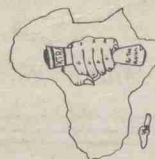


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Kwame Toure': Pan-Afrikanist Tours the Triangle

By Carolyn Holloway
Guest Writer

The Past: Prime Minister of The Black Panther Party (BPP) and the Co-founder of the Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee (SNCC). The Present: Organizer for the All-Afrikan People's Revolutionary Party (A-PRP). The Future: Everlasting Revolution.

On Friday, March 22, 1996, in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Afrikan American Cultural Center, Kwame Toure' (formerly known as Stokely Carmichael) came to North Carolina State University in the third day of a four day triangle lecture series.

Co-sponsored by the Society of Afrikan American Culture (SAAC) and the Afrikan American Cultural Center (AACC), the lecture featured a man who is a legendary figure in the eyes of the Pan-Afrikan struggle.

Toure's lecture focused on the roles of Pan-Afrikanism, capitalism, socialism, and what each individual person must do to continue in the

revolution.

He cited his tasks in life as getting the most conscious people to come to understand the advanced struggle

lege, Toure' said that thinking can only be done in action. He said, "you can't think about something unless you are involved in it." This



Koren Atwater/Staff

Kwame Toure (formerly known as Stokely Carmichael)

on a consistent basis and inspiring the not conscious to come and recognize the necessity of understanding people. These tasks, Toure' stated, would make the statement "I am therefore we are" a reality.

A philosophy major while in col-

thinking, Toure' stated, began hundreds and thousands of years ago with our ancestors and the countries of Afrika. Toure' also stated that this forwards to the students and the people of today.

As a facet of thinking, Toure'

stated that we must understand information and know why people do the things that they do. Therefore, we must know why over 300 million Afrikans were taken out of Afrika, why Ireland was the only country in Western Europe that did not take a part of Afrika in the Berlin Conference of 1865 and why Afrikans are the only people who can create unity among themselves.

Toure' later went on to talk about capitalism and socialism and why in a true revolution, a person must be diametrically opposed to the system in which they just revolted against. In capitalism, Toure stated, a "few people own everything and exploitation makes you rich but in a socialist country, you can shoot the rich."

As a part of the capitalist structure, Toure' questioned the purpose of students in college. As an startling statistic, 85% of college students attend for the money. But Toure' said, students' motivating force should be their service to humanity.

We as students practice capitalism and preach individualism and become a part of the system that lies

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Candidates Get AASAC's Support

By Fred Frazier
News Editor

The Afrikan American Student Advisory Council (AASAC), carefully decided which candidates they would endorse in this year's Student Government elections and in a conversation with AASAC President Derrick Coley, he discussed which candidates had the best interests of the people in mind and why AASAC will support them in this year's elections.

For the office of student body

president, AASAC endorses Robert Zimmer. He has worked in conjunction with AASAC throughout the year and is big on student involvement.

Zimmer is willing to help any student or organization that brings a concern to him in anyway he can, in any capacity that he is able, if he gains this position.

Some of his campaign ideas focus on trying to desolve the plus/minus grading system and return to the system that was once in place, questioning the Department of Housing and Residence Life as to why they

changed the Resident Advisor (RA) contract, and trying to coax HRL into changing its stance in the areas of campus involvement and positions of leadership for RAs -- just to name a few.

They support Mark Nipper for Student Senate president because of his experience in the Senate and the fact that he reiterated most Zimmer's concerns. Since they are something akin to running mates, it is kind of a package deal.

Conitsha Barnes is AASAC's choice for the student body treasurer. They feel that she possesses a

level of aptitude that exemplifies this office. She has gained valuable experience as an executive assistant to current student body President John O'Quinn. She is running on a platform of making sure that organizations can meet with her, as treasurer, about proposing a bill before taking that bill out on the Student Senate Floor.

In the Judiciary section of government, AASAC supports Priscilla McNeill in the office of Chief

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Ultimate All Night Bash

The Ultimate All Night Bash will take place on Friday, March 28 from 8:00 p.m. to 2:00 a.m. There will be games, food and music. Admission: \$1 or 2 cans of food. Sponsored by the Union Activities Board and Alpha Phi Omega.

Dancevisions Concert

Dancevisions will be having their dance concert, April 18, 1996 at 8 pm. The concert will be held in Stewart Theatre in the University Student Center. Participants will include members of Dancevisions, Wesley Williams (Artistic Director), a poet and other guest artists. Admission to the event is free. For more information contact Tamisha Holland at 512-7026.

Student Body Elections

Thursday, March 28 at 7:30 p.m. in the Fountain Dining Hall, N.C. State's IRC will be holding its annual debate. Student Body Elections will take place April 1-2.

Correction

The Human Rights Week brochure incorrectly lists the time of Vivian Stromberg's lecture as 8 p.m. The correct time is 7 p.m. on March 28 in the Multipurpose Room of the Witherspoon Student Center. Her lecture will be "Recognizing Women's Leadership."

Repercussions from the Federal Government Shutdown

By Fred Frazier
News Editor

The federal government shutdown earlier this year not only impacted federal employees' wallets and purses, but students as well. The dilemma has only just begun for N.C. State students, putting their financial aid prospects for the Fall semester in limbo.

The federal financial assistance folks in Washington are one month behind in processing students financial aid forms as opposed to last year. Over the weekend the staff of NCSU's financial aid office processed about 15,000 applications and while that may sound like a lot, roughly over 27,000 students attend this institute of higher education.

The feds have assured NCSU's financial aid staff that they will catch up by the end of March, but director of Financial Aid Julia Rice-Mallette does not think it is very likely that they will make the deadline. Because of the delay, some students will not be receiving their aid notifications on time. "A lot of students don't know about this and those who do may be starting to become nervous," said Rice-Mallette.

Because UNC-Chapel Hill students pay an extra fee for more efficient service, they will be able to

receive an estimate of federal financial aid before their application is actually processed on a federal level. With this fee, Chapel Hill students have a small advantage over State students but the federal government shutdown has affected them as well.

Incoming freshman are receiving top priority at the moment. Although the Financial Aid Department will be somewhat limited in getting awards out to the incoming students, they will let the students know of their financial prospects by May 1st.

This policy will be used for transfer students as well. They believe continuing students will not notice the effects of the slowdown very much.

While Financial Aid may be an essential part to your "Paying for School" plan, just be patient. Financial awards will be distributed in a matter of time.

The students at NCSU can thank the friendly politicians in Washington and Mother Nature for the intense cold experienced by the entire East Coast just a few short weeks ago for their contributions to this dilemma. Fortunately, it being handled very well by the NCSU Financial Aid Department.

all the time. Toure said "capitalism make you arrogant in your ignorance and we become humans walking into the fire laughing." Capitalism also makes America, the richest country in the world, have the greatest homeless rate in the world.

In the opposition of capitalism, Toure emphasized and supported socialism and Pan-Africanism. To begin this part of the lecture, Toure stated that "inferiority complexes are for people who have no respect for themselves."

Pan-Africanism is realizing that 100 million Afrikans had to die in order for 300 million Afrikans to make it to America. Pan-Africanism is also realizing that you must read and know and apply your history. Toure saw his role in Pan-Africanism as "stimulating to do for yourself."

Toure also spent a great deal of his lecture focusing on religion, specifically Christians and Jews. Toure felt that "Anti-semitism was impossible since the only people yelling anti-semitism were people who are not really Jews (Caucasians)."

Toure also stated that 90% of Christians who can read or write never read the Bible cover to cover and do not realize that Ethiopia (or Kush or Cush) is mentioned more times in the Bible than anything else including Israel. Europe is only mentioned in Revelations. Also, Jesus Christ is only in Asia and Afrika in the Bible.

Toure's last point of the night was organization. He said that Afrika has not raped or abused anybody and their is the inevitable victory for all oppressed people. He said, in believing that, we will respond to qualify our uprisings.

Toure' continued

We will realize that King (Martin Luther) love his people more than we do and in order to be free we must be organized. Freedom has to be properly organized and "if you do not belong to any organization then you will never make a contribution."

**Biographical information on Dr. Kwame Toure'

Dr. Toure', was born in Port-of-Spain Trinidad but left to live in Harlem, New York, in the early 1950's. After entering the Bronx High School of Science, Toure' joined the meetings of the Young Communists, the youth group of the Communist Party, USA., and he joined the sit-in movement with the New York Chapter of CORE (the Congress of Racial Equality) among other things.

Toure' chose to go to Howard University in Washington, D.C., after being offered several scholarships to universities that included Harvard. While at Howard, Toure' became active in NAG (Nonviolent Action Group) and SNCC (Student Non-Violent Coordinating Committee). He was to later receive his Bachelors of Arts degree in Philosophy and a Doctorate of Philosophy degree at Shaw University.

As a man in his youth, Toure' became an activist and a leading member in both the Civil Rights and the Black Power movements of the 1960's. As a "Freedom Rider" and Chairman of SNCC, Toure' was the vanguard of the Civil Rights movement.

Through Toure' and other members, SNCC became the first Afrikan organization in the U.S. to give unconditional support to the Palestinian revolution. Also, Toure' helped to organize the Mississippi

Freedom Democratic Party and the Lowndes County Freedom Organization.

After building and founding many organizations, Toure' later resigned from most of the organizations he was apart of. Shortly after resigning, Toure' left the United States for Afrika to consolidate ties between the Afrikan Revolution in Afrika and that in the Western Hemisphere.

He moved to the People's Revolutionary Republic of Guinea, in West Afrika to study and work under the guidance of the late Supreme Responsible of the Afrikan revolution, President Ahmed Sekou Ture of Guinea and the late President of Ghana and Co-President of Guinea, Osagyefo Kwame Nkrumah. At the invitation of Nkrumah and Ture, Toure' became a member and organizer for the A-APRP and the Democratic Party of Guinea (PDG) respectively.

As the revolutionist and the organizer that he is, Toure' has traveled extensively. His consistency in the struggle, his ideological growth, and travels have put him in contact with and allowed him to work with many national and international organizations. Those organizations and people including the Arab People (the Palestinians), the Native American (Indian) and Chicano People, the Irish, Viet Names, Korean and Japanese People.

Under the slogan, "Join and Help Build And Organization, Working for the Masses of the People," Toure' has been very instrumental in bringing thousands of youth and students into the Pan-Afrikan movement in general and the All-Afrikan People's Revolutionary Party in particular.

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Chief Justice. With three years of J Board experience under her belt, the Council feels that McNeill will do a great job of interpreting the Code of Conduct for an institution such as North Carolina State University. Making sure that all

students understand what penalties they may face if they violate the Code is one of McNeill's main platform ideas.

In Election '96, AASAC's choices are clear. They will be handing out handbills with the slogan:

"Operation One Man One Vote" on them to get the voters to go out to the polls and make a difference, make their vote count. This "Operation One Man One Vote" is sponsored by the AASAC political action committee.

With only the permission of our ancestors and our elders do we proudly print this and all editions of The Nubian Message. Always keeping in mind and spirit: Dr. Yosef ben-Yochannan, Dr. John Henrik Clarke, Dr. Leonard Jefferies, The Black Panther Party, Mumia A. Jamal, Geronimo Pratt, Hughes Suffren, Lathan Turner, Dr. Wandra Hill, Mr. Kyran Anderson, Harriet Tubman, Sojourner Truth, and all those who walk by our side as we continue to make our journey to true consciousness.

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PE 100 Abolished

Upon the recommendation of the Council on Undergraduate Education with the endorsement of the University Academic Policy Council, the provost has approved a revision in the University's General Education Requirement (GER) in physical education. The requirement for "Fitness and Wellness" can be met by taking any one of several courses. Effective Fall 1996, the Department of Physical Education has revised all its course offerings so that only courses which meet this

requirement are numbered at the 100-level. Thus, any PE course at the 100-level taken in Fall 1996 or thereafter will meet this requirement.

Effective with Fall 1996, PE 100 will cease to exist. Students who have not received credit for PE 100 as of the beginning of Fall 1996 must satisfy their "PE 100" requirement by receiving credit for one of the approved Fitness and Wellness courses. The following Fitness and Wellness courses have been

approved, effective Fall 1996.

New Number/ Title
PE 101 Fitness and Wellness
PE 102 Fitness Walking
PE 103 Water Aerobics
PE 104 Swim Conditioning
PE 105 Aerobics and Body Conditioning
PE 106 Triathlon
PE 107 Run Conditioning
(Information released from Office of the Provost)

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Les Robinson Resigns After Six Agonizing Seasons

By Alvin Sturdivant
Sports Editor

After an agonizing six years as NC State's head men's basketball coach, Les Robinson has stepped down and accepted a position as an Associate Athletics Director. Although Robinson was offered a two year extension to his contract one day after the Atlantic Coast Conference Tournament, he felt that his time was up and that the time had come to finally move on.

After numerous phone calls and letters, a great majority asking Robinson to step down, the decision was made, and a great deal of NC State's fans finally got what they had been asking for; Robinson's resignation.

Although Robinson had the support of both Chancellor Larry Monteith and Athletic Director Todd Turner, he did not have the support of the fans, and as many believe, a key part in a successful athletic program is fan support.

Sure Robinson has had five losing seasons, but what about the things Robinson has done throughout his career here at NC State? In the last few seasons, Les Robinson has managed to bring in top recruits like Ishua Benjamin and Clint Harrison. He has brought in transfer students like Danny Strong, who add depth to the team.

His players have managed to stay in good academic standing and graduate within a reasonable amount of time. He has also led NC State to an NCAA tournament appearance and has groomed several players into NBA draft material. And these are just a few of the great things that Robinson has done throughout the span of his career as head basketball coach.

What about the other things that would have caused any other coach to lose his head? In the past five years Robinson has had to deal with suicide, the loss of one of his best recruits, a program in low academic standing, legal troubles of players, and the nonsupportive fans who wanted him out, but through it all

Robinson continued to stand strong and work hard on making NC State's program a success. And although many would say he failed, there are a great many of those who would say just the opposite.

In an opinion poll done by the Nubian Message Sports Department on Les Robinson's resignation, it was found that the fans truly like Robinson, but he just could not give them what they wanted; a winning team.

Les Robinson came to NC State in 1990 with supporting fans and a staff that demanded top quality. The

only thing that stands different from past to present is the fans. In the last six years Robinson's popularity has decreased tremendously. He is well-liked and is expected to do a great job as Associate Athletics Director, but the fans in a consensus feel that

Robinson does not have what it takes to make NC State a success on the court. However, with Les behind the scenes, fans believe that Robinson will be fabulous. Robinson was brought to NC State during a controversial time and attempted to rebuild a fallen basketball program, but as many fans have stated, rebuilding a team also consists of winning games, and not academics alone.

Robinson began his career at NC State with a 20-11 overall record, achieving a task that no other first-year ACC coach ever accomplished. In doing so he prepared fans for a team that they have yet to see.

Of course, it you think about it and put it all in perspective, Les Robinson has done exactly what he was hired to do. NC State is now back in good standing as an athletic program and the team GPA has increased a great deal since Robinson has taken over the program, but fans do not care about GPA's. This is truly sad to say, but all the fans want is a winning basketball program.

They do not care about how the athletes are doing in the classroom, because if they truly did, as one fan stated, "They would not only cheer for them at games, but when they made an A on a test or passed their finals with flying colors." If the fans want a winning team they must first realize the components of a winning team.

A winning team is composed of athletes who are successful both on and off the court, and though Robinson's record does not speak for itself, he has truly done a magnificent job in shaping NC State's

basketball program. Take Todd Fuller, for instance. He has managed to maintain a 3.95 GPA in his four years here at State, become the most improved player in the ACC, and eventually the leading scorer of the ACC in this past season, and possibly a lottery pick.

And all of this was done under the

automatic fit in.

Les Robinson obviously did what he felt was necessary and in the end he probably breathed a sigh of relief. And really, what is he really losing? His salary will remain at \$113,612, and a great deal of stress has now been lifted off of his shoulders. Robinson will remain as an intricate

Robinson doubts that he will ever coach again, but perceives professional scouting as a future possibility. However, Robinson has signed a five-year contract with NC State's Athletic Department, because in his eyes he was brought here to do a job, and until that job is complete, he is here to stay.

One fan summed it up best when he stated, "Les Robinson has given NC State basketball all that he could. He came in to rebuild a team that was in low academic standing, and that is what he has done. Robinson did his job and moved on as he was needed to.

He has now made room for another coach to come in and build upon his success. Les established a winning tradition in the classroom, and now it is time to build upon that, and establish a winning tradition on the basketball courts as well."

Les Robinson may be out, but he is far from forgotten. Robinson will be remembered for years to come, not for his five straight losing seasons, but for the success he has had in developing the morale and the leadership abilities of his players.

It is not often that you find athletes who are just as dedicated to their books as they are to their sport. This was something that Robinson demanded and in doing so he created a tradition that will hopefully reign for as long as there is basketball at NC State.

Robinson has built a program that thrives on excellence and optimism. Though his record may not speak for his accomplishments, Robinson has given NC State basketball more than they could ever hope to return. The days of Les Robinson are far from over. He may now be behind a desk, but his impact will be a strong one, as will his input in the future success of NC State basketball.

Resigning was a tough decision for Robinson, but a well thought out one that he deemed as necessary. The Robinson coaching days may be over, but the "Les Era" is just beginning. Les Robinson may not have reached his ultimate goals as a coach, but as Benjamin E. Mays put it, "The tragedy in life doesn't lie in not reaching your goal.

The tragedy lies in having no goal to reach. It isn't a calamity to die with dreams unfulfilled, but it is certainly a calamity not to dream. It is not a disaster to be unable to capture your ideal, but it is a disaster to have no ideal to capture."

Robinson can now watch over the team, as sort of their guardian angel, and give to them in a way that is indescribable.

Many fans expected this to be Robinson's last season, but his players had no clue as to his intentions for the upcoming season. The team now faces the direction of a new coach and the possibility of a change in team ways and strategies.

Of course Robinson's resignation will have some effect on those returning players, but through a transition that Robinson will play an intricate role in, things should definitely work out fine. The Athletic Department has stated that attempts will be made to have a new head coach in position by April 13 (the signing date), but the possibility of a longer wait is an issue.



Courtesy of Steve Egan/Agromeck
Les Robinson: Former N.C. State Coach

leadership of Les Robinson. If you truly take everything in perspective, the way it should be, Les Robinson has been a good coach.

Possible recruits for the upcoming season have revealed that one of their main reasons for considering NC State was the fact that Les Robinson was head coach. Where does this leave us now?

Sure, Robinson will have a say in what happens to NC State basketball in the future and a strong hand in the choosing of our new head coach, but new recruits don't want to come into a program that is just beginning to crawl under the new direction of another coach. They want to come into a program that is already made for them, a program that they can

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Highlights From Les Robinson's Six Year Resume as N.C. State's Head Basketball Coach

- Apr. 23, 1990:** Les Robinson is hired from East Tennessee State as N.C. State's head basketball coach
- Nov. 23, 1990:** Robinson and the Wolfpack defeat Florida International in Robinson's debut game 120-79.
- Feb. 6, 1991:** N.C. State defeats North Carolina for the first time under the leadership of Robinson 97-91.
- March 1991:** N.C. State defeats Southern Mississippi 114-85 in the first round of the NCAA tournament, but lose to Oklahoma State 73-64 in second round. Rodney Monroe is named ACC Player of the Year.
- Jan. 22, 1992:** N.C. State defeats North Carolina 99-88.
- Feb. 10, 1992:** Robinson receives a two-year contract extension through the 1996-1997 season despite a seven game losing streak.
- Feb. 22, 1992:** State ends a nine game losing streak with a 99-94 victory over North Carolina, increasing Robinson's record to 3-1 over the Heels.
- Mar. 13, 1992:** State has first losing season under the direction of Coach Robinson, with a 12-18 overall record, and 6-10 in the ACC.
- Dec. 1, 1992:** N.C. State mourns the loss of reserve player Tony Robinson to suicide during a 96-84 loss to UNC-Wilmington a week later, giving Wilmington their only ACC victory ever.
- Jan. 7, 1993:** Freshman Chuck Kornegay and senior Donnie Seale are declared academically ineligible.
- Mar. 11, 1993:** N.C. State finishes second straight losing season under Robinson with an 8-19 overall record and a 2-14 conference record.
- August 1993:** Chuck Kornegay, a starter for State, decides not to re-enroll, and later enrolls at Villanova.
- Nov. 13, 1993:** Ishua Benjamin signs with N.C. State as Les Robinson's top recruit of the season.
- Dec. 4, 1993:** N.C. State upset by Campbell University in overtime.
- Jan. 2, 1994:** Davidson College upsets N.C. State 64-63 in overtime.
- Mar. 10, 1994:** N.C. State loses to Clemson in ACC tournament play-in game to give Robinson his third straight losing season with an 11-19 overall record and a 5-11 ACC record.
- Jan. 4, 1995:** N.C. State defeats No. 1 ranked North Carolina 80-70 in Reynolds.
- Jan. 15, 1994:** N.C. State begins yet another losing streak, losing 12 of its next 15 games.
- Mar. 8, 1995:** Technician requests that Les Robinson be fired or hand in his resignation.
- Mar. 9, 1995:** Duke defeats N.C. State 83-70 in the ACC tournament play-in game, giving the pack a 12-15 overall record and a 4-12 conference record.
- June 1995:** N.C. State gains full certification of its athletic programs after 6 years of probation (since 1989).
- December 1995:** N.C. State opens season 6-0 and defeating such opponents as No. 18 ranked Missouri.
- Jan. 4, 1996:** North Carolina defeats N.C. State 96-72.
- Jan. 18, 1996:** N.C. State loses 71-70 to Duke after Chris Collins' buzzer beater.
- Jan. 25, 1996:** Speculation as to Robinson's future begins. He reveals that things are not going as planned, though Athletic Director Todd Turner and Chancellor Larry Monteith continue to back Robinson.
- Feb. 3, 1996:** N.C. State defeats North Carolina 78-75 to give Robinson a career record of 5-7 against Dean Smith.
- Mar. 7, 1996:** N.C. State defeats Florida State 80-65 in the ACC tournament play-in game.
- Mar. 18, 1996:** The Wolfpack loses to Georgia Tech 88-73 in the quarterfinals of the ACC tournament. N.C. State finishes its fifth straight losing season under the direction of Les Robinson.
- Mar. 22, 1996:** Les Robinson announces that he will resign as head basketball coach but will remain at N.C. State as an Associate Athletics Director.

Les Robinson Opinion Poll**What is your opinion on the resignation of Les Robinson as Head Coach of N.C. State's Men's Basketball Team?**

Akshay Nijhawan: "Academically, Les Robinson built a solid reputation for N.C. State University. But it's now time that we reclaim the basketball tradition the pre-Robinson era."

Cralen Davis: "People like to have their cake and eat it too. Good grades, a bad basketball record, or a great basketball team whose players are all on academic probation. Being an economics minor, it is apparent to me that the marginal benefit from a winning team greatly supercedes the marginal cost of giving up good grades."

Sumit Gangwal: "I think that although Les Robinson's resignation was sad, it was very much needed to get our basketball team headed in the right direction with a winning percentage. We lost so many close games over the year that we could have easily won if we had a better coach. I know it's the players that actually play the game, but the coach has the job of telling them how to play it."

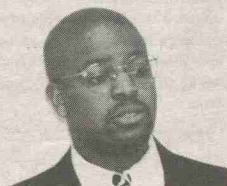
Sean Watts: "He's a great guy, but he doesn't win games."

Graduate Students Educate Potential Candidates

By **Randall Haddock**
Staff Writer

On Monday, March 25, members of Delta Sigma Theta and Kappa Alpha Psi sponsored a program detailing the importance of graduate school admissions.

The program consisted of a panel of four individuals who were cur-



**Tonika Gadsden/Staff
Travis Simpson, Law
School Student at N.C.
Central**

rently in or are about to enter a professional or graduate school program. The issues they focused on were expenses and the complex steps it would take to enter such a

program.

Travis Simpson, an N.C. Central law student and Tonya McCleod, who will be entering the East Carolina University School of Medicine this fall, talked about the extensive financing that it takes to even apply to professional schools. They also stressed the importance of meeting the necessary deadlines for entering law or medical school.

The program also expresses the point that there is money available to the Afrikan American community. Fonda Daniels, a graduate student at N.C. State in computer engineering said many people have the images of graduate students holding down full-time jobs along with attending classes though there are fellowships that can cover the total amount of the tuition and personal expenses.

Shree Whitaker, a graduate of Clark-Atlanta University, focused more on personal aspects since she is an out-of-state graduate student. When the question was posed of whether Afrikan American commu-

nities at NCSU were helpful, she replied "it was very helpful to find that support because you cannot



**Tonika Gadsden/Staff
Shree Whitaker, a
Graduate Student at NCSU**

withstand the transition alone."

With all the information that was presented to the students that were in attendance, many praised the program. Jada Langston, a sophomore in biochemistry, stated "I felt that the program was very informative and I have to praise their efforts in getting the Afrikan American community to open their eyes to an opportunity that they would have otherwise overlooked."

Coming Soon Ebony/Harlem Awards Night

Voting Takes Place at
all Pan-Afrikan Week
activities (April 13-20)
and at the Afrikan
American Cultural
Center. Vote for your
peers.

North Carolina State University s

Pan-African Festival 1996!

....a Black Students Board/IIAB Production

Saturday, April 13

Festival Parade
Cates Avenue/NCSU Campus
11:00 am

3-on-3 Basketball Tournament
Carmichael Gym
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Jazz Mixer*
University Student Center Ballroom
9:00 pm - 12:00 midnight
\$3 Single / \$5 per Couple

Sunday, April 14

United Student Fellowship
Worship Service
University Student Center Ballroom
11:00 am

New Horizons Choir/Alumni Concert*
Stewart Theatre
4:00 pm
\$2 NCSU / \$3 General Public

Monday, April 15

African Awakening!
(Dress in African Attire Day.)

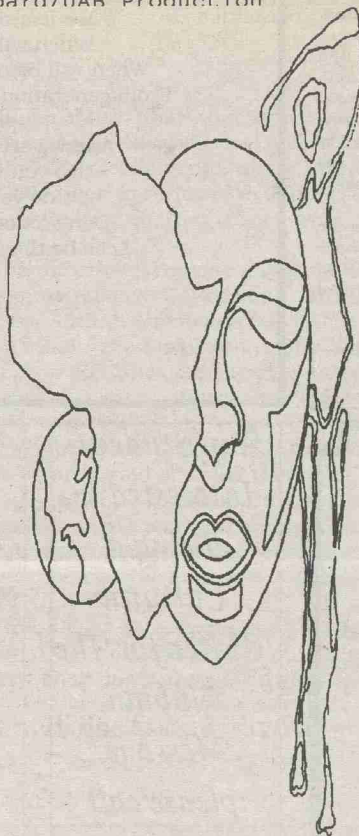
**Art Exhibit, Story-Telling, African
Drumming & Dance Lessons w/ Chuck Davis**
African-American Dance Ensemble
University Student Center Ballroom & Galleries
12:00 noon - 4:00 pm

Sankofa
Witherspoon Student Center Campus Cinema
7:00 pm

Tuesday, April 16

Black Connections
(African-American Quiz Show)
University Student Center Lobby
12:00 noon

"Images in Black"
(Repertory Theatre)



Wednesday, April 17

Black Finesse Fashion Show
University Student Center Lobby
12:00 noon

**"Keeping The Heritage Alive & Well
African-American Health Fair"**
AASHS & Af-Am Student Affairs
University Student Center Ballroom
5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

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Society of African American Culture
University Student Center Ballroom
7:30 pm

Thursday, April 18

Real Talk With Yasmin!
University Student Center Lobby
12:00 noon

Dance Visions Spring Recital
Stewart Theatre
8:00 pm

Friday, April 19

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4:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Stepshow/Comedy Show*
Joe Clair, Redd Grant, Dominic, Charles Pickett
Stewart Theatre
8:00 pm
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NCSU Center Stage Presents David Rousseve

By Kevin Atkinson
Staff Writer

On Wednesday, March 27 at 8:00 p.m., NCSU Center Stage presented David Rousseve, REALITY. The event, which is part of Human Rights Week, was held in Stewart Theater.

Using word, imagery, movement and sound Rousseve's work boldly fuses postmodern dance and performance art with traditional and pop cultures of Afrikan America.

The result is a unique form of expressionistic dance/theater as likely to speak the language of hip hop as of experimental dance, that utilizes Afrikan American characters in all their humor and grit to speak on "universal issues of the heart."

The program consisted of five dance performances; two excerpts of Colored Children Flyin', an excerpt of Whispers of Angels, and Dry Each Others' Tears in the Stillness of the Night. Each performance was written and choreographed by Rousseve.

The company performed to a variety of music including Public Enemy, Marvin Gaye, Tammy Terrell, Me'Shell Ndegeocello, Jackie Wilson, Nina Simon, Mutabaruka and Aretha Franklin.

REALITY was a big theme throughout the program. Rousseve began by talking about a rat that he had as a pet. Although the rat was very horrid, he loved it unconditionally. Rousseve ended his intro by saying, "Everybody's got something that they love more than themselves."

Through Rousseve and Co's perfor-

mances, the message was conveyed that love is a big key in our survival as human beings.

David Rousseve, director, choreographer, writer, dancer and actor graduated from Princeton University magna cum laude and has danced in many companies including Jean Erdman, Senta Driver, Kathryn Posin, Stephanie Skura, Yoshiko Chuman and the Toronto Dance Theater.

David Rousseve/Reality was created in 1988 and has performed in opera houses throughout the U.S. and Europe, including The Brooklyn Academy of Music's Next Wave Festival, Serious Fun at Lincoln Center, Zellerbach Hall in Berkeley, Queen Elizabeth Theater in South Bank Center (London) and several other sights throughout the world.

The members of the Company include: Gregg Hubbard, who choreographed a scene in the critically acclaimed "Once Upon a Time When We Were Colored."

Larry Keigwin, a dancer, received a B.A. Dance Degree in 1994 from Hofstra University and has been dancing with REALITY since then. Leah Nelson, a dancer who is originally from Harare, Zimbabwe, obtained her BFA (Bachelor of Fine Arts) at N.C. School of the Arts. Kyle Sheldon, Julie T. Wood, Charmain Warren, Debby Lee Cohen set and prop designer, David Ferri and Production Manager/Technical Director, Carol Ann Pellefier.

The program concluded after the company did one performance after the intermission. David Rousseve/REALITY entertained questions after the closing.

NCSU Students Attend Black Experience Workshop

By Carolyn Holloway
Staff Writer

While most students were entertaining themselves at the beach and relaxing during spring break, students from the School of Social Work and various fields attended the 17th annual Black Experience Workshop, founded by Dr. Audrey E. Johnson, at UNC-Chapel Hill.

With the subtitle of the workshop being 377 years since Jamestown: The intervening struggle for respect, the workshop attracted people of various educational and social fields. Dr. June Murray and Gloria

Kearney, from the Department of Social Work and organizers of the N.C. State troupe at N.C. State gave students of numerous races an opportunity to learn about social work, violence, cross gender violence, the Brown Decision, and Afrikan American support systems at predominantly white institutions among other topics.

The workshops featured Dr. Herbert Aptheker, the author of A Documentary History of the Negro People in the United States (Volume 1-8); Dr. Deloris P. Aldridge, a Grace Towns Hamilton Professor of Sociology and Afrikan American

Studies at Emory University; Mr. Milton Jordan, Journalist-Educator—N.C. Central University and Campbell University, and many other panelists and educators in their specific fields.

Dr. Murray said that the Black Experience Workshop is a workshop intended to educate people of all cultures and fields and she encourages all who are interested to contact her in the Department of Social Work.

Let's Make A Change

Our ancestors were captured and shackled from head to toe
They were taken to places where they were not able to grow
Our black men went from strong and free
To being beaten and hung from trees
They shed their blood and their tears
So that we would not have to live in fear
But yet we fight with and fear one another
We fear our own sisters and brothers
When will the fighting come to a stop
When will black people unite and rise to the top
From generation to generation our people have been
miseducated in every way
And we are still being miseducated today
Do you want to continue this trend
Or do you want to bring it to an end
Don't let our ancestors' works go in vain
Let's be the generation that makes a change

Tamica Whitfield

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Needed!!! Stately Ladies

A meeting has been scheduled at the Weisiger-Brown Athletic Facility (football office) on Monday, April 1st at 5:30 p.m. for anyone interested in becoming a Stately Lady. A discussion of the purposes and responsibilities of the organization will be presented.

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The following excerpts are a gift from Kyran Anderson, coordinator of the Imhotep Academy

I think it's despicable that the slave owners hired Willie Lynch to help them get along better with or improve relationships between masters and How Do You See Me?

How can someone stereotype me without being through what I've been through.

You don't know to what lengths I'll go, and certainly not what I'll do.

White women are scared of us, you see this when you're older.

They think we carry an attitude and a chip on our shoulders.

As for white men they think we're easy a toy for which they can play.

And black men see us as h*** and b***** until they need a place to lay.

I don't understand where all of this comes from
We've always been by the black man's side.

But now we need to come together
And gather up our pride.

Jamila Smith

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The Infamous Willie Lynch Letter

slaves

Some of the things that Lynch spoke about in his letter were carried out and still exist here in 1996. There is black-on-black crime in the Afrikan American community, the lighter skinned people are looked highly upon in contrast to darker skinned people. In terms of males against females, that is seen when you look at the family structure.

The underlying theme in Lynch's letter was distrust - something very common today. Caucasians don't trust Afrikan Americans and vice versa. Afrikan Americans don't have any trust among themselves and as a result, trust is placed upon Caucasians. We as Afrikan Americans depend on Caucasians to give us jobs, pay our rent, put food on our tables and clothes on our backs.

To be associated with Caucasians shows that we are successful. Blacks are afraid of losing that trust or of displeasing them. An example of this is shown in the entertainment industry. Many of the Afrikan Americans who are well known end up dating or marrying a Caucasian person. That is not to say that you must fall in love with someone of your race, but this is seen in many occasions.

In order to solve these problems, everyone must be educated about what went on and what is still going on - even Caucasians. People need to sit down and take a good long look at themselves before they put the blame on someone else. We should compare ourselves as people in 1996 to those of 1712. There hasn't been a lot of change in the past 284 years, but one is needed now.

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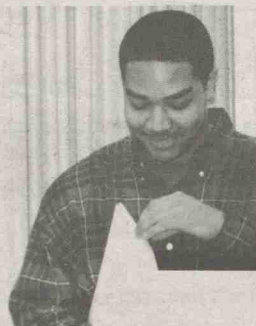
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Any students interested in submitting poetry or a work of art to The Nubian Message, please call 515-1468 or stop by Room 372 of the Afrikan American Cultural Center.

Pictures from Krimson and Kreme Week



Afrikan American History

Journalism: Firsts in the Fourth Estate

Newspapers

1817 - The first abolitionist newspaper was the *Philanthropist*, published and edited by Charles Osborn on Aug. 29, 1817, in Mount Pleasant, Ohio.

1827 - *Freedom's Journal*, which advocated the abolition of slavery and attacked anti-black sentiment, appeared on March 30, 1827, in New York. It was the first black newspaper. This newspaper sought to present the black cause to the American public. It was owned and edited by Presbyterian minister Samuel Eli Cornish (1795-1858) and abolitionist and John Brown Russworm (1799-1851).

1843 - The *Mystery*, the first black newspaper west of the Alleghenies (Pittsburgh), was published by Martin Robinson Delany (1812-85). The four-page weekly was devoted to news of the antislavery movement. In connection with this paper, Delany was the first black editor to be tried for libel and found guilty; the fine was eventually remitted. The paper was suspended after four years.

1855 - Mifflin Wistar Gibbs (1823-1915) was owner and editor of the *Mirror of the Times*, an abolitionist newspaper, and California's first black newspaper.

1905 - Robert Abbott Sengstacke [Robert Sengstake Abbott] (1870-1940) first published the Chicago Defender on May 6, 1905 establishing what he called "the world's greatest weekly." The Defender reached national prominence during the great black migration from the South during World War I and by his death he had built it into the most widely circulated black weekly.

1909 - The New York Amsterdam News was first published by James H. Anderson on Dec. 4, 1909. The four-page newspaper sold for a penny per copy. At the peak of its popularity - at a time of and just following World War II, the paper claimed a circulation of more than a hundred thousand copies; the paper began to decline in 1971.

1912 - Carlotta Bass (1880-1969) is thought to be the first woman to own and publish a newspaper in this country. She bought the California Eagle in 1912, and ran it for nearly forty years. Bass was the progressive party's vice presidential candidate in 1952, another first for a black woman.

Elizabeth B. Murphy Moss-Phillips (1917-) was the first black woman certified as a war correspondent during World War II. She became ill and had to return without filing reports. Later, Moss became vice-president and treasurer of the Afro-American Company, and publisher of the largest black chain of weekly newspapers in the United States, The Baltimore Afro-American group.

1989 - Clarence Page (1947-) was the first black columnist to be awarded a Pulitzer Prize. He joined the Chicago Tribune staff in 1969, and later became a syndicated columnist and editorial writer for the newspaper.

Courtesy of Black Firsts by Jessie Carney Smith

Acquaintance Rape

By Tawana N. Myles
Health Editor

Acquaintance rape accounts for 60 percent of all rape cases reported to law enforcement in North Carolina. Acquaintance rape occurs when a person assaults someone they know well, forcing them to have sex. Most offenders in acquaintance rape cases are male and most victims are female.

One in four women in colleges or universities today has been a victim of actual or attempted rape. Surprisingly, 90 percent of all college rapes occur between two people who know one another to some extent. Unfortunately, 90 percent of rape victims do not even report the crime - 1 in 3, in fact, do not tell anyone at all.

Men who rape usually use several different tactics to get a woman into a vulnerable situation. Sexual exploitation is a major tactic in cases of acquaintance rape. Females often experience emotional, psychological, or economic pressures from the male. Academic sexual harassment is sometimes involved between students and persons in positions of authority.

Another tactic utilized frequently is force. Threats, or physical violence are more common among men who feel threatened themselves or have a need to show power. This tactic is usually more aggressive, and for that reason, more dangerous. Males who use this tactic usually inflict pain on the female.

There are several safety tips that can be followed to prevent a woman from placing herself in a vulnerable

position that could lead to rape. Women should avoid excessive alcohol consumption.

This reduces self-control and awareness. When out on a date, arrange to have another form of transportation available in case you cannot rely on the date.

ner know what the sexual limits are is a must in every new relationship. Another responsibility is becoming aware and staying alert of the partner's behavior if there is any suspicion of him being a potential rape offender.

A woman should never put her-

Acquaintance Rape

Acquaintance rape accounts for 60% of rapes reported to law enforcement in N.C.

Over 90% of college rapes occur off-campus, usually on the man's homeground, his car, home, or any place familiar to him but not the victim

Statistics from N.C. Council on the State of Women and the Campus Program on Sexual Assault Sourced by the Research Center for the Prevention and Control of Rape

Over 90% of rapes are between people who know each other to some extent

Over 90% of rape victims do not report the crime to law enforcement officials; more than 1 in 3 do not tell anyone at all

Furthermore, never go to secluded, unfamiliar places. This allows the date to take complete advantage of a woman because no one is around.

There are sometimes warning signals that are common among offenders. The offender usually becomes selfish and aggressive when he does not get what he wants. He may show signs of carelessness toward others' feelings, and ignores the victim's desires, needs, and wants.

He constantly makes the victim feel guilty or confused if she does not want to go along with what he wants, specifically sexually. Signs like these usually will not show until the second or third date.

Both men and women have certain rights and responsibilities when it comes to dating. For women, deciding upon and letting the part-

ner in a position to be raped. This is a major responsibility because it can mean the difference between a safe date, and a possible rape. Men should never demand an explanation if a woman says "no". Respect for others, not sex, should be used as a tool to improve one's image. Using pressure and coercion to force sexual contact is always going to be rape - no exceptions.

There are several resources on campus for more information on acquaintance rape. The first step that a woman should take to protect herself is to gain knowledge and awareness about this crime. N.C. State Student Health Service (737-2564), NCSU Wolfpack Teletip (737-3737), or the NCSU Counseling Center (737-2563) are a few of the many resources to find out more on acquaintance rape.

New Findings May Lead to Male Oral Contraceptive

By Tawana N. Myles
Health Editor

Dr. Joseph C. Hall, assistant professor of Biochemistry and accredited scientist here at N.C. State has developed a synthetic compound that has been shown to 'blind' sperm cells by preventing enzymatic activity needed for fertility -- in male rats.

The newly developed compound is a sugar analogue that has been shown to inhibit 98 percent of all enzymatic activity that is needed for sperm maturation and fertility in male rats. Dr. Hall's analogue prevents the activity of the 'B' form of N-acetyl-beta-D-hexosaminidase (NABDH) — an enzyme that is secreted into sperm cells after they leave the testis.

This particular enzyme gives sperm cells the ability to recognize and penetrate the outer membrane of an egg. Inhibiting the enzyme from being produced and secreted into the sperm cells creates cells that cannot recognize eggs which are, therefore, not able to penetrate them.

The NABDH enzyme is present in two forms or variants: 'A' and 'B'. They both perform the same physiological functions in the body, but sperm cells only have the 'B' form.

An important aspect of Dr. Hall's findings is that his analogue only inhibits the 'B' variant, therefore not affecting physiological functions of the rest of the body. Even more interesting, Hall has shown that this analogue is 90 percent effective when given to the rats orally.

Hall's research definitely opens new doors for contraceptives and safe sex. Considering both issues are a major part of our society today, research such as this is both beneficial and important to individuals practicing safe sex.

Today, there are more contraceptives for women than for men. If this research leads to a new male contraceptive, there will be more safe options for men practicing to utilize in practicing safe sex.

Are You Prepared for NGU?

By Tawana N. Myles
Health Editor

Nongonococcal Urethra (NGU), is a sexually transmitted infection that affects the urethra and is caused by several different organisms. Over 4 million new cases are reported each year in the United States. Symptoms of NGU are similar to gonorrhea, but the infections are caused by two different organisms.

The most common organism that causes NGU — chlamydia — accounts for about 40 percent of all NGU cases. Symptoms are generally more easily recognized in men: pain during urination, discharge from the penis and burning or itching around the opening of the penis.

Some men can have symptoms so mild they go unnoticed. Symptoms in women are vaginal discharge and burning during urination. Other signs that are common among women are abdominal pain, bleeding between periods, and a mild fever during infections.

Diagnosis of NGU involves a sample culture test. For women, a sample of vaginal discharge is tested; for men, a sample of the first urine of the morning is analyzed. Unfortunately, if NGU is left untreated, permanent damage to reproductive organs of both men and women can occur causing infertility. For pregnant women, NGU can trigger spontaneous abortions, but if the woman gives birth, newborns can develop lung, ear, and eye infections.

NGU can be treated by similar antibiotics to those used to treat gonorrhea, but not always the same ones. For this reason, medication for NGU should be taken carefully following all instructions. Sexual partners of NGU patients should be treated as well to prevent further complications, and to keep them from passing it on.

As with all sexually transmitted diseases, NGU can be prevented by eliminating through abstinence, or contraceptives such as latex condoms, spermicidal foams or jellies that provide additional protection.

To name something is to wait for it in the place you think it will pass.

Amiri Baraka

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Do We Shrink Like a Raisin or Explode?

Campus leaders,

This letter is an appeal to our sisters and brothers and the yard requesting your active support in the struggle to create an Afrikan American Studies Department. An Afrikan American Studies department at N.C. State has been a dream long deferred. We pose the question asked earlier by Hughes and Hansberry, "Do we shrink like a raisin in the sun, or do we explode?"

In Afrikan American America today, hairstyles, clothes, music and campus speakers, mirror the cultural expressions which harken to the days of the late '60s and '70s.

The institutional roots of Afrikan American Studies began more than a generation ago, where "small cadres of well-organized, deeply dedicated students" at Berkeley, San Jose State, and other institutions "questioned traditional values, tested the assumed authority of institutional elites...and ultimately brought mighty universities to their knees."

It was a conviction held by the trailblazers of Black Studies in the '60s that "a society's institutions of higher learning not only reflect, but are capable of transforming a nation's basic value system." Yet, we recognize that the essence of any cultural renaissance is the search for one's true identity and a search for a greater truth which exists at the core of any university.

Such a pursuit of greater truth exists where there is the presence of a free market of ideas. And like any free marketplace, the supply exists only if the demand is present. Therefore we must demand Afrikan American Studies.

We must demand Afrikan American Studies because it is part of a greater narrative in the pursuit of a greater version of the truth. This greater truth is a dialectical

process, a process where we constantly define, re-examine, and redefine once more not only what it is to be Afrikan American, but what it is to be an American. 100 years of Plessy vs. Ferguson defined American citizenship for Afrikan Americans, we look to determine what it is to be an Afrikan American for ourselves and in the process transform America itself.

In concrete terms, Afrikan American Studies is the study of "the broad experience of peoples of Afrikan descent on the continent of Africa and in the Diaspora, particularly the United States."

Through an interdisciplinary program of history, economics, philosophy, religion, science, psychology, politics, and literature, Afrikan American Studies attempts to create a praxis, that is to apply a systematic examination and research of the black experience to the issues and problems of daily life. Afrikan American Studies generates agenda in every conceivable facet of life.

Whether the focus is health care, cyberspace, urban culture, spirituality, or global economy, Afrikan American Studies seeks to grasp obscure aspects which affect the greater whole, "the impact of rap within the culture and social consciousness of young Afrikan American," for example. Afrikan American Studies is a way to examine "the impact of the Information Revolution, telecommunications, computer technology and the Information Superhighway on Black America."

It will take the collective efforts of campus leaders like yourself, concerned faculty, administrators, and Afrikan American alumni to see about the development of an Afrikan American Studies major. Collectively, we all have a role to play. Concerned faculty, adminis-

trators, and Afrikan American Alumni are pivotal components in the movement for Afrikan American Studies, adding credence and legitimacy to the cause.

Alongside Afrikan American Alumni and student organizations, the Students for the Advancement of Afrikan American Studies is instrumental in our struggle.

Most important is the support of fellow students. Your verbal and active support is unequivocal and paramount to the movement's success. For in students and student leaders such as yourselves, we look for support in the following ways:

--attending meetings on Sunday evenings at 8:30 p.m. on the third floor of the Afrikan American Cultural Center

--attending organized rallies centered around increasing awareness in the campus community

--volunteering

--registering for Afrikan American Studies courses in the fall or applying for a minor in Afrikan American Studies

--assisting fundraising efforts, and

--appealing to the administration and alumni to join the struggle.

In Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr.'s "Letter from Birmingham Jail," Afrikan American and white clergymen were disgruntled with King for his militant tactics. They chided him for his "unwise and untimely" activities, while Afrikan Americans were repeatedly and systematically being denied economic and social justice. King's response to such passivity was that Afrikan Americans had been waiting peacefully, but unsuccessfully for the "natural course of events" to bring about justice.

Now the road recently taken by Blacks had only been traveled because the power structure "left the Negro community with no other

alternative." Because "leaders consistently refused to engage in good faith negotiation," it had become apparent, King went on to write, that Afrikan Americans had to act as agents in their own cause.

The Afrikan American Studies situation at NCSU places Afrikan Americans in a similar dilemma. The history of Afrikan American Studies at NCSU shows us a pattern — a pattern of student mobilization and administrative apathy. Inspired by the Civil Rights Movement and the development of Afrikan American Studies programs throughout the nation in the early '70s, a courageous group of Afrikan Americans appealed for the very first Afrikan American Studies courses at our institution.

As expected, they were turned away despite appeal after appeal. Frustrated by both the faculty and administration's refusal to recognize repeated student requests for Afrikan American Studies courses, Afrikan Americans rose up with righteous indignation, forcing the suspension of final exams for the semester. Through struggle, they created the first Afrikan American Studies courses at our institution.

With the foundation of an Afrikan American Studies department laid so valiantly by their architectural predecessors, the movement for Afrikan American Studies in the '80s met a recalcitrant administration, more concerned with placating peace and the status quo than justice and a greater truth. Our sisters and brothers of a generation ago refused to be denied.

They protested and when the political and academic dust settled, the brickmasons of the Afrikan American studies movement of the '80s put in place the cornerstone of the Afrikan American Studies Department — the Afrikan

American Studies minor.

Now, after generations of struggle in the '70s and '80s against an administration which has conceded nothing without demand, we sit squarely in the '90s. 20 years ago, the movement resulted in the formation of courses. Less than a decade ago, Afrikan Americans were made to settle for a minor. Today, it is our turn to decide how, or even if, we wish to build upon the legacy constructed by our brave, intellectual fore-mothers and fathers.

The essayist, novelist and playwright James Baldwin once wrote: "I love America more than any other country on earth and precisely for this reason, I insist on the right to criticize her perpetually." No words better reflect our own love for our alma mater. The grievances which we bring forth and the goals we seek are driven by a loving devotion for our people, university, and a greater truth.

While we anticipate the admonishment of administrators, faculty, alumni and fellow students, it is the words of Baldwin and others — Frederick Douglass, Ida B. Wells-Barnett, Fannie Lou Hamer, Reinhold Neibuhr, and Martin Luther King, Jr. — which constantly remind us that power concedes nothing without demand.

The movement for an Afrikan American Studies department at NCSU has been a long time coming. We must no longer wait, for the time has come. We ask you whether to let this movement for an Afrikan American Studies major shrink like a raisin in the sun or explode. Together, we will decide.

**Yours In Struggle,
Students for the
Advancement of Afrikan
American Studies.**

Statement of Endorsement

The Afrikan American Student Advisory Council traditionally endorses those who have the same interests as ours in regards to student dignity, prosperity and respect. After listening, inquiring and reviewing the candidates' positions on issues which affect the Afrikan American community and the larger campus. We have decided to endorse the following candidates:

Student Body President	-	Robert Zimmer
Student Senate President	-	Mark Nippert
Treasurer	-	Conitsha Barnes
Chief Justice	-	Priscilla Barnes

It is our hope that everyone will vote on campus election day to remember the legacy of those who were beat, bombed and killed during the Freedom Rides. We as the Afrikan American Student Advisory Council honor the memory of young men like James Chaney, Andrew Goodman and Michael Schwerner, who died in Philadelphia, Mississippi, trying to ensure the basic rights of human liberty. Those rights can be summed up in, "A voice through a vote." We will be there on April 1 and 2, 1996 to keep theirs and others voices alive.

In the Service of Mankind,

Derrick L. Coley, Chair 95-96
Afrikan American Student Advisory Council

Too many of us are hung up on what we don't have, can't have, or won't ever have. We spend too much energy being down, when we could use that same energy--if not less of it--doing, or at least trying to do, some of the things we really want to do.

Terry McMillan

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Freshmen and Sophomores: Where Are You?

By **LaTonya Dunn and Alvin Sturdivant**
Editor In Chief and Sports Editor

Old school: An Afrikan American student who has attended N.C. State for three years or more.

New school: An Afrikan American student who has attended NCSU for two years or less.

Recently, there have been poems and opinionated articles published in The Nubian Message concerning the issue of apathy in the Afrikan American community. This has been a growing problem and a great concern especially to students who are active in our campus community.

It seems that no one has bothered to respond either with comments or increased numbers of new Afrikan American students beginning to join organizations around campus. Well, we like to be real. So we're going to shy away from using terms like apathy because some readers may not have fully understood what actually was being said. This article is

directed to the "new school" (freshmen and sophomores).

Our questions are, "Where are you and what are you doing?" When we started asking ourselves who were active sophomores, our list was very short but when we thought about active freshmen, we didn't even have a starting point.

This leads us to believe that you are simply unaware or that you have no concern for the things that are going on around you, and this is truly sad. We as Afrikan American students must awaken and learn to take a stand as those students who came before us have.

If it were not for brothas and sistas like Ricky Livingston, Chris Smith, Deirdra Clemmons, Tanya Jones, Sam Harrell, Derrick Coley, Jeneil Robinson, Dawn Eaton, Ebony Fowler, Mike Charlton, and Carolyn Holloway, just to name a few, where would we be? The future lies in our hands because it will be up to us to carry on the vision that "old school" has placed

before our eyes.

When the words "old school" are attached to your name, what will follow it? Will they be able to say that you did something that had an impact on the minds of those who followed in your footsteps, or will you be just another name among many with no accomplishments?

With the approach of Student Government elections, the need for awareness within the Afrikan American community has become more evident. There were numerous positions available in Student Senate, Student Media Authority, and the Student Center Board of Directions, but only four members of the freshman and sophomore classes combined found it necessary to be represented in this year's elections.

There are many of you who say what you want to be done, but as we have learned in the past, actions do speak louder than words. After all, if you consider the handful of people found at programs and the mass of

people apart of the AABA (Afrikan American Basketball Association) located in Carmichael Gymnasium, then you would truly recognize the lack of interest within the Afrikan American community.

It is now the time to let your voices be heard, for if you wait too long, the road will have ended and no one will have known that you have traveled upon it. This article is not meant to say that there is no hope, simply that without leadership, who will be our visionaries to continue the strong tradition of empowering the minds of other Afrikan brothas and sistas?

The Nubian is taking on the task of redefining and establishing a new-found commitment and dedication to the development of leadership and unity among Afrikan American students. Since The Nubian is one of the most vital voices on the NCSU campus, we believe that in order to change, we must be both the changing agent and the starting point for our fellow students.

This article was written to encourage you to respond to what we at the Nubian consider a serious matter. Hopefully this article has invoked a sense of responsibility within yourself to start giving back to the community, by stepping up to become influential student leaders. On the other hand, if "new school" chooses to continue in their stagnant ways, then the handful of us that have taken an active role will continue to arm ourselves with the tools needed for the day when we will be considered "old school."

Martin Delany probably said it best when he stated that, "Our elevation must be the result of self-efforts and work of our own hands. No other human power can accomplish it. If we but determine it shall be so, it will be so."

If you would like to comment on this article, come by The Nubian Message office located in 372 Witherspoon Student Center Annex, or call us at 515-1468.

The Nubian Message would like to send its sincerest sympathies to Dr. Patricia Caple in the time of her sorrow dealing with the loss of her husband.

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Monday, April 1 at 7:00 p.m. in the Multi-Purpose Room of the Afrikan American Cultural Center. For More Information Contact Ricky Livingston, Carolyn Holloway, Deirdra Clemmons, Shawna Daniels, Kyran Anderson, or Gary Bussey. Phone Numbers are in the Student Directory or can be found at 515-3138.

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