man.

He emphasized this point in his famous speech, "I have a dream," that still lives on. If we are to keep Dr. King's dream alive, then we need more advocates for love and non-violence and fewer supporters for violence and hatred.

If we are to keep Dr. King's dream alive, then we, as Black people, need to learn how to get along with and love one another before we can love our white sisters and brothers. If we are to keep Dr. King's dream alive, then we must realize that we are destroying ourselves each time we do not vote.

If we are to keep Dr. King's dream alive, we must realize that together we can resist but divided we won't exist. It is up to you and it is up to me, because we have an obligation to stand up for what is right. We can't let King's dream die.

What will it be? Progression or regression?

Penny Taylor
Speech and Theatre Arts Major

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No Class
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Surely after promissory note lines, drop and add lines, book lines and all the other registration headaches and heartaches, students need a break.

But everyone knows the first week back to school is never an easy one. Just look at the number of students who attended classes last week. More than likely, after the hustle and bustle of registration, students were just plain worn out.

However, relief is on the way. No classes on Monday.

Will students really honor the significance of the excused absence?

Let us not forget last year’s SGA and others who committed themselves to establishing this university holiday in memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. The Board of Trustees made it an reality.

It is now the students’ turn to acknowledge the significance of the commitment. Even though everyone would like to remain in bed all day and catch up on the soaps, students, we have a commitment to former SGA president Bobby Hopkins and others who contributed to the university holiday.

The SGA has planned a very informative and entertaining morning of events. Even though students were in lines all last week, surely the line will be just as long at the doors of the Harrison Auditorium.

If there is not a full house, students will definitely have no class!

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"Is it a matter of color?"

By GINA E.E. DAVIS

Is the saving of lives in this country a matter of color or what? One has to wonder.

Remember about four years ago when all those white hostages were held in Iran, the United States government did everything in their power besides start a war (well almost) to get those hostages out. Just recently when a Black man was held hostage in Syria, the United States government didn’t do anything at all to get him released. In fact nothing was to be done at all costs.

President Ronald Reagan said nothing can be done and hopefully the Syrians will release him. If one remembers correctly, helicopters went up and were shut down to get those Americans out of Iran. Helicopters, promises of conflict many other violent voices—to no avail. But this time around nothing was done or said.

In fact, the Rev. Jesse Jackson was criticized for his mission to Syria. It was a no win situation, so it seemed. Reagan wanted no part of it, nobody in the administration wanted a part of it. Let’s hope Jesse didn’t do it for personal gain.

Jackson went in without a sword. He used no military words, no war threats, no planes, no helicopters. In fact Assad said if it weren’t for Jackson’s efforts Airman Robert Goodman would not have been released.

But think about it, had Goodman been of another race, maybe efforts to get his release would have been more active. But then again, they may have been violent. Remember Iran.

It’s here, and coming

By JAMIE C. RUFF

The old man sat quietly, his eyes filled with tears. Slowly his timid, weak voice began to recall the story.

"No, It had started before 1984, but thats when it all became so clear," he said. "So clear I don’t know how everybody couldn’t see it. I did."

"Everything started so right. A., the Black people were so happy that the country had its first Black Miss America. Black people were running and being elected mayor in cities that had never even had Black dogcatchers before." His misty eyed smile displayed memories of past and precious joys. Then, his lips slowly turned, the bad memories returning like a sour taste in ones mouth.

"But I could see," he said, "I saw the calm before the storm." He placed a hand on the boys shoulder. Young, nonunderstanding eyes turned upward beholding the aged face.

"First mistake those white people made was letting that nut back in the White House. I don’t care how good the economy is, you just don’t let a nut run loose like that. He wasn’t happy sending troops to Beirut and invading Greneda, he started sending them everywhere. He kept calling them peace keeping forces. Then they put the sign in front of what was call..."
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A&T shocks Hornets, Jackson

By RICHARD L. WILLIAMS
Sports Editor

A&T, pulling out all of the stops, launched a massive attack midway through the second half after playing nip-and-tuck most of the first period with Alabama State—a team looking to avenge a setback in the Corbett Sports Center a year ago. A&T, however, with its mind set on giving the Hornets a little of their own sting, had the final say in only their third home game of the season and sent them back to Montgomery nursing a 107-73 flasco.

The issue got so one-sided in the second period that only the final margin of victory was in doubt. The point spread equaled the amount garnered in a win over Division II Benedict earlier this season, but it was the first time the team struck the century mark this season.

A&T, winning its fourth straight game, improved to 6-3. The Hornets fell to 10-3--their other two losses being to Arkansas and Tulsa, ranked 20th in country.

It was a rare duo that led the Aggies’ massacre; rare in the sense that all-American forward Joe Binion wasn’t part of the contribution. Binion, surrounded underneath the basket by Hornets, picked up three first-half fouls and a fourth with over 14 minutes remaining.

While the defense was packed tight to clamp down on the two-time conference player of the year, guard Eric Boyd hit four straight jump shots from 20 feet before the defense made adjustments to stop his effectiveness. It was all but too late then. Boyd finished tied with game-high scoring honors, netting 24.

One reporter asked the A&T coach Don Corbett did he expect to win with such ease? He replied: “It may have looked like ease, but it sure wasn’t.”

It may have been a disguise defense that led the Aggies to blow the Hornets out Wednesday night. With Alabama’s slick smooth Lewis Jackson all but a one man team, Corbett worked out strategy at intermission that limited his performance in the second half.

“We went with something we had worked on a couple days in practice, the box-and-one,” Corbett said. “Lewis was their offense from outside. Nobody else really attempted anything from outside.

They never figured out that we were playing a box on him, but Jimmy (Brown) was going everywhere he went.”

Alabama did manage to get a brief lead in the contest, 21-20 on two free throws by forward Joe Williams. A&T then reeled off a 10-1 spurt to go ahead 30-22 with James Horace contributing four of his 20 in that span.

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Sports

The Open Gate

By RICHARD WILLIAMS

Should college athletes be paid?

Is the debate over whether or not college athletes should be paid for participating in athletics small talk? Even so, the issue could become blown out of proportion and both the pro and con sides of the issue should be screened under a microscopic eye beforehand.

The initial questions that would probably rise are:

(1) Where do we draw the line? (2) What athletes would be paid?

That should be simple enough: athletes participating in the major revenue-producing sports would be paid. At most institutions that would include basketball and football. The other sports—baseball, track, swimming, volleyball and soccer—do not bring money (in excessive amounts) to the university so the participants would not warrant compensation.

The next question usually is: Who is paid more the starting quarterback or the fourth-string lineman? Each player, regardless of playing time, would receive equal pay.

And someone will surely ask: Where would the money come from? Well, let’s use A&T in an hypothetical situation. If the football program makes $612,000 (broken down that six home games with ticket sales at $8.50 and the average attendance per game is 12,000) and basketball garners $504,000, that’s over a million bucks. That total should be able to make a few athletes happy.

Imagine what the sum would be at schools that have rich programs in basketball and football, i.e. Michigan, Ohio State and UCLA.

Well now, since all of your questions have been answered, why don’t you consider a few. (1) Has anyone stopped to consider that most of these young men are between the ages of 18-22? (2) Has anyone stopped to consider that the game is supposed to be played for fun, not funds, in college? If this issue is someday mandated all of the fun would be taken out of winning and the agony from defeat simply because both would still be a winner because they’d be paid.

Scholarships and grants are rewards enough for athletes unless we are to make corrupt what is supposed to build character and strengthen souls.

College athletes should in no way receive funds for playing until their collegiate careers are over and they join the ranks of the professionals.

MEAC vs. SWAC. Thirteen players from South Carolina State are in Atlanta for the inaugural Freedom Bowl clash which pits the best from the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference against the best of the Southwestern Athletic Conference. David Janifcr, Keith James and Mike Jones represent A&T in that game. Bill Davis of S.C. State is the MEAC coach while the legendary Eddie Robinson is the SWAC mentor. The game will be played at Atlanta Fulton County Stadium.

The Open Gate and the rest of the Register staff congratulate Jones for being selected in the 12th round of the United States Football League recent draft.
exhausted at the end of last season. However, the fine recruiting corp will fill in just fine. George Cale averaged 29 points and 11 rebounds per game last season in high school and Claude Williams also had high averages in the prep ranks.

Over the past three years, A&T has been invited to two NCAA play-offs and one National Invitational Tournament. Corbett is looking for more of the same in 1984.

Percy Caldwell inherits the most improved team this season. Replacing ousted Johnnie Jones as the Bulldogs’ top man, Caldwell welcomes three returning starters including Marvin Haynes who lost the scoring title in the conference on the last game of the season to Binion.

Another top veteran is Franklin Giles (15.9 ppg and 12.8 rpg last season). Caldwell will look toward Ralph Miller, a junior guard, to play a key role in the backcourt this season. Lawrence Chance’s offense (14.0) will be missed as well is Kirk Collier.

S.C. State struggled under Jones with a 13-15 record, but with the luxury of three returning starters and a capable group of newcomers, look for Caldwell to enjoy more success than did his predecessor.

Howard

For as long as A.B. Williamson has been mentor at Howard his ball clubs have been winners. Don’t look for any changes this time around. Howard managed a 19-9 record, and claimed its second straight regular season title, and all with four non-staters who worked their way into the lineup.

Seniors David Wynn and Kevin Scott form the nucleus for the Bison attack. Sophomore Derek Caracciolo will anchor the position at pivot.

A lack of size and playing without all-league guard Bernard Perry will pose problems. Freshman Fred Hill should gain a starting berth and contribute right away.

Early season games against UCLA and Hawaii should get the Bison primed for the MEAC tourney which they’ve competed in the finals for six straight seasons.

Delaware State

Joe Dean Davidson moves into the coaching chair at this school and brings an impressive 224-40 record along. Junior guard Danny Sapp will be on hand to make Davidson’s debut a success. His 16.9 points per game last season could sky rocket this season, as the Hornets will be without 6-11 Ed Wallace (12.4 ppg). His loss leaves a gaping hole around the basket.

The other two starters who return are Albert Anderson and Walter Fields. Davidson will have a hard time stacking up against the front lines in the conference and he may be forced to go with freshmen there. But he isn’t without good ones, especially 6-foot-6 power forward Terrance Henry. Ralph Bilmore and Desmond Thomas should also see plenty of Action.

Maryland-Eastern Shore

If all of Kirkland Hall’s cards fall in place, he could have the most surprising team in the MEAC. After being dormant in the league the past few seasons, the Hawks could be ready to become the spoilers, but they’ll have to replace two top scorers and the top rebounder.

Frosh Ian Burzhoff (18 ppg, 12 rpg in high school) will get the nod at center. Other newcomers, James Black and Michael Ewing, will be looked to for instant offense in their first years. Slate that talent alongside returnees Donnell Boney (10.1 ppg), John Moor- man and Robert Boney, and Hall should improve on last year’s 10-19 record.

Florida A&M

Florida A&M’s biggest highlight last season came when they defeated A&T in Tallahassee. Those moments this campaign should be few and far between, but new coach Tony Fields does return some horses who could spring a few upsets.

Look for senior Michael Toomer (11.6 ppg, 9.9 rpg) to go out in style in his last MEAC campaign. Larry Brooner (11.9 ppg, 8.1 rpg), a 6-foot-7 forward will stabilize the Rattlers’ front line. Mervin Jones, a junior guard, will try to lead the backcourt.

Last season the Rattlers finished with a 7-21 record and lost eight games by four points or less. If they could reverse that trend, they could finish in the upper division of the league.

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Cheerleaders protest sit-down in the bench

BY MICHAEL RATCLIFF Staff Writer

The cheers, roars, and high spirits of an enthusiastic crowd this past Wednesday at A&T’s victory over Alabama State were nevertheless heard, despite the quiet A&T cheerleaders.

The cheerleaders did not participate in the game as they usually do because they were protesting two complaints: not having a permanent, safe and reliable place to practice and not going to the Howard game with the team this Friday evening, according to Judy Westmoreland, the advisor of the cheerleading squad.

Athletic Director Orby Moss said, “I can’t handle a problem unless I know that one exists. It’s wrong to me to protest until you know that no one is addressing your problems.”

He said the main purpose of cheerleaders is to support the team and not to protest in this manner until you’ve spoken to the proper person ahead of time.

He added, with reference to travel, the cheerleaders, like all teams operate on a limited budget. He said, when the cheerleaders decided to go to Bethune-Cookman and South Carolina State this fall, they used up most of their travel budget.

“The sit-down protest looked childish. There are no hardships and hopefully this will be ignored by the crowd that still cheers the Aggies on,” Moss said.

He and Westmoreland met the next day to discuss the issues and it was finalized that the Corbett Gym would be used from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Monday thru Friday except Wednesday as the definite safe place for practice of the cheerleaders.

“The cheerleaders were not trying to offend the basketball team at all as we explained to the coach and team, but only to let the school know we should be treated more fairly,” said Westmoreland.

“Mr. Moss is not requesting our money fast enough, despite it’s not that much there anyway. We don’t even receive any scholarships or grants and letters so why should we practice on concrete or any other hard surfaces and risk terrible damage to our bodies?” said Karen Anderson, captain of the cheerleading squad.

CAMPUS HAPS

THE MEMBERS OF THE ARCHITECTURAL ENGINEERING SOCIETY would like to thank each of you who participated in the Christmas Toy Drive. With your help the Toy Drive was a complete success!

TAU ALPHA TAU ENGINEERING HONOR SOCIETY will be holding a General Body Meeting on January 19, 1984, at 7:00 p.m. in Cherry Hall, Room 318. Plaques for new inductees will be given out. Please bring money for T-Shirts and your constitution.

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