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Educator, politician and scientist to receive degrees

A noted North Carolina public health educator and legislator, a California Assemblywoman, and an Arkansas scientist will receive honorary degrees at A&T's 94th baccalaureate-commencement on Sunday, May 5.

The degrees will be awarded during the 11 a.m. ceremony in the Greensboro Coliseum to Rep. Howard C. Barnhill of Charlotte, Assemblywoman Maxine Waters of Los Angeles, Calif., and Dr. Phillip Leon Rayford, professor and chairman of the Department of Physiology and Biophysics at the University of Arkansas College of Medicine at Little Rock. All will be swaddled doctor of humanities degrees.

Barnhill, a professor emeritus of the School of Public Health at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, is in his first term as a North Carolina representative. A longtime supporter of the state's educational institutions, he has served on the A&T Board of Trustees and the Board of Governors of the University of North Carolina. He also served as president of the A&T National Alumni Association for 12 years and as president of the UNC School of Public Health National Alumni Association.

Barnhill, a graduate of A&T, was formerly treasurer of the North Carolina Public Health Association and a member of the Association of Governing Boards of Universities and Colleges.

As national fundraising chairman of the A&T Alumni Association, he has led campaigns which have generated several hundred thousand dollars for scholarships for the university.

Barnhill, a native of Greensville, also holds a master's degree in public health from North Carolina Central University and has studied at UNC. He is married and has two children.

Waters, recently featured in Ebony magazine as one of the most influential Blacks in America, is serving her fifth term in the California Legislature. Last year she was unanimously elected Democratic Caucus Chair, the top leadership position for that body. She is the first female to hold that position.

Since her election to office, Waters has been an outspoken advocate for improved child care, consumer protection, small business development, and civil rights for minorities and women.

Waters chairs the Assembly Subcommittee on State Government and serves on the Ways and Means Committee, the Rules Committee, the Judiciary Committee, the Select Committee on Olympic Oversight and the Joint Legislative Budget Committee.

As a politician, she has worked closely with Mayor Tom Bradley of Los Angeles and was California chairperson for the Jesse Jackson presidential campaign. Waters is married and has two children. She is a graduate of the California State University at Los Angeles.

Rayford, also a graduate of A&T, is a native of Roanoke, Va. An outstanding researcher in the area of pancreatic secretions as they relate to diseases, he has published more than 135 scientific research papers.

Representatives

From left: Patricia Graham, Greg McKnight and Debra Jenkins have held positions on the state and local level in the Student Home Economics Association this year.

Aggies well represented in Home Economics

Three students hold local and state offices

By ESTHER WOODS

Special to the Register

Three A&T students have represented the university in major positions on state and local levels of the Student Home Economics Association this year.

Patricia Graham, a junior home economics major, was state parliamentarian; Greg McKnight, a junior clothing and textiles/fashion merchandising major, was president of the A&T chapter; and Debra Jenkins, a junior home economics major, was the state association's first black president.

Graham, of Tarboro City, is running for national secretary of the American Home Economics Association and is the treasurer of the A&T association for the 1985-86 school year.

McKnight, of Charlotte, who was elected the first male president of the A&T chapter said he felt his sex "... was not the issue ... just my capability of getting the job done."

Jenkins, of Selma, served as the first black president, presiding over 12 university chapters.

She said serving as president was an honor and a motivation.

"It was my chance to let the people know that we (Blacks) can do," Jenkins said.

Schools included in the state association are Appalachian State University, East Carolina University, the University of North Carolina at Greensboro, Meredith College, North Carolina Central University and A&T.

Dr. Rosa Purcell, assistant professor of home economics, is the faculty adviser for the A&T chapter.
Grandy retires after 42 years of service

By Dr. Richard E. Moore, director of Information Services

When J.W.R. Grandy recently retired as superintendent of grounds at A&T, it ended for him 42 years of fulfilling his dream of working with plants and grass.

It all began as a child back on a farm in Windsor, when Grandy ordered his first pack of seeds from a Sears catalogue.

Since that time, the soft-spoken master landscape architect and botany teacher estimates that he has grown some 10,000 plants and prepared at least 1,000 plans for the beautification of individual homes and industries.

Over the years at A&T, Grandy served as a teacher of botany, landscape architecture, plant science, and as director of the greenhouse. He became superintendent of grounds in 1975.

In addition to his teaching assignments, he provided all of the decorations for major campus programs, including commencement, homecoming, Founder's Day and Christmas.

Grandy will be honored by a group of his colleagues, family and friends at a retirement banquet today in the Downtown Hilton Inn.

“I have always liked grass,” said Grandy about his lifelong flirtation with growing things.

He came to A&T in 1936 to major in architectural engineering.

“I was walking by the greenhouse one day and went in and helped a man with some plants,” said Grandy, “and the ones I worked with lived, and I was given a job there for $16 per month.”

Grandy said he changed his major to horticulture, which didn't seem to set so well with some members of his family.

“They were angry with me because I took horticulture. But Grandy said his family became proud of him when, after graduating from A&T, he was offered a job teaching botany and horticulture at Southern University in Louisiana.

Grandy remained at Southern for a year, then enrolled at Cornell University, where he became interested in ornamental horticulture and landscape architecture. It was there that Grandy was mandated to prepare the elaborate landscape models which became one of his trademarks.

He returned to A&T in 1942 as an instructor of horticulture and director of the greenhouse.

“[T]hey didn't have anyone to teach botany so I taught that also and was in charge of the college's grounds,” he recalled.

At one time Grandy operated his own florist, landscape design and construction firm in Greensboro. He counted among his clients, the late Spencer Love, the late president of Burlington Industries, the Container Corporation of America, Caesar Cone, Newman Machine Company and Attorney J. Kenneth Lee. His first big job, he said, was the landscape design for the chancellors home at A&T.

Some of Grandy's students have followed him as landscape specialists. One of them, Dr. J. Keith, is grounds superintendent for the City of Jacksonville, N.C. Another former student holds a similar position in Cleveland, Ohio.

Even retirement may not be the end to the 8 to 16 hour days put in by Grandy. He will do the landscape work for the new Lincoln Grove Center in Greensboro, and the National Elks Shrine in Winton, N.C.

Kirk elected to editorial board

Dr. Wyatt D. Kirk, chairperson of the Department of Human Development and Services, School of Education, has been elected to the Editorial Board of the Journal of Multicultural Counseling and Development.

His election came during the Association for Multicultural Counseling and Development (AMCD) Annual Convention in New York. The Association is one of the divisions of the American Association for Counseling and Development in Personnel and Guidance. The journal is an official publication of AMCD in Personnel and Guidance.

It is directed to the further cultural development and the expounding of ideas related to multicultural interests and experiences in the areas of counseling, psychology, guidance and personnel in all levels of education, in social service, and in community agencies.

Wyatt D. Kirk will also serve as a member of the Multicultural Counseling Speciality Committee, which is charged with the responsibility of development of guidelines and recommendation for the formation of a multicultural counseling specialty board and certification process.

Alumni meeting set

The annual national meeting of the A&T Alumni Association in the Holiday Inn Four Seasons Friday, May 3 at 8 p.m., will initiate the Alumni Weekend Activities.

A highlight of this year's event will be the election of national officers. The meeting will be concluded Saturday, May 4, at 9 a.m. in the Merrick Hall Auditorium.

Other alumni activities will include the alumni reception in the Holiday Inn May 3 at 6 p.m., the alumni awards luncheon Saturday, May 4, at 11 p.m. in the Memorial Union Ballroom, an alumni tour May 4 at 3 p.m., the baccalaureate commencement in the Memorial Coliseum Sunday, May 5, at 11 a.m., and the Chancellor's Reception on the same day at 1 p.m. in the Coliseum's Exhibition Hall.

Mr. Aggie relinquishes title, but has no successor

Lack of participation delays contest

By LINDA BUMPASS
Special to the Register

Mr. Aggie 1984-85, Dwight Smith, has enjoyed representing A&T this year, but says it is time to pass the crown to someone else. Unfortunately, he does not have anyone to pass it to.

"I was really looking forward to meeting the next Mr. Aggie," said Smith.

Because of lack of student participation, the contest, usually held in the Spring, will be held next fall, said Keith Latten, president-elect of the Student Union Advisory Board. The Board has been responsible for holding the annual Mr. Aggie contest for two years.

This year many males did not feel the $50 prize money and trophy were enough to participate in the contest, explained Latten.

In the fall, money will be raised for the contest in order to offer more prize money.

"I think it is an honor for a student to hold the Mr. Aggie title because he represents A&T and shows he is an outstanding student," said Latten.

Also, next years contestants will have female escorts, a combined dance routine and swimwear competition.

Mr. Aggies duties include representing A&T at all functions, speaking at the freshmen Orientation Banquet, escorting Miss Student Union Advisory Board during coronations and becoming a honorary member of the Student Union Advisory Board.

In order to participate, contestants must be A&T students and have at least 30 semester hours.

Smith noted that although Mr. Aggie does not get as much recognition and exposure as Miss A&T, the position offers many opportunities.

"I've had a very enjoyable year," he said. "I met many people and participated in many activities I would not have had a chance to participate in otherwise. But now it's time for me to step down and move on," he concluded.

Mr. Aggie 1984-85
Summer jobs available for students

Released from Employers Overload

"A summer job can be a window on the world of work— an opportunity to sample jobs and companies, thereby developing insight that helps a student select a career path," says James S. Miller, president of one of the first national temporary help companies, Employers Overload.

Miller recommends temporary work as "a cafeteria of job experiences."

"The skills and experiences that students acquire in summer jobs," says Miller, "can help them break down the common 'Experienced Only' barrier."

Students can spend summers between class years working in small companies and in large companies, in service, distribution and manufacturing firms, and in several business categories that interest them. "These experiences," says Miller, "can help students who are frustrated by their inability to decide what job they want after graduation to select a business category and a specific type of job."

Temporary jobs usually available through Employers Overload offices, says Miller, are typing, secretarial work, proofreading, inventorying, filing, tabulating and word processing.

Marketing services jobs available are book attendant, interviewers, market survey takers, survey tabulators, demonstrators, hosts and hostesses, and telephone sales.

In the light industrial field jobs are assembly, packaging, collating, inventorying, and food service.

Pay ranges from minimum wage to about $15 per hour.

A student who wants to work full time all summer usually can do so at a temporary job because of strong nationwide demand for temporary employees, Miller says.

To get a job, he suggests looking up the Employers Overload address in the telephone directory White Pages or contacting the executive office at 8040 Cedar Ave., South Minneapolis, MN 55420-5899 or call (612) 854-5000.

Other temporary help companies are listed in the Yellow Pages under "Employment Contractors—Temporary Help." Temporary help companies also advertise in newspaper Want Ads.

Counseling Services offer new program

By LINDA BUMPASS
Special to the Register

A new program, Evening Satellite, will be introduced on campus in the fall, according to Dr. Robert L. Wilson, director of Counseling Services.

Wilson said the Evening Satellite is an extended operation of the present counseling center.

"The present center only operates from 8 a.m. until 5 p.m. and the main purpose of the new program will be to serve evening and working students," he said.

Wilson noted that at present many students call and say they are unable to use the services offered by counseling during the day because of job or class schedules.

The Evening Satellite, which will be sponsored by the Office of Continuing Education and Counseling Services, will operate similarly to the day program. Services to be offered will be personal, social, career, vocational, outreach, student and group counseling. In addition, testing, research, consultation, study skills sessions, internships, and practicum services will be offered.

Also, special services such as Official University Excuses, clinical therapy, referrals, pre-college and exit interviews and a standardized testing library will be available.

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Black writers represent "us"

By FRANCES WARD

As an avid reader, especially of Black novels, I have found myself, while talking to many students, quoting authors when trying to make a particular point.

Many peers draw a blank when I mention excerpts from novels by great Black writers like Ralph Ellison, Richard Wright, James Alan McPherson, Zora Neal Hurston, and Langston Hughes. Usually non-liberal arts students comment that I should not expect them to know these prolific writers, and since I am an English major it is only natural that I know them.

However, I am disturbed by the fact that many A&T students have not read these great writers. No matter what major, students should look for writing that represents "them."

Black writers' works are concrete evidence of the Black experience in America. From many of the novels, students can learn how to cope in a racist society. Furthermore, they are forced to re-examine themselves as Black Americans.

For example, in Ellison's Invisible Man, Black readers learn through symbolism the importance of Black identity as well the whites' reluctance to acknowledge them.

Ellison also points out that Blacks, as well as whites, practice discrimination.

Many students cannot always take literature courses (even though it should be required for all majors) because of work overloads.

But summertime is fast approaching, and it is hoped that Aggies will take advantage of the break and familiarize themselves with Black authors and their life stories.

Besides, we will never understand the writings of Shakespeare unless we understand Hughes.

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Time to get serious

By WINDY NORGINS

For a whole week Aggies have shown their spring fever around campus.

There have been numerous activities in celebration of Aggie Fest, which ends on Sunday — the last day of Aggie Fest and the beginning of a new week.

There is only one more week of classes left. And some have taken Aggie Fest activities a little too seriously and classes not serious enough.

Even though these are the last days, they are the most crucial.

You've enjoyed the fun and excitement of the week's activities, now it's time to get serious.

This time left could be used to prepare for final exams, catch up on past due projects, or spend time looking for a summer job.

Time is a valuable tool, and how you use it is very important.

Students attend A&T for various reasons; the most important is to get an education.

There is nothing wrong with enjoying yourself, but moderation in all things.

Remember: "We don't wait for our work to get done, our work waits for us."

Yes, time is short and precious, but who knows what "burning a little midnight oil might do."

Blacks now face "hidden complexities"

By ESTHER WOODS

Having risen up from slavery to freedom, from segregation to integration, U.S. Blacks have excelled.

They no longer have to run in fear of fierce police dogs trained to destroy the race. They no longer have to sit in the back of the bus, nor do they have to see signs saying, "Whites Only."

Blacks do not face complexities in the same shapes, forms, or fashions, but they are yet in the midst of "hidden complexities".

For instance, the Ku Klux Klan might not be as visible today or march as frequently, but it is alive and active.

Another example is President Ronald Reagan. Now, he doesn't come straight forward and say that he dislikes blacks. He simply shows disregard of blacks by steadily promoting programs that increase unemployment, price rates, and the cutting back of federal aid.

It seems as if Reagan only generates two of the social classes: the upper and the lower, not witnessing those in between. If you are not rich, then you are automatically subjected into the lower class.

Blacks need to focus more on worldly news, as well as local. If we fail to recognize these obstacles, then the "hidden complexities" may indeed overcome us.
CAMPUS HAPS

SENIORS! Announcements are back. They may be picked up 8:15 a.m. - 4:45 p.m., Monday through Friday.

FILM DEPARTMENT of F.B. Bluford Library requests all films, filmstrips etc. be returned to Room 038 for inventory and inspection by April 30.

COLLEGE CREDIT BY EXAM Did you know that you could get credit for some selected A&T courses by passing an exam? The program is called C.L.E.P. (College Level Examination Program) and is administered by the College Board. If you would like to learn more about how to you can earn Credit-by-C.L.E.P. come by or call the Counseling Services Office, 108 Murphy Hall at 379-7727.

THE E. GWYNN DANCERS of A&T will appear in concert May 4 at 8:15 p.m. in Harrison Auditorium. General admission is $2; students and children will be $1. For tickets contact Physical Education Department at 379-7719 or 379-7712 or E. Gwynn at 375-5209.

"GOD’S TROMBONES," a religious drama by James Weldon Johnson, will be presented by UNC-Greensboro’s Neo-Black Society Drama Troupe, Dance Troupe, and Gospel Choir at 3 p.m. Sunday, April 26 at Cone Ballroom Elliot University Center (on campus). Admission is free. (NBS is a student-run, non-profit organization.

THE CULTURAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE of the Student Union Advisory Board is organizing a debating team for the 1985-86 academic school year. Applications are available in the Student Union at the Information Desk. More information may be obtained by calling 379-7690.

Honour society inducts four members

Four A&T students and one faculty member were inducted into the Eta Sigma Chapter of Delta English Honor Society during festivities held on campus recently.

Senior Dwayne Pinkey of Winston-Salem; Juniors Frances Ward of Goldsboro, Bernard Grant of Brooklyn, N.Y. and William Harrell Jr. of Jacksonville; and Associate Professor of English Dr. Michael Greene were inducted into the society.

The purpose of the honorary English society, founded in 1924 and now with more than 200 chapters across the nation, is to recognize students who attain a mastery of the spoken and written English language.

The A&T chapter began in the fall of 1978 and now has 10 members. The faculty advisor is Dr. Sandra Alexander, associate professor of English and director of the Freshman Studies Program.

Also during the program, Ward, Pinkey received the Zoe Parks Barbee Award given to students by the English faculty with high scholastic averages. Grant was a recipient of Arts and Sciences award for outstanding achievement.

English professor to lecture

Dr. Katherine Wallace-Casey, assistant professor of English, will be the guest speaker at the final English Department Lecture Series at 7:30 p.m. Tuesday, in Room 123 Gibbs Hall.

Dr. Wallace-Casey will speak on “Narrative Structure in Sonny’s Blues” by James Baldwin.

She holds a bachelor’s degree in French and German Literature and Language from Stanford University and a master’s and a doctorate degree in Comparative Literature from Harvard University. Casey has taught at Elon College, Harvard University and Stanford University. She plans to instruct at Howard University in the fall.

The lecture is open to the public.

Student Conservation Assn. still accepting applications

The Student Conservation Association, Inc. is still accepting applications for its 1985 summer/fall Park, Forest and Resource Assistant positions in national parks, forest and other resource management and private conservation areas throughout the United States.

Additionally, over 200 more positions will be available for next fall, winter and spring. In the Park, Forest and Resource Assistant Program (PFRA) men and women spend between 10 and 12 weeks performing projects similar to those of professional Resource Management personnel. Assignments range from giving interpretive programs for park visitors to conducting research to back-country patrols to performing cultural resource surveys. The SCA provides each PFRA participant with a travel grant and a stipend to cover food and living expenses. Free housing is also provided by the area.

These positions will enable selected individuals to get worthwhile first-hand outdoor educational experience in natural resource management which often improves their chances of obtaining paid positions in this field.

Positions are offered on a competitive basis for men and women 18 years of age or older. Interest in serving in the program is in most cases the only other prerequisite for eligibility.

Although the SCA is well into its selection process there are still a number of quality positions available for this summer. The SCA will continue to accept applications until all of these positions are filled.

Any person interested in applying for the SUMMER Park, Forest, and Resource Assistant positions should call the Student Conservation Association immediately at 603-626-5742 to request an application and current listing of positions.

Although there is no guarantee of first choice programs, the earliest receipt of applications will increase the chance of receiving positions of applicant’s choice.

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Jordan may run out of gas

By ANTHONY JEFFRIES
Staff Writer
Whether he was gliding through the air for an invincible dunk or scoring 40 points to lead his team to victory, the Chicago Bulls sensational rookie Michael Jordan is more than lived up to his billing as the NBA's next superstar.
He led the Bulls in just about every statistical category and turned each game into a solo performance. When Jordan is on, the Bulls are as good as any team in the NBA.
School of Arts and Sciences holds honors program

By MARDELL GRIFFIN
Special to the Register

Seventeen students and
faculty were cited for their
achievements during the the
School of Arts and Sciences
third annual Honors Program
held in the Memorial Union
Ballroom recently.

Robin Solomon of the
mathematics and computer
science department received
the Outstanding Undergraduate Student Award. Solomon, a senior
computer science major from
Durham, has interned two
summers with General Motors
in Detroit, Mich. and was
presented a Scholastic
Achievement Medal by GM.

Saundra Flowers of the
chemistry department received
the Outstanding Graduate Student Award. A native of
Greensboro, she has a B.S.
degree in chemistry from the
University of North Carolina at
Greensboro. She received an
Environmental Protection
Agency Fellowship this year and participated in the A&T Space Shuttle Program.

Dr. Richard Bennett Jr.,
professor of chemistry, receiv-
ed the Outstanding Faculty Award. Bennett, an
undergraduate at Morehouse College has a doctorate degree
in biochemistry from the
University of California at
Santa Barbara. Bennett, who
is director of the Minority
Biomedical Sciences Program,
joined the A&T faculty in

Merit and Citation Awards
were also presented to students
and faculty.

Recipients were Stephanie
Simon of the music depart-
ment, Merit Undergraduate
Award; Carolyn Carter of the
Speech Department; Angela
Coley of the Chemistry
Department; Alvin Thompson
of the History Department;
Teresa Watson of the Biology
Department and Curtis E.
Williams of the Political
Science Department, Citation
Student Undergraduate Stu-
dent Award.

Others honored were Sher-
rine Blevins of the Biology
Department, Merit Graduate
Student Award; Zelphur Sim-
mons of the History Depart-
ment, Citation Graduate Stu-
dent Award; and Dr. Samuel
Barber of the Music Depart-
ment, Merit Faculty Award.

Citation Faculty Awards
were presented to Dr. Hatye
Liston of the Psychology
Department; Dr. Freinside
Logan of the History Depart-
ment; Dr. Flung Nguyen of
the Political Science Depart-
ment, Dr. Joseph White of the
Biology Department and Mrs.
Ellen Williams of the Foreign
Languages Department.

According to Dr. William,
Delauder, dean of the School
of Arts and Sciences, the
dean has 140 faculty
members and over 1,100
students.

"It is the largest school of
the university and the only one
with this type of recognition
program," he said.

"It is a recognition of ex-
cellence," said Dr. Ethel
Taylor, assistant dean of the
School of Arts and Sciences.

Degrees
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He has been much honored
for his professional com-
petence, and was recently
elected treasurer of the Society
for Experimental Biology and
Medicine. He is the first and
only Black chairperson of
physiology at a predominately
white medical institution, and
he was the first Black to serve
as an assistant dean of
 medicine at the University of
Texas Medical Branch at
Galveston.

Rayford has been named to
"Who's Who" by the Na-
tional Cancer Institute and the
National Institutes of Health.

He holds the M.S. degree in
ecology from the University of
Maryland and the Ph. D.
degree in endocrinology,
physiology, and biology, also
from the University of
Maryland. He is married.

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center near you, we'll do it all
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Racism still controls our society

By Manning Narvaez

With the possible exception of Clarence Peadleiton, virtually every Black person in the U.S. has directly experienced racial discrimination. In its overt forms, racism has meant Jim Crow restrictions, the inability to obtain quality education, and decent housing, and the lack of political rights. More subtle are other manifestations of racism, such as the assignment of school texts which foster racial stereotypes. Both forms of racism have forced Afro-Americans to initiate strategies of resistance which, in turn, raise serious questions about the relationship between the rights of the oppressed vs. free speech and civil liberties.

Examine the controversy surrounding the nineteenth century novel by Mark Twain, "The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn." Most literary critics agree that the book is a classic in American literature, ranking with Ralph Ellison's "Invisible Man" and the works by Herman Melville, Ernest Hemingway, Alice Walker and other great writers. Mark Twain was a staunch opponent of white supremacy; nevertheless, the book contains racial stereotypes and racist language. Thus, for years, a number of civil rights coalitions have advocated the banning of "Huckleberry Finn" from public schools. In 1982 the chair of the human rights committee at a Fairfax, Virginia, school termed the book "racist trash." Last year Waukegan, Illinois, school administrators banned the book from a required reading list. And in January, 1985, one member of the Chicago School Board declared that the novel "ought to be burned." Dr. John H. Wallace, a noted educator, describes "Huckleberry Finn" as "the most grotesque example of racist trash ever written."

But other scholars have now established the fact that Mark Twain profited directly from the exploitation of the Black race. "Huck Finn" tries to condemn the society for its own perpetuation of racial inequality. If Hitler's "Mein Kampf" is available in school libraries as a testament to racism and anti-Semitism, "Huck Finn" should be present as a flawed but noble effort by a white liberal who attempted to challenge the racism of his era.

A second, slightly different, controversy relates to the efforts of anti-apartheid activists who have urged the boycotting of artists, athletes and entertainers who have traveled to South Africa. Several months ago the NAACP was pressured to drop two Black performers, Tina Turner and Danielle Hall, from their 17th annual "Image Awards" ceremony in Los Angeles because they had toured South African resorts. The United Nations Special Committee Against Apartheid has initiated a "cultural boycott" against any artists who have performed inside South Africa since 1981. Most of the entertainers on the U.N. list--including Ray Charles, Frank Sinatra, Cher, Goldie Hawn, Linda Ronstadt, and the Beach Boys--are millionaires who had no direct need to travel to Johannesburg and provide cultural legitimacy to a dictatorial regime. But these artists now find themselves "blacklisted from performing at any function sponsored by the United Nations.

Liberals such as Harvard law professor Alan Dershowitz are outraged that artists who have profited from the racist regime should be censored in any way. Second, virtually none of the artists on the U.N. boycott list have been active in the Free South Africa Movement. Most had no contact or solidarity with oppressed Africans inside the apartheid regime. They went to South Africa for the money, period. Roosevelt's just for profits, they tacitly reinforced the cultural viability of the immoral state. U.S. consumers, Black and white, have a right to know whether the artists they support are in turn supporting fundamental, human rights issues. Artist who have profited directly from institutional racism abroad should not be overtly harassed or subjected to personal attacks by anti-apartheid proponents.

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