

The Aggie Report

A BIWEEKLY NEWSLETTER FOR FACULTY AND STAFF OF NORTH CAROLINA AGRICULTURAL AND TECHNICAL STATE UNIVERSITY

Faculty & Staff Notes

Business professor Dr. Chi Anyansi-Archibong is one of 19 teachers from 16 programs across the country to receive the Leavey Awards for Excellence in Private Enterprise Education for inspiring the next generation of business leaders through an innovative education program. Anyansi-Archibong received the honor for her project, "Business in a Bag - A SIFE (Students in Free Enterprise) Program," that teaches the basic fundamentals of the free enterprise system through invaluable hands-on experiences. Each winning program receives a \$7,500 cash award with one meritorious program receiving \$15,000.

Dr. Vincent Childress, an assistant professor in the School of Technology and a former middle school technology teacher, has designed a set of instructional activities to introduce high school students to the field of technology education, through simulated teaching activities. The activities also are designed to appeal to female and minority students with the hope of encouraging these underrepresented populations to consider careers in technology education. The project was funded by the Technical Foundation of America.

Dr. Conchita Ndege, director of the Mattye Reed African Heritage Center, has been selected to participate in a workshop, entitled "Context and Significance of West African Film: A Curriculum Workshop for HBCU Teachers," in Dakar, Senegal, June 17-27. The workshop is supported by the National Endowment for the Humanities (NEH). It is sponsored by Howard University in conjunction with the West African Research Center.

Dr. Morris C. Peterkin, associate professor of special education, presented a paper on "Successful Strategies for Studying In College" at the National Scholars Conference held in Fayetteville, N.C., March 23-24. The paper was based on Peterkin's research on students' study/learning habits and their instructors' suggestions for academic success.

Darlene B. Primas, office assistant to the program coordinator in landscape architecture, is the recipient of the 2001 Woman of Achievement Award-Religion. A member of Wells Memorial Church of God in Christ in Greensboro, Primas was honored for mentoring youth, aiding the elderly and counseling families during times of bereavement. Greensboro's Commission on the Status of Women presented the award on March 15.

NC-LSAMP Research Conference to be Held on Campus

North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University will host the Fifth Annual North Carolina-Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (NC-LSAMP) Undergraduate Research Conference Friday, April 20.

The theme this year is Gateways to Graduate Excellence in Science, Mathematics, Engineering and Technology: A Decade of Louis Stokes AMP Achievement. Dr. Roosevelt Y. Johnson, national program director of the Alliances for Graduate Education and the Professoriate (AGEP), is keynote speaker and moderator for the graduate student luncheon panel.

NC-LSAMP is a partnership of eight institutions within the University of North Carolina system - including Fayetteville State University, North Carolina Central University, North Carolina State University, UNC-Chapel Hill, UNC-Charlotte, UNC-Pembroke, Winston-Salem State University and N.C. A&T (lead campus) - whose primary goal is to substantially increase the number of underrepresented minority students earning B.S. degrees and subsequently pursuing M.S. and Ph.D. degrees in science, mathematics, engineering, and technology (SMET) disciplines. By systematically enhancing recruitment, retention, opportunities and access to education, internships and research in these fields, NC-LSAMP is achieving this goal.

This is the ninth year that A&T has served as the lead institution for the North Carolina Alliance for Minority Participation (NCAMP) in SMET disciplines. Through Congressional action, the program was renamed North Carolina-Louis Stokes Alliance for Minority Participation (NC-LSAMP) in 1998 to honor retired U.S. Congressman Louis Stokes (D-Ohio).

This year, NSF celebrates the 10th anniversary of the LSAMP program with a current total of 28 LSAMP projects. Collectively, the LSAMP program has produced 152,518 minority B.S. SMET degrees since the program was initiated in 1991 with six alliances.

Dr. Vivian Harding Hampton, coordinator of the NC-LSAMP program at A&T, has managed the Alliance program in North Carolina since its inception in 1992. Dr. Kenneth Roberts, assistant professor of chemical engineering at A&T, serves as a co-principal investigator for the \$1 million per year National Science Foundation (NSF) grant that funds NC-LSAMP.

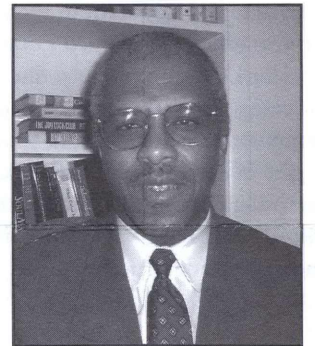
A&T Chancellor James C. Renick chairs the NC-LSAMP Advisory Board. Dr. Carolyn Meyers, provost and vice chancellor for academic affairs, is the principal investigator and project director.

For more information about NC-LSAMP, call (336) 334-7447.

NC-LSAMP Keynote Speaker

Roosevelt Y. Johnson, Ph.D.

*Program Director
Division of Human Resource
Development
National Science Foundation*



Dr. Roosevelt Y. Johnson received his baccalaureate degree in zoology in 1968 from Howard University and earned his doctorate in microbiology from Indiana University in 1972. As a NIH Fellow, Johnson engaged in postdoctoral research in the area of plant molecular biology at the University of Washington-Seattle (1972-74).

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NC-LSAMP Conference at A Glance

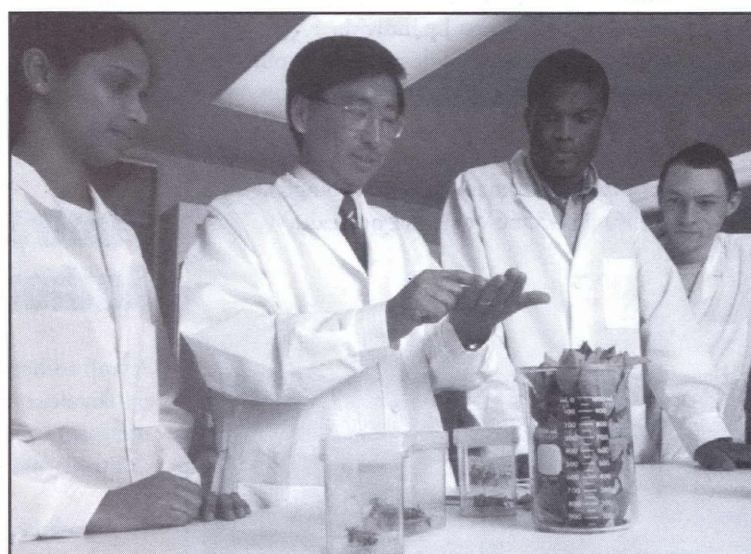
8:30 a.m.-noon	Registration/NSF Sponsored Programs Information Memorial Union Exhibit Hall
8:30-9:30 a.m.	Continental Breakfast/Networking/Student Poster Set-Up Memorial Union Exhibit Hall
9:30-10:30 a.m.	Opening Session Keynote Speaker: Dr. Roosevelt Y. Johnson, AGEP Marteena Hall Auditorium
10:30 a.m.-noon	Poster Presentations and Concurrent Activities Memorial Union Exhibit Hall and Fort IRC Building
Noon-2 p.m.	Luncheon: Dr. Roosevelt Y. Johnson and Graduate Student Panel Memorial Union Ballroom
2-4 p.m.	Oral Presentations and Concurrent Activities Memorial Union and Fort IRC Building
4-7 p.m.	Reception/Awards Banquet: Celebrating A Decade of LSAMP Achievement Memorial Union Ballroom

Sankar, Yang Recognized for Research

Drs. Jagannathan Sankar and Guochen Yang have received researcher of the year awards from North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University.

Sankar, a professor of mechanical engineering, has been at N.C. A&T since 1983. He received the Outstanding Senior Researcher Award. His main research area is materials engineering, especially the microstructure/failure relationships of various materials systems such as those implemented in aircraft.

Sankar was recognized for helping to establish and now leading the Center for Advanced Materials and Smart Structures (CAMSS), which was initially funded with a \$5 million grant from the National Science Foundation (NSF). Since CAMSS' inception in 1988, NSF has declared it a "best practices" example for its Centers of Research Excellence in Science and Technology (CREST) program.

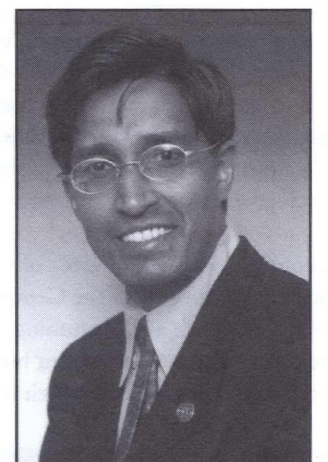


Plant scientist Guochen Yang (second from left) discusses plant micropropagation with students.

Yang is an associate professor in the department of natural resources and environmental design. He received the Outstanding Young Investigator Award.

Since joining A&T in 1994, Yang has earned national recognition

for his work in plant micropropagation, a process that enables researchers to produce large quantities of plants quickly. In 1999, Yang was recognized with the prestigious USDA Personal and Professional Excellence Award for this work.



Sankar

"Drs. Sankar and Yang exemplify the kind of talent that we have among our faculty," said Dr. Earnestine Psalmonds, vice chancellor for research and sponsored programs. "Their efforts help the university maintain its excellent reputation in research and allow our students to participate in cutting-edge technology exploration."

The awards were presented at the annual Honors Day Convocation held March 22.

Peterson and Perkins Receive Top Honors

Business and Finance Celebrates Excellence

About 150 "stars" gathered at Bryan Park Enrichment Center March 30 for a festive evening of food, fun and surprises at the 11th Annual Division of Business and Finance Incentive Awards Program. But the highlight of the evening was the announcement of the division's employees of the year.

Seven employees vied for Employee of the Year and two for Manager of the Year. Angela A. Peterson and Andrew M. Perkins Jr. walked away with the top honors. Along with the awards, each honoree received a cash prize and a complimentary campus parking space.

Peterson, an accountant in the auxiliary services office, was named Employee of the Year for Devotion to Duty. She was cited for being a tireless worker who consistently demonstrates a strong work ethic and a high degree of commitment and loyalty, for accepting responsibility above and beyond the 40-hour work week, and for taking time and great pride in advising and consulting students who are in financial need.

Perkins, who serves as interim assistant vice chancellor for business and finance/facilities, received Manager of the Year for Devotion to Duty/Innovation. He was recognized for reorganizing the university engineer's office



Peterson



Perkins

with a focus on project execution; establishing improved partnerships with architectural and engineering firms to reduce design development and construction periods; and streamlining and improving communication with UNC-General Administration, the State Dept. of Construction and the State Dept. of Insurance.

"You are all winners because you are part of a great team," said Paula Jeffries, interim vice chancellor for business and finance, at the end of the program.

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

Specialists Improving Army Efficiency

A team of energy specialists at A&T is helping the United States Army reduce its energy consumption, using buildings at Fort Bragg as a basis for their research.

Dr. Peter Rojeski leads the team that is comprised of specialists from the university's Center for Energy Research and Technology. Their mission is to develop procedures that the Army can use to determine which buildings have heating, ventilation and air conditioning (HVAC) systems needing improvements in order to conserve energy.

"Army bases are huge complexes with many buildings constructed during a wide array of eras," said Rojeski. "This variety of building type is matched by a variety of HVAC type, so it is difficult to determine which HVAC systems could be adjusted to yield energy savings. Our research is designed to create procedures that could facilitate this determination."

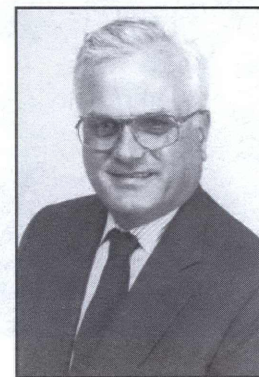
The adjustment Rojeski refers to is called re-commissioning, or the adjustment, recalibration and repairing of existing energy systems, rather than more costly large-scale renovation.

The A&T researchers follow a three-step process in their analysis of the Fort Bragg buildings. In the first step, researchers perform measurements and collect data on the HVAC systems of the buildings, while

determining if the systems are performing to their specifications. The second step entails a cost-benefit analysis. The third step is measurement and verification following a re-commissioning process.

"The ultimate goal of the project is to train members of the Army's public works business staff on the use of this methodology so that they can evaluate many more buildings, consequently improving energy conservation through re-commissioning where appropriate," said Rojeski.

This three-year project is in its second year, and is funded by the U.S. Dept. of Defense, Army Construction Engineering Research Laboratory. For more information, contact Rojeski at (336) 334-7575 or rojeski@ncat.edu.



Rojeski

Chemical Industry to be Profiled by A&T Researchers

Two N.C. A&T researchers will assess the chemical industry in the Southeast to uncover needed research and development areas.

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

"Industries of the Future," an initiative of the Office of Industrial Technologies in the Department of Energy's (DoE) Office of Energy Efficiency and Renewable Energy, seeks to significantly improve the efficiency of energy use in nine major U.S. industries: aluminum, steel, metal casting, glass, mining, agriculture, chemicals, forest products and petroleum. DoE will then form a "virtual laboratory" to provide the best expertise available to work with industries on high-priority research, development, and demonstration activities.

According to Singh, director of the A&T project and director of the Center for Energy Research and Technology at A&T, the research and development budgets of companies are strained by their need to

create short-term profits, and this sometimes prevents them from pursuing aggressive research agendas.

"Significant competitive pressures discourage many private companies from pursuing the long-term, high-risk research necessary to support the innovation and development of energy-efficient technologies," said Singh. "However, because these technologies lead to greater profitability though reduced waste and enhanced international competitiveness, in the new millennium survival of these industries depends heavily on this type of research."

Singh and Ilias will help companies gain access to energy-saving technology, by providing the Department of Energy a profile of the region's chemical industry, including ongoing research and development efforts by individual companies. They will develop the profile using literature searches and on-site surveys of companies.

For more information, contact Singh at (336) 334-3566 or singh@ncat.edu.

Year-end Closeout Dates Near

State fund budgets will be collapsed effective April 30.

The budget collapse affects only state funds, but the travel object code (line 3100) and communications object code (line 3200) will not be collapsed.

Due to this year's statewide budget shortfall, it is extremely unlikely that there will be excess funds to expend. Therefore, it is particularly important to make a concerted effort to review state budgets for outstanding purchase orders, which should be completed or closed to free expendable funds. Otherwise, these encumbrances will carry into the new year.

To help with the year-end close, please make note of the following dates.

APRIL 20	State fund purchase requests must be received in the Purchasing Office to ensure that an order can be encumbered before the month-end budget collapse.
APRIL 30	State budgets are collapsed. Unauthorized procurement card purchases made after this date will be charged against the future year budget.
JUNE 15	All paperwork (invoices, receivers, etc.) due in the University Account Office to assure payment before year-end. Utilize FRS screens to thoroughly research account activity.

Further questions concerning particular transactions may be directed to accountant Lottayne Widemon (demonl@ncat.edu) or accounts payable supervisor Deborah Harris (daharris@ncat.edu).

Contracts and Grants Needs Payroll Authorizations for Summer Employment

Payroll authorizations for summer employment for EPA employees on contract and grant funds must be received in the Contracts and Grants Office by April 20.

This deadline is in compliance with the January 1999 policy on payroll authorization cutoff dates. Prompt submission of the required forms will result in timely payments for the employee and accurate charges to the appropriate accounts.

Students employed during the summer that are not enrolled in summer school must be treated as temporary employees. All temporary employees are subject to matching Social Security contributions.

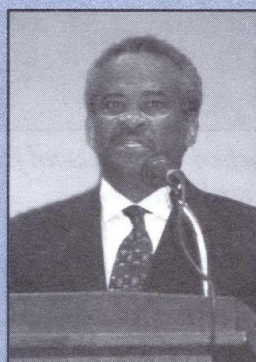
Non-enrolled students that will be paid an hourly rate should be charged to object code 1410. A regular E-1 form and time sheets must be submitted.

An Internal Salary Authorization should be submitted for enrolled and non-enrolled graduate students that are paid at flat rate and are charged to object code 1112. If the students are not enrolled during the period of employment, matching Social Security will be charged to the supervisor's account.

If you have any questions, call Lavonne Matthews, director of contracts and grants, at 4-7683 or Vanessa Lawson at 4-7888.

During a recent visit to campus, Frank Matthews, publisher/editor-in-chief of *Black Issues in Higher Education*, said:

"North Carolina A&T State University has three strong attributes. You're the No. 1 producer of black engineers and technologists in the world, you have a first-rate business school, and your rich civil rights legacy."



Pre-register for Summer Sessions to Avoid Rush

Over 500 courses will be offered in four sessions this summer to help advance your studies.

Summer is a good time to make up prerequisites, reduce your load during regular semesters and achieve educational goals and personal enrichment.

Students have the option of registering for courses in one of three ways – only one requires a pen:

1. **Aggie Access – Telephone Registration**
2. **Aggie Access – Online Registration** NEW!
www.ncat.edu/~registra/webfor.html
3. **Summer Sessions Course Request Form**
(See Summer Sessions Bulletin)

The first session will be held May 21-June 28; intersession, June 18-29; second session, July 2-Aug. 8; and dual session, May 21-Aug. 8.

Pre-registration is being held within academic departments. It began April 2 and ends April 20. Bulletins are available in the department chairperson's office, Office of the Registrar, Summer Sessions Office and Bluford Library.

For further information contact Shirley Douglas, coordinator of summer sessions, at (336) 334-7607, toll free at 1-888-323-6237, or visit the Web site at www.ncat.edu/~contedss/.

THINK SMART, THINK AHEAD AND EXPECT SUCCESS!

“Dr. (Carolyn) Meyers was named provost in recognition of the centrality of academics, the high quality of her work and (because of) the confidence I have in her ability.”

James C. Renick, Ph.D.
Chancellor, N.C. A&T



University to Host Spring FUSE Meeting

A&T will host the Spring Carolina FUSE (FOCUS Users) Meeting at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, April 19, in Smith Hall.

Carolina FUSE is an organization of North Carolina users from the private and education sectors who meet to exchange information on how they are using the various FOCUS software products manufactured by Information Builders Incorporate. This group also provides some direction to IBI concerning the product's enhancements and maintenance.

Attendees will have an opportunity to get new ideas on FOCUS software products and to see how other schools use FOCUS products.

A board election also will be held during the spring meeting. Positions and responsibilities include:

- President – plan the program and obtain presenters (with help of board members);
- Vice President – maintain membership list and coordinate meeting site;
- Treasurer – maintain financial records and oversee meeting registration
- Secretary – publish newsletter and handle general correspondence;
- Technical Coordination Committee – coordinate maintenance of the Carolina FUSE Web page; and
- At Large (3) – assist in planning meetings.

Attendees who pre-register will be entitled to a catered lunch. The registration fee of \$25 is also payable at the meeting.

For information, contact Gwen Ghent at (336) 334-7440, ext. 2234, or visit the Carolina FUSE Web site at <http://ncfuse.unc.edu>.

Performance Evaluations Due Soon

In accordance with General Statute 143 A-17 and General Statute 143 B-10 (h) and the State Personnel Commission Performance Management Policy, supervisors should begin making preparations to conduct overall performance evaluations of SPA employees under their supervision. The evaluation should cover the period beginning May 1, 2000, through April 30, 2001.

Overall performance ratings are due in the N.C. A&T Department of Human Resources no later than May 15.

Each SPA employee must have an overall performance rating on file to ensure compliance with state personnel policy. Failure to provide Human Resources with an overall performance evaluation could result in an employee becoming ineligible for salary increases if granted by the legislature.

“The purpose of the review is to measure actual performance against expectations established at the beginning of the work cycle,” said Varo Duffins, director of human resources at A&T. “Supervisors should focus on employee performance data collected during the course of the work cycle and record a rating for key responsibility/results and behavior/skills.”

An overall summary rating with supporting data and statements should be recorded on

the evaluation. An employee summary rating that falls below the “Good” performance level must include a development plan.

“It is important that each SPA employee has a work plan that is signed and dated by the employee, supervisor, and the supervisor's manager on file in Human Resources,” Duffins added. “It is recommended that supervisors begin preparing work plans for the next 12-month cycle (May 1, 2001, through April 30, 2002).”

New work plans should be submitted to the Department of Human Resources no later than June 29.

Performance management clinics have been scheduled for supervisors who need guidance in conducting the evaluation process. The clinics scheduled for Thursday, April 19, will provide an introduction and overview of the components of the performance management process for new supervisors. The clinic scheduled for Friday, April 20, is designed for supervisors and employees who have questions or desire assistance with conducting the appraisal process.

The clinics will be conducted at 1020 E. Wendover Ave., room 009, 10 a.m.-noon and 2-4 p.m. To register, please e-mail tracyp@ncat.edu.

Nominations Sought for Awards

The 2001 nomination period is now open for the N.C. A&T Employee of the Year Award and the Governor's Award for Excellence.

The Employee of the Year is an annual award presented by the chancellor to an A&T employee – selected by the University Committee – for outstanding achievements at the university level. The winner is awarded a monetary gift.

The Governor's Award for Excellence is the highest honor that a state employee may receive for noteworthy service to state government and the people of North Carolina. These programs are for all

permanent SPA employees, retired or deceased employees, and employees on leave without pay. Individual employees may nominate peers or managers and vice versa.

Nomination forms are available by contacting Tracy Phillips, Employee Relations Office, 1020 E. Wendover Avenue, or at <http://www.osp.state.nc.us/recognize/01gae.htm>. **The deadline for nominations is June 15, 2001.**

Please help the University Committee in its efforts to promote and recognize A&T employees for their achievements.

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Johnson has held full and adjunct faculty positions at Pacific Lutheran University, Howard University College of Medicine, Howard Community College, Towson State University and Howard University College of Liberal Arts. He once served as an official collaborator at the Los Alamos National Laboratories in Los Alamos, N.M., conducting research directed toward elucidating the molecular basis of salt tolerance in plants.

Johnson has served as a program director with the National Science Foundation (NSF). During his tenure there he managed the Minority Research Initiation Planning Grant program, the Research Improvement in Minority Institutions program, the Research Careers for Minority Scholars program, the Graduate Research Traineeship program and the NSF-NATO Postdoctoral Fellowship program in the Directorate for Education and Human Resources. He also has served as deputy director and acting executive director of the

National Consortium for Graduate Degrees for Minorities in Engineering and Science (GEM Consortium), where he was responsible for the management of the GEM Fellowship program and operations at the GEM Center (South Bend, Ind.).

From Nov. 1997 until Feb. 2000, Johnson managed administrative operations in the Division of Undergraduate Education at the National Science Foundation. He is currently a program director in the Division of Human Resource Development within NSF's Directorate for Education and Human Resources, where he manages the Alliances for Graduate Education and the Professoriate (AGEP) program. The AGEP program has the specific objectives of increasing the number of underrepresented minorities receiving doctoral degrees in science, math and engineering (SME) and increasing the number of underrepresented minorities entering academia at the faculty level.

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National Wellness Tour to Visit A&T

It's time for spring cleaning, and the 2001 Tampax Total You Tour (TTYT) will travel to North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University and four other Historically Black Colleges and Universities (HBCUs) this spring, encouraging young African American women across the country to tidy up their views on "total" wellness.



A Tampax Total Wellness Forum will be held 6-8 p.m. Thursday, April 26, in Memorial Union. Renowned raptivist and author Sister Souljah joins the TTYT as its mind expert. In addition, *NBC Weekend Today* fitness guru Donna Richardson, femcare specialist Anne Sempowski, and poet/author Brenda Perryman will participate. The event is free to students and media with credentials.

The Tampax Total Care Tent will be on campus from noon until 4 p.m. Friday, April 27.

The first mobile tour of its kind, the TTYT promotes balance in life by embracing an integrated approach on health. It is designed to encourage and empower young women holistically by encouraging practices that focus on the wellness of mind, body and spirit.

Created by Tampax in 1999 and expanded in 2000, the 2001 spring tour includes black media giants *Heart & Soul* and *Honey* magazines.

"I am grateful to be a part of the Tampax Total You Tour," said Sister Souljah. "It gives me the opportunity to meet women around the country face-to-face, to share my thoughts, observations and work."

In support of the tour, Tampax has launched www.TampaxTotalYouTour.com, a "go to" tool for anyone in search of information on Tampax, the tour and tips on achieving a total philosophy on health. The site provides a range of wellness-based content, interactive elements, advice and cool resourceful links. Main channels include "Tour Central," "Sisters Speak," "Relax & Release," "Reading Lounge," "Community Connections" and "Press Pass."

In addition to the tour title sponsors, selected partners are involved whose products and/or services have demonstrated a strong connection to total health. These include Pantene, Alldays, Noxzema and a range of local partners in each market.

Tampax is a leading feminine protection brand manufactured by Procter & Gamble, which markets more than 300 brands to nearly five billion consumers in more than 140 countries. These brands include Always, Crest, Pantene Pro-V, Noxzema, Pampers, Oil of Olay, Vicks and Pepto-Bismol. P&G has on-the-ground operations in 70 countries and employs more than 110,000 people.

More than 100 people attended the recent ribbon-cutting ceremony for the renovation and expansion of the Memorial Student Union. Pictured (l-r): Chancellor James C. Renick; Vernell Stallings, operations director; Nikkita Mitchell, SGA president; Ralph Shelton, trustees chairman; and Roselle Wilson, vice chancellor for student affairs.



CALENDAR Of Events

APRIL 13

- University Holiday (Offices Closed, No Classes)

APRIL 14

- Deadline to pay entry fee for PPEO Golf Tournament and Scholarship Event, Contact: Carl Brower, (336) 334-7732

APRIL 16

- Non-Traditional Student Organization Egg Hunt, Child Development Center, 2 p.m.

APRIL 17

- FUTURES Retreat registration deadline

APRIL 19

- Spring Carolina FUSE Meeting, Smith Hall, 8:30 a.m., Fee: \$25 (includes lunch for those who pre-register)

APRIL 19-21

- FUTURES Retreat

APRIL 20

- Grade Evaluation for Student Athletes

APRIL 26

- Tampax Total Wellness Forum, Memorial Union, 6-8 p.m.

APRIL 27

- Fantastic Friday Faculty Chat, Gibbs Hall Graduate School Conference Room, 8:30-10 a.m., Admission Theme: Graduation Memories
- Tampax Total Care Tent, noon-4 p.m. (Location TBA)

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AGGIE BITS

A two-part workshop will be held for front-line employees to learn how to use the Meridian telephone system. The workshop also will focus on providing excellent customer service via telephone. Participants may choose to attend one or both parts of the workshop on Tuesday, April 17, or Wednesday, April 18, 8:30-11:30 a.m. and/or 1:30-4:30 p.m. at 1020 E. Wendover Ave., room 009. To register, send emails to tracyp@ncat.edu.

The Office of Career Services seeks your assistance. Around the end of April, registration material for the 2001 Career Awareness Fair (Sept. 12) will be disseminated to companies and agencies. If there are companies/agencies that you want to receive this information, email the contact name and address by April 13 to Carolyn Mark at mark@ncat.edu.

The Air Force ROTC One Year College Program (OYCP) at N.C. A&T is seeking applicants. The program is designed to help AFROTC meet officer production requirements in specific year groups and/or academic majors. Selected candidates will be required to enroll in AFROTC and attend an AFROTC summer field encampment. Cadets receive a \$200 monthly stipend and may be eligible for scholarships or other financial incentives to help pay for tuition and textbooks. Beginning Oct. 1, the stipend could increase to \$400 per month. For information about eligibility and application procedures, contact LTC Thomas E. Sinclair at (336) 334-7701 or thomases@ncat.edu before May 1.

Be advised that Foot and Mouth Disease, also known as Hoof and Mouth Disease, presents a very real threat to the economy of this state and the nation. North Carolina's livestock industry is valued at over \$20 billion, so the economic impact of this disease – which presents no threat to human health – would be far-reaching. The School of Agriculture and Environmental and Allied Sciences is monitoring the situation and following standard bio-security practices on the A&T farm complex. Please avoid speculation regarding the disease and refer all media and other inquiries to Dr. David Libby at (336) 334-7615 or libbyd@ncat.edu.

The N.C. A&T Police Department will hold its first two-mile fun walk to benefit Special Olympics of North Carolina at 10 a.m. Saturday, May 5 – rain or shine. The entry fee is \$5 in advance and \$6 the day of the event. Contact Sgt. D.L. Fox for details, (336) 334-7676.

The Richard B. Harrison Players will present Sophocles' Greek tragedy, "Antigone," April 19-23 at the Paul Robeson Theatre. Performances are at 8 p.m. April 19, 20, 21 and 23, and 3 p.m. Sunday, April 22. General admission is \$10; students, \$7; and A&T students, \$5. For reservations and information, call (336) 334-7519.

Monthly timesheets for EPA personnel are due in the Office of the Provost/Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs by the 5th of each month. No exceptions! The protocol to be followed in submitting monthly timesheets is as follows: (1) deans/division heads are to gather all timesheets for 12-month EPA personnel and submit them in one packet to the Office of the Provost/Vice Chancellor for Academic Affairs by the 5th of each month.



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