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Farrakhan provides 'informed judgement'

Betsy Peoples
A&T reporter

The Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan, leader of the Nation of Islam, delivered a message to a crowd of 30,000 people Friday night at the Clarks Sports Center on the campus of Campbell College at A&T.

The Rev. Eugene Allen of Alabama, an opponent of the minister, invited the minister to provide an opportunity for people to make an 'informed judgement' about him.

Farrakhan's primary focus was the wave of black on black violence. He said, "We have to address the problem that exists in our community. We can't keep our hands on the blood of our people. We will not be able to keep our hands from the continued slaughter of our own."

He said ignorance is one of the worst enemies of the black community. "Ignorance is the field which our enemies manipulate to use our ignorance against ourselves." According to Farrakhan this social problem is a loss of money on sports and acts of slaughter.

"God didn't create you to throw that money away on a football," he said. "I am a gift. Until we remove the sports gift and the gift money, we will forever see the depth of the divide. God has given to each of us that can make a difference in this world and the future of humanity." A&T students are encouraged to utilize their athletic ability but not to lose their brains to it.

"To every star in athletics, you don't have to raise up your athletics, but you have to keep a higher focus because your physical strength is not diminished with time, but your intellectual spiritual power will increase in time."

Farrakhan also addressed the issue of black on black females in the audience.

"Those in power see black ladies blossoms brightening and they want to rob our future!"

Farrakhan predicted that white power will end because it is one of the same with God. He also emphasized the high quality of blacks. Farrakhan said there are no real job opportunities for black men. "If you're not a half player, try down like Buster Douglas or if you can't be all in the inner city, you can be a part of America."

Farrakhan said the reason of the problem is the fear by whites of the increasing black population and opportunities in the future. He also said, "We have to take our own hands into the black on black murders and stop the warfare."

The Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan

"We are the army engaged in the war on all enemies. We are the army with the children of the late 80's doing their job. We are the army to attack the war on all enemies. We are the army fighting for freedom and peace!"

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Minister Louis Farrakhan's presence is still felt in Greensboro. The Greensboro City Council devoted the majority of its regular meeting date yesterday to considering the procedures of giving keys to the city.

Over one hundred N.C. A&T State University students packed the council chambers to ensure that their opinions be heard.

They overwhelmingly supported Councilman Earl Jones' decision to give a key to the city.

The controversy stemmed from Farrakhan being given the key to the city of Greensboro by Councilman Jones of District One opposing the Nation of Islam leader's address to an audience of 10,000 on the campus of N.C. A&T State University on Friday, November 9.

The District One councilman awarded the key to behalf of Farrakhan's efforts in the war against drugs and soothing black violence in the cities of America.

The City Council voted 7-2 to pull other North Carolina cities to consider their policies concerning the presentation of keys to the city. Presumably, no policy exists on issuing keys.

The city is in the process of progressive action of council members and are distributed through city division.

The controversy was sparked by Freddy Robinson of the Jewish Federation of Greensboro.

Robinson said that the policy should be changed to have the majority of the council or the mayor to decide on recipients of keys to the city. He said only "honored guests" should get keys and Louis Farrakhan was not due to be honored by citizens of Greensboro.

Tom Phillips, chairman of District Three, led the attack against Farrakhan. He said that the Jewish Anti-Defamation group reported that in a 1984 speech Farrakhan referred to Judaism as a "gutter religion" and that the September, 1990 issue of the Final Call, the official publication of the Nation of Islam, contained "anti-Semitic and defamatory material." Phillips likened Farrakhan to David Duke and the Ku Klux Klan. "I do not believe that he is a true Democrat and that he has a record of Democratism." "The Klan stands for violence and hate. The Klan actively goes out and commits violence. In 1979 five people in the city of Greensboro were murdered by the Klans," Jones said. He added that the Nation of Islam is just the opposite.

"The Muslims do not advocate violence," Jones said, "they curbed drugs in Washington, D.C."

Bob May Jr., councilman-at-large, said the debate should be limited to the issue of keys to the city and not "personalities." Alma Adams, councilwoman for District Two (which includes A&T), said that a "personality" spurred the controversy and the call for changing the key issuing policy.

So the "personality" (Louis Farrakhan) can not be dismissed. Adams said she has taken it in her generation and planned to distribute them at her discretion.

Jones and Adams, the only black members of the council voted against the proposal.

They said a new policy was not necessary. Jones said that the policy only because a problem when a black man received the key and this action was a slap in the face of the African American citizens of Greensboro. Adams said, "A mountain was being made out of a molehill!"

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**LETTERS TO THE EDITOR...**

**Subtle attempts to alter A&T?**

North Carolina State University is going through subtle changes which will alter the status of the school.

The University system of North Carolina is planning to ELIMINATE our historically Black institution. Legislation has been passed to cause a merger between A&T and UNCG.

This plan has been deliberately concealed from students and alumni to avoid probable negative objections.

The executive administration has failed to inform students and alumni of the annoyance. It is apparent neither the Federal nor the State School system is concerned about our feelings for A&T.

A&T is a land-grant institution specifically developed for black students specialized in agriculture.

This University has now developed an institution that is nationally known for many of its different schools.

**Is it worth being negative?**

As each moment of our lives continues to pass us by we are often confronted with situations where we are often characterized as being pessimistic about life's values, morals, other individuals and maybe many times ourselves.

These individuals tend to always have a negative view about the achievements of others, while at the same time they continue to make their own achievements.

Just recently, I was very amazed by some of the comments that were made by some people in the position of Harvey Grant mailing for U.S. Senate.

Commenting thus: "It was impossible for a black man to win a office and said that it wouldn't worth the effort to vote for him.

He would not stand a chance of even coming close in the precincts.

It seems that all states are consistently thinking that we need more black leaders to help support one another by working diligently about being positive which is not always easy.

Take these same negative individuals who are always down-

ing others and place them in a position of power for here.

Now, how would they feel if the people positive decided to say, "We do not need any black people who are always downing others who will continue to hurt our everyday lives and we definitely do not need someone who is at odds with themselves as well as those they represent."

Do you fit this mode of negativity? Are you that negative person in nation.

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By Eric Short

The quest of life

All actions happen for a reason. All human beings belong, in some way, to divine destiny. All life is brought into existence to fulfill some part of the cosmic plan. Just as an apple blossoms to become a tree, so do human beings blossom into an existence in which an understanding of the cosmic plan is necessary and indispensable.

As humans move from the pain of physical existence certain events come into being to shape and create the various personalities that are overt in the present day society. What is the cosmic plan? It must first be understood that all life flows from one universal Supreme Force. Knowing this fact alone should humble every manifestation of this force. This also should bring about a high level of respect for all other manifestations of this force, especially other humans. For it is the humans, the men, women, boys, and girls on Earth who possess the greatest potential for turning into the infinite power and knowledge of the Supreme Force.

The cosmic plan is for all humans to achieve a oneness with the creative forces of the universe. This is the destiny of all humans on Earth.

The ultimate quest of life is to create an existence without destructive, anti-life values or motivations. All things that go against or hinder the advancement of the spirit must be quickly eliminated. Sincere seekers of Truth will be led by the forces of the universe to the solutions of the numerous worldly problems.

Woman and Man are composed of three different but inseparable components. These three parts are commonly known as the mind, the body, and the spirit.

It is the condition of the mind that dictates the condition of the other two arteries. With the correct acquisition and application of knowledge the three arteries can once again become unified. Once reassociation is achieved on an individual basis, collective unification must be achieved in order to truly affect the workings of society.

The BIBLE states in the book of ROMANS 12:2 "divine advice to all humans. "And be not conformed to this world: but be ye transformed by the renewing of your mind that ye may prove what is that good and acceptable and perfect will of God." [Roman 12:2]

Through the process of renewing our minds we begin to appreciate thoughts and actions that are destructive to our mental, physical and spiritual processes. Looking at the present state of society, the need for spiritual is obvious. The total quest of life is to create a universe of peace, harmony and oneness. Correct knowledge of the cosmic plan will renew our minds as we continue our quest.

The second battle of Marianna. After Fortune's freedom, he became a well-known journalist in Mississippi. In 1876, he moved to New York City, where he started his own newspaper, The New York Freeman. In 1881, he became one of America's most prominent writers and editors. The New York Freeman was a weekly newspaper that was founded in 1866 by African American journalist and civil rights activist Frederick Douglass. The paper was published in New York City and was one of the first African American-owned newspapers in the United States. The paper was known for its strong anti-slavery stance and its support of civil rights for African Americans. The paper was also known for its coverage of events in the African American community, including news of African American achievements and contributions. The paper was published until 1932.
Farrakhan's key...Cont. from P. 1

Robinson, the only mem-
ber of the public at the meeting
that voiced an objection to
Farrakhan, earlier admitted
that his "opinions and inter-
pretations" of the black leader
were derived from the "Neo-
Anti-Defamation (Jewish or-
ganization), Newsweek, and
other print media."

He said that the 10,000
persons who attended the
speech should not have influ-
ence in deciding who the city
should honor while ignoring
the views of the majority of
the citizens of Greensboro.

James said that the policy
debate represented "organized
reaction on the part of whites
who feel they can tell us who
to follow. I didn't follow Reagan and didn't support Helms, but I didn't tell them (whites) who their leaders should be."

Mark-Authority Middleton,
project director of Alpha Phi
Alfameedite, the student
organization that sponsored the
event, said, "the key to all this
is the endorsement of all of
Farrakhan's program. To the
point, he (Farrakhan) should
not be given the key because
of his record."

Middleton continued, "as a
student of political science, I don't
know of anyone who has a
clean record."

This section is "racist," said
Dovin Mason, president of the
history club. You can not
ignore the strength of 10,000.

Many students showed
directly in the council mem-
bers, "You better leave my
brother alone." "You are going
to see thousands of people in
the streets." "If all the people of
Greensboro are upset why... are they not at the meeting?"

Lynn Thomas, a member of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, said, "keep your key, we received the mental key on Fri-
day night."

Dr. Edward B. Fort, chan-
cellor of N.C. A&T was not on
town on official business last
week but submitted press state-
ments on his view of the Farra-
kan visit.

Chancellor Fort said, "I wasn't surprised" in regard to the size of the crowd which
Farrakhan attracted. "Mr. Far-
rakhan, in his numerous public
appearances in the media na-
tionally, has articulated his
views well. The students and
public at large came to hear an
elaboration on these views, and
they did so in large numbers.
He is a national figure and this
attracted the crowd," stated
Fort.

Ponce Tilidwe, president of
Student Government Associa-
tion also was absent from
the student-sponsored event
due to him being "sick."

"SGA had no opposing views on Farrakhan coming and we made sure that he had all the
rights that any national figure that visit the University has," said Tilidwe.

Contributions to the Campus Haps column and other related campus information and announcements, should be submit-
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traditional one where the bill is submitted to the insurance
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ity of policies I know of pay 80 - 100 percent of the bill. The
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should know this.

There are also Health Maintenance Operations,
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and then that will pay for all the necessary medical problems
that occur. That is very important because some plans may
or may not cover work physical, eye exams, plastic surgery or
other things one might just want done. Also, in these plans all
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signed up with that plan. You have coverage but you have
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The 1990-91 year is expected to be a good one for the experienced Aggie team. Head Coach Don Corbett says that the Aggies have a good chance of a winning season this year. "I pray so, I'm tired of the close calls we had last year. We have some good kids this year and I hope it combines in a good season," he said.

Senior guard Glenn Taggart possesses outstanding leadership potential for his fellow teammates. Taggart feels that this challenge is not something new for him. "I've been a leader since my sophomore year and I've been playing point guard for the last two years," he said. Taggart says that his position shows coaching abilities on and off the court.

"Being a point guard is like being a coach on the floor and alot of the guys look up to me since I've been in the program so long," he said.

The Aggie basketball team welcomes the transfer players from Morgan State. Point guard Kenneth Fraiser transfers an A&T because of the good basketball program. "I wanted to be part of a good basketball program in a school with a lot of tradition and pride behind it," he said. Fraiser's curiosity about the point guard situation helped Determine his decision to attend A&T.

"I like the way they (A&T) played against us (Morgan) last year and I really wanted to see how good this Glenn Taggart was said Fraiser."

Taggart's outstanding talent speaks for itself. He was voted pre-season "All MEAC" this year.

Despite the ratings, Taggart feels that his performance will not be affected in any way. "My sophomore year I made "All team MEAC" and last year I didn't make anything. This year I'm going to go out and play ball," said Taggart.

The team has only two seniors in their line-up, Jimmy Humphries and Glenn Taggart. Both want to end their last season with a MEAC championship ring. "I'm looking forward to the season," said Humphries.

"We have a lot to prove, not only to ourselves but the people in the community and most important I want a MEAC ring," he said.

Taggart adds, "I'm going to pass to Jimmy and we're just going to play ball since it's our last chance," he said.

Center Chris Johnson says the experience the team has will help overcome the tough schedule.

"I feel that our schedule is pretty tough. Since our team is experienced, we can play as a team this year. Last year we had five freshmen and it was our rebuilding year," he said. Coach Corbett says that the tempo of the game will be different this season.

"We have a new assistant coach this year, Coach Williams and we are going to try and challenge our philosophy," he said.

"What I mean by challenge our philosophy is that we have been playing half-court offense and half-court defense. This year we are going to utilize 94% of the court and I'm sure the fans will enjoy it," he adds.

The basketball team will open it's season on November 23 when they host the Spartans of UNC-Charlotte. Then the Aggies will prepare for the 'Black College Basketball Challenge' on November 30 and December 1 at the Greensboro Coliseum.

Forward Jimmy Humphries feels that it is an honor and he is excited to take on the challenge. "It should be an honor since this is the first Black College Basketball Challenge," he said.

"Excuse me good things about the Black Basketball Challenge that is good as white schools. Furthermore, I'm looking forward to playing Central in the challenge."

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"Minister Farrakhan coming to A&T is a positive step for the campus. It will allow many of us to experience a powerful black leader that can only help in our quest for success."

Rodney Hayes
Durham, N.C.
Junior
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"I feel an influential speaker such as a Louis Farrakhan will definitely create a positive atmosphere for our campus. I also feel the students and other listeners attending his lecture will walk away with something to think about."

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"Speaking as a black educated woman, I feel Minister Farrakhan can provide us with valuable information and better directions regarding our educational and spiritual rights. Now I can see how our people can work together and help each other. Minister Farrakhan believes and speaks strongly for the black man with the powerful truth and knowledge."

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Someone you should meet

Nancy Burgon
Mark-Anthony Middleton
Man on the Move

The someone you should meet this week is Mark-Anthony Middleton. Project spokesman for the Beta Epsilon chapter of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity Inc.

Middleton is the man behind the arrangement of the speech of the Honorable Minister Louis Farrakhan.

Mark-Anthony is a Political Science major with a minor in Finance. He is a native of Brooklyn, New York. His hobbies are reading, playing classical piano and writing.

Middleton's future goals are to practice law and one day to hold public office. He is currently working on a book which he hopes to have published within the year.

Mark-Anthony has two philosophies in life, one is official and the other is unofficial. His official philosophy is "No man is an island unto himself, therefore live larger than yourself and try to help others; realize the limits of your human status and accept help from others. At best, we are all penitentials." His unofficial philosophy is "Do unto others than you wish to have done unto you."

When asked why he chose A&T State University, he said, "A&T has been elevated from and educational institution to a family institution in my life. My father graduated from A&T in 1949, and my sister graduated in 1981. I currently have a younger brother attending A&T.

My sister taught English here for several years. So the outstanding academic and socially aware reputation that A&T enjoys combined with the prominence of A&T in my family made for a very compelling case.
Aggie Karate Team wins competition

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Four members of the North Carolina A&T Karate Team participated in one of the few tournaments held in Greensboro.

The karate students were: Malachi Parsons, Derek Hart, Milton Pittman, and Jawanza Moseley.

The tournament, a great success for the Aggie team, featured Derek Hart participating in the fighting, kata, and self-defense events.

Hart received first place after performing his kata. He went on to win first place in the kata and the self-defense competitions as well.

Malachi Parsons placed fifth in the kata competition and second in the kata performances. As the tournament progressed, the Aggies gained momentum.

Milton Pittman took second place in the Jr. Division white and yellow belt kata competitions. He then took second place in the kata and self-defense competitions.

Jawanza Moseley later defeated all of the competitors in his division to win first place in the kata, fighting and self-defense competitions.

The head instructor and coach, Dr. Gilbert Casterlow praised his competitors for their performance throughout the tournament.

Recently, the Aggies participated in another tournament in Burlington. Steve Harper, a senior, began by competing in three events. Harper took second place in the kata and the kumite (fighting) events. Harper finally competed in the weapons competition and received first place for his performance with the tonfa.

Derek Hart and Milton Pittman were winners in their respective competitions.

Willie Hairston, the newest Aggie black belt karateka, fought in the black belt competition for the first time and secured second place.

The A&T Karate team entered four competitors in the Burlington Tournament and earned 11 out of 12 trophies. Five Aggie karatekas competed in the Burlington Tournament and won nine out of 10 trophies.

Dr. Casterlow stated, "The results from these tournaments, being very much in line with the results of the 10 tournaments attended last year and in previous years, indicate that the North Carolina A&T Karate team continues to be the dominant competition in North Carolina and the southeastern United States."

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