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Students reflect on college experiences

by Tara Bennett

An estimated 1,153 senior undergraduates are expected to don academic regalia and receive their degrees from N.C. A&T this Sunday. U.S. Rep. Melvin Watt (12th District—N.C.) will be the featured speaker.

For many students, their march down the aisle typically up their diplomas will foreshadow their march into either graduate school or the workplace, a transition some see as unattainable.

"I can't believe it's over," said Sherri Williams, a junior merchandising and design major who noted that she wished she could do it all over again.

"The best four years of my life are coming to an end," she said. Williams said she hoped to enter graduate school and eventually find a management position in retail.

My four years at A&T will always be memorable to me because each year, I've gained a lot of experience and I will always cherish them.

If the hat fits...Aggies make final preparations for graduation.

by Scottie Holloway

The recent kidnapping and sexual assault of a female student near the University of North Carolina at Greensboro has many local students asking themselves an important question: What can I do to prevent something like that from happening to me?

Rather than simply waiting for such crimes to occur and pursuing the suspects, N.C. A&T officials have taken several steps to promote crime prevention both on and off campus, to make students, staff and faculty more aware of the potential dangers around them.

"We want to promote crime prevention," said Major Gloria Graves. "We want to make students aware, because we can't do it by ourselves."

Graves said the A&T police wanted to make students aware of the different programs specifically designed to keep students safe.

A&T works with Greensboro/Guilford County Crime Stoppers, a program where members of the community, the media, law enforcement agencies and businesses work together to solve crime, she said.

Students may anonymously call and give any information about an unsolved offense. If the information leads to the arrest of a criminal, the informant may be awarded up to $1,000.

Graves said she believes the leadership of former Students Government Association Attorney General and current President Rodney Boone. The service provides escorts to walk students between academic buildings, the library and the dormitories Sunday through Thursday between the hours of 8 p.m. and 12:30 a.m., said A&T Police Chief John Williams.

"A lot of students are carless," Graves said. "They could prevent a lot of things from happening to themselves."

Some safety tips that might prevent a carjacking or assault similar to the UNC-G incident have been working well.

Another program designed to enhance student safety is the Aggie Escort Service, which was inaugurated this year under the aegis of the N.C. A&T Crime Prevention Unit. They include:

Sexual assault: no laughing matter

by Scottie Holloway

Jail break stopped

Black male enrollment continues to decrease

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schedule of Commencement Activities

Friday, Apr. 30:
1:30-7:30 p.m.: Alumni Registration, Sheraton Greensboro
4:30-7:30 p.m.: Alumni Hospitality, Sheraton Greensboro
8:10 p.m.: Session 1: Annual Meeting of N.C. A&T Alumni Association, Hampton Greensboro (Triad West and Central Rooms)

Saturday, May 1:
9 a.m.-5 p.m.: Session II: Annual Meeting of N.C. A&T Alumni Association, Walker Hall Auditorium, University Campus
1:30 p.m.: Awards Luncheon, F.A. Williams Cafeteria, University
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Downtown Winston-Salem: centers of education and culture

News Scope

Minors charged

GREENSBORO (AP)—Two students at a Greensboro middle school face criminal charges and suspension for the rest of the year after school officials learned they had a loaded gun.

The pupils, whose names were not released, said that one brought the 22-caliber semi-automatic pistol to school for boy friend for protection after a confrontation with others in their neighborhood Tuesday night. Jackson Middle School Principal Jerry Hailstein said.

Noone was confronted with the gun, and it was not discharged, Hailstein said.

All-American city in doubt

WINSTON-SALEM (AP)—An alderman says Winston-Salem doesn't deserve to be named an All-American City because it remains a segregated place where black residents are discriminated against by the police, the banks and the voters.

Last month, Alderman Larry Wooten wrote a three-page letter to the National Civic League asking it to take a close look at the city's application for the award.

Winston-Salem made the list of 30 finalists this month.

Mayor Morris Wolf said about 25 others will defend their city's application next month before a panel of judges in Tampa, Fla., in hopes of being named one of being named one of 10 winners.

"A lot of people don't understand what the award is about," said Wendy Dickison, the director of the award program. "The award is not for perfect cities. It's for cities dealing with the pressing problems in a collaborative way."

Jail break stopped

HIGH POINT (AP)—A New York man has been charged with trying to escape from the Guilford County Jail by using a hacksaw blade and bed sheet.

Chesley Walker, 28, of New York City was charged with attempted escape from jail and possession of a dangerous weapon after a failed escape attempt Sunday.

Walker was awaiting trial on a murder charge.

Four inmates escaped from the High Point jail last year, including a man who squashed beneath a siren and was found dead in Durham and two hostages at the Duke University Medical Center before being killed by a police sniper.

Jailbreaks are all my friends made over my four years and that Aggie pride!

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Maryland's all-black Black Men's Conference brings race issues to the fore

by Scottie Holloway

The transformation of the Alon Haley Foundation at N.C. A&T State University last year from a male to a female dormitory symbolizes a growing problem on many college campuses: the shortage of black male enrollment.

The shrinking number of black males at U.S. colleges is something that both historically white and predominantly black colleges have in common.

According to an article in "Essence" magazine, nationwide about half of the white students enrolled in college are female and about half are male. However, among blacks, about 61 percent are female students and 39 percent are male.

"The shortage of black male enrollment is a big problem," said Robert Davis, associate professor of sociology and director of institutional assessment at A&T, "and has the potential for being more serious. If there is not a significant number of black males in college and successfully completing college, there will be a shortage of middle-class blacks, a shortage of blacks in leadership roles and in professional occupations. Also, the pool of black male politicians will shrink."

In an article, "Black Men: Missing in Higher Education," an examination of the collegiate enrollment of black men showed that a high number of black and ethnic groups of both genders, only black men had experienced a drop in enrollment during the first half of the 1980s.

Black males were the group less likely to apply to college, the least likely to be accepted, and the least likely, if accepted, to enroll.

Even among those who did enroll, a high and increasing number of black males failed to advance through college at a normal rate or to complete their degrees.

Statistics from the Office of Institutional Research and Planning at A&T showed this year that 48.8 percent of the student enrollment was black males and 45.2 percent was black females. In 1990-91, 41.3 percent was black males and 44.3 percent was black females. Since the 1980-81 school year, black male enrollment at A&T dropped 4 percent and black female enrollment increased 4.1 percent.

To address concerns about the declining number of black males entering college, A&T Chancellor Edward Fort appointed a committee last November to concentrate on the issue of recruiting and retaining black males at the university, and Samuel Mosley, chairman of the committee, said: "We feel that the Black Male Task Force will be a very important step as far as A&T making a responsible effort to reverse this trend."

"By doing this, A&T continued on page 7
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by Scottie Holloway
Staff Reporter

Saturday, Apr. 26:
• A Scott Residence Hall assistant reported that someone illegally unlocked the door to the dormitory room while he was sleeping between 3 a.m. and 12 p.m., police said. According to police reports, the male resident reported that when he awoke at 12 p.m. to take a shower, he noticed that the doorknob on the door was not locked. He then checked the door, which was unlocked. The resident told police that nothing in his room appeared to be missing or disturbed, but he was positive that both the deadbolt and the doorknob had been locked, reports stated.

Because the same resident reported breaking and entering in the same room on April 16, the locks to his room were changed to prevent further incidents, police said.

Tuesday, Apr. 27:
• A male resident of Scott Hall reported that he was being harassed by several black male students, police said.

The resident told police the harassment—which involved the suspects allegedly knocking on his door and running away several times—hurt this semester, reports stated.

The suspects have also allegedly placed trash in front of the residence hall, police said.

Police said the resident was able to identify two of the suspects, both of whom are residents of Scott Hall. One suspect was allegedly observed arguing with the resident and threatened to best him up during a prior incident.

Police said the victim stated he did not know why the suspects were bothering him, but he said he believed that the harassment occurred because he didn’t associate with the other males in the dormitory.

by Nettie Rawls
Correspondent

"Extremely Hot" (Afro) nickname that Gregg Yancey was given by his senior physics major at N.C. A&T, was given by his sophomore chemistry major because of his extensive vocabulary and intellectual ability.

Apparently, the name still fits. The 21-year-old Class of 2002 student— who has a 3.7 overall grade point average— has been awarded a $180,000 fellowship for graduate study, the highest single award ever given to an A&T student.

Given by the National Physical Science Consortium, the award is called a Graduate Fellowship for Minorities and Women in the Physical Sciences. His sponsoring employer and the source of this annual stipend will be the NASA-Army Research Center.

The impact of winning the scholarship has not hit him yet, said Yancey, a graduate of Ben E. Smith High School.

"It's strange, but I don't think it has hit me yet, I don't know how much money it is," Yancey said. "I don't know why. Everyone is saying it to me as soon as they hear from me, and they are telling me that."

"I'm excited, being a physics, you get to do things, so huge numbers don't impress you anymore," he added.

Yancey's department chairman, Stailk Mingwaa, called him "one of the best students to come along in physics in many years. He is quiet, doesn't make a lot of noise, but the job is done. Stuart Adams, one of Yancey's physics professors, agreed.

"He is very blessed with a strong intellect and a beautiful person to work with," he said. "We believe that he will do exceedingly well in graduate school."

Yancey was known for his interest in physics since he was a teenager.

"In school, everything was asked of me if I was going to be a scientist," he said. "I was always good in math and science, and they usually asked me to be a physicist for a vocabulary. It surprised me that they weren't familiar with it," Yancey said.

by Audra McCloud
Correspondent

It's a Tuesday night and the N.C. A&T Fellowship Gospel Choir is about to end another season. Ron Faison, director of the choir, said he was used to evenings filled with unscripted worship and diverse voices.

Jones, who joined the choir in 1984 and became a student trainer assisting with the accompaniment, said the direction of songs, said the choir served as a training ground for students who enjoyed singing and interacting with others.

"Students are able to learn leadership skills and how to better express themselves, both vocally and spiritually," he said. Under Jones' direction, the choir has won numerous awards at the Annual Collegiate Gospel Choir Competition in New York City. In 1995, the choir brought home four awards; Best Choral Arrangement, Best Keyboard player and the Outstanding Chorister, which netted the group a first-place prize of $1,000.

In 1991, the choir won three more awards at the competition: Most Outstanding Religious, Professional, and Most Outstanding Choir. In 1992 proved the

Jones directs award-winning choir

by Scottie Holloway
Staff Reporter

North Carolina A&T junior accounting major Carolyn McCollough was named the University’s 1993 Academic Athlete of the Year Friday night at the All-Sports Banquet at the Sheraton Hotel in downtown Greensboro.

McCollough, who received the award for her participation on the Lady Aggies’ basketball team and her 3.9 grade point average, said, "It’s very hard, but you have to be dedicated to the sport and academics" to balance such a schedule.

While admitting that both of her parents pushed her to "succeed in school," McCollough said that she did not have a roll model, but felt that it was her "competitive nature" to want to always do her best.

McCollough said that playing college ball took up a lot of her time, so "you have to be able to manage your time effectively, she said. "You just have to choose the activities that are really important to you."

She added that she plans to graduate next spring in 3.5 years and is included working for a public accounting firm.

McCollough said that the fact that financial assistance to dominate on the playing fields, however, optimistic of the football sports management has stirred new life into an old rivalry.

According to a newspaper, the North Carolina Basketball Association, which has three thousand (72 percent) of the players are black, as 9 percent of front office management jobs are held by blacks, the highest percentage among professional sports such as basketball, football and baseball.

For football, 80 percent of the players are black and only 7 percent of head coaches are black. In baseball, 18 percent of all players are black, but a mere 8 percent of team managers are African-American.

"I think blacks still don’t have the information on getting into the sports management arms," said Willie Burtles, athletic director for N.C. A&T. "We tend to draw to the glamour jobs. We don’t think about the various organizations that support minorities."

Burtles said that blacks tended to limit themselves to sports like basketball, football, boxing and track and field. He added that the black students are more exposed in other sports, which might alleviate some of the limitations on opportunities to move into positions for coaching or managing.

"We show some interests in getting into coaching but the other sports like racing, ice hockey and all other sports, which look at the young people, looks very small. We end up competing for the same people," Burtles said.

An article in the New York Times said that certain obstacles persist in preventing minorities from getting hired into other offices, continued on page 7

Aggie named Academic Athlete of the Year

by Brian Caldwell
Staff Reporter

Just a little longer...Senior waits patiently for graduation ceremony outside of Brown Hall.

Hiring rate low for minorities

by Scottie Holloway
Staff Reporter

I was Yancey’s brother who also first exposed me to A&T’s campus, he noted. "He would bring me to campus with him every week. He said, 'I saw some of the things he did, that’s what inspired me to be around interesting people along the way, who were fascinating to me, and I was fascinated by their work.' His brother went on to get a master’s degree in engineering from Duke.

Since Yancey has been a student at A&T, he has noticed some decline in academic and physical education. He enjoys teaching, he said, and was somewhat disappointed when he discovered that the University of Maryland, which his plans to attend if his dad did not offer assistantships in teaching. He said he planned to pursue a Ph.D. degree in cosmology.

Yancey said that he encourages students to discover what they want to do with their lives and then do it.

"Don’t let anyone push you into something you don’t want to do," he said. "Don’t be afraid people are going to laugh at you if you choose what you want to do; none of these things will last that long. Years from now, you can be a completely different person."

"Yancey’s greatest personal goal is to write a physics book ‘that is different and exciting and enjoyable’ today," he said. "I want one that will speak to the spirituality in the brains of the scientists."
A Critical Thought

"Boiling Point" never reaches simmer
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Black colleges produce great minds
by Brent Johnson

Student organization formed on campus
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Our Ancestors

by Nix

Before there was the study of architecture, our ancestors built pyramids. Before there was a navy, our ancestors built boats. Before the earth was mapped, our ancestors knew the stars. Before Columbus "discovered" America, our ancestors were friends with the natives. This knowledge came through our veins like the blood that keeps us alive.

With a history of dreamers, a history of makers, and a history of achievers, our future shall be successful, shall be prosperous and it shall be rewarding.

Only by looking to the future and yet remembering our past will our generation be all that our ancestors wanted us to be.

Before there was a tomorrow, our ancestors believed in forever.
CONGRATS

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The recycling program, which began in 1991 with four campus buildings recycling paper and compost, was an idea originated by Gary Spring of the civil engineering department.

"We are a leader in the community in a sustainable educational institution," Spring said, "and starting the program was the responsible thing to do."

Spring chairs the Campus Recycling Committee, a 62-member group made up of representatives from each department. Research for the recycling project started in 1990. Spring and members of the executive committee then developed an implementation plan for the project.

The recycling program is funded primarily from the Physical Plant budget, he said, although several recycling projects were purchased through the civil engineering department. The Physical Plant also reimburses the committee for the cost of computer paper.

Because there is no specific budget for recycling, Rubenstein said cans which sport recycling labels will be recycled if someone working with the program, Spring said, would like to see more students involved with recycling.

"I talked to several campus organizations, and they said, "But I didn't get much of a response."

Eventually, he said, items like cardboard, plastics and cans will also be recycled. Organizations that take part in recycling cans will have the opportunity to keep money back on each can recycled.

Barbee said her only concern around the campus is waste materials separated from items to be recycled, so avoid contaminating recycling.

Spring noted that "rubbish being emptied in recycling containers was a major problem with the recycling that was done in the engineering dorms." An information session on recycling will be held for freshmen in early May, Spring said. "I'd (also) like to see some sessions set up to inform students of the importance of recycling."

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Dudley Honored by Ralston Purina

Dudley received the Ralston Purina Entrepreneurship Award, which honors an individual who has made significant contributions to the community through entrepreneurship.

Dudley was honored for her efforts to establish a cosmetology program at A&T, which has helped many students gain employment.

Dudley, who was presented the award by Ralston Purina President and Chief Executive Officer Richard W. Frazier, said that the award was a recognition of her efforts to help others.

"I am humbled by this recognition," Dudley said. "It is an honor to be recognized for my work in the community."

Dudley said that the award would serve as a reminder to her of the importance of giving back to the community.

"I want to thank Ralston Purina for this wonderful honor," Dudley said. "I am grateful for the recognition and the support of the community."
**Black Pages offers community chance for economic growth**

ByERBY H. BYERS

North Carolina A&T's Black Pages is attracting advertising in a big way now, says President Freeman A. Hrabowski III. "It's a great opportunity, and we are being approached by a lot of people," he said.

The Black Pages is a newsletter that targets the black male community. It is published three times a year and is distributed to all students, faculty, and staff at A&T. The newsletter contains articles on topics such as black history, culture, and politics, as well as advertisements from local businesses.

"The Black Pages offers a great opportunity for businesses to reach the black male community," said Hrabowski. "We have a high concentration of black males on our campus, and we want to make sure that they are aware of the opportunities available to them.

The Black Pages is a great example of how businesses can partner with higher education institutions to support their communities. Businesses can benefit from reaching a targeted audience, while students can benefit from learning about the wealth of opportunities available to them. It's a win-win situation for everyone involved."
OPINION

Commentary: A plague of campuses

by Mike Zizza

A&T's Student Register

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The lost and found by Greg Williams

Some found an education knowledge is the key. Some lost their minds and trusted common sense for a 40. Some lost their best friends, and they were Liam and called niggles.

Some found knowledge, friends how many of us have lost faith in our people for happiness are some lost love. Some lost their innocence and self-respect doing all of the above.

Some found that college is not for them right now. Some lost a lot in wasted time, should have bought that book they lost. Some found that its a different world from where you come from. Some lost a sense of self who are you dancing to a beat but there's no drum. Some found that Soup Opens 101 was their favorite class cause I think the course is the best of the world so far.

Some found they could make a career as a professional student. Some lost bad habits and became time conscious and proud. Some will get their degrees and never see it again and slow. Some lost will start to move around the world to go. Aggieland has found some men and women to be great leaders. Some of us will never see that again.

Aggieland was founded over 100 years ago with the very same pride as Aggie Pride can never lose. Good luck Grads Peace.

Will we make a difference?

by Mark Riddick

In this life as a self-serving race we must remember that we need others just as much as we need to satisfy ourselves.

"We are young black men and women who must keep in mind that we are a strong people and can overcome all things. It is important while succeeding in life we help the next man and never forget how important unity among our race and all people is important. As we go to the next phase in life we should look back and look forward with a positive out look. And as we go we must pledge to march ahead.

African-Americans should not be satisfied with mediocrity they should be satisfied with excellence.

Let us not forget our young brothers and sisters as we educate Aggies, succeed in our endeavors.

We will make a difference.

Letter To The Editor

As a school year has come to an end, we need to look back and see where we are. We need to know ourselves in order to be successful and make the best of our lives. We need to know ourselves in order to be successful and make the best of our lives. This is what this school's purpose is. If the purpose of this school is to help people in the American way of life and make them a servant of the American community, then I feel that it has done an adequate job. But the fact is that the structure of this school is to educate blacks and to build a better black community. People will always say that this goal has not been even partially accomplished.

So I hear talk of changing this university and changing the goals of this university to solve globalized problems. But the black community is as bad or worse as it was in the early 1900s, and we have all heard that the black community is changing if we didn't accomplish our goals in 1992-1993.

As we are longing our primary goal is not worth pursuing? Well, even if we go for the world-class goals, the black community in the U.S. and throughout the world needs our help.

The new student challenge thus "world-class" university to these world-class community. The university and the students of African-Americans are an positive and run by Afri-Africans. Developing viable plans to save the black community.

We are the administrators, the faculty, and the students for this job for the only thing we desire to do is better enough to change this. A&T needs to know that the black community will only make this world a better place for all people. So, people, my people, think about this over the summer. We need to take the necessary move in the right direction. May peace and harmony be with you.

Wendell Rawlings

President for external Affairs

N.C. A&T History Club

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The lost and found by Greg Williams

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Some found knowledge, friends how many of us have lost faith in our people for happiness are some lost love. Some lost their innocence and self-respect doing all of the above.

Some found that college is not for them right now. Some lost a lot in wasted time, should have bought that book they lost. Some found that its a different world from where you come from. Some lost a sense of self who are you dancing to a beat but there's no drum. Some found that Soup Opens 101 was their favorite class cause I think the course is the best of the world so far.

Some found they could make a career as a professional student. Some lost bad habits and became time conscious and proud. Some will get their degrees and never see it again and slow. Some lost will start to move around the world to go. Aggieland has found some men and women to be great leaders. Some of us will never see that again.

Aggieland was founded over 100 years ago with the very same pride as Aggie Pride can never lose. Good luck Grads Peace.

Will we make a difference?

by Mark Riddick

In this life as a self-serving race we must remember that we need others just as much as we need to satisfy ourselves.

"We are young black men and women who must keep in mind that we are a strong people and can overcome all things. It is important while succeeding in life we help the next man and never forget how important unity among our race and all people is important. As we go to the next phase in life we should look back and look forward with a positive out look. And as we go we must pledge to march ahead.

African-Americans should not be satisfied with mediocrity they should be satisfied with excellence.

Let us not forget our young brothers and sisters as we educated Aggies, succeed in our endeavors.

We will make a difference.

Letter To The Editor

As a school year has come to an end, we need to look back and see where we are. We need to know ourselves in order to be successful and make the best of our lives. This is what this school's purpose is. If the purpose of this school is to help people in the American way of life and make them a servant of the American community, then I feel that it has done an adequate job. But the fact is that the structure of this school is to educate blacks and to build a better black community. People will always say that this goal has not been even partially accomplished.

So I hear talk of changing this university and changing the goals of this university to solve globalized problems. But the black community is as bad or worse as it was in the early 1900s, and we have all heard that the black community is changing if we didn't accomplish our goals in 1992-1993.