

Blast From The Past

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Ever wondered what happened in history at FSU today? You no longer have to be puzzled...

Here are some fun and significant facts that are worth knowing about our Mighty Broncos!

February:

9-13, 1946: Fayetteville State Teacher's College (FSTC) observes Negro History Week

22, 1968: The new Chestnut Library improves with 450 student seating in the study areas, a book capacity of 125,000 instead of 6,000, a listening service for records, a Xerox copier, and will open eighty hours a week.

25, 1970: Librarian notices half of the Chestnut Library books are missing, leading to security being administered to check each patron as they leave the library.

3, 1971: Students rally asking for the resignation of President Charles "A" Lyons who wanted FSU to

become part of the UNC institution.

8, 1971: Students gather at the football field to see an image of President Lyons set aflame.

17, 1971: \$3 million was awarded to FSU toward a \$5 million building program by Governor Bob Scott.

11, 1972: FSU selected as cooperating institution in the Student Interns Cooperative Education program of New York City, where the students will receive \$105 weekly.

, 1979: FSU conducts an Alumnus Search Program to track living alumni to keep them informed of activities taking place annually on campus.

17, 1983: FSU Counseling Center opened its first Center for the Enhancement of Educational Development (CEED).

15, 1991: Chancellor Dr. Lloyd V. Hackley kicks off Black History Month with several keynote speakers.

4, 1998: Collapsed ceiling in Hood Hall, after \$6 Million renovations, injures student; she was a-ok!

9, 1998: Wachovia bank awarded FSU \$50,000 in support of the Chancellor's Scholars' Program.

15, 2006: Chancellor T.J Bryan hosts a celebration for students from Inner Mongolia Normal University in China.

10, 2006: FSU is approved to award Master of Science Degree in Criminal Justice.

Information compiled from The Voice Student Newspaper, 1956-1985 and the Charles W. Chestnut library, Archives and Special Collections

Test your knowledge of black history with this quiz, which has a heavy dose of North Carolina history

- 1) Who established the celebration of black history in the month of February and why?
- 2) In what year was Fayetteville State University founded and what was the original name?
- 3) Race riots broke out in North Carolina in 1898. In which city did this happen and who was targeted?
- 4) Who is Henry Evans and why is he important in the religious history of Fayetteville?
- 5) In 1898 John Merrick founded what North Carolina business? It still exists today.
- 6) Who was the first black woman to receive a patent and what was it for?
- 7) Who began publishing a weekly newspaper called The Liberator in 1831? What was it's purpose?
- 8) Where was the country's first black law school established?
- 9) What was the colony of Monrovia and when was it established?
- 10) In what city did four black students begin the sit in movement? What was the result?

For answers visit www.fsuvoice.com and click on Black History Month answers.