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A&T budget in limbo

By T.J. MOORE
Publisher/Editor-in-Chief

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 Jeffries, 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 6.59 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," says Jeffries. "We will try to accommodate the budget freezes with vacant positions. We hope not to lay off any employees."

At this point, no referendum or public vote is necessary. Please see BUDGET, Page 2

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 or visual 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 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 provides include academic and academic counseling, moving classes to a more accessible location and making academic adjustments with professors. Please see SERVICES, Page 3

The singing group 112 talks to N.C. A&T students

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A&T sports banquet honored all athletes.

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A customer looks at a variety of canned preserves during a weekend 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 Lindley 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, but the ambiance 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.

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Campus News

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IN BRIEF

Harris at conferences

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

At the conference, Harris ended her
term on the council's board of direc-
tors 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., a senior research scholar in the
session "Conversation with Minority
Health Research Scholars."

IBM gives grant

IBM has awarded N.C. A&T a
$277,960 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
ThinkPad laptops.

"This grant from IBM to the School
of Technology will possess the experi-
ence, perspectives and skills needed for
the successful execution of an e-
commerce operation through course
work and research projects specifically
directed at focusing on fulfillment," said Rod
Adkins, general manager of IBM
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 assis-
tant 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 2006,
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 con-
sumption, using buildings at Fort Bragg
as a basis for their research.

Dr. Peter Rojko 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 condi-
tioning (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 technology so that
they can evaluate many more
buildings, consequently improving energy
conservation through recom-
mitting where appropriate," said Rojko.

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

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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
one of her books was taken out of her
book bag while she was attending class
in room 124 of Barnes Hall.

April 19

Larceny

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

Larceny

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

April 19

Larceny

A staff member of the music depart-
ment reported that person(s) unknown
removed a trombone from room 109
Frazier Hall. Approximate value of the
instrument is $755.

Larceny

A non-student reported that her purse
was stolen from Blueford 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 sus-
picious 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 vandal-
ized in the parking lot. Person(s)
unknown threw a beer bottle at the vic-
tim'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 caus-
ing 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 Oak's parking lot.

Vehicle Accident

A student reported that some
unknown person(s) struck her vehicle
causing minor damage. Estimated dam-
aged is $300.

Larceny

A student reported that someone
entered his room and removed his per-
sonal property. Estimated property loss
is $3,610.

Robbery

A student reported that someone
attempted to rob him in the restroom 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 1994 two-
doors 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 suspend-
ed and for possession of marijuana.

April 24

Obtain property/False Pretense

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

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

When the male refused to release the
packages, the notified the police depart-
ment and attempted to file a larceny
report. There were no charges filed.
Some 930 Aggies will get their degrees on May 12

BY TIFFANY JORDAN

North Carolina A&T State University

Graduation Day

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 finish the 110th Annual Commencement on May 12 and begin 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 Rita 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 Athens, Ga., and work for a year. She later plans to pursue a master’s degree at Georgetown University.

“Jenkins are 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.
Opinion

April 30, 2001

Randy St. Clair, editor-in-chief

By KEVIN ALSTON

N.C. needs lottery to save economy

The schools are needy, roads need paving and the state is broke. The U.S. economy is looking brighter at the moment either.

Many North Carolinians are burning up the void left by the lottery ticket sales 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 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.

By KEVIN ALSTON

Super bucks

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Kevin Alston

What's your opinion, Aggies?

Letters to the editor may be dropped off at The Register office, 309 Crosby Hall, or e-mailed to www.collegepublisher.com/atregister

What are your motives and are they righteous?

By HEATHER PHILLIPS

Senior Features Writer

What is the force that drives each of us to do the things we do? Motive—the impetus or intention from within which compels 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—our motives. Hebrews 4:12 says that God judges the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

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

In short, the moves we make daily to day are either for good or evil. I know 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 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 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 shyly asked 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.”

After that incident she never smiled at him again. If motive is what drives our actions, how does that motive overcome the fact that we are human?

Heather Phillips

Says Mary

As we go through our lives trying to strive for the finer things, we must take the time to understand where we came from. 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 hurt.

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 take. Can you hear the music playing?

Questions

1. Why are there so many court shows on TV today?
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 earrings?
5. When is I-40 ever going to be finished and how many times have you almost gotten killed driving on it?
6. Why does “Midnight Love” play one video and then go to commercials?
7. No disrespect but, what is up with Free and Al’s hair on 106 and Park?
8. Does Al have cornrows or locs?
9. What is that man saying at the beginning of Missy’s “Get Ur Funk On” video?
10. Aren’t we glad ole’ girl stopped rockin’ them fingie fingers?
11. What if they gave us tickets for having dirty cars?
12. Wouldn’t it be more wonderful to go to 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 everywhere?

15. Signs that you may need a new instructor.
   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 pull them out to get them to part with their cell phone.
   E. They start mistaking you for the main…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 that one family member that has been trying to gradu- ate forever?

Bonus Question

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

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 prepare 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 Barnes.

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.

Laptop computers are required at such universities as Wake Forest, Western Carolina, and UNC-CH.
"Kingdom Come" has trials and tribulations

**Review by Natalie Evans**

"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, marijuana and a notorious forty-something minister.

The portrayal painted on the big screen by director Doug McHenry reveals an extended African American family. A rather large cast of talented actresses and actors brings "Kingdom Come" to life 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" Slocomb, a minister 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 film's first introduces Marguerite (Loreta Divine), who represents an avowed church-going woman, and her son, who is the lead player's "devil child" favorite (Darius McCrary). They share a loving mother-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 Chastise (Jada Pinkett Smith). They have a love built on ironic scenes of affection, especially when Junior pulls a gun on her in front of their three children. Chastise 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 advisor and suburbanian. Junior and Ray's 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 Jesse Jones, based on the play "Deadly Departed." The dialogue is so terribly disappoint- ing, 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 gracious 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**

Where are all the good men? In "The Brothers" starting Morris Chestnut, Sharar 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 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 new woman, Denise (Gabrielle Union) was supposed to be special, maybe even "the one."

One of the outstanding scenes in the story is when Denise has an encounter with Jackson's father, not realizing that the two men are father and son. Denise (Gabrielle Union) 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 con- vince 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 is so upset, he can't see the real truth.

Jackson calls Denise, the very young lady cut out of his mind. This is almost equivalent to the scene in "Best Man," where Morris Chestnut plays that role in which he discovers that his best friend slept with his soon-to-be wife.

Other scenes, like the one (Moore) where 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 eli-
gible 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 (Tsamala 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 hooks back up with Denise at his parent's re-marriage cere-
mony. Upon meeting, he tells her how deep his feelings are for her, and moni-
tates 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 definite-

ly leave satisfied!
CD REVIEWS

Sunshine brings light

**REVIEW BY MIA S. ROSS**
Register Staff Writer

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 woman.

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.

Take a break.... You've earned it!

Sunshine Anderson

30 Days... 2 Countries... 1 Pass...

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Malveata Johnson finished up her collegiate career in fine fashion as she participated in the All-Star Classic. Johnson scored 31 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 95-77.

Athletes honored at banquet

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

BY REKHA PATTERSON

The annual All-Sports Banquet presented by the Promotions Committee of the Board-In-Control of Intercollegiate Athletics was held April 25 at the Embassy Suites.

The night began with the introduction of athletes by Athletic Director Dr. Alfonso Scantlett Jr and their procession. 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 Reck 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 top 2001 All-Academic Team.

Shayla Stevenson and Gina Rengozza, 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 Mansy Winder won the first Analogic Powder Scholar-Athlete award. Unlike other scholarship winners, Winder will receive $1,000 each as his reward. Also honored were:

Outstanding Freshman Female Athlete of the Year — Camille Akans, basketball player.

Outstanding Freshman Male Athlete of the Year — Virgil 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 certificate, second-year athletes received an All-Star blanket, third-year received letter jackets and fourth-year players received A&T watches.

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

Team awards were:
Men's Basketball:
Most Improved: Jafar Taalib
Most Outstanding: Bruce Jenkens
MVP: J.J. Miller

Women's Basketball:
Most Improved: Tawanda Jackson
Rookie of the Year: Camille Akans
MVP & All-Time Leading Scorer and Rebounder: Malveata Johnson

Women's Indoor and Outdoor Track and Cross Country:
Most Improved: Kianna Blake, Stacy Lee
Rookie of the Year: Leah Kirby
MVP: Sam Waters

Women's Volleyball:
Most Improved: Cheryl Lee

Men's Cross Country:
Most Improved: Trevor Lewis

Men's Indoor and Outdoor Track:
Most Improved: Tavanda Jackson

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

Jermichael Watts was named men's track MVP.

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: Montaul Pittman
Most Outstanding Offensive Back: Maurice Hicks
Most Outstanding Defensive Back: BJ Little

Most Outstanding Offensive Lineman: Victor More
The Travis Kelly Leadership Award: Darren Daniels
Rookie of the Year: Curtis Deloatch
MVP: Maurice Hicks
Women's Bowling
Most Improved: Kaitlin Holley
Rookie of the Year: April Washington
MVP: Ajeonah Nurtiddin
Softball
Most Improved: Macy Henderson

Malveata Johnson in action against a defender during the regular season.
Another year of excellence is beginning to wrap up at N.C. A&T, but before it does, just want to take a few minutes to show some love to the athletic programs.

It all begins 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 Heisman Trophy candidate by 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 was also 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 JJ Miller and junior Bruce Jenkins. Miller and Jenkins combined for 30 points per game and Jenkins led the MEAC in rebounding. This season was the most respectability. The Maryland Mustangs of the USBL recently drafted JJ 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. Jermaine Watts flourished in his senior year, helping the Aggie track team to prominence. Christal Lee, who excelled in the long jump and triple jump, led the women.

Bowling may be the most unsung 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 Mary 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

Senior Contributor

Junior Aggie Field Day was held, April 9 on the ACT 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 Texler, assistant athletic director of the advisory committee.

The 2001-2002’s field day had something to do every minute, with about 60 athletes rotating in and out of the activities at designated times. The kids had 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 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 Shyla 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 Melder 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 VP 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 334-7666.

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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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.
Pre Law Society prepares students for LSAT

By MONTRO SHERRID

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 Gibson 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 Freih, 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 others 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 worked 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 fall included: 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.

A&T students attend PRSA luncheon

By BRIAN M. JOHNSON

Public relations and print journalism students build bridges with local public relations and media specialists 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 Guical, assistant professor at Elon College, addressed the attendees. Guical has an extensive background in media law and public relations ethics. She answered questions which 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 outs 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 125-hour internship with a public relations or media organization. Senior public relations major Phedra Kee, currently 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 get a job in public relations 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 Canney.

Dr. Teresa Styles, interim chairperson for Speech and Communication, said she thought opportunities like this one give students needed exposure to their future careers. “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 “bully” industry.

A&T studies industry

Working under a grant through the Oak Ridge National Laboratory, Dr. Heindel and her research assistant Shamsuddin Bhas will evaluate and characterize the Southeast region’s chemical industry and its environmental impact.

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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.

Child Abuse Month reminds local residents: ‘Recognize & Respond’

By Kim Wilson
Register Contributor

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

Although used each year, the theme "Recognize & Respond" has continued 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 Pat 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 consists of many dedicated Agencies, including Family Service of the Piedmont, our local Prevent Child Abuse N.C. affiliate, the Guilford County 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 CHILDWATCH 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.

Submit photo by April 1.
SEEDS helps black businesses grow

By Troy Whitehurst
Register Contributor

South East Economic Development 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.

For information, call (336) 691-1177.