Cluster offers jobs to students

by Kim Mayhew
Staff Reporter

The N.C. A&T State University/Industrial Cluster benefits not only N.C. A&T students, but also Fortune 500 companies, according to a Cluster official.

"The primary purpose is not only to bring historically black higher education institutions together with major corporations," said Lillie King, Cluster coordinator, "but (also) for the express purpose of identifying graduates who could go on to work in the management act as part of the management team."

The University/Industrial Fort appoints committee to recruit black males

by Kim Mayhew
Staff Reporter

In response to student concerns about the declining number of black males entering college, N.C. A&T Chancellor Edward Fort has appointed a committee to address the issue of recruiting and retaining black males at the University, an administration official said.

“We have individuals throughout the campus who are concerned about the statistics that we hear so much about,” said Samuel Moseley, chairman of the committee, “and we are hoping to put together something that will allow the university to form a program that will be implemented on an ongoing basis.”

Last November, Fort appointed 22 people to sit on the committee, including a student representative from the Student Government Association (SGA) and three representative student athletes.

Moseley said many people felt this program was long overdue, and there had been a good response to the program. “We would like more student input,” he said, because students...
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George C. Wolfe's play "The Colored Museum" opens at A&T's Paul Robeson Theatre at 8 p.m. tonight. Performed by N.C. A&T's Richard B. Harrison Players and directed by Taalib Deen, Wolfe's "eleven exhibits," as performed, are intended to "cut the silted legs out from under black stereotypes, old and new," a theatre spokesman said. In addition to tonight's performance, the play will also be performed Saturday, Feb. 20 and Monday, Feb. 22 at 8 p.m. A Sunday matinee is slated for 5 p.m., Feb. 21. Tickets are available at least one hour before showtime at the Paul Robeson Theatre, or may be reserved by calling 334-7915 or 334-7832.

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Polls show students in favor of Black Studies

From Staff Reports

An uncertain poll taken among members of the audience at assistant and former rap star Professor Griff's speech at N.C. A&T last week showed strong support for both mandatory black studies and a continuing role for historically black colleges, according to members of a student activist group.

A questionnaire created by A&T's Black Studies Coalition (BSC) was distributed to 334 people at the event, said BSC spokesman Allen Boyd, and all but 13 were filled out and returned. The poll asked students to answer two questions:

- Do you think a core curriculum of six hours of mandatory African-American studies should be required at A&T?
- Have historically black colleges and universities outlived their purpose?
- Members of the audience expressed overwhelming support for mandatory studies, according to BSC officials. At least 87 percent said core curriculum of black studies should be required. About 88 percent said the studies shouldn't be required, and 4 percent said they were either undecided or had no opinion.
- On the second question, 14 percent of the respondents said that historically black colleges had outlived their purpose, while 77 percent said they had not. About 4 percent were undecided or had no opinion.
- "This (the poll) was a step in the right direction," said history education major William Buser, "and it is ridiculous that we should even have to vote for something that should have been mandatory a long time ago."

Dwayne Patterson, chairman of the BSC, said, "The poll signifies that the time on A&T's campus is drawing near for the happy Negro. The people feel that black studies are overdue and the time is right for change." The BSC plans to hold a referendum on the black studies question on March 23, in the student union from 8 a.m. -4 p.m., in which students will be asked to cast a ballot for or against mandatory black studies.

The purpose of the referendum is to allow every student who is for or against the mandatory studies to be heard, Paterson said, adding he expected a pre-victory that would end the "ballyhooing" of students and faculty opposed to the studies.

Aggies receive scholarships

by Sandy Saxems
Staff Reporter

Two N.C. A&T accounting students have each been selected to receive a $2,000 scholarship sponsored by an international accounting firm.

Tamar Houston, a junior from Charlotte, and Carolyn McCullogh, a junior from Greensboro, were among 15 college students chosen to receive the Cooper and Lybrand Scholarship.

Cooper and Lybrand is an accounting firm with offices across the United States and in 121 countries.

"The financial assistance will enable me to focus more time in my studies and organization," Houston said.

McCullogh said the scholarship would help with tuition and books. She said she was planning to interview with the company again.

The scholarship is renewable, but they must go through the interviewing process again to be selected. Recipients are eligible for internships, provided the company has internships available.

Cooper and Lybrand will be interviewing applicants on campus.

Students hold protest during basketball game

by Karl Tripp
Staff Reporter

N.C. A&T students from the Black Studies Coalition (BSC), various campus Greek organizations and several community members are in protest in favor of mandatory black studies during half-time at the A&T South Carolina basketball game Saturday.

At the beginning of the game during the Black National Anthem, members of the BSC held aloft a red, black and green flag. However, during the United States National Anthem, black studies supporters remained seated with newspapers in front of them. Dwayne Patterson, chairman of the BSC, said the gesture was intended to show that the anthem did not have the same cultural meaning for African-Americans as the black anthem, and illustrated their frustration with the A&T administration's failure to respond quickly on the black studies issue.

Assistant Professor announces retirement

by Tara Bennett
Staff Reporter

More than three decades ago, an assistant professor of education and sociology named Harold Mazyck, Jr. began his teaching career at N.C. A&T.

It was 1960, an emotional year to join the faculty. Four A&T students had just initiated a sit-in after they were refused service at Woolworth's lunch counter in Greensboro.

The action of the "Greensboro Four" provoked similar passive action across the South, and some tiny cracks finally began to appear in the wall of organization separating African-Americans from their fellow students.

Mazyck began his college studies at South Carolina State University, where he received a bachelor's degree in education. Later, he acquired a master's degree at North Carolina A&T State University. He received his doctorate in educational administration and supervision.

Mazyck, who has served as chairman of the Department of Home Economics at the School of Agriculture since 1972, announced his retirement last week and remarked about the changes he had seen during his time at A&T.

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U.S. citizens question happenings in Somalia

By Scottie Holloway
Staff Reporter

As Americans watch U.S. troops half a world away attempting to provide safe passage for United Nations food shipments and becoming the victims of warlord-sponsored sniper fire, predicted more U.S. citizens are asking probing but often overlooked questions: What is really happening in Somalia?

U.S. military personnel began airlifting supplies to the starving Somalis on Aug. 17 of last year. U.S. soldiers as well as soldiers from various other countries are in Somalia to guard against the looting of food meant for the starving Somali people.

Although much of the heavy fighting has ceased, guns in Somalia are abundant and violence is an everyday reality. Many Somalis are held hostage by looters stealing much of the food and medical aid that is sent to the country.

Since January 1991, Somalia has been in civil war, since 1988 the country has suffered a drought. The result of this combination is a country overcome by famine, anarchy and poverty.

"Somalia is a situation that has put modern man to a test," said Peter Forge, associate professor of history at N.C. A&T. "Modern man is generally seen as good and helping mankind."

Foge said he believed it took Americans time to get involved. The intervention by the U.S. was motivated by international pressure, he said. There is little or no political interest in Somalia among U.S. officials anymore because the country lacks any resources the U.S. wants.

During the Cold War, Americans feared the Russians would help the Somalis and gain as their allies. Foge said that the U.S. used the Africans and now that the Soviet Union is gone, they no longer need them and have thrown them away, he added.

"However, most of the blame belongs on the Africans themselves," said Foge. He believes the fights between the various African clans have contributed to ending the recovery of Somalia.

"I would like to see U.S. soldiers remain there a little longer," he said.

"Pulling out now is premature; the soldiers have not finished their job," Foge said.

Foge said the goal of the U.S. should be to help the Somalis maintain stability and help improve a government on their behalf, letting the Somalis govern themselves when the time is right.

Niger Kamal, visiting assistant professor of political science, said the U.S. soldiers had already been effective.

"In the long term, if the U.S. continues to stay, it may be ineffective," Kamal said. "The U.S. (soldiers) could outline their usefulness and as time goes on, they will be perceived as an occupying force that is regulating people's lives."

Kamal said he believed that America's Vietnamese experience could "in a certain way" add with the dismemberment of the Soviet Union, the U.S. doesn't find the conflicts between warring factions in Somalia to be so important. He argued that the U.S. is involved because of humanitarian reasons.

"The U.S. cannot avoid that kind of responsibility as leader of the world," Kamal added.

However, Owen Cole, associate professor of history, said the U.S. soldiers should remain another year, because the situation in Somalia has been going on a long time. "If we leave too quickly, then it will probably go back to the same," Cole said.

Cole hopes the U.S. will have a positive impact in terms of relations. He said they would contribute to a good diplomatic climate and possibly have a good impact on the young people in Somalia and future generations.

"I think it was a combination of politics, pressure and humanitarian motivation which caused the U.S. to react," Cole said. "Mainly humanitarian. It's easy to say (its) politics, but the cruelty of the situation was so intense, the U.S. had to respond."

Feature articles

What's Up, Nikki?!

I am writing to you because I don't have anywhere to turn in, and need your help.

I am a 10-year-old senior who has problems talking to my girlfriend. She is the first person I've ever tried to be intimate with.

We have been dating for over a year. We have had sex three or four times, but nothing happens. She has been observing me and easy with me, but I can tell she is her wild's end with me. I have tried to talk to her, but he said I'm not thinking about it. I can't make her to like me.

Do you have any diseases or any physical problems. It seems to be all in my mind, not in my body. I'm in the point now that I am scared of being alone with her. I love her and want to be intimate with her.

I do continue to try and be intimate with her, so I can keep her, or do I wait until I'm mentally stable and lose her? Please help me!

—Secrets in Scott

Dear Secrets,

I sympathize with you and your problem, but I don't think you should force yourself to do something you are not ready for. I know this means losing someone you love, but it is important to try to be intimate with your girlfriend. You might be causing yourself more harm than good. You say you don't have any physical problems, so you should just keep your time in sex develop a healthy, normal relationship with a woman.

You are not a less a man if you decide to wait until you are ready. Now is not the time. If you are, only is your senior, that you are a senior, and mean you have you to fulfill that requirement before you graduate in order to have a successful college experience.

What's Up, Nikki?

Early last semester, I met the man of my dreams. He's a walking, edible chocolate bar. We remained distant rather than instant when the fall semester. Every now and then, we would exchange phone calls. Once, we went out. When we talk, he seems interested in me, and always compliments but also says he has called me. He's really busy with work, school and the reserves, but I need to know if there is room for me. Am I being impatient or naive? Should I confine him? Upset with anxiety.

Dear Upset:

The answer is easier than you think. You need to ask this guy the same thing you are asking me. Do not think of yourself as being moist or impotent, but simply curious about what goes on ahead of the two of you.

I'm sure the questions "Will we ever get together and am I waiting my time?" have entered your mind several times. Three questions can only be answered by him. Don't buck him into a corner with your concerns, but just let him know how you feel. Inquire if there is any room for you in his life or future and hope for "Yes."

Are you having trouble relating to the female population because of how you don't? You just feel your boyfriend is slipping away into someone else's arms? Okay, Aggie, you ask for it and it's time, your personal advice only at the A&T Register called What's Up NIKKI?, a question and answer section designed to help our readers with their problems. If you need Nikki's advice please the guidelines: Send all letters to What's Up NIKKI?

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It "Temps" you but does not satisfy

by Renée Nixon
Arts Reporter

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"Don't be surprised by daycare centers in the office. People who wish you in the back like in the 70s," says the character Charles

(Faye Dunaway in this film, adding, "but now they just smile while doing it."
This line sums up the whole movie.

Kris (Lara Flynn Boyle), the title character, walks into the offices of Appleby's with a handful of letters, each one with a note on it. Strange things begin to happen around the office. Although the audience doesn't actually see Kris and her coworkers (it's obvious that she's the corporate viper responsible.

Kris starts out working for Peter Derms (Charles Durning) and is eventually made it to temporary permanent secretary to market manager to assistant to vice president for cigarette. And as she moves up one corporate ladder, someone else must either move down or be shoved ahead. Three people did not circumstances that don't arouse police suspicion.

The only person who figures out Kris's scheme is Peter, and he has no proof that she killed anyone.

However, overall, the film is just too short to tell. It's never explained why she melodramatically kills her competitors rather than lying and brown-nosing like most ambitious corporate employees.

Tactics that she employs to hurt the company's image while polishing her own, such as making cookies that cause bleeding in the patient's mouth, are never explained adequately. The "Temps" left too many questions unanswered.

Much of the movie was predictable. It was not an edge-of-your-seat thriller, but still not your interest long enough for you to sit through it.

The plot line that has been temped-out, I think I want to know something else. What did I do with my copy of "Real Attraction?"
Edwards, Barnett named SBN All-Americans

Greensboro, N.C. - SBN Sports Network, a division of American Urban Radio Network, has announced its 1992 Black College All-American, and two North Carolina A&T football players, Rodney Edwards and Alonzo Barnett, have been selected to the team.

Edwards, a linebacker, and Barnett, a strong safety, will be honored at the Black College All-American Celebration set for February 19-20, 1993 at the Marriott Inner Harbor Hotel in Baltimore.

"I feel good about this," said Rodney Edwards. "I'm very fortunate to have this opportunity to share this honor with eleven other defensive players in Black College football."

"I never envisioned finishing up on my collegiate career on such a high note," Edwards was also selected as Defensive Player of the Year in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference and by the Washington, DC Pigskin Club. "I'm extremely excited about being selected to the Black Collegiate All-American Team," said Al Barnett.

"After having such a successful season as a team, it feels good to be named among the best in Black College football," he added. Barnett was selected first time All-MEAC. "We are very proud of Al and Rodney," said head football coach Bill Hayes.

The entire A&T football is extremely proud for their contributions to the team and for the individual hours they earned."

Friday night's activities will be an "Evening with the Champions" Reception that will feature some of the greatest players in the history of Black College football. Walter Payton, Doug Williams, Richard Dent, Mel Blount, Willie Lanier and other former members of the National Football League will be on hand.

The SBN All-Time Black College team will be introduced at the reception. Saturday's activities will begin with a NFL "Skill" session from 12-2 pm in the Camdens Club at Camden Yards, home of the Baltimore Orioles.

The session is for players only. The banquet will be the highlight of the weekend activities that feature a celebration of 100 Years of Black College Football and will feature NFL Hall of Famer Deacon Jones, who will deliver the keynote address.

CNN's Fred Hickman will be the emcee. Songstress Phyllis Hyman will provide entertainment.

Top of the world: After receiving the championship trophy, Rodney Edwards waves to the crowd.

Aggies prepare for '93 season

Greensboro, N.C. - The North Carolina A&T football team swung into action last weekend as they hosted Duke University to kick off the 1993 season.

Last weekend's games, and Sunday, were played at Southeast Guilford High School football field.

A&T's home games are usually played at Memorial Stadium or Storer White Park, but due to the field's being resodded, it will be mid-March before the Aggies can resume play on their home field.

The Aggies will return five starters and 14 lettermen from last year's 19-32 team. Joe Hill and Mike Arts, both seniors, are the top returnees for the Aggies.

Hill and Arts led the team in hitting last season with batting averages of .371 and .369 respectively. Arts led the team in home runs with fifteen. while Hill added eight.

First year Coach Keith Henry will field a relatively young team as he calls upon squad down to around twenty-five players. "I don't know what to expect this year," said Henry.

"We have had a chance to get in some good practice time, but sometimes its hard to move from the practice field to the playing field," Henry added. "we have a good nucleus of players to build around.

I think our pitching will be better this year, and that definitely is a plus."

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Opinion from the past

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Action For Justice Lauded

Several students here have engaged in what they term a passive demonstration protesting the failure of the F. W. Woolworth's downtown store to offer service to Negroes at the checkout counter. It has been stated by Woolworth's front office in New York that they do not extend local policy on race to all our stores. They state that the local store's policy is "ablest by local custom" in regard to matters involving the races.

In view of the fact that the heads of the chains indicate they will go along with any changes in policy dictated by a corresponding change in local custom, then it would seem that it is left with the local management here to come to some conclusion, or at least confer with these students in an effort to LEGALIZE the problem.

We have seen local editorial comment to the effect that the "all-white" demand for service, which went unheeded, served only to indicate that the students are obviously acting in an intemperate fashion as stated in the editorial comment.

The group has stated that they hold no resentment toward the company, but "for a more fair understanding of the gross inequality and discrimination placed on one American upon another, who happens, by the Will of God, to be of another color."

Also, in evidence to the fact that the students are allegedly being forced to seek fair treatment is the support they are beginning to receive from students of local white colleges, both students and faculty.

The initial support for this cause was almost complete, and colored, that it is the students of today — both white and colored — who will occupy the positions of leadership in the future. If this is inevitable, then these youth should have something to say now about the changes — the world that will be in their hands in the very near future.

The time has indeed come when we must all face up to the facts, and realize that America can not continue its present position of leadership in world affairs with the stigma of race prejudice and discrimination on the one hand, and stiff-the-face tactics on the other. The masses is here now to show A.T. for second-class citizenship and first-class oppression.

What It's Like At Woolworth's Lunch Counter

By Kim Mayhew and Townsend Dickens

The Knittel Round Table

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Our correspondent, while waiting for his pray-er to be served, was served up being served at the counter. He was met with the minimum of toleration by his order. The meal he ordered was served with a courteous manner, finished with a smile and with a laugh of joy.

I ordered the "Fried Chicken Lunch". The waiter came in, sat down and was expected to write down what I would have. They told me not were served perfectly.

The first time has come that the young people take up this issue at the top of what's to come in the way of a Christian movement not inspired by any outside organization and not tied up with any outside influence.

The Knittel Round Table

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