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Toys for tots

Christmas will be here before you know it. And the U.S. Marine Corps Reserves will once again be distributing new toys to needy children nationwide through their "Toys for Tots" Program.

This year, Norwest Financial, Inc. is honored to have been selected as a nationwide sponsor of the "Toys for Tots" program.

The firm's network of over 650 consumer finance offices in 46 states will serve as collection sites for new, unwrapped toys.

Local Norwest Financial office will deliver the toys to nearby Marine Corps Reserve units just before Christmas.

The toys will then be sorted for distribution based on a child's age and gender.

Last year, more than 8 million toys were collected and distributed to approximately 3.5 million children nationwide thanks to the Toys for Tots Program.

Greensboro-area residents interested in donating new, unwrapped toys can bring their gifts to the Northwest Financial office located at 3729-A Farmington Drive in Greensboro.

The office is open weekdays during regular business hours.

Seniors "go a caroling"

The Greensboro Parks and Recreation's Senior Ambassadors Choral Group will perform a Christmas concert on Thursday, December 13 at 10:00 am in the Town Hall Auditorium in the Greensboro Coliseum Complex.

The concert is free and open to the public.

Senior citizen and school groups are especially encouraged to attend. For more information contact Rhonda Maxson at 373-2283.

Razz-Ma-Tazz in route to Greensboro

The Razz-Ma-Tazz Musical Revue Company announces Auditions for "Nickelodeon" the Magical Music Machine Saturday, December 8, 1990, 1-4 pm, Drama Studio 2 - The Greensboro Cultural Center at Festival Park.

Call 373-2506 for information on auditions.

"Nickelodeon" will open at the beautiful Carolina Theatre on February 8-10.

Charles Moody, manager, Management Development for International Paper's Georgetown Mill, presented three donations totaling \$10,000 to North Carolina A&T State University officials today at McNair Hall, in the engineering building.

"One of the keys to our success at International Paper is requiring a solid education of our professionals, in every area of our business," said Moody.

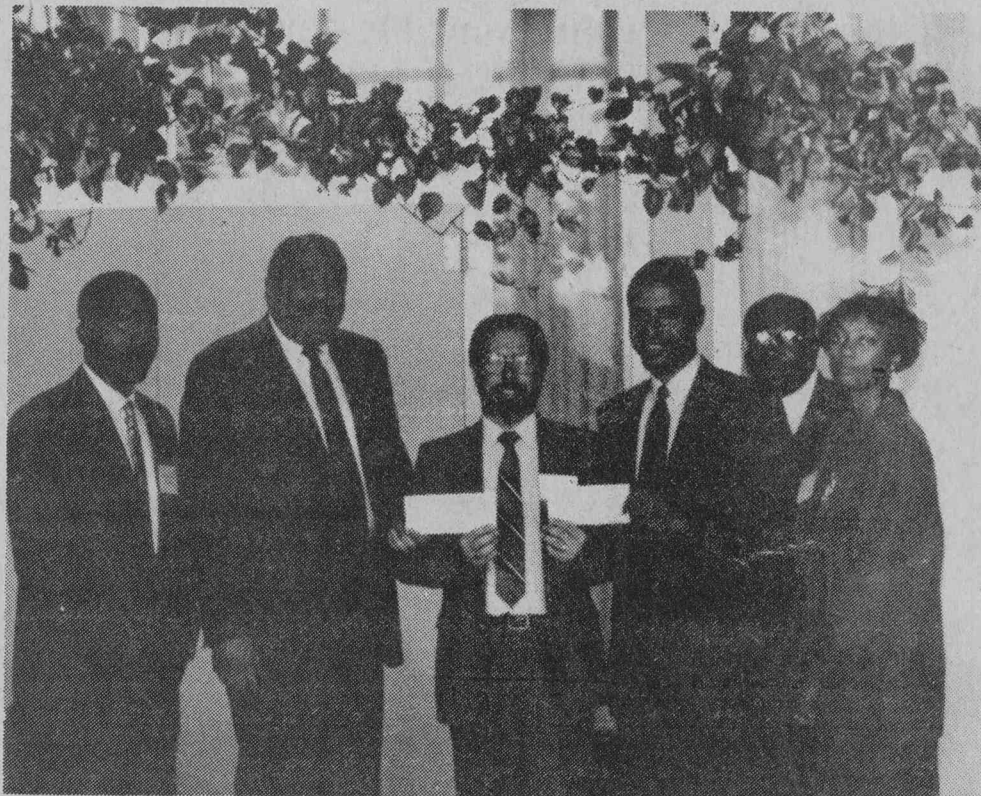
"On behalf of the International Paper Company Foundation, it is my pleasure to provide this financial support to North Carolina A&T State University as an example of our commitment to maintaining a positive,

mutually beneficial relationship between education and industry."

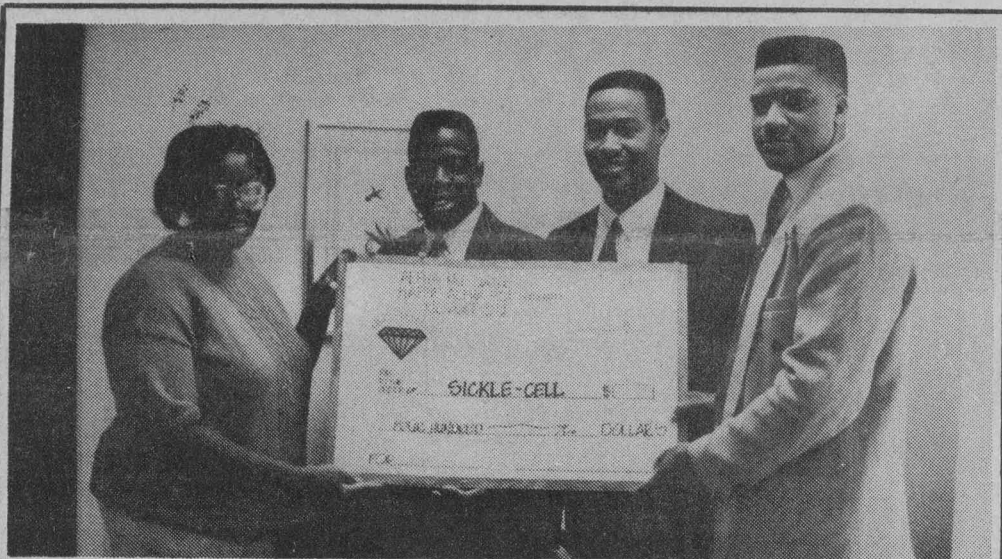
Moody presented Dr. Lonnie Sharpe, Asst. dean of the School of Engineering, \$4,000 to provide funding for an engineering awareness program for minority students in grades 7-10.

Quiester Craig, dean of the School of Business and Economics, received \$4,000 to fund a computer lab program for the school's accounting department.

The company provided \$2,000 to Leon Warren, placement director, to establish and furnish a room in the name of International Paper at the University's placement center.



Left to right: Robert Horry, Quiester Craig, Charles Moody, Lonnie Sharpe, Leon Warren, Victoria Johnson.



Left to Right: Representative from Sickle-Cell Anemia Foundation, fraternity members: Tyrone Bond, Mark Williams and Marvin L. Walton, President of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity Inc.

Kappas raise money for Sickle Cell disease

By Samuel J. Boyd & Michael Artis

For years the Brothers of the Alpha Nu Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi have supported worthy causes on campus and the community.

This year the Brothers have decided to channel their financial resources and strongly support one cause...Sickle Cell disease.

In lieu of the fact that September was National Sickle Cell month and the Aggies of N. C. A & T State Uni-

versity had three home games, the Brothers decided to walk a sheet around the stadium soliciting donations from the crowd at the Winston-Salem State and Morgan State University games.

The total amount collected from the stands in addition to that given by the Brothers was four hundred dollars.

The Brothers of the Alpha Nu Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi would like to thank all those who supported them in an effort to eradicate a deadly disease.

Bush deploys troops to Middle East

By Terence Body
Special to The A&T Register

President Bush has called to active duty an additional 120,000 Army Reservists and National Guard troops, half of which will be deployed to the Middle East.

This is part of the estimated 200,000 troops to be added to the 230,000 or more already stationed in the Gulf. Military planners have called for an estimated 430,000 U.S. troop strength in Saudi Arabia and the Gulf area.

This is in response to the Iraqi call-up of an additional 250,000 troops to defend Kuwait.

Defense officials speculate that the Iraqi call-up would make any move to oust Iraq from Kuwait costly for both sides in terms of time and lives.

Iraq announced its troop call-up one day after it said it would free approximately 2,000 remaining Western hostages in Iraq and Kuwait between Christmas and March, "unless something would take place that mars the atmosphere of peace."

Iraq is referring to U.S. analysts' reports that a military strike is most

likely in the winter because of calm weather and lower temperatures.

In recent developments, the United Nations delivered an ultimatum to Iraq on Nov. 26 that gives Iraq until Jan. 15 to withdraw its troops from Kuwait or face a military strike.

This is only the second time in U.N. history that the Security Council authorized military force to counter aggression. The first was during the Korean War in 1950.

On Saturday, Dec. 1, President Bush offered to send to Iraq Secretary of State James A. Baker III for a meeting with Saddam Hussein in order to establish dialogue before the ultimatum deadline.

Bush has also called for a meeting with Iraqi Foreign Minister Tariq Aziz later this month.

On the U.S. agenda will be the invasion of Kuwait and a solution to the Gulf Crisis, but the Iraqis want to link any pull out of its troops from Kuwait with the same pull out of Israeli troops from the West Bank and Gaza Strip.

A&T senior Air Force ROTC detachment receives award for excellence

North Carolina A&T State University, Air Force ROTC (Detachment 605) was among 15 of 149 senior ROTC detachments recently chosen to receive the Air Force Organizational Excellence Award.

This award is given for exceptionally meritorious service that clearly sets the organization above and apart from similar units.

Only one other senior ROTC detachment in North Carolina was chosen to receive this honor, Duke University.

In a congratulatory letter, Brigadier General Robin G. Tornow, AF-

ROTC Commandant, stated this year's competition was keen, and only the very best units were selected.

Lt. Col. Walter Watson, Commander and Professor of Aerospace

Studies at A&T, stated the challenge to earn organizational excellence is not an easy goal to set, and to actually have our program reach that level and be recognized for its accomplishments is

truly a reward earned by the entire team at A&T.

We would like to thank the A&T and Greensboro community for your support of the Air Force Reserve Officer Training Corps program.



Lt. Col. Walt Watson (left) commander of the Air Force ROTC detachment at North Carolina A&T State University, receives the Air Force Organizational Excellence Award from Brig. Gen. Robin G. Tornow (right), Air Force ROTC Commandant, at the third annual Air Force ROTC Commanders Conference held in Montgomery, Ala.

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On the Serious Tip



Angelicia Simmons
A&T Register
Managing News Editor

Be thankful and count your blessings!!

As we are fast approaching the close of another year, we should take time out to be thankful for the many blessings that have been bestowed upon us this past year.

Even as a people that have struggled for most of our lives, we also have much to be thankful for.

For the struggle itself, we should be thankful, for the hardships, we should be thankful, and for the enormous leaders who have left their footprints, we should be thankful, because no other people have survived such a hard struggle, than we have.

Instead of only looking at the painstaking realities, let's look at the underlying blessings within them.

As the old year can no longer keep its place and the new year forces its way in, let us remember those who have died for a cause well deserved.

During the seasonal activities that occur, most of us think of ourselves and what we will receive from our loved ones.

Let's try something new and different this season, let's think of those who do not have, as well as those who have sacrificed, and those that are still sacrificing what they had for us--especially their lives--for us to reach where we are today and where we will be in the future. Such as our parents, our role models, and whomever else that has touched our lives in that special way.

Thank you King, X (Malcolm), Bethune, Septima, Newton, Hampton, Evers, Biko, Tubman, Boumfrey and all those others who have sacrificed what they had for us.

GIVE THANKS!



Lawrence Sherrod
A&T Register
Campus News Editor

Good guys or bad guys?

Recently I was asked by one of my instructors if I thought we lived in a society that was basically moral or immoral. Before I gave my answer, I took several issues into consideration:

The first thing that I thought about was the racism that is more blatant now than in the 60's. I thought about how Jesse Helms used racial slander against Harvey Gantt to cover up his miserable record after 18 years of doing nothing.

I also thought about how the city council of Greensboro objected to Minister Farrakhan receiving the key to the city because he doesn't say what they want to hear in a society based on freedom of speech.

The second thing I thought about was obscenity. Oh, I forgot; they call it art now. I don't think so. Luther Campbell was found not guilty of having sexually explicit lyrics on his album, "Nasty As They Wanna Be." The title alone says enough about his method of artistic "X"pression.

Madonna wants to know if we can "justify her love," but I want to know if she can justify her video. While she was gettin' busy to the beat with what appears to be another woman, her boyfriend watched intently.

She defended her actions by saying she does what she wants to do because she's in control.

The third thing I thought about was corruption. The S&L scandal cost billions of dollars, but none of the men involved (including President Bush's son, Neal) were convicted or reprimanded.

So what about the billions of dollars? We the taxpayers picked up the tab. Incidentally, the men involved were non African-American.

Milli Vanilli used someone else's voices on their album, "Girl You Know It's True," and walked away with millions of dollars and a Grammy for Best New Artist.

However, the girl must have known it wasn't true because they were stripped of their Grammy a few weeks ago.

After taking all of these things into consideration, what do you think my answer was?

THINKA 'BOUT IT! by BENJAMIN

... HAVE YOU FORGOTTEN ?

Charleston, July 24th, 1769.

TO BE SOLD,
On THURSDAY the third Day
of AUGUST next,
A CARGO
OF
NINETY-FOUR
PRIME, HEALTHY
NEGROES,
CONSISTING OF
Thirty-nine MEN, Fifteen BOYS,
Twenty-four WOMEN, and
Sixteen GIRLS.
JUST ARRIVED,
In the Brigantine DEMBIA, Francis
Bare, Master, from SIERRA-
LEON, by
DAVID & JOHN DEAS.

JUST A REMINDER!



Robin Alston
A&T Register
Managing Editor

King's plagiarism: fact or opinion?

It's good to know that there are prominent leaders in the world who can deliver messages that have positive influences on individuals and it is even more enlightening to me to know, that there are black leaders now and also in previous years whose speeches have left a great impact on the many individuals who were not only apart of the civil rights movement, but also those who are apart of the ever increasing racial stereotypes and not to mention the misleading information that is continuously making the news about the slain civil rights leader Dr. Martin Luther King.

In a Nov. 29 article, a North Carolina professor said that he was aware of reports of Martin Luther King's plagiarism in parts of his doctoral dissertation that was written at Boston University where he obtained his Ph.D in 1955.

Shelton Reed, a sociologist at the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill also said that since everyone was talking about the issue of King's plagiarism of his dissertation, he assumed that the news would have been out in June. What an assumption Reed!

It sounds to me like this is something that would appear in those ever so famous tabloids such as National Enquirer, Star Magazine and Globe just to name a few.

It also seems as though Reed wants attention in some form or fashion. He wants some type of free publicity evidently, since he wrote a column in April for Chronicles magazine, which is based in Rockford, Ill.

One question that seems to come to my mind is, if King plagiarised parts of his dissertation as Reed said, then why is this issue just coming to light in the 90s? I wonder what King would say about this issue if he were living?...I just wonder.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR.....

The true story?

We read with amazement and some irritation of an article written by one of your students in your November issue entitled, "Boo Boo the Fool Is Not My Name," in which he claims that a gun was pointed on him at our store which is Pizza King on 1700 East Bessemer Avenue.

For the first time in our lives, we realized that some people will use any tactics and methods they deem fit to tarnish and ruin ones reputation and business in a community, just to even a score.

What was printed in that article was all fabricated and the students involved know it!

We were so mad after reading the article and were going to resort to legal action because of the scandalous nature of the article, but then decided that since this is a black owned business and we cherish and encourage black patronage, it would be better resolved in a brotherly manner and secondly to save the community any further embarrassment.

Our main reason for responding to this article in question, is not because it was printed.

We know they have every right to say and print what they believe, by the same token, freedom of speech becomes unimportant when individuals decide to systematically mislead the rest of the student community by deliberately stretching the truth.

We sincerely feel the lies and stories shouldn't be left mischallenged and refuted.

A pizza man points a gun to your head and when the police arrived you just all of a sudden forgot to tell the police one important detail, that he put a gun to your head. Makes you wonder, doesn't it?

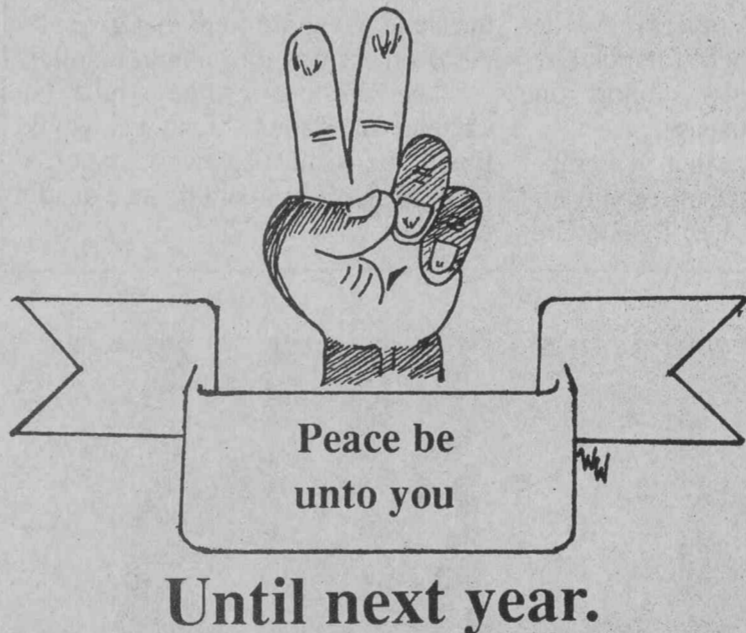
When they came into the store that night, their intention was to create a scene, and leave because they snubbed at our peaceful advances, including an offer for half the cost of the pizza.

Instead, they opted to name calling and profanity. At that point they were asked to leave or be thrown out.

In conclusion, definitely no gun was pointed or pulled at anybody regardless, because that goes against business ethics.

Mgr./Owner Pizza King
George L. Esule

J. R. COMING IN JANUARY 1991



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Our People, Our Pride

411...By Eric Short

NGUZU SABA : The Afrikan value system

The greatest building ever created is only as strong as its foundation. In order to build anything of substance, from an exceptional basketball team, to a seven course meal, all necessary ingredients must be present and then combined in the correct manner in order to create and produce the desired effect. The nucleus, the foundation, must be strong and unshakable in order to create positive results.

Understanding the present conditions of the Afrikan community in America the need for positivity should be obvious. As a whole, our community is in need of innovative, pro-active Afrikan sisters and brothers working collectively towards positive solutions to our many community ills. Once solutions are found and carried out, then we can begin to move towards higher spiritual goal's.

As innovative, pro-active Afrikan sisters and brothers our foundation must be strong in order to rebuild our community. Our foundation will be NGUZU SABA, the Afrikan Value System. The seven principles of NGUZU SABA are (1) UNITY, (2) SELF DETERMINATION, (3) COLLECTIVE WORK AND RESPONSIBILITY, (4) COOPERATIVE ECONOMICS, (5) PURPOSE, (6) CREATIVITY, and (7) FAITH.

First, before we do anything else, we must now, today, at this moment, put aside all petty differences and unite as a people. A house divided is a dangerous situation. We can achieve nothing without unity. Once we finally come together on one accord we must determine for ourselves collectively will guide us to support leaders, institutions, and businesses, with our interests in mind.

Our purpose is to rejuvenate our community. Through cooperative economics and collective work, this goal can be achieved. Africans will create businesses in the African community that employ and support the residents of that community. There is no reason for our people to live in poor, run down neighborhoods with no economic opportunity in sight.

As college students we owe our education to the masses of our people. We have unlimited potential in what we can build. By combining individual techniques to do things. Creativity is definitely needed in the area of education for instance.

The last principle is very important. In order for Africans to build anything of true value and substance in this present day, society's unquestionable faith in ourselves and our people is essential. We must believe in ourselves as individuals.

There is no room for thoughts of self-doubt, low confidence or self-hatred. If these problems exist they must be eliminated. We must improve our talents, recognize our weaknesses, then grow and keep on moving. Self-love, self-respect, and self-confidence should not be confused with arrogance which in itself is a sign of weakness.

Once we learn to love ourselves we must then learn to love our sisters and brothers. All these things are building our faith individually and collectively. Nothing is out of our reach if we sincerely affirm to make our visions reality.

The seven principles of the Afrikan Value System, NGUZU SABA should be incorporated into the everyday lives of every Afrikan in America. Think of the possibilities and opportunities we have before us! Let us decide now, once and for all to leave the negativity and commit our lives to ourselves and our community. To learn more about NGUZU SABA, consult *The New Nationalism*, by Imamu Amiri Baraka and also *From Plan to Planet*, by Haki Madhubuti.

A Warrior's Heart By: Eric Short

Search for the ideal Path, the hunt is on
Battles to survive are lost and won
War rages on like a Ruthless Rain
The Invisible Hand is drenched with Pain
Painful to hear a baby cry
A warrior's Heart, a watchful eye
Knowledge to teach, Courage to Care
Imagination to create, Trust to Share

Woman and Man, a Divine Combination
A house divided, a Dangerous Situation
Respect due to Sister and Brother
Respect due to Father and Mother
Originality rules, creativity flows
Respect due to Nature, the Green grass, the wind blows
Bodily life ends, the Spirit never dies
The All-seeing Eye never cries
Spiral Rhythms sing soft notes to the ears
Harmony in a Warrior's Heart replaces heartless fears
The darkness of the Night is conquered by the Light
A Warrior's Heart, prepared to fight
The epitome of Positivity in a world ruled by none
Phenomenon of Nature paying homage to the Sun
Sister, Brother, Father, Mother, united as ONE

EMERGE Magazine names top ten persons of 1990

In the EMERGE December/January 1991 issue (on newsstands December 4), the magazine names its ten emerging persons of the year.

Heading the list is General Colin L. Powell. As contributing editor Joel Dreyfuss observes, Powell has become the most visible black man in recent history who is neither an entertainer nor a civil rights leader.

Powell, launched by his distinguished military career, could end up as Vice President Dan Quayle's replacement in 1992.

Or like Dwight D. Eisenhower, Powell could ride his success into the Oval Office. The other emerging persons are:

Keenen Ivory Wayans, TV Comedy Innovator

Zina Garrison, Wimbledon

Finalist

Condoleezza Rice, Foreign Policy Strategist

Randall Robinson, Pan-African Power Broker

"Mandrake," Guerrilla Activist

Erroll McDonald, Literary Publishing Executive

Bill T. Jones, Dancer/Choreographer

Lorna Simpson, Conceptual Artist

Lisa D. Delpit, Educator
"These individuals were chosen, not because they are new to the scene, but because they have in the last year come into their own as leaders in their respective fields and promise to remain in the forefront for many years to come," says Editor-in-Chief Wilmer C. Ames, Jr.

"They have also set new standards for effectiveness and excellence."

HBCU faculty receives accounting fellowships

Fellowships totaling \$42,500 were awarded by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants (AICPA) to five minority accounting faculty members for completion of their studies toward doctoral degrees.

A total of 31 minority faculty members have received more than \$900,000 to study for their Ph.D.s in accounting since the program's inception in 1975.

Of that number, 16 minority faculty members have already received their Ph.D.s in accounting.

AICPA fellowships for the 1990-91 academic year were awarded to Daisy S. Banks of

Southern University, Baton Rouge, to attend Michigan State University; Emmanuel O. Onifade of South Carolina State College to attend the University of South Carolina; Ida B. Robinson of North Carolina A&T State University to attend Oklahoma State University; Bettye Rogers-Desselle of Texas Southern University to attend the University of Houston; and W. Darrell Walden of Virginia Union University to attend Virginia Commonwealth University.

Under the AICPA program, minority accounting faculty from historically black

colleges and universities are eligible for awards.

Since 1970 the AICPA has also awarded scholarships to more than 4,800 undergraduate and graduate minority accounting students totaling \$4.4 million.

In addition, the Institute sponsors an annual seminar for accounting faculty from historically black and minority colleges and universities.

Questions about these programs should be directed to Sharon Donahue, Manager, Minority Recruitment and Equal Opportunity Department, AICPA, 1211 Avenue of the Americas, New York, N.Y. 10036-8775.

The AICPA is the national professional organization of CPAs with almost 300,000 members in public practice, industry, government and education.

AICPA members are committed to the highest standards of quality, independence and ethics in their practices.

In its continuing efforts to serve the public interest, the organization sets audit standards, upholds the profession's

code of conduct, provides continuing professional education, peer review and quality review

programs, and prepares and grades the Uniform CPA Examination.

Minority workshop planned

In an effort to close the gap minority contributions to ethics and values research, the nation's largest general scientific organization will convene minority scholars next summer to examine the ethical issues raised by science and technology.

The Washington, D.C.-based American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS) will select 20 to 30 minority scholars in science, engineering, the humanities, medicine and law to participate in an eight-day workshop in the Washington area, beginning on 28 July 1991.

The workshop is expected to result in an array of related research projects to be pursued in the months following the meeting.

Applicants selected to participate in the workshop may be from academic or other institutions, including museums, corporations, hospitals, libraries, government agencies, private research institutions or professional societies.

Lectures and small-group sessions at the workshop will explore such subjects as:

-Minority views on the impact of science and technology on their lives;

-How those perspectives compare with existing views;

-The influences minority perspectives can have on scholarship, practices and policy decisions related to science and technology.

Initiated by the AAAS Directorate for Science and Policy Programs, the workshop is funded by the National Science Foundation and is cosponsored by some 18 national organizations representing students, minorities, women, and other special populations in such fields as the physical sciences, social sciences, engineering and medicine.

Eligible applicants include persons of any minority group with an advanced degree in science, engineering, the humanities, medicine or law.

Applications, which will be competitively reviewed by an advisory board, are due no later than February 8, 1991.

For more information on the workshop or for an application form, contact Amy Crumpton, Directorate for Science and Policy Programs, AAAS, 1333 H St. NW, Washington, D.C. 20005 or telephone 202/326-6798.

Lift Every Voice and Sing

By James Weldon Johnson

Lift ev'ry voice and sing
Till Earth and Heaven ring.
Ring with the harmonies of Liberty.
Let our rejoicing rise
High as the list'ning skies,
Let it resound loud as the rolling sea.
Sing a song full of the faith that the dark past has taught us,
Sing a song full of the hope that the present has brought us.
Facing the rising sun of our new day begun,
Lest us march on till victory is won.

Stony the road we trod,
Bitter the chast'ning rod,
Felt in the days when hope unborn had died;
Yet with a steady beat,
Have not our weary feet
Come to the place for which our fathers sighed?
We have come over a weary way that
with tears has been watered,
We have come, treading our path
through the blood of the slaughtered,
Out from the gloomy past,
Till now we stand at last
Where the white gleam of our bright star is cast.

God of our weary years,
God of our silent tears,
Thou who hast brought us thus far on the way;
Thou who hast by Thy might
Lead us into the light, Keep us forever in the path we pray.
Lest our feet stray from the places, our God,
where we met Thee,
Lest our hearts, drunk with the wine of the world, we
forget Thee, shadowed beneath Thy hand,
May we forever stand,
True to our God,
True to our native land.

On The Yard

Campus organization expresses 'new attitude'

Fatima Makenta
A&T Register
Staff Reporter

The Metro North Connection, formerly known as the New York/New Jersey connection, has a new attitude and a new approach.

The group plans to have the most positive influence on campus and outside of campus life. The organization does not want to be known for just having fun but also a group that is putting forth service to those in the community that are in need.

"The Metro North Connection will be doing justice to an organization in helping in the needs of those which can't help themselves," said Sherri Clark, president of the group.

The dues which are received go into the treasury to support fund raisers, promote parties and when vacation breaks roll around help individuals belonging to the organization get a cheaper rate on bus fare when going home.

"Metro north Connection is aware of the problems in our immediate school community and our surrounding community and we are trying to reach out to those problems," said Shawn Edmonds, treasurer.

"I also feel that the Metro North Connection is one of the most acknowledged organization on campus that is non-Greek."

The organization has a project where they have been asked to help Jimmy Roman, 7. Jimmy needs help repairing his wheelchair.

The situation was brought to the attention of the vice-president, Dion Hopkins, during his work study in the registration building.

He was approached by a co-worker of Terri Roman's,

Jimmy's mother. The co-worker felt the organization could help Jimmy raise the needed funds. The Metro North Connection began sketching out a plan to help Jimmy.

They started handing out flyers, letting students and faculty know how they could lend their support.

The flyers urged people to donate their aluminum cans, which were collected by group members.

In helping Jimmy, "The Metro North Connection could show that the organization is capable of charitable events, as well as parties," Clark said.

"This one task demonstrates how improving your

community can both benefit the ones we care for and the ecological system we live in," Vice-President Dion Hopkins said.



Metro North Executive Board- 1990-1991

Photo By Shelly Burton

University Choir to present annual Christmas concert

The North Carolina A&T State University Choir will be presenting its annual Choral Concert and Candle lighting service on Dec. 9 at 6 p.m. in the Richard B. Harrison Auditorium.

The choir is preparing for the North Carolina Historical Black Collegiate Festival and an upcoming spring tour.

The choir will perform excerpts from the "Magnificat" by Johann S. Bach, the "Christmas Oratorio" by Camille Saint-Saens and several Negro spirituals by the late Afro-American composer William

Levi Dawson will be performed as a tribute.

Solos will be sung by Wanda Barnes, Michelle Phifer, Walter Johnson and Rodney Gilmore. Paula Harell will serve as the organist.

As an added feature Chancellor Edward B. Fort will perform the baritone solo.

"The entire student body should be in attendance to hear their chancellor sing," stated C. Everett Powell, Director of Choral Studies.

According to Gilmore, vice-president of the

choir,

"This Christmas concert will be one of the greatest Christmas concerts. I encourage all student body and community to be a part of it." The choir will present a variety of music.

"The goal of the choir is to expose the student body to various styles and in coming to something of this nature, it is our hope that the student body will be lifted to a higher level and plan of music appreciation," commented Powell. "You got the spirituals, sacred, secular, contemporary and

Christmas music," explained Gilmore.

The choir is planning a North Carolina Historical Black Collegiate Festival in February in which a choir

from each black university in the state of North Carolina will participate. It will be held at Harrison B. Auditorium, according to Gilmore.

The choir will also perform for the Governor's Mansion on Dec. 10.

In March the choir will begin their spring tour in Florida and the Bahamas, explained Powell.

As a special treat they have been invited to join UNCG in performing with the Greensboro Symphony Orchestra in April.

85 percent of the choir is made up of non-music majors, according to Powell. Some of them include civil engineering, Spanish and English majors.

"I enjoy it because not only do we have the opportunity to learn about spirituals and classical, but also gospel. We have the opportunity to go on different tours and to different states and meet alumnus," remarked Johnson, a member.

Powell, who has been with the choir for four years, is excited about the future of the choir.

"We have a positive group of students. We're hoping that by doing concerts of this nature the campus and community will see the rich heritage, tradition and talent that we have in Frazier Hall."

According to Powell, the goal of the choir is to show they can sing classical music, opera and all styles. "We are not limited," he explained.

"We focus on differences and show that Black America is different in variety."

A&T ushers in Christmas season

Betsy Peoples
A&T Register
Staff Reporter

Candles lined the North Dudley Street entrance onto the campus of North Carolina A&T.

White trees trimmed with Christmas lights and a red drape at the bottom decorated the front steps of the Dudley Memorial Building at the Fourth Annual Christmas Celebration in Aggeland on Dec. 2.

"This celebration marks the beginning of the Christmas Season here at North Carolina A&T," said Mrs. Leslie Fort in her welcoming address.

Pleasant tunes of music were performed by the University Symphony Band.

The pieces included "Silent Night," "Jingle Bells," "Deck the Halls," and "O Come all Ye Faithful."

The A&T University Choir lifted their voices to "Joy to the World" and "It's a Wonderful

Time of the Year."

Charlette Woodard a junior at Bennett College said, "The Christmas songs have really lifted my spirits."

Woodard plans to take part in more Christmas activities such as donating clothes and food to charity and sponsoring a foster child at her home for the holidays.

The James B. Dudley High School choir pleased the audience with their performance of "Wind Beneath My Wings," and an upbeat-tempoed "Jazz Gloria."

A community selection by the Black Child Development Center Choir, dressed in shades of red, black, green and white, adorned the front steps.

The young choir delighted the audience by singing "A Christmas Medley" and "Carol of the Bells."

Sandra Cook presided over the occasion. She encouraged guests to "get jolly and fes-

tive" in reference to the sing-a-long with the fraternities and sororities.

The Pan-Hellenic Council led the sing-a-long with "The First Noel," and "The Twelve Days of Christmas."

Freshman, sophomore, junior and senior class participants led the audience in "We Wish You a Merry Christmas," "O Come all Ye Faithful," "Deck the Halls" and "Away in the Manger."

The United Christian Fellowship Choir ended the celebration with the old time favorite, "Go Tell it on the Mountain."

Andre Nowkin, a junior A&T student, said the celebration made him think about going home for the holidays.

"This occasion makes me eager to visit family and friends. I'm really looking forward to catching up with old friends this Christmas."

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The Big Score

Aggies blast opponents

Lawrence Sherrod
A&T Register
Campus News Editor

The North Carolina A&T Women's Basketball Team has started the 1990-91 season off with an 84-49 win over Winston-Salem State and an 85-12 win over Bennett College.

According to Coach Tim Abney, the team's primary focus is defense.

"The team has a lot of intensity and desire," he said. "We're putting an emphasis on trying to force mistakes and double our scoring opportunities."

In the first two games, the Aggies averaged 31 turnovers and 42 points per half to win by an average of 54 points.

This year's team consists of five seniors, five juniors, two sophomores and one freshman.

Angela Hill, the only freshman player, will play the wing position.

The banking and finance major from Fayetteville is looking to the upperclassmen for advice.

Hill says that it's hard being the only freshman because everyone is on you and there

are no other freshman to relate to. Coach Abney says that he is going to work with her this season by bringing her along slowly.

Abney has been concentrating on offensive patience and defensive intensity.

"The defense is our bread and butter," he said. "Defense is work and no pleasure; our primary goal is helping on the court."

"We're trying to emphasize offensive patience, good ball movement and shot selection," he said.

Abney's philosophy this season is total team effort.

"When you start thinking as an individual - personal stats and scoring - you're in trouble," he said.

Abney believes that Howard is going to be a powerhouse team this season because of their talent and experience.

Despite the Aggies' quick start this season, Abney is taking everything one day at a time.

"Day by day preparation is important," he said. "We can't look to Norfolk (MEAC Tournament) in March yet and we can't become satisfied."

Miss. Valley wins basketball challenge

Charlina Arrington
A&T Register
Sports Editor

The first annual Black College Basketball Challenge featured teams from the "Big Four" NCAA historically black conferences.

The challenge was held in the Greensboro Coliseum last Friday and Saturday for back to back double header action.

The "Big Four" conferences included teams representing the black institutions.

A&T-MEAC, N.C. Central-CIAA, Albany State-SIAC and Mississippi Valley State-SWAC.

Friday night's showdown began with the Aggies and the Delta Devils of Mississippi Valley.

It was a battle between the guard Alfonzo Ford for the Delta Devils and Glenn Taggart for the Aggies.

Mississippi Valley won the first game 74-80.

The second game featured N.C. Central and Albany State. The Eagles hung tight with the Rams but came up short, the final score was 55-52.

Saturday's night action began with Mississippi Valley and Albany State.

The "dunkfest" ended with the Rams edging the Delta Devils 95-86.

The Aggies and the Eagles rounded off the challenge in the final game. It was a close match-up. The Aggies took a 24-16 lead at halftime.

The second half had the crowd on its feet as the Eagles pulled within two points.

The Aggies biggest play came with two seconds left in the game, when forward Jimmy Humphries rebounded his missed free throw.

The Aggies came out on top the final score 47-43.

Every team that participated in the challenge received an award.

The most valuable player (MVP) award went to Alfonzo Ford of Mississippi Valley State.

He scored 48 points Friday night and 45 points Saturday night.

Head Coach, Don Corbett said that he was not very pleased with the teams overall performance in the challenge. "I can't say I'm satisfied

because I'm not. We lack consistency, we throw the ball

away and had a lot of turnovers," he said.

"We need to be more consistent and exercise a great deal of patience.

Unfortunately, the level of competition don't give us an opportunity to make mistakes," said Coach.

The Aggies will participate in the Southwest Missouri Tournament this weekend.

Coach Corbett feels this tournament competition will be tougher than the Challenge.

"We are playing the University of Pacific. We need to make an awful lot of improvement," he adds.

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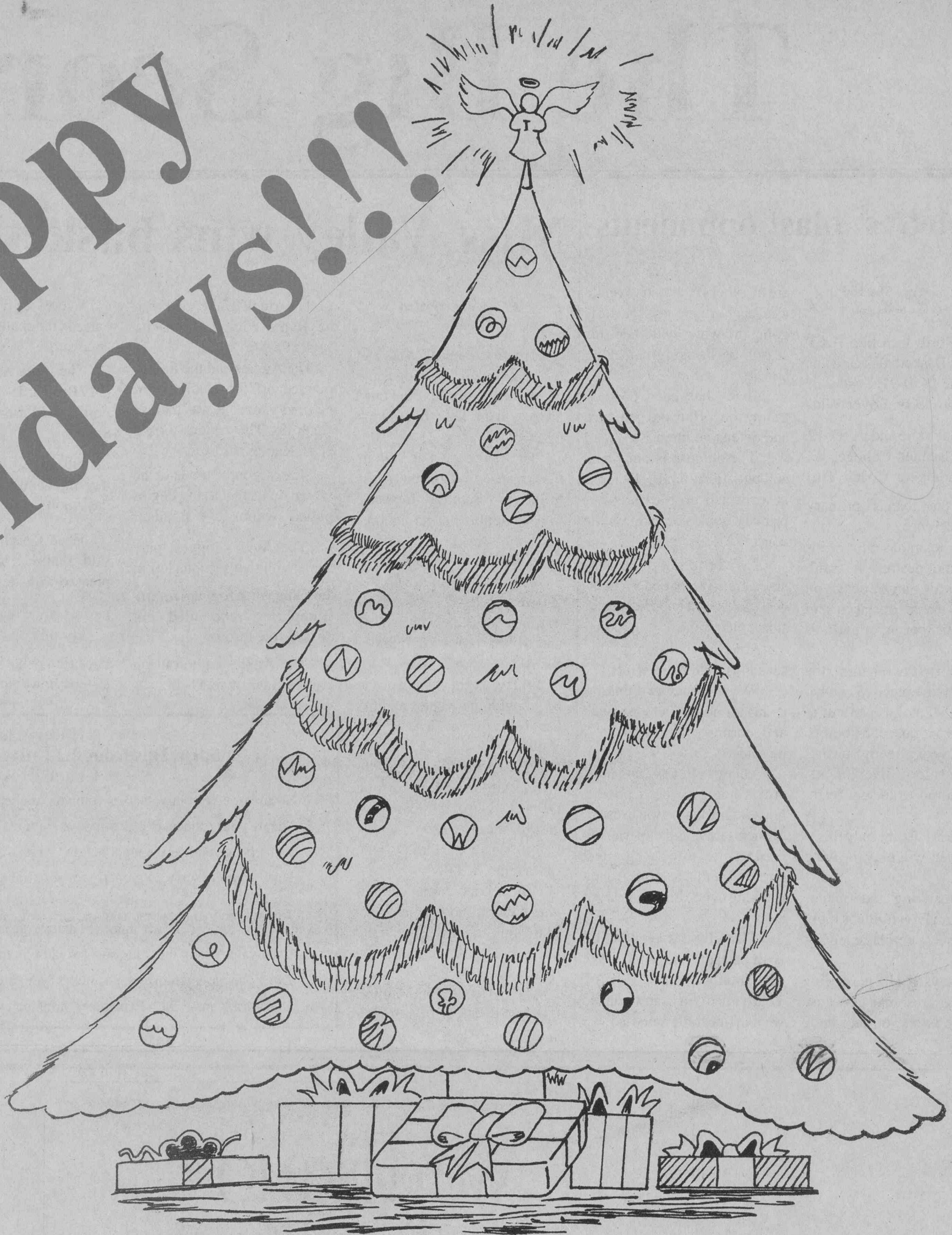
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