Students Remember King In Candlelight Vigil

By Latsha Wiggins

North Carolina A&T's students and faculty gathered for a candlelight vigil in memory of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. on Monday, Jan. 21.

The march, which was organized by A&T's Student Government Association, began at the Dudley Building and ended at Moore Gymnasium.

Before the march there was a ceremony outside of the Dudley Building featuring Dr. Alma Adams, Greensboro City Council, District 2.

Adams said the students and faculty gracefully how grateful they should be for King's work and achievements.

She said that it is now time for blacks to reaffirm their faith and renew their commitment and accountability.

Time to realize that our commitment to eliminate the racism, the injustice, and all of the evil in the world must continue with all deliberate speed.

Ann Barnes, Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity, Inc., gave a special tribute to King in a medley of two of his most famous speeches, "I Have a Dream" and "I've Been to the Mountaintop."

Barnes said blacks need to take a stand in the community, in the home and even stand up inside themselves.

William Ellerbe, President of the Student Union Advisory Board, was also a part of the ceremony.

After giving the invocation, Keith
Kaney gave his reflections of King in a speech he called "I Remember Mar-

Dr. Martin Luther King, surrounded by aides one day before the assassination.

"I remember Martin because he articulated so clearly and emphatically that there was no justice in war and that at the same time there can be no peace without justice," said Kean-

"You've got people talking about Africanamericanness, but we've got the people who's interested in economic security," said Dr. King.

"I'm a Republican, but I'm black first," said Stuart DeVeaux, president of Howard's Republican Club. "But I see the problems in our community as being economic, and the Republicans are more in line with that."

Progressive Republicans, the organization at North Carolina A&T, was founded in 1990 by Gerard Mor-

On the Rise

Black Republicans On The Rise

ATLANTA - The widow of the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., Sunday urged blacks to increase their political power in the 1992 election and curb drug-related violence in their communities.

"I think we have to be alarmed by the rapidly deteriorating situation here at home," Coretta Scott King declared in her annual "State of the Dream" speech on the eve of the national holiday celebrating her husband's birth.

Mrs. King, speaking from the pulpit of the Ebenezer Baptist Church that her husband co-founded before his 1968 assassination, said it is "imper-

"You've got two things happening on campus at the same time," said Ed Wylie, assistant managing editor of the student newspaper. "One thing is 'imper-

"We must make every church and temple, every shopping center and every corner store have a voter registration site," she said.

"Let's make 1992 the year the political system begins to respond to the need for genuine economic opportuni-
ties for Americans of all races.

Civil rights forces also must press for "domestic disarmament," with emphasis on controls limiting gun ownership, she said, and must "de-

"Despite abundant rhetoric that women and minority students are welcome in science and engineering programs, we found very little hap-

"The new AAS report is revealing. It is an important first step in the right direction," said Mary Beth Tinker, the group's executive director.

"There is more to be done, and we are not satisfied with the results so far," Tinker said.

The authors surveyed 1,311 colleges and universities nationwide, and received a response rate of 83.8%.

About 50% of the respondents said they had no plans to consider affirmative action programs. Another 5% said they had affirmative action programs but were not sure if they would be successful. About 30% said they were not sure if they would be successful. Another 10% said they were not sure if they would be successful.

"This is a very encouraging report," Tinker said. "We are pleased to see that the majority of institutions believe it is important to have a diverse student body and that they are taking steps to achieve this goal."
One Thing Leads To Another
By Greg Williams
Editor in Chief

100 years have passed since the creation of our great university. There’s no doubt that progress has been made in great strides by our school and race, but the little steps back have left me in a state of perplexity. Racism and genocide are the main hurdles that we (black people) have to keep going up.

The racism I’m mentioning is the overt forms such as the Klan or white supremacy groups, though they are involved, but the hidden covert forms of institutional racism. For example, the absence of in depth black studies in public school system is institutional racism. Another result of institutional racism is the fact that 50 percent of all men in jail are black, even though we only make up 6 percent of the population. Is this because we are innately bad? The media organizations and police would have you believe that we are born evil.

The ghetto is another form of institutional racism. A ghetto is defined as a section of a city in which minorities are confined due to social, economic or legal pressures. How is this racism? Everything is linked, like the domino effect; one thing leads to another. If the foundation of knowledge of yourself is distorted, you do not understand or comprehend why you are in a certain condition or position, instead you accept it for being your destiny.

One’s living environment is positively correlated to one’s state of mind in most cases. So if a ghetto inhabitant feels trapped, their animalistic instinct to survive might supercede any logical scheme toward a positive future. No one is more dangerous than an individual who has nothing to lose and has no hope. They have nothing to lose.

Economically blacks have made great progress as more black families are in the middle and upper classes, but we take a step back when we consider that the same percentage of blacks are in poverty as 20 years ago.

A study was released that reported that blacks are more frequently denied deposits in comparison to whites of equal economic status. Why is this? There is no ruin at the bank, “bored with a white-thick or burning cross”, but the right tactics are made when you are sentenced to do time in an economic prison.

Legally, a lot of black men are handcuffed to the projects. Who wants to hire an ex-con? Ex-cons can not vote, can not get a government job, will not get the benefit of the doubt, are said not to be rehabilitative, and are likely to be repeat offenders considering the only work they can get other pays minimum wage or is an illegal, high paying, fortune $5,000 job which are usually readily available due to the high turnover rate.

The only answer is the reeducation of our people and a rededication of our lives to helping African Americans become a self-sufficient race.

Malcolm X said, “Education is an important element in the struggle for human rights. It is the means to help our children and thereby increase self-respect. Education is our passport to the future, for tomorrow belongs to the people who prepare for it today.” Using the progress A&T has made as an example, we must continue to take steps forward and try to eliminate any steps back or our future will be filled with tears, anxiety, and funeral.

Will The Real NCAA Champion Please Stand Up
By Lawrence Sherrod
Managing Editor

Once again, the world of college football is in a state of disarray over deciding the national championship.

For the second straight year, the Associated Press and United Press International have split the national championship between the top two collegiate football finalists, the University of Miami and the University of Washington. Last year, Georgia Tech and the University of Colorado were co-champions.

The Hurricanes claim they deserve the championship because they beat #1 Florida State. The Huskies claim they deserve it because they were ranked as one of the best teams in the country offensively and defensively.

Both teams were 12-0. AP and UPI took these factors into consideration, yet were unable to make a clear-cut decision because the two teams hadn’t played each other during the regular season nor were they going to play each other in the post season (Washington won the Rose Bowl while Miami played Nebraska in the Orange Bowl). So, AP gave the title to Miami and UPI gave it to Washington.

Now comes the speculation and controversy. Some fans will say Washington was the better team while others will say Miami was the better team. What if Miami had played Washington?

In pro football, the top two teams play in the Super Bowl. In pro baseball, the top two teams play in the World Series. So, when the national championship is on the line, why aren’t the top two college football teams playing each other?

It doesn’t seem fair for Miami and Washington to play hard all year only to have their fair decided by the opinions of certain individuals. What will happen next year?

Everyone will have their opinions, but nobody will ever really know at the rate the NCAA is going. Just think: If Miami had played Washington in the Orange Bowl, who would have been the real national champion?

All we have now is confusion and unanswered questions.

One Slap In The Face Too Many
By Stephanie Boone
Community News Editor

From the beginning of time, black people have had to deal with much oppression, depression sitting in the back of the bus, being called a nigger and being identified as colored.

Blacks have been labeled as lazy, singing, and stumbling that it is in their cheeks from continually being slapped in the face, they after day, and year after year.

We are slapped everyday when young men are foiled in the stopping centers because they look “suspicious.” We are slapped when we watch altercations move up the corporate ladder while we are forced to wait our turn. We are slapped daily as the legal is violated by the law enforcement and the mass media.

We were slapped when the Constitution is written calling the slaves as property.

In Philadelphia, the leader of the Nation of Islam, Louis Farrakhan said 10,000 people at the Philadelphia Civic Center that Dr. King was “a genuine American hero.”

In Atlanta, W. E. Burdick said a co-dr. Dr. King’s old church that South Africa’s fight for freedom has “come full circle in the minds and tactics of non-racists.”

And in Denver, 10,000 people marched in a parade in tribute to Dr. King, of the city’s largest celebrations of the holiday.

But this week the Klan showed up.

White supremacists chose to rally at the state capital in Denver and wave black berets, white sticks, and bottles and ashtrays. Then the police came to the menace in the street with their mace, tear gas and riot sticks. Thats when we got slapped again.

For a march through Forsyth, Ga. on Dr. King’s birthday, but the circumstances were similar, but reviewed. What I don’t remember is tear gas, riot gas and riot sticks, although I may have a bad memory.

We know that the King holiday is the least observed and most ignored holiday in corporate America. We also know about A&T and New Hampshire. And, hey, don’t forget President Bush and his choice - out of 365 days - for Dr. King’s Jan. 15.

In 1991, we had a National Press Conference calling on the President to fire the National Security Adviser. We had a talk: about double standards and the problem of the press.

We told the president that the issue was not just Dr. King, these are the people’s elections. He refused.

In 1992, a man in a suit and tie will start the blood in the street and add yet another color to our skin.

The Black Athlete: Where Does He Go?
By Colin Spady
Staff Writer

How many times have you seen an athlete attend a black college and his/her main concerns include participating in the sport, meeting people, pursing and just having fun. Because they were told all their lives by coaches, teachers, friends and family, “you can go pro.”

Education and working towards a degree are not included in the college plan when they should be at the top of the priority list, especially when attending a black college.

After all, the chances of an athlete from a black college becoming professional are almost nonexistent.

I hear athletes党 claim the coaching staff is not good as at universities, and black colleges. In fact, many times it is better. The problem is black colleges don’t get the recognition or publicity needed to help show their students talents.

The chances of an athlete becoming a professional football player, is generally small. The chances of an athlete becoming a professional basketball player, is generally small.

Therefore, he will not make the team because he has trained for one position and expected to play another.

This is not to say that an athlete attending a black college does not have a chance they should not have been teams of playing professional. Some are lucky enough to make it. But you must also be prepared for the worst.

How do you think that? It goes back to priorities. You must realize the main reason you came to college; to get an education.

If you’re going to be here for four years, you may as well make the best of it and aim to be a professional in the business world just in case you are not one of the “lucky ones.”
From Pre-School To Prime Time

GREENSBORO— Two sisters, four-year-old Kara and five-year-old Kristina Hargraves have graduated from beauty pageant to movie roles.

They were seen in "Young Riders," Saturday evening, January 16, on TV channel WQMG Power 97 B97, WPMF TV2, the North Carolina Greensboro Program.

This was followed by print work for a local department store in Maryland. At 11 months old, Kara entered her first beauty pageant.

When the sisters were interviewed in November 1991, for "Young Riders," they had earned together eleven prizes and several other prizes from beauty pageants.

Kara and Kristina are the granddaughters of Dr. Wanda B. Hall, special assistant to the dean of the North Carolina A&T School of Education.

The Double Vision Of America

Movies and television play a large part in how people perceive and accept each other. The negative disillusions are a direct reflection of our society's double standards.

As an employee in a video department, I hear the comments about movies and see the types of movies released. The general consensus is that movies with white villains are fine, but movies with black people pulling a trigger are automatically seen as entertaining, irresponsibly made movies.

The Terminator was shown everyone in sight including cops. But when New Jack City was released, some video stores required a $35 deposit in order to rent it. The video store said that the violent nature of the movie was the reason for the deposit, but movies like "Die Hard," "Ghostbusters" and Steven Segal's murder fantasies, which all have triple-digit casualties, are rented with no deposit and the only penalty for renting them is the absorption of ignorance.

"Marked For Death," Sega defeats a Jamaican posse. The spectacular thing is that he killed all the Jamaicans in the Chicago branch of the posse, without a scratch on him. However, he was not finished. He felt the need to kill more dark skinned. So he went to Jamaica: this was the impossible part. He beat up and/or killed every Jamaican who got in his way and tried to break the all-smiler movie record in a movie.

White people love this movie; it stays rented out. But Eddie Murphy's "Harlem Nights" gets few white repeat rentals. White people said the movie was good, and there was too much profanity. Their reason for saying this was that Eddie Murphy and Richard Pryor blew up the white gangsters and took their money at the end of the film.

Some of the white viewers could not accept the fact that a group of black professionals could outsmart a group of whites, but "Harlem Nights" gets few repeat rentals. The most racist movies of all times are the Westerns. The great James Bond movies are Western movies. In westerns, the white men are the good guys, saving the day from these bad of indians, to whom I'll refer as the Native Americans.

When the white men are not considered a vixey, if the Natives Americans win, it was a massacre, and justified any other slaughter of the "Red Guys." The one thing about these movies is that there is much in them. No one truly realized that they were written for the whites, but the truth lies in the large number of Native American casualties.

Before they were finished, the white men killed close to 20 million Native Americans in the pursuit of the "American Dream.

These attitudes of accepting movies are a reflection of how minorities are viewed in society. Children are taught that white is right and black is bad and they grew up in ignorance of the truth. The truth being that all men were created equal with no intentions of one race being superior.

As college students we must not live up to the movies' disillusions, but instead we must continue to optimize the excellence needed to succeed in the pursuit of the "American Dream." Aggie style.
New Policies Topic of Greek Forum

By Leila Wiggins 

Chair: Report

The new in-process the process that A&T's Greek-lettered organizations have recently adopted sparked a lot of debate during a forum on the university's hazing policy.

On Thursday, Jan. 16, the Greek-lettered organizations held a public forum on the new-in-process, which was adopted last year, and the university's hazing policy.

Each organization had a spokesperson present to give general information about their respective organizations and to answer questions about the hazing policy and the in-process.

Hazing is defined in A&T's 1991-92 Student Handbook as "any action or behavior by any student by playing abusive or ridiculous tricks upon him/her, to frighten, scold, humiliate, threaten, or subject him/her to personal indignities for the purpose of obtaining personal benefit or for the purpose of obtaining recognition at the expense of the victim."

Each representative said their organization does not tolerate hazing and anyone who feels they are being held should report the situation to student affairs.

Erica Smith of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority Inc. says: "If you allow yourself to humili, then you're forcing your fellow to become a member of Delta Sigma Theta for the rest of your life."

"It's a little bit different and everyone is still getting used to it. But personally, I agree with it because to me my son I do not feel that I need to hit you."

Dr. Kim Delany, professor of mathematics and education, said: "The purpose of the process changed was because of the many lawsuits and deaths that had been acquired because of the past pledging process."

Questions were also asked as to how long each organization felt the in-process should last.

Some said a little longer than a week but others said an entire semester because you can't get to know a person in a week.

Hustler Hall of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity, Inc. says: "If you get into an organization and you just want your party, I would like to participate in the service projects, then you will never experience the closeness you will just be a number."

"We want to think that anyone who feels they are being held should report the situation to student affairs."

The class will meet every

Monday through Wednesday in her office from 5:00 to 6:00 p.m. and cover a variety of topics including chemistry, calculus, thermodynamics, electric circuits, economics, engineering, and statistics.

The cost of this course is $225.00 per semester and is for those planning to sit for the spring 1992 FE.

For further information and registration, contact the Office of Continuing Education, 91W

Nissan Announces New Summer Intern Program

In recognition of the importance of the nation's Historically Black Colleges and Universities, Nissan in North America has announced the inauguration of the 1992 Nissan Summer Intern Program. The program will offer undergraduate students the opportunity to gain first-hand work experience and exposure to various aspects of the automotive industry. The three-month paid summer internship is open to students in the third or fourth year of degree granting programs at institutions which qualify as HBCU's and who have a cumulative grade point average of 3.0 or better.

Internships will take place at Nissan companies located in or around the country, and will involve work on a variety of projects geared to not only teach students about the automotive industry, but to enhance their work, interpersonal and networking skills.

Nissan recognizes the unique role the nation's Historically Black Colleges and Universities play in the education of thousands of African American students, "so we will always think it never happen to us."

According to Planned Parenthood in Washington, D.C., AIDS can be transmitted during unprotected sex the first time, last time or any other time.

Leilita Wheatson, a senior communications major at A&T said that she is not shocked about the results of the survey.

"I don't care how much you practice safe sex, and I don't care how much you show the effects of the disease, people aren't going to realle until it happens to them."

"I think Planned Parenthood in the Triad reports that 4 people are infected with a STD, which can be severely decrease if people will begin to understand the severity of not using condoms."

You would think what happened to Magic Johnson would cause people to be more cautious," said Colleen Spady, a senior communications major.

"But the statistics show that people don't believe in proper sex," said Bowling.

Bowling said that the only solution is education. "Knowing the correct protection and how to use it is crucial," said Bowling.

Planned Parenthood in Washington, D.C. said that if you are in a situation where you should worry, just say, 'just this once,' respond by saying, 'once in all it takes.'

Additional information is available at the Planned Parenthood Center here on campus, or contact your local office of Planned Parenthood.

Michael A. Cornelius, Vice President Legal and Public Affairs. In addition to the Nissan Summer Intern Program, the automaker also sponsors the annual Nissan-HEBCU Summer Internship, a faculty development seminar, which brings together 25 HBCU full-time professors and the country's leading business experts in such fields as marketing, finance, and organizational behavior.

Accounting will be the subject at the Fourth Annual Nissan-HEBCU Summer Institute, so to be held in July on the campus of Howard University. For further information, students should contact their campus intern coordinator.
Bennett Opens New Facility

by Lawrence Shortal
Managing Editor

Last January, the Ernest and Janisa Shell Hall as the campus of Bennett College was a piece of land. One year later, it opened for spring semester classes.

Shell Hall will house Bennett’s Department of Mass Communications, Speech and Theater, previously the classes for this department were held in several different buildings across campus.

The building will consist of classrooms, faculty and staff offices, journals and photography labs and a teleconference room.

“We’re thrilled that we have the basics to get a mass communications program off the ground,” said Charnita McKissic-Kemp, department chairman.

Kemp, who will be leaving Bennett temporarily to pursue her PhD, says she’s “glad” the facility has helped see it get to this point. “The students are very happy to finally have a stabilized structure for production.”

The building is named after Janisa Shell of Los Angeles and her late husband Ernest. The Shells have been strong supporters of higher education among blacks and have made significant contributions to several other colleges and universities; Mrs. Shell selected Bennett because of her interest in the advancement of black women.

At the 1990 United Negro College Fund Telethon in Los Angeles, Mrs. Shell gave a $100,000 gift to break ground for the building in January 1991. The building was dedicated in May and the official ribbon-cutting was held in October.

The building is divided into three sections, A, B and C. Each section is equipped to accommodate the handi-capped.

“We could put everything into one building, but it would have taken a longer time and been more expensive,” said Kemp.

Section A houses the journalism lab, where the Bennett Banner, the school newspaper, will be printed, a teleconference room and classes in ad-verstising and public speaking. Faculty will be taught.

Section B houses the cam-pus television and radio station. The television station produces a 30-minute video program, “Ebony Vibes,” for cable channel 8.

Bruce Clark, associate professor of mass communications, says that he is “leaving it up to the students what they would like to do.”

As for the radio station, Clark says that students will be required to do or shift as a part of radio production classes. He also says that every broadcast production student will be required to work with each piece of equipment for television and radio.

Section C houses the photography lab and classes in public speaking and news reporting. Teresa J. Styles, associate professor of mass communications says that photo shop students will be working with new part-time instructors Tom Sandman and Bill Poteet to determine what pictures will go in the Banner.

The department will offer a bachelor’s degree in mass communication which will cover the three concentrations: offered: broadcast communications, print journalism and public relations.

Students will have to have a minimum of 12 hours in graduate study.

Attention Photographers: The A&T Register is in need of a student photographer to shoot color and black & white pictures. Minimal photography experience expected. Must know how to develop film. Camera & film available for rent. Box E-95, NCA&T, 27411 or call 334-7700.

Triad Celebrates King Day

By Donnie Staff Writer

"If any of you are around when I meet my day, don't mention that I have a Nobel Peace Prize or that I have 200 other awards, just men-tion that Martin Luther King, Jr. tried to give his life serving others, fed the hungry, clothed those that were naked, visited the sick and tried to love and serve humanity.”

Martin Luther King, Jr.

These famous words from the "Desired Elogies" of Mar-tin Luther King, Jr. were spoken so that a man would be re-membered for what he believed, for what he achieved and for the faith that he had in the future of blacks.

Greenboro, its surrounding communities, colleges and universities joined together on Monday, Jan. 20, to recog-nize the birthday of a freedom fighter and to celebrate the memory of a king.

The Greensboro chapter of the NAACP sponsored its annual parade that resulted in the largest turnout in the pa-rades history.

The color guard, from James B. Dudley High School, led the procession followed by other local clubs, bands and organizations.

The parade began at 10:00 a.m. at Benwell Street, con-tinued through Martin Luther King Drive and ended at Correll Street.

Greenboro resident, LaMorne Darlay, 23, attended the celebration. He said, "Not only did he dedicate his life to helping others, but he was one of the most powerful and in-spirational speakers that I ever heard. I felt honored just to be able to pay tribute to him.”

Bell-ringing ceremonies were held throughout the na-tion. In Raleigh, a simulated Liberty Bell rang at 11:30 a.m. in union with other bells across the country.

In Winston-Salem, the community and Winston-Sa-lem State University students marched as a tribute to Dr. King. The march ended with a commemoration ceremony at the Benton Convention Cen-ter.

UNC-Greensboro joined in the celebration with a gos-pel concert in Aycock Auditor-i um on Sunday. A dedication was titled, "The Meeting," about an encounter between Martin Luther King, Jr. and Malcolm X followed the concert.

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Although most colleges and universities did recognize the King Holiday, Greensboro College did not plan any for-mal activities for the occasion. However, 30 dedicated stu-dents at the school held their own march across campus.

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Williams Adjusting Well

By Bill Evans
Sport Editor

When an athlete transfers from one school to another, it usually takes a year or two to finally settle in. However, every once in a while, a player comes along and makes an immediate impact. This holds true for the Aggies’ Jamie Williams.

Williams comes to A&T from Morgan State where he was selected as the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference’s (MEAC) Rookie of the Year, 1989-90. "My coach was fast at Morgan, and he decided that A&T was the best school to come to in the MEAC, and really, A&T was the only school looking at me at the end of the year," Williams said.

Williams is a 69 junior from Philadelphia majoring in political science. He feels that the influence he received from his former coach,落实ed, was very positive. "It’s a really different atmosphere from Morgan, because Morgan doesn’t have a campus life and you can get mixed up in the flow of things in Baltimore. Down here I can relax and focus on my books more," Williams said.

Though Williams hasn’t played in a year, one could hardly tell from watching him play. He leads the team in rebounds and is the second leading scorer on the team at 13.7 points a game.

"Jamie has brought size and offensive abilities to our team. He has the capabilities to be a good scorer both inside and out," Head Coach Don Corbett said. "He is also our team’s best rebounder and shot blocker."

Although the season is merely halfway through, Williams is hoping for big things. "I’m looking for a championship and the best I can for the team," Williams said.

On the Aggies recent six game winning streak, Williams has totaled 69 rebounds and 101 points.

Aggie Roundball Update

By Bill Evans
Sports Editor

Interchangeable line-ups and top newcomers becoming adjusted to the team in mid season, the North Carolina A&T Aggies’ basketball program is from getting off to a consistent start.

The Aggies dropped three of their first seven games as non-conference foes UNC Wilmington, Charlotte, and Rhode Island to whom they lost in the MVP Tournament in Toledo, Ohio where the Aggies advanced in the finals. Their wins came over the Swedish National Team, the College of Charleston, St. Louis University and Indiana State.

"I don’t think we’ve gelled yet, we don’t have a set-up line right now, and that worries me,” Head Basketball Coach Don Corbett said.

However, with the start of the new year and the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) schedule, the Aggies had suddenly begun to live up to the pre-season predictions of being the team to beat in 92. After dropping Howard 69-66 in the MEAC opener, the Aggies rolled off victory after victory, five over MEAC opponents.

On the road for the fifth time this season, the Aggies ventured into Baltimore and blew out the Morgan State Bears 86-67.

The Aggies’ then returned home for a hard fought 82-80 win over Coppin State. In search of their third straight win the Aggies traveled to Florida to take on Bethune-Cookman. The Aggies outscored the Wildcats 85-75.

Dana Elliot and Colonial Spady both had 22 points to lead the way.

Back home again, the Aggies were preparing to take on Delaware State in a contest the Aggies would decide the top spot in the conference. A&T edged Delaware in overtime 81-73.

The Aggies then went on to rout Maryland-Eastern Shore 90-66.

On Wednesday, A&T and North Carolina Central took to the court to renew an age old rivalry. The Aggies outlasted a late charge by the Eagles to secure a 70-64 win.

In each of those games the Aggies’ reserves played well and the veterans did what was expected.

“Right now we are playing together,” said junior point guard Darryl Cheeley. “We are out here to do one thing, and that’s win a championship.”

Aggies Skin the Wildcats

By Bill Evans
Sport Editor

Jamae Williams scored 22 points and grabbed seven rebounds to lead the North Carolina A&T Aggies to a 70-59 MEAC win over Bethune-Cookman Saturday.

The Aggies, now 6-1 in the conference and the winners of seven straight, rode the strength of some hard-nosed defense and key play from top reserves Colonial Spady (8 points) and Bobby Moore (7 points) to overcome the scrappy Wildcats.

Overall, our guys played well,” Head Coach Don Corbett said. "We showed a lot of poise down the stretch, and we did what we had to do to win.”

The Wildcats were led by senior swingman Reggie Cunningham, who came into the game as the MEAC leader in scoring at 28.3, but was held to only 14.

From the outset of the game, the Aggies appeared ready to blow the contest wide open, taking an early 13-point lead.

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