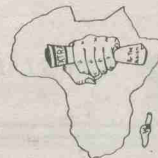


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Gantt Lectures at NCSU in Bid for State Senate

By LaTonya Dunn
Editor in Chief

On April 9, the N.C. State College Democrats, invited U.S. Senate candidate Harvey Gantt to campus. The event was held in the University Student Center ballroom at 5 p.m.

Gantt, who is making his second bid for the U.S. Senate for the state of North Carolina is running against Charlie Sanders — referred to as "the great white hope." Gantt has been speaking at local universities, including Duke and UNC-Chapel Hill, encouraging students to vote.

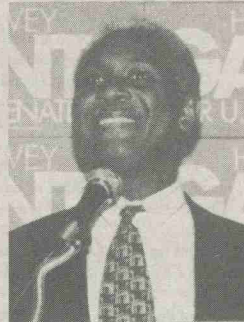
Gantt has had a very active career in politics. He was a member of the Charlotte, N.C. city council, the U.S. Democratic Committee, and served a term as mayor of Charlotte —

which underwent unprecedented growth under his leadership.

Gantt started his speech by addressing the audience with the problem of "Growing Cynicism" in this country. He finds that in America there is a concern from parents that their children will not succeed materially as they have," despite those same children receiving a college education.

"Parents are worried about job security and other issues that may effect young college graduates," Gantt said.

Gantt added that many Americans believe that things are simply getting a lot tougher to accomplish. "The older generation only sees the wealthy getting wealthier while middle class America is working two or



Karel Gatlin/Staff
Harvey Gantt

three jobs trying to make better lives for themselves and their children."

He also noted an increasing cynicism among the general population. "This is coercive for America. America can change this cynicism," he said.

Gantt still believes in the American Dream that if students can obtain an education and work hard, then in the end they will be rewarded. He is a strong advocate for education and firmly believes that America should invest highly when it comes to educating young minds. Gantt told the audience of students that he will go to Washington with their interests at

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Newest Safety Inspector a First

By Fred Frazier
News Editor

Public safety passes reaches a milestone — Steven Smith becomes first Afrikan American Safety Inspector.

Smith started with Public Safety in January of 1995. He was in Fire Protection as a Safety Technician and made inspector ten months later.

Smith also had five years of prior fire protection experience in New York. In order to obtain this position he took his Emergency Medical Training courses, applied, and made Safety Inspector.

As far as the Safety Inspector's duties go, they are responsible for responding to fire and medical calls, fire drills/alarms, reviewing construction projects to make sure there are no fire hazards, and if

that weren't enough they also teach fire safety classes.

Where Afrikan Americans and Fire Protection are concerned, he said that there was a "lack of interest for Afrikan Americans in Fire Protection."

Although he likes his job he says it is "interesting." While certainly there is the political, administrative side to this position, overall the job is pretty good in Smith's eyes.

He is the only Afrikan American and the first. Smith states that he's "been in this type of situation all his life."

There were times when he felt uneasy in his position, but all in all the guys he works with are pretty good natured. "It does feel somewhat odd though," he says.

Edelman to Discuss Issues

Courtesy of News Services

Marian Wright Edelman, founder and president of the Children's Defense Fund, will be joining a distinguished panel of business executives, authors and scholars from across the country at N.C. State's Emerging Issues Forum, April 15 and 16 in Raleigh. She is scheduled to speak during the morning session on Tuesday, April 16.

The forum, "The Knowledge Explosion: What's the Payoff for Americans," will examine how technology is changing the face of education, business and our daily lives. She will be speaking on the topic "Knowledge for Equity."

Edelman has been an advocate for disadvantaged Americans for many years, and under her leadership, the Washington-based Children's Defense Fund has

become a strong national voice for children and families.

Edelman is a graduate of Spelman College and Yale Law School. She was the first Afrikan American woman admitted to the Mississippi Bar and directed the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund office in Jackson, Miss.

She has received many honorary degrees and awards, including the Albert Schweitzer Humanitarian Prize, and was a MacArthur Foundation Prize Fellow. She is the author of several books, including "Families in Peril: An Agenda for Social Change," "The Measure of Our Success: A Letter to My Children and Yours" and a 1995 book, "Guide My Feet: Meditations and Prayers on Loving and Working for Children."

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CAMPUS BRIEFS

Pan-Afrikan Week

Pan-Afrikan Week debuts Saturday, April 13th. See inside for more details about the week-long event

New Horizons Choir

The New Horizons Choir will render its annual Pan-Afrikan Festival Concert on Sunday, April 14 at 4 p.m. in Stewart Theatre. In celebration of 19 years of singing, the choir has invited its alumni to share the stage with them. The 100+ choir, with members from 1978 to 1995, will be presented in concert.

For tickets and more information, call Ticket Central at 515-1100. For questions regarding the program, please contact Ron Foreman at 515-2451.

Work and Faith

A panel and open discussion, sponsored by the Resource Center for Women and Ministry in the South and Stone Circles Between Women, about their faith in relation to their work will be held at Westminster Presbyterian Church on Sunday April 21.

The discussion is scheduled from 3 to 5:00 p.m., at the church located at 3639 Old Chapel Hill Road in Durham across from the Shannon Road Post Office behind South Square Mall.

Friends of the Library

Cultural critic Michael Eric Dyson, author of *Between God and Gangsta Rap: Bearing Witness to Black Culture*, will be featured on Tuesday, April 16.

Dyson is the director of the Institute of Afrikan-American Research and professor of communication studies at The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. This lecture will be held at the N.C. State Faculty Club.

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heart because there are people in Washington that are not helping students.

Gantt does not believe that federal government should interfere with state decisions, but the federal government should involve itself in certain educational choices that may effect the future of America. His agenda on education involved the following items.

1. Early childhood education. These are programs like, head-start, and type 1. With earlier development, hard work, and education, it will pay off in the future. "Every dollar the nation spends now, it will save seven dollars for councils, prison cells, wardens, etc. in the future who will have to deal with deviants of society. No child should be denied the opportunity of an education over one dollar."

2. If a student graduates from high school but if the family can not afford college tuition, the family will receive a 10,000 tax deduction for the tuition, which should increase the number of students enrolled in institutions of higher learning by nearly one million. In

return, the parents can write this off as a tax deduction.

Gantt also supports protecting student loan programs that are already in place. He wants the federal government to extend pell grants. Pell grants when they were first started covered 50 percent of tuition cost, but now that family incomes have increased the benefits have gone down. He also believes that federal government should have more work study jobs so students can work their way through college.

Gantt did receive some disagreements from the audience about the cost taxpayers would incur, but he firmly believes that the work force will be so well educated, earning much more money which in turn will raise the work force 27 percent per year.

Gantt believes that students can achieve by their own ability and desires. "The American dream is still out there and by believing that your vote counts, [you] can make a difference." Primaries will be held on May 7 and Gantt encouraged all students to go out and vote.

Student Election Results

By Fred Frazier
News Editor

The votes have been tallied, and the results are in. Positions in two key Student Government positions were up for grabs, and the winners have been declared — Robert Zimmer will be the new student body president, and Michael Todd will gain control of our money as the new student body treasurer.

Of the four candidates running for the office of student body president, only two remained: Zimmer, who received 39.7 percent of the vote and Hawn with 35.4. Zimmer's platform, endorsed by the Afrikan American Student Advisory Council (AASAC), in conjunction with their OPERATION ONE MAN ONE VOTE — an attempt to get Afrikan-American students, among others, to voice their opinions on the candidates at the polls — seemed to pay off as Zimmer claimed the title over Hawn.

Student body treasurer was the other seat up for grabs in the run-offs. Conitsha Barnes, also

endorsed by AASAC, was the front-runner — ahead of Michael Todd by a paltry 16 votes, with Jessica Shulte running an extremely close third.

As the results from the run-off election were revealed Wednesday, not even AASAC's endorsement could save Barnes.

With her rapid decline from first to third place in the standings, a lack of support at the polls was clearly evident. After hours of tense waiting as the race between Todd and Shulte dragged on, the winner was finally announced and Todd came out on top — defeating Shulte by some 32 votes.

Zimmer, won the seat of student body president, by a margin of 166 votes. With the victory taken in stride, Zimmer will begin working immediately to put his campaign platforms into effect.

Two important positions in Student Government were decided yesterday by an astronomical one percent of the total population of the campus. It remains to be seen whether these movers and shakers made the correct decision.

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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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Other speakers at the 1996 Emerging Issues Forum include: U.S. Senator Bill Bradley of New Jersey; Hedrick Smith, a Pulitzer Prize-winning former correspondent for the New York Times; Lester Thurow, leading economist and author; John Clendenin, chairman and chief executive officer of BellSouth Corp.; Stan Davis, an educator and author of "The Monster Under the bed;" U.S. Secretary of Education Richard W. Riley; and Harold L. Hodgkinson, director of the Center for

Demographic Policy in Washington. Andrew Young, former U.N. Ambassador, had to cancel his appearance this year.

Registration for the event is continuing, and those interested in attending should contact the Emerging Issues Forum office at (919) 515-7741. Cost of the forum is \$125. Information about the forum and a registration form are available on the World Wide Web at: http://www2.ncsu.edu/emerging_issues/.

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Relative Visions, The Artistic Differences Between a Mother and a Daughter, an exhibition of Mary Ann Scherr and Sydney Jo Scherr, opens April 11, 1996, in the Cannon Gallery of the Visual Arts Center at North Carolina State University. The work of these two metalsmiths will be on view until June 28, 1996.

--The NCSU Wind Ensemble will present their spring concert on Thursday, April 11, 1996, at 8 p.m. The program will feature works by Aaron Copland, Charles Ives, Percy Grainger, David Holsinger, and Leonard Bernstein. Dr. Alfred Sturgis, Director of Choral Activities, will narrate Copland's Lincoln Portrait. Tickets may be obtained by calling Ticket Central at 515-1100. For further information on the program, please contact

Douglas Overmier or the Music Department at 515-2981.

April 12

The Ladies in Red will present a concert at Stewart Theatre on Friday, April 12, 1996, at 8 p.m. Also featured will be the Grains of Time and various other college acappella groups. The concert will be a mini-review of classic songs from the 50's, 60's, 70's, 80's and 90's. Tickets may be obtained by calling Ticket Central at 515-1100. For further information on the program, please contact the Music Department at 515-2981.

April 20

The NCSU Women's Choir and Varsity Men's Glee Club will present a joint concert on Saturday, April 20, 1996, at 8 p.m. in Stewart Theatre. The program will include works by Handel, Mathias, Josquin,

Berlioz, Biebl, Mozart, and Beethoven. The Ladies in Red and the Grains of Time will appear as well. Tickets may be obtained by calling Ticket Central at 515-1100. For further information on the program, please contact the Music Department at 515-2981.

April 21

The NCSU Music Department will present a Music Minor Recital on Sunday, April 21, 1996, at 4:00 p.m. in the Student Center/allroom. Featured student performers will be Kristopher Preacher, piano, Lisa Jackson, composition, and Bruce Myles, composition. They will be presenting this recital as the final requirement for the Music Minor program in Piano Performance and Theory/Composition, respectively. For more information on the program, please contact Marilyn Lynch at 515-8282 or the Music Department at 515-2981.

N.C. State Football: What to Expect in '96

By Alvin Sturdivant
Sports Editor

For the last few years, N.C. State has been extremely successful in recruiting some of the best football players in the nation, and this year has been no exception.

In order to elevate the level of play on the field, the N.C. State coaching staff has recruited and signed a wide variety of players with talents that could possibly exceed those of players from the past. The Wolfpack has signed 25, with Parade All-American running back Rahshon Spikes being this year's top recruit out of Meriden, Connecticut.

"I'm pleased with the quality of young men we've signed today, both athletically and academically. Our staff has done an excellent job meeting the goals that we established at the start of the recruiting process," Coach Mike O'Cain said.

The Nubian Message Sports Department Presents: 1996's 25 Signees

Tremayne Stephens, one of State's 13 returning starters will be leading the Wolfpack after rebounding from a 3-8 season in '95. This year's recruits should add depth to an already deep team in every aspect. "We set our sights on recruiting linemen and I feel good about the quality and quantity there," O'Cain stated.

John Barksdale, a 6'5, 235 pound defensive lineman from Augusta, Georgia, possesses tremendous strength, benching more than 400 pounds, and quickness. "We signed eight defensive linemen, four offensive linemen, and one tight end," O'Cain said. Barksdale was named to Blue Chip Illustrated's preseason All-Southeast Region team and picked the Pack over Georgia Tech, South Carolina, Clemson, and Georgia.

"Quarterback was another critical need," O'Cain said, "and we signed three we think are very good."

Charles Berry, a 6'3, 180 pound quarterback from Durham, N.C. threw 1,151 yards (76-134) and 11 touchdowns last season, but will probably be moved to defensive back.

Berry was a starter in the North/South Carolina Shrine Bowl; an Honorable Mention All-USA selection by USA Today; rated one of the state's top 25 prospects by the Charlotte Observer and Durham Herald; rated the number 33 prospect in the state by Super Prep; the number three quarterback prospect in the ACC region according to Blue Chip; and called one of the state's top prospects by the ACC Area Sports Journal and N.C. Prep Football News. He had 920 yards rushing and nine touchdowns as a Senior. Berry picked N.C. State over both Carolina and Duke.

Jeff Blanch, a 6'3, 255 pound defensive lineman from Mesa, Arizona, has been timed at 5.0 in the 40, benches 350 pounds, had six sacks and finished third on the team

in tackles. Blanch led his team to a 7-4 record and a national top 15 ranking.

Jarvis Borum, a 6'7, 280 pound offensive lineman from Columbia, S.C. He possesses excellent size, but needs experience since he has played football for only two years. He picked the Wolfpack over Clemson, Georgia Tech, and Auburn. Borum runs the 40 in 5.0 and benches between 380 and 400 pounds. He was rated the number 27 prospect in South Carolina by Super Prep and the number 84 prospect in the Mid-Atlantic Region by Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report.

Jawan Clark, a 5'10, 170 pound defensive back from Virginia, was rated the number 25 player in Virginia by Super Prep, had 71 tackles his senior season. He was also rated among the top 25 prospects in Virginia by the Roanoke Times and named the number 98 prospect in the Mid-Atlantic Region by Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report.

Grant Dorn, a 6'4, 190 pound quarterback from Pennsylvania, passed 1,258 yards, throwing 20 touchdowns as a senior. He completed 88 of 188 passes, led his team to an 8-4 record and the Western Pennsylvania semifinals. Dorn was also a two time All-Conference selection who was named to the Pittsburgh Post Gazette's Fabulous 22 listing of the top prep players in the area. He registered 63 tackles, including seven for losses, at defensive back. He averaged 36.3 yards per punt and handled the kicking duties well. He has been clocked at 4.6 in the 40, rushing 80 times for 362 yards. He picked the Pack over Northwestern, West Virginia, Toledo, and Villanova.

Jeff Fisher, a 6'4, 245 pound defensive lineman from Pennsylvania, was a member of Blue Chip Illustrated's post season "Dream Team" and was rated the number 14 defensive lineman in the country. Fisher played offensive tackle and defensive end, having more than 225 solo tackles, 45 sacks, and 100 tackles for losses in his career. Fisher is an avid weight lifter who benches 450 pounds and runs the 40 in 4.8. He was named one off the Big East's Super 25 Prospects and the number one defensive lineman in the region by Blue Chip Illustrated. SuperPrep listed him as the number 19 prospect in Pennsylvania. He was also named the number 70 prospect in the East region by Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report. He was a third team All-State selection after making 53 tackles and 13 sacks as a senior, picking State over Georgia Tech, Notre Dame, Boston College, and Vanderbilt.

Kelly Forest, a 6'6, 260 pound defensive lineman from Virginia, played at Concord High School before enrolling at Hargrave Military Academy. He totalled 33 tackles including 20 solo stops and four sacks last year. He also broke three passes and blocked a kick.

Greg Graves, a 6'5, 210 pound

wide receiver from Washington, was rated the 17th-best prospect in the Mid-Atlantic Region by Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report. He has been clocked at 4.5 in the 40, has caught 22 passes for 425 yards and six touchdowns in his Senior season. He was rated the number six wide receiver in the ACC area by Blue Chip Illustrated, an All-Metro selection by the Washington Post, and honorable mention All-USA selection by USA Today. At cornerback, he made 51 tackles, three sacks, and three interceptions this past season. Graves chose State over Carolina and Colorado.

Colin Harris, a 6'4, 200 pound quarterback from Kansas, is a classic drop-back passer who completed 184 of 328 passes for 2,357 yards and 29 touchdowns in nine games for Fort Scott last season. He was ranked fourth nationally among junior college players in total offense and helped lead North



Carolina to a victory in the 1993 North/South Carolina Shrine Bowl game. Harris is Mecklenburg County's all-time passing leader. He also considered Western Carolina, Arizona and Temple.

Clint Johnson, a 6'4, 225 pound defensive lineman from Atlanta, Ga., recorded 45 solo tackles, 40 assists and two fumble recoveries as a Senior. He also had five quarterback sacks and seven hurries. He helped his team to a 9-3 record and a berth in the state playoffs. The Georgian has been clocked at 4.8 in the 40 and bench presses 265 pounds. Johnson picked the Wolfpack over Purdue, Miami, and South Carolina.

Will Johnson, a 6'4, 220 pound defensive lineman from Syracuse, N.Y., possesses excellent strength and speed for a player his size. He has been clocked at 4.65 in the 40, benches more than 350 pounds and squats 550. He had 67 tackles, nine sacks, 10 quarterback hurries and two blocked punts in his Senior season. Johnson was conference champion in the 100 meter hurdles as a Junior, a two-time Class-B All-State selection, rated the 14th best player in New York by SuperPrep, named to the first-team all-state squad selected by the Associated Press and the number five tight end in the ACC area by Blue Chip Illustrated. Johnson picked the Pack over Virginia, East Carolina, and South Carolina.

Samein Jones, a 6'3, 235 pound tight end from Vanceboro, N.C., had

27 catches for 450 yards and nine touchdowns his Senior season. He also had 108 tackles and 10 sacks as a defensive lineman. Jones was named number 24 prospect in the state by the Durham Herald and one of the state's Top-25 prospects by the Charlotte Observer. He was also named the number 39 prospect in the Mid-Atlantic Region by Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report, the number 22 prospect in North Carolina by SuperPrep, named to the first-team all-state squad selected by the Associated Press and the number 5 tight end in the ACC area by Blue Chip Illustrated. Jones picked the Pack over Virginia, South Carolina, and East Carolina.

Eric Leak, a 5'9, 175 pound wide receiver from Marshville, N.C., rushed for nearly 1200 yards and accounted for 21 touchdowns as quarterback. Defensively, he returned four of his eight interceptions for touchdowns. Leak led Forest Hills to an 11-4 record after advancing to the semi-finals of the state AAA playoffs. He was named to the SuperPrep All-Region team for the ACC area, rated the number 18 player in North Carolina by SuperPrep and the number 20 player by the Durham Herald. He was named to the North Carolina Shrine Bowl team and has been clocked at 4.4 in the 40. He chose State over Clemson and Tennessee.

Cecil McCurt, a 6'4, 245 defensive lineman from Syracuse N.Y., only played football for two years in high school, but started at defensive end and tight end. He was chosen second team All-State and first team All-Central New York as a Senior. Though recruited by both Syracuse and Mississippi, McCurt chose State.

Alex Rice, a 6'5, 295 pound offensive lineman from Bunn, N.C., was chosen as a preseason SuperPrep All-American and was picked as the state's number nine prospect by the Durham Herald. He was also rated as one of the Top-25 prospects in North Carolina by the Charlotte Observer, named the number 77 prospect in the Mid-Atlantic region by Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report, an honorable mention All-USA selection in USA Today, rated the number 18 prospect by SuperPrep, and the number six offensive lineman by Blue Chip Illustrated. Rice backed the Pack over South Carolina.

Justin Richardson, a 5'9, 220 pound running back from Garner, N.C., rushed for 3,147 yards and 34 touchdowns during his career. As a Senior, he ran for 1,608 yards and 14 touchdowns. He also considered Carolina, Wake Forest, Winston-Salem State, and North Carolina A & T.

Derek Roberts, a 6'3, 215 pound linebacker from Connecticut, was rated the number 15 prospect in the New England area by SuperPrep. He has been timed at 4.5 in the 40 and benches 275 pounds. He was an outstanding student, ranking fifth in his class, and was also chosen as an honorable mention All-USA selec-

tion by USA Today. He rushed for 14 touchdowns and was one of the leading scorers in the state. He has a 38-inch vertical jump. Roberts picked the Pack over Stanford and Penn state.

Tony Scott, a 6'0, 185 pound defensive back from Virginia, is North Carolina's all time leader in career interceptions with 33 after a stellar career at Lawndale Burns High School. Scott was named the state player of the year in 1994 by USA Today after rushing for 1,625 yards, and intercepting 13 passes. He was also Gatorade's 1994 player of the year, named one of the Top-25 prospects in North Carolina by the Charlotte Observer, which also tabbed him as the area's player of the year. Scott committed to the Pack before enrolling in Hargrave Military Academy in 1995.

Tramayne Simmons, a 6'3, 220 pound linebacker from Newport News, Va., was rated the number 20 player in Virginia by SuperPrep. He is a hard hitter who finished his senior season with 104 tackles, 12 sacks and three interceptions. He was named the number 57 prospect in the Mid-Atlantic region by Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report, rated among Virginia's Top-25 by the Roanoke Times and the Charlottesville Daily Progress. Simmons picked State over Virginia, Virginia Tech, East Carolina, and Maryland.

Rahshon Spikes, a 5'11, 195 pound running back from Meriden, Connecticut, was named to the prestigious Parade All-America Team, a second-team All-American by USA Today, rated the number four prospect in the East region and an All-American by Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report. He received All-America honors from Blue Chip Illustrated and was rated the number three running back in All-Eastern Region by Blue Chip Illustrated, which called him the best running back in the nation.

Spikes was also picked as the number nine prospect in New England by SuperPrep, becoming only the second athlete ever to earn All-State honors three times in Connecticut history. He broke Connecticut high school records for touchdowns with a grand total of 77, scoring 542 points total, and 6,876 All-Purpose yards in his four year career. Last season he gained 1,406 yards on 241 carries and scored 23 touchdowns. He has returned seven punts and kickoffs for touchdowns in his career. He picked the Wolfpack over Arizona, Syracuse, and Nebraska.

Rashad Streets, a 6'3, 280 pound defensive lineman from Maryland, was named an All-American and rated the number 27 defensive line prospect in the nation by SuperPrep. He was also rated the number 20 prospect in the Mid-Atlantic region by Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report, the number eight defensive lineman in the ACC area by Blue Chip Illustrated, had more than 50 tackles — including

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Melodius Harmonies To Strike a Chord on Campus

By **Randall Haddock**
Staff Writer

On Thursday, April 25, NCSU Center Stage presents the String Trio of New York with Anthony Davis. The event, which is being co-sponsored by the Southern Arts Federation and the North Carolina Arts Council, will be held in Stewart Theater.

This vibrant and critically acclaimed chamber jazz ensemble will join forces with world renowned pianist and composer Anthony Davis.

Since its formation in 1977, the String Trio of New York has been delighting audiences around the world with acoustic compositions using instruments such as violin, bass and guitar. Though the ensemble is originally known for playing the arrangements of classics by such artists as Duke Ellington, it has grown in scope and now features a collection of stylistically diverse works created by its members.

In an era when many artists conform to the constraints of musical creativity, Davis stands out. While working on jazz pieces, choral or chamber music, opera or theater, Davis produces consistently chal-

lenging and inventive music.

Through his innovative music he has been able to contribute significantly to the Afrikan American community by becoming a mentor for other Afrikan American artists striving to achieve recognition.



Photo Courtesy of Baylin Artists Management

Anthony Davis

Davis is best known as the composer of the contemporary opera "X, The Life and Times of Malcolm X," as well as being a recipient of a Tony award for his Broadway composition debut in the play "Angels in America."

Major talents of the String Trio are: guitarist James Emery, bassist John Lindberg, and violinist Regina Carter. Emery, who studied composition at Cleveland State University and the City College of New York, was recently acknowledged for his provocative composition with the Guggenheim Foundation fellowship.

Lindberg, who has won numerous awards, has been the recipient of fellowships from the National Endowment of the Arts and the Arts Council of Orange County. Carter, the only female of the ensemble, holds degrees in Afrikan American and classical music from the New England Conservatory of Music and Oakland University in Michigan.

The String Trio of New York possesses a cutting-edge quality that has contributed to the increasing enthusiasm of its audience. The best way to experience the magic of String Trio's music is to hear them live when they give their one and only performance at N.C. State. Advance reservations are necessary to attend. Tickets are limited, so call Mark Tulbert at 515-3927 right now so you will know what everyone's talking about on Friday.

Any Students Interested in Being a Cultural Writer for The Nubian Message, please call 515-1468 and ask for Carolyn Holloway or stop by Room 372 of the Afrikan American Cultural Center of the Witherspoon Student Center.

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17 for losses as a Senior. Streets, a two-time All-State performer, bench presses 330 pounds and squats more than 500. He chose State over Carolina, Maryland, Virginia Tech, and Florida.

Tim Turner, a 6'7, 295 pound offensive lineman from Pennsylvania, was rated the 18th best player in Pennsylvania by SuperPrep, number 38 player in the east by Tom Lemming's Prep Football Report, and the number 12 offensive lineman in the East region by Blue Chip Illustrated. Turner is very strong and agile, bench pressing close to 400 pounds, and has been clocked at 5.1 in the 40. He was also recruited by Penn State, West Virginia, Boston College, and Georgia Tech.

Clayton White, a 6'1, 210

pound defensive back from Dunn, N.C., was named his conference's player of the year, selected to play in the North/South Carolina Shrine Bowl, named one of the Top-25 prospects in the state by the Charlotte Observer, named the number 13 prospect in the state by the Durham Herald and number 15 by SuperPrep. He was a two-way starter at both quarterback and defensive back, helping his team to their best record ever (9-3), and a berth in the state playoffs. He had 1,758 yards of total offense and 16 touchdowns. He has been timed at 4.39 in the 40 and bench presses a solid 240 pounds. He picked State over Duke, Carolina, Wake Forest, and Clemson.

Jermaine Wilkinson, a 6'6, 305 pound offensive lineman from Dayton, Ohio earned All-Region

honors from Blue Chip Illustrated, G & W Recruiting Report, and SuperPrep, which rated him the number 93 player in the Midwest. He benches more than 320 pounds and runs a 5.2 in the 40. He was an All-Midwest region selection by Blue Chip Illustrated and has scored over 1,000 on the SAT. He chose the Wolfpack over Tennessee.

"Overall, we've met our goals [and] achieved our objectives." Coach O'Cain commented. "Of course it's difficult to rate this class with others, but this group is a continuation of some successful recruiting efforts over the years."

The Nubian would like to thank Sports Information for its contribution.

The Peer Mentor Program Congratulates the 1996 New Inductees

Ernest Alford	Roina Hardaway	Arthur Peoples
Timothy Allen	Latressa Hardy	James Pickett
Kevin Atkinson	Denise Haynes	Taj Polite
Taunya Bailey	LaTisha Henry	Beverly Presley
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Shanna Crudup	Robert Little	Health Siler
Ericka Daniels	Grady Lockhart	Jamila Smith
Leon Dean	Derrick Long	Telisha Spearman
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Talisha Farmer	Emiko McKoy	Amekia Thomas
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I don't sing a song unless I feel it. The songs don't tug at my heart. I pass on it. I have to believe in what I'm doing.

Ray Charles

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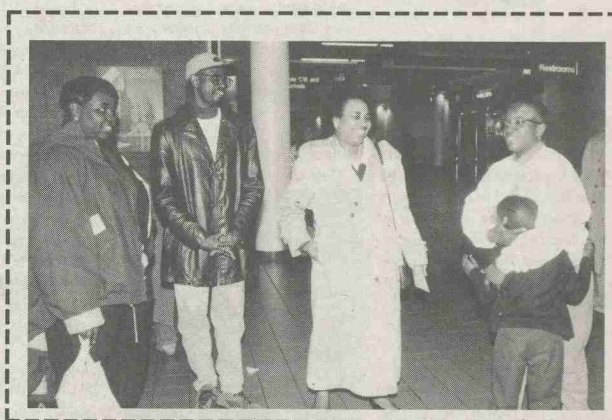
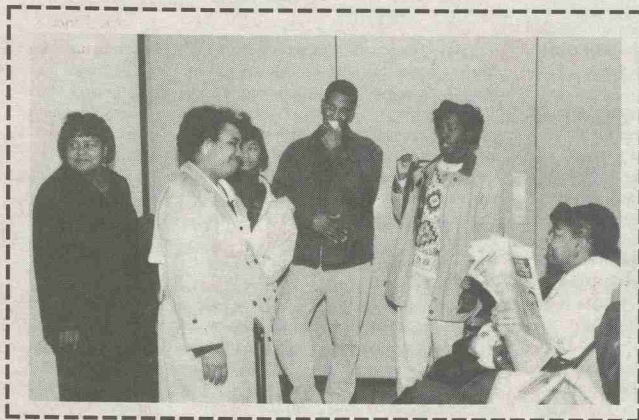


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Faculty and Staff of North Carolina State University Make Recent Trip to Afrika



Knowledge is the key that unlocks all the doors. It doesn't matter what you look like or where you come from if you have knowledge.

Benjamin Carson

We are a Black Gold Mine. and the key that unlocks the door to these vast riches is the knowledge of who we are--I mean, who we really are.

Tony Brown

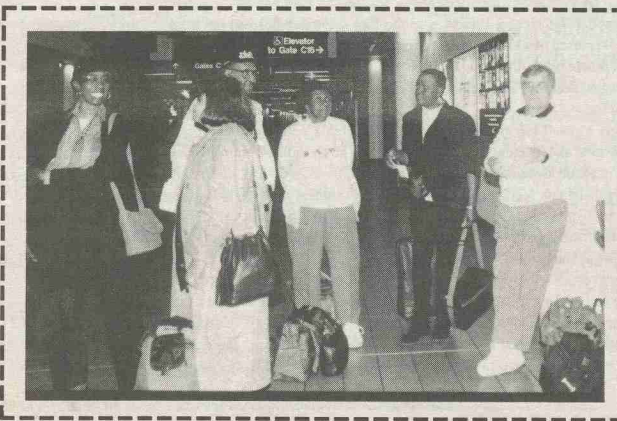
Chance has never yet satisfied the hope of a suffering people. Action, self-reliance, the vision of self and the future have been the only means by which the oppressed have seen and realized the light of their own freedom.

Marcus Garvey



We realize that our future lies chiefly in our own hands. We know that neither institution nor friends can make a race stand unless it has strength in its own foundation; that races, like individuals, must stand or fall by their own merit; that to fully succeed they must practice the virtues of self-reliance, self-respect, industry, perseverance, and economy.

Paul Robeson



Student Health Services Receives Recognition

By **Tawana N. Myles**
Health Editor

North Carolina State University's Student Health Service has received accreditation from the Joint Commission of Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations. The Student Health Service is now one of only 100 college health care facilities to have earned this recognition.

The accreditation was given to recognize the superior quality of Student Health Services' health care and constant commitment to NCSU students.

The Joint Commission on Accreditation of Healthcare Organizations is an independent, not-profit organization whose mission is to improve the quality of health care that is accessible to the public through accrediting health care facilities.

This promotes and stimulates improvement in the health care organizations. The Joint Commission accredits over 5200 hospitals and 9000 health care organizations nationally.

Dr. Jerry Barker, Administrative Director of Student Health Services said the accreditation was a goal that the Student Health Services has been working toward for two years. Having accreditation improves the quality of health care while illustrating the commitment to high performance the health facility has.

Dr. Jerry Barker, Charles Haywood (Associate Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs), and

the Student Health Service staff worked hard to receive the accreditation. They carefully organized and planned for the evaluation from the Joint Commission. There were several committees formed such as Quality Assurance and Improvement, Medical Records, and Pharmacy and Therapeutics.

They wrote new policies for the



Guest Picture

Associate Vice Chancellor of Student Affairs, Charles Haywood, celebrates recognition at the March 12th luncheon.

facility as well. One policy involved the procedures that would be followed in case of a fire.

Dr. Barker explained that the facility would relocate temporarily into either the Craft Center or the training room of the Weisiger-Brown building. Furthermore, Student Health Services identified their specific strengths and weak-

nesses and methods to improve the quality of their health care. They conducted evaluations on different medical procedures and created Medical Education Sessions available to the staff.

Dr. Barker also stated the Student Health Service strived for accreditation to be prepared for health care reform. He explains that insurance only reimburses to accredited facilities. If Student Health Services had not received the accreditation, this would hurt the students financially.

On March 12, a luncheon was held honoring the Student Health Services staff, Provost Stiles, Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs Stafford, and Associate Vice Chancellor Haywood for their outstanding achievement. The luncheon was a way for the Student Health Service staff and the administration to celebrate the hard work done as they sought their goal. Dr Barker comments, "Achieving accreditation demonstrates Student Health Service's commitment to provide high quality care to its patient."

Last year, the Student Health services received over 60,000 patient visits. The facility provides laboratory, radiology, and pharmaceutical services to NCSU students. They also have health education programs available and clinics in medicine, immunizations, allergy and physical therapy. Student Health Services is open from 8am to 11pm weekdays and 8am to 4pm weekends for both fall and spring semesters.

Heart Disease and Women

By **Tawana N. Myles**
Health Editor

Every 68 seconds, a silent killer attacks the heart claiming nearly 500,000 women annually. Unfortunately, heart disease is still the number one killer among women in this country. Dr. Maria Rosa Costanzo, director of the Heart Failure and Cardiac Transplant Program at Rush Heart Institute in Chicago comments, "It's almost as if it has gone out of style, as the media covers other women's illness, especially breast cancer."

The misconception about cardiovascular disease is many women believe it is a threat to men only. This places women at a greater risk because they are not making themselves aware of the warning signs. In fact, heart attacks kills five times more women than breast cancer does each year. Furthermore, when a woman has a heart attack, they are more likely to die from it than a man.

The problem with early diagnosis for heart disease in women (including heart attacks and strokes) is that it's harder to detect than in a man. Thus the symptoms may be somewhat less typical in a woman. Whereas men may feel chest tightness and discomfort which can be directly linked to possible heart conditions, women may feel something as innocent as a shortness of breath, weakness, or nausea.

Symptoms such as these are typically brushed off for something else. Because these symptoms are not fully recognized, women may delay a doctor's appointment that could possibly save their lives. Surprisingly, research shows that women's heart related symptoms are not taken as seriously as men's, even by female physicians.

Costanzo explains, "Very honestly, chest pains in women are often characterized as a psychological complaint. For example, a woman with brief but sharp stabbing pains may be told that it can't be heart problems because it doesn't fit the classic male pattern of constant pressure in the chest and pain down the arm."

In the past years, research has only focused on current recommendations and treatments for middle-aged men. The role of estrogen and postmenopausal hormone replacement therapy in protecting against cardiovascular disease has only recently been focused on.

Women are at a greater risk for cardiovascular disease if they smoke, have high blood pressure or cholesterol levels, are diabetic or obese, or have close relatives who suffered a heart attack at a young age. Dr. Richard Helfant of the University of California states, "Women of all ages should be concerned about high blood pressure. Regular exercise is the first step and the most direct way to cardiovascular health."

Loving Our Children

Dealing with children need not be stressful.

Rearing an Afrikan American child to be emotionally secure in today's society can be an overwhelming challenge for anyone. The statistics can be depressing — indicating not so promising futures for young black children. Despite such negative figures, it is still possible to equip a child with the necessary tools to make their way in this society.

The time, effort, and initiative invested as a parent are the factors which will determine whether a child will overcome the odds or become just another negative statistic. Spending time with your children is crucial to their emotional well-being.

Communicating with a child is

one way in which adults can enter into what is going on in their child's life. Not only does it involve sharing thoughts, but it also requires listening. Talking with children also provides an opportunity for him to communicate his thoughts directly.

Naturally, during these "talk sessions" with children, questions about race will arise. "A parent is a child's source of pleasure and security and therefore someone very positive," says psychiatrist James P. Comer.

It is important that children understand that their blackness is a source of pride for you and should be for them as well. In addition to this, they should also know that every race has a history of achievements in which its members can take pride.

Any students interested in being a health writer for The Nubian Message, please call Tawana Myles, Health Editor, at 515-1468.

Afrikan American Health History

1832—The Georgia Infirmary in Savannah, Georgia, was the first hospital and asylum established for the relief and protection of aged and afflicted blacks. It was chartered in 1832, and an organizational meeting was held at the Exchange, a mercantile building, on January 15, 1833.

1881—Charles Burleigh Purvis (1842-1929), physician, medical educator, and hospital administrator, was the first black surgeon-in-chief to head a hospital under civilian auspices. He received the appointment to the Freedmen's Hospital in the nation's capital. He was the son of the prosperous abolitionist, Robert Purvis. He attended Oberlin College in Ohio and, wishing to pursue medical training, transferred to Western Reserve Medical School in Cleveland, Ohio, graduating in 1865. He served in the army until 1869, when he became the assistant surgeon at Freedmen's and a faculty member at Howard University in Washington, D.C. When President James A. Garfield was wounded by an assassin's bullet in 1881, he was one of the doctors called to care for the fatally wounded chief executive—the first and only black doctor to serve the president of the United States. He was appointed as the first black to serve on the District of Columbia's Board of Medical Examiners in 1897.

1891—Provident Hospital in Chicago, Illinois, was the first American hospital operated by blacks. Founded by Daniel Hale Williams, it spurred blacks to organize comparable hospitals in other cities. Williams's aim was to institute a bi-racial hospital where black doctors and nurses could be prepared, and black patients could be prepared, and black patients could receive decorous care without fear of racial bias.

1895—Nathan Francis Mossell (1856-1946) founded Philadelphia's first hospital primarily for blacks, Frederick Douglass Memorial Hospital and Training School for Nurses. The Canadian-born physician was the first black graduate of the University of Pennsylvania when he received his M.D. in 1882 and, after a bitter struggle, was the first black admitted to the Philadelphia Medical Society in 1885. He studied at prestigious hospitals in London, England, before he attacked the problem of founding a hospital. An ardent civil rights activist, Mossell journeyed to Niagara Falls in 1905 with W.E.B. DuBois as one of the organizers of the Niagara Movement, a forerunner of the NAACP. Paul Robeson, singer, actor, and activist, was his nephew.

1936—Percy Lavin Julian (1899-1975) was the first black to be hired as a director of research by a major chemical manufacturing company, the Glidden Company of Chicago. He received 105 patents, 66 of which were assigned to this company. In 1954 he established his own company, Julian Laboratories. His name is linked with the synthesis of physostigmine (1935), used in treating glaucoma, and the precursors of cortisone, among many other achievements in chemistry.

Are You a Member of The Talented Tenth: Faculty, Staff and Students?

By Carolyn Holloway
Staff Writer

I have always been a firm believer in everything happening for a reason, because through the power of the ancestors — anything is possible. For the past two weeks I have attended programs and meetings that I had no intentions of gracing. The programs and the meetings I went to tended to shift focus at just a simple get-together to conversations about leadership in the Afrikan American community and the lack of faculty and staff involvement in the lives of Afrikan American students here at N.C. State.

These two topics certainly have to be the most talked about subjects in the past 50 years at any institution where a significant number of Afrikan Americans attend. That is probably why I dislike discussing them. Though sometimes the ancestors tell you, or give you, an inspirational feeling and the only thing you can do is say, "Yes Ancestors." So, in keeping with my convictions, I guess I have opportunity of speaking from their strength once again.

Leadership is a funny thing, because depending on who defines it, only a small percentage of the Afrikan American community has

leadership. To make sure we are on the same page, I will use Merriam Webster's definition of what a leader is: "a person who has commanding authority or influence." From this definition, I will share my interpretation of what leadership is at NCSU.

One of the recent questions asked was, "Do you think Afrikan American leadership on campus is effective?" And the answer was unquestionably no.

Well, I guess in this case I will be the one to beg to differ because I believe in the talented tenth as so finely defined and originated by W.E.B. DuBois which means that only 10 percent of the Afrikan American population will lead the masses (in this case, the talented tenth is a talented group of 10 people).

Usually, the people who speak about campus leadership being ineffective are those who are not leaders — in most instances. Those non-leaders are usually the people who say "I do see effective upperclass leaders, though I never see them at any constructive programs (excluding the too many other "social" programs that seem to be upsurging this year). How many of these people who yell ineffective leadership are in socially inactive organizations or political organizations that do not

challenge their thinking?

"Do you believe that leadership has failed you?" was another common theme this week. I think the question should have been "have you failed the leadership." What have you done to make the leadership effective?

Have you involved yourself with any Afrikan American Student Advisory Council (AASAC) or Society of Afrikan American Culture (SAAC) meetings? Have you asked the Association for the Concerns of Afrikan American Graduate Students (ACAAGS) if you can volunteer your services at the Symposiums they hold every semester?

Have you asked the staff of the Cultural Center if they need something you can help with? Were you at Kwame Ture's lecture? Will you go to see Sankofa during Pan-Afrikan week? These are the questions that should have been asked by the people in the audience when leadership was involved, and the "future" leadership should have been the ones who were answering the questions.

I, personally, do not think the leadership on this campus is in a dilemma — especially when I saw a "sister" of mine putting up flyers at 7:45 a.m. on a Monday morning for

the Sankofa program to be held the following Monday.

The leadership is doing what it can with what they have. The Leadership brought Kwame Ture to campus, presides over AASAC meetings, is at The Nubian Message everyday, and is an active member of the Peer Mentor Program. Where were you when

Maybe you were at a roll-out, (as a first choice) or maybe you were volunteering your precious time and energy for the Afrikan American Basketball Association in Carmichael Gymnasium. Who knows what you were doing or why you were doing it, but you were not at these intellectual programs?

The next topic we will cover is the faculty and staff involvement here on campus. We all know that faculty and staff member involvement is virtually non-existent, but we must work with what we have.

There are some very dedicated advisers, coordinators, and staff persons, though, who make up for all the bad those misguided individuals we have here at NCSU, so why dwell on the bad people who we already know are pitiful?

Our elders used to say that if you dwell on the bad people all the time, you never see good people any of the time. Good faculty and staff

members are available to us all. Ignorance of their existence is no longer a plausible excuse. Symposium occurs every semester where each freshmen gets to meet their coordinator and ask questions. It is up to you, no longer the coordinator, faculty member or staff member to establish positive relationships with them.

Finally, I will stray for a moment and direct this part of the article to all those people who bandwagon on 1992. Now when I say bandwagon, I mean those people who say "well back in 1992 things were so much better." "In 1992, we marched to the chancellor's house." "In 1992, everybody spoke to each other." Well, in 1992 I was in high school and had no idea what was happening at NCSU. Which means 1992 is not my excuse, and is not my incentive for leadership — nor my only good moment here at NCSU.

Therefore, I will not constantly reiterate "well back in 1992." 1992 was not the best year, and 1996 is not the worst year — therefore those who were here in 1992, find something better to use as an excuse for your poor leadership.

All For a Pair of Air Jordan's

Tyrone is po' and his wardrobe is hurt,
three outfits for school and one for church.
His pops broke out before he started third grade,
His "mom's" is strugglin' and bills rarely get paid.
He sees his boy Roger and nice gear he's always sportin',
multicolored "Tommy", Versace shoes, and some Air Jordan's.
Darn if I could live like that then all my problems would be over,
pullin' all the girls in a "Lex" or phat Range Rover.
So he gets a job flippin' burgers but not for extra cashflow,
he's savin' to buy a kilo and clock the real dough.
So the burgers get flipped and the "keg" gets bought,
but all of a sudden Tyrone has second thoughts.
Will I catch two to the head or be on a bus upstate?
no time for lookin' back now I guess it's just my fate.
After six months on the block he's got Jordan's on his feet,
A Benz to drive, and a juicy steak to eat.
One night he's on the block just makin' ends meet
and next thing he knows cops surround the street.
They tell him to freeze and everything would be alright,
and in the jailhouse is where he spent the night.
The whole night he cried and pondered the thought,
why did I start slangin' and how the heck did I get caught.
In a week he's in court where he gets a "5 to 10",
The next day he's headed to the dreaded state pen.
Away from all his friends and his mother's supportin',
and to think he did it all for a pair of Air Jordan's!

Michael Burrick
The Imhotep Academy

To Starve, To Thirst

High Mountains, overbearing walls
climb, destroy
don't fall
Pick up pieces,
the eyes of them that could not see
Break colored chains
wrestle them, don't let them be
In the eyes of one who "x's" you,
smothers the air, strips the soul bare

Maintain the depth, loose the shackles
Starve for change
Thirst for new ends
Cease the cycle, Cease the cycle

Lynnell Massenbury (Imhotep Academy)

Man & Woman

The things you'll do
The words you'll say
Not a hassle
A fact of life
Times of joy
Sorrow at times
Would give you the world
Can only offer myself
Hope it's enough
Just be kind

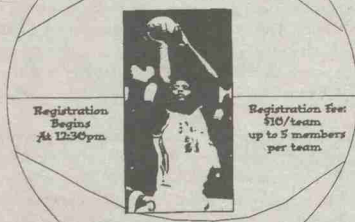
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Univ. Std. Center
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African Storytelling, Vendors and
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Admission is Free

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(starting point in front of
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Be there

SANKOFA

Sankofa is an Akan word that means one
must return to the past in order to move
forward.

Learn more about your past
April 15, 7:00 pm in the
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Admission is Free!

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Pan-African Festival '96

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