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# THE A&T REGISTER

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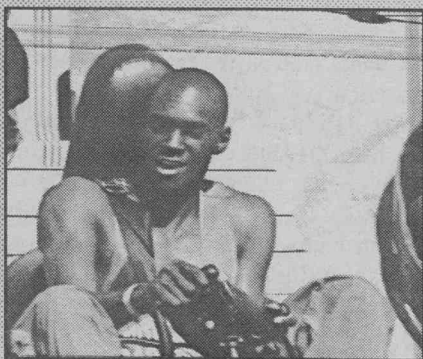
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### THOUGHT OF THE WEEK

"No one rises to low expectations."

---Les Brown

## SGA holds election forum

By Archie Clark  
Staff Writer

Nearly 20 candidates vying for class and Student Government Association offices converged on Williams Cafeteria Thursday to participate in an open forum.

Sponsored by the History Club and the NAACP, the event was the first of its kind and gave the student body a chance to see their future representatives up close and personal.

Dwayne Patterson, master of ceremonies for the forum and a vocal member of the History Club, said the forum "came out of the need for candidates of SGA to be accountable to the student body they intend to represent. If you are in a government officer you are responsible to the people," he said.

For the candidates, the three-hour event addressed key issues, including the bookstore, rumors about an A&T-UNCG merger, misappropriation of funds, Aggie fest, the declining numbers of Black males on campus and campus safety.

The SGA positions for the 1994-

95 school year include president, vice president of internal affairs, vice president of external affairs, secretary, treasurer, attorney general and Miss A&T.

Candidate for SGA President Keith Bryant, said during the forum that he has corrected problems with the election process during his term as vice president of Internal Affairs and showcased his knowledge and insight throughout the forum.

Bryant offered networking and better communication as solutions to many of the problems throughout the campus. Another candidate for SGA president, Keeia Williams, did not attend the forum but her campaign associate spoke on her behalf, urging those present to get to know Williams before going to the polls April 18.

The candidates for Miss A&T began by identifying qualities that would allow them to represent A&T. Outstanding responses were continually given by all the candidates. One candidate, Nicole Thomas, said, "For too long, Miss A&T has been a pretty face or a good personality. She has served as merely a representative for the campus. The time has come for an ambassa-

dor to step up—someone who will go out into society and bring publicity to the campus. We need much more than just a representative. I am that ambassador."

Jennifer Y. Lee answered tough questions on topics such as South Africa when others chose not to speak.

Sarah T. Debnam handled herself well when questioned on her true desire to represent the entire student body. Debnam said she would be a godly role model for the University and the community.

A&T female basketball star Samara Dobbins said she wants to be a spokesperson for A&T and would be willing to communicate to the student body on a "person-to-person level" as well as get the University more involved with the "Black community."

Karen Presley explained in detail the three themes of her campaign: charm, personality and intellect, three synonyms of "Black Sister"; to be real; and revolution.

Katina Vernon said she has the qualities necessary to be Miss A&T, including skills at "representation, communication and implementation."

## Congresswoman to address '94 graduates

By Tiffany Whittington  
Staff Writer

As time draws near, graduating seniors can anticipate the arrival of congresswoman Eva Clayton when she presents the main address at the May 8 graduation ceremony at the Greensboro Coliseum.

There will be more than 1,000 undergraduates and graduates waiting to receive their degrees at the commencement services, slated to begin at 9 a.m.

Clayton is congresswoman for the First Congressional District and was elected in November 1992. Her election was a great milestone for African-Americans because she became the first Black woman elected to that position in North Carolina.

Prior to serving in this position, Clayton served the unexpired term of the late congressman Walter B. Jones.

As a member of Congress, Clayton puts forth a major effort to remain very active. Her fellow congressmen recently selected her "The Most Influential Freshman Congress Person."

Clayton always strives to break barriers, even on Capital Hill. She has become an immediate force as a member of the

103rd Congress, which has the largest class of new members to arrive on Capitol Hill since 1948. She became president of the Democratic Freshman Class, which happens to be an office never held by a woman. In addition, Clayton has been appointed to the House Committee on Agriculture, the House Committee on Small Business and the House Speaker's Committee on Policy Development.

Clayton earned her bachelor's degree from Johnson C. Smith University and a master's degree from N. C. Central University. She attended law school at N.C. Central and the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

In 1981, Eva Clayton founded her own management and consulting firm, Technical Resources International, which specializes in economic development.

Before starting her business, Clayton was assistant secretary for Community Development with the N.C. Department of Natural Resources and Community Development. She supervised a program for management welfare reform, rural housing policy development and community assistance. Clayton also has served as executive director of the Soul City Foundation, a fed-

eral New Town project.

In Warren County, Clayton served as a member of the Warren County Board of Commissioners for 10 years. From 1982-1990, she headed the board as chairperson. Fellow North Carolina Commissioners named her Outstanding North Carolina County Commissioner in 1990.

As an active advocate for housing assistance, rural health care and job training, she has served on many local, state and national boards to foster programs addressing these problems.

Clayton is married and has four adult children. She is also a grandmother with three grandsons. Her husband is an attorney in Warrenton.

**The graduating class of 1994 cordially invites you to attend commencement exercises May 8 at 9 a.m. at the Greensboro Coliseum Complex**

**Featuring:  
Congresswoman Eva Clayton**

## CAMPUS

### CRIME

By Jennifer Mack and Katrina Watson  
Staff Writers

#### Tuesday, March 15

A resident of Barbee Hall reported that an unknown person entered her dorm room and took her checkbook, driver's license, bank card and student I.D. There was no signs of forced entry. The case is still under investigation, police said.

#### Wednesday, March 16

Two residents of Barbee Hall were charged with possession of marijuana, marijuana paraphernalia and unsealed alcoholic beverages, according to police reports. Both residents were under age 21.

#### Friday, March 18

A resident of Morrow Hall reported that while walking from Barbee Hall, a male, who was with two other males, tried to attack her. Charges have been filed. An investigation is still pending, police said.

#### Monday, March 21

A resident of Cooper Hall reported that the door of his room was vandalized. No property was taken from the room. Estimated damage to the door was \$270. No charges were filed, police said.

#### Tuesday, March 22

A student reported that someone damaged her vehicle by breaking out three windows, deflating three tires and removing knobs from the radio while the car was parked in Haley Hall parking lot. Damages to the car were estimated at \$900, police reports said. No charges have been filed.

#### Sunday, April 3

A Scott Hall resident director reported that a one-inch hole was knocked out of a window pane in a student's room. No arrest have been made. Estimated damage was \$100, police reports said.

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# Greeks showcase spring lines

Latasha Patrick  
Staff Writer

A&T's sororities and fraternities showcased their 1994 Spring lines during the week of March 21-25.

These organizations initiated new members into their ranks and held ceremonies so that everyone campus-wide could see their new additions.

On Monday, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority held the debut of their line, which consisted of 35 ladies, ranging from sophomores to advance juniors. The new Delta's were dressed in hand-made sweatshirts with the Delta Greek letters written in gold glitter. They also wore with Black pants and boots to match. The new Deltas came into Moore Gym singing "No Ways Tired" with

their own special twist. They performed several of their traditional step routines.

Zeta Phi Beta Sorority took to the concrete in front of Williams Cafeteria on Tuesday. The six new members to this organization showed just how excited and proud they were to be Zeta's. They dressed in Black, blue and white colors and donned traditional combat boots.

The night was filled with mystery and darkness on Wednesday as a crowd gathered at the steps of Dudley Hall to watch the 13 new men of Alpha Phi Alpha Fraternity. Due to the large group that came to watch the event, it was moved to the front of Williams Cafeteria. The new Alpha's were dressed in all black. Their brothers held lighted torches in order for the crowd to see.

"Here We Come," was the song

sung by 35 new members of Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority as they came out on Thursday. This was the first line the AKA's have had since Spring 1992. Black capes, white T-shirts adorned with the letters "AKA", Black pants and Black combat boots completed the attire of the new members. Other members of the sorority held a block party on the steps of the Student Union until it was time for the line to be showcased.

Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity inducted their 13 new members Friday in front of Williams Cafeteria. Red berets, brown pants and navy blue jackets showed the new members' spirit. Despite sprinkles of rain, the event went on as scheduled. After the ceremony, everyone went to the Kappa plot, where they helped the new Kappas celebrate their achievement.

# Department offers trip to Paris

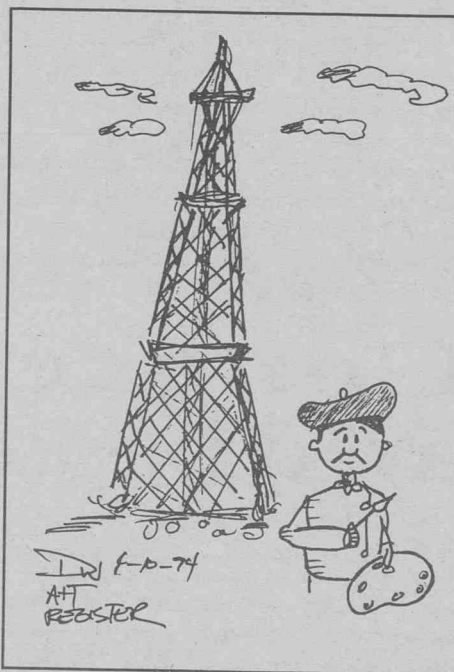
By Archie Clark  
Staff Writer

A&T's Department of Foreign Languages, in cooperation with EF Educational Tours, is now offering an educational vacation titled "Paris in the Spring... or Anytime..."

The trip, a nine-day tour of Paris, France, will actually take place during the summer June 1-9. The vacation features guided tours of the 2,000 year-old city, including well-known monuments such as the Arc of Triomphe, the 6,000 ton Eiffel Tower and the graceful beauty of the Notre Dame.

Other major tourist attractions include the opulent Palace of Versailles and the recently opened Euro-Disney, which in itself is one-fifth the size of Paris.

The objective of the trip is to introduce students to the sights and lifestyles of another culture and provide experiences of a



new dimension to the classroom.

Chairperson of the Foreign Language Department, Dr. Nita Dewberry, said, "The excursion to France will provide an opportunity for A&T students to live in the culture and develop a second language."

Dr. Dewberry added, "The cultural enrichment program is also a stepping stone to introduce future summer study abroad programs planned for Paris as well as Costa Rica."

Program coordinator, Dr. Carl Henderson, said the trip will provide the opportunity for A&T students to visit historical sites and appreciate French art, culture, architecture and cuisine.

The program will be a yearly event which will focus on France and other French-speaking countries, Henderson said.

For more information about future trips sponsored by the Foreign Language Department, call 334-7886.

## CAMPUS HAPS

#### Tuesday, April 12

Mingo Long presents Athol Fugard's powerful drama "Master Harold...and the Boys" at 5 p.m. in Crosby's Studio Theater, Room. 207. There will be no charge.

#### Friday, April 15

The National Society of Black Engineers will hold an end-of-the-year banquet and cabaret at 7 p.m. at the Koury Convention Center (seating begins at 6:30 p.m.). Samuel Yeute will speak on the theme "Choose Your Destiny." Admission is \$5 for NSBE members, \$7 for students and \$10 for faculty and staff.

#### Tuesday, April 12 through Sunday, April 17

The brothers of Alpha Nu Chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity invites all students to attend Kappa Week festivities.

The following events will be held:

#### •Tuesday

"Kappa Splash" at the Corbett Gym pool. Applicable contests will be held.

#### •Wednesday

"The Dating Game" (A Nupe version) at 7 p.m. The place will be announced and posted.

#### •Thursday

Founder's Day celebration begins at 6:30 p.m. in McNair Auditorium.

#### •Friday

Kappa Ball/Kabaret at the DCU Inn in Kernersville from 9 p.m. to 2 a.m. Tickets are \$5 in advance and \$7 at the door.

#### •Saturday

Gym-Jam at Moore Gym from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.

#### •Sunday

Barbecue and social at 2 p.m. at Lewis Recreational Ctr. located at the corner of Battleground Ave. and Pigsah Church Road.

#### Ongoing

Tutoring sessions for the National Teacher Exam (NTE), the Graduate Record Exam (GRE) and other standardized exams (GMAT, LSAT, MCAT, MAT, OCT) will be held twice a week throughout the Spring semester from 5 to 6 p.m. on Mondays and from 1-2 p.m. on Wednesdays.

The Monday session will be conducted by Dr. Robert Levine in Crosby Hall, Room 201. The Wednesday session will be conducted by Dr. Jeffrey Parker in Crosby Hall, Room 118.

These tutoring sessions are sponsored by the English Department and make use of test-preparation materials purchased with grants from the A&T Industry Cluster.

## Our unsung hero: the Aggie dog

By Sarah T. Debnam  
Staff Writer

The basketball season is over for the Aggies, and for the most part, they had a successful season. The men and women's teams returned to Aggicland as the MEAC champions.

The reasons for their success can be attributed to the coach and players, and more importantly, to the Aggie fans who supported them.

If a cheering crowd is a key element to the success of the team, who keeps the crowd cheering and laughing when the team is blundering and losing miserably?

The unsung hero, in this case, is the Aggie dog. He does everything—from getting the crowd involved in the game and playing with little kids to helping the ladies down the bleachers and doing his rendition

of the latest dances. Cheering with the cheerleaders, and playfully challenging the mascots from visiting schools are some of the ways the Aggie dog keeps the audiences' attention.

Arguably, the Aggie dog is one of the major attractions that draws the crowds to basketball games. And what is a basketball game without a crowd?

This season, the mascot was

brought to life by Anthony Criss, a senior computer science major from Durham. He has been the drum major for the A&T band, "The Marching



Machine", for four years. This season, he wanted to do something different, so when he was asked to serve as the mascot for the basketball season, he gladly accepted.

"It was a challenge... something new. I'm always up to a challenge," he said.

Criss said his purpose for serving as the mascot was two-fold. "The purpose of the Aggie dog is to represent the school, and it was my way of showing my Aggie pride,"

he said.

Criss said being the mascot had its moments. Take for instance, the MEAC tournament. Being in the mist of the excitement of

the playoffs was his most memorable experience.



"That was my first time being against other mascots in the nation... It was a challenge to keep all the attention on me," Criss said.

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## In-state students can expect to pay

By Adele Terry  
Staff Writer

Increasing tuition is a common complaint among college students, especially out-of-state students. Now in-state students have something to complain about.

There is a change in the tuition policy that will hit North Carolina residents the hardest. In November 1993, the Board of Governors passed many bills

into new laws. Most college students are not concerned with all of them, but one will surely get their attention: a statewide demand that all state supported institutions implement a 25 percent surcharge on students taking more than 140 credit hours to complete their degree.

In simpler terms, an in-state student will pay out of state tuition if they aren't finished in four years. There will be exceptions for those enrolled in a five-year program.

The new policy will not take effect until fall of 1995 on A&T's campus, and will become mandatory statewide in the fall of 1997. The program is designed to increase graduation rates on campuses around North Carolina. A cap of 15 credit hours will replace the 12-credit hour minimum required for full-time status.

The Joint Legislation Education Oversight Committee will be reviewing recommendations for implementing this change this month.

## Hayes: noted actress, alumnus speaks at Media Conference

A&T Information Services

Lorey Hayes, a noted actress and playwright who graduated from A&T, was the keynote speaker at the University's Mass Media Conference last Friday.

Hayes, who lives in Los Angeles, conducted a workshop on "Marketing Your Skills" and a workshop for theatre students. She also spoke at an evening reception held at Williams Cafeteria.

Other conference panelists included Ray Gooding of Ray Gooding and Associates of Charlotte and communication graduates of A&T, including Lawrence Sherrod, who is a writer with the Gazette in Silver Spring, Md.

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## Opportunities available at career planning center

*Spotlight on campus administrators: Leon Warren brings needed changes to job placement center*

By Jennifer Mack  
Staff Writer

"All students need to take advantage of all the job opportunities available through the Career Planning and Placement Center here on the campus of A&T," says Leon Warren, assistant vice chancellor for career services.

Warren was born and reared in Walterboro, S.C. After graduating from high school, he attended A&T on an athletic scholarship in football and baseball. After graduating with a bachelor's degree in physical education and health with a minor in



Leon Warren, seated in middle, at the Career Fair.

history, Warren taught physical education in Roanoke Rapids, where he also served as head football coach for two years.

Warren later moved to Burlington where he taught high school students, served as head baseball coach, assistant football coach and head coach of the junior varsity basketball team.

In April 1972, Warren became assistant director of the Career Planning and Placement Center on A&T's campus. In July 1980, he became director of the center. Warren was named assistant vice chancellor for career services in September 1991.

As assistant vice chancellor, Warren supervises the overall office such as job

placements for students, cooperative education and brings in top firms and agencies from all over the U.S. to hire graduates such as Exxon, General Electric and General Motors.

After 22 years of working in the career center, Warren has brought about many changes in several areas such as the number of students recruited by companies (increased from 197 to 500 plus), the overall placement of graduates, the facilities of the office, and has brought in over \$3 million from companies into the center.

"I'm an Aggie five times over," said Warren, "and as long as I continue to be effective, I'll be right here."

Warren resides in Greensboro, with his wife Margaret, who is an associate professor in the School of Nursing. He has two sons, Leon Warren II, a graduate of West Point Military Academy and Florida State University, and Franklin T. Warren, a junior engineering major at A&T.

## THE STAFF SPEAKS: I LOVE YOU MAMA

By Teryll Shawn Torry  
Advertising Manager

Last week, while listening to R. Kelly's "Sadie," a song which the artist dedicated to his deceased mother, I found myself reflecting on what my mother means to me. I suddenly realized how blessed I am to still have my mother. One thing that all humans have in common is that we all have mothers.

A mother's love, for her children, is the closest thing to God's love known to man. A mother's love is an unconditional "agape" love. Despite how wrong we may be, mama is always on our side.

I'm sure that I am not much different from my fellow Aggies when I say that I'd gladly give my life for my mother. Mama, I love, cherish and adore you. Thank you for all that you have done and are doing for me. I remember how you were always there for me whenever I got sick. You stayed by my side, nursing me back to health. I remember how sometimes you would cry and I wanted so bad to be able to ease your pain. We have this special bond, a closeness, a friendship, an admiration. My wife is going to be just like you. I cannot begin to imagine what life would be like without you. Many times, I have found myself hoping that I would depart this life before you.

It is only fair that I mention my father. He has always been there for me. My father taught me what it means to be a man and how to be a father. It was my mother, however, who taught me sensitivity, devotion, and respect. She often played the role of the bad guy because she did most of the spanking (very well I might add). I'm glad she spanked me as much as she did because now I realize that it was love.

I'm sure I am speaking for all Aggies to our mothers when I say we love you all. It is sad that the English language does not afford us a single descriptive word other than love to describe our deepest emotions.

To provide a better description, I take a verse from "Adore" by the artist formally known as Prince:

*"Until the end of time, I'll be there for you.  
You are my heart and mind I truly adore you.  
If God one day struck me blind, your beauty  
I'd still see.  
Love too weak to describe just what you mean to me.*

You truly are the most beautiful girl in the world.

**I love you Mama.**

*The Staff Speaks... will be a weekly feature from on of the editorial board members of The Register staff. These opinions do not reflect those of the entire staff nor that of the University.*



## The People Speak...

# Monogamous relationships on campus: Are they worth all the trouble?

By Felicia Cloud  
Staff Writer

Homework, stressful schedules, disagreements, lack of quality time spent together—is a monogamous relationship really worth it?

The truth is it is very hard trying to balance grades, establishing your own independence and being in a relationship all at once.

Upon leaving home, our family and friends usually warn us that college is no place to find a steady mate and that we are too young to settle down. But before you turn down the next guy or girl who's interested in a serious relationship, please listen to some of the positive effects that a college relationship can have on you.

With all of the STD's, date rape, unwanted pregnancies and domestic violence going on today, suddenly settling down with

someone special doesn't sound like a bad thing to do. After all, what's wrong with never having problems finding a date, having someone to always count on and who won't try and pressure you into doing things that make you uncomfortable. Isn't it indeed easier and less stressful to make good grades if you don't have to worry about whether or not that guy/girl likes you, is sincere and getting your heart broken? Without being in a monogamous relationship you just never can tell.

So guys, when a girl approaches you with the desire to become involved in a monogamous relationship, maybe you should take the time to get to know her and take her seriously. And girls the next time you pass by a guy who has a reputation for being "too nice" and unadventurous don't be afraid to turn around and take another look. After all, you'll never know unless you try.

## Letters to the Editor

# Beauty: A standard, or an opinion?

Sarah T. Debnam  
Staff Writer

What is beauty? Each culture has had its original standard of beauty. For example, the African-American standard of beauty included features such as coarse or tightly curled hair, Black or brown eyes, blunt noses, full lips and dark skin. On the other hand, stereotypically, beautiful Caucasians were ones who had blue eyes and blond hair, shapely pointed noses and thin lips. How did these distinctions come about, thus, forming these different races of people? Also, how and why have these standards changed?

From a biblical perspective, before the separation of the people at the

Tower of Babel, they were of one race and one language (Holy Bible; Genesis 11:16). At the command of the Creator, they started speaking different languages at this tower, resulting in migration to other regions of the world (Genesis 11:7-9).

Each race's distinct features were, for the most part, adjusted according to the climate in which they lived. For example, Africans/African-Americans tend to be of darker pigment and have what is referred to as "knotty hair" (prior to the pressing combs and perms) as a result of living in a hot climate. The sun darkened the skin, and the hair became resistant in order to protect the head from the sun. On the other hand, Caucasians lived in a cold climate, located in Caucasus Mountains. As a result of their

environment, their hair straightened and their skin lightened.

As times changed, so did perceptions of beauty. Today, many African-American women resort to straightening their hair chemically or with a pressing comb. Some say this is a means of being able to manage the hair, but could the underlying truth be that we have been hoodwinked into believing that our coarse hair is unacceptable?

If it is only an issue of being able to manage our tresses, why don't we just shave it off and sport a short cropped Afro? Why don't we just grease it and braid it up?

Also, light skin and light eyes have been an object of desire among our people. Some of us go to the extremes of bleaching our skin and sporting blue, green, hazel, and even purple contacts to

be "beautiful." Why is this so? Check yourself.

Likewise, many Caucasians have sought the traditional standard of Afrocentric beauty. They resort to perms for a tightly curled look, and dehydrate themselves under the tanning booth for a smooth, darkened complexion. Some also resort to surgery to obtain full lips, hips and breasts—traits that are dominant in women of color.

Is altering our appearance a matter of our not accepting who we are and wanting something someone has that we don't have?

Beauty is in the eye of the beholder. If this is so, is your perception of beauty self or society influenced? Think about it.

## "What About Our Struggle?"

Dear Editor:

This is in response to an editorial in the March 21 issue of the *Register*, titled "The destruction of the Black male." Yes, "the Black man is an endangered species soon to self destruct at the blink of an eye..." but if it is our job as strong Black women to, "lift him up and cherish his position and his existence," who is going to take care of us?

us as Black men and women could not be helped by us. Black men were stripped from their families by white men, but who were they stripped from? Us, the Black women. Black men were forced to watch their women get raped, but who was getting raped? Us, the

Black women. Black men were forced to work hard jobs for cheap wages to support their families, but who was out doing the same? The Black woman. Black men were stripped of their manhood and forced to address every white man, woman and child as "mister", "misses", "ma'am" and "sir." But who was stripped of their womanhood? The Black woman.

We too, as Black women, are bombarded with negative images. We were good for only three things: taking

care of the white man's children and of course, "taking care" of the white man. Now, all we are seen doing is having babies and doing drugs.

We, as Black women, attended those same schools side by side with Black men and we were taught about

Anglo-Saxon history, and taught very little about African-American and African history. We suffered together.

As far as Black men hearing "You stupid nigger; you will never amount to anything in life," from Black women, this may be true. But Black women are constantly hearing "hoe" and "bitch" and countless other derogatory, abusive statements. And who are we hearing these terrible things from, none other than our Black men.

The part of this article that hurt me the most is the statement "She, (the Black woman) continues to curse him with her harsh words and uses her sexuality to trap him through impregnation." If I'm not mistaken, it takes a man and a woman to make a baby. So how is a Black woman solely responsible for her own impregnation? And if "... he leaves

her to depend on public service to raise *her* child," who is then trapped? It sounds like the Black woman is the trapped one to me.

Now don't misunderstand me, I love Black men. As far as I'm concerned, there is no stronger, more beautiful, more powerful man on this planet. Black man, you are awesome! We as Black women can't give you something that is not ours to give. We can't take care of you, ourselves, and our, yes "our," children. Instead, we must lift up each other. You have to help take care of us.

Black man, we believe in you and we need you. We will do all that is in our power to help you, but it is not our responsibility to do it for you. We can't do it for you. If we could, we wouldn't need you.

NICOLE FRYE

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## What does B-Way have to say?

### Don't Start Talking Baseball Yet...

Saturday afternoon the A&T football team participated in its annual Spring Game. The day started with drills and ended with an intrasquad scrimmage and a cookout. The only thing missing was the head man himself.

For some reason, Coach Bill Hayes decided not to venture onto the field during his team's scrimmage or have any part in the play calling. However, with the season about four months away there probably was no pressing reason for him to be on the field. Instead Hayes probably chose to get everything set up for the cookout afterwards. After all, with some of your recruits coming to visit, it is always nice to have a good showing for your future players and their parents.

Without Hayes, the Aggies did not appear to miss a beat. The Aggies are not expected to decline far from last year's 8-3 finish. They may even surpass last year's record. The only question may be in the offensive line, where the Aggies will have five new starters to support their vast number of running backs.

The Aggies have more backs than a chiropractor and plan to use most of them. Hayes said he just started to find replacements for the departure of his super duo: Barry Turner and James White. Hayes looks to start the reformation with David Perry, Brian Rodman and Larry King.

Defensively, the Aggies should give their competition trouble going up the middle with nose guard Terrence Spencer leading the defensive line. The Aggies will also return freshman stand-out linebacker Michael Hamilton along with an experienced secondary led by Carlos Burgins.

### The Aggies Remain Neutral...

The Aggies football team will have two neutral sites on their schedule next season. The Aggies will face N.C. Central in Raleigh at Carter Finley Stadium Sept. 3. On Oct. 1, the Aggies will face Southern in Indianapolis at the Hoosier Dome. This game will be a part of the Circle City Classic which should give the Aggies some national exposure. The N.C. Central vs. A&T game should gross the Aggies some money with both schools being rivals and the game falling on a holiday weekend.

### Arkansas Glad To Be Rid Of The Capels...

With the NCAA tournament a week old Nolan Richardson and Razorbacks are probably just getting over the Capels. Richardson probably felt like he was playing in a family reunion instead of a basketball tournament. Not only did he have to face the coaching brilliance of Jeff Capel Sr., but three weeks later he had to face the athletic ability of Jeff Jr. in the final (I wonder if coach Capel and coach K compared notes before Monday nights game—"doubt it"). Richardson outlasted both Capels, but did not have an easy job of doing it. With Jeff Capel Jr. having so many turnovers against the Razorbacks, it appears that dad was a little more relaxed in his contest against the Hogs. Then again, dad didn't have to play against 40 minutes of Hell.

*Sports Editor, Brian Holloway lays it on ya bi-weekly.*

## Hayes' 26 for '94 season

From Staff Reports

A&T coach Bill Hayes recently announced the signing of five defensive backs, seven defensive linemen and six linebackers.

In all, 26 high school athletes have signed grants to A&T, including 22 from North Carolina. After a thorough analysis of the new recruits it would appear Hayes is making an effort to improve the infamous "Blue Death" defense that crumbled in the latter half of the season.

A&T's new recruits include quarterback Colin Harris of South Mecklenburg, linemen Kyle Mattocks of Kinston, George Pivot of Hertford County and Ronald Wilson of Reidsville, and linebacker Garcia Whitt of Roxboro.

Harris led North Carolina to a win over South Carolina in the Shrine Bowl and was voted the team's offensive MVP. Mattocks and Pivot have been invited to play in the East-West All-Star game this summer. Wilson was recruited by the University of Miami, among others.

In other Aggie news, assistant head coach/defensive line coach Robert Pulliam has been promoted to defensive coordinator, replacing Linwood Ferguson, who took a similar post at Southern Illinois.

Kicker Carl Warren, an All-MEAC choice in 1992, plans to enroll elsewhere. Warren would have been a jun-

ior this fall.

The following is a list of A&T's 1994 football recruits:

- **Marquis Bailey** (6-2, 195, LB-SS, Kernersville Glenn)
- **Cayande Beaty** (6-7, 285, L, McDuffie High School, Anderson, S.C.)
- **Steve Brooks** (6-4, 270 L, West Brunswick)
- **Landy Chance** (6-2, 280, L, Chapel Hill)
- **Todd Dalton** (6-2, 280, L, McMichael)
- **Anthony Davis** (6-0, 185, DB-RB, Chapel Hill)
- **Ben Garrett** (6-5, 190, QB, Fayetteville Pine Forest)
- **Torri Haily** (6-4, 280, L., Charlotte Providence)
- **Clarence Harris** (6-1, 215, LB, Oxford Webb)
- **Colin Harris** (6-2, 215, QB, South Mecklenburg)
- **Bryant Hernandez** (6-4, 260, L, Fayetteville 71st)
- **Ahmed Hunter** (5-10, 185, RB, Raleigh Millbrook)
- **Chris Lucas** (6-3, 250, L, Cary)
- **Kyle Mattocks** (6-3, 245, L, Kinston)
- **George Pivot** (6-4, 270, L, Hertford County)
- **Markie Santiago** (6-5, 300, L, Mayo High School, Darlington, S.C.)
- **Kevin Spears** (6-1, 215, LB, Winston Salem Carver)
- **Adrian Thompkins** (\*6-4, 295, L,

## Aggie baseball in transition

By Brian Holloway  
Sports Editor

This year's season for the A&T baseball team has been nothing short of disappointments and hard times.

Coach Mark Henry, who starts a line-up of six freshman, can do nothing but hope for a better future.

"We lost about five key players from last year's team," said Henry. "Players like Rudy Artis and other players we were not planning to lose, but lost due to personal reasons."

Young and inexperienced, the Aggie baseball team started off the season losing their first 14 games by a total margin of 156 to 28, with only one pitcher lasting past the eighth inning. The lowest ERA on the

team is 7.34.

"Our biggest weakness this year has been our pitching," Henry said. "I feel at this point we have four quality pitchers in Corey Lima, Gerald Brammon, Bradley Roberts and Crawford Moser."

Next week in Tallahassee, Fla., the Aggies will compete in the MEAC tournament and will face the number two seed in the Northern division of the conference. Delaware State and Maryland Eastern Shore are competing for that number two spot.

"I think we have an excellent chance in the tournament," said Henry. "We have played both Delaware State and Maryland Eastern Shore close this season."

Delaware State lost to the Aggies  
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## Aggie softball players love the game and competition

Tiffany Whittington  
Staff Writer

Co-captains Tonya Hall and Kimberly Tuttle, along with the other members of the ladies softball team, work hard as a team, and love the game of softball. The team currently has 17 members.

These group of young ladies can be found practicing in Moore Gym or at the field near the stadium every Monday through Friday with coach Mark Saunders and assistant coach Theron Thomas.

Tonya Hall, a 23-year-old junior accounting major from Charlotte, plays right and center field. This is her second season playing for A&T's softball team. "I have been playing for nine years now. It is just something I enjoy doing and I get exercise from it. I just like it. I like the thrill of my team's victory and the agony of the other teams' defeat," said Hall.

Softball has become a part of Hall's life. She said: "It is a habit now. I like getting dirty and being part of the team.

Hall started playing softball at a young age. "In 8th grade I needed something to do to stay out of trouble."

Kimberly Tuttle is a 22-year-old senior elementary education major from King. This is also her second season playing softball for A&T. Kimberly holds the positions of pitcher and short stop. "I have been playing since I was six years old. Over the years it has become something that I love to do because of the competition and the self satisfaction that I get when I am on the field," said Tuttle.

"I love softball because playing the

sport brings back fond memories of a relationship that my father and I had when I was younger playing little league," said Tuttle.

Tuttle has played fast pitch twice in the World Series in Kalamazoo, Mich. She has also traveled during the summer, mainly along the East coast playing softball.

Sophomore Demetric Manuel, a 19-year-old sociology and social work major from Fayetteville, says, "I love softball because I like the competition. It's competitive, and it keeps me in shape. I like the traveling and new experiences. I was born with talent and a good arm." Manuel plays center field for A&T.

Manuel added: "We are very disciplined and have a lot of honor students on the team. We are all in good shape and all get along. When it comes down to game time, we are all ready to play." She also said, "We mostly want have a good time and win."

Manuel has been playing softball since fifth grade and was captain of her softball team in high school.

The MEAC tournament will be held in Tallahassee, Fla. April 14-16.

"The team as a whole is striving to be a strong competitor for the MEAC title. Everybody is striving to be the best player that they can be," said Tuttle.

"I think we have a good chance of winning the title if everyone grasps the concept of being a true team, on and off the field. There's more to being on a team than just actually playing the game—being a team player and winning has to be in your heart," she said.

## Good recruits, money needed for better team

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17-14 last month while Maryland Eastern Shore beat the Aggies twice by only one run.

With so many young starters, the Aggies' future looks good for the next few years.

"I think if we have a good recruiting class and get the necessary money for scholarships, we can have a quality team and a quality program," Henry said.

## Hayes selects 26 for '94 Aggie death team

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Kellam High School, Virginia Beach, Va.)

• Shawn Tillman (5-10, 170, DB, Anson County)

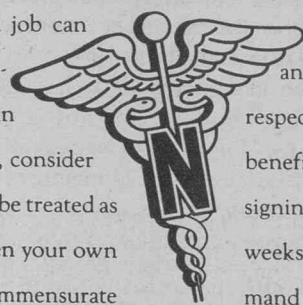
• Joe Wallace (5-10, 165, QB, St. Stephens High School, Florence, S.C.)

• DeCarlos West (5-8, 160, DB, West Forsyth)

• Garcia Whitt (6-3, 220, Roxboro Person)

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## A look at sororities and fraternities: The pros and cons of Greek life

By Shanika Gray  
Staff Writer

In the past 10 years, dramatic steps have been taken by the National Pan-Hellenic Council to eliminate incidents of hazing, but after several reports on a national scale, Greek and non-Greeks alike are wondering how effective the preventive measures have been.

In February of this year, on the campus of Southeast Missouri State, a chapter of Kappa Alpha Psi Fraternity was suspended indefinitely from all campus activities and recognition by the university, after 11 members were charged with first degree manslaughter in the death of a pledgee.

In a separate incident, the University of Maryland's Omega Psi Phi Chapter was suspended in April of 1993 for five years after 24 members were charged with hazing.

Accounts of hazing, according to *The Chronicle of Higher Education* included kicking, punching, beatings with wooden paddles, exercising until the point of exhaustion, excessive alcohol consumption, and even reports of being forced to drink from toilets.

"Although universities have taken additional precautions and Greek organizations are enforcing severe penalties, hazing continues underground, which often makes it more abusive, both physically and emotionally," says Eileen Stevens, who founded the Committee to Halt Useless College Killings after her son was killed in a hazing incident.

Even though several accounts of hazing are reported each year, not all aspects of

Greek life include maltreatment and acts of harassment.

Even though pledging has become a traditional part of Greek-letter organizations, it is not the foundation upon which they are based. Greek organizations are founded upon principles of achievement, scholarship, academic excellence, leadership skills, political stability, economic advancement, community service and cultural enlightenment.

In attributing many positive programs and services in communities nationwide to Greek-letter organizations, Grand Basileus C. Tyrone Gilmore, of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, feels that it is apparent that they do have a purpose and an impact on African-American communities.

As various aspects of Greek life are examined and analyzed for the benefits they provide, critics are quick to remind one of the not-so-beneficial aspects. That is when personal judgment and freedom of choice become the most important rights that an individual possesses.

In response to recent situations confronting Greek organizations, many graduate chapter members feel that perhaps undergraduate pledging is no longer an instrumental part of college life, only done as a pawn for social acceptance.

Never have Greek organizations served this purpose, and to prevent these ideologies from replacing positive thoughts, these organizations must continue to excel at all they aspire to accomplish.

## Importance of ARISA underestimated by majority

By Corwin Thomas  
Staff Writer

Since the founding of A&T, ARISA (Administrative Risk Insurance Safety Affairs) has been active, but the importance of this organization is highly underestimated by the majority of A&T's population.

As long as A&T has been around, ARISA has been here to make sure all buildings on campus are safe for residents and faculty. But not since several years ago has the necessity of ARISA reached its pinnacle.

In 1988, problems of safety were brought under the responsibility of the Administrative Office for Business and Finance, and since then ARISA has been an active participant in University affairs.

"We are very sensitive to the needs of the University," said Christine Shelton, assistant to vice chancellor for ARISA. Because of state law, North Carolina has a

responsibility for safety and health. Shelton, along with safety manager, Wayne Simpson, and safety inspector, Adrien Cousins, are responsible for detecting, informing and repairing violations.

Cousins, a graduate of A&T, has a degree in occupational safety and health. He inspects A&T's buildings twice a month.

Simpson, who came to A&T in 1990, holds a bachelor's degree from UNC-Chapel Hill.

Having 15 years of experience in industrial safety is what brought Simpson to A&T. "The position was open and I was over qualified," said Simpson. Before coming to A&T, Simpson was working for General Electric in Greenville.

Violations that might occur on campus relate to fire codes, insurance regulations and health and operational safety. Annually, the state inspects all facilities for violations.

At A&T, there are 56 buildings and

on the average, there is one citation per building per month. Before he came to A&T, the violations were high, Simpson said. "But since I've been here the number of violations have been very low," he added.

A&T performs inspections on a monthly basis and conducts fire drills. The University checks the safety system twice a year. The safety system check includes, fire extinguishers and fire alarms for proper operation. A&T also writes up reports of its inspections for documentation purposes.

The inspection process ARISA performs takes a great deal of money. The state provides no funds, so the money ARISA receives comes from the student body. If a

certain violation comes up, such as an old building needing wire windows for security, the student body would pay for the installation through an increase in tuition. That's why A&T has its own insurance policies because the state provides a limited amount of funds.

Besides safety violations, ARISA has the responsibility of carrying out certain tasks. Removal of hazardous waste from laboratories is just one of many. Others includes educating students, faculty and staff on different programs like chemical hygiene and blood pathogen and HAZ-MAT. HAZ-MAT educates people on hazardous materials and how to work with them.

## Gov. Jim Hunt addresses Urban Affairs Institute

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The 25th annual Jim Isler Urban Affairs Institute was held Thursday in Gibbs Hall from 8:30 a.m. until 3:30 p.m.

Gov. Jim Hunt was the keynote speaker for the conference.

The theme of this year's Institute was "Twenty Five Years and the Struggle Continues for Human Dignity, Banishing Racism, Health Reform, and Public Safety."

Workshop topics included "Social Work at the Crossroads: An African American Perspective: Shattering Myths and Sharing Realities"; Health Reform: What Does It Mean? Who Benefits? Who Pays?; "Public Safety (as an outreach church ministry), What Is Your Church Doing? What Will Your Church Do?"

The workshop leaders included Dr. Sarah V. Kirk, chairperson, Department of Sociology and Social Work, A&T; Dr. Wyatt D. Kirk, chairperson, Department of Human Development and Services, A&T; Dr. Trudy Wade, chairperson, Guilford County Board of Health; Dr. Thad Wester, deputy director, State Department of Public Health, Raleigh; Dr. David C. Forbes, pastor of Christian Faith Baptist Church, Raleigh; Dr. Nelson Johnson, Carolina Peacemaker, Faith Community Church, Greensboro; and the Rev. Herbert Nelson, pastor, St. James Presbyterian Church, Greensboro.

This conference was formed 25 years ago to address problems of the urban metropolis on the heels of the late 1960's rebellion.

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## School of Ag gets state-of-the-art Television studio

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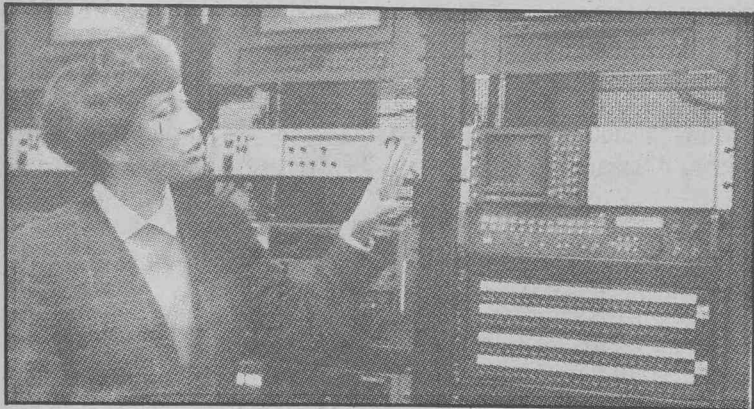
Soon, A&T's School of Agriculture will go on the air.

Ten years of planning has resulted in the creation of a state-of-the-art television and video production studio in the C.H. Moore Agricultural Research Facility. Construction was completed last summer; the finishing touches will be in place this winter.

In a few months, the Agricultural Communications Unit will be able to produce educational video tapes that will take vital information to farmers, students and other clientele throughout the state and the nation. And, via broadband coaxial cable, the School of Agriculture will be able to uplink live videoconferences and other programs that could reach millions of people throughout the northern hemisphere.

Valorie McAlpin, the director of Agricultural Communications, explained why the School of Agriculture felt the necessity of having its own studio—the only one of its kind in an agricultural-related institution in the state:

"We have known for years that most of our target audience is visually-oriented; for various reasons, from lack of time to limited education, our audience cannot rely on printed material to obtain much



of the information they need. In order to fully serve our audience during the past 10 years, we have had to hire outside consultants to help produce instructional video tapes at one-third the cost. This new studio will allow us to produce more for less."

McAlpin said that Agricultural Communications receives hundreds of requests per year from all over the country for tapes from its "Ways To Grow" video library. These tapes, covering some 14 topics, offer small farmers tips on how to grow and market specialty crops seldom handled by large scale producers. Cooperative extension agents throughout North Carolina use the tapes to provide the latest technical information in a format that small farmers can fully use and understand. The new studio, with its modern editing equipment, acoustics and separate air-conditioning and heating will permit Agricultural Communications to produce twice as many video tapes per year than it had in the past.

Another advantage of the studio, McAlpin said, is the opportunity to operate on a cost-recovery basis. Non-profit organizations,

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## Aggie mascot enjoys entertaining

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The attention was surely on him the time he was holding an A&T sign glued onto a stick. The sign came off without Criss knowing it, and he walked around the court just holding the stick. "This was my most embarrassing moment as the Aggie dog," he pointed out.

Overall, serving as the mascot was an enjoyable experience.

"The thing I enjoyed the most was getting the attention of the crowd and mak-

ing people laugh...and playing with the kids. There was nothing I didn't like about being the dog, except that the costume was hot."

According to Criss, the costume is made of cotton and fur. "The lining and fur draws a lot of heat...The head is a little heavy, but the body is like a jump suit, and is not heavy at all."

Upon graduation, Criss plans to earn a master's degree in electronics or engineering, and eventually open a computer graphics company.



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## A&T student payload approved for NASA launch

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Can the milkweed bug survive and mate in space? How will zero gravity affect the growth and development of certain crystals? These questions may be answered when two A&T experiments become part of a NASA space shuttle flight in August.

Officials of the National Aeronautics and Space Administration notified the students this week that the two experiments the University has been working on for 12 years have been accepted to fly aboard the orbiter Endeavour scheduled to be launched August 18.

"I feel real good about this," said physics professor, Dr. Stuart Ahrens, who is director of the Student Space Shuttle Program. It's been a long time coming. I just wish Ron (Dr. Ronald McNair) were still here." It was McNair, the Black astronaut who was killed in 1986 in the ill-fated crash of the Challenger, who suggested to Ahrens that the students organize the space shuttle program.

And now after more than a decade and expenditures of more than \$500,000,

the work of more than 100 students over the years, has paid off.

If all goes well, on the morning of August 18, the two feet by two feet payload, weighing 100 pounds, will fly into space in the bay area of the shuttle.

Current student members of the program are ecstatic about the forthcoming launch of their experiments.

"I'm so excited, I can hardly talk," said Lena Horsley, a sophomore chemistry major from Laurenburgh. "This is an opportunity that most people don't get." A graduate of the N.C. School of Math and Science, Horsley plans to pursue a career in research after graduating from A&T.

The A&T payload will go into space under NASA's "Get Away Special" program, which was initiated by the space agency in the late 1970s. This program allows schools, colleges and nations to fly a small self-contained payload into space.

"McNair is the soul inspiration for this program," said Ahrens. He talked with the students when he would visit here, and by telephone at other times.

Ahrens gives the students complete credit for the program. "They came up with the ideas; they researched the ideas in the laboratory; they built a mock-up of the canister out of balsa wood; they did detailed drawing; they tested it and tested it," he said.

The space shuttle team was composed of students majoring in physics, engineering, biology, technology, communications and business.

Ahrens said the final assembly of the payload will take place between now and May. During the first week in June, Ahrens and the students will accompany the payload to the Kennedy Space Center in Florida.

"We will do final preparations there," said Ahrens "and they turn it over to the NASA folks. Three of our students will actually work with NASA in installing the payload. The others will actually see what is

going on."

After installation is completed, the students will return to A&T and return to Kennedy in August for the launch.

Many of Ahrens' former students have graduated, but he has written to ask them to join him at the launching. He said the cost for launching the payload is \$5,000, which the University has already paid.

In addition to University support, the space shuttle program has received funding from NASA and more than 25 corporations. "These have all been great," said Ahrens, "but the beauty of this program is working with the students, and to see undergraduates have an opportunity to get involved with state-of-the-art research and to develop in them a sense of professionalism that McNair exemplified."



Dr. Stuart Ahrens, and students, Emmanuel Williams, mechanical engineering; Brent Chaffin, biology; and LaQuinta Smith, chemical engineering.

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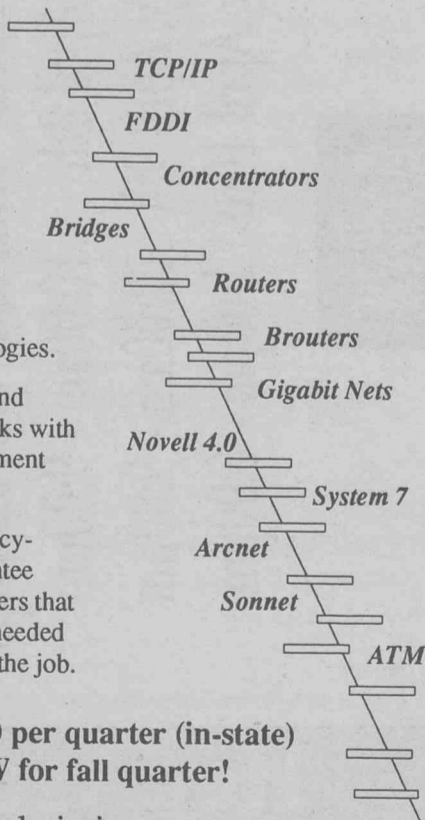
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## Noted actress, alumnus speaks at Media Conference

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Hayes was born and raised in Wallace, N.C. She graduated with honors from A&T and was recently recognized for her outstanding contributions by the New York A&T Alumni Chapter.

Hayes starred on Broadway in "Incent Black" with Melba Moore and the Negro Ensemble Company's production of

"Home," as well as numerous off-Broadway and regional productions, including the controversial play "Generations of the Dead" at Long Wharf Theater. She was most recently featured on "The Cosby Show," and has had guest roles on numerous television shows, including "All My Children," "Ryan's Hope" and "The Doctors."

## School of Ag gets TV studio

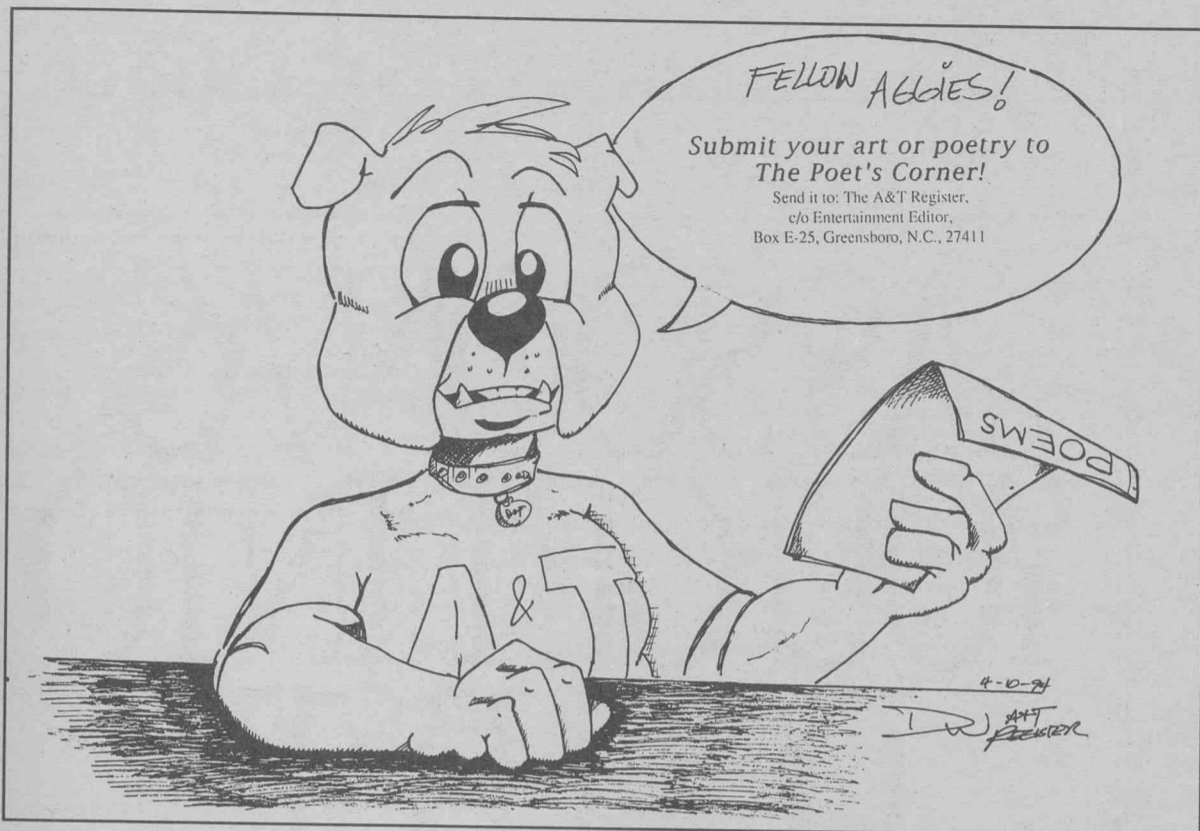
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studio time and expertise from the School of Agriculture at rates lower than those of commercial studios.

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munications are no longer hypothetical conjectures of the distant future. They are being adopted--and will soon be mandatory--by industry, and universities and governments the world over. By anticipating and filling this need, the School of Agriculture ensures that its students, farmers and communities will get what they need from a world-class land grant institution when they need it--which is right now," McAlpin said.



## POET'S CORNER

### Taking it for granted

Life is such a precious gift, that many times we  
waste time drifting  
The ones we love, we always think that they are  
going to be here.  
but in life no time is promised to us.  
Many times, the times we waste could be the  
last time to hold the ones most dear to us.  
The last time to see their beautiful faces or to  
hold their warm bodies  
stop taking the ones we love for granted.  
Tell the ones most dear to you that you love  
them.  
Hang on to them in body and spirit.  
Cherish the love in them by not thinking that  
they will always be here.  
Today, tomorrow or the next day, say what

needs to be said today  
because you never know what's next.  
Please stop taking the ones we all love for granted.  
Treasure every day like it's our last because one day we will all be a  
memory in the past  
Ashes to ashes and dust to dust.

By "Big" John Pratt

### UNTITLED

One first felt the pain.  
went through the torment and shame.  
who did not know it at the time  
But went through it for you and me.  
This day we are free.  
One first, took the step  
Blinded by the tears that wept  
As in his mind his favorite song he sung  
And at the end with his head bowed  
For us he hung  
One first, spoke out loud  
touching the hearts and minds of crowds  
This day will not always be  
One day we shall be free  
One first held out his hand  
making the opportunity possible for every man  
as he crossed the floor on graduation  
taking hold of a degree of education  
One first, started it all  
Though stumbling. Refused to fall.  
Knowing this day would not always be  
And went through it for you and me.

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then he isn't DA MAN!  
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guy?  
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they just want to knock the boots  
and then take the loot.  
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but run 'em like a game;  
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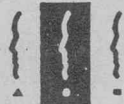
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