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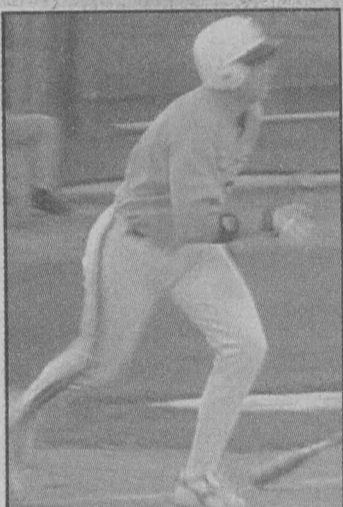
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Friday



Sunny
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Partly Cloudy
Hi: 69
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Sunny
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Lo: 43

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North Carolina A&T State University Student Newspaper

NEW SGA EXECUTIVE BOARD WINS BY LARGE MARGIN



Photo By Jessica Robinson/Ayantee Yearbook

Ramey stands with his board members Megan Brooks, Dominique Tillman, Anisah Rasheed, Arnita Moody, Jessica Robinson, and Charles Binye after their win on March 23.

By ERICA FRANKLIN
Assistant News Editor

Over 1500 students traveled to the Exhibit Hall of the Memorial Student Union to vote for the 2005 Spring elections on March 23. Despite the cloudy and wet weather, candidates stood their ground to convince voters to mark their ballot in favor for them. Voting began at 8 a.m. and ended at 6 p.m. The winners were announced shortly after. In the end, the Student Government Association Executive Board came away with strong wins. Justin Ramey, the new SGA president won by 127

votes. Chance Lynch came in a close second with a total of 608 votes. Cory Adams finished with 271 votes. As president and chairperson of the executive branch, Ramey will head the executive board and committees except the Election Committee. He will develop a budget, attend to the Student Senate, appoint the Parliamentarian, and make several State-of-the-Campus addresses to the student body. Outside of A&T's campus, Ramey will serve as the representative for the university. He will be a member of the Board of Directors and any other uni-

versity committee in which he is appointed. The position of vice president of internal affairs was won by Arnita Moody with 1192 votes. 360 votes were tallied for Kirk Monroe. Moody will assist the president and perform his duties in the event of his absence. She will be the speaker of the Student Senate and in charge of forwarding all legislative acts to the president. Megan Brooks, with 724 votes, became the new vice president of external affairs. She defeated Blake E. Johnson and Michael Fairfax

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Progam honors women for second year

By ALEXIS MASON
Contributor

On March 24, the class of 2006 presented the 2nd annual Tribute to Black Women, a program giving honor to African-American women not only from North Carolina A&T State University but throughout all communities. This program was created to celebrate and honor the many achievements of black women. S. Raschaad Hoggard was the chairperson for the event.

The class of 2006 awarded an A&T graduating senior, distinguished faculty member and servant of the community for their outstanding leadership and hard work.

Each award given out that evening not only recognized the recipients, but also the powerful woman in which the award was named.

The graduating senior award is named in honor of Sandra Williamson. Williamson has been a professional educator for 35 years, as well as assistant director of the University Honors Program and a member of the Guilford Battleground Company Board of Directors.

The recipients of the Sandra Williamson Woman of Excellence Award were political science major Victoria Cejas and accounting major Akilah C. Thompson.

The distinguished faculty award is named in honor of Dr. Velma Speight-Buford.

Speight-Buford is an alumnus of North Carolina A&T State University, a retired educator and a member of the Board of Trustees.

The recipient of The Dr. Velma Speight-Buford Distinguished Faculty Award was Dr. Gwendolyn Highsmith-Quick, a professor in the School of Business.

The community service award is named in honor of Dr. Alma S. Adams. Adams is an alumnus of North Carolina A&T State University, a former Greensboro City Councilwoman and a member of the North Carolina House of Representatives.

The recipients of Dr. Alma S. Adams Community Service Award were Dr. Lucille Piggott and Dr. Nelloise Divers Watkins, both retired educators.

In attendance for this event were Chancellor James C. Renick; SGA President Calvin F. William, Jr; Bennett College SGA President Rachel Silver and 14th President of Bennett College Dr. Johnnetta B. Cole.

Cole was the guest speaker for the ceremony. During her speech, Cole reminded the audience of powerful black women such as Harriet Tubman, Rosa Parks, Sojourner Truth and Mary McLeod Bethune. Cole's speech was a means to motivate young women to remain as positive leaders within their communities.

Rasheed Wins 2005-2006 Miss A&T Title

By STANCHEKA BOONE
Contributor

After tallying all the votes from the March 23 election, the results are in.

Although a close race, junior business marketing major, Anisah Rasheed, took the title of Miss North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University.

For Rasheed, the news of her new title was exceptionally good.

"It hasn't set in yet, but I'm definitely excited," said Rasheed.

Campus and community involvement did not just begin for Rasheed. She has been a very active citizen for most of her life.

Since beginning school at A&T, Rasheed has served as Miss Freshman, sophomore class president, secretary of the Council of President, and a member of the Ladies of Excellence, just to name a few.

"When I got to A&T, I knew I wanted to be a leader, but I didn't know what I wanted to do. I didn't know if I wanted to be president, if I wanted to be Miss A&T or what, but I did know I wanted to be something," said Rasheed.

Inspiration to become Miss A&T goes back to Rasheed's year as Miss Freshman. While she was

on court with 2003's Miss A&T, Jocelyn Jacobs, Rasheed said she saw how much of an impact Jacobs had on other people's lives.

"It really made me want to be Miss A&T," said Rasheed.

Rasheed's campaign was not full of glitz and irrelevant activities. Instead, she allowed her personality and humbleness carry her to the winners circle.

"I basically went through the dorms and made sure people could put a face to my name. People saw how humble I was and that I was a genuine person and I think that goes a long way," she said.

Rasheed said that the campaign proved to be an intense battle due to everyone's credentials.

"All of the girls were highly qualified for the position," said Rasheed.

Junior graphic communications systems major, Thaddaeus Lamb agreed with Rasheed.

"It was an extremely tough competition and I am very proud of her win," said Lamb.

In preparation for next year, Rasheed and the new SGA executive board are scheduled to meet in the near future to start getting to know each other and plan their schedules. Rasheed plans to start working

extremely hard over the summer.

"I've already started making connections as far as who I need to speak with and know to get each of my programs done. Over the summer I want to start putting things in place so that next year, it won't be so much of a hassle," said Rasheed.

The new Miss A&T's platform consists of four programs. The four programs are: "The Melting Pot", "Aggie Enterprise Conference", "I Conquer!" and "I Conquer Too!" In addition to how to venture into the world as entrepreneurs and leaders, the programs focus on learning about each others differences.

Rasheed's programs relate close to home because she is also an entrepreneur. By the age of 14, Rasheed became the CEO and president of "Sister Clowns," a clown entertainment business for children.

She has been featured in Black Enterprise, Black Enterprise Teenpreneur Magazine, Essence, Working Women and Finders Keepers. She made appearances on "The Ananda Lewis Show," "The John Walsh Talk Show" and "The Today Show." She was also named in the Essence Book "50 of the Most Inspiring



submitted photo

Rasheed won with 364 votes. She competed against eight other candidates.

African Americans."

"That was definitely one of my highest accomplishments," Rasheed said.

Rasheed has Lamb's support. He thinks that she was the right person for the Miss

A&T position.

"I feel she is more than qualified for the position and will represent the school well in all aspects," said Lamb.

2005 AGGIE FEST EVENTS

Saturday April 9, 2005

The Aggie Fest Kick-off Gym Jam
Moore Gymnasium
9 p.m. - 1 a.m.
\$2 Tickets: A&T Students Only

Thursday April 14, 2005

Couture Productions Fashion Show
Carolina Theatre
8 p.m. - 12 p.m.
\$7 students / \$10 non A&T students

Sunday April 10, 2005

Greek Football Game
Football game between fellow fraternities
Holland Bowl
2 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Free

Friday April 15, 2005

Pan-Hell Step Show
Corbett Gymnasium
7 p.m.
\$5 A&T students / \$7 Other Students / \$10
General Public

Monday April 11, 2005

Back to the Bowl/ Cook -Out
Go-Go concert featuring several bands
(UCB, H.O.O.D, etc.)
Holland Bowl
4 p.m. - 8 p.m.
Free with student I.D.

Saturday April 16, 2005

Concert
Corbett Sports Center
7pm - 11pm
\$5 A&T students / \$7 Other Students / \$10
General Public

Tuesday April 12, 2005

Residence Hall Step Off
Step show between on campus dormitories
Moore Gymnasium
7 p.m. - 11 p.m.
Free Tickets: A&T Students Only

Sunday April 17, 2005

2nd Annual Prom
Williams Café (Right Side) / Kress Terrace
7 pm
\$3 single / \$5 couple

Wednesday April 13, 2005

1st Annual Above the Rim Basketball
Classic
Residence hall basketball tournament
Moore Gymnasium (Outside Courts)
9 p.m. - 12 p.m.
Free with student I.D.

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Dance Performance

The E. Gwynn Dancers will present their annual Spring Performance on Apr. 2 in Corbett Gymnasium at 7:30 p.m. Tickets are \$12, \$10 and \$5 for students. Contact Professor Eleanor Gwynn at (336)256-2137 for more information.

Skate with the Freshmen class

The freshman class is hosting Spring Fling Skate 2005 at SkateLand USA North on Sunday, Apr. 3 from 6 p.m. until 9 p.m. Tickets are \$5 and on sale in Williams Cafeteria. A shuttle service is provided free of charge, and will depart from the Memorial Union at 5 p.m.

Are you the next Uche Byrd?

The next Mr. Aggie pageant is scheduled for Tuesday Apr. 5th at Moore Gymnasium. The pageant begins at 7 p.m. and is sponsored by SUAB.

In case he's not there when you wake up...

For all video game fans, there will be a Halo 2 tournament on Saturday, Apr. 2 in the New Classroom Building. Team competition begins at 10 a.m., and single competition begins at 2 p.m. The cost is \$5 per team, and \$3 per person. However, admission is free for those who allow use of their controllers. Email acm@ncat.edu for more information.

Help - A - Freshman

The Division of Student Affairs is in need of Campus Life Mentors for the upcoming academic year. Students can apply at the Orientation and First Year Experience Office, Murphy Hall room 112. The last day for applications is Friday, Apr. 8 by 5 p.m. Call 256-2212 or email firstyr@ncat.edu for more information.

Honoring those who finish college...twice

The School of Graduate Studies is celebrating Graduate Student Appreciation Week from Apr. 1 through Apr. 9.

Business fraternity welcomes seven new initiates



Beta Alpha Psi is a national scholastic and professional fraternity for financial information professionals. Its objective is "to encourage and give recognition to scholastic and professional excellence in the business information field." During the ceremony, Jonathan Ferguson was honored with the Helen Kennedy Scholarship Fund. The Erica N. James Endowed Scholarship Fund was presented to Moneque Heyward. The Reginald Enoch/Deloitte & Touche Endowed Scholarship Funds were given to Bassemah El-Amin and Andrea Brown.

Pictured to left: The Zeta Sigma Chapter of Beta Alpha Psi Spring 2005 initiates Bassemah El-Amin, Jonathan Ferguson, Zeb High, and James McClelland stand with their awards. Fall 2004 initiates Andrea Broadhurst, Anthony Forrest and Moneque Heyward pose with them. Not pictured are 2005 initiates Andrea Brown, Shawnequa Alston and De'Ronte Polite.

State's HBCUs working to combat HIV, AIDS

Research confirms an outbreak among college-age popula- tion.

By CHAD ROBERTS
Black College Wire

North Carolina's 11 historically black colleges and universities are working together to stop the spread of HIV and AIDS after state and federal researchers identified an outbreak among the college-age population in the state.

For years, HIV and AIDS have disproportionately affected minorities in the South. But a recent study by UNC-Chapel Hill medical fellows and follow-up research by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention showed a pronounced rise in HIV infections among North Carolina's college students. The study was the first in U.S. history to document an HIV outbreak in the college student demographic and confirmed the North Carolina college campuses as high transmission areas for HIV.

Phyllis Gray, a project manager in the HIV/STD Prevention branch of the North Carolina Department of Health and Human Services, said the research results were surprising because college students traditionally have not been considered at high risk for contracting the virus.

"We have scared the nation," Gray said. "Though more than half of the 84 infected students found by researchers were at predominantly white universities, the sobering research results were enough to motivate health officials at the state's 11 black institutions and one with a majority Native American student body to increase their efforts to educate students about sexually transmitted diseases."

"I think it's up to us to get behind ourselves," Janet Lattimore, a health educator at North Carolina A&T, said. "The academic institutions, we need to do all that we can for our students."

Lattimore and her colleagues across the state realized the severity of the outbreak, and prevention messages have increased. In Charlotte, Johnson C. Smith University now includes "HIV 101" as a part of freshman orientation. North Carolina Central University, located in the state's Triangle region where the outbreak was first identified, became the first of the black institutions to offer HIV testing. Central also plans to raise awareness of STDs during fall orientation.

At North Carolina A&T, a plethora of HIV/STD awareness-related activities began, along with several student-led groups aiming to educate their peers.

A major contributor in the fight against HIV on North Carolina HBCUs has been Project Commit to Prevent, a state initiative working with the HBCU Health Promotion Alliance, which consists of North Carolina A&T, Fayetteville State University, North Carolina Central and Saint Augustine's College. Lorna Harris, the former dean of N.C. A&T's School of Nursing, is executive director of Project Commit to Prevent. Harris says its goal is to empower and educate students to change their behaviors so they will not put themselves at risk for HIV.

"We have scared the nation."

Phyllis Gray, N.C. Dept. of Health and Human Services, project manager for HIV/STD prevention

"People need education from the time they hit our campuses. We don't want a scenario where you're graduating from college, even before you've got a job and insurance and security, and you're finding out you're HIV-positive," Harris said.

One of the initiatives started by Project Commit to Prevent was the Stomp Out HIV/STD Conference, held at N.C. Central earlier this year. Participants included university administrators and health educators, students and state and federal health officials. The three-day conference gave the groups a chance to discuss and plan strategies for the ongoing fight against sexually transmitted diseases.

"For CDC to come up with strategies to impact the spread of HIV and STDs, they have to understand the experience of people in college," Harris said.

Along with developing a prevention message that would resonate with the current generation of college students, health officials and university faculty also agreed to focus prevention messages heavily on incoming freshmen. Harris recalled her time at A&T three decades ago, when students usually were not sexually active until they enrolled in college.

"Now, students come to college and they've been sexually active, some of them, for four or five years. They're a little bit more exposed, even if they're not more sophisticated. So they're at greater risk for catching HIV," Harris said.

Despite Project Commit to Prevent's STD prevention efforts and good intentions,

a lack of permanent funding may bring the program to an end on Dec. 31. Gray, who is the liaison between the universities and N.C. Division of Public Health, is aggressively seeking more resources to ensure that Project Commit to Prevent and other HIV/STD programs continue.

Gray said this is the first time the state has had contracts with the 12 institutions with largely minority student bodies. "This is history," Gray said. "My only disappointment is that we don't have a steady stream of funding. Yet."

David Jolly, an assistant professor of health education at N.C. Central, is optimistic that money for HIV prevention programs will be available in 2005 and beyond.

"It's not going to end," Jolly said. "The current round of funding winds down this December, but I'm fairly confident that the project will continue and there will be additional funding to keep it going."

However, certain events at the state-government level suggest otherwise. Though the number of HIV-infected college students has risen dramatically over the last four years, the North Carolina Legislature has not provided any additional funds for prevention. The state's Division of Public Health, which includes HIV/STD prevention, could have its budget cut in the upcoming fiscal year. North Carolina Republicans have traditionally resisted budgeting money for HIV prevention and care programs, though many people believe such programs are more beneficial in the long run by keeping infected persons and those with the potential to become infected out of hospital's supported by taxpayers' dollars.

Harris is aware that more money might not be available to fight HIV in the most effective way, but she says there is too much at stake to abandon the mission due to a lack of funding.

"If you're paying five or six thousand a month for health care, you certainly aren't going to be giving it to your alma mater," Harris said. "If we don't have additional funding you may not see the same level of service, but I think it will remain an issue of high priority for the schools."

Other HBCUs participating in the education effort are Winston-Salem State, Elizabeth City State, Barber Scotia College, Shaw University, Fayetteville State University and Livingstone College. UNC-Pembroke is the school with primarily a Native American student body.

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RESULTS FOR SGA SPRING ELECTIONS 2005

Student Government Association Executive Board

Class Officers

SGA President Chance Lynch - 608 37.67% Cory Adams - 271 16.79% Justin Ramey - 735 45.53%	Student Senators District 1 Corey Caldwell - 622 25.33% Shonique Moore - 615 25.05% Desiree McNair - 635 25.86% Trescel Toney - 583 23.74%	Senior Class Officers President TeRry McKesson - 227 59.11% Raschaad Hoggard - 157 40.88%
SGA Vice President of Internal Affairs Armita Moody - 1192 76.80% Kirk Monroe, Jr. - 360 23.19%	District 2 Omar Kinnebrew - 277 24.53% Brandon Dillahunt - 288 25.50% Vintricia Alexander - 288 25.50% William Saunders - 276 24.44%	Vice President Oliver M. Thomas - 377 100.00%
SGA Vice President of External Affairs Megan A. Brooks - 724 45.73% Blake Johnson - 464 29.31% Michael Fairfax - 395 24.95%	District 4 Lawrence Wills - 260 34.30% Asaad Thorne - 249 32.84% Jamael Turner - 249 32.84%	Miss Senior Alexis Giles - 37 9.22% Rondah Nelson - 35 8.72% Jessica Geter - 25 6.23% Brenda Wise - 83 20.69% Kourtnye Worth - 57 14.21% Brittani Smith - 68 16.95% Sajotta R. Pace - 96 23.94%
SGA Secretary Jessica Robinson - 398 25.38% Marissa Wilkes - 284 18.11% Janelle Mason - 158 10.07% Eric Singleton - 239 15.24% Kjana Bennett - 186 11.86% Tiffany McCain - 183 11.67%	District 5 Brandon Bellamy - 85 34.69% David J. Pitts - 78 31.83% John D. Thompson - 82 33.46%	Junior Class Officers President Shari B. Paison - 396 100.00%
SGA Treasurer Melanie Chiavarría - 493 31.18% Charles Biney, Jr. - 778 49.20% Rashad Ladson - 310 19.60%	District 6 Kendra Arrington - 50 52.63% Waynette Kimball - 45 47.36%	Vice President Crystal Cameron - 389 100.00%
SGA Attorney General Dominique Tillman - 570 36.49% Kwashawn Berry - 461 29.51% Khaleena Anderson - 302 19.33% Enique Berry - 229 14.66%	District 7 Tedrick Vernon - 57 43.84% Lakiesha White - 73 56.15%	Miss Junior Satara Campbell - 104 25.93% Alicia C. Moore - 135 33.66% Kimberly D. Swann - 43 10.72% Danielle Blackwell - 49 12.21% Crystal R. Williams - 70 17.45%
Miss NC A&T SU Anisah Rasheed - 364 22.53% Ashley Riggs - 200 12.38% Rachel Wilson - 307 19.00% Amber Brown - 217 13.43% Christina Rodgers - 291 18.01% Calmeese Howard - 19 1.17% Kishyck Smith - 125 7.73% Constance Currie - 44 2.72% Janie McClurkin - 48 2.97%	Student Judiciary Council Christopher Cobb - 1331 25.00% Brittney Stallings - 1387 26.05% Whitney Mack-Obi - 1304 24.49% Rander H. Harris, Jr. - 1302 24.45%	Sophomore Class Officers President Marvin Jones, Jr. - 170 29.25% Leo Breckenridge - 206 35.45% Monique Manning - 205 35.28%
	SGA Elections Committee Cindi Lee - 1378 33.37% Luther Reader, III - 1353 32.76% Linaya McMillan - 1398 33.85%	Vice President Rondall Ellington - 343 59.65% Vermeka Lang - 232 40.34%
		Miss Sophomore Candace Johnson - 452 78.33% Tammy C. Morrison - 125 21.66%

*Congratulations
To All Winners*

Audit finds poor accounting at Morgan State

Maryland Dept. of Legislative Services says \$16.8 million not properly accounted for.

By JESSICA HARRIS
Black College Wire

Morgan State University President Earl S. Richardson, responding to questions about an audit that showed that the university did not properly account for nearly \$16.8 million, has assured legislators that the university's "operational environment" has improved.

Meanwhile, Richardson said that with full-time enrollment and space for facilities on campus set to increase by 10 percent, the fiscal 2006 budget, while the first large increase for Morgan since 2002, is still not enough to cover the needs of the university.

"This means that the university will be educating 600 more students and maintaining over 140,000 additional square feet of space with \$700,000 less in state operating support," Richardson said in his March 3 testimony.

Richardson was questioned about a November audit by the Maryland Department of Legislative Services that said that because of poor documenta-

tion and inadequate accounting practices and money monitoring, Morgan did not properly account for nearly \$16.8 million from March 2001 to October 2003.

In a letter to the General Assembly's Audit Committee, Legislative Auditor Bruce A. Myers said, "We also noted internal control or record keeping deficiencies relating to student financial aid, collections, student accounts receivable, computer security and equipment."

The university was given a chance to respond to the 14 findings of mismanagement.

"With a few exceptions, most of the audit issues were the result of an outdated data network and software system that required an enormous financial investment to upgrade," Richardson said.

In the previous audit, which took place on May 24, 2002, the university was cited on eight items. Five were repeated in the latest audit.

"The university recognizes and respects the value of the legislative audit function. It is very confident that the Legislative Auditors will find a much improved and responsive operational environment upon their return for the next compliance audit upon their return for the next compliance audit," Richardson said.

Richardson was also asked why the number of instructors decreased in 2005, while the personnel in other categories had increased.

The president said that in trying to contain costs as enrollment increases, the university had to hold some positions open.

The proposed budget for fiscal 2006 is \$51.3 million. It includes a \$1.6 million increase from last year for salaries and \$700,000 for maintenance of facilities.

Though the budget has risen, the state did not leave any money for the growth that is to take place at the university, Richardson said. He complained of not having the resources to hire an adequate full-time faculty or to purchase up-to-date equipment to educate the increasing number of students.

To cover the expenses that the state will not, Morgan has set out to raise money through private fund raising. "We are in the middle of a five-year capital campaign with a goal to raise \$25 million," Richardson said. "We have achieved that goal and are now in the planning stage to increase the goal and formulate a strategy for [fund] raising."

Jessica Harris, a student at Morgan State University, writes for the Spokesman.

ELECTIONS

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who both ended with less than 500 votes.

Brooks will also assist the president. She will be responsible for the public relations of the SGA and for directing all research projects initiated. She will also be working with campus and community organizations in order to get the student body more involved in community affairs.

The new SGA secretary, Jessica Robinson won by 114 votes. Marissa Wilkes was her closest opponent.

Robinson will be responsible for clerical duties and office management. She will be in charge of recording minutes at all SGA meetings and maintaining established office hours.

The winner of the treasurer position is Charles Biney. Biney received 778 out of the 1581 votes.

He will work with the president to distribute all monies appropriated by the Student Senate while maintaining an accurate accounting for it. His accounting report must be reported monthly to the entire SGA. Biney must place his signature on all travel forms, purchase acquisitions, and other document pertaining to finance.

The attorney general investigates and prosecutes those who disobey the SGA constitution. Dominique Tillman won this position with 570 of the 1562 votes.

Finally, Anisah Rasheed will be the 2005-2006 Miss A&T. She will serve as the official female representative for the student body. Rasheed received over 22 percent of the 1615 votes tallied for this position.

All SGA executive board members, except the attorney general, aid in the implementation of events

for Homecoming, Aggie Fest, and Black History Month.

The newly-elected officers released the following statement as a group:

"The Ramey Administration is a dynamic as well as a diverse group of Aggies. We have taken on the task to be the most interactive and efficient individuals possible as representatives of ourselves as well as North Carolina Agricultural & Technical State University. Thus far, we have not officially taken the oath to our respective offices, but ideas of governance and programming have been initiated for the 2005-2006 academic school year."

Information about positions was gathered from the 2004-2005 Student Handbook and Planner.

COMING NEXT WEEK:
In-depth report on
Chancellor Renick's
FUTURES Initiative

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Renick gets a Pirate to jump ship

Patricia Cage-Bibbs is a proven winner and rebuildier. Her next task: Lady Aggies basketball, a vessel that has been sailing in choppy seas.

"Familiarity breeds contempt" is how the old saying goes. But, in this case, love and affection are the bi-products of acquaintance.

After watching Patricia Cage-Bibbs lead the Hampton Pirates to conference titles in three of the past five years, Chancellor Renick went out and lured the coach out of a brief retirement to resurrect the A&T women's basketball program.

It remains to be seen if Cage-Bibbs can duplicate her past coaching success in Greensboro, but if her prior positions are any indication of what lies ahead, the Lady Aggies are in good shape.

Cage-Bibbs has been named her conference's Coach of the Year eight times - once in the MEAC and seven times in the Southwestern Athletic Conference. She has a total of six regular season titles between the two conferences.

Her resume also boasts of NCAA Tournament appearances and numerous awards and honors from coaching associations, sportswriters and black college groups.

It has been nearly a decade since A&T's women's program experienced a winning season, and even longer since the Lady Aggies made a trip to the NCAA Tournament. Cage-Bibbs, on the other hand, is quite familiar with both, and seems unfazed by any difficulties she might face.

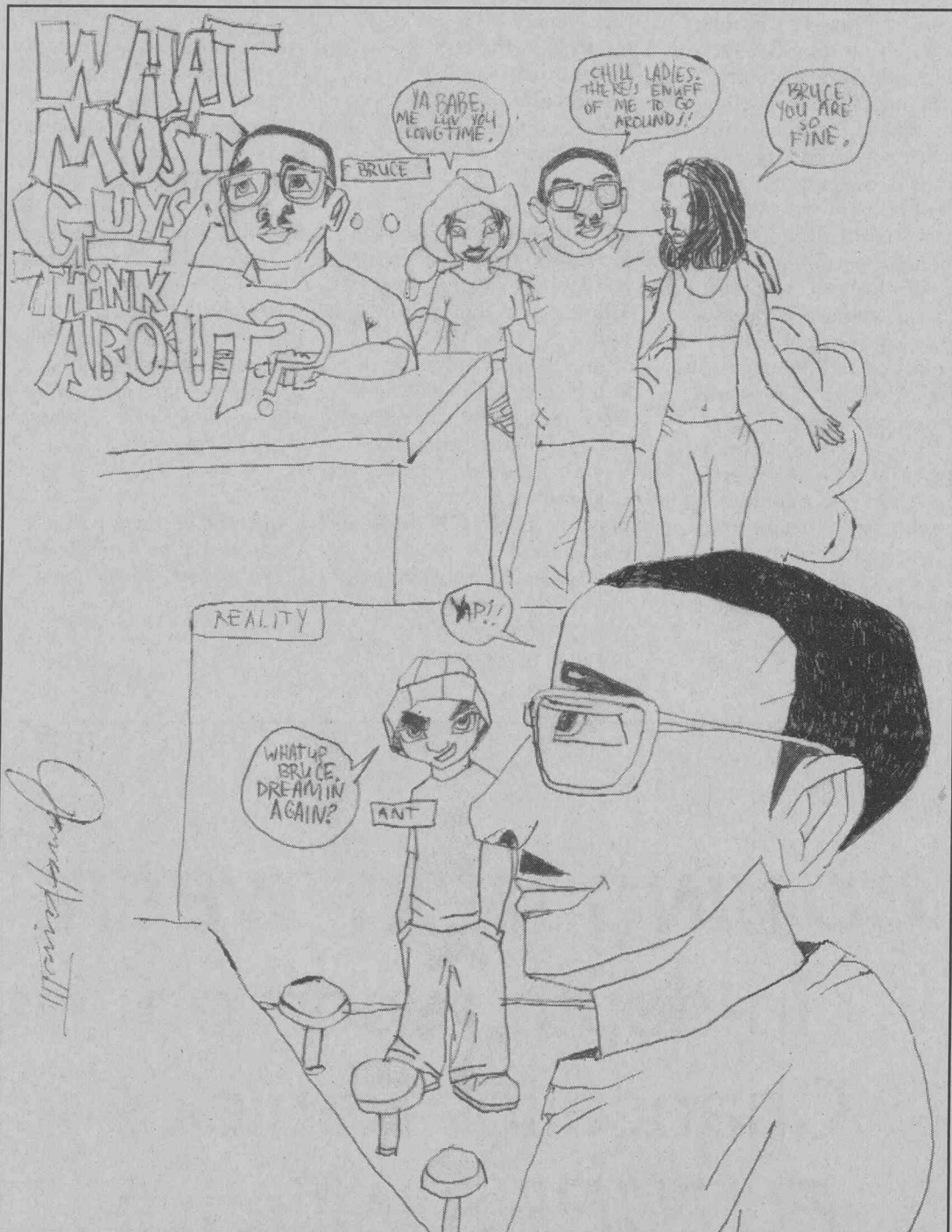
"I'm a builder who loves challenges," she explained.

Indeed, challenges await. The new coach will be without the services of Tia Richardson next year. Richardson led the team in rebounds and blocked shots this year, and ranks high in A&T's history in both.

Another obstacle is injury, something former coach Saudia Rountree not Cage-Bibbs has control over. Two years ago, the Lady Aggies finished a game with just four players due to injury. Luckily, they were comfortably ahead.

Chancellor Renick called getting Cage-Bibbs "a huge hire" and he is right. Cage-Bibbs will bring a passion for the game, a love for coaching and developing players and just as important, a winning attitude.

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QUOTE OF THE WEEK

"Experience is not what happens to a man; it is what a man does with what happens to him." Aldous Huxley

Letters to the Editor

Engineering group busy in February

IEEE is an organization whose mission is to enhance the careers of electrical and electronics engineering students and professionals. At North Carolina A&T, IEEE has remained committed to uplifting our profession and to performing community service. During the month of February, IEEE participated in and coordinated many events. To raise money for an upcoming conference in Florida, we coordinated a Valentine's Day Raffle. We raffled off gift certificates to the Olive Garden, candy, and many other things. To stay involved in our community we did a number of projects such as Save Our Schools (SOS), Communities in Schools (CIS), and we participated in the February One Sit-In Anniversary March and Breakfast, and the 4th Annual Think Tank Conference hosted by the Student Government Association. Save Our Schools is a program geared toward middle school students to get them interested in engineering by working with them on engineering related projects. Communities in Schools is geared toward disadvantaged high school students to keep them in school by providing mentors and tutors to meet with them and to encourage them to continue working towards their diploma.

Rury Grisham

The writer is president of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

ACM attends Bobcats game, continues volunteer work

In the month of February the Association for Computing Machinery held our regularly scheduled full-body meetings along with traveling to see the Charlotte Bobcats versus Miami Heat basketball game on February 11. ACM has also facilitated in bringing INROADS; Intuit, and Ensemble Studios - a Microsoft Game Development Company - to speak to our computer science students during their scheduled colloquium. ACM has also shared joint programs with Upsilon Pi Epsilon with scheduling and implementing programming competitions for undergraduate students. In addition, we have remained a strong presence in the community by regularly volunteering at the Urban Ministries Potter's House.

Regards,

William P. Taylor

The writer is president of the Association for Computing Machinery.

Campus group mentors middle-school girls

Aggie Q.U.E.E.N.S. is a mentoring program designed to provide girls who attend Allen Middle School with Quality, Understanding, Enrichment, Education, Nurturing, and Success through the guidance of college women. Every month an Enrichment is planned for the young

ladies. The Enrichment for the month of February focused on STDs, HIV/AIDS, and sex. With parent permission, a certified nurse came; discussed various topics on the issue at hand and answered questions concerns that the mentees and mentors had. T-shirts for the organization were also purchased at the Enrichment. A gift certificate to Outback Steak House was given to the mentor that brought in the most school supplies for donation. Mentors also donated clothing for a clothing drive. On February 25th, 2005 Aggie Queens held a Family Fun Night at Allen Middle School. This event was to bring the families together for fun and fellowship. Several stations were created for the family fun night. The most enjoyable station was the African dancing hosted by the wonderful E-Gwynn Dancers from NC A&T. Jeopardy gave participants a chance to test their wits on African American inventors, artists, actors, and scholars. The arts and crafts table proved to be very exciting for younger members of the family. Face painting gave some mentors a chance to express their creative painting genes. The night was complete with a pot-luck soul food dinner. The next enrichment will focus on Etiquette and will be held in March.

Michele Howard

The writer is president of Aggie Q.U.E.E.N.S.

Outreach club holds Bible study

For the month of February our campus organization was involved in the A&T FOUR breakfast, and volunteered for the HBCU Think Tank. We recently had our first Bible Study Meeting of the semester on Feb 9, 2005 and will continue to have them throughout the semester. In March we will have an Easter Drama called "No Greater Love" we will be distributing free tickets. This drama is a drama you do not want to miss. Throughout the semester we plan on having guest speakers. We will have further information on upcoming events. Thank you for your time and feel free to join us as we search for truth in the word of God. Open your heart as you open your Bible.

Sincerely

Jonathan Woodbury

The writer is president of Apostolic Student Outreach.

Caribbean culture is more than what's on BET

The Caribbean Culture Club was founded December 3, 2004 by Nicole Glenn. Since then we have been meeting almost every Monday @ 7 in the Union. Our mission as an organization is to show the students at A & T a different side to West Indian Culture. We want to show students that there is more to the Caribbean than what they see on BET. We are currently looking for more ways to introduce the Caribbean Culture to A & T's campus. We started a Dance Troup that will begin practice the

last Thursday in March and one member is trying to organize a soccer team. I am very anxious to see where this organization is heading, I have very big visions for the Caribbean Culture Club and I am confident that our membership will continue to grow. Last month the Caribbean Culture Club had its "kick off" event that took place in the Union Exhibit Hall on February 12, 2005 from 7-11. We called it the Caribbean Splash. Sirati Sounds provided the music and Montego Bay Restaurant provided the food. We had a successful turnout of about 60-70 people, which sparked a lot of peoples interest. To fundraise for the Caribbean Culture Club we sold tickets in the Cafeteria the week of February 7 - 11. Tickets were sold at \$3 for singles and \$5 for couples. In total we sold about 70 tickets. Another way I raised money for the Caribbean Culture Club was by sending out letters to my family and friends and asking them for donations. Our organization has received over \$100 in donations since I have sent out the donations in early February. Lastly, Wal-Mart donated a \$25 gift certificate to the Caribbean Culture Club. We received that by writing a letter to Wal-Mart and providing them with our tax identification number. The Caribbean Culture Club has not participated in any community service events in the month of February. However, Mr./Ms. Caribbean Culture Club have found opportunities for the month of April working with the Urban Ministries.

Nicole Glenn

The writer is president of the Caribbean Culture Club.

Lambda Chi Alpha serves during charter process

Then men of Lambda Chi Alpha - Colony 332 took part in several community service projects during February. The primary project was to help the Multicultural Student Center and Alpha Phi Omega sponsor and staff the American Red Cross Blood Drive that took place on the first of the month. Lambda Chi Alpha regularly aids these organizations in this event which takes place twice a year on campus. The Lambda Chi's also continued volunteering at the Greensboro Urban Ministry's food bank.

During the first week of the month, the president went to the organization's own Council of Presidents meeting in Florida to learn about his role as the president and the roles of other officers and how to effectively run a chapter or colony. The president brought this knowledge back to his officers and others to help give them a better understanding of the duties and leadership responsibilities. As the colony goes through its chartering process, the leadership of the officers and even members-at-large will become vital in securing a place on the campus of N.C. A&T.

Lambda Chi Alpha holds regular business meetings on Sundays at 7:15 PM in Room 101 of the Memorial Student Union.

Terrell Brown

The writer is a member of Lambda Chi Alpha colony 332.

What's Next!!

Hot Weather Etiquette

By **CANDRA WHITLEY**
Contributor

As the hot weather approaches, so does the majority of the fashion mishaps.

When it gets hot on our campus, some tend to forget all of the rules to summer clothes, shoes, and just "fashion etiquette" in general. Yes, believe it or not there are unspoken rules to summer attire. When a girl walks by you and you have to say, "I mean really!" that means she has clearly broken the rules.

Ladies:

GET YOUR TOES DONE!

There is no other way to say that. Why would you even subject yourself to the harassment you will receive if you are strutting around campus with some "fly" sandals on, and you have hammer-time on your feet?

There are plenty of reputable nail salons around Greensboro that for a mere \$20 could have you straight in no time?

Speaking of sandals... if you have sandals that are still in tact from last summer, that's all good, but if the heel is doing the "lean back" that means you need to retire those. Suck it up and get something else.

Clothes are another issue in itself. Skirts are always a good look, but, if you do NOT have the shape for a mini skirt, stay away from them!

No, you don't have to be a size 1 to wear a mini, but if you even think you might be doing wrong, go with your instincts. They're usually right.

Shirts are an issue that is sensitive to some people. Even though they make the shirts in your size, it doesn't necessarily mean that you have to wear it. Harsh as it may be, so many people fail to realize that.

Guys:

Cut off shirts, wife beaters and those "G unit tanks" are NOT FOR EVERYBODY. If your body doesn't resemble that of 50 cent's circa the "In the Club" video, you don't need any of those on. When you do wear those, remember, we don't wanna see your draws. Pull up your jeans! Sagging is and never was cute!

Men have a limited wardrobe in the summer time, so whatever you do, make it decent and cool.

Ladies, next week we'll talk more about "Hot Weather Etiquette." Don't be the disaster walking around campus that everybody talks about.

Be fashionable, not fashionDISable!!

N.C. CENTRAL ALUM BACK FROM SERVICE IN IRAQ

By **LOVEMORE MASAKADZA**
Black College Wire

Army reservist Marquis Jackson was attending a faculty meeting at Hillside High School in Durham, N.C., where he teaches, when his cell phone rang.

His unit administrator called to tell him he had been involuntarily transferred to a unit in Florida that was preparing to go to Iraq.

It was Jan. 14, 2004. Jackson's wife was eight months pregnant, but he had to leave for Florida to join his new unit, which was leaving for Iraq on Feb. 7.

"To be in the military, you are a number," Jackson said. They put you where they need you."

Jackson majored in political science at North Carolina Central University from 1997 to 2001 and expects to finish a second degree in English education. He was stationed at Camp Bucca prison for about 10 months. The camp is 300 miles southeast of Baghdad.

While overseas, Jackson looked back at his days at NCCU and remembered many words of wisdom from his professors.

"Dr. Ferebee told me to look at the world in a broader view and to be optimistic," Jackson said, referring to English professor Floyd Ferebee.

"Dr. Ware, Harrington-Austin and Bockting taught me to appreciate

life. You never know when your education is going to be valuable to you," he said, referring to Michelle Ware, Eleanor J. Harrington-Austin and Margaret Bockting, all of the English Department.

He said Ferebee's words helped him realize that people around the world are different and it is good to respect each other. He said his education proved valuable when he mixed with the Iraq people. They have a different language and a different culture, and he had to show them respect even though they were

Jackson said he came back "much wiser and grateful."

"The Americans don't know poverty," Jackson said. "The level of poverty blew my mind."

Jackson served as a processing non-commission officer -- he made sure that new detainees had proper identification and that the right data were collected.

At times he processed the data of 200 to 300 detainees a day, he said; the camp had about 4,000 detainees. Their crimes included illegal possession of weapons, assault and rape.

Some were from such countries as Syria, Lebanon and Palestine.

Jackson said the prisoners were rarely violent and that he was inspired by seeing the detainees face the same direction to bow down and pray.

"They were some of the most sensible people I have ever encountered," Jackson said.

Jackson said he did not witness any ill treatment of the prisoners, but he said he had heard about the prisoner abuse scandal by American soldiers at Abu Ghraib, another American-run detainee facility and the U.S. military's primary interrogation center.

At Abu Ghraib, some American soldiers were accused of inhumanely treating Iraqi prisoners by putting

them on leashes and piling them up naked, among other abuses.

Jackson would not comment on the Abu Ghraib scandal, which ensnared prison guard Javal S. Davis, who attended Morgan State University in the late 1990s, among others. After pleading guilty in February to abusing prisoners, Sgt. Davis was sentenced to six months, a reduction in rank to private and a bad-conduct discharge.

Jackson said he treated detainees with respect and never received illegal orders from his superiors.

He said he cheated death one day when a missile landed 10 feet from him.

"Had it detonated, I would not be talking to you," Jackson said.

Jackson said he had to work 12 to 18 hours a day during his stay, and said American soldiers have overstayed their welcome.

"There was a time when the United States' presence was needed in Iraq, but I believe we surpassed that time," Jackson said.

The long hours did not deter Jackson from reading. He found some time for such books as Nelson Mandela's "Long Walk to Freedom" and the "Autobiography of Malcolm X."

Lovemore Masakadza, a student at North Carolina Central University, is editor-in-chief of the Campus Echo.

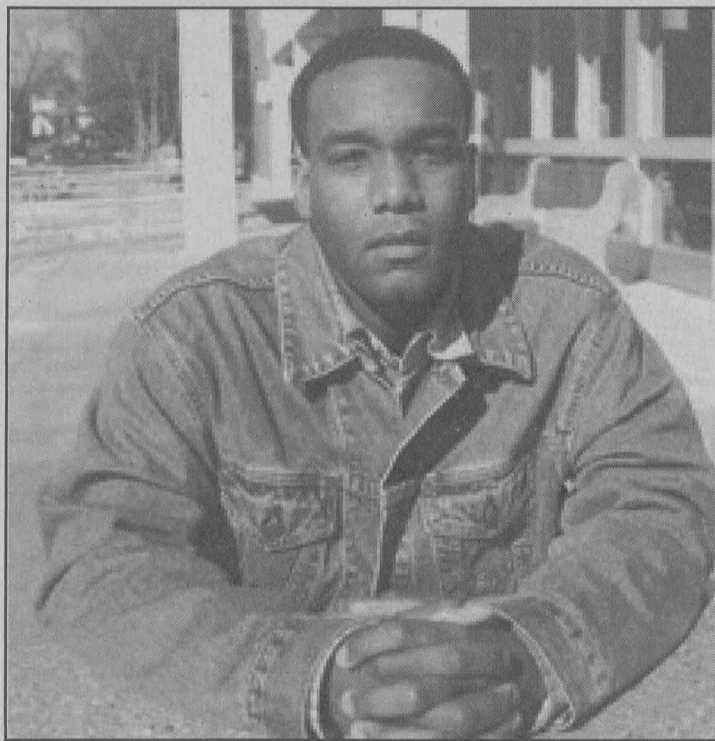


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N.C. Central alum, Marquis Jackson

prisoners. After seeing the struggles of the people of Iraq to make a living,

i've never been the type to wait for anything, especially an opportunity. Matter of fact, the only handout that was ever given to me was a Navy brochure. I wanted to see the world ... I did. I wanted a bright future, and I have one of those, too. I've worked; now I own my own company ... all because of the experience I've gained in the Navy. So do what I did. Call 1-800-USA-NAVY or log on to navy.com.

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New Greensboro band, Urban Sophisticates, looks to make its mark in music in the Triad

By JESSICA DE VAULT
Copy Editor

On Friday, Mar. 18 amidst all of the techno-pumping, booty-shaking clubs of downtown Greensboro, Greene Street Bar opened their doors at the ungodly hour of 8 p.m. for a benefit concert for Young Life Ministries, and again at 11 p.m. to showcase an encore performance by the main attraction, the Urban Sophisticates. Although the opening act, starting Tuesday, was noteworthy, I was unable to shake the infectious beats of this Greensboro-based band. Not only was it fantastic that the Sophisticates supported such a positive cause, but both shows were entertaining as well.

On Friday evening the Sophisticates took their listeners through their renditions of several cover songs including Bill Withers' "Ain't No Sunshine" and my personal favorite, a blend of both Wyclef's "Gone 'Til

November" and a verse from Method Man's "You're All I Need." The band also highlighted their current self-titled LP with songs like "Not Urban Enough," and singles from their soon-to-be released sophomore album like "We Can Watch It All" and their show opener "It's About Time."

The on-stage charisma of the Sophisticates is by far the most captivating and the number of band members aren't as daunting as I first expected. Indeed, there were plenty of people on stage (seven to be exact), but thankfully each member brought a much-needed sound to the band. And each brought a high, crowd-hyping energy that made every minute of the concert enjoyable.

The Sophisticates originally began with front man James Benton and two other former members. The group has since undergone a few changes on their membership roster with several new additions. Benton says their recent members have given



Urban Sophisticates played at the Greene Street Bar last Tuesday

the group more appeal.

"I think it gives more flavor to the live show," Benton said. "The horn section is unique to hip-hop. Just adding things here and there, keeps the show energetic."

The members of Urban

Sophisticates include two brothers, Benton the lyricist and singer Aaron James; a drummer (Romondo Jessup), two guitarists (Tim Hooker and bass guitarist Ricky Nxumalo), a trombonist (Sal Mascali) and trumpeter Jeremy Denman.

So far the live band concept hasn't resulted in overkill, but has instead created a refreshingly sweet blend of make-you-think lyrics, head-bobbing beats and a live instrumentation that create euphonies never before seen in hip-hop. The diverse backgrounds of each member also appear to play a role in the evolution of the Sophisticates. The Philly upbringing of Benton is indelibly marked in their music, but hints of the Jazz trombone from Mascali and the funk-stylings of Nxumalo appear to play a major role in the band's overall sound, especially during live performances. By just hearing a few tracks from their first album (available at

www.cdbaby.com/cd/sophisticates) and listening to some of their newer singles, you can immediately hear the difference the new members bring in.

At this rate, the Sophisticates could be the poster-children for hip-hop's budding realm of live band,

hip-hop. Even with The Roots and the recent collaborations of Jay-Z and Linkin Park, it appears that the hip-hop industry has been unable to shake itself free from the same 'ol, mundane product it's been dishing out; but Benton seems hopeful.

"I just feel that hip-hop is at a point where it will progress from where it's at commercially," Benton said.

As of now, the Sophisticates are working on their sophomore album and performing at other local venues for the next month. On Apr. 29 the Urban Sophisticates will perform at UNCG and the A&T Marching Band will be in attendance as an added bonus.

For more information on ticket sales, schedules and other Urban Sophisticates information check out their website at www.urbansophisticates.com.

'The Ring 2' tops the box office collecting \$35.1 million over the weekend

By SHANNON PITTMAN
Contributor

Naomi Watts and David Dorfman are back playing the roles of Rachel Keller

(Watts) and Aidan Keller (Dorfman) in "The Ring 2", the sequel to the 2002 horror hit "The Ring".

In the sequel, Rachel and Aidan are on the road moving to escape the haunting memories of the terror they endured 6 months ago in Seattle. They move to Astoria, a small town in Oregon, and Rachel begins working at the local newspaper. There they plan on starting their lives all over again and forgetting about the past. Little do they know the terror they were trying to escape followed them. When Rachel discovers that two teenagers were once again victims of the devastating tape that kills you seven days after you watch it, she immediately goes to the scene to investigate. When she gets on the scene, she realizes her worst fears have come true - the evil ghost of Samara is back to reap terror once again. Rachel finds the tape the teenagers watched and



"The Ring 2" hopes to have the same success as "The Ring."

quickly destroys it, but in this movie Samara gets around without the tape. Samara begins to terrorize and possess Aidan. When Aidan begins acting weird and becomes mysteriously ill, Rachel soon figures out it has to do with Samara Morgan. While her son was hospitalized, Rachel travels back to Seattle to discover the secrets of Samara Morgan and how to stop her for good. Sissy Spacek plays in this movie as Samara Morgan's birth mother.

Overall this film was suspenseful and had plenty of scary and disturbing moments. The roles of the characters were played well by the actors. For those who have seen "The Ring", the sequel answers all the questions you had after seeing the first movie. Hideo Nakata, the creator of the Japanese original movies Ringu and Ringu 2, directed the movie. The sequel definitely makes the first movie make more sense. "The Ring 2" also topped the box office this weekend beating out "The Robots." It grossed \$35.1 million according to box office reports from USA Today.

E. Gwynn Dancers look to embrace our past

By PATRICE WITHERS
Managing Editor

"Embracing Our Past" is the theme for this year's annual dance show for the E. Gwynn Dancers of N.C. A&T. The dance show will be held on Apr. 2, in Corbrett Gym at 7:30 p.m. The program is being directed by Eleanor Gwynn and Melanie Dalton. The 18 dancers and 6 drummers range from high school students to alumni of the university. This multicultural dance production will con-

clude the series of events for the opening of the South African Exhibit.

Funds from this concert will go towards expenses for the South Africa trip scheduled for May. This will be the second year for the E. Gwynn Dancers to have an abroad experience, which will allow them to teach dance moves to South African children.

"The concert will help support the dance company mission to entertain people through African culture," Gwynn said.

The dance company was started back in 1985 and during its tenure it has always found ways to make the community culturally aware about their past through dance. Each year the show incorporates new dance pieces. Gwynn choreographed "Robben Island" for the second half of the show, which is a special tribute to South Africa. This work was inspired by letters from the women who were left behind in the townships when their husbands, brothers and fathers were incar-

cerated in Robben Island Prison in Cape Town, South Africa. Nelson Mandela transformed this experience for his fellow inmates for 27 years on Robben Island.

The program will provide entertainment through singing, dancing and drumming. The university chamber singers will also perform at the show. The cost for students is \$5 with a college ID. For more information about how to purchase tickets please contact the A&T box office at 256.2137.

Art Gallery spotlights the history of FAMU

By WILL AYERS, JR.
Black College Wire

The third floor of Florida A&M University's Foote-Hilyer Administrative Center now includes a historical gallery that takes students and visitors through FAMU's history.

The newly opened Leedell W. Neyland FAMU Gallery consists of 28 photos showing FAMU students and various events.

Originally named the State Normal College for Colored Students, FAMU has had its share of triumphs and hardships.

During the 1960s, FAMU students, faculty and staff played an integral part in the civil rights movement.

During the integration period of the 1970s, FAMU faced the threat of being

merged with Florida State University; however, students marched and protested in order to keep FAMU an educational haven for black students.

In 1989, the world-renowned "Marching 100" band performed in Paris during a European tour. Those are only some of the events captured on the walls of Foote-Hilyer.

The rich collection is dedicated to Leedell W. Neyland, who served FAMU for more than 45 years. Neyland earned his undergraduate degree from Virginia State University and his M.A. and Ph.D. from New York University.

Neyland served as a professor of history, dean of the College of Arts and Sciences and as vice president for academic affairs, but he said his greatest satisfaction has

come from preserving FAMU's history.

The idea to open the gallery and dedicate it to Neyland was suggested by Larry Reese, vice president for administrative and fiscal services, and by Provost Larry Robinson, vice president for academic affairs.

E. Murell Dawson, director of the Southeastern Regional Black Archives Research Center and Museum at FAMU, made the idea a reality.

Jerica Dowling, a freshman political science student, said she loves the new gallery.

"The Leedell W. Neyland Gallery is a beautiful collection. I advise all the students to go see it," Dowling said. "It is important that students learn about the history of our great school."

"I never would have

known that Foote-Hilyer used to be a hospital if it were not for the new art gallery."

"I was captured by the pictures of Althea Gibson and the other great athletes of the past," said Eunika Russell, a sophomore education student. "I was intrigued when I learned that Tucker Hall used to be a boys dormitory and Gibbs Hall a female dormitory," she added.

Neyland said he was honored by the dedication.

"If we could learn and sincerely appreciate the historical lessons of the past, they will make firm foundation stones upon which to build as we look to the future with hope and great expectations," he said.

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Entertainment Briefs

T.I. and Lil Flip Fight

It was confirmed that T.I. and Lil Flip did get in a scuffle in Houston. According to bet.com, T.I. tried to get Flip to come from behind the car to get a square deal, but Flip refused. While trying to get Flip from behind the car, one of Flip's friends hit T.I. in the back of the head and then a huge fight broke out.

Will Smith fights back

On his latest album titled "Lost and Found," Will Smith takes shots at Eminem, Wendy Williams and Larry Elder. Eminem and the others named above have taken shots at Smith's "Mr. Nice Guy" persona. The diss track is titled "Mr. Nice Guy."

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BIBBS NAMED NEW WOMEN'S BASKETBALL HEAD COACH

By GREGORY BOND
Sports Editor

Chancellor James C. Renick appointed Patricia Cage-Bibbs as the new head coach for women's basketball on Mar. 30 at Bryan Fitness and Wellness Center, effectively immediately.

"I left Hampton in August," said coach Bibbs. "I called myself 'Retired from the world of basketball.' Then I get a call from Dr. Renick. Talking with my family before the call, they wanted me to get back into athletics. Everybody knew that I was getting back (into coaching). The calls started to come in and I got that special call from Dr. Renick. 'You can come here and build a program,' added Bibbs. 'I know it can be done. I am so impressed with the university, with the Chancellor and his family. This is the place to be.'"

Bibbs will take the place of former coach Saudia Roundtree. Roundtree finished her third season with the Lady Aggies. She led A&T to a record of 10-18 and 9-9 in the conference, which was her only season without a losing record in the MEAC.

Bibbs last stint was with Hampton University. She coached the Lady Pirates to regular season championships in the 1998-99, 2002-03 and 2003-04 seasons. Bibbs also sent the Lady Pirates to three NCAA Tournament appearances in 2000, 2003 and 2004.

She was the first basketball coach at Hampton to participate in the NCAA Tournament in 2000.

Bibbs coached at her alma mater at Grambling State University for 13 years before going to Hampton. She led the Lady Tigers to 244 wins and six SWAC

titles. Bibbs went undefeated in the SWAC during the 1996-97 season, which was the first time that a team was undefeated in the conference.

Her overall record was 354-194. She won SWAC Coach of the Year seven times and MEAC Coach of the Year once.

"A coach that has a winning record and she is bringing that record to A&T," said Renick.

Bibbs was famous for her "Fun & Run" offense and the "Pressure Cooker" defense, which excited the Lady Aggies.

"I am excited. I am glad to have her," said Shareka "Mia" Glover. "Maybe that will be us (winning the MEAC title). I played against her against Hampton. She is a great coach. They (Hampton) won some games. I can't wait. I am ready now."

Lady Aggies lose four straight over weekend

By JESSICA CRISP
Contributor

Over the weekend, the A&T Softball team traveled to Tallahassee Fla., first playing Florida A&M University on March 25.

The Aggies played a double header against FAMU, and lost both games.

Game one began with FAMU scoring seven runs by the third inning to lose 14-1 in five innings. In the fourth, A&T scored three runs, trying to close the gap.

That was all the Aggies were able to get. Florida A&M's Ashley Walker and Treva Robinson each had three hits.

The Rattlers kept their hitting streak going, continuing to score in the fourth and fifth innings.

Senior Ruby Nugent hit a two-run double, ending the

game after the fifth, 11-3.

In the second game, A&T tightened up on defense. They worked hard but still came up short on getting the MEAC win with a 5-1 loss.

A&T's Adia Dial pitched well, only allowing the opponents three hits.

The game began slowly, as four Rattlers were walked. Ashley Walker stole home scoring the first run. Junior, Kelly Gordon hit a fly to right, gaining an RBI and pushing the score 4-1.

Florida A&M scored their last run in the sixth when Nugent hit a single to center field, bringing in Gordon.

On March 27, A&T took on the Wildcats of Bethune-Cookman College.

The Wildcats came out on top in both games. In game one, they were able to score three runs in the first

inning, and A&T scoring none.

In the second, the Lady Wildcats picked up four, and another seven in the fourth. The Aggies scored one run in the fifth, but it came too late. Bethune-Cookman won the game 14-1.

The second game did not prove to be much better for A&T. Bethune-Cookman got 10 quick runs in two innings.

A&T had two hits, but no runs. Bethune's Amber Jackson had two home runs and five RBI's. Senior, Rachel Kilbert was five for six, with six RBI's. A&T again lost the Wildcats, 10-0.

The Lady Aggies will play at home against Savannah State on Apr. 1.

Game time is at 2 p.m.

AGGIES FINISH STRONG IN AGGIE RELAYS

By KARINA HARDY
Online Editor

The Aggies hosted the Aggie Relays on Mar. 26 at Aggie Stadium and finished on the positive side. Tiffany Green won first place in the women's 100 meter dash with a time of 11.58.

Phykesha Blackmon, Tiffany Green, Courtney Clark and Crystal Williams won second place in the women's 4x200 meter relay with a time of 1:36.29. They also won third place in the 4x100 meter relay with a time of 47.28.

Lauren Taylor won fourth place in the women's long jump with a length of 5.59 meters.

Brittany Dixon won second place in the women's triple jump with a length of

11.92 meters and Shayla Jemmott won fifth place in the women's triple jump with a length of 11.40 meters.

Toya Woods won fourth place in the women's shot put with a length of 12.40 meters.

For the men's, Eddie Vick won second place in the men's 150 meter run with a time of 4:08.56.

For the men, Gordon Smith won first place with a time of 53.14 and Jerre Wyatt won second place with a time of 53.29 in the men's 400 meter hurdles.

Justin Byron, Robert Martin and Lee Antonio won second place in the men's 4x100 meter relay with a time of 41.05.

Byron, Lee, Kenny Perry and Smith won third place

in the men's 4x400 meter relay.

Chris Walker won second place with a length of 2.03 meters, Dominique Camm won third place with a length of 2.03 meters and Jimmy Fields won fourth place with a length of 1.98 meters in the men's high jump.

Brandon Via won second place with a length of 7.23 meters and Everett Bruce won third place with a length of 7.16 meters in the men's long jump.

Via won first place with a length of 14.63 meters and Everett Bruce won second place with a length of 14.55 meters in the men's triple jump.

The Aggies will participate in the Duke Relays on Apr. 2.

Aggies win back-to-back games

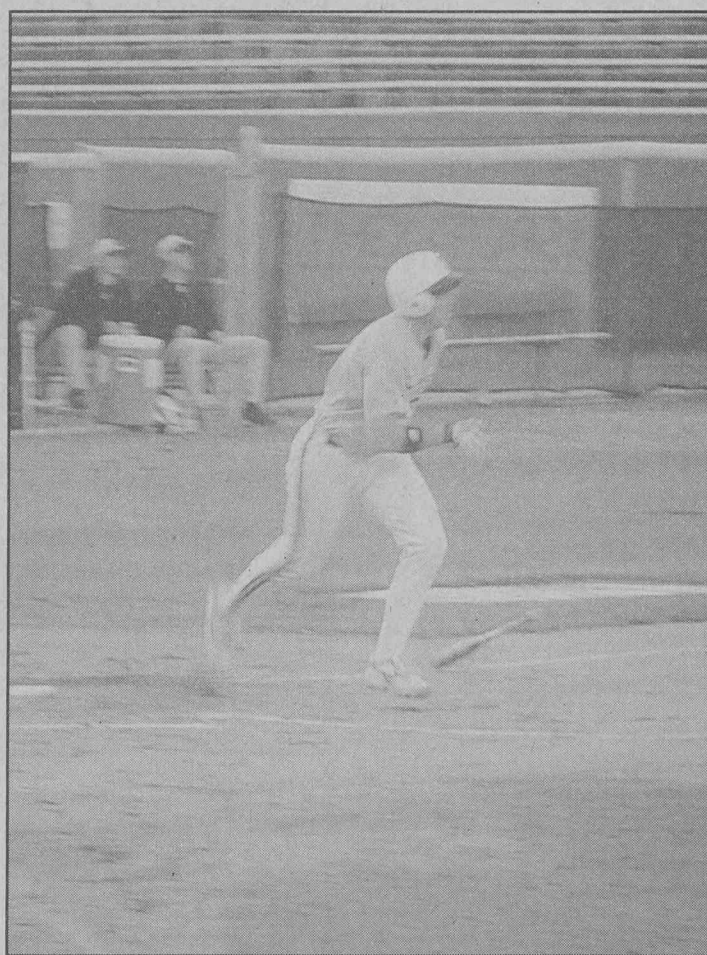


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The Aggies have won four of the last five games.

By GREGORY BOND
Sports Editor

On Mar. 26, Aggie freshman John Primus was focused as he pitched a complete three-hitter as the Aggies cruised past Bethune-Cookman 5-0 at War Memorial Stadium. "Today was a landmark victory for Aggie baseball,"

said Keith Shumate, from the Sports Information Department. "We have always felt that we had the talent to beat them, but it was a matter of staying focused on the field and making plays. Our team had the intensity and the focus in all three games this time and we got great pitching, especially today."

Primus (3-0) struck out six on the afternoon. He lowered his ERA to 2.42.

Marcus Mack was 2 for 3 with a run scored and Nick Mayo was 2 for 4 with a RBI for the Aggies.

Frank Radziwon (2-4) was roughed up by the Aggies. Radziwon pitched seven innings with eight hits and gave up two earned runs.

On Mar. 29, Charlie Gamble hit a walk-off home run to win 3-2 over Campbell at War Memorial Stadium.

Down 2-1, Jeremy Jones hits a doubled to set up Gamble's homer. Gamble was 0 for 3 on the afternoon before his game-winning homer.

Richard Hawk (1-1) shut down the Camels in the ninth.

Ange pitched well throughout the afternoon until late in the game. Ange (0-1) pitched a complete game. He gave up seven hits and three earned runs.

Jeff Randol and David Forbes had a homerun each for the Camels (13-10).

Mayo had the other RBI for the Aggies (12-19).

The Aggies will play Apr. 2 at home against Maryland Eastern Shore at War Memorial Stadium. Game time is at 5 p.m.

Notes: Primus was named MEAC Pitcher of the Week and Gamble was named MEAC Player of the Week.

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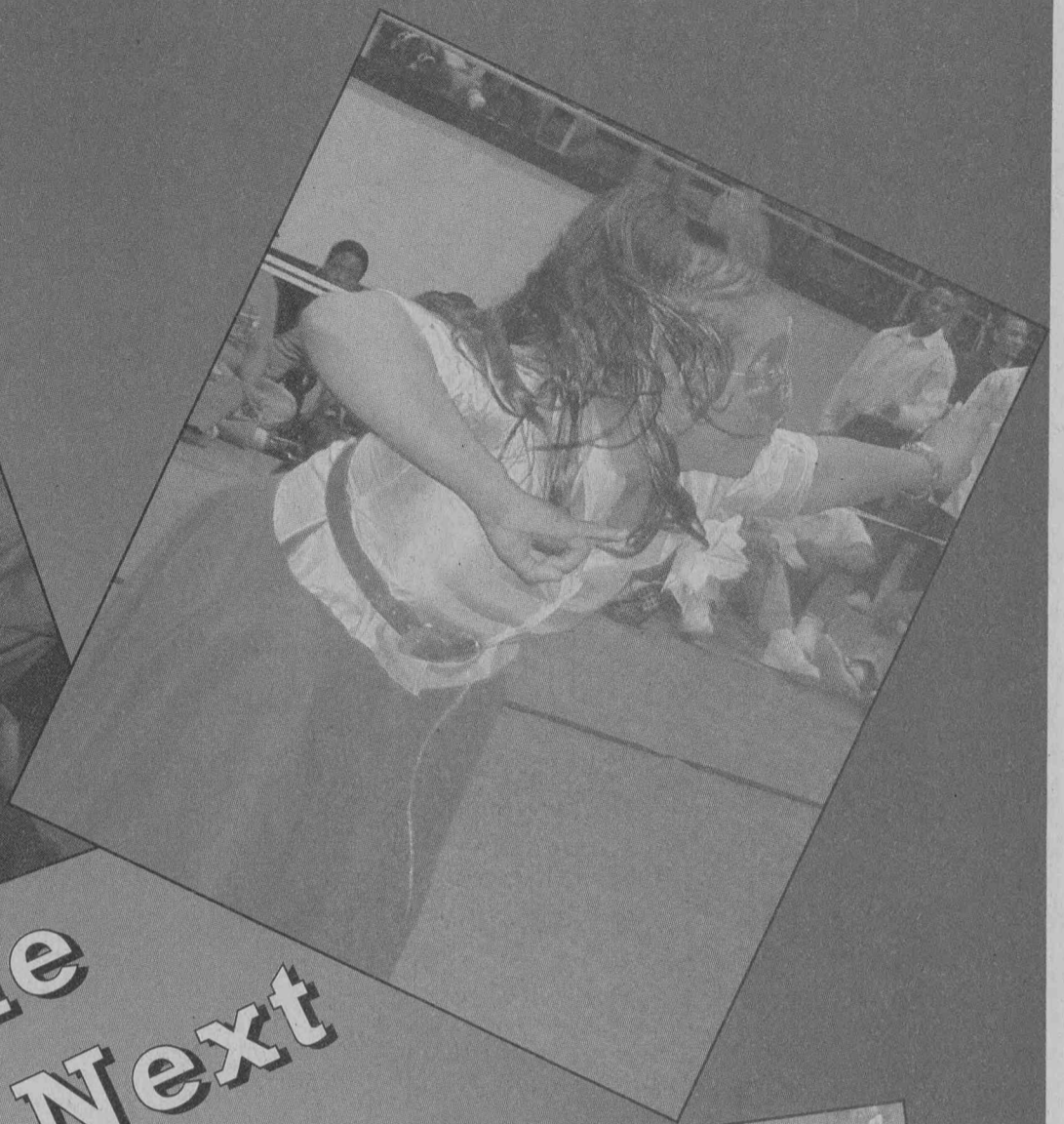
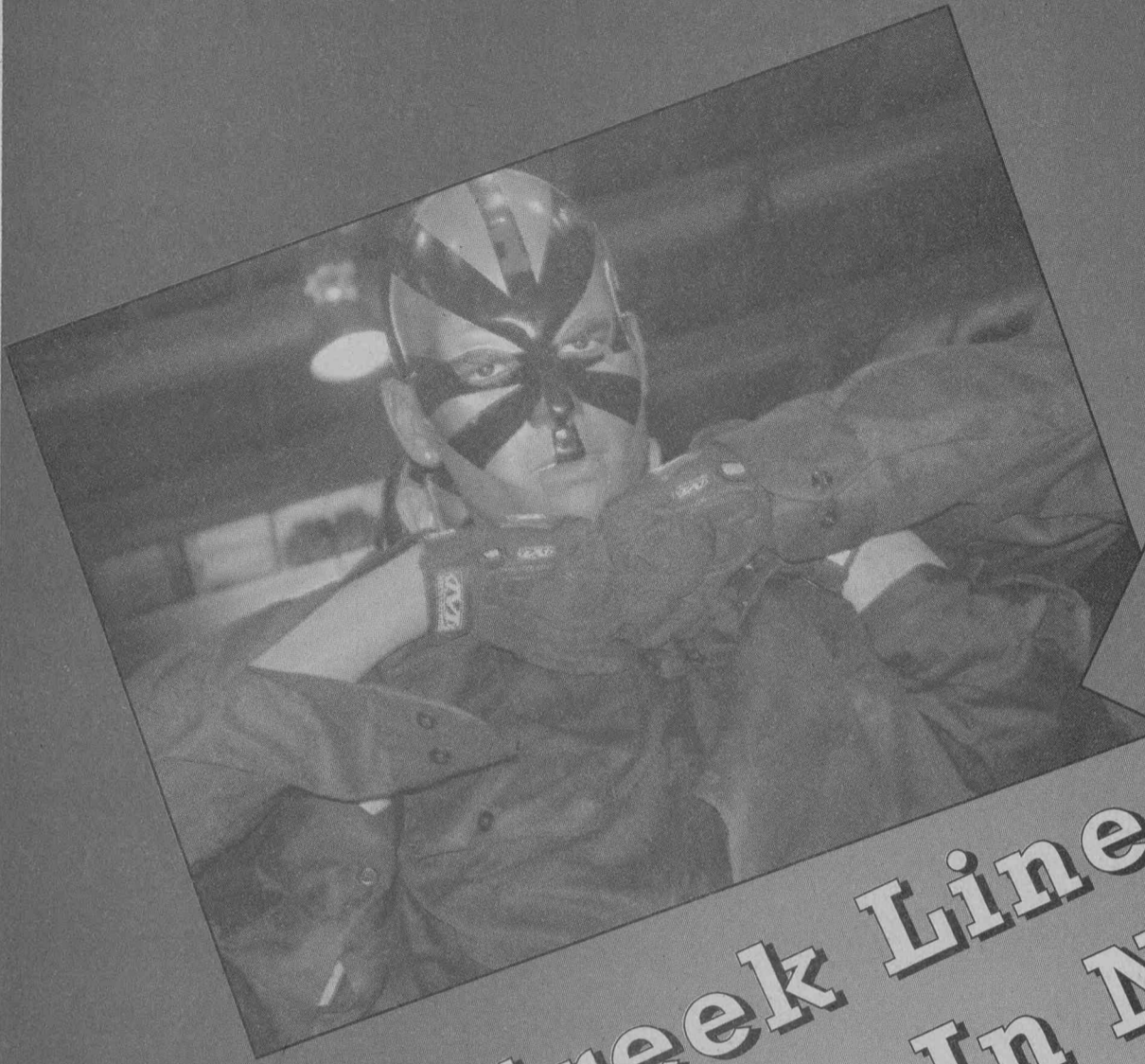
A&T Schedule

Baseball - Apr. 2, Maryland-Eastern Shore, 5 p.m. DH; Apr. 3, Maryland-Eastern Shore, 11 a.m.; Apr. 5, Wofford, 6 p.m.

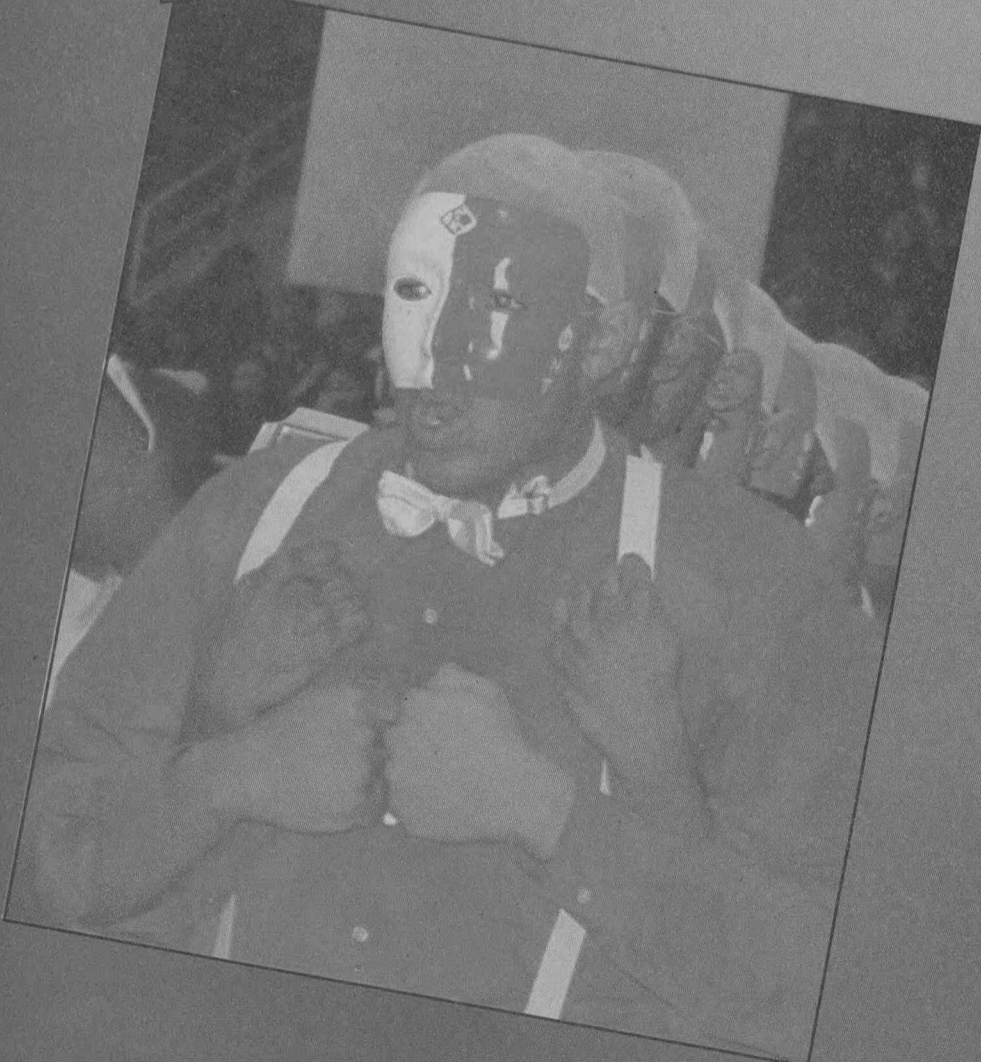
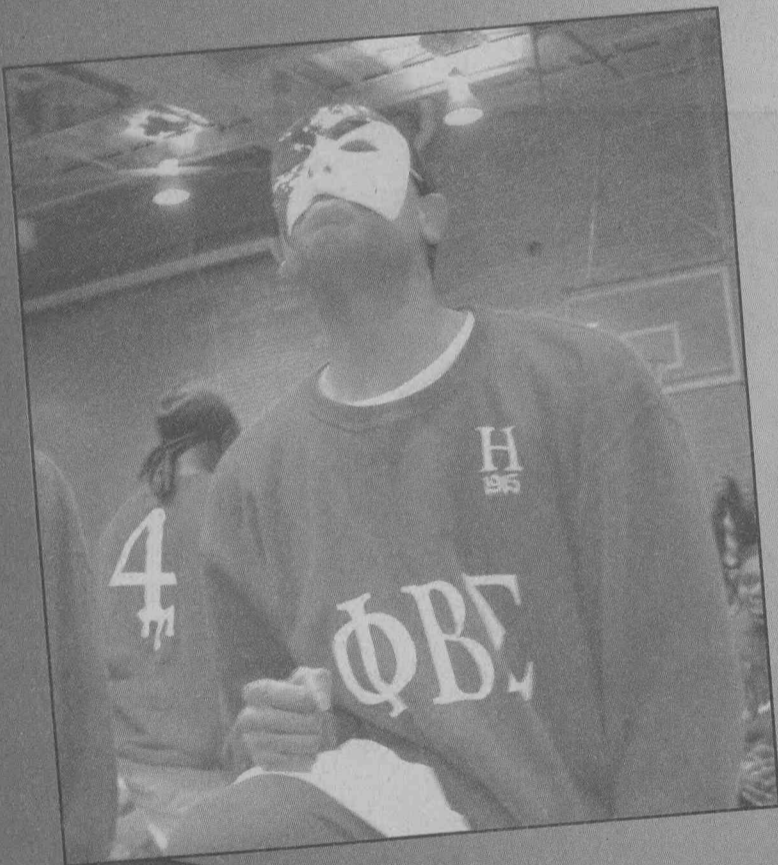
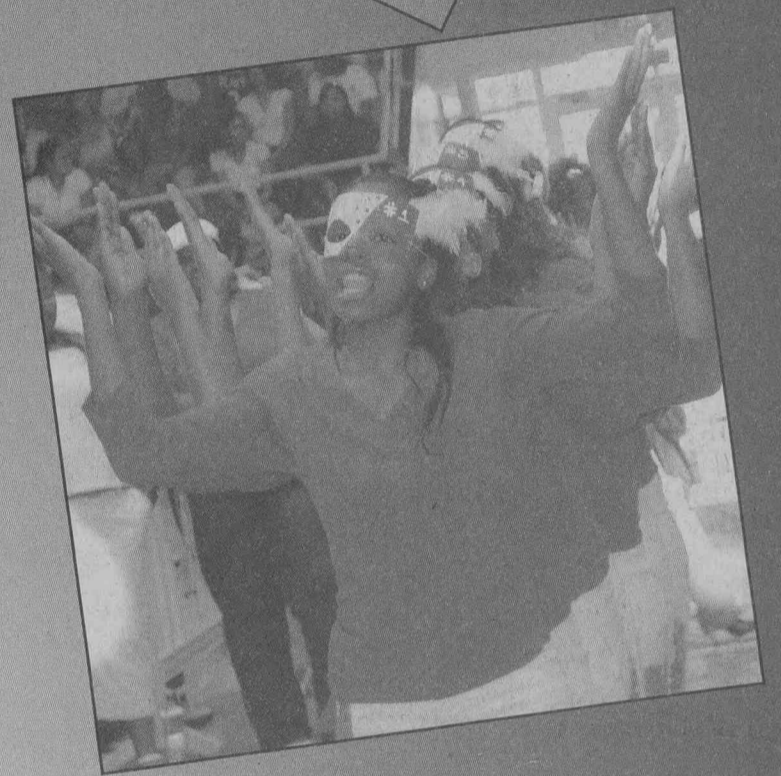
Softball - Mar. 30, Winthrop, 2 p.m. DH; Apr. 1, Savannah State, 2 p.m. DH; Apr. 5, at Norfolk State, 2 p.m. DH

Tennis - Apr. 1, Campbell, 2 p.m.; Apr. 5, at Elon, 1:30 p.m.

Track - Apr. 2, Duke Relays, at Duke University



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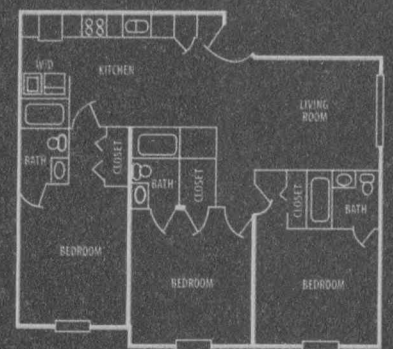
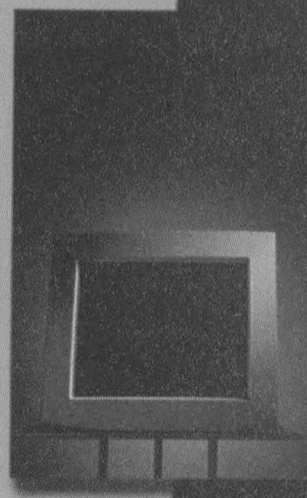


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