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## Q & A

Dr. Roselle Wilson is currently serving as the interim vice chancellor for student affairs. Wilson came out of retirement to assume the post, which was previously held by Dr. Sullivan Welborne.

**Q:** What are your goals for student affairs?

**A:** One goal I have for student affairs is to be immediately responsive to the needs of our students, not just academically but also their personal well-being, their participation in the community and success with the college experience.

**Q:** Where did you attend school?

**A:** I received my bachelor's degree from Michigan State in communications with a concentration in speech pathology and audiology. My minor was in K-8 education. I got my master's in counseling from Michigan State also, concentrating in student services. My Ph.D. came from the University of Michigan-Ann Arbor and I got that in higher education.

**Q:** If you were not involved in higher education what would you be doing?

**A:** Originally I think I was designed to be heavily involved in community development. However, education has provided me with the tools to do my mission through this calling. But hobby wise I would be involved in architecture; I worked closely with my father in architecture. In my spare time I design houses. Maybe I would have been a doctor.

**Q:** Can you tell us a little about your family?

**A:** My daughter is a senior at Georgia Tech majoring in pre-med. My son is in the hotel management business with his father in Michigan. I also have an adopted daughter who has her own public relations firm in Los Angeles.

**Q:** What are some of the obstacles that you had to overcome?

**A:** At the time when I left North Carolina I left to eliminate obstacles of segregation and high levels of scrutiny.

**Q:** What makes you angry?

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## A&T budget in limbo

By T.J. MOORE  
Register Staff Writer

N.C. A&T's administration is wrestling with the proposed state budget freezes in hopes of softening the impact that the cuts will have on undergraduate and graduate studies and faculty positions.

According to Paula Jefferies, interim vice chancellor for business and finance,

A&T is projected to lose \$4 million of state appropriations for the 2001-2002 fiscal year, which equals out to 6.559 percent of the estimated budget.

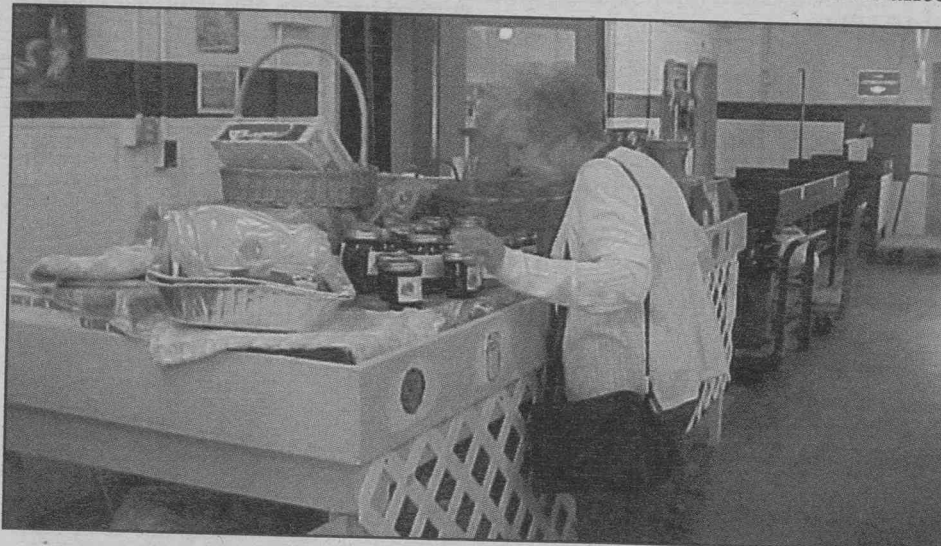
As a result of the freezes, an estimated 22 faculty positions and 35 to 40 support positions will be eliminated. A&T's administration hopes that the official numbers would not force them to affect

current employees.

"It depends on how deep the budget cuts are," said Jefferies. "We will try to accommodate the budget freezes with vacant positions. We hope not to lay off anyone."

At this point, no undergraduate or

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Courtney Taylor/Register Staff

A customer looks at a variety of canned preserves during a weekday afternoon at the nearby Farmers' Curb Market.

## Farmers gain business at local Curb Market

CHANTEL M. BALKNIGHT  
Register Contributor

On any given Saturday morning, the Greensboro Farmers' Curb Market is the busiest place in the city. The smell of fresh-cut flowers and homemade cakes greet you as you walk in the door.

The Greensboro Farmers' Curb Market is a facility of the City of Greensboro Parks & Recreation Department, located on the corner of Lindsey and Yanceyville streets near the A&T campus. It is designed to give local farmers, bakers and craftsmen who do not already have a business an opportunity to market their products.

When walking along the second aisle, you come across a rather strange-looking booth under the sign "Goat Lady Cheese." On the table are free samples of goat cheese and crackers to spread the cheese on.

"Go ahead, try one, it's good. No added chemicals, it comes straight from my goat," says Lee Tate, the maker of Goat Lady Cheese.

Tate sells goat cheese, goat milk and many other natural home-grown products. "I have quite a few customers here," she says. "I get the majority of my customers in the summer. I make a pretty good amount of money off of my goat cheese."

Tate says that she enjoys the atmosphere at the farmers' market more than

anything.

"The people who come here are great. Most of them come week after week not only to shop but also to enjoy the atmosphere," she says.

Approximately 87 vendors are registered with the Farmers Market, although they have enough space for about 162 vendors.

"Everyone loves the market. We've had crowds anywhere between 500 and 600 people, depending on the time of year," says Larry Smith, market manager. "We try to offer the community something that the entire family can enjoy and that is affordable."

The Greensboro Farmers Market takes you back in time. It provides a culinary link to the past as shoppers buy fruits and vegetables to prepare foods the way their mothers and grandmothers did before them.

Not only will you find fresh produce at the Farmers Market, but also the ambience of locally grown and home-made goods, and the nostalgia of a historical landmark.

Although the market is open year-round, the majority of the vendors are there between April and September. The hours of operation are Tuesdays and Thursdays between the hours of 2:30 and 6:30 p.m. and Saturdays from 6 a.m. until noon.

## A&T works to meet needs of disabled students

BY HEATHER PHILLIPS  
Register Contributor

Through a variety of services, N.C. A&T disabled students are having their needs met.

Of the 95 students that are disclosed to the Office of Disability Support Services, some students experience learning disabilities while others experience mobility

disabilities. Peggy Oliphant, the director of the Office of Disability Support Services, reviews student's cases for disability support.

"In order to obtain services the student must



Peggy Oliphant

show documentation signed by a health care professional. Then we discuss the student's condition and concerns and come to an agreement of what actions should be done. After this short process I contact the professor," said Oliphant.

Only a few universities on the East Coast provide disability services according to the Americans with Disabilities Act or the ADA. Included are the University of Florida and N.C. A&T.

The act provides guidelines that clearly define the word disability. According to the ADA, a condition that substantially limits a major life activity such as walking, talking, learning, hearing or seeing will be provided with support services. Included in this definition are students who suffer from chronic health (epilepsy, diabetes, HIV, etc.) and mobility problems.

Some of the services that A&T's Office of Disability Support Services provide are career and academic counseling, moving classes to a more accessible location and making academic adjustments with professors.

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## IN BRIEF

### Harris at conferences

Dr. Lorna Harris, professor of nursing at N.C. A&T, recently attended the "Values and Behaviors Critical to the Future of Nursing Education and Practice Conference" in Atlanta, Ga., sponsored by the Council on Collegiate Education for Nursing of the Southern Regional Education Board.

At the conference, Harris ended her term on the council's board of directors and was presented a glass sculpture called "Ascendance" for her service.

Harris also attended the Southern Nursing Research Society's 15th Anniversary Conference in Baltimore, Md., as a senior research scholar in the session "Conversation with Minority Health Research Scholars."

### IBM gives grant

IBM has awarded N.C. A&T a \$272,960 Shared University Research (SUR) grant. The grant will be used to purchase state-of-the-art equipment for the Manufacturing Systems Department in the School of Technology.

The equipment includes an IBM i-Series server, three Intellistations and 10 Think Pad laptops.

"This grant from IBM to the School of Technology will possess the experience, people, skills and systems needed for the successful execution of an e-commerce operation through course work and research projects specifically focusing on fulfillment," said Rod Adkins, general manager web servers and IBM SUR supporting executive.

### Employees awarded

Angela A. Peterson and Andrew M. Perkins, employees in the Division of Business and Finance at N.C. A&T, received awards at the 11th Annual Division of Business and Finance Incentive Awards Program. Peterson, an accountant in the auxiliary services office, was named Employee of the Year for Devotion to Duty.

Perkins, who serves as interim assistant vice chancellor for business and finance/facilities, received Manager of the Year for Devotion to Duty/Innovation.

The late Charles C. McIntyre, vice chancellor for business and finance from 1981 until his death in 2000, established the incentive awards program in 1988. This year's program was held in his memory.

### Researchers help Army

Researchers at N.C. A&T are helping the U.S. Army reduce its energy consumption, using buildings at Fort Bragg as a basis for their research.

Dr. Peter Rojeski leads the team of specialists from the Center for Energy Research and Technology at N.C. A&T, in developing procedures that the Army can use to determine which buildings have heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems that need improvement, to conserve energy.

"The goal of the project is to train members of the Army's Public Works Business Staff to use this methodology so that they can evaluate many more buildings, consequently improving energy conservation through re-commissioning where appropriate," said Rojeski.

The project is in its second year and is funded by the U.S. Department of Defense, Army Construction Engineering Research Laboratory.

## BUDGET

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graduate programs are in danger and the administration wants to keep it that way. The main priority is to save both of these programs.

"We want to preserve undergraduate education," says Jefferies. "We will try to strategize so that the cuts will have a minimal impact on undergraduate instruction."

Tommy Ellis of the Budget Office

N.C. A&T University Police reported the following incidents during the week of April 18-24.

#### April 18 Larceny

An off-campus student reported that two of her books were taken out of her book bag while she was attending class in room 124 of Barnes Hall.

#### Larceny

A female visitor with a tour group reported that her purse was taken in Webb Hall.

#### Larceny

An off-campus student reported that person(s) unknown removed the left front tire from her vehicle.

#### April 19 Larceny

A staff member of the music department reported that person(s) unknown removed a trombone from room 109 Frazier Hall. Approximate value of the instrument is \$735.

#### Larceny

A non-student reported that her purse was stolen from Bluford Library while she was typing a paper. The victim observed two suspicious acting males in the area prior to discovering her purse missing. An employee later found the purse in the library parking lot. The suspects used the victim's credit card at the Foot Locker on Summit Avenue.

#### Vandalism to vehicle

A male resident of Cooper Hall reported that his vehicle was vandalized in the union parking lot. Person(s) unknown threw a beer bottle at the victim's front windshield causing the glass to shatter.

#### April 20-22 Vandalism

The resident director of Cooper Hall reported that a male resident discharged a fire extinguisher in Cooper Hall causing damage to state property and personal property of another resident.

#### Breaking and Entering

A student reported that some unknown person(s) entered her vehicle and removed several items while he was parked in the A&T Oaks parking lot.

#### Vehicle Accident

A student reported that some unknown person(s) struck her vehicle

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agrees. "The main concern is not to let the budget affect those academic areas," he said. "So we have sincere concern on the impact of the cuts affecting those areas."

If A&T, like the 15 other state-supported universities, knew the exact figure that will have to be sliced from the budget, then they would have a better grasp on what programs to cut or how many jobs will have to be put on hold. The cutbacks could also affect any new or special programs.

"We (administration) are in limbo. Due to the lack of information con-

cerning the final budget number, we don't know if any joint programs between A&T and UNC-G will be affected at this point in time," Ellis said.

A&T must know some official numbers by June 30, because that date signals the end of the fiscal year for state entities. The new fiscal year starts July 1 and reductions must be in place by that date.

"We're going to do what we can. Our first priority is to serve the students," Ellis said.

## EYE ON CRIME

causing minor damage. Estimated damage is \$300.

#### Larceny

A student reported that someone entered his room and removed his personal property. Estimated property loss is \$3,610.

#### Robbery

A student reported that someone attempted to rob him in the stairwell at Cooper Hall.

#### Arson

A resident assistant reported that some unknown person(s) set fire to a bulletin board in Cooper Hall.

#### April 23 Larceny

A student reported that some unknown person(s) stole her 1991 two-door Honda CRX while it was parked in University Circle. The vehicle was recovered by the University Police and returned to the student.

#### Breaking and Entering

A resident of Scott B reported that

person(s) unknown broke out the front and rear windshields of his vehicle while it was parked in the Laurel Street parking lot. The victim also reported that his speakers were taken during the incident.

#### Possession of marijuana

A non-student was cited and released for driving while his license is suspended and for possession of marijuana.

#### April 24

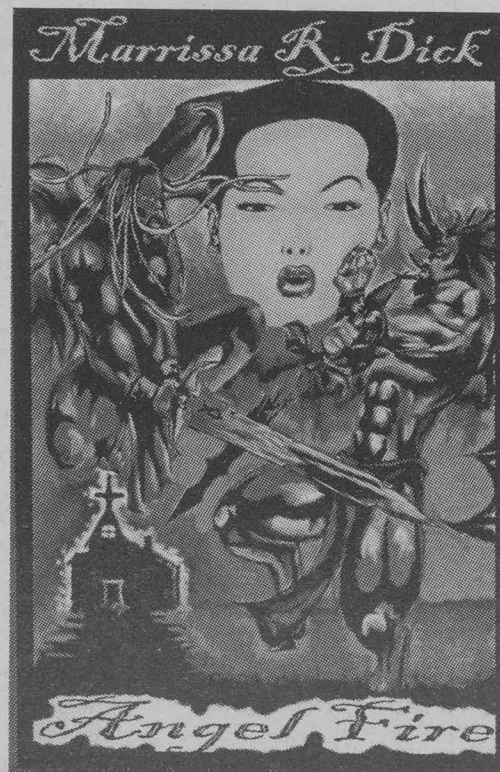
#### Obtain property/False Pretense

A female resident of Haley Hall reported that an unknown male stole her shopping bags as she entered Haley Hall.

Police reported that, on further investigation, the male was revealed to be a non-student she had been dating who had taken her shopping. Upon their arrival to Haley, the female attempted to break off the relationship and take the bags to her room.

When the male refused to release the packages, she notified the police department and attempted to file a larceny report. There were no charges filed.

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*Natasha has a desire to rededicate herself to the Lord. God assigns an angel, Abednego, to assist her while Satan assigns Dathan, a demon from hell, to make sure she is not successful. Along the way she meets the handsome Reverend Joshua Jones, who has been praying to God for a wife. Joshua and Natasha meet for the first time in her hospital room. Their eyes lock upon sight of one another. However, Natasha is involved with Malique, a man, who secretly hates God because of the childhood he endured. Malique notices the immediate attraction. Who will she pick? Joshua, the man of God or Malique, who provides her with financial wealth and security?*



# Q&A

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**A:** When people don't hold up their end of their responsibility.

**Q:** What makes you get up in the morning?

**A:** It's important to me to fulfill my mission and to help Historically Black Colleges and Universities as well as ensure that all students are successful. It's also important to help students exhibit their creative talents and abilities so that they can say they've given 100 percent.

**Q:** What made you come out of retirement?

**A:** There was always a part of my career I missed, which was being able to give back, at an HBCU, the advantages that I received. I grew up on HBCU campuses. My family was instrumental in the formative years of South Carolina State and Savannah State. I wanted to round out my career by helping students at HBCU's. My parents were products of HBCU's and most of my family was also.

**Q:** As a college student what were your goals?

**A:** Like most students one was to graduate. I also wanted to be able to make a worthy contribution to my community and use my talents, so that they would reflect positively in the community and to my family.

**Q:** What changes can we expect in student affairs over the next year?

**A:** There will definitely be some changes in the future. I have announced there will be some re-organization, and all units in student affairs will be responsive. The people in student affairs will be involved as mentors to students. We will also have a full array of services available to students.

# SERVICES

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Although their needs have been met, some disabled students still have concerns.

"I would not call the concerns complaints, because it is just a matter of changing a classroom location or speaking with a professor," said Oliphant. "It just comes down to talking the matter out."

Not all of A&T's buildings are handicapped accessible. Hodgkin Hall is accessible only on the first floor.

"Since the first floor is the only accessible floor of Hodgkin, some classes on the other floors are moved downstairs or to Gibbs Hall to accommodate disabled students," said Oliphant.

Carver Hall is the only building on campus that is not handicapped accessible.

"There have been plans to make Carver Hall handicap accessible. I am not sure when that will take place," said Oliphant.

Other than providing handicapped accessible buildings for students with mobility disabilities, the Office of Disability Support Services offers recommendations on alternate test formats and extended test times.

For further information contact the Office of Disability Support Services in 005 Murphy Hall at (336) 334-7765.

# Graduation Day

## Some 930 Aggies will get their degrees on May 12

By TIFFANY JORDAN  
Registrar Contributor

The excitement of family and friends celebrating your achievements, the fear of leaving a safe haven and facing "the real world" and the pride of setting out to do something and finishing successfully.

These are just a few of the many emotions that many of the Aggies of the graduating class of 2001 will be experiencing as they participate in the 110th Annual Commencement on May 12 and began their adult lives.

This year about 930 graduates will walk across the long-awaited stage at the Greensboro Coliseum to receive their bachelor's, master's and doctoral degrees as a myriad of spectators will attend with almost as much excitement, fear and pride as the graduates.

Commencement activities will begin on May 11 when prospective graduates will meet at Harrison Auditorium to go through a practice run. On the same day students will be able to receive their honor cords from the Office of the Registrar. Honor cords will be distributed to students graduating Cum Laude (3.00 to 3.24), Magna Cum Laude (3.25 to 3.49) and Summa Cum Laude (3.50 to 4.00) respectively.

Seniors will then double check to make sure that all financial obligations to the university are taken care of, including

outstanding parking tickets, library fines or graduation fees.

This year's commencement address speaker is the Rev. Edward A. Malloy, C.S.C., 16th president of the University of Notre Dame.

Father Malloy is serving his third five-year term as president of Notre Dame. He is a full-time professor in the department of theology and he has been a member of the Notre Dame faculty since 1974. He makes his home in a student residence hall on campus.

Malloy has led Notre Dame at a rapid growth in its reputation, faculty and resources.

"I am so excited," said Riza Jenkins, a senior business management major. "When you put blood, sweat and tears into something and through all the trials and tribulations you still come out on top, it's a wonderful feeling."

"Yes, I will miss A&T and all of the friendships found and lessons learned, but I will take it all with me to the next phase in my life."

After graduation, Jenkins will relocate to Atlanta, Ga., and work for a year. She later plans to pursue a master's degree at Georgetown University.

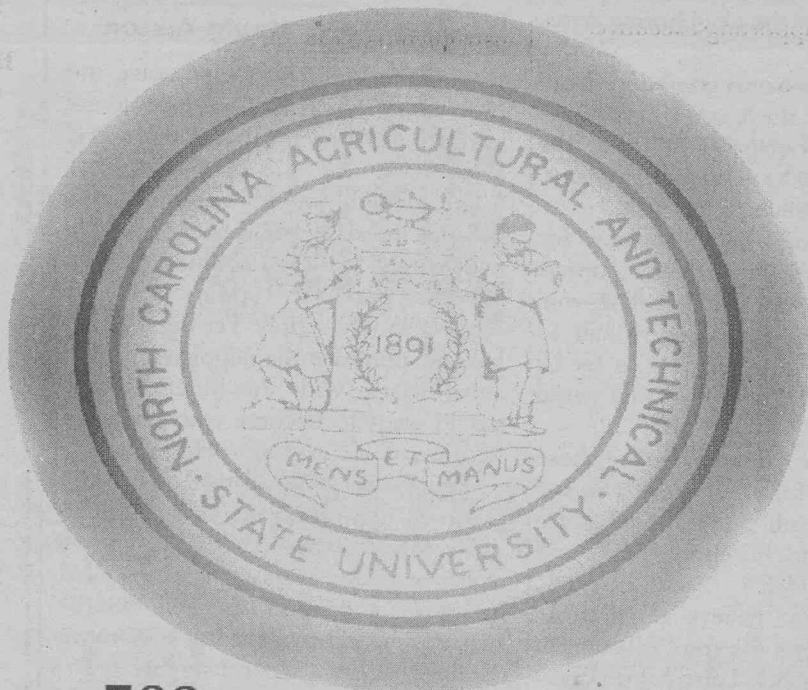
"I am going to Georgetown! I haven't even seen the application for admittance, but I am determined and I have faith that God will see me through because he hasn't brought me this far to fail me now," said Jenkins.

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## N.C. needs lottery to save economy

BY KEVIN ALSTON  
Register Contributor

The schools are needy, roads need paving and the state is broke. The U.S. economy is not looking its brightest at the moment either.

Many North Carolinians are burning up the interstate to pick up lottery tickets in either Virginia or South Carolina. Then, watching the news, one finds that North Carolina, instead of installing a state lottery, is considering installing toll booths on I-95. Is this a problem?

Let's look at what North Carolina has compared to our neighboring states. When you think about it, we only have tobacco. That is supposed to be the king moneymaker for the state. Now let's look at what the neighboring states have. A lottery.

What real problems are they faced with because of the lottery? True, there may be some poor people blowing the little nickels they have on lottery tickets. But to each his own.

The state cannot be responsible for everyone. We all are adults. No one is going to hold your hand, telling you, "Remember you have a light bill to pay," or "You have a family to feed." Only the strong survive in this world we live in today.

I realize there are going to be those super religious folks out there who say, "It's a sin to gamble," or "It will entice members of our church to gamble and they will go to Hell."

For those who believe along those lines, I have news for you. You cannot save everyone's soul. I also have a question for you. What is the difference between a state lottery and the raffle tickets churches sell to raise money for the building fund? If I don't want to buy one, I just don't buy one. The lottery does not approach you or take minutes out of your day as the raffle ticket sellers do.

If you feel that the lottery is bad, then don't buy a ticket. And when that member of your church does play and wins that \$10 million, don't accept 10 percent of that \$10 million that would benefit the church very well. For that is "the devil's money," some may say.

North Carolina would benefit tremendously if it installed a lottery.

Much of the money spent on buying lottery tickets would keep the Parent Teacher Association (PTA) from begging at my doorstep. It would also keep people working.

The reason we have potholes in our streets is not because the state doesn't have the workers to repair them. The reason is the state and cities cannot pay the workers to do the work. A state lottery would solve this problem very quickly. Then I would not have to align the front end of my car every week.

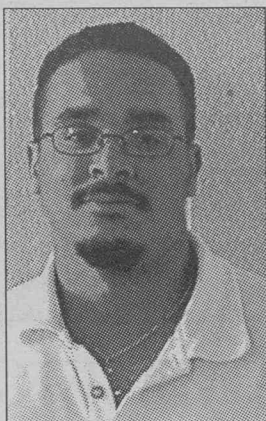
The schools would become better because the state would have money to enhance the schools. Currently teachers have to purchase supplies that the schools should supply. Yet the teachers have to purchase the supplies on their small salary. With the lottery people would want to become teachers again because of increase in teacher's pay.

Virginia has toll booths all up and down its highways, 50 cents here and 75 cents there. Some places were even a dollar or more. Then the state installed a lottery and soon the toll booths closed. The lottery gave the state more money than the tollbooths generated.

The state now has money not only from its residents, but also from North Carolinians; the same goes for South Carolina. These two states are getting rich off of North Carolina.

WRAL news and The Sanford Herald said that over 90 percent of North Carolinians want a lottery, yet staunch conservatives shut it down every time. Is the state going to be competitive and install a lottery?

We need to have a lottery in North Carolina to generate money and get this state up to par with the its neighboring states. If this state is going to be competitive, it has to give its residents what they want.



Kevin Alston

## What are your motives and are they righteous?

BY HEATHER PHILLIPS  
Guest Commentary

What is the force that drives each of us to do the things we do?

Motive—the impulse or intention from within which that causes a person to act. It's the voice that beckons us to execute a move, good or bad.

Christian teachings say that God examines the intentions of each person — their motives. Hebrews 4:12 says that God's word judges the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

I once heard that we are walking along on the strings of a musical instrument called life. Each move we make strikes a note developing the chords of a sweet melody or a death march.

In short, the moves we make day to day are either for good or for evil.

I knew a man a long time ago that worked with my father. He was a nice guy. He always had a bright smile on his face, but there was something about him my brothers and I didn't like. This man was so polite and always offered to do our yard work despite the fact that we had three healthy men in the house.

One day he came by when my father and my brothers were out. I overheard him asking my mother out to dinner. She quickly replied in a voice she only used when she was offended, "No thank you."

He was very disturbed by her answer and tried another approach. As I came out of the kitchen he slyly asked me if I'd like to go get some ice cream.

Like any child I was naturally excited until I saw the look of anger form in my mother's eyes. She answered, "NO," before I could open my mouth.

Once the man left I asked my mother why I couldn't go get ice cream. She

looked at me and said, "Baby, that man had an alternative motive."

For a long time I couldn't understand why my mother was so angry with that man. But years later I realized that a person's motives should be looked at carefully. That



Heather Phillips

man was not trying to be nice to my family because he liked us. He saw an opportunity to get closer to my mother. I don't quite know what this man's true intentions were but I do know they weren't good.

As we go through our lives trying to strive for the finer things, we must take the time to evaluate our motives. We must ask ourselves, "Why do I want to do this or say this?" We must take into consideration who we could be helping or hurting.

Just like my mother picked up on the alternative motives of the man who worked with my father, some motives unveil themselves if they're not of good intent.

In Matthew 9:4, Jesus called out the people who's thoughts were of evil intent. He even asked them why they had evil thoughts in their hearts.

Often times, motives bring about questions. Those of you leaving the university whether you're a senior or just to see a better opportunity from afar, think about each step you make. Can you hear the music playing?

## 20 Questions

1. Why are there so many court shows on TV now?
2. How many of us remember when it was just "The People's Court?"
3. How many times a day do you see "Cleo the Psychic" commercials?
4. Speakin' of "Cleo"...What happened to her other earring?
5. When is I-40 ever going to be finished and how many times have you almost gotten killed driving on Wendover?
6. Why does "Midnight Love" play one video and then go to commercial?
7. No disrespect but...what is up with Free and AJ's hair on 106th and Park?
8. Does AJ have cornrows or locs?
9. What is that man saying at the beginning of Missy's "Get Ur Freak On" video?
10. Aren't we glad ole' girl stopped rockin' them fingerwaves, too?
11. What if they gave out tickets for having dirty cars?
12. Wouldn't everybody be broke or in jail?
13. If gas gets any higher won't some of us have to either skateboard or ride a bike to class?
14. Aren't we glad that classes are almost over...especially when you already know you passed everything?
15. Signs that you may need new roommates:
  - A. You have to write your name on everything that belongs to you, even food to keep them from eating it all.
  - B. Even your family doesn't like them anymore.
  - C. You'd rather move back on campus or live on the street than to renew your lease with them.
  - D. You have to literally cuss them out to get them to pay their part on bills.
  - E. They start mistaking you for the maid...since they never seem to clean up anything.
16. Does anybody really care that Puff Daddy is changing his name to P. Diddy?
17. What if we had to pay for e-mail?
18. Wouldn't everybody be writing letters then...(that is, if stamps don't go up anymore)?
19. Don't we know that graduation is almost here when even the smart people stop coming to class?
20. Don't we all have that one family member that has been trying to graduate forever?

**Bonus Question\***

21. Don't college degrees make the best Mother's Day gifts (for this year)?

## What's your opinion, Aggies?

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## A&T Child Development Lab holds graduation

BY **MONTRON L. SHERROD**  
Register Contributor

The N.C. A&T Child Development Lab program was to have its 10th annual graduation ceremony April 28 at 2 p.m. in Webb Hall auditorium.

Exactly 15 children will be graduating this year. Graduates must be 4 years old and will be going to kindergarten next year or in kindergarten moving on to the first grade. One special graduate this year is a 3-year-old who will be moving away from the program.

Students are taught using a specially designed curriculum. Every day students participate in black history and multicultural activities. The program promotes school readiness with its activities.

"Children come out ahead of other children going to public school," said Yolanda Williams, co-director.

Lessons in cognition, reasoning, memory, and language better prepare students for the next level of education.

During the graduation students will practice these skills as they sing, perform, and speak about a hero of their choosing before their parents and guests.

Applications are accepted for the program only once a year. To be eligible for the program, the child must be 2 years old by Sept. 1. Next year's students have already been selected.



Sharonda Eggleton/Register Staff

**N.C. A&T students got a chance to learn about personal hygiene from Donna Richardson when the 'Tampax Total You Tour' came to campus.**

## Laptops becoming required in workplace

**MONTRON L. SHERROD**  
Register Contributor

With the workplace rapidly changing and with the increase in new technology, students need to be prepared.

To better prepare students on entering the workplace, some universities require their students to have laptop computers.

"Laptop computers prepares our students to live and work successfully in the knowledge-based economy of the 21st century," said Marian Moore, chief information officer at UNC-Chapel Hill.

With the use of laptop computers students are able to work on assignments, do research on the Web, communicate with professors and classmates through e-mail, at their convenience, both on and off campus.

"I honestly feel that having access to a computer anytime would give me an advantage in the real world," said junior Tavoris Phelps.

Professors are asking that more and more work be done on the computer, but there is sometimes limited availability to a computer.

"Having 24-hour access to a computer would give myself and other students a wealth of information," said junior Justin Baines.

Some universities have increased tuition in order to provide laptops for students to use or leased laptops to their students. Others have issued the computer specifications and let the student try to find a bargain for themselves.

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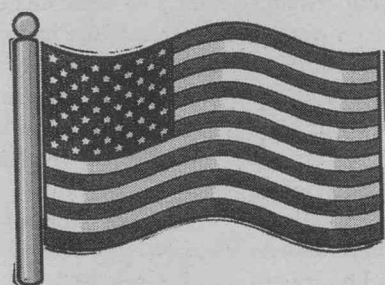
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# Verge takes viewers on fashion tour

BY TRINA LOGAN  
Register Contributor

Verge modeling troupe put on its best show of the year in N.C. A&T's Harrison Auditorium.

This year's spring fashion show was entitled "Flight of Fashion."

A sign read "Verge Airlines" and a real departure schedule greeted you when you entered the building.

The first scene was entitled "Departure."

The male models came down the aisles with their uniforms on. There were plenty of stewardesses that catered to the audience's needs. They brought out trays and actually served the crowd

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with refreshments while modeling.

The next scene was titled "Jewel of the Nile" which represented Verge traveling to Egypt.

In the background was a Mufasa sculpture that portrayed royalty. This was truly a work of art made by set directors Alex McNeil, Desmond Stowe, Jonathan Kirkland and Lavonne Coker.

Queen Stephanie Stevens led the female models in a beautiful all-white costume. The rest of the female models were in lovely shades of gold and black. The models fanned themselves and blew out glitter to the audience.

"Ice Storm" was the next portion of the show. Verge's male models traveled to Antarctica.

The models wanted you feel the chill in the air with their fur tank tops, pants and jackets.

Mitchell McCraw came out in white fur pants. John Shore, Deonte Staats, Jerron Johnson and Paul Lopez came out in fur tank tops with their backs out to make the ladies scream.

This scene made you forget that the temperature was supposed to be 48 below because all the models were extremely hot.

Verge traveled to Spain for the next scene.

"Fiesta" consisted of a Spanish background. The props were set up like a Spanish house with red, white and black colors.

Jamaal Payne led this scene with a Spanish bull outfit. He had on a black Spanish hat and a red sequined cloth to represent a Spanish bullfighter.

Deonte Staats and Priya Phillips carried swords to battle each other with modeling moves. Latoya Spells and Stanley Jones came out and tangoed to Jill Scott's music.

"Jungle Fever" is the scene that flew Verge to Brazil. This was the swimsuit scene that was highly anticipated.

It was amazing how the models came down steps as if they were stepping out of a real waterfall. The scenery was long strands of material to represent a cool and calm waterfall.

It was chaos when John Forte, Sean Hamm, John Shore and Jamaal Payne came out wearing briefs. They came out on stage eating fruit while modeling. The women came from the stairs gracefully and seductively.

The last scene was called "Arrival." This was the finale in which all of the

members cat-walked in Black Verge outfits with great coordination.

Overall, this was the best show I have seen from Verge. The show was dedicated to Iris and Malcolm Parker who are part of the graduating class of 2001. We look forward to what Verge's modeling troupe can bring us next year.

## 112 visits Aggieland



Sharonda Eggleton/Register Staff

Members of 112 visited A&T on April 26 to meet and greet fans while promoting their new album "Part III."

# 'Kingdom Come' has trials and tribulations

REVIEW BY NATASHA EVANS  
Register Contributor

"Kingdom Come" represents your average here-we-go-again family comedy, filled with numerous trials and tribulations of life. These trials include numerous fat jokes, miscarriages and a notorious farty-art minister.

The portrait painted on the big screen by director Doug McHenry reveals an extended African American family. A rather large cast of talented actresses and actors plays this family. "Kingdom Come" is filled with such an array of pure talent that it results in an overkill of the roles.

The scenario revolves around the funeral of Woodrow "Bud" Slocumb,

who keels over at the dinner table. His wife, who is played by Whoopi Goldberg, summons everyone home to the small town of Lula for a weekend of last respects.

But, like in most families, when everyone gets together there is going to be friction, conflict and the occasional secrets.

The first scene introduces Marguerite (Loretta Divine), who represents your avid church going-woman, and her son who she refers to as "devil child" Royce (Darius McCrary). They share a loving mother-to-son moment when he tells her he wants to settle down and get on welfare.

The next scene shows the meaning of "real love" between Junior (Anthony

Anderson), and his wife Charisse (Jada Pinkett Smith). They have a love built on ironic shows of affection, especially when Junior pulls a gun on her in front of their three children. Charisse is a suspicious wife. Throughout the movie her voice becomes unbearably annoying and painful.

L.L. Cool J, who plays Bud's son Ray, is a recovering alcoholic, trying to keep his negative feelings toward his father hidden, while his brother Junior is a financial failure and adulterer. Junior and Ray's only sister is Delightful (Masasa), who never speaks in the movie. She just serves as the subject of many fat jokes.

These characters and others in this movie never reach their true potential

because of the lack of dramatic sequences and a conservative script by David Dean Bottrell and Jessie Jones, based on the play "Dearly Departed." The dialogue is so terribly disappointing, apparently written to gain a PG rating.

This leads to another actor whose real talent was not even touched on - Cedric the Entertainer, who played the Rev. Hooker. The local minister has a severe speech impediment and gives one of the most gaseous funeral services.

Overall the movie has few hits and a lot of misses, to receive an average rating. Word to the wise: Don't waste your dollars to see "Kingdom Come." If this movie represents a "Kingdom Come," it came and we missed it!

# Hit movie has realistic approach on love and marriage

REVIEW BY MELANIE ALSTON  
Register Staff Contributor

Where are all the good men? In "The Brothers" starring Morris Chestnut, Shemar Moore, Bill Bellamy and DL Hughley, they help women see what is really going on with the male species.

Jackson (Chestnut) falls in love, but later finds out that the woman he has fallen in love with has had dealings with his father. In his past, Jackson has been with many women, but this one, Denise (Gabrielle Union) was supposed to be special, maybe even "the one."

One of the turning points in the story is when Denise has an encounter with Jackson's father, not realizing that the two are father and son. This places Denise in a sticky situation. Should she tell Jackson, or keep it a secret? After all, nothing really happened between her

and Jackson's father. They met a very long time ago.

Jackson becomes enraged when he finds out the truth, or what he thinks is the truth, and doesn't want anything to do with her. He keeps trying to convince himself that he doesn't love her anymore. She tries to explain to him that the relationship between her and his father was never really serious, but he is so upset, he can't see the real truth. Jackson can't get the young lady out of his mind. This is almost equivalent to the scene in "Best Man," where Morris Chestnut plays Lance, the leading role in which he discovers that his best friend slept with his soon-to-be wife.

Meanwhile Terry (Moore) the sex symbol of the movie, has fallen in love and is about to be married. "The Brothers" can't believe it is even hap-

pening considering his past. His boy, Brian (Bellamy) is continually criticizing him for wanting to get married. This is definitely a realistic scene that many eligible brothers can relate to. Terry soon starts to become influenced by his boys, that marriage just isn't the route to take, a typical real life scene. Later in the movie he calls the wedding off and is faced with a crazy woman who wants to kill him. Why? Because he listened to Brian.

On the other hand, Derrick (Hughley) is having problems at home as well. He is dealing with his wife Sheila (Tamala Jones), who doesn't want to perform the way he wants her to, sexually. The couple separates, but realize that they truly love each other, and want to work their problems out.

The brothers stick together through-

out the movie, sharing with each other their life dilemmas while dealing with women.

This movie has realism, but also has some parts that could be questioned, as when Jackson meets back up with Denise at his parent's re-marriage ceremony. Upon meeting, he tells her how deep his feelings are for her, and motivates her to come back to him because of his undying love for her. In reality, if your girlfriend or boyfriend had dealings with one of your parents, do you think it would have been that easy to get them back?

"The Brothers" is a must-see film. It has comedy, romance and a realistic approach to how men think when they are dealing with women in the real world, and vice versa. You will definitely leave satisfied!!



# CD REVIEWS

## Sunshine brings light

REVIEW BY MIA S. ROSS  
Register Staff Contributor

She starts out by saying, "everybody needs a little sunshine in their lives." Yes, the new song diva has hit the scene.

Sunshine Anderson is originally from Charlotte. She also attended college at N.C. Central University with a major in criminal justice.

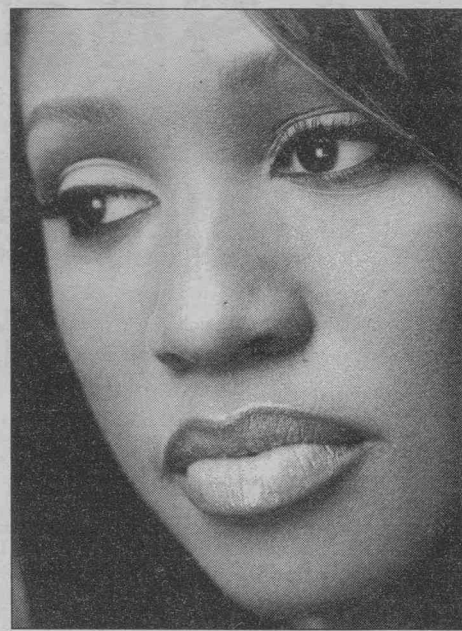
Even though it has taken nine years for this singer to be in the forefront, she has made an impact that is sure to last.

Sunshine has indeed already made a name for herself with the single "Heard It All Before" on the album "Your Woman."

Working along side her manager and fellow recording artist Macy Gray, she has made an outstanding effort to tell it like it is. With her soulful song, "Letting Down My Guard" and her album title song "Your Woman," Anderson has a very powerful message of how it feels to be happy with someone that you love.

This album brings out the energy of a very powerful songstress who is determined to bring out the very strength of a women.

This album is out in stores and if you don't have it you have missed out on a great thing. So, as always, I have to tell you to cop one. Hey, get one for a friend, too.



Sunshine Anderson



Lil' Mo

*Lil' Mo tells how it is with her album, 'Based On a True Story'*

REVIEW BY MIA S. ROSS  
Register Staff Writer

Her name starts with Lil', but it is not Kim. It is the songwriter, turned singer Lil' Mo.

If you don't know the name, you'll definitely know the voice.

Lil' Mo has been featured in Missy Elliott's "Hot Boys" and Ja Rule's "I Cry," and "Put in on me (Remix)."

This Long Island native who grew up in Queens first made her career as a songwriter.

She started singing in church at the age 5. In middle and high school, she wanted to be a rapper. She wrote songs for artists such as Blackstreet, Next and Total.

Lil' Mo has been waiting a while to release her album to the world.

"Based on a True Story" hit the stores on April 24.

Giving the audience her fabulous voice, she sings songs like "I Ain't Gotta," and "Friends," which talks about how she doesn't bring her man around her critical friends. She even has her song "Ta Da," the single that was released earlier this year, and "Superwoman," which was released in 2000.

Don't be fooled. This 22-year-old is definitely a unique person to listen to and her album is definitely off the meter.

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## Johnson closes out a stellar year

BY CHRIS WALLACE  
Register Staff Writer

Malveata Johnson finished up her collegiate career in fine fashion as she participated in the All-Star Classic. Johnson scored 11 points and snagged 11 rebounds as her North team defeated the South team 84-61.

Johnson finished her stellar senior season averaging 17.3 points per game, 12.3 rebounds per game, and led the nation with 3.3 blocks per game. She also leaves as the Aggies all-time leader in scoring and rebounding.

"I really felt good out there," said Johnson. "I should have made more shots but I rebounded well and that's what I do best."

Despite her brilliant career as an Aggie, Johnson was not drafted in the WNBA draft which was held recently.

"My first reaction was surprise that I didn't get drafted. I was surprised because I worked hard and felt like I let people down. God has the final say. By no means is this over," she said.

In the men's game, A&T's recently drafted J.J. Miller scored four points as the North team blew away the South team by a score of 98-77.



Malveata Johnson in action against a defender during the regular season.

# Athletes honored at banquet

Maurice Hicks, Malveata Johnson receive awards at athletes of the year

BY REKHA PATTERSON  
Register Contributor

The annual All-Sports Banquet presented by the Promotions Committee of the Board-In-Control of Intercollegiate Athletics was held April 23 at the Embassy Suites.

The night began with the introduction of athletes by Athletic Director Dr. Alfonso Scandrett Jr. and their processional. At this time, the bowling team was recognized for being ranked 12th in the nation.

Women's basketball player Malveata Johnson gave the invocation, Chancellor James Renick said the welcome and MEAC Commissioner Charles Harris brought greetings from the conference.

After dinner the special awards presentation began, with the swimming team being honored as the fall 2001 All-Academic Team.

Shayla Stevenson and Gina Renzaglia, both on the volleyball team, were named Academic Athletes of the Year. Maurice Hicks, junior running back, received the NCA&T Aggie Club, Inc. Award for his record-breaking games during the season.

The Hall of Fame Award was given to Malveata Johnson, and Marsay Winder won the first Analgesic Powders Scholar-Athlete award. Unlike other scholarship winners, Winder will receive \$1,000 cash as his reward.

Also honored were:

**Outstanding Freshman Female Athlete of the Year** - Camille Akins, basketball player.

**Outstanding Freshman Male Athlete of the Year** - Virgin Neal, football player.

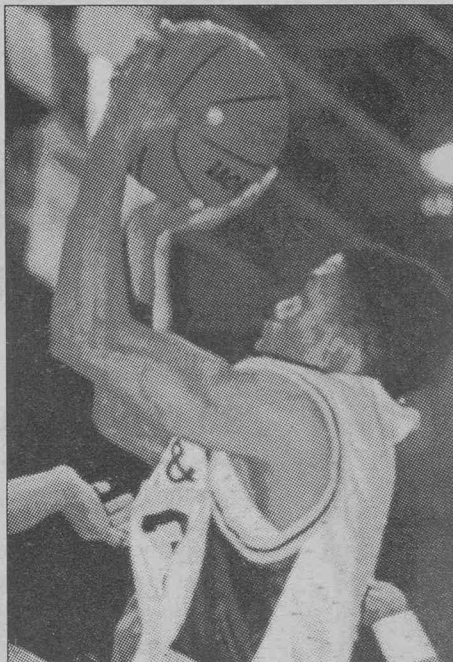
**Female Athlete of the Year** - Malveata Johnson

**Male Athlete of the Year** - Maurice Hicks

**Senior Athlete of the Year** - J.J. Miller, basketball player

Next were the team awards and most valuable player awards, presented by each coach.

All first-year athletes received a certifi-



J.J. Miller was honored as MVP for men's basketball.

cate, second-year athletes received an A&T letter blanket, third year received letter jackets and fourth-year players received A&T watches.

The night ended with closing remarks from Scandrett and the benediction by Al-Aakhir Grimes from men's track.

**Team awards were:**

**Men's Basketball:**

Most Improved: Jafar Taalib

Most Outstanding: Bruce Jenkins

MVP: J.J. Miller

**Women's Basketball:**

Most Improved: Tawanda Jackson

Rookie of the Year: Camille Akins

MVP & All-Time Leading Scorer and Rebounder: Malveata Johnson

**Women's Indoor and Outdoor Track and Cross Country:**

Most Improved: Kitania Blake, Stacy Lee

Rookie of the Year: LaTia Kirby

MVP: Sara Waters

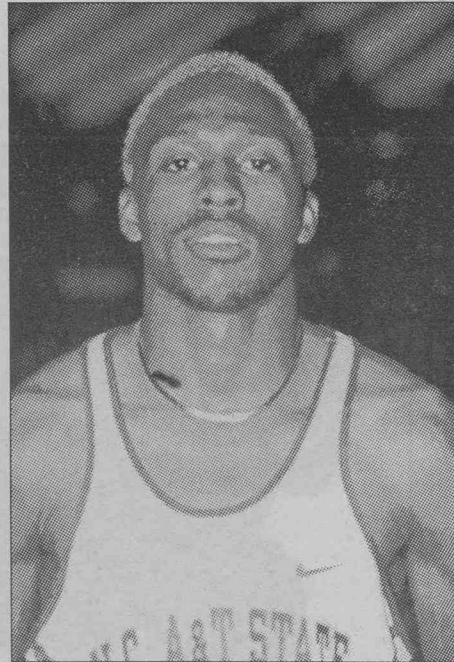
MVP Outdoor/Indoor: Chrystal Lee

**Men's Cross Country:**

Most Improved: Trevorr Lewis

MVP: Jason McGarvey

**Men's Indoor and Outdoor Track:**



Jermichael Watts was named men's track MVP.

Rookie of the Year: Everett Bruce

Most Improved: Charles Shoffner

MVP: Jermichael Watts

MVP: 4 x 1 team

**Women's Tennis:**

Rookie of the Year: Shaquinta Platt

Most Improved: Tara Simmons

MVP: Latoya Alston

**Men's Tennis:**

Most Improved: C.C. Davis

Rookie of the Year: Herbert Miller

MVP: Justin Reid

**Volleyball:**

Most Improved: Shayla Stevenson

Rookie-of-the-Year: Kristina Hernandez

MVP: Danesha Taylor

**Swimming:**

Most Improved: Amanda Brunette

Rookie of the Year: Jessica McClanahan

MVP: Kimya McCoy

**Cheerleading:**

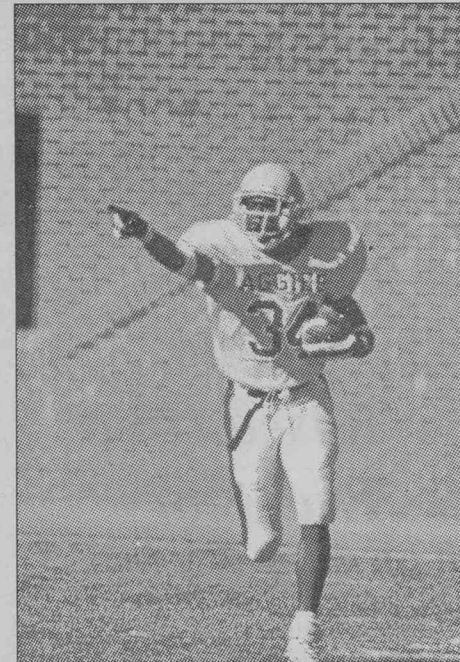
Most Improved: Kairi Horsley

Rookie of the Year: April Washington

MVP: Ajeenah Nuriddin

**Softball:**

Most Improved: Macy Henderson



Curtis LeLoatch was honored as football rookie of the year.

Rookie of the Year: Sharmain Murphy  
MVP: TBA at the completion of the season

**Baseball:**

Most Improved: Eric Jones

Rookie of the Year: Patrick Battle

MVP: TBA at the completion of the season

**Football:**

Most Improved: Brad Holmes

Most Outstanding Defensive Back: Montrail Pittman

Most Outstanding Offensive Back: Maurice Hicks

Most Outstanding Defensive Back: B.J. Little

Most Outstanding Offensive Lineman: Victor Marte

The Travis Kelly Leadership Award: Darren Dawkins

Rookie of the Year: Curtis DeLoatch

MVP: Maurice Hicks

**Women's Bowling:**

Rookie-of-the-Year: Audrey McIntyre

MVP: Crystal Bailey

Lifetime Achievement: Vernell Stallings



# Give it up for the athletic programs

Another year of excellence is beginning to wrap up at N.C. A&T, but before it does, I just wanted to take a few minutes to show some love to the athletic programs.

It all began with the pinnacle, the football team. This past season, the Aggies finished with an impressive 8-3 record but were "mistakenly" omitted from post season play. Tailback Maurice Hicks emerged as a star as he rushed for over 1,400 yards and topped it off by making first team All-MEAC.

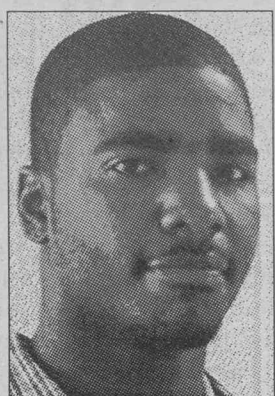
The defense was once again a national power as they contained many other offenses that they faced. Homecoming was another blowout over Bethune-Cookman, 30-19.

The football team will be returning several key players, including Hicks, so look forward to another stellar Aggie football team.

Men's and women's basketball did not

enjoy as much success as the football team, but they did have their bright spots. The women were led by center Malveata Johnson, who left as the Aggies all-time leading scorer and rebounder. She also was named MEAC Player of the Year in 1999, made the All-MEAC first team three times, led the nation in blocked shots, and was the MEAC's third leading rebounder of all-time.

The men's basketball team was led by senior J.J. Miller and junior Bruce



**Chris Wallace  
ON SPORTS**

Jenkins. Miller and Jenkins combined for 30 points per game and Jenkins led the MEAC in rebounding.

The Maryland Mustangs of the USBL recently drafted J.J. Miller.

The Aggies finished the season with a 13-17 overall record but finished strong and look forward to next season.

Track has excelled this season as well. Jermichael Watts flourished in his senior year, helping the Aggies track team to prominence. Chrystal Lee, who excelled in the long jump and triple jump, led the women.

Bowling may be the most unpublicized sport here, but the team has had great success this season. They qualified for the Intercollegiate Bowling Championships held in Grand Rapids, Mich., after a fourth-place finish in the qualifying round.

Audrey McIntyre, Crystal Bailey and Misty Young were among the nation's

top 150 bowlers.

A&T's lady volleyball program finished third in the MEAC this season with an 11-3 conference record and look to be even better next season.

The swim team finished up the season in nice fashion. Jessica Pike led the Aggies.

Ladies' softball was led by star Crystal Womble. She has continued to have a brilliant season and bring the Aggies softball program to respectability.

The surprise team of them all has to be the Aggie baseball team. They are on pace to set a single-season record for wins in a season and have a bright future ahead.

I want to finish by congratulating all of the athletes and athletic programs that have made it work. Congratulations to the tennis teams as well and good luck to all of the athletic programs for the up and coming season.

## Aggie athletes reach out to teach High Point kids

**BY TIM JENNINGS**  
Register Contributor

Junior Aggie Field Day was held April 9 on the A&T practice football field, put on by N.C. A&T's student athletic advisory committee.

Fourth- and fifth-grade students attended from Shady-Brook Elementary School in High Point. Some of A&T's athletes go to the school and tutor children every Saturday in a program called the Aggie Academy.

"The purpose of this event is to promote physical activities, improve self-esteem but most of all have fun," said Holly Trexler, assistant athletic director of the advisory committee.

The 200 kids who attended Field Day had something to do every minute, with about 60 athletes rotating in and out of the activities at designated times.

The kids has eight stations to complete, spending 15 minutes at each station. All of the activities the kids did

looked like fun, such as racing with swimming fins on their feet.

"The responsibility as a president is to organize meetings and activities for the athletes to be involved in, and in term of this I work beside Holly to make sure everything is going fine," said Shayla Stevenson of her role as president of the student athletic advisory committee.

Teachers from Shady-Brook attended the event. Rose Mary Howard, Dott Miller and Nancy Mickler agreed that the field day was very well-organized, with a good rotation to the different activities and very well-controlled.

The athletes were sponsored by Wrangler, which donated Field Day T-shirts that were printed with VF Jean Wear on the back and Junior Aggie Field Day on the front.

Other sponsors were McDonald's, Crown Automotive, Hampton Inn, Tobacco Inc., Fairfield Inn and Sheraton Four Seasons

## Summer programs include sports, family life

Among the summer programs offered at N.C. A&T are:

**National Youth Sports Program** (June 6- July 13). This is a sports camp for youth ages 10-16, combining sports instruction with exciting educational programs. The program is free. For more information, call 334-7686

The Summer Institute for The Family Life Empowerment Center Future Nurse/Health Careers Club (June 18 - July 13) is a program for male and female high school students. The institute will explore health careers and strategies through academic development, personal development, cultural/recreational enrichment and career development components.

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## Pre Law Society prepares students for LSAT

By **MONTRON SHERROD**  
Register Contributor

If you are interested in going to law school, the Henry Frye Pre Law Society is a great club to join.

Henry Frye Pre Law Society is located in the Political Science Department in Gibbs Hall, and all majors are encouraged to join.

Named after former chief justice Henry Frye, who was the first African American judge on the North Carolina Supreme Court, the Henry Frye Pre Law Society is made up of students who share a common interest and common goal: to help each other pass the LSAT

(Law School Admissions Test). The LSAT is a test that has to be taken to get into law school.

"We try to eliminate the fear of taking the LSAT by providing resources," said Joseph Frierson, president of the Henry Frye Pre Law Society.

The society serves to help students in preparation of taking the LSAT through practice exams and study sessions that take place during the year to ensure that students get a feel for the test.

Networking is another priority for the members of the Henry Frye Pre Law society. Whether it's networking with other students already in law school or

those who have taken the LSAT, members do what they can to get all the knowledge they can.

Members of the Henry Frye Pre Law Society have access to applications and information about law programs at different universities, as well as information about the job placement rates and ratio of minority students.

The opportunity to meet officials at different universities who have a great deal to do with admission into different law programs is also available to the society members.

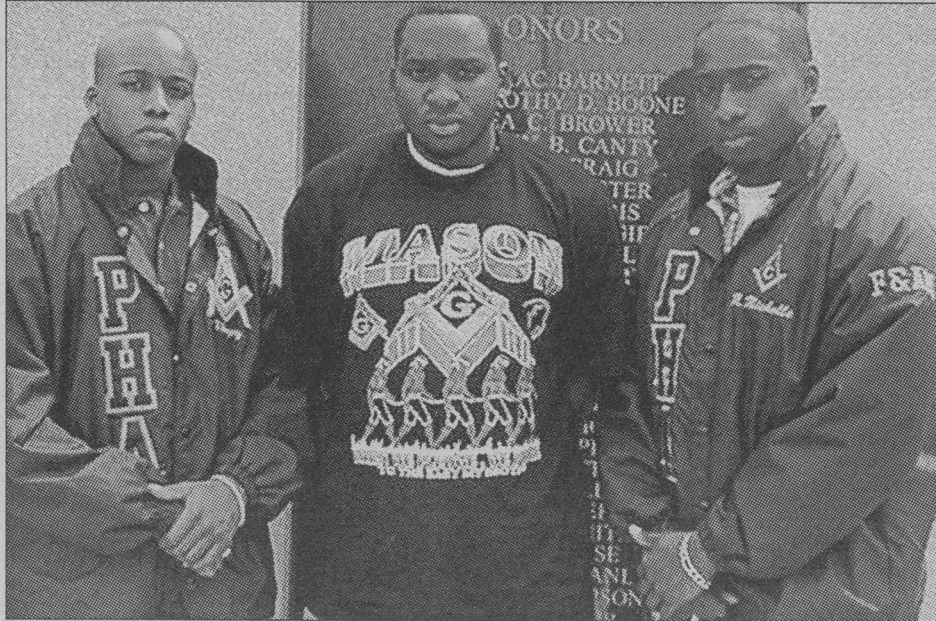
Society members participate in several activities throughout the year. This past

year members helped with the campaign of Henry Frye in the November election and walked for AIDS awareness.

Law Day, which is held in the fall, brings representatives of different law schools to A&T.

Law programs represented this past year include: UNC-Chapel Hill, University of Pennsylvania, William and Mary and N.C. Central University. The event enabled student members to gain more information about what is considered during the selection process.

"If you want to go to law school, you need to join this club," said Crystal Lee, Miss Henry Frye Pre Law Society.



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Three members of the Masonic fraternity gather on the campus of N.C. A&T. They are (from left) Timothy "T.J." Gregory, Davin Parker and Reginald Nicholls.

## Masonic fraternity has long and illustrious history

By **REGINALD NICHOLLS**  
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Masonry is much more than a fraternal organization to its members; it is a way of life.

The Masonic order is the largest and most ancient fraternity in the world. Tracing its roots to Biblical times, the Masonic order has served as the fraternity of choice for many dignified gentlemen. From judges to lawyers, doctors to scholars, Masons have always held high positions in society, men such as George Washington, Thurgood Marshall, Martin Luther King Jr., Kwesi Mfume and a long list of others.

Still, people feel that the Masonic order is mysterious. The truth of the matter is that Masonry holds no secrets. In fact, every aspect of the fraternity can be researched through your local public library, and through Internet access.

Everyone knows someone who is a Mason or has a family member who is a Mason, right? But do you know exactly what Masons are all about. The Masonic fraternity is a group of men who join together to achieve a common goal.

From community service to donating time and money to various organizations such as children's hospital, retirement homes and recreational events, the Masonic order spreads love across the globe.

Masonry, as many other organizations through the years, has been separated by racial barriers. During the past 10 years, especially in the northern states, Masonic lodges have been moving toward integration. Prince Hall was the first black Mason. Hall was not only an

ardent abolitionist, but he advocated full citizenship for black men, participation in government, and equality before the law. In the belief of what Masonry stood for, Hall attempted to join the Masonic order, but was refused admission by the American Masonic bodies. Hall and 14 others were initiated by lodge number 441, and received a charter from the Grand lodge of England, thus the beginning of Prince Hall Affiliated Masons (P.H.A.).

There are a large number of Masons on N.C. A&T's campus.

"Masonry has taught me how to better manage myself around others; how to treat everyone with respect; how to better understand my higher spirit, and how to be a better man. Growing up in an all-female household, I never actually had a positive male influence. In Masonry, I have several positive male influences in my life, and for that I am thankful," said political science major Michael Hawkins.

The question is often asked, is Masonry a religion? The answer is no. This does not mean that religion plays no part. The principles of Masonry are based on pure morality; its ethics are of pure religion; and its doctrines are that of brotherly love. Masonry encourages all that is good, kind and charitable; and reproves all that is vicious, cruel and oppressive.

What are the requirements to become a Mason? You must have a belief in God or a higher being.

"The basis of Masonry is to make you a better man before God, so what better way to do that than implementing God into your fraternity?" said psychology major T.J. Gregory.

## A&T students attend PRSA luncheon

By **BRIAN M. JOHNSON**  
Register Contributor

Public relations and print journalism students built bridges with local public relations and media specialist during the monthly meeting of the Greensboro chapter of Public Relations Society of America.

On April 10, the Airport Hilton hosted the PRSA monthly chapter meeting. Jessica Gisclair, assistant professor at Elon College, addressed the attendees. Gisclair has an extensive background in media law and public relations ethics. She answered questions that ranged from copyright infringement to violating the PRSA ethics code.

"I thought it would be a great opportunity for public relations and print majors to network with people in the business and hear the ins and out of the media business," said Jacqueline Jones, a professor and internship coordinator for the department of Speech and Communication.

"I feel that the students got the opportunity to gather business cards and make contact for internships and employment," she said.

Part of the degree requirements for students in the department of Speech and Communication is to complete a 125-hour internship with an accredited media organization. Senior public relations major Phedra Kee, currently is in the process of completing her internship requirements.

"This opportunity gave me a chance to meet prospective employers," she said. "One of my career goals is to become a recruiter and I felt like I was out today trying to recruit employment."

"I am going to take the media internship class in the fall. I want to have my contacts all ready in order so when it comes time for me to find an internship, I will know who to go to," said junior public relations major Shannon Cannady.

Dr. Teresa Styles, interim chairperson for Speech and Communication, said she thought opportunities like this one give students needed exposure to their future career. "The students are excited that they had the opportunity to meet with needed contacts for internships and employment opportunities," she said.

Many employers are seeking competent and qualified employees. Organizations like PRSA provides a network for young professionals to enter a "bullish" industry.

### A&T studies industry

Working under a grant through the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Drs. Harmohindar Singh and Shamsuddin Ilias will evaluate and characterize the Southeast region's chemical industry and identify companies to participate in the Industries of the Future program.

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# Heritage Fest 2001 brings games, food and fun to the campus

Heritage Fest 2001, the third annual street festival celebrating the historic East Market Street corridor, is seeking vendors for the festival and entertainers to compete in its Showcase of Artists.

This year's festival happens from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. Saturday, May 5, at A&T. Each year, the Heritage Fest offers vendors the opportunity to sell everything from food to arts and crafts to clothing and accessories.

The event features all-day music and fun for the whole family. In addition to an area with entertainment and games just for children, health and community service fairs also are part of the festival.

Live music is presented on two stages, with one stage devoted exclusively to gospel. On the other stage, local artists compete for cash prizes before professional musicians take over.

For more information about becoming a vendor or entering the Showcase of Artists, call the East Market Street Development Corp. at 275-1101.

Heritage Fest 2001 is being presented in conjunction with the SEEDS Summit. For more information about the summit, call 691-1177.



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**The Heritage Fest returns for its third year, with a variety of activities for the whole family. The event will take place on the N.C. A&T campus on May 5. It is sponsored by the East Market Street Development Corp.**

## Child Abuse Month reminds local residents: 'Recognize & Respond'

By **KIM WILSON**  
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April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, and a partnership of child abuse protection and prevention agencies are producing the ninth annual Blue Ribbon for Kids Campaign.

Although used each year, the theme "Recognize & Respond" has continue to encourage and help protect the victims endangered throughout the community. The coalition is encouraging everyone in the community and on local campuses to recognize signs of potential child abuse and to respond by reporting such incidents to the Department of Social Services or by getting help if a parent or friend is having difficulty.

"When the community and local colleges and universities work together great strides can be made in preventing child abuse and neglect," said prevention educator Patti Gilbert.

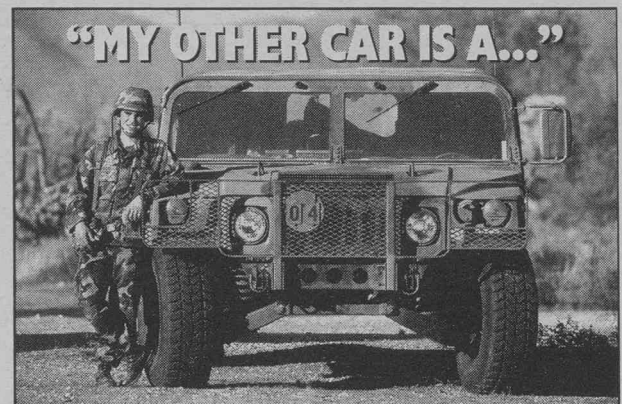
"The hard work put towards this campaign represents the combined strength of a true community-based effort and Family Service of the Piedmont's commitment to build healthy lives and relationships for families, individuals and children in times of crisis or transition," she continued.

The Division of Social Services of the N.C. Department of Human Resources reports that in the last fiscal year, 120,000 children were reported abused or neglected in North Carolina, with 5,631 of these children in Guilford County.

The Blue Ribbon Campaign for Kids partnership consist of many dedicated Agencies, including Family Service of the Piedmont, our local Prevent Child Abuse N.C. affiliate, the Guilford Countil Council of PTAs, the Guilford County Child Protection Team, Guilford County Department of Public Health, Guilford County Department of Social Services, Guilford Native American Association, Greater Greensboro Medical Alliance Foundation, High Point CHILD WATCH and the Junior League of Greensboro.

The effects of child abuse can last a lifetime, but as a community we can offer help to prevent child abuse.

Child abuse can and will negatively impact the relationships of abuse victims and their families and friends, affecting their lifetime roles as parents, spouses, workers, students, and citizens. Eventually, child abuse and child neglect will affect all of us in the community and on campuses.



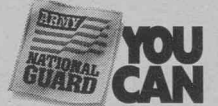
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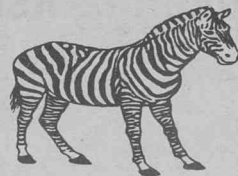
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# SEEDS helps black businesses grow

By **TROY WHITEHURST**  
Register Contributor

South East Economic Developments is a non-profit organization that helps equip African-American business owners and future entrepreneurs with the materials and information to grow a successful business.

This will be the focus of a SEEDS Summit, May 4-5 at N.C. A&T, in the Memorial Union Ballroom.

In the business world, quality information can be the difference between soaring profits and filing for bankruptcy. Receiving quality information is equally important for African-American business owners because of the disparity in

capital funding and business size that inhibits many African-American businesses from being competitive with large corporations. Proper information on industry developments, key business practices and trade secrets will allow African-American businesses to level the playing field.

This year's event will focus on "Building Wealth in the Black Community" by giving entrepreneurs and business professionals the opportunity to network with experts and to receive information on how to develop their business. Business development workshops will be offered, including one on Entrepreneurship and Youth.

Richard Bowling, president of SEEDS, has identified the importance of investing in future entrepreneurs for the stability and growth of resources for the African-American community.

"By investing in future leaders, we set a foundation for continuous economic growth by empowering them with the correct information to be successful," Bowling said.

A recent census report showed that African-Americans make up a third of Greensboro's population. However, they own only 4 percent of all businesses in Greensboro, generating less than 0.4 percent of total revenues for all businesses in the city. Of the businesses

owned by African-Americans, most are owned by one person and are in the service industry rather than retail or technology.

Keynote speakers are Benjamin Ruffin, a Winston-Salem businessman who is chairman of the Board of Governors of the UNC system, and Frankie Jones, president of B&C Associates, an international marketing firm.

There will be presentations by Andrea Harris, president of N.C. Institute for Minority Economic Development, and Gerry McCants, president of the N.C. Black Chamber of Commerce.

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