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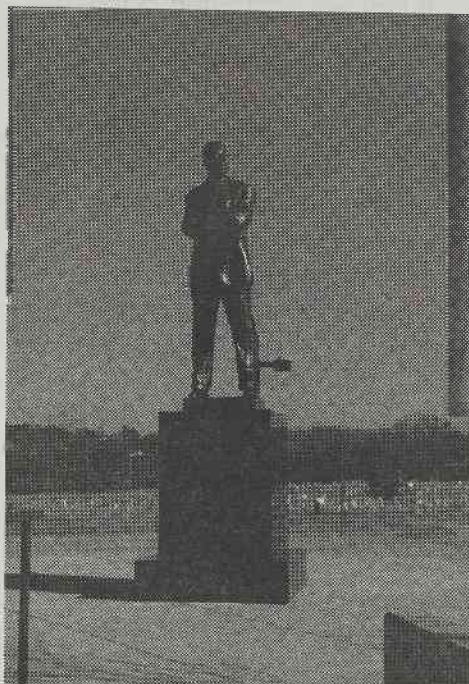
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"My friends of Rocky Mount, I have a dream tonight..."

- Martin Luther King, Jr.



A Statue Of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. is the center piece of the new park which bears his name

By: Matthew Esterline

In November of 1962, well before the March on Washington, Martin Luther King, Jr. gave his "I Have a Dream" speech at Booker T. Washington High School in Rocky Mount.

At the time, the high school was segregated and stood as a symbol of a city that was still very much divided by race. When integration finally became a fact, Booker T. Washington High School was phased out and would eventually become the Booker T. Washington Community Center.

Today, the center stands as a beacon in our community.

I visited the Booker T. Washington Community Center located at 727

Pennsylvania Avenue, less than ten minutes from this campus. While there, I met John Battle, the Coordinator of Recreation Programs for the Rocky Mount Parks and Recreation Department. He was kind enough to give me a brief overview of what the center provides for the community.

The community center offers a number of services. There is a weight room and an activity center where people can read, play pool, and relax. The center also provides activities for children. For instance, there is an after school program, as well as a summer camp, for local children. In addition, the community center has a computer lab to provide access to the internet and learning programs.

Today, the Booker T. Washington Community Center offers a variety of recreational services. A number of classes for children, adults and seniors are provided by the center. These include sewing classes, guitar lessons, and babysitting certification courses, to name a few. The center, also, provides many

sports related programs, such as basketball, volleyball, tennis, and pool tournaments.

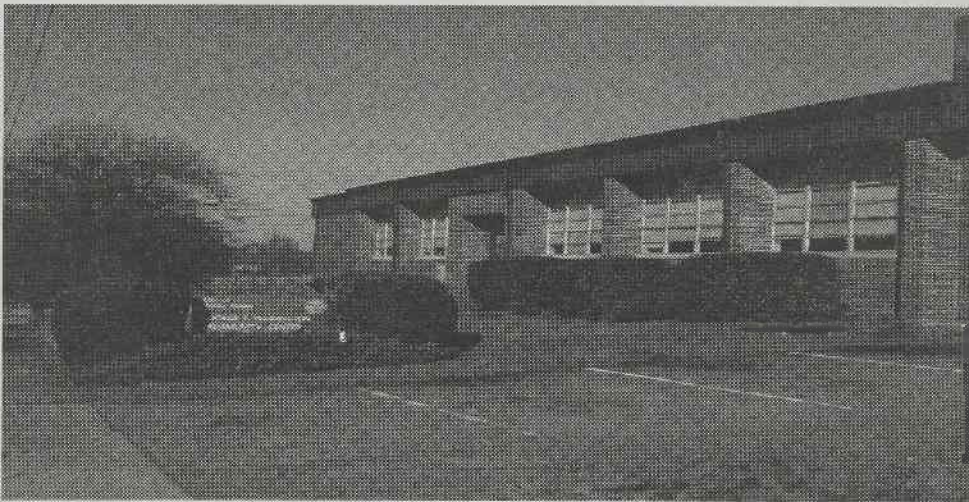
In addition, the center sponsors "Friday Night Live", which offers recreational and social activities to people with disabilities, and the exceptional art program which teaches art and craft skills to children with moderate to mild disabilities.

After leaving the community center, John Battle took me to meet Dorothy Hunter, a graduate of Booker T. Washington High School who lives across the street from the community center. Mrs. Hunter was kind enough to let me in to ask her a few questions about the center and its history.

"It's [Booker T. Washington High School] still very dear to us; to the people who used to go there."

I asked Mrs. Hunter about the phasing out of the school when integration occurred. "...they started pulling teachers out and sending them to the Senior High..."

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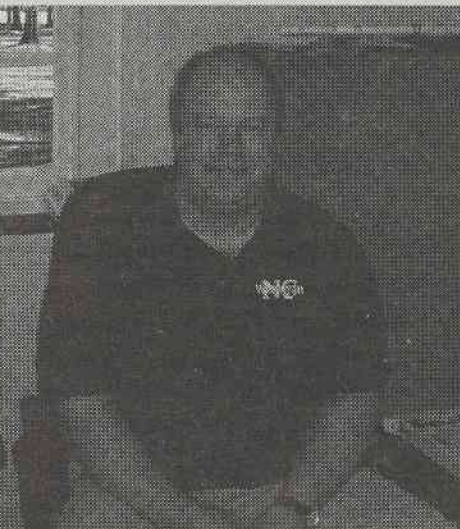
The Booker T. Washington Community Center In Rocky Mount NC

NCWC Football, A Triangle of Life

By: Ron Fitzwater

In what will be the final installment of my in-depth look at football at North Carolina Wesleyan, I sat down with Head football coach Jack Ginn in his office to speak on all things that are, and will be, Division III football.

RF- Well, I guess the question I must start off with, and the one you have, no doubt, been asked a hundred times, is how are things



going?

JG- Things are going well, recruiting is going extremely well. We're not where we need to be with other things, like equipment, facilities and such, but we are moving in the right direction. My staff has worked extremely hard and we're ahead of pace to be honest with you.

RF- OK, lets talk about your staff a little bit, if you would. We all see

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