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Renowned historian returns to A&T

By EDWARD MOORE
Register Staff Writer

Colored. Negro. Black. Afro-American. African-American. These are the titles that have evolved over the course of time to describe people of color in the United States.

One man, a historian intellectual on the subject, has seen the evolution from colored to African American. That man is Dr. John Hope Franklin.

Franklin is a famous historian, educator at Duke University and author of the text

book, "From Slavery to Freedom," which is used in classrooms all across the nation. This textbook has sold millions and is used more than any other textbook in the country.

Franklin taught at N.C. A&T some 62 years ago. On Tuesday, October 26, he graced the students with his presence at Memorial Student Union.

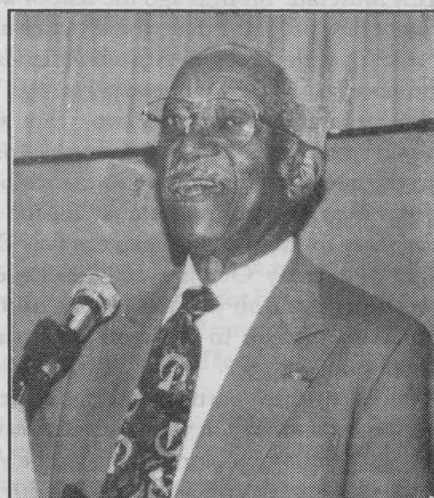
Franklin appeared as part of the installation of the History Department Honors program as well as to discuss his new book "Runaway Slaves," which he co-authored

with Dr. Loken Schweningen of UNCG.

Both Dr. Franklin and Schweningen, discussed the myths that slaves were happy and content. Both agreed that this could not have been further from the truth.

"It is preposterous to think that slaves were happy and content," Franklin said. "Ponder this: you don't promise people freedom when they are happy as slaves."

The turnout was overwhelming, with the student union filled to standing room only. The Aggies were there to listen and



See FRANKLIN on Page 4 John Hope Franklin

FUTURE MEDIA MEMBERS?



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Almost 400 North Carolina high school students converged on North Carolina A&T Nov. 4 for the Second Annual High School Media Workshop.

High schoolers hit campus in force

By EDWARD MOORE
Register Staff Writer

Did I bump my head and suddenly wake up on a high school campus? This was probably the question many asked Wednesday, Nov. 4.

The future leaders of tomorrow appeared to have taken over the Memorial Student Union early that morning. High school students from all across the Piedmont were here on our campus for the second annual High School Media Workshop.

The Department of Speech,

Communications and Theatre Arts welcomed almost 400 high school students and their advisors to the campus. This department hosted the workshop along with the cooperation of N.C. Scholastic Media Association (NCSMA).

This year's theme was "Media Careers in the New Millenium."

Dr. Linda Florence Callahan, chairperson of the department, is responsible for bringing the program to A&T. She had previously worked on it on the campus of Elizabeth City State University and wanted to develop it here in the Piedmont. Dr. Callahan believed it would be a good program, in that it would make high school students become more aware of the various media professions.

"The response from teachers and students was overwhelming," said Dr. Callahan. "We knew of the need

for the program, such as this to assist high school media education. We are just extremely pleased that our communication program at A&T is able to help meet the needs."

Registration for the workshop began at 8 a.m. and ended at 9:50 a.m. During the course of registration from 9 to 9:50 a.m., a welcome session was held where newspaper and broadcast professionals led a discussion on the impact of media's coverage of violence and its effect on youth. The students participated in a question and answer session with these professionals.

The professionals on hand were Denya Martin, anchor at WFMY-TV (Channel 12); Linda Austin, managing editor of the News & Record; Bob Costner, of WSJS-WTQR;

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Klan-Nazi shootout revisited

By RANDY ST. CLAIR
Register Managing Editor

November 3, 1979 came in a year of turmoil. A year that Greensboro and some N.C. A&T faculty would like to just forget about.

The turmoil came with the deaths of five members of the Communist Worker's Party after a shootout with the Ku Klux Klan.

Twenty years later, N.C. A&T's SGA, Political Science Society and History Club put together a forum that would give today's students a better understanding of what the Greensboro Massacre was about, and the extreme things A&T students, at that time, went through.

The forum included members of the 1979 Communist Workers Party. Among them were Dr. Claude Barnes Jr., Dr. Sally Bermazan and Willena Cannon.

"Our objective tonight isn't to bring to justice what happened 20 years ago, but to put into perspective what happened 20 years," said Dr. Barnes. A native of Greensboro, Barnes grew up in Morningside Homes, the sight of the massacre.

The forum's three panelists addressed three different aspects of the massacre.

Dr. Margaret Barrett spoke on "White Racism and the KKK." Barrett was raised in Forest County, Mississippi,

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Clearing the Record

An article about Chancellor James Renick in the Oct. 19 Register omitted his email address. Renick may be reached at Renickj@ncat.edu

Aggies to help Army, minorities tell their story

By EDWARD MOORE
Register Staff Writer

A union made of money. Picture the United States Army and North Carolina A&T State University coming together to work on a project. Can you say or spell the word money?

A&T has been given the opportunity to work in collaboration with the Army on a project for the National Army Museum. Months ago the school was asked to participate in a program that would better aid in the telling of a story, with regard to African Americans and Indians who have served in the military.

The program was started two years ago with South Carolina State and the man responsible for bringing A&T into the circle is alumnus and retired colonel Jim Paige.

"This is an excellent opportunity for the students of this alma mater to show what Aggies can do," Col. Paige said.

On Wednesday October 20, the students who were selected to work on various aspects of the project met with Army officials to show off what they had accomplished since May.

Each department participating had to present the Army with a product they felt would greatly serve in telling the story of people of color serving in the Army. The task was to show great works that would provide or prove to

be beneficial to the new interactive Army museum in Washington, D.C.

Dr. Samuel Hay was, in large part, the liaison between the departments and the army officials. Dr. Hay was enthusiastic and confident that all students would make excellent presentations, and they did.

Jason Washington, who graduated while working on the project back in August, came back for the presentation.

The return trip may prove especially worthwhile. Before Washington completed his presentation, Col. Paige asked him a question that caught him off guard.

"So you are living in D.C.?" Paige said. "Well what are you currently doing there?"

"Looking for a job," replied Jason.

"Here take my card and come by my office when you get back," Col. Paige said.

After the resulting chain reaction, Washington was no longer looking for a job in Washington - he had one.

A group of students from the Department of Speech, Communication & Theatre drew particularly close attention. Anthony Carroll, Natasha Nimmons and Edward Moore unveiled a video regarding the role of the black press and black soldiers serving in World War II.

The Richard B. Harrison Players group, under advisement of Miller Lucky, put on a mini-play about The

Battle of Henry Johnson.

In all everyone did an excellent job and the officials were amazed.

"This program is gonna go crazy guys," said Jeb Bennett, head of the Army Museum System. "It's gonna be good. I see it as an expanding prototype where minorities can help us stop the omission of history from a one-dimensional position in our system."

"It's gonna be big and in the works is approximately 10 jobs for a period of four years, starting at entry level position."

"I am excited and proud of the efforts of the fellow A&T students and advisors," Col. Paige said.

Pembroke State University and South Carolina State will also participate in the program, with A&T as the base school.

The students who made presentations included: Corey Jermaine Moore, Yolanda Stone, Jason Washington, Anthony Carroll, Edward Moore, Natasha Nimmons, Cedric Gerald, Travis Powell, Chris Bolden, Phillip Burgess, Tennile Foust, Vershawn Terry, and Billicia Hines.

Their faculty advisers included: Dr. Samuel Hay, Dr. Ethel Taylor, Dr. Samuel Mosley, Dr. Olen Cole, Dr. Theresa Styles, Gail Wiggins, Larry Bell, Dr. Bonner, Dr. Edge, Caesar Jackson, and Miller Lucky.

CAMPUS BRIEFS

Academic Affairs plans 8 faculty development seminars

The academic affairs division planned eight faculty development activities for this month. Topics under discussion include Web-based instruction, academic advising, online grading, and interactive videoconferencing.

For information on meeting dates, times, locations, and facilities, contact Gloria Dyson-Sylla at dysong@ncat.edu or 334-7854, ext. 2250.

Richmond to head A&T's search for support from foundations

Dr. Naomi Richmond has been named director of the office of prospect research in the division of development and university relations at A&T.

Richmond will be responsible for the development and administration of processes for comprehensive fund raising strategies.

The newly established office of research prospect will be the central office of operation for schools and colleges seeking support from foundations.

Saunders named to key post in technology transfer office

Dr. Ralph B. Saunders II was chosen as director of the new office of technology transfer and commercialization with the division of research at North Carolina A&T.

Saunders received his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering from Howard University.

He also received two master's degrees; a degree in urban planning from the University of California-Los Angeles and a degree in management from Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

The establishment of the technology transfer office and Saunders' appointment as director is due to A&T's growing involvement in the rise of technology and economic development in the Piedmont Triad and the entire state of North Carolina.

According to the North Carolina Technology Development Authority, A&T has the fourth largest engineering and science research and development program amongst both public and private universities in North Carolina.

Pomp and Circumstance: Winter grads will walk Dec. 18

North Carolina A&T will hold its first winter commencement on Saturday, December 18 in Corbett Sports Center.

The winter commencement is for students who completed graduation requirements in the summer or fall semesters and need their degree to enter graduate school or for employment.

About 439 students are expected to march down the aisle in December. The procession will begin at 9:30 a.m., and the program will begin at 10 a.m.

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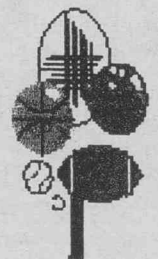


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STUDENT PROFILE

Cedric, Cedric, Cedric: Terry tuning up to lead band

A&T sophomore Cedric Terry may not have to wait much longer to fulfill his dream

BY EDWARD MOORE
Register Staff Writer

The year was 1999. The place, a packed home game at Aggie Stadium. Marching into the stands came the members of North Carolina A&T State University's band. Three awesome drum majors led them.

Wait. One of them appears to be a new. Just who is he? The girls begin to scream. You hear the name: Cedric, Cedric, Cedric.

Over the summer, an opportunity to lead was given. The recipient, a 19-year-old sophomore, OSHA major named Cedric Terry.

Terry is a humble, modest, and very spiritual young man who rose to the occasion that was presented to him by Dr. Johnny Hodge, the band's director of 19 years. Leading the band, as with anything else, requires a lot of hard work, sacrifice, and dedication. Terry brings these elements with him and he gives God the credit.

"Through Christ I can do all things," said Terry.

This very spiritual young man comes from a spiritual family. The youngest of three children, Terry credits his achievements to his belief in God and the support of his parents, Reverend Robert Perry and Ivoria Terry.

As a young boy, Terry realized that he wanted to be a member of the band. By 7th grade, he dreamed of becoming a drum major.

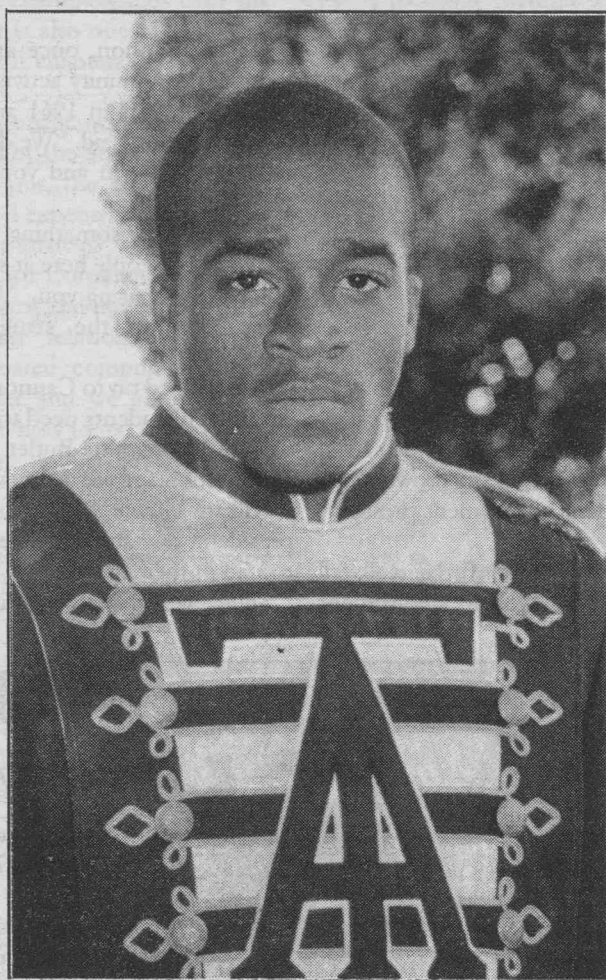
Practice, apparently, made perfect.

Terry began coming up to A&T's symphonic band camps at the age of 12. It was there that he envisioned coming to A&T, playing in the band, and possibly leading it.

"I played the saxophone and band camp taught me things I needed to know about the horn, about being a better musician and the discipline needed," Terry said. "At the time, drum major Anthony Criss was our counselor and we watched a lot of tapes of the band. It was then that I knew."

The appointment over the summer came as a shock to Terry.

"It was kind of emotional," Terry chuckled. "I didn't cry, though."



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Cedric Terry, a sophomore OSHA major, may soon be the band's top drum major.

"Doc (Hodge) called me in and told me."

It was emotional because the head drum major at the time, Chris Goins, was stepping down.

"It was actually Chris who put the whistle around my neck and I have the utmost respect for Chris," Terry said. "He's been like a big brother to me."

With seniors Kellye Worth and Bluford Thompson in front of him, it appears Terry is being groomed for the

head drum major's role. Nonetheless, he remains humble and modest over his prospects.

"Yeah it's possible because of my experience," Terry said — and he'll learn as much as he can this year to ensure that the role becomes his.

"His being drum major now does not necessarily guarantee the role," Hodge said, "but it's very likely because of the things I look for in a drum major."

"I look for playing ability, loyalty, attitude and dedication. Another key is the respect their peers have for them. This is a must or a student will fail. Cedric has acquired this. This young man strives to be the best that he can be. He strives for perfection and wants the band to be No. 1 as well as give the crowd a respectable band that will pump them up."

"I met both Cedric and Kellye back in 1993 when they were in middle school coming up for band camps. Cedric was a really good student back then in my opinion exemplary in both school and band. He is a serious student, a perfectionist."

"He has the desire, drive and ability in addition to the fact that he soaks up ideas, listens attentively, which enables him to execute smoothly. That is what I want in a head drum major."

Terry has a plan for making the band even better.

"My plan is to listen to what Doc instructs me to do, which will make me a more effective leader and to incorporate more discipline in our program," Terry said. "I will assist Dr. Hodge, who I feel is a brilliant man, in any way I can."

The sky being the limit and having a good group of peers will greatly aid this current and future leader. Terry leads by example and maintains a 3.0 grade-point average, while practicing and finding time for the NAACP and his church, The Church Of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

Aggie pride is an essential element and motivational tool for this young man.

"To me Aggie Pride is deeper than chanting at a game," Terry said. "It is knowing and having a pure love for A&T. It cannot be learned or taught. It is inside."

"True Aggie Pride is supporting your school functions, organizations, giving while in school and giving back when you leave."

"I plan to give back by giving a little of myself and not just in the band. One way is simply by going out and representing our school the way a leader should."

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where the county itself was named after Ku Klux Klan member Robert Forest.

Barrett also spoke about the rise of the KKK and what people thought about them at the time.

"The Klan was thought to be a group of whites that were ignorant, poor, unemployed and uneducated," Barrett said. "They were thought to be harmless, but as time went by we saw that they were a form of 'white terrorism,' which is a form of expression."

Barrett also went on to say that the Klan was just a means of maintaining white supremacy - even after the civil war.

A video of the tragedy followed. It was graphic, sad and it really caught the attention of those watching.

"To see the severity of this massacre and the bravery that these people showed

really makes you think, and it makes you want to stand up for what you believe in," said Courtney Taylor.

Dr. Sally Bermazan was a member of the CWP and was actually there at the incident. Her husband was shot and is now paralyzed on his left side.

"It was a bad thing that happened but we had to let the Klan know that we weren't just going to back down from them," said Dr. Bermazan.

To A&T students, Dr. Bermazan issued a challenge.

"You as students must make the government responsible for protecting all people, and that's something the government did not do 20 years ago," she said.

The first question from the crowd came from A&T student government president Kendra Hill.

"Why did the boycott of the mall fail last year?" she said. "We had involvement

of the some of the students but not from any of the faculty. How can we get them to support us?"

Willena Cannon, once an Aggie and a longtime community activist, answered.

"The students in 1961 are the same in 1999," Cannon said. "We didn't have faculty support then and you won't have it now."

"If you want something done don't go chasing the people here at school about it. Have them chasing you. You as students must pick up the struggle we went through."

Many added on to Cannon's response by saying that students need to stay on top of things. As Charlette Butler put it, the best ammunition for war is knowledge.

William Howie A&T's history club vice president, said students need to be deeply rooted in their school.

There were faculty members on hand,

such as political science professor Dr. Mosely.

"This was one of the positive things that have happened in a long time and I'm glad that the students came out here to learn and to get extra credit," he said. "But I'm glad that even though some were here for extra credit they stayed through the whole thing."

"I've been to many forums and I have to say that this has been one of the best."

A&T students were also impressed by the forum.

"The forum was really informative and influential," said Andre Robinson, a senior. "I really enjoyed seeing the passion that each panelist spoke with."

The forum concluded with remarks by Dr. James Steele.

He said society needs to change the communication of concern to communication of action.



Speech, Communication & Theatre chair Linda Florence Callahan (center), with help from student Tamara Hill (right) made the media workshop a huge hit.

Media workshop attracts hundreds

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Courtney Hardee, education reporter at the News & Record; Chris Runge, producer/anchor at WXLV-TV (Channel 45); and Robin Adams Cheeley, director of University News Service at UNC-G.

Like clockwork, the next item on the agenda began at 10 a.m. The students would attend three 50-minute workshop sessions. The workshops included Online Information Gathering, Photo Journalism, Television, Editing and Layout, Public Relations, Newswriting, Radio, Yearbook, and a session for advisors.

"The sessions were run really nice and precise," said Natasha Clark, a sophomore from Glenn High School.

"I came to the workshop because I am interested in being a newspaper editor. The workshop

was informative, but the speaker on photojournalism could have been a little more interesting," said 17 year old Wallace Mack of Garinger High School.

Kay Phillips, director of NCMA, praised A&T for hosting such a well run and organized workshop.

"North Carolina A&T has been an excellent host. I believe the students have gained so much and having worked with Dr. Callahan before I knew it would turn out great."

After the sessions were over, the students returned to the union where they received a lunch and got a chance to meet and greet anchor woman for WXII-TV (Channel 12) news, Mrs. Wanda Starke.

Starke gave them a very valuable information and told them whether or not they pursue a career in the media, make sure you love what you do.

Franklin comes back

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acquire knowledge, as well as see the authority figure of their culture.

When asked why they decided to write the new book, "Runaway Slaves," both authors jumped at the chance to answer.

"Writers don't make much money."

JOHN HOPE FRANKLIN

"Research has shown that slaves did not always run North as we are led to believe," Schweningen said. "Many slaves often ran away alone, many ran nearby to cities to hire themselves out."

Franklin reiterated the stance that the Constitution - as the late U.S. Supreme Court Justice

Thurgood Marshall would describe it - was from the beginning a flawed document. He also pointed out that in 1776, when Thomas Jefferson declared that all men were created equal, he was not referring to the slaves at Monticello.

Dr. Olen Cole, interim chair of the history department, was one of the many on hand. Dr. Cole spoke of his admiration for Dr. Franklin and his shock that A&T was able to have him for a day, given his busy schedule.

"Just how much have you made off of your new books?" Cole said.

Franklin was quick with a reply. "Let's just say I struggled to pay my utility bill the other day to keep my lights on," he said. "Writers don't make much money."

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Students promote free enterprise through campus group

SIFE is not just for business students.

BY KARISTON MCPHERSON
Register Staff Writer

Students In Free Enterprise (SIFE) is an organization that consists of college students who try to make a difference on campus, within the community, and internationally by teaching free enterprise.

SIFE was formed in the early 1980s. N.C. A&T's division of SIFE was developed in 1992. There are over 700 SIFE teams worldwide.

Annually, each SIFE team participates in a competition within their region and, if successful, internationally.

N.C. A&T's SIFE team has won six consecutive regional championships over the past six years. It is also one of the most active HBCU SIFE chapters in the organization.

SIFE is a non-profit organization and any money raised by the organization goes towards the campus, the community, or competition travel expenses.

"Right now, we plan to work with the children at Windsor Community Center," says Nishaka Askew, the director of mass media and public relations for SIFE. "BB&T has donated computers to the community center and we are going to teach the children how to use the Internet, and the dangers and benefits of the Internet as well."

According to Askew, another goal of SIFE is to teach children the aspects of running, planning, and eventually owning their own businesses.

SIFE also plans to act as consultants to the small businesses in the community to help them expand. They are also developing a Visa Program to advise college students before they plunge into the temptation of credit cards.

But one of their biggest goals is to spread awareness about SIFE throughout A&T's campus.

Although the organization has been around for seven years, Askew has noticed that not a lot of students know about SIFE.

"We have so many resources yet we

don't use them," she says. "But this year, we are really going to try to push and make ourselves known," she said.

SIFE is also a source of networking for future career opportunities including internships, co-ops, and permanent placement.

Although SIFE is an organization that deals heavily with many aspects of business, it is not strictly for business majors. All majors are welcome to join.

"SIFE is not a business organization, it is a student organization," said Askew.

SIFE meets every other Monday or Wednesday in Merrick Hall.

For more information or to join SIFE contact the advisor, Dr. Chi Archibong at 334-7656.

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Alumnus Henry Frye hits another North Carolina first

BY VONETTA LILLY
Register Staff Writer

When it comes to describing Justice Henry E. Frye, the best phrase to use is "The First."

A 1953 A&T graduate, Frye has been just that, and he racked up another first in the North Carolina legal arena late last summer.

On August 2, Governor Jim Hunt named Justice Frye North Carolina's 25th chief justice. On September 7, Frye took his oath and became the first African American to hold the position.

"Justice Frye's experience in the judicial system runs far and deep," said Gov. Hunt.

Frye, 66, has been on the North Carolina Supreme Court bench since 1983. Prior to being named to the state's highest appellate court, he was a state legislator from Greensboro.

In 1968, Frye became the first African

American elected to the N.C. House of Representatives this century.

Frye is active in numerous civic activities and professional organizations including the Institute of Judicial Administration, the N.C. Association of Black Lawyers, the American Bar Association, the National Bar Association, the N.C. Bar Association and the American Judicature Society.

A native of Richmond County, Frye lives in Greensboro with his wife, Shirley, community relations director for WFMY-TV. They are the proud parents of two sons Henry Jr., who was elected to the 18th District Superior Court in Greensboro, and Harlan, who is director of personnel for the N.C. Department of Environment and Natural Resources.

Frye is a graduate of the University of North Carolina School of Law. He holds honorary Doctor of Law degrees from N.C. A&T and Shaw University.

Anchor Starke gives advice for building a TV career

BY EDWARD MOORE
Register Staff Writer

Flexibility, hardwork, ambition, and a passion for what you do are the keys to success.

Local celebrity, Wanda Starke gave this advice to over 400 high school students that attended North Carolina's A&T's High School Media Day.

Starke is anchor of the noon news and co-anchor of the five o'clock news on channel 12 (WXII). Her professionalism has earned her many awards. Among those awards are The North Carolina Associated Press Broadcasters Award, The Los Angeles YWCA Achievement Award, The Southern Christian Leadership Conference Award (Buffalo, NY Chapter) and the National Woman of Achievement Award.

"Education is the key to your success. Learn all you can. Listening and participating in a hands-on atmosphere is essential. Intern as much as possible," said Starke.

She is not just speaking because Starke is a graduate of the University of Richmond, where she received her BA in journalism and speech communication. She furthered her education by pursuing a graduate degree in Political Science and African studies at the prestigious Howard University. Starke began her career at a radio station in Augusta, Georgia. It was

owned by James Brown, "The Godfather of Soul."

Later she moved to a television station in Buffalo, New York. As she talked about Buffalo it was clear that this was a stepping stone that she did not like.

"Sometimes you may have to go somewhere or work somewhere you do not like in order to get ahead," Starke said. "It is important that you like what you do, but sometimes you must go to a place you don't like. I hated Buffalo."

"I was there four years, but it was a stepping stone needed for me to succeed. It was ironic because the station manager in Buffalo ended up in Winston-Salem and knew what I could do and hired me."

Making a name for yourself through your performance can get you in the door and who you know does not hurt either was another piece of advice she gave.

"Being flexible, having a hard work ethic and a passion for what you do will take you far in the business," said Starke. "I love to tell stories, to write. I also love the idea that I may be the first person to tell people about something important that affects their lives."

Over and over again she stressed that it was all about interning and making sure you love what you do. The money may not be there in the beginning, but it will come.

English prof presents paper at Poe conference

By AMELIA OTOVO
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On October 8, Dr. Samuel Garren, an English professor at N.C. A&T, presented a paper entitled "The 'too long unjoin'd chain': Gilbert Adair's use of Poe in his Translation of Georges Perec's *La Disparition*."

The International Edgar Allen Poe Conference is an annual event celebrating the famous 19th century poet and writer Edgar Allen Poe. It is also the official conference of the Edgar Allen Poe Society. This year, the conference was held in Charlottesville, Va., because of its historical significance.

Poe went to the University of Virginia for a year.

"The Raven" was Poe's most famous work, and it was in fact the most famous work of the 19th century. This is why Garren picked the poem as a subject for his paper.

Dr. Garren says that he was reading a translation of "The Raven" one day by Gilbert Adair. It was called "Black Bird" and did not contain any E's. He did a little research and found out that it was inspired by Georges Perec's poem "Booz Assoupi" which was a French translation of Hugo's "Booz Endormi."

Perec did not use any E's in his translation either.

"I was impressed that Adair kept the rhyme scheme and meter without using the letter e at all," Garren said. "I thought

that it would be interesting to write a composition about it and why Adair would do such a thing"

In his paper, Garren says that Perec probably chose "The Raven" because it is a very well known work and familiar to Americans. By taking an original text and changing it the way that he did, Perec effectively expressed the concept of structuralism - the belief that elements can be substituted or added to an original text without reducing the integrity of the work.

Dr. Garren says that he liked the conference overall. His paper was one of many on the panel discussing "The Raven."

"I enjoyed listening to the other presenters," he said. "One woman from the

University of Italy spoke on the difficulty of translating "The Raven" into Italian while keeping the meter and rhyme scheme.

"In the panel on racism and Poe, another presenter discussed some comments that Poe made supporting the white South and concluded that Poe was not a racist.

This was Garren's first conference, and he enjoyed himself overall.

"They sold trinkets and showed us Room 13, West Range," he said, which was where Poe lived while attending the University of Virginia.

Also, Garren enjoyed the international setting and was impressed by the well-known critics who showed up at the conference.

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Poetry

Not Too Late

World oh world you better recognize
 'Cause good jobs out here
 Are hard to find
 Respect yourself and realize
 Before it's too late
 When I was young
 Growing up in Eastside
 I never let anyone take advantage of me
 And my pride
 I spoke the truth, overcame my youth
 And realized that time was passing me by
 I am older now but never did I know
 That men and women
 Out here struggling
 Trying to do things
 No one else took time to do
 Growing up and envisioning it all
 Not to mention having a ball
 It's not too late
 The topics of life are
 Black and White
 And our differentiability
 I, myself, am in love with a mixture
 Of things between Black, White, and Asian
 Just about anything, as long as they are men
 I only see what God blessed people with
 The ability to love
 So it's still not too late
 To love, demonstrate peace, and show happiness
 This is my ultimate goal
 World oh world if you only knew
 That people need to recognize that
 Things are getting harder
 Respect yourself, have morals and create dreams
 This should be the focus of the youth today
 Not guns, sex, and fighting
 Because it's not too late

— Valerie Campbell

Now I See

When I first met you
 I thought you were going to be
 Just another play toy for me,
 But now I see
 You're all I need and more
 Much more
 I can't believe
 That I am deserving you
 Caring for you
 Talking to you
 Even making love to you
 One day soon
 That cow will jump across the moon
 And all these dreams
 Wished within will come true
 Life is but a mystery to me
 And it's time for people to
 Just take control
 Turn things into gold
 Share a common gift
 Of love, peace, and happiness!

— Valerie Campbell

That Special Place

When you are not around and I need you here
 I think of that special place and you feel so near
 I sometimes wonder when will I see you again,
 But I think of that special place and it heals my pain
 When I'm down and out and you are nowhere to be
 found
 I look for that special place and peace, love and comfort
 is around
 Just listen to my voice and you will know
 Where that special place so you can go
 If you promise to keep it a secret then I will tell you
 Where to find it because it's just within and just for two
 You and I can share this place to the ends of time
 It will be our special place yours and mine
 Look deep inside yourself to find that special place
 So when we're apart we can meet face to face
 No one else must know because it's rare
 For lovers to share a special place in their minds; are you
 there?

— Valerie Campbell

REGISTER SPORTS

Basketball team looks to fly high with Hunter

By RANDY ST. CLAIR
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After a mediocre 1998-99 season, the N.C. A&T basketball team is looking to turn things around under a new head coach who is looking to bring discipline and excitement to the team.

Curtis Hunter, a native of Durham and former North Carolina Tar Heel, is the Aggies' new coach.

Hunter came to Chapel Hill in 1982, year of the Tar Heels' national championship, and played with Michael Jordan and 12 other All-Americans before graduating in 1987.

He played professionally for the Denver Nuggets and later went overseas to play

for Greece and Italy.

Tired of the travel and moving, Hunter decided to retire and teach the game he had loved to play. He coached at Fayetteville State University and Chapel Hill High School before coming to A&T as assistant coach.

"A&T has a lot of great history and a really great program," Hunter said. "You can't go anywhere in North Carolina and not hear about A&T."

"Whether it's their band or academics, everyone knows about A&T, and I wanted to be a part of that."

Along with A&T's rich tradition, Hunter looks at this as being an opportunity of a lifetime.

"Not many people get to coach a Division I school, and this has been a dream of mine for a while so I am taking advantage of my opportunity," said Hunter.

Expectations run high for the Aggies again this year. Their schedule is one of the toughest they have had in years. Their nonconference schedule includes Texas A&M and Baylor University, American University, and perennial power Duke.

"We do have a tough schedule, but I expect us to win every game we play no matter what the reputation the other team has," Hunter said.

"The Texas teams we play because of recognition but like I said before I still

expect our team to win."

Hunter's goal for this season is to simply have his team play together. He has eight returning players and five newcomers, and expects great things of all of them.

"The great thing about this team is that there isn't any one player that just stands out from the rest," Hunter said. "Each player has the potential to be the leader of this team."

As playing style goes, look for the Aggies to shoot more — and score more.

A&T held its annual intrasquad scrimmage on Nov. 6. A home exhibition against the Sports Crusader is scheduled for Nov. 12, with the season opener on the road at American on Nov. 20.

FAMU, A&T tangle for title

By CHRIS WALLACE
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Florida A&M Rattlers (7-2 overall; 6-0 conf.) vs N.C. A&T Aggies (8-1 overall; 6-0 conference.)

On Saturday afternoon at Aggie Stadium, the Florida A&M Rattlers and the N.C. A&T Aggies will battle it out for the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference championship.

Everything is on the line in this game and both teams will be poised and ready for the contest.

The Rattlers come in with the MEAC's most prolific offense, averaging 46.7 points per game, and come off a dominating 65-18 thumping of Southern. The Aggies, meanwhile, are the MEAC's top defense and have reeled off an impressive six consecutive wins since an early season loss to Elon.

There is no secret about the importance of this contest and both teams know that the winner will be a top seed in the NCAA Division I-AA playoffs.

"This is as big as it gets," A&T coach Bill Hayes said. "It's for the conference title and we're going to play hard to get it."

FAMU quarterback JaJuan Seider is the league's top offensive player, with more than 1,600 passing yards, 20 touchdowns and only one interception. A dangerous runner as well, Seider has rushed for 532 yards and eight more touchdowns.

Jacquay Nunnally and Cainon Lamb, with more than 100 receptions and 16 touchdowns between them, give FAMU the league's top receiving duo.

A&T counters with a ground game led by Mo

Players to watch

Florida A&M University

QB — JaJuan Seider

WRs — Jacquay Nunnally and Cainon Lamb

LB — Grover Fields

North Carolina A&T University

RB — Mo Smith

QB — Jason Battle

DBs — Klugh, Spencer, Rogers, and Carpenter

Smith, who ranks second in the conference with 729 yards and five touchdowns in eight games. Smith sat out the Delaware State game last week, but looks to be ready for FAMU, and the quarterback spot has solidified since Jason Battle took the starting job at midseason.

The Aggies live and die, however, with defense. Darryl Klugh, Dwayne Carpenter, Josh Rogers, and VonKeith Spencer lead a talented secondary that could challenge FAMU.

And as if the conference title isn't enough motivation, A&T has last year to consider.

FAMU had rolled up a 51-12 lead in that game, but the Rattlers called a timeout with 29 seconds remaining to set up a pass play for another score.

Aggie head coach Bill Hayes downplays the incident.

"I can't worry about things I can't control," Hayes said. "Their coach is a good guy and a long-time friend."

— FAMU ranked #6 in Division 1AA poll. NCAT ranked #24 in Division 1AA

— FAMU has MEAC's top offense. NCAT has MEAC's top defense

A&T's strong finish dumps Delaware St.

Win clinches postseason berth,
spot in MEAC championship game

By CHRIS WALLACE
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North Carolina A&T State University struggled without its top offensive threat for nearly three quarters, but picked it up late as they upended Delaware State 24-13 during an afternoon game Nov. 6.

With running back Mo Smith sidelined with a sprained ankle, A&T turned to sophomore tailback Adrian Parks, who picked up the slack with 93 yards on 18 carries.

The Aggies trailed 7-0 early in the first quarter, but after a Hornet score, junior returner Romando North electrified the crowd with his 98-yard kickoff return for a touchdown.

An ever bigger play came with just under six minutes remaining in the third quarter and the Hornets leading 13-10.

Delaware State tailback Kevin Hanks was running in for what seemed to be a sure touchdown, but the Aggies forced a fumble that resulted in a touchback.

An Aggie touchdown followed, and A&T (8-1, 6-0 MEAC) was on its way to the win that assured the Aggies a postseason appearance.

A&T's win coupled with Florida A&M's 65-18 victory over Southern sets up the MEAC title game on Saturday, November 13th at Aggie Stadium.

"This is as big as it gets!" A&T coach Bill Hayes said. "It's going to be something to watch."

Late kick kept Aggies' hopes alive in win over Bethune

By CHRIS WALLACE
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If anyone would have guessed that the N.C. A&T football team would be unbeaten in the Mid-Eastern Athletic Conference and ranked among Division I-AA's elite teams at this point in the season, they'd be a genius now.

The Aggies improved to 7-1 overall October 30 and remained in first place as they edged Bethune-Cookman on a late field goal by a score of 19-18.

This rivalry intensified throughout the game and even afterwards as there were several altercations among coaches and players.

On a day the Aggies seemed to be struggling and out-of-sync, senior tailback Maurice "Mo" Smith picked up the slack as he rushed for a team high 143 yards, includ-

ing a 28-yard run late in the fourth quarter to set up the decisive field goal.

The game wasn't always this close as they Aggies took control early and led 16-6 at the half. After a couple of Aggie breakdowns, the Wildcats mounted a rally and took an 18-16 lead midway through the fourth quarter.

After another Aggie turnover, the Wildcats got the ball again and faced a tired Aggie defense. Up 18-16, the Wildcats attempted a field goal that would have forced the Aggies to score a touchdown to win, but it was blocked by A&T's Arthur Wilson.

Given new life, A&T took over on its own 37 with only 4:21 remaining.

The Aggie survived an incomplete pass on fourth-and-three when Bethune-Cookman was penalized for pass

interference. Two plays later, Smith broke free for the run that set up Dawkins and the Aggies for the game winning kick.

Dawkins nailed it with 26 seconds remaining to give the Aggies the victory.

"A one-point win is a rout to me," A&T coach Bill Hayes said. "I am really pleased with the way our team held its composure and came back."

"I think this game will inspire us to be a lot better next week and weeks to come."

Bethune-Cookman coach Alvin Wyatt, visibly upset at the loss, took a shot at the officiating.

"This is the second game that has been taken away from us," he said. "When the game is on the line, you have to let the kids play."