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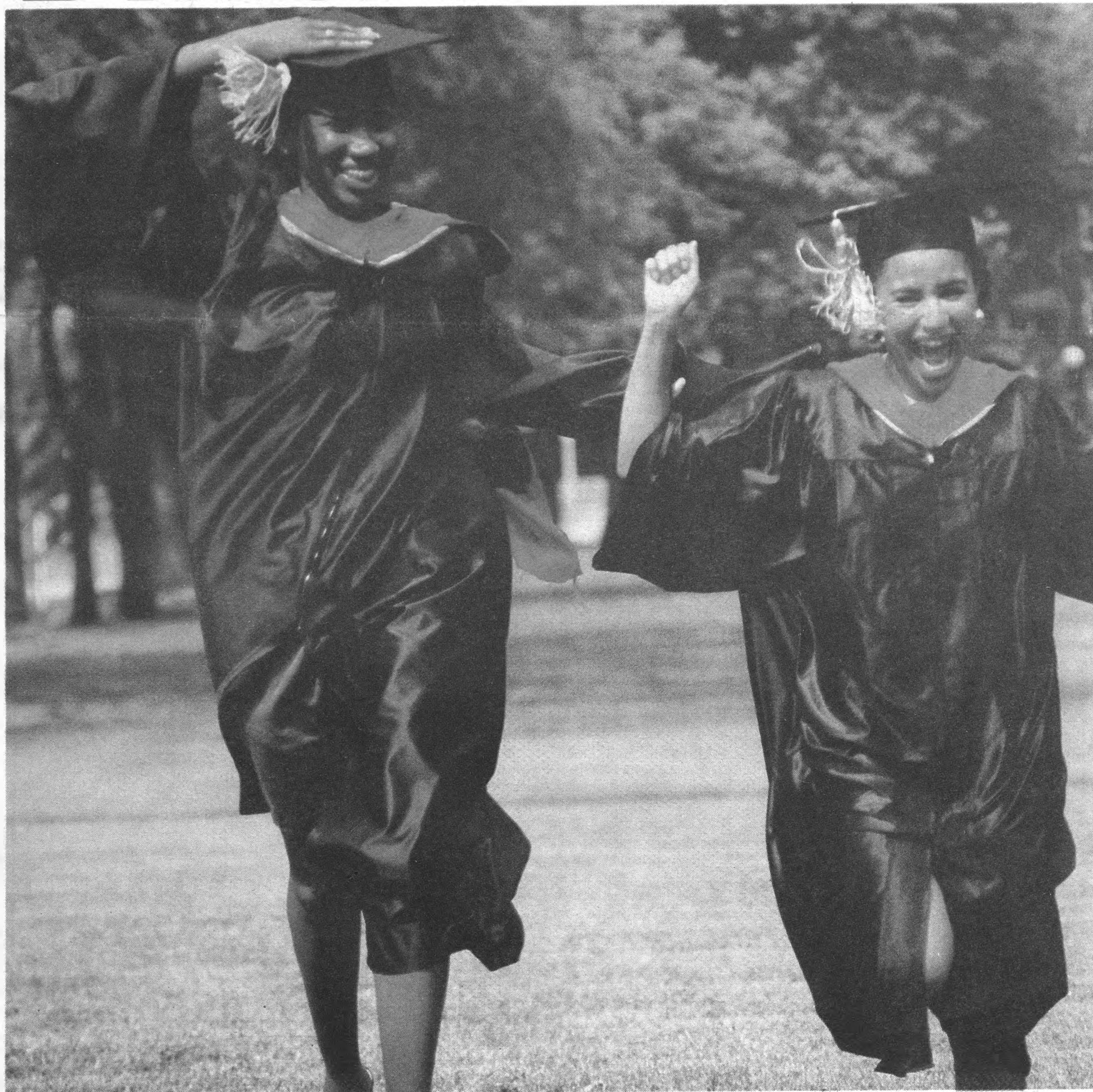
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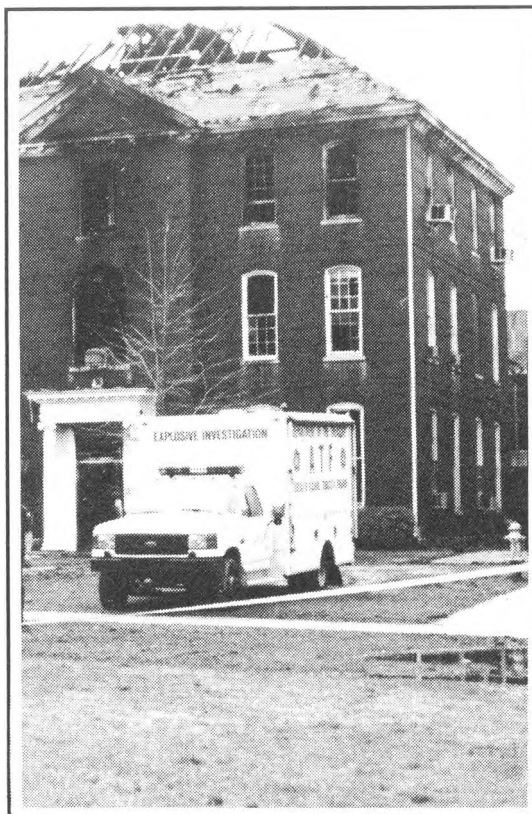
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# Jumping Into A Different World







(Photo by Clarence Rolle)

There are still no leads to the arson that hit CAU's Quarles-Washington Hall during spring break.

## Identity Of Arsonist Still A Burning Issue

By Deloria Robinson  
Contributing Writer

Almost a month after the devastating March 12 fire that gutted the historical Quarles-Washington Hall, investigators are still no closer to finding a lead.

The Georgia Arson Control Board, an organization of insurance companies, is still offering a \$10,000 reward to anyone who can bring them closer to solve the arson.

Luckily, the fire did not have any major impact on the operation of the School of Social Work which was housed in the building. Administrators were able to relocate offices and class-

rooms during the spring holiday to ensure that no class time would be lost.

The 216 students who had classes in this building were informed of the fire and room changes. In the meantime, the School of Social Work has relocated to rooms 313, 314 and 315 in Haven-Warren and the faculty has been assigned offices in McPheeters-Dennis and at 31 James P. Brawley Drive.

Classes have been moved to rooms in Haven-Warren, Vivian Wilson Henderson Center, McPheeters-Dennis, the New Biology Building, Merner Hall's basement, Dean Sage and Wright Halls.

Faculty and staff were able to enter the first floor of the severely burned building to retrieve student records which survived the flames with minimal damage. However, badly damaged stairways prevented access to the second and third floors.

## For Business Sake, Freedom Fest Brought In the Bucks

By Tod Sterling Rose  
Contributing Writer

Most hotels, car rental agencies and restaurants especially were in fact prepared to accommodate the thousands of college students who traveled to claim Atlanta during April 21-23 the Freedom Fest celebration.

"If college students don't do anything else, they will eat," said Dave Stallion, general manager of Mrs. Winners restaurant on Piedmont Ave. as he reminisced on his college days.

In planning for the mega-college celebration, businesses planned ahead for the overwhelming capacities their establishments would face.

"I will probably be running an extra crew so that we can stay open 24-hours since we are so close to Piedmont Park," Stallion said.

Meanwhile, Bruce Peyton, general manager of Wendy's restaurant also on Piedmont Ave., followed suit. "We kept the drive-through open until 5 a.m. on Friday and Saturday that weekend. We had a slight problem last year because the dining room was full at closing," said Peyton. "I welcome the business, last year Freaknic brought us an extra \$8,000."

Peyton added the only thing that most fast food restaurants can do in order to prepare for Freaknic is extend their hours.

But while hungry mouths were fed, how did many visitors of visitors found a place to sleep?

"They've hired more police," said Robert, a third year employee of the Clarion Hotel in downtown Atlanta. "Things can get pretty rowdy with that many anxious college students in the hotel." He added that in previous years, there was a problem with "Freaknicers" damaging many of the rooms, therefore the Clarion is hiring more security officers this year.

The Peachtree Weston Hotel, also in the heart of

downtown Atlanta, is made some adjustments as well.

According to Anita, a two year employee of the Westin's Cafe, "They (Westin Management) raised the room rates \$50 over what they normally are. They also set aside 100 rooms for Westin employees so that we can work straight through Freaknic weekend and sleep at the hotel.

"The thing is," she continued, "they don't want Freaknic to interfere with the Comdex computer show that will be staying here also. Comdex is a client of the Westin."

As for transportation, city officials strongly encouraged the use of Atlanta's mass-transit system, MARTA. However, as anticipated, many students rented cars despite the re-routing of traffic away from downtown.

According to Cindy Hayes, lead rental agent for Alamo Rent-A-Car, they were "booked solid" weeks before the event.

"We are having to ship cars from other nearby locations in order to fulfill the needs of the Freaknic crowd and our regular business travelers. Also, the under 25 age fee has been raised from the usual \$15 per day to \$25 per day."

A rental agent from Dollar Rent-A-Car, who wished to remain anonymous, said the management there did not want "Freaknic-ers" to rent their cars.

"Our under 25 age fee has been raised to \$100 per day," the representative said. "Management held a big meeting where they told us that the reason for this is because the students are not responsible, not because they are black. But an under age renter from Comdex will not be charged the \$100," the person added. "They told us that Dollar lost \$70,000 and eight convertibles because of damage last year."

From the stand point of food, shelter and transportation, it appears that Atlanta was prepared for what many dubbed as the "wildest Freaknic ever."

## NEWS REELS

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### CITY

•Atlanta restaurants Veni, Vidi, Vici, Dante's Down the Hatch and others closed their doors during Freaknic, now known as Freedom Fest, Freedom Fest weekend. Some owners claimed that their customers could not get to their businesses because of traffic.

•Mayor Bill Campbell refused to meet with the presidents of the Atlanta University Center prior to Freedom Fest, to discuss possible solutions and concerns. According to the *Atlanta Journal-Constitution*, the mayor felt the meeting would send "mixed messages."

•*American Demographic Magazine* reported that by the year 2005, Atlanta will experience an increase in population and job growth, ranking it third in the United States.

### NATION

•New York has adopted a Smoke Free Air Act which outlaws smoking in public places.

•Since 1993, Senator Bob Dole has allegedly flown on corporation jets that have congressional interests.

•According to the Federal Reserve, the United States' gap between the rich and the poor is broader than any other industrialized nation.

•Los Angeles Deputy District Attorney, Ed Nison, admitted that police mistakenly destroyed evidence from the murder trial of rapper *Snoop Doggy Dog*, whose real name is Calvin Broadus. His attorney stated that he would seek to have the charges dismissed against his client. Broadus pleaded innocent to charges of the shooting of Philip Woldemariam in August 1993.

### WORLD

•Winnie Mandela is challenging her husband, South Africa President, Nelson Mandela's firing her from his Cabinet. Winnie Mandela's position was deputy minister of arts, culture, science and technology and is under investigation for allegedly taking bribes.

## CAU Spotlight

### Up Close And Personal With Dr. Cole

By Kimathi Lewis  
Staff Writer

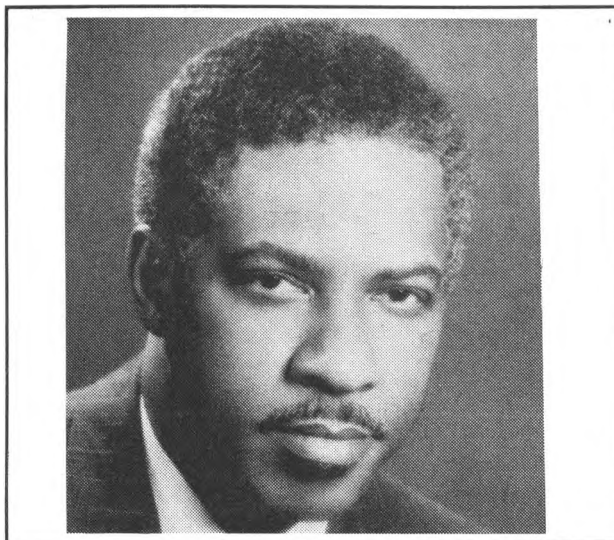
*In the light of controversy, conflict and celebration, Clark Atlanta University has undergone one of the most eventful academic years in its history. In the wake of the death, destruction and development the school has faced within a nine-month period, President Dr. Thomas Cole Jr. maintains the historical institution has a very positive future.*

#### Cole On Controversy

With the occurrence of past crimes within the Atlanta University Center community and one of the most emotionally draining events of the year — Freaknic/Freedom Fest, some students have expressed fear for their safety.

The president said the school has taken steps to provide a safer environment.

"We have increased the size of public safety to have a much more active policing of the AUC area, by not only our department but by the Atlanta Police department and the other schools in the AUC," he said. "We have also had more informational programs providing



(University Photo)

Clark Atlanta University's President, Dr. Thomas Cole Jr., gave voice to his views of campus safety, registration and proposed cuts of federal funding for education.

advice on how to handle various situation."

Cole said he hopes by providing more awareness of public safety to students, faculty and staff that everybody will feel more comfortable on campus.

Cole said students also often complain about registration, financial aid and housing. Last year, the school instituted a new computer program, Students Information Service (SIS), to rectify some of the problems with these services. He said SIS will allow all the offices that are associated with student affairs to be linked to each other.

"Financial aid, the registration office and housing will all be able to communicate, so if you go to one office with one problem and ask about another problem, they'll be able to pull it up on the screen."

Cole said he is aware of the concern surrounding the possible cut in federal funding. "We'll probably have to cut back on programs or raise tuition," he said.

Students have also expressed concern regarding the school's plan to convert Bumstead into a freshman dorm. Cole said they plan to house the students in the Courts or at Carter hall. He said the school is also trying to acquire Paschall's Motor Lodge to alleviate some of the problems with housing. "We should have a decision in 30-45 days. Hopefully, we'll know before the students leave," Cole said.

#### Cole On Celebration

At the end of all the controversy and conflict, CAU celebrates as it says farewell to yet another graduating class. Cole said graduation is not just a crowning event for the students who are leaving, it's for everyone. "Students look forward to it with excitement and so do we," he said.

Cole said the school sponsors a series of activities with the Commencement to emphasize certain principles to the graduating class.

"Representatives from the faculty and staff and trustees and administration sort of pass on our last bit of wisdom and it covers all the areas, including academic excellence and the need to continue to work hard.

Cole said they remind the students they will still have to be a little bit better. He added, "In order to get to this point, they have to be good."

## Rashad Stages Rehearsal On Serenity

By Kimathi Lewis  
Staff Writer

She told the audience to be still — but they thought she was joking and laughed.

"No, I'm serious. Be still and pay attention to your breath as it comes in and out," she said. The room became quiet.

"Can you perceive your heart beating? Could you exist without your breath? If your heart stopped beating could you exist?" The silence continued.

"What is the power that makes your breath come in and out? What makes your heart beat? Pay attention to your own being. You have to be still. In the stillness, you will discover real power."

Actress Phylicia Rashad said this to more than 100 students and faculty members in Clark Atlanta University's Davage Auditorium, April 13. She was responding to a question regarding the Republicans' Contract With America and what needs to be done about its affect on the black community.

"Instead of grabbing signs, balling fists and getting angry, we need to approach the problem from another angle," Rashad continued in the same calm voice. "Let's approach it from another power. Who gave you that (the power to breathe)? Was it a Republican Party? What are you going to do with it?"

Rashad said it's not a racial issue, it's a human condition.

The former co-star of the movie "Polly" will be in town until May 14 starring in the play, "Blues For An Alabama Sky." In the open forum, she addressed students' questions on health, meditation and self-control.

One student asked her how she maintains her youthful appearance.

Rashad admitted to not drinking alcohol, eating

meat or smoking cigarettes. "It's also the way you think," she said. "My mother is 73 and people say she looks 50. She stays in her discipline."

The former co-star of "The Cosby Show" said people have to know their own worlds of being. "Know who you are and what you're doing and live in that element."

Rashad said she meditates everyday, a practice she developed an interest in at age 15. The Houston native said she was inspired to meditate after reading the "Autobiography Of A Yogi."

"In reading that book, I realize that I was much more than my body, I was much more than my mind," she said. "Your being is far greater than you know. It's a condition of mind. Meditate on self, great enthusiasm and love and the world will come to you."

Rashad advised one troubled student about the importance of self-control.

"Your body can't be calm, because your mind is not calm," she said. "Root out things about desire and be calm. If you want to become an actress because it is within you, be that with a calm mind. Whatever it is within you to be, do it but be that with a calm mind."

Rashad explained the being of black people and what they've accomplished is a condition brought about by thinking. She said they should not limit themselves.

"Don't limit ourselves to what the media wants us to think and please don't think of ourselves as minority, that is a false word."

She maintained black people should be whatever they want to be and added they are multicultural descendants of many cultures and many people.

"But we don't approach things in light of this understanding," she said. "We don't approach our studies with this understanding. We are the world. Our challenge is bigger than we thought."



(Photo by David Zeiger)

Phylicia Rashad as Angel in "Blues For An Alabama Sky," now playing at the Alliance Theatre Company.



## Changes For Fall 1995:

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# Playtime May Be Over: CAU Tells University Plaza Nursery To Move

By Wendy Isom  
Features Editor

*In Part III: Nursery parents continue to respond about the future of the University Plaza Nursery School. The administration also attempts to answer questions and put closure to concerns.*

Allyn Shorts, a new transfer student at Clark Atlanta University (CAU) was looking for "child care at a reasonable price and location" when she heard about the University Plaza Nursery School.

"Most of our people come to us by word-of-mouth," said Ernestine Wright, nursery director.

With University Plaza prices at \$30 a week compared to other surrounding nurseries that charge \$85 and up, Shorts said she enjoys the price and the priceless care that her 4-year-old son is receiving.

"I really like the academic environment," Shorts said. "I like the discipline here. They teach children to respect adults and each other."

But Shorts and other parents may have to soon make other arrangements for their children, as the university's 30-year-old daycare service plans to move in June—but with no immediate space in sight.

As for the director of the University Plaza Nursery, Wright said she does not know what will happen to their business in the next five days, not to mention the next five years.

"We tell prospective students what is going on. They still come. I'm praying that we can stay on this side of town," she said.

"My son just got here (the University



(Photo by Christian Gooden)

Children enjoy what may be one of their last lessons taught by Ernestine Wright, director of the University Plaza Nursery School.

Plaza Nursery) in October (1994). It's going to be hard to uproot. It's close to campus and I can walk up here since I don't have a car," said Danita A. Pettiford, Spelman senior child development major and psychology minor.

Not only has the nursery been helpful to her, but Pettiford said the nurturing atmosphere has been beneficial to her son.

"(At) the other nursery, they didn't care about children. They sat them in front of a TV," Pettiford claimed. "They were cold. They were like, 'Hurry up

and get your child.' No stimulation. He (Pettiford's son) always complained. But here, at the Plaza Nursery, he can be himself." Pettiford said she also feels comfortable with the staff.

Others echo her sentiments.

"They really have one of the best reputations," said Michelle Powell, a 1991 CAU education graduate and parent whose daughter attended the nursery. "It was natural, the closeness, convenience plus the learning."

But according to Powell, CAU is saying, "You [students] can come to CAU

but your child can't attend daycare in the CAU community."

Said Jackie Daugherty, a parent who has a 3 and 4-year-old enrolled in the nursery, "It was clean in here. At my children's other daycare, they kept a cold; but ever since they've been here, they haven't been sick."

The nursery director said she expects the best from the children, and in return they will give her the best. Likewise, she said she expected better from CAU.

"I don't have grudges with the university," Wright quipped, adding, however, she thought the procedure could have been handled a different way.

"It was like an attack. It was very unprofessional. They gave us 30 days at first," she asserted. "The parents were not involved in the decision. Something this significant should've been addressed."

Meanwhile, Fred Poellnitz, vice president of finance at CAU said, "I'm not aware of any miscommunication or misunderstanding. My door has always been open to talk."

When the nursery was notified by Lloyd Van Dyke, then head of maintenance, to prepare to move, nursery officials said they began to try and set up appointments to talk with Dr. Cole, Poellnitz or "anyone else who could give them answers as to what was happening."

"It took a long time to get in touch with Dr. Cole and make an appointment. That upset me," Wright said. "It was as if he was saying he didn't care about us. According to Wright, Dr. Cole did not respond to two letters sent out by Jane Mosley, a University Plaza Nursery parent and coalition member, nor did he return

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## CAU Cancels Contract With Food Service Company

By Kendra Story  
Contributing Writer

Gourmet Services Inc., which serves Clark Atlanta University, Morehouse and Spelman Colleges and the ITC (Interdenominational Theological Center), has recently lost its contract with CAU.

Plans, however, are underway for the food service corporation to re-bid.

The university canceled its contract after receiving complaints from students about the food service.

According to CAU officials, numerous complaints about the company's service compelled the university to end its relationship — at least for now.

But Brenda Branch, president of Gourmet Services Inc., (GSI), said she cannot understand exactly why the university ended the contract. However, she said she remains optimistic about the corporation's future with CAU.

"If we should renew the contract, we (GSI) plan to enhance and expand the program," Branch said. "We want to become an integral part of the CAU family."

A survey conducted by GSI showed that overall, students were pleased with the performance of the service as did another survey produced by students. For this reason, Branch said she looks forward to advancing the overall pro-

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## Pre-Registration Woes Come To An End, CAU Introduces New System

By Connelita Gaither  
Contributing Writer

As the semester comes to an end, seniors prepare for graduation while other students await the trial of the new pre-registration process scheduled to be introduced later this month.

According to Dr. Frederick Fresh, Clark Atlanta University's registrar, a two-phase pre-registration method will replace the scan-tron system.

With the new system, students will first go through an advisement period scheduled to begin Monday, April 24.

Upon advisement, students will be instructed to pre-register in Haven-Warren's Davage Auditorium where they will receive a computer print-out of their tentative schedules. If students have satisfied their financial obligations to the university by August, their pre-registered classes will automatically become their fall semester schedules.

"We're very anxious to get the new registration system going," said Fresh. "In

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## Recap Of SGA Elections

# The Votes Are Tallied... Spring '95 Elections Usher In New Executive Board: The "Fab Four" Plan To Place CAU On The Map

By Rita Bowers  
Contributing Writer

The spring of 1995 was filled with its usual campaigns for various positions at Clark Atlanta University, CAU, including the Student Government Association's (SGA) executive board.

The top positions for the executive board were run opposed by members of the self-titled, "fab four."

The "fab-four" included Ricky Robinson, graduate president; Scott Bibb, graduate co-vice president; Undergraduate President Samuel Bell Jr.; and Dhanfu Elston, undergraduate vice president.

The members of the proposed board said if they all were elected into office, they each have a long list of credentials they would combine to prove their experience in leadership positions.

Bell served on the board last year and said from that he gained favorable response from many of the students polled.

"Sam did an excellent job as vice president and will do the same as president," said CAU junior Charmine Lewis.

Not only is there a strong support for

Bell, but for the combined efforts of himself and Elston. The duo hopes to take the SGA in a new progressive direction.

Many of their supporters are people who know them on a personal level and feel confident in their abilities. Some students seem to think they are not just talk.

"I think we are going to improve based on Sam's experience. I believe if they work together we can improve," raved CAU junior George Haynes.

That is the intention of the "fab four," to work together to make a comprehensive executive board that will execute plans that encompass all students.

Their agenda, among other things, includes increasing student participation. They want to bring more social recreational activities that go beyond the usual rap concert.

Elston, who ran unopposed for the office of vice president, said that after Freshman Orientation Week new students do not have anything to occupy their time. The board feels that having various activities will not only get students involved, but also increase their pride in CAU.

Along with events to build morale, the executive board wants students to realize

how prestigious CAU is. "Clark should continue to be a model for black institutions," Bibb opined.

The newly elected officers all said they feel CAU does not receive the notoriety as other historically black colleges, even though it is — if not even more qualified for recognition.

"Many of the students are unaware of the university's accomplishments," Bibb explained. The progressive plans for CAU seem to have the best intentions but many students feel they do not go any further than voting day.

"SGA talks about how they want to help you," said sophomore Isaiah Sternly. "They want to help themselves to votes," he added. Some students feel that SGA officers are merely making the campaign promises of any other politician.

Although the officers are aware of the students' resentment, they would like them to realize that they are students first and politicians seconds. They pride themselves on being able to use their dual role in keeping abreast to the major concerns of the students.

"I am a fifth year student and have gone through many of the problems of undergraduate and graduate," said Bibb.

Some students have a lack of respect toward the SGA because they feel the organization has an inability to be the voice that speaks to the administration on their behalf. Many students also feel that the executive board does not have any power.

However, the executive board believes that the real power of any leader is his or her followers.

Shawn Tilman, a CAU freshman agrees. "What are we going to do? It takes more than talk from the students," he said. "It's a matter of students, because they (SGA) work on our behalf."

The assumption of some is if students get together with the SGA, something will be accomplished. "We can't put it all on them," said another concerned freshman. "If the SGA doesn't have the support of the students, they can only do so much."

## Clark Atlanta SGA Election Results

**Graduate President:** Ricky Robinson  
**Graduate Vice President:** Scott Bibb  
**Undergraduate President:** Samuel Bell Jr.  
**Undergraduate Vice President:** Dhanfu Elston  
**SGA Treasurer:** Trina Samuel

**Miss CAU:** Kia Brinson  
**First Attendant:** Terrinee Gundy  
**Second Attendant:** Kristie Jackson

**Miss Senior:** Michelle Lewis  
**Senior Class President:** Rashana Lincoln  
**Senior Class Representative:** Shari Earnest

**Miss Junior:** Terris Raiford  
**Junior Class President:** Lee Norris May  
**Junior Class Vice-President:** Michael Frazier  
**Junior Class Secretary:** Curtisia Jarrett  
**Junior Class Treasurer:** Jamil Simmons  
**Junior Class Representative:** Tiffany McSwain

**Miss Sophomore:** Kelene Jones  
**Sophomore Class President:** Diondra Bolling

•Miss Freshman and Freshman Class Candidates will be elected during the Freshman Orientation Week in August 1995.



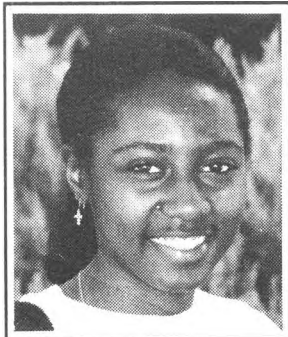
A Clark Atlanta graduating senior gets measured for her cap to be worn in the May 22 Commencement exercises.

(photo by Christian Gooden)

# PERSPECTIVES

*"Let's not just revel in the accomplishments, but be grateful to the Creator for the opportunities."*

## Accept The Challenge Editor-in-Chief Says Farewell



By Stacy Adams

At the beginning of the school year, I challenged *Panther* readers to get "in the know" of the world around them and to not only be entertained by the publication, but informed as well.

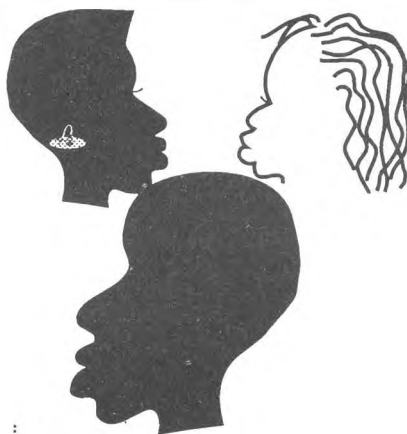
In seeing the responses that various articles have received through letters to the editor, either positive or constructive, it has become evident to myself and the staff that many of

you have accepted that challenge.

As a graduating senior, I have gathered an array of life-long memories ranging from the intense AUC reaction to the Rodney King riots in 1992 to the outbreak of campus violence in 1994, all of which have been covered within the pages of this entity called *The Panther*.

For many AUC students who will find themselves in a stance similar to my own come May 22, or there about, these last few weeks probably seem to be moving like a slow motion shot on pause. Basically, at this point, either we know exactly where we'll be two months from now, or we're just "gettin' around" like 2Pac, "Ready For Whatever."

No matter which state we find ourselves in, we should try hard to stay grounded - not above ground or "Underground," just leveled.



For those of us who have received confirmations for our future plans, let's not simply revel in the accomplishments, but be grateful to the Creator for the opportunities. And, for those of us in the AUC who are still waiting for that key to unlock the doors to our futures, hold on to the fact that if we came here four (or more) years ago with a focus and determination of "earning" a degree, then we are likely prepared to walk into corporate America or better yet create our own standards of living.

When students enter the AUC as freshmen, they are told that they are here to matriculate at the various institutions.

There are many definitions of the term "matriculate," but since being at Clark Atlanta University and experiencing the "drama" that can often creep up in the run of a semester, I could not help but create my own meaning for the word.

Seeing how "matri" means maternal, I have tried to see CAU like a mother, teaching me life's lessons, both good and bad. I suppose that's how the term "alma mater," which I was once told meant "foster mother," came about.

As I, and close to 600 other CAU seniors, prepare to make that final step as undergraduates, I can only hope that our experiences at this institution of higher learning will prove us to be products of one exceptional university and the *Panther* to be the vehicle for enlightenment.

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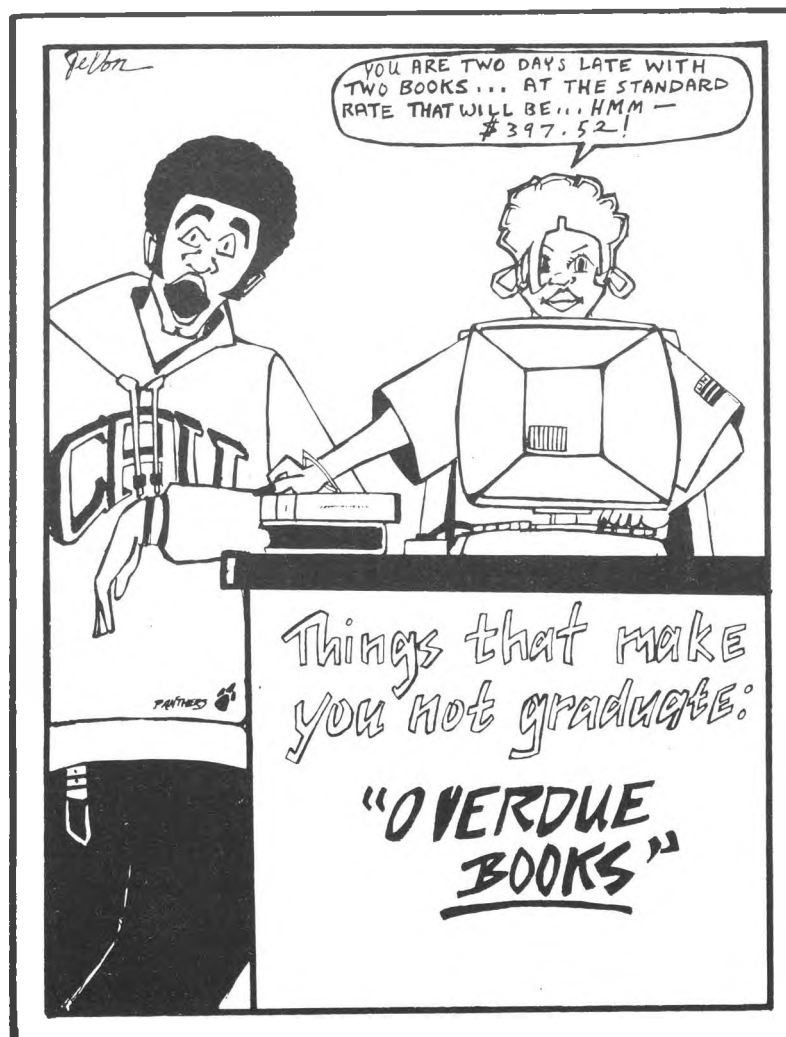
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# The Amazing Adventures Of Norplant. . . Or How To Kill A Nation

By Kimathi Lewis  
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Listen up ladies — and gentlemen.

Norplant is being used as the weapon in genetic genocide. This is another step being used by white supremacists to establish a New World Order.

The state governments and courts plan to use the hated contraceptive (six rods placed in the upper arm) as a "loophole" for probation — that is, if you give up the right to have children, your prison sentence will be reduced.

But wait, there is more. The government also intends to use Norplant as a solution to cut welfare, making it mandatory that females only receive public assistance if they agree to use Norplant. This will limit the number of children born to women on welfare and give the government supreme control over women's right to procreate.

## Eugenics Anyone?

For those who know America's history, the use of this birth control device sounds strangely similar to the popular Eugenics Movement, or selective breeding, of the early 1900's. Eugenics was a popular weapon used by

perverse pioneers such as Hitler, President Harry "The Atom Bomb is my friend" Truman and Thomas "Kill the useless eaters" Malthus for social domination. Just like Norplant, Eugenic sterilization was a social prescription to produce the "perfect world." It was the systematic elimination of one group, for the established superiority of another.

At one time, 24 states had sterilization laws. California's fetal assassination policy was so aggressive that it sterilized an estimated 600,000 people by the year 1929, according to an article in the June 1991 edition of *The Economist*. Eugenics was introduced on the basis of sterilizing those labeled as the "feeble minded," but, according to Alexander Cockburn of the *Los Angeles Times*, 60,000 people were also involuntarily sterilized. "Compulsory sterilization also included any sexual pervert... or any prisoner who has been twice convicted of rape or imprisoned three times for any offense."

Cockburn also said Eugenics was most energetically pushed by progressive politicians and medical experts as a social cleanser. "Within a few generations society would be purged of imbeciles, criminals, the congenitally idle and other burdens on public patience and the public purse."

## Lifestyles Of The Poor And Norplanted

Norplant, which was approved by the Food and Drug Administration in 1990, is another attempt by the U.S. Government to dominate social order.

It allows the government to penalize those women on welfare who exercise their fundamental rights to reproduce. It also gives the government the right to deny them the benefits received by those who are on Norplant.

It is no secret the government blames young, poor, unmarried mothers for drug abuse, slums, poverty and a stagnant economy. For example, New Jersey, a pioneer in the old sterilization campaign, is eliminating its small increases for mothers having children while on welfare. Georgia has done the same, and similar proposals are being considered in at least 21 other states.

It won't be long before they insist that poor black females accept Norplant as a condition for any form of social benefits, or for living in public housing, or for simply existing.

The government has launched a full fledged bomb and it's engineered to land in the center of the women's womb. If black females don't stand up and take notice, they will be assisting in the genetic genocide of their own people.

Point of reference: Some of the information in this article was taken from the *Universal Truth*.

## The College Experience; Every Second Is What You Make of It

By Rita Bowers  
Staff Writer

College years are a time when you have your most dangerous, humorous and precious memories. It's the period where you're grown enough to have all of your freedom, but not too grown where you have to pay serious bills.

You're a "singular." You hope to have no children and no responsibilities. From the moment of freshman orientation to the day of graduation, you should be discovering what it's like to have a life of your own. You can develop a personality and ideology that may be different from your parents. Or in fact, maybe you've come to the realization that Mama was right all along. It really depends on which road you take, and in college, there are plenty of paths to travel.

A degree is essential to maintain a productive life in a society. One must never lose sight of that, for that is the very reason you have come to college. That should always be your number one priority — along with taking care of self as a close second. By taking care of self I mean finding out what makes you happy and deciding how you want to live your life. You get a unique opportunity to do just that in the expressive, yet isolated world of college. And college offers many areas for one to come to self-realization and conclusion.

The 1994-1995 Clark Atlanta University student handbook states that the purpose of CAU is, "to maintain ... an environment which fosters maximum intellectual, social and cultural developments for students..." This means that not only is CAU aware of the individual

growth its students gain during their matriculation at the institution, but it makes its number one mission providing an environment for such personal growth.

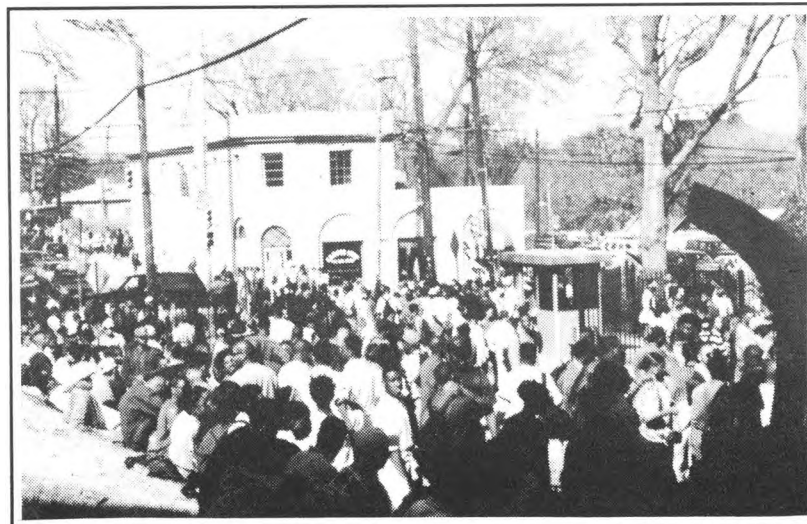
On our campus, there are over 60 organizations to choose from. Joining any one of them will give you an opportunity to get involved in different activities that will steer you in a positive direction.

There is also the possibility that with hard work and dedication you might not have realized you had, you can be president of an organization like the Pre-Alumni Council. You can even hold a title such as "Miss this-and-that." After gaining numerous memberships that build character, you may find that your interests have shifted to Greek letter organizations. This will no doubt unleash hidden strengths needed to endure pledging and lead you into a sister or brotherhood.

Organizations give people a chance to not only participate in something but meet new people from all over the country. These people bring with them their unique style and energy. New Yorkers do it one way and Detroiters do it another. If you're open-minded, you can do it either way depending on your preference.

College may also give you an instant best friend known as your roommate. While in most cases it's merely a tolerable relationship, it teaches you how to deal with someone up close and personal. You learn how to accept differences and resolve conflict with an equal, unlike at home when your parents had the final say.

You will meet and make life-long friends at this playground and that includes building relationships that, in some cases, turn out to be as serious as marriage. Not only will you date this individual, but make a platonic friend as well. And, this gives you a better understanding to how the other sex lives.



Yes, college life is filled with its ups and downs. Sometimes you want a vacation to go back to the familiarity of home. Other times you wouldn't have it any other way. This should be a fun time when you can do things on the spur of a moment. Hop in the rental car and go to Florida with the girls. Or chill on the weekend with the fellas, doing whatever it is you all do. This is a time of change, maturity and preparations for the next segment of life.

With every situation, you're going to learn something and it will probably be about yourself. You don't have your mother here to make the decisions. In this place called college, if you want it done, you're going to have to do it yourself. In these testy times you get to the core of self and extract something that had never before been recognized. Timid, meek people turn strong and aggressive, overbearing individuals can become more accepting and nice.

College life, my friends, is full of changes. Engineer majors turn journalists and pre-med majors turn to nursing.

To the graduating seniors, I only hope you have gained everything possible from these precious years.

And to those of you returning in the fall, hold on to them with dear life. Because when they're gone.

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## Dewitt Wallace-Reader's Digest Fund Brings Scholars, Students Together

By Monique Sharonne Brown  
Contributing Writer

A first time event for Clark Atlanta University graduate students, the March 23-27 Dewitt Wallace-Reader's Digest Fund Fellows And Scholars Program proved to be a profound event.

The graduate students collectively took advantage of the professional resources, in-depth analysis, and practical usable ideas presented in many workshops during the conference.

This National Conference of the Association for Supervision and Curriculum Development (ASCD) in California was sponsored by Dr. Stanley Mims, program director for the Dewitt Wallace-Reader's Digest Fund Fellows And Scholars Program.

The ASCD is an autonomous organization that is the premier program for education professionals. The organization focuses on a broad solicitation of topics that are deemed most important to the needs of black children as well as the needs of our educators.

"The trip to California was very educational. We had the opportunity to meet key people in state and local government levels in terms of education," said Jerry Stallworth, a CAU graduate student.

Stallworth continued, "Examining copies of technological advance state-of-the-art information, dealing with books of different disciplines was received" was another plus for students who attended the event.

Echoing his remarks Craig Ogden said, "The trip was very worthwhile. Anyone in education, especially in administration, should take part in ASCD. This is another way for (blacks) to really get involved, for we were able to increase our networking webs."



CAU's own, Craig Ogden, (from left to right) Cedric Dolman, "Economics Teacher of the Year," Lynda Smith; Monique S. Brown, Andrea Smith, Kathy Stratton, Lisa Garner-Jackson, Thomas Powell, Jerry Stallworth, and (seated) Dr. Stanley Mims, attended the recent Dewitt-Wallace Conference for educators in California.

## From Campus Life To Corporate Life; Some Students' Confident, Many Unsure

By Vonique Bullock  
Contributing Writer

Many students at Clark Atlanta University believe they will land a job in their chosen field if they study hard and get internships.

Others, however, are uncertain where the road beyond college life will lead.

"If I get a job somewhere in my field after graduating from school, then I will be happy," said Lesley Willis, a senior in the School of Business.

"At this present time, I am interning at an accounting firm," said Monica Poole. "I am gaining knowledge in my field and getting the point of contacts that I will need once I graduate from school."

Although some students at CAU appear to have a strong sense of direction for life after college, a few do not know specifically what they intend to do. Many in this category knew what area they wanted to be in, but were uncertain about how to narrow it down to a concentration.

"I am a mass communication major, but I am not sure if

I want to be in broadcast journalism or print journalism," said Robert Williams. "Since I am just a sophomore, I have time to make a decision."

Michael Campbell, another student who is unsure of his future, said, "I am a junior and still do not know what my chosen field should be. I feel that I am running out of time and I need some direction fast." He added, "I do not want to be school all of my life; I can not afford it."

If students are not sure what their field should be, counselors and employment experts say they should research jobs they think they would like to do.

"There are a lot of jobs out there, but many companies are down-sizing and by the turn of the century, many jobs will no longer be in existence," said Mary Yarbrough, a job coordinator at the Department of Labor.

"Students should go to their local library and ask for *The Occupational Handbook* that is printed by the Department of Labor," Yarbrough insisted. "This book is very useful and it will be real handy to the students who are not sure what they want to do."

## HAPPENINGS

### Graduation/Alumni Schedule Of Events:

Compiled By Deloria Robinson  
Contributing Writer

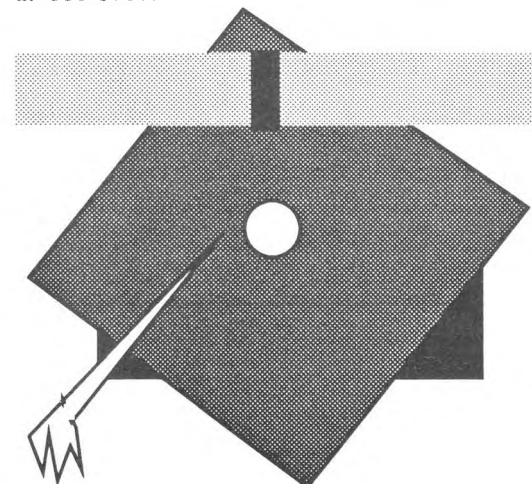
■ More than 600 students on May 22 will march across the stage at the Georgia Dome to receive their undergraduate and graduate degrees.

■ The Clark Atlanta University Alumni Association Inc., will present its Spring Conference May 18-22, as part of the commencement activities that will take place leading up to graduation. The theme this year is "Enhancing the Vision through Rededication and Service." Earl Graves, publisher of *Black Enterprise Magazine* is set to be the keynote speaker.

■ The Alumni Association will host a banquet on May 20, at the Radisson Hotel, 7:30 p.m.. Charles "ROC" Dutton will be the M.C. for the event. Music will be provided by the CAU Philharmonic Society and the CAU Jazz Orchestra. Graduating students and family are encouraged to come and the cost is \$40 per person.

■ Many other events scheduled for the festivities include: a reception honoring all chapter presidents, the Alumni Service Awards Luncheon, a campus tour, a memorial service, the Alumni Picnic, the President's Reception and the Baccalaureate Service which will be held at the Atlanta Civic Center. For reservations for the Alumni Banquet you can call 880-8020.

■ For more information on any of the mentioned events, contact Getchel Caldwell, associate vice president of Development and Institutional Advancement in Trevor Arnett at 880-8707.





# 'No REGRETS'

## Shukura Ingram

### Queen Now Looks to Law School

By Sherri Day  
Staff Writer

As campaign banners signaled that a changing of the guards is near and the academic year draws to a close, so does the reign of Shukura Ingram, Miss Clark Atlanta 1994-95.

Already reflecting upon her reign, Ingram feels that she has served the students of one exceptional university quite well.

"I've taken the position of Miss CAU one step closer to having a more active role on campus," Ingram said.

Last spring, Ingram's "Back to Basics" campaign attempted to take the student body's attention away from the pageant aspect of the selection of the campus queen and place their attention back to more important aspects, like academics, leadership ability and community service.

Ingram said, "Miss CAU shouldn't be based on a pageant, but rather on how well a person can represent the school." She explained that often "people vote for a person who had an outstanding talent in the

pageant, and not necessarily for the candidate who will best represent the school."

After being elected, one of Ingram's goals was to reshape the way the campus queen was been viewed. In revamping the queen's image, Ingram has tried to cast away the traditional figurehead role of Miss CAU and replace it with one that showcases a queen that has been extremely active in various aspects of student life. "I wanted to have Miss CAU take a more active role," she said.

For instance, as Miss CAU, Ingram sat in on the meetings of the House of Delegates and served as an unofficial member of the executive board.

Enhancing the campus King's and Queen's Coalition was yet another of her accomplishments. With the help of coalition members, Ingram sponsored food and clothing drives and co-sponsored a health and beauty drive.

As one of the university's top representatives, Miss CAU is expected to represent the university throughout the country. This is a part of the queen's duties that Ingram said often goes unrecognized.

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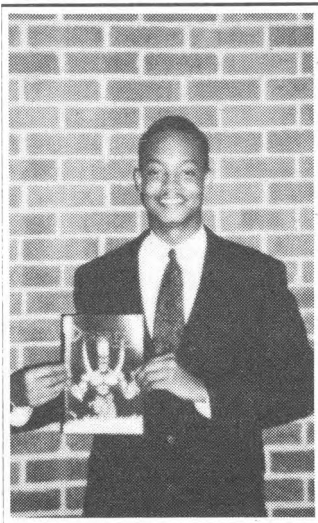


(File Photo)

Miss CAU 1994-1995, Shukura Ingram, reflects on her reign with no regrets

### "Dead Redd the Enforcer" To Make Debut At A Store Near You

By Kristie K. White  
Editorial Editor



It was a vision that became reality.  
It was the product of immense creativity, diligence and perseverance.

Best of all, Algenard Herring II's Trident Media Inc., is a living, growing dream, nurtured by steady commitment and ingenuity.

Herring, a 20-year-old CAU sophomore is making his mark on the entrepreneurial world. This Atlanta native, known to many as "Al," is founder and chief manager of his own media-based company.

Trident Media, Inc. primarily focuses upon the promotion of multi-cultural aspects in the arts. So, in keeping with this purpose, the company's first endeavor has been the production of a comic book titled "Dead Redd the Enforcer."

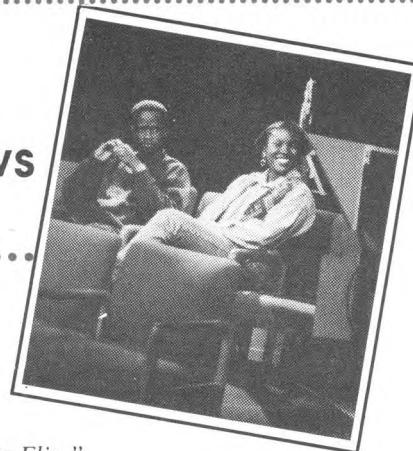
Set in the darkness of the streets, the book brings to imaginative life the evils of modern society and the perils of urban existence. "Dead Redd the Enforcer" offers an element of realism enveloped within the excitement of fantasy.

Two thousand copies of the comic book's first issue are to hit the shelves

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### Don't Touch That Dial! CAU-TV's Pic-Flix Reviews Excitement

By Clarence Rolle  
Contributing Writer



Just when you thought you had already seen everything CAU-TV had to offer, here comes another reason to tune in to its programming, "Pic Flix."

"Pic Flix," the pioneering movie review show, premiered on the university's cable station this semester. Its debut brought a new element of entertainment to CAU-TV, which is dominated by talk show productions.

"We wanted to provide the channel with some variety it didn't have in terms of entertainment and information," said Christopher Lewis, executive producer of "Pic Flix," which is broadcast on Fridays at 9 p.m.

According to Lewis, variety in entertainment style was just as important to the production team as variety in programming. He said the show was always intended to be a "down-to-earth" show that critiqued movies in a way that young people could appreciate.

"We didn't want to seem stiff and all formal, all Siskel and Ebert-ish. We just kinda' kick back and talk the way that we talk to each other, from our perspective," Lewis explained.

Meanwhile, hosts Douglas Howington and Camille Woolcock create zany gags for comic relief between critiques of the latest movie releases, but chances are a viewer will find comedy throughout the entire show.

Howington, an accomplished comedian, often offers humorous, 'off-the-wall' insight on the movies, while Woolcock often acts as the voice of reason, adding more somber cri-

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## Theatre Review

## "Sophisticated Lady" Lives Up To Its Name, Receives Rave Reviews

By Rita Bowers  
Staff Writer

The production, "*Sophisticated Lady*," was a musical filled with lively black entertainers that offered a cast of diverse performers.

The artists gave their audience tap, jazz, vocals and humorous dramatic situations. Unlike the usual musical, where the characters spontaneously break into a song, "*Sophisticated Lady*" was a series of routines set to Duke

Ellington's music such as the classics, "*Take the A Train*," "*Peridido*," and "*Don't Get Around Much Anymore*."

Each scene was set to the theme of the 1940's and gave the feeling of being at the Cotton Club on a jazzy night.

The acts were entertaining but some had a unique life of their own. For instance, the scene set to the music of "*It Don't Mean A Thing If It Ain't Got That Swing*," opened with a soulful solo from Chandra Currelly and ended with a delightful tap sequence.

Another scene that I found

provocative was set to the tune of "*Long, Strong, and Consecutive*." In this segment, the Diva singer, Sheila Stroud, sang about a man loving her, her way. And her co-star got on all fours, "Omega style," to prove her point.

The variety of acts gave every performer his or her time to shine. Although each person sparkled, a few shined just a little bit brighter.

The young actor, nicknamed Dougie, gave an excellent tap performance each time he came to the stage. His counterpart, Jennifer Millman, proved herself to be his equal.

Although the tap dancers were highlighted, Kristi Garrett, a modern dancer, aggressively showed she could not be out-staged.

The key theme of the show seemed to be colorful streaks of soul. Some of the dramatizations were of "players" getting played, the Harlem street life and sultry romance.

Along with its upbeat style, it gave

way for some superb blues renditions. The true Diva, Stroud, proved herself worthy of Patti LaBelle status in her solos "*Solitude*" and "*The Blues*." Currelly also held her own with the solo, "*In a Sentimental Mood*." The two combined their strengths for a duet that brought memories of a love gone wrong to anyone in the audience.

Despite the low scale customs and set props, the characters proved to me that they were quality, high budget performers.

Expect to hear more about the dazzling men and "*Sophisticated Ladies*."

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## Dead Redd

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of select distribution spots across the Southeast at the end of April.

As he anxiously awaits the appearance of his pictorial vision in stores, Herring is keeping himself busy with his academic and extra-curricular activities. Not only is the high-achieving young man a full-time business administration student, but he holds office as president of CAU's sophomore class.

Herring credits his father with having had the most significant impact upon his decision to follow his entrepreneurial spirit.

As Algenard Herring I also makes a living as an entrepreneur, he has been able to mentor his son in his development of Trident Media, Inc.

Herring II maintains, however, that it was ultimately his own initiative that enabled him to solidify his vision. In retrospect, he said he feels his greatest obstacle has been in convincing his elders.

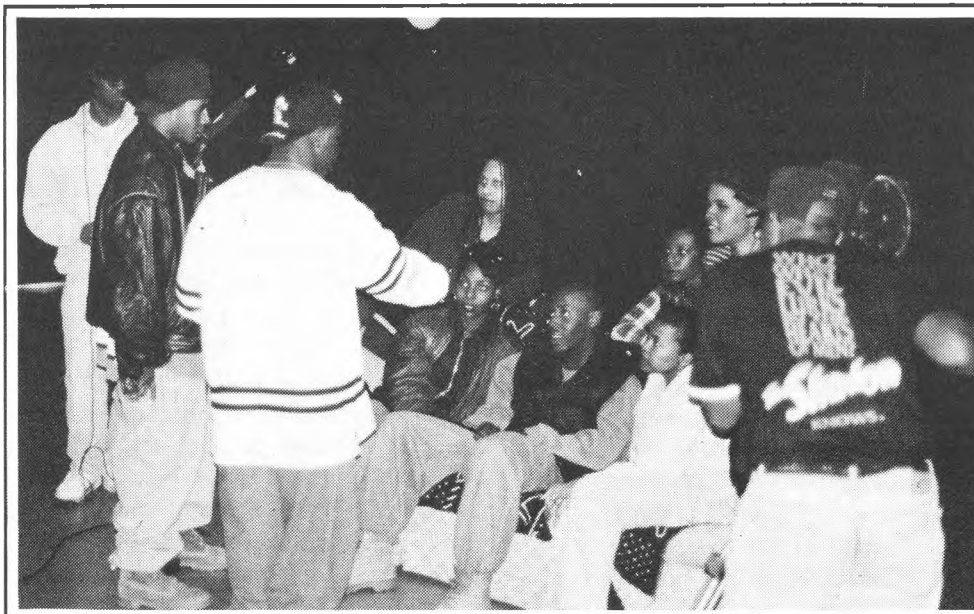
He said Convincing an adult world that he is serious about his goals and ideas often proves taxing and very difficult for the young business rookie.

However, Herring said that his every waking hour reassurance to himself, of himself, has engendered his three-year success. He also holds the belief that it can be done by anyone who has a strong will and a focus that is unwavering.

For the future of Trident Media, Inc., he foresees another comic book with the focus on black women, as well as other media-based endeavors. Ultimately, Herring aspires to enjoy continued success and a positive result in everything he touches.

## Student Achievements

## Student Filmmakers Seek Investors for "The Contract"



(Photo by Clarence Rolle)

Filmmakers in the making, Marc Abbott (backward cap) explains a scene while Ronald Hart prepares the camera.

By Clarence Rolle  
Contributing Writer

Filmmakers Ronald Hart and Marc Abbott want film investors to agree with "*The Contract*," their 15-minute student production.

Hart, a graduating senior, and Abbott, an alumnus, teamed up this semester to film their short movie at CAU. The piece was filmed over a three-day period with a student cast and production crew.

The duo plan to enter it in film competitions and show it to film investors in efforts to raise money to produce a longer version of "*The Contract*."

"We're going to shop it around and let people take a look at it," said Abbott, who directed "*The Contract*." "The storyline is solid. We arranged it so it could be understandable, but at the same time, leave enough out so people can wonder, 'What is going to actually happen out of this situation?'"

"We know there is someone out there who will want to finance a low-budget film that has positive messages," said Hart, the executive producer.

"*The Contract*" is the first independent film that Hart and Abbott have combined their talents to produce, and the two said it was a challenge because it was their first film.

The upcoming director and producer

said that shooting the movie on video tape would have been easier because a ruined shot could be re-recorded on the same tape but added that there is usually only one chance to capture a perfect scene on film. However, Abbott said there was never a doubt that they would use film for their movie since they wanted to be filmmakers, not videotape makers.

"You can shoot on video if you want to take the safe and easy road, but we both

realize that film is not a safe nor is it an easy road to go down," said Abbott. "And to delay, that would be denying ourselves. Within this industry there is nothing called playing it safe, you either do it or you don't."

"And we did it," Hart concluded.

Doing it was not easy, though.

Shooting on film meant the filmmakers had to spend about

\$10 per minute on footage. Using video tape however, would have cost only about \$1.99 per minute. "Financially, it was difficult because we actually had to pinch every dollar we had and not spend it carelessly," said Abbott.

The filmmakers also had to train an inexperienced production crew while filming, but they said they were happy to share some of their knowledge with other interested students.

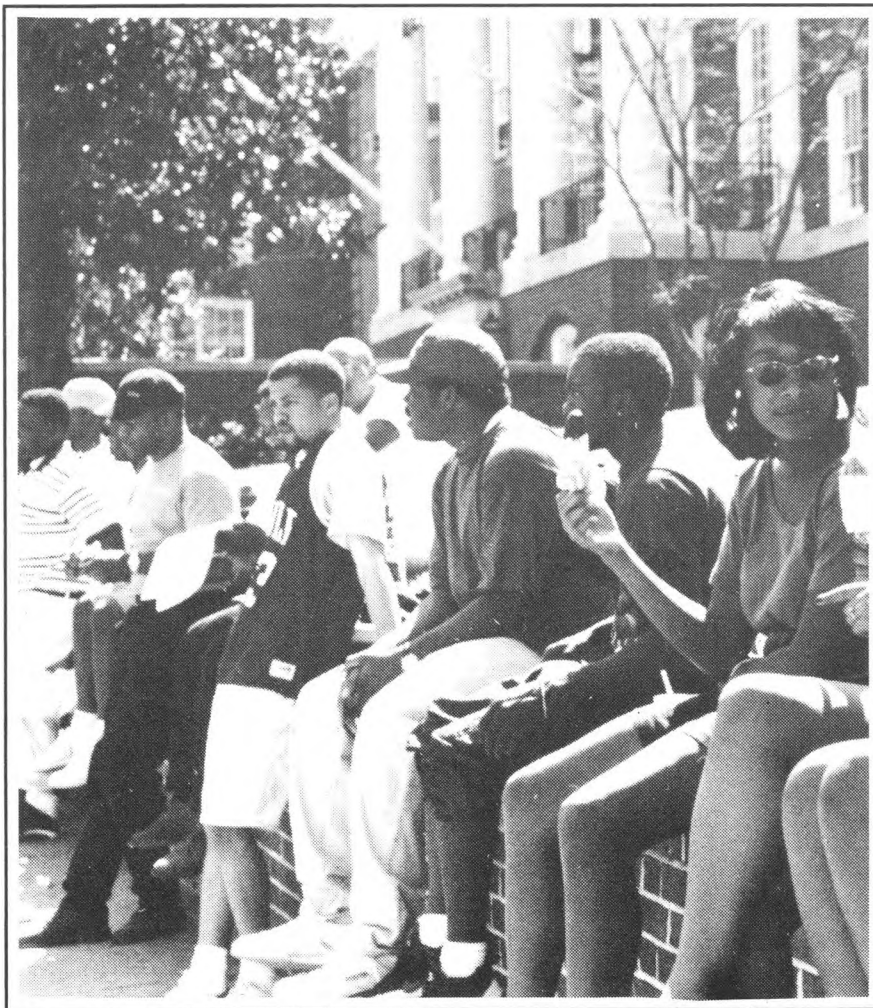
They plan to continue their productions and hope to include professional filmmakers in them to teach students. Hart and Abbott also hope to do film workshops for students.

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-Ronald Hart  
executive producer.



## SPRING FEVER: Stay Indoors If You Don't Want To Become Infected



(Photo by Christian Gooden)

CAU students relax as they line the wall on main campus, suffering from the bug of "Spring Fever." It's obviously spring again.

By Tod Sterling Rose  
Contributing Writer

It's spring again, and there is a new outbreak of "Spring Fever" in the Atlanta University Center community.

The month of April is perhaps the most social month of the year for students of the AUC — especially this year.

If the weather is not enough to enhance the previously hibernating social scene and increase the numbers affected by the fever, the recent rejuvenation of Greek life on campus has added to the outbreak.

The ladies of Alpha Kappa Alpha (AKA) Sorority, Inc. from Morris Brown and Spelman Colleges have initiated a combined total of 83 new members, not to mention those from Clark Atlanta University.

And, the women of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc. from CAU and MBC have initiated a combined total of 90 new members. Meanwhile, CAU played host to the initiation of 12 Omegas', 14 Sigmas' and seven Zetas'.

Obviously Greek life is booming and adding to the fever, not to mention of the Black College Weekend in Daytona Beach, Fla. that took place on April 7-9 or Freedom Fest, April 21-23.

This mouthful of festivities, better known as "Spring Fever," has already claimed many victims and student reports confirm a count of those who have actually been infected.

When asked if he thought "Spring Fever" affect students grades, Scott Morris, a MBC

senior said, "Most definitely! I'm willing to bet that students' grades overall are higher in the fall than in the spring because when it's warm, most students put their grades second."

Monique Holovan, a Spelman junior from New York, disagreed with Morris and said, "Well it hasn't really affected my grades, per-say. I just procrastinate more, but I think the freshmen will be affected."

Another student, Kemet Ra of Morehouse, gave his prognosis on how students catch the fever and said, "Basically it depends on your reason for being here. If you are here for academics, then the weather doesn't matter. He added, "If you are here for leisure, then you will be side-tracked."

Meanwhile, Scott Holder a CAU senior gave his views about the contagious fever and said, "The spring weather makes us more social as a people and makes us want to do more stuff; you know, short skirts and short shorts." Holder added however, "But those who are here for business will get back to it."

Student experts warn that you can be infected and not know it, claiming it "affects the mind first." They also say that it will cause women to dress more provocatively and exude an aura that can mesmerize most men.

If you have not been infected, experts insist that the best way to avoid "Spring Fever" is to engage in intense indoor study sessions with large groups of people!

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# SPORTS

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## Men's, Women's Tennis Made It To SIAC Tournament

By Krystal Hunter  
Sports Editor

As the SIAC tournament, set for April 21-24, drew near, Coach Oliver McClendon shared his confidence about the tennis team's chances in the playoffs and its performance for next year.

The Clark Atlanta Panthers men's tennis team has a 8-2 conference record while the women's team has an 11-0 conference record.

Coach McClendon said he is so impressed with the play of his teams, he cannot name one particular player who has stood out.

"This season, everybody has

really stepped up and performed very well," he said. "I expect that several of my players will win titles in the tournament."

After the tournament, held at the South Fulton Tennis Center, McClendon said he looks forward to the 1996 season. "First of all, we will see the new tennis

courts become more of a reality because of the Olympics."

The tennis courts, which are now under construction, will be completed in September of 1995. The tennis team will benefit from the new courts because most of the players who are playing this year will be returning.

"We are losing two seniors

(Devon White and Conward Jones), but if everyone maintains the grades to keep themselves eligible, we will have a lot of people returning." As far as new recruits, the coach has extended offers to people but he is waiting for their response.

## Summer's Health And Beauty Tips Offer Major Do's and Don'ts

By Julie Blackburn  
Contributing Writer

No matter where your travel plans may take you this summer, it is almost guaranteed that the heat will meet you there.

Whether you suffer from the dreaded "poof" due to Georgia's summer humidity, eye irritation resulting from the extremely high pollen counts or heat strokes, here are some tips for you.

### HAIR DO'S

"Summer is the busiest time in our salon," said stylist Jaz of the All About Hair Gallery, which gives a plethora of suggestions for maintaining summer hair.

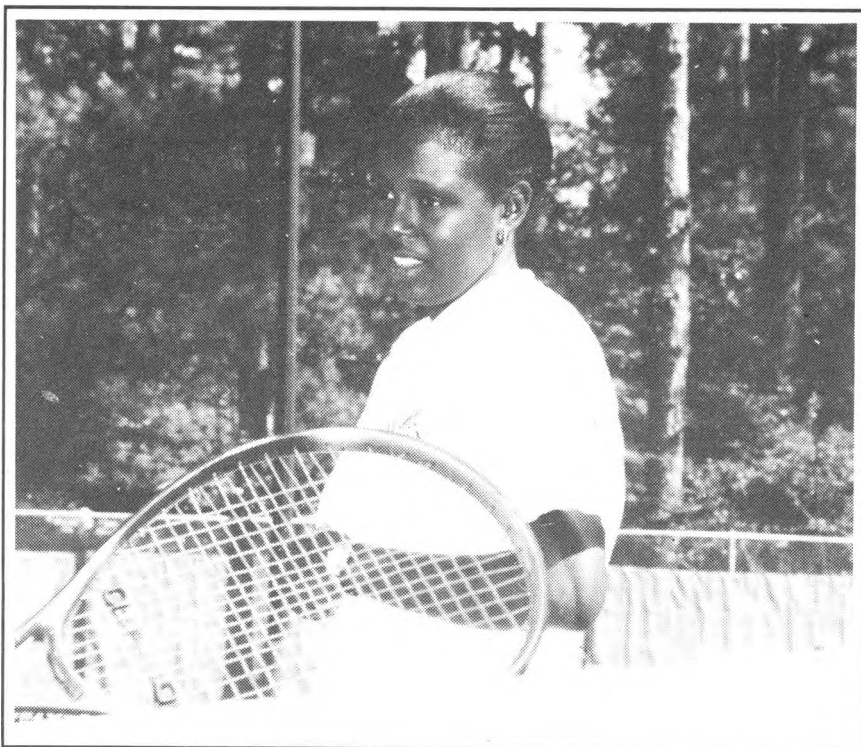
Many salons recommend a cellophane to protect hair from the sun during the spring and summer months.

"For women I suggest low maintenance hair styles such as wraps, up-do's and roller sets throughout the summer because less heat is used in maintaining them," said Jaz. "These styles, along with a weekly shampoo and conditioning, will create healthier hair." For the summer swimmers, Jaz said they should apply conditioner to the hair and then put on a swimming cap to cut down on the brittleness and dryness so often caused by high levels of chlorine in swimming pools.

In addition, Jaz suggested the use of products such as Paul

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## Athlete Of the Month



(Photo by Christian Gooden)

Volleying between tennis and class, this Athlete of the Month does it all.

A political science major, Lampkin is handling both school and athletics. With a 3.1 GPA, she admits that she seems to be doing pretty well.

Lampkin, who plays second in singles and first in doubles, said her hardest competitor was Savannah State.

"They just had a good number one and number two player...They're just good, not as good as us, just good."

## From Reluctance To "Love" Tennis Player Eyes Game's Future

By Dionne Reynolds  
Contributing Writer

It was just by chance that Sylloris Lampkin ended up playing tennis.

A native of Atlanta, Lampkin was never interested in tennis until she was dragged on tennis trips by her friends. She explained that her friends were forced into tennis by their parents, and she just so happened to be available to ease her friends' pain and go along for the trips.

Lampkin started to play tennis in middle school but did not continue in high school although she said she still played "a little." While still attending North Atlanta High School, Lampkin was discovered by Clark Atlanta University Tennis Coach Oliver McClendon. "I was at McGee Tennis Center and he saw me play," said Lampkin. "He asked me to come play (at CAU)."

A sophomore, Lampkin said she came to CAU for the tennis and because it was close to home. "I wasn't ready to leave just yet," she said.

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Lampkin, who plays second in singles and first in doubles, said her hardest competitor was Savannah State. "They just had a good number one and number two player," she said. "They're just good, not as good as us, just good," said Lampkin smiling.

She plans to play tennis for the rest of her college term and said she would like to improve on "mental toughness." With school, she would like to improve on her study habits.

After graduation, Lampkin said she would like to either go to graduate school or work for the government.

When asked whether she would like tennis to be in her future, Lampkin said, "I would like for it to be." She would also like to participate in tennis clinics for various tennis companies.



# The Year In Sports

By Steven Barringer  
Assistant Sports Editor

The end of the 1994-95 school year also brings an end to the Clark Atlanta University sports season.

In a recent interview with Dr. Richard Cosby, director of athletics, he had a chance to voice his opinions on the year in sports.

## FOOTBALL

CAU football had its bright points, one of which was becoming "King of the AUC" by defeating rivals Morris Brown and Morehouse, and a homecoming victory. Cosby said he was disappointed in several games especially those against Fort Valley State, Savannah State and Tuskegee.

"We consider ourselves out matched in depth in games against Albany State and Valdosta State," he said. CAU finished with a 3-7 record (sixth in the SIAC).

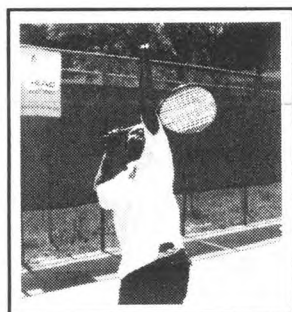
The Panthers had 15 freshmen players which made up at least 60 to 70 percent of the starters for the team and are expected to be a big part of the team next year according to Cosby. "We expect the experience of the freshmen this year to blend with transfer student athletes and seniors next year to give us a combination that will make us competitive with any team."

Recruitment has gone well for the football team and Cosby is optimistic. "We've had a good recruitment season, we've signed some All-State and All-American players from high schools and junior colleges with good size, speed and academics. Our season will exceed .500 next year," Cosby said.

## TENNIS TEAM

Cosby was pleased with both the men's and women's tennis teams.

"I think the key to the tennis team is good leadership between the players and coaches, as well as the player coach relationship. The team continues to be very consistent and ranks among the top three teams in the conference," Cosby said.



## WOMEN'S VOLLEYBALL

"The women's volleyball program had an outstanding season and finished third in the conference and had a player, Sherell Carter, stay in the NCAA Division II national rankings for the entire season," Cosby said.

## TRACK

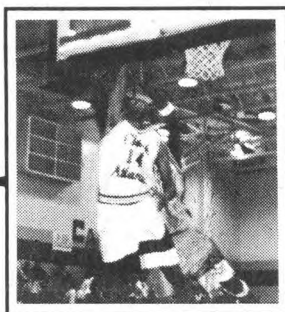
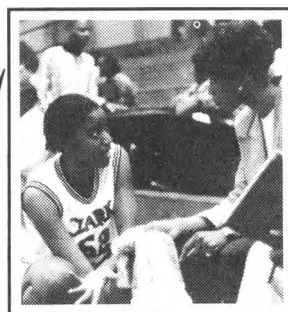
The track team, according to Cosby, has represented CAU well and according to Cosby are getting better.

"The track team has become more competitive and represent the athletic program adequately," said Cosby.

When asked about improvements in the track program, Cosby said he has thought of a way that may do some good.

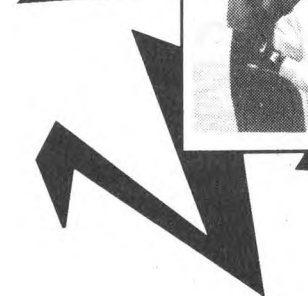
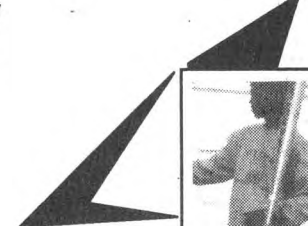
"The key to improving the program is to look for male and female student athletes that can compete in two sports football and track, volleyball and track, basketball and track etc.," Cosby noted. "My plan is to bring that dual combination about."

He also said that obtaining the Olympic track will be a major help in improving track recruitment and the entire track program. Cosby further stated that plans are in the works to hold an annual track meet of HBCU's. The meet would include schools from the SIAC, MEAC, CIAA, SWAC and WAC Conferences as well as other independent HBCU's from across the country.



## MEN'S BASKETBALL

On the court, CAU basketball got off to a rocky start with the team losing its first 11 games. Cosby attributes the slow start of the team to many different factors, one of which was the team's inability to find the right chemistry on the court. The team was however, able to come-back and make the end of the season interesting. The Panthers finished strong and earned a berth in the SIAC Tournament "which I consider to have salvaged a poor season," Cosby said.



## WOMEN'S BASKETBALL

Women's basketball experienced a much welcomed turn around and was one of the brightest spots for CAU athletics.

Under their new Head Coach Angelyn Brown, the Lady Panthers had one of their best seasons ever. They achieved a 16-11 record, a 100 plus point game against Tuskegee, a trip to the SIAC Tournament for the first time in nine years and made it to the semi-final round.

Cosby attributes all of the Lady Panthers' success to their new coach.

"It's her (Angelyn Brown's) personality, the way she has prepared herself to coach and selected assistants who fit into her program," he said. Cosby went on to praise the entire women's basketball program.

"The composition of the women's basketball team exemplifies what is expected of student athletes from CAU." He directed his attention to the April 6 issue of *Black Issues in Higher Education*. The magazine featured an article on the Lady Panthers and highlighted the compiled team GPA of 3.4 as well as Brown's emphasis on achieving in the classroom first and on the court second.

## BASEBALL

The baseball team went into its second year, moving up to a varsity status. The team began its season without a home field and a lack of an adequate practice facility. Their season ended with a sub .500 record and plans are in the works to make improvements.

"We're looking at every possible way to make it (the baseball program) very competitive. Consideration will be given to every aspect to bring about a significant change," said Cosby.

## The Road Most Traveled... Baseball Team Swings Harder

By Krystal Hunter  
Sports Editor

The road to the April 21-23 SIAC tournament play-offs was not an easy one for the Clark Atlanta University baseball team. In the last part of the season, they will have to play eight games, four of which will be on the road.

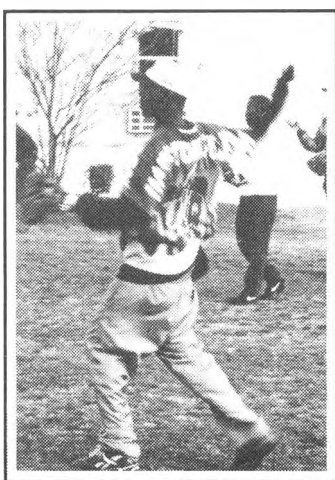
Despite the rigorous schedule, the team appeared to be very optimistic and excited about the playoffs.

"It will be very good for the guys because they are young," said Coach Dwayne Scott. "Most of the guys have two to three years left of eligibility. They can gain exposure."

The SIAC playoffs are the opportunity for all teams to start out with a clean slate. The sole purpose of the season is to determine what the seeds will be for the tournament.

"Another good thing about the playoffs is that it is double elimination, meaning that if a team loses one game they can still come back to win it all," said David Macer, junior pitcher for the Panthers. "That happened last year at Morehouse, they lost one game and eventually went on to come in third place in the conference."

Scott seems to be confident in his team's abilities. Although they have lost a lot of games, Scott said, "Many of the losses we had were in



games that we started off leading, but the team gets tired toward the end because the lack of players forces many of the guys to play three or four positions." Scott added, "Many other teams in the conference have 23-25 players, while we only have 10-13."

The chances of winning a conference title depends on the rest and staying power of the Panthers.

The Panthers are looking forward to next year. All the players on this year's roster will be playing except Antwan Pinckney who will be graduating.

Also, the Wolverines of Morris Brown College will rise to varsity status and become a contender in the SIAC. "It will be good for the AUC to have more than one baseball team because it may attract more baseball talent to the AUC."

## "We Are Still Building The Team"

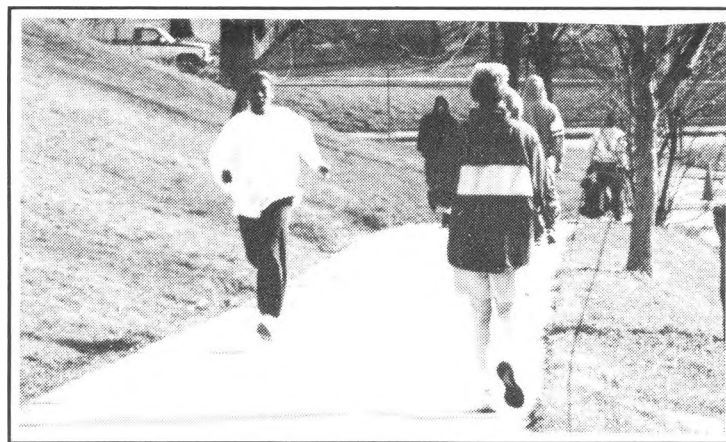
By Julie Blackburn  
Contributing Writer

Clark Atlanta University's track and field team warmed up for the AUC and Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC) championship meets, set April 21.

The team has already been exposed to a couple of meets, but Coach Dave Edwards sites the University of Georgia relays as the team's best performance.

"Even though the guys have been weaker than the women this season, they are developing more pride in their performance," said Edwards.

With the women leading the conference in the 400m relay, Edwards hopes for at least one



(Photo by Christian Gooden)

The CAU Men's and Women's Track and Field Team warm-up for a successful season.

national win.

"Kyras Webb ran a split time of 56 seconds in the 1600m relay. If she runs the same time in the open 400m she will qualify for nationals," he said.

Additional members of the team who have performed well are Barnet Hudson, Cheryl Jones and Sheria Mitchell.

Edwards said he was not going to set any "lofty goals because we are still building the team," but hoped the team placed in the top seven.

In addition, Edwards said the AUC meet will be aspiring for the women who have won the annual meet for the past few consecutive years."

## Summer Health Tips

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Mitchell, Joico and Nexus.

Although these may be more expensive than most products, the stylist said that a person's hair will appreciate it in the end.

### RED EYE

Another problem that the summer months may bring is puffy, red eyes often associated with pollen and heat.

Allergy specialists give tips such as head elevation at night or applying a cold compress or small ice pack to eyes for 15 minutes, for those prone to puffiness.

Sunglasses are indeed a great way to fight off red eyes that

sometimes come from invisible ultraviolet (UV) radiation beamed down from the sun.

"If your eyes are over-exposed to these rays, you may risk development of cataracts later in life," said ophthalmologist Dr. Brian Lee of Atlanta.

Lee said the darkness of a lens cannot measure the UV protection, and when buying shades make sure that labels on the glasses specify 99 to 100 percent UV protection.

### GIMME FEVER

Heat or sun stroke is another common element of summer marked by fainting, nausea, dif-

ficulty in breathing or the extreme, unconsciousness.

What most people fail to realize is that it is possible to have a heat stroke in water.

"Most times the victim will need oxygen and immediate shelter from the sun. In less severe cases where victim is alert, you should cool down the body temperature naturally without shocking it," said six year life guard for the Chicago Park District, Diallo Marvel.

According to Marvel if a victim suffers from pale or clammy skin, the heat stroke is at its worst and a physician should be contacted.

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## Pic Flix

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tiques.

"It's very spontaneous, which is why I'm happy and fortunate to work with these people," Lewis said, "because they are very spontaneous, very insightful and very creative."

He continued, "That's what I was looking for when I was trying to figure out who was going to be on the show. Honestly, unless I had these people, I wouldn't do this show. Unless I had the crew that I have that work in front of the camera as well as behind the camera, I wouldn't even bother."

Howington hosted "Pic Flix" alone when it was first broadcast in January. According to Lewis,

Woolcock joined him later to add a different point of view to the show. Lewis said Howington and Woolcock were able to work together with a special kind of comic chemistry that often sends them off on wacky tangents that gives the show its spontaneity.

"It's stressful," said Woolcock joking spontaneously about working with Howington. "I can't handle it. He's driving me crazy." He then said seriously, "Aw, I guess it's all right. He's like my better half."

Woolcock said she relies on Howington to give her a boost when her performance energy goes down. "I hope he feeds off me because I feed off him," she said.

"I do feed off her just like she feeds off me, and I try to bring something to it every week, something different," said Howington after clowning (spontaneously) through a wild story about his unnatural birth, supposedly to explain why he and Woolcock are a good combination.

Lewis said his goal is for the show to be recognized by students, to inform students about the quality of movies and to keep them in touch with the mass communications department.

Woolcock said the show is also trying to provide film critiques from the view of black critics. "We don't have that, so we're trying fill that void," she said.



## Without You...

### Sports Editor Thanks "Contributors"

By Krystal Hunter  
Sports Editor

As sports editor, I would like to thank some very key personnel who helped make the sports section of the Clark Atlanta University Panther informative and as exciting as the many wonder games, matches and meets.

First of all, I would like to thank Dr. Richard Cosby, the athletic director at CAU, for planning and coordinating a year in sports that my sports writers and I found exciting to report. I would also like to thank you for being very forthcoming with information.

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A final thank you goes to the coaches, players and athletic staff for the time you spent with the reporters and myself. Whether you each came in defeat or victory, you were always willing to speak with us lending your critiques of plays, plans for the next game and keys to victory.

To all those who helped the sports section of *The Clark Atlanta University Panther*, without you, there would be no us.

Thank you for your support!

## Shukura

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"People don't think the queens do anything, but I have traveled," said Ingram. Ingram's travels have taken her to conferences as far away as Washington, DC.

Ingram's final plea for the student body concerned the recent elections for the office she leaves vacant. Before the April 12 elections Ingram said, "When you vote, go back to the basics. Are you voting for a candidate that's pretty, and has a good talent, or are you voting for someone who has proven to be a good leader?"

Ingram also advised that candidates for Miss CAU "stick to their platforms and make sure that their intent is from the heart and not for personal gain."

As the campus bustled with campaign activity and the election of a new Miss CAU, Ingram quietly prepared herself for graduation in May. She will spend the summer waiting to hear from Emory University's School of Law and the various other law schools to which she has applied.

Student reactions to Ingram's reign have been mixed. Freshman Nicole Ransom said, "I don't know what she has done. I just know her because she was in the paper, but I don't know what she has done for CAU or

what she's supposed to do for that matter."

Echoing her sentiments was Kimberly Roberts. "She hasn't done anything to unify the student body. As a spokesperson for the school, she's okay, but she was just a beauty queen."

Sophomore Kimberlee Huff disagreed with Ransom and Roberts and said, "I think she did a pretty good job due to the fact that she was active in student government activities and activities in her major. I also think that she has been very visible."

Senior Stephan Jurgan said, "I think Shukura has done a wonderful job as Miss CAU, but the problem with most people is that she doesn't act the way people want her to act. I think Shukura is simply Shukura. I think most people who said she has not been around, have not been around either." He continued, "I've seen Shukura at many events. People need to get off of Shukura because her reign is up and she was still queen."

Summing up her year as Miss CAU Ingram admits, "Looking back, I think there were things that I could have done better, but that's with anything you do. I don't regret anything that I've done."

## Sports Year In Review

By Krystal Hunter  
Sports Editor

### CAU Athletes who have won AUC and SIAC Honors

#### Football:

- Willie Hunter - AUC Head Coach of the Year
- Olympia Fluellen - First Conference Defensive Team
- Chris Ryan - AUC player of the year; Second Conference Offensive Team.
- Chris Dubon - Second Conference Defensive Team
- Takia Oglesby - Academic All-American

#### Band:

- Tasha Binion, Nile Burge and Cedric Davis were elected to the 1994-1995 Olympic Band.

#### Volleyball:

- Sherell Carter - became third in NCAA Division II hitting; placed on the SIAC volleyball All-Tournament Team.
- Tenesha Smith - Hustle Award for the 1994 SIAC volleyball tournament.

#### Men's and Women's Basketball

- Tyrone Bradford - 1995 SIAC All-Tournament Team.
- Kenneth Harris- SIAC All- Academic Team
- Michael Davis - SIAC All-Academic Team
- Robin Meadows - SIAC All-Tournament Team
- Tonya Robinson - SIAC All-Tournament Team, All SIAC Conference Team
- Andrienne Tinch - SIAC All-Tournament Team
- Cathy Thomas - All SIAC Academic Team

Clark Atlanta University's football team played their home games in the Georgia Dome where they shared many double-headers with AUC sister school, Morris Brown.

The volleyball team finished with an improved 16-4 record, ending up in third place in the SIAC tournament.

The UNCF unity weekend spotlighted a classic confrontation between Morehouse and Clark Atlanta University's football and basketball teams. Morehouse won the basketball game 114-102. CAU won the football game 20-6.

Women's basketball team broke the Clark Atlanta University single game scoring record with the defeat of Tuskegee 102-70.

The women's basketball team made it to the semi-finals of the SIAC tournament but was defeated by Albany State.

The Olympic Track, which will belong to Clark Atlanta University after the event, is under construction and is due to be complete in July 1995.

The baseball team played its first year as a conference team with varsity status.

The Braves gave the Clark Atlanta University a grant for its baseball program.

Tennis courts are under construction and are due to be completed in September 1995.

## Pre-Registration

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order for this system to work effectively, however, students who receive financial aid must make sure they complete all necessary financial aid documents. No amount of changes will help if their financial aid isn't complete."

In the fall of 1994, the scan-tron process was introduced as a pre-registration tool, replacing multi-copy registration forms of the past. Students were instructed to complete scan-trons and return them to their appointed advisors in the one-step process.

Some students said while this system worked better than the previous one, they still had to crowd into the gym, some-

times taking more than one day to complete the assembly-line registration process.

CAU junior, Deloria Robinson remembers this process.

"The scan-tron process took just as much time as the old one," said Robinson. "With the new system, students will at least be guaranteed the classes they've selected."

And Ike Roberson, a co-enrolled senior with Paine College and CAU said he has been eagerly awaiting improvements in the registration process.

"Since I have to register twice every semester, I welcome any change that will

make the process easier," said Roberson. "When I come here, it usually takes three days to register. Nobody should have to wait three days to get classes they've pre-registered for. Hopefully the new system will change all that."

Students who would like to learn more about the new registration process may want to keep an eye out for the upcoming meeting sponsored by the Student Government Association.

According to Fresh, in the future, students should look for more technological upgrades in the registration process. Fresh added that future registration systems may include telephone registration and an on-line lab process.

# Headline Stories Of The Year

- Freaknic Not Welcomed In Atlanta
- O.J.-Did He Do It?
- Historical CAU Building Destroyed In Fire
- Host Broadcast Training Program Ushers Students In
- Mayor Campbell No Show At CAU Convocation
- Students' Removal From CAU Protested
- Student Shootings and Murders Stun AUC
- Scan-tron System Gets Low Marks
- Easy-E Dies of AIDS
- Jordan Returns To The NBA
- Newt Gingrich Plans
- Contract For America
- Tupac Arrested For Sexual Battery
- Mike Tyson Arrested
- Nursery Plaza Planned To Close
- Morehouse President Leroy Keith's Resignation Linked To Misallocated Funds
- CAU Student Center Breaks New Ground
- Charles Dutton Directs 1st ever African American King Lear using students from AUC
- Good Morning America Tapes Live From CAU's Campus



## Gourmet Services Continued From P4

gram for the benefit of students.

"Each year we add something new to the program," Branch said. "More fast food was added this year, along with vegetarian entrees and an expanded deli bar."

GSI, the largest and oldest black-owned food service company in the country, celebrated 20 years of service to 21 colleges and universities including Hampton University, Dillard University and Talladega College.

After the company was started in 1975 in Charlotte, N.C., Branch said that it has continued to positively serve its students.

However, those students that the university responded to continue to feel that the company needs work.

In response to the cancellation of the contract, Tameka Anderson of New Orleans said, "I don't want anyone worse than Gourmet Services. They (GSI) serve a lot of things students don't particularly like," Anderson said. "Gourmet Service's food leaves something to be desired," she added.

Branch hopes to continue with the upgrading of the program, allowing input with the planning and design of the company. As a part of that plan, she plans to hire new culinary chefs.

Moreover, Branch plans to encourage more student involvement by hiring student managers for the upcoming school year.

## Plaza Nursery Continued From P4

their calls.

"Whether I put it in writing or verbally, we can discuss it in an appropriate manner," said Poellnitz. Dr. Cole agreed.

A Dec. 19 meeting was eventually with Dr. Cole and parents.

"Several names and churches were thrown out," said Wright. However, none of the contacts from that meeting have been successful in securing another location, she said. "We have not given up," said Wright as she waved to one of the parents picking their child up from daycare.

Meanwhile, another meeting with Cole and the nursery has been scheduled for late April and Wright and University Plaza parents said they hope Cole will be able to answer their questions then.

Meanwhile, Cole said CAU does have a daycare program in the form of Headstart.

But everyone, as staff member

Sheriee Davis found out is not eligible.

"I've been checking and I was disappointed that my daughter is ineligible for Headstart," said Davis, a CAU Art Department secretary who has a daughter at the nursery.

Headstart, however, is a federally funded program — not a CAU program reminded Dr. Ajamu Nyomba, an economics professor at CAU whose son goes to University Plaza Nursery.

According to reports, CAU established an endowment campaign to pay college tuition for some students now in the Headstart program. CAU's Headstart program has 1,800 3 and 4-year-olds enrolled who may have a place at CAU when they complete high school.

Headstart employees and the university contributed \$25,000 to establish the endowment, with remaining funds expected to come from individuals, civic and corporate donors during the next five years.

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