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bricks at me," Meredith said.

Carter ended his talk by quoting from a speech William Faulkner gave to the Southern Historical Association in Memphis, Tenn., in 1955, at the height of the civil rights movement. Though a white southerner, Faulkner in many ways invoked the ire of his fellow Mississippians and even members of his own family for his moderate stance on the question of civil rights.

In his speech, Faulkner came down squarely in favor of change. "We must be free not because we claim freedom, but because we practice it," Faulkner said. The choice that whites must make, he said, is not one of "white against black," but rather "whether or not white people shall remain free."

"We speak now against the day," Faulkner said, "when our Southern people who will resist to the last these inevitable changes in social relations, will, when they have been forced to accept what they at one time might have accepted with dignity and goodwill, will say, 'Why didn't someone tell us this before? Tell us this in time?"

We too have a choice, Carter said, whether we wish to make, as in the words of the preamble to the Constitution, a "more perfect union" for ourselves and our posterity. "Freedom is never easy," he said. "We must remember that we are part of a larger society.

"For the founding fathers, this was all of a piece. It is impossible to provide for the common good for ourselves and our posterity unless we also form a society that promotes the general welfare," he said. In order to avoid jeopardizing the freedoms we now enjoy, "we too must now speak against the day, so that we do not one day have to ask, 'Why didn't someone tell us this before? Tell us this in time?"

A native of Florence, S.C., Carter was for years a distinguished professor of history at Emory University. In 2000, Carter left Emory to become the first Educational Foundation Professor of History at the University of South Carolina in Columbia, where he earned his undergraduate degree. He has written several prize-winning books, including "Scottsboro: A Tragedy of the American South" (1969), "When the War was Over: The Failure of Self-Reconstruction in the South, 1865-1867" (1985) and "The Politics of Rage: George Wallace, the Origins of the New Conservatism, and the Transformation of American Politics" (1995).

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tor of the "Senko" worm, Yamamoto has upped the jackpot with the new "Fat Senko", at 3 inches, this hefty bait, texas rigged with a 1/8 oz. bullet weight, will produce results your granddad would be proud of.

No tackle box is complete without some great products from YUM Baits. The slogan is "Live Prey Technology" which means these baits "simulate the release of live bait-fish enzymes", sounds tasty. YUM brings us the new "Wounded Mega Tube" for a bleeding bait fish impression. They seem to work well for flipping around docks which is no shocker, but used as a jig trailer is a new idea that is getting big press for deep water applications.

Berkley Power Bait is still in the game this year with lures like the "Bungee Power Hawg", sounding more like a drunken Arkansas football fan, this bait has more appendages (six tentacles,two swirly arms, and a double tail for maximum recoil) than Siamese quintuplets. In addition, Berkley gets high marks for it's shad mimicking swim baits. Live action is the name of the game for bass and each bait company is finding new ways to make it more realistic than ever.

If trout fishing is more your thing, the old reliable spinners from Panther Martin are still tops in most ultra light arsenals. Black body with yellow spots and red body with yellow spots are top producers in both area rivers and lakes. I had a great day on the lake recently with a salt & pepper colored beetle spin (silver bladed).

As of Wed. February 23rd, the water temperature in area lakes is still around 45 degrees. This makes bass fishing a painstakingly slow process. The lake trout however, are as active as a hyper kid on Halloween. So now is the time to dust off your rod & reel, organize the tackle box, and put the suds on ice! If anyone is interested in a

"Fishing Club"...especially if you have a boat and / or knowledge of a good lake, drop a line to clarion@brevard.edu. You are living in a great area for fishing, take advantage of it while you can.

Until next time, keep your hooks sharp, your line tight, and the cooler full!



Uncle Mullet's catch: 17 inches of pure bass. (photo by Joel Graham)