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Faculty senate delays vote on black studies

From Staff Reports

Members of North Carolina A&T's Faculty Forum didn't permanently slam the door on mandatory black studies Wednesday night, but they did guarantee that the door will remain closed until at least next fall.

The Faculty Senate, a group of faculty members responsible for approving all curriculum changes at the University, delayed a vote on the proposed six hours of required African-American studies until next autumn.

Student representatives such as former A&T History Club President Dwanye Patterson, whose group has spearheaded the push for the studies along with the Student Government Association (SGA), accused the faculty of employing delaying tactics in the hope that the issue would eventually lose steam and "die down."

He vowed that student pressure for the mandatory studies would continue unabated.

Pat Shalos, chair of A&T's Task Force on African-American Studies, a group including students, faculty and administrators, said the task force was in the preliminary stages of making a recommendation but was not ready to announce a decision pending further investigation and discussion.

Just more than a year ago, on April 8, 1992, a Faculty Forum facing the same issue declined to make the black studies program mandatory, adopting instead a resolution authorizing students to take up to 12 hours of African-American studies to satisfy core curriculum requirements: six hours in humanities, six hours in social sciences and fine-arts electives.

Members of an N.C. A&T student coalition pushing for the adoption of mandatory studies at the University, said.

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Argument turns violent: guns fired

by Scottie Holloway

Staff Reporter

An argument between two men — neither of whom was an A&T student — over a female student led to one man pulling a gun on the other and later firing a shot on April 8, police reported.

Witnesses stated that a black male, has been driving a gray Chevrolet Blazer, allegedly pulled out a small hand-gun and pointed the weapon at another male during an argument in a Laurel Street parking lot, police said.

According to police reports, the female stated that while she was talking to another man, the suspect whom she has known for only two weeks — approached her and stated an argument because she was talking to the other male. During the argument, the rear she had been conversing with the suspect to leave the female alone. The suspect then allegedly pulled out the gun and pointed it at the male.

Police said the suspect continued pointing the weapon as he got into his car. While driving off, the suspect fired one shot into the air.

The direction he was traveling in when he left the crime scene is unknown.

The female and witnesses stated that they believed the suspect's motive with the weapon was only to scare tactics and not intended to bring any harm, said police reports.

"Down to earth" aggie wins Miss A&T

by Lisa Johnson

Staff Reporter

Tangular Graves, who was elected the new Miss A&T in March, attributes her win to "being a down-to-earth person."

The Reidsville, N.C., native and daughter of Gayle Graves often greets her peers with a unique conversational opener: "What's up, cutie?"

That simple phrase, used repeatedly during her campaign speeches, helped cement her past her Miss A&T competitors with 542 votes. Her nearest runners up, Ginger Jenkins and Olivia Boone, drew 180 and 139 votes respectively.

"I feel I would be a positive role model for students and a good representative for the University," said Graves, explaining why she ran for Miss A&T.

"Winning Miss A&T was the happiest moment of my life," she added.

The junior mechanical engineering major, who was captain of her cheerleading squad and junior and senior class president in high school, is involved in several engineering clubs on campus. Graves cited her uncle as the reason she chose this university.

"I came to A&T because my uncle went here," she said. "He is my mentor...He convinced me to come here."

Graves said she would be different from past Miss A&Ts because she would be a "hands-on kind of person, which means visibility."

One of her major concerns is the "diversity among A&T students and our society," she said. "As Miss A&T, my goal is to try and create unity among the Aggies."

The role of the black woman is to be "a positive, outgoing person who will be there for her black man," Graves said.

She stressed that she didn't expect to change now that she held an elected student office.

"I feel it is important to be myself," Graves said. "If you believe in yourself, anything can be accomplished."

When asked her definition of beauty, she said, "Beauty is on the inside...It is how you reflect yourself and how others view you internally."

"I want people to remember I am a down-to-earth person, that I am real and genuine," Graves said.
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**Police round up**

by Scottie Holloway

Staff Reporter

Thursday, Apr. 1:

- Venise Fulford, a resident of Barbier Hall, was arrested and charged with simple assault after allegedly striking another student, police said.

- According to police reports, the victim stated that while she was standing outside her car talking with a friend in front of Brown Hall, Fulford and her friends were also standing in the location.

- One of the women with Fulford, overhearing the conversation, reportedly told the victim not to talk to the woman and struck the victim.

- Fulford then approached the victim and started an argument which led to a fight. The victim ran away from the confrontation.

- The victim was transported to Moses Cone Hospital for treatment and released.

Fulford was later transported to the Guilford County Jail and placed under a $1000 unsecured bond.

Sunday, Apr. 4:

- While two officers were conducting a traffic stop in the Scott C parking area, a suspect allegedly threw a handful of pieces of concrete at one of the police vehicles, police reports said.

- Police said the object, which hit the passenger side of the car and damaged it, was thrown from a third floor room in Scott C.

- According to police reports, a black male looking out from the window of the room was observed, one of the officers immediately went to that area.

- The man seen in the window of the officer stated that he had an argument with his roommate over an incident and was据说 that he threw the black male running near the area and was only able to describe one of the suspects, police reports said.

- Police said the suspect appeared to have been intoxicated and spoke in a slurred and incoherent manner during the interview.

**Week dedicated to secretaries**

by Towanna Dickens

Staff Reporter

You see and speak with many people that you probably take for granted. They help students set up appointments, help professors juggle their routines of classes and meetings and type reports. The paperwork produced by a secretary is the backbone of A&T every day.

They are secretaries, and one week — National Secretaries Week, Apr. 19-24 — will be set aside this month to applaud and recognize their contributions to the University.

"We have been working at A&T for 11 years," said Bosita Winnbos, secretary of the Speech and Theatre Department, "and I enjoy working with the students and staff because everyone gets along."

Winnbos, whose duties include assisting teachers by typing exams or letters and a distribution department mail, said the toughest part she had seen during her time at A&T came with the computerization of students' records.

"Now things are computerized, so students are more on time and less late," she said.

Orlena Dailey, a 17-year veteran of A&T and secretary for the Department of Business Administration, said that although the pay could be improved, she liked her job overall.

"I enjoy working with the students," she said, "and I don't get any hassles from them.

Daily admitted that she could use some additional help, however. "I actually need people because there are over 700 students in our department and about 30 faculty members." Her duties include computer operation, composing letters and assisting students.

Simms McLeod said that A&T has been at 26 for two years, long enough to see the civil rights movement grow around her.

A secretary in the mathematics and computer science department since 1969, she said, "I've seen this university go through a lot of changes, and the typing was really something to get involved in.

McLeod said she sometimes became aggravated by the shortage in personnel, but added, "It's my pleasure to be service to the faculty, staff and the students at A&T, especially in our department.

Cory Bryan, a biology major, said, "McLeod is more of a mother away from home than just an administrator. She takes care of everybody and is always there to guide you in the right way.

Students get dose of reality from NABJ

by From Staff Reports

Students, advisors and officials of the National Association of Black Journalists agreed that the recently completed Student Broadcast Short Course held at N.C. A&T was a success.

"Students from all over the country were in attendance," said Nagatha Tonkins, an A&T instructor and internship coordinator for broadcast students. "The experience the students gained prepared them for what they will experience in a newsroom."

It also encouraged the A&T students to gain management positions in the new industry.

The three-day course featured guest speakers, such as Sherry Fulbright Stinback, a weekend anchor at WPPX, TV in New York City and Allex Bones, a producer with NBC News. Other guests included a host of news directors and editors and NABJ executive officers.

The participants gained hands-on experience with story assignments, deadlining and editing, Tonkins said.

The seminar brought real-life situations to the campus, she noted. "The students actually put together and videotaped a news show. The guests showed us our strengths and areas we need to work on. It was very stimulating.

Greg Williams, a former broadcast producer and recent graduate of Texas Tech University, was the guest speaker, said, "I felt that the professionals were brutally honest and exposed us to real world working conditions in the industry.

The guest speakers gave lectures on improving resumes and resume screens, television news production techniques, and dressing for success and anchor auditions.

The NABJ officials gave us pointers. They suggested suggestions from resumes, dressing, makeup to proper grooming in the dog-eat-dog media world," said Karl Tipp, junior broadcast news student.

Following the seminar, Tonkins received thank-you letters from student and from the participating NABJ officials, she said.

"NABJ was really improved. It was truly a success. As a matter of fact, on the last day of the seminar, we were never saddened that we were actually crying at the end," said Tonkins.

Students selected for foreign study program

by Nichole Cannon

Staff Reporter

The North Carolina A&T Department of Foreign Languages has selected four students to participate in a foreign study program in Mexico June 24 through July 11.

Lisa Johnson, a public relations major, Teresa Love, a print journalism major, Nichole Cannon, a print journalism major and Tiffany Earley, a Winston-Salem State University mass communications major, will attend the Intensive Language Program at CasaChuburna, Mexico.

"I am looking forward to this group of students studying at CasaChuburna," said Nita Drews, an assistant professor of Spanish and the program's director. "It is especially of interest because of their enthusiasm and future plans as Spanish minors in the Department of Foreign Languages." The program consists of six hours of daily in the classroom, three hours of grammar, one and a half hours of cultural classes and one and a half hours of conversation.

Upon completion of the program, the students will have earned three credit hours.

The students will live with local families to enhance the student's experience with both the language and the culture, and excursions to various places such as Acapulco and Mexico City will be offered to the students every week.

"I'm very excited and enthusiastic about learning a new culture and improving on my Spanish," said Johnson.

Love and Cannon were recipients of a $250 grant to study in Mexico. The grant is open to students from various colleges and universities. In previous years, students have come from Bennett College and Winston-Salem State University.

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by Frank Brown

Correspondent

Scott Hall will receive almost $5 million of major renovations this summer as part of a $7 million plan to upgrade dormitories on the N.C. A&T campus, said A&T's head administrator.

The Scott Hall project, which should be completed by August, will include improved bathroom facilities such as new sinks, stalls and new shower rooms for the male dormitory, said Ronald Gales, the University's senior engineer.

It will also feature new tiles, floors and ceilings.

A new heating system will enable students to control the heat in their own rooms, he added.

Twelve new rooms will be added in the basement section of Scott B so dorm occupants may accommodate more students, said Gales. The former lounge area there will be converted into eight of the new rooms.

However, new lounge areas will be created on another floor, and additional public telephones will be installed.
FEATURES

What's Up Nikki?...

I could easily voice my thoughts to her, but I cannot have a decent conversation with her. I’m trying of trying to be the friendly type. I have arranged at least three meetings with the dorm director to try to improve living conditions, but they seemed someday conditions is instead. I am dealing with a very childish person, because now she has convinced her friends not to speak to me. Do I care? No. But I do feel I should have some respect from my roommate. What can I do or what should I do? — Tired of Trying

Dear Tired of Trying:

Living with someone else close quarters is not easy, even with the best of friends. I can imagine the tension is not healthy, either. You should reconsider yourself mature one of the two, as you’ve been the one attempting to keep communications open.

What’s Up, Nikki?

I am real upset. I took my senior pictures back in October and they are not back yet. I have less than a week of school left and no word. When I call Mrs. Bailey (the student affairs director), I get her famous A&T rendition.

Personally, I feel you should try again to sit down with your roommate in private to discuss the situation. If you are unhappy with the results of the discussion, then make this last offer.

Sometimes it is difficult to live with an individual, and if this is the case, then at least come to a compromise. You are both adults now and should act accordingly. If this does not work, it might not be easy, but it is not impossible. If you are still considering the roommate, make a list of her good points and consider the consequences of the possibility that you might be facing again.

Well, this is just an observation of an individual. The same woman I have had to contend with and the same woman I have been trying to be good friends with. I am not trying to be her best friend, but I am trying to be a good friend.

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(SPOTLIGHT)

A Critical Thought

Injection, only to be saved in the last minute by shadowy government officials.

The former government becomes an assassin for the government or die. What would you do? Maggie takes the job as an assassin. For three years, she is trained how to kill, how to speak a number of foreign languages, and to operate computers in order to become the perfect assassin.

What goes wrong, you ask? Well, after she completes her training, she is given a new identity and falls in love. When called to duty, she handles her assignments professionally — until her boyfriend, who is in another room, accidentally witness her work.

When Maggie wants to get out of her government contract, her bosses say no, telling her that her assignments are more of a joke. They are her life. She makes a deal with her boss that she will do one last hit and she may retire, but the government assumes it goes badly, and the government dispatch a “cleaner” to eradicate the mess she’s made, including her.

This was the beginning of one of the best action sequences of the movie. It wasn’t “edge-of-your-seat” action, but it did keep me guessing.

(Point of No Return)

A T&R Register column which the action was almost impossible. Although the ending seems to leave open the possibility of a sequel, it seems to be good to top the original.

This movie shows all those men who think that a woman can’t kick but that she can. And she doesn’t have to be suffering from PTSD to die it.

SUMMARY

"Point of No Return": a remake worth seeing

Finally, an action movie for women (at last) by Rosan Nicos

Rating system:

Full Price — Great

Minute — Good

$1 House — Okay

Rent — Bad

Cable — Horrible

Points of No Return:

Rating — Medium

Stars: Bridget Fonda

Four Season Cinema

SPORTS

Team places second in competition

by Kariel Trippe

Staff Reporter

Although the N.C. A&T men's basketball team came back from the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference (MEAC) Tournament empty-handed, they did have greater success on the sidelines.

Aggie cheerleaders won second place in the first annual MEAC Championships last month.

Two three-year-veterans of the Aggie Captains Christy Hymon and Jennifer Suzanne Arceneaux Team. All MEAC cheerleaders.

"The competition was a good thing," Surles said. "It gave us something to look forward to at the end of the year, since our sport is year-round."

Surles said the accomplishments of cheerleaders were usually overshadowed by the coverage given to sports such as basketball and football.

"We are not a revenue-generating sport and cheerleading is not the all-American idea of what sports are," Surles said.

"When we are in the gym, we work just as hard (as players) in other sports, and longer." Surles said the cheerleading season started with tryouts, practice, camp and the Greensboro Youth Carnival, which the A&T squad participates in annually.

Cheering is very challenging," said sophomore Allison Hayes. "It's fun talking, meeting people, and we've had our ups and downs."

Reiterating to the team's second-place finish, she noted, "Unfortunately, we started to improve a little too late.

She emphasized that being part of the A&T squad required commitment. "To be an Aggie cheerleader, you've got to love it."

Cheerleading tryouts begin

From Staff Report

North Carolina A&T cheerleader and masquerades for the upcoming 1993-94 men's football basketball seasons began Tuesday at 5:30 p.m. in Hilton Gymnasium across the street from the Corbnt Athletic Center.

The tryouts will run through April 27, with final cuts made on April 28, at 5 p.m., on the Aggie football field. The rain site is the Corbnt Sports Center and same time on the same day.

All men and women interested in becoming part of the award-winning Aggie cheerleader team should come to the tryouts and wear dressed in practice clothes and "ready to cheer," said cheerleading coach Melissa Keaton in a prepared statement.

Coach Bill Hayes, (A&T Athletic Director) Willie Bundin, along with some high school and college coaches will be among the judges.

Keaton said, "This is expected to be a big event."

A&T students, faculty and fans are invited to attend. Interested applicants can get more information at the A&T athletic department at 334-736.
Groups honored at reception
From Staff Reports
WASHINGTON, D.C. — A
time-lapse photography
honoring National
Carolina’s
Congressional delegation
and the N.C. Black Caucus
drew more than 140 people,
according to American
Carolina’s
public
relations office.

Sponsored by A&T’s Office of Development and University Relations, the event also attracted more than
teen
officers from
department
headquarters, in addition to
faculties, staff
media.

This was a
opportunity for members of the A&T family to interact with the North Carolina Congressional delegation and the Congressional Black Caucus,” said A&T’s Edward Dowdy.

We were privileged to express our gratitude for these groups continued support, and to brief these distinguished public servants on the University’s stewardship to the state and the nation,” he said, “and our willingness to assist them in future economic development.”


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***SALES CAREERS***
The calm before the storm?

One of the top stories in most newspapers and on most newscasts is the possibility of a “rise” if any of the police officers are acquitted in the Rodney King trial in Los Angeles. The National Guard and other military organizations are on alert for what might be “the roar of the years’ events.

I saw one newscast where white people where lined in a gas tank to purchase weapons. Business owners have also been warned, as was saying they were buying guns to protect their property.

A crowd of fear has cast an ugly shadow on Los Angeles and on black communities across the country. A popular saying has been “no justice, no peace,” and white people were scared. I even asked by a white person if I was going to lose to the decision if unfavorable. I told them that if you’re a police officer and living among children, you’d be more likely to be seconded to Nelson Mandela’s integrals of inequality and popularity in South Africa.

I think we can see much white and the police were scared of the assassination. Will these actions help them or hurting the cause of equal justice and protection in South Africa? Neither side wants to hurt the black people, nothing to lose and much to gain.

I think this is the start of the war. A report also states that over half of the six million workers went on strike to mourn the death of Hanu. The white government leaders are facing with fear and are asking the asking South Africans for peace and understanding to operate easier ending talks; but talk is cheap.

Whether peacefully or not, the battle for justice and parity for blacks around the world will continue to be fought. Worldwide, blacks are fighting to turn the other cheek, but sometimes self-defense is confused with reckless violence.

How does burning down black neighborhoods, looting, and killing innocent people defines riots rights. On the other hand what is the response to justice system that happens more often than what is shown on the evening news?

If there is a riot, and all of the people who bought guns are prepared to fight any intruders, will this be the start of a war in which the world will live in a race to win?

Hopefully the conclusion of the trial will not lead to violence. If justice is blind as they say, the jury will reach a verdict of guilty. But if the racially fanatical justice system functions as it did a year ago, the verdict of “no justice, no peace” will ring throughout the streets. I hope they do the right thing. Peace.

AIDS and teens; the alarm is sounding

by Donald Weiss, M.D. Guest Columnist

It is a crisis that is already upon us.

Sadly, teen-agers are one of the faster growing age groups for new AIDS cases.

The toll taken has been proportionately greater in the African-American community, adding to the urgency for black teens to learn to decrease their risk of becoming infected with HIV, the virus that causes AIDS.

A startling data based on a Baltimore College of Medicine study dramatizes this age group need.

In a study following 565 females ages 12 to 20, the majority of black teen showed a greater fear of contracting AIDS than do their Hispanic or white counterparts. They also felt they were more likely to be infected if their personal friend gets AIDS than Hispanic or whites.

The Baltimore study further revealed that black females were having a higher rates of sexually transmitted diseases, and that approximately 20 percent of HIV positive patients are in their 20’s. This suggests that they are more likely to be infected than non-teenagers, since HIV typically has an incubation period of several years.

What do we perceive the trials that we encounter? Do we back down, choosing to run from ourselves?

Do we make excuses that it is not my fault, is it my delusion? Or do we develop the inner fortitude to meet our particular head on and to deal with obstacles along our path.

According to Corey Stephens, developing inner strength is not an easy task. During his career at North Carolina A&T, Corey has developed the “Corey’s formula” that has worked for him.

"You have to be focused", he said. "If you want your work and your goal is in your heart or you later may come up on top. It’s okay to party and have fun but education comes first. I’ve learned how to focus my attention and energy to the goal of what I need to take care of. That’s how I stay on the road through my business."

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"With these types of responsibilities, you have no choice about working. I’ve got mouths to feed, you know. The support I get from my mother, my in-laws and my wife makes the difference for me. There’s no way I would be in college without the strength of my mother. My father-in-law is a successful businessman and has allowed me the chance to learn from him on that end. My wife is supportive of my interests and helps me organize my work.

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Also he is the director of marketing for Sun-One productions, sponsors students and operated clothing company.

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This summer he plans to solicit area churches for sponsored bus trips and work at expanding Sun-One Productions.

I’ve got big plans for the summer. I’m all about entrepreneurship. That’s one thing the business department needs to encourage more in me. Instead of pushing students to go work for someone else, they should be teaching us how to go into business for ourselves.

That’s the reason I’m going to Marketing. Then I saw all the politics and favoritism and decided to go out on my own and create something new. A native of Brooklyn, New York, Corey has plans to stay active in the entertainment business for years from now. I love New York, but you can’t raise a family there.

Hopefully my family can get established in Atlanta and get to the point where our business and community involvement can add some of the madness going on out here. I am going to study hard because if one of us fails, we all fail.

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Reality: Growing up

by Eric Short Staff Reporter

Growing up is often a difficult time. Facing all the challenges of progression of our society back away, losing faith in ourselves and our abilities. Those who grow realities that difficulties are a point of perspective. It could be argued that the obstacles are nothing more than stepping stones for success.

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That’s the reason I’m going to Marketing. Then I saw all the politics and favoritism and decided to go out on my own and create something new. A native of Brooklyn, New York, Corey has plans to stay active in the entertainment business for years from now. I love New York, but you can’t raise a family there.

Hopefully my family can get established in Atlanta and get to the point where our business and community involvement can add some of the madness going on out here. I am going to study hard because if one of us fails, we all fail.

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