

People

CLOSE-UP Kenan Program starts at WSSU

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An apple a day will keep the doctor away or help you get in college, depending on the kind you use. Or that is what some people at Winston-Salem State University are hoping about the latest models of the Apple II computer being used in a program to ready local middle and high school youths for college.

And at least one student sometimes prefers the mechanical apple over food. Christian Young from Hill Middle School gave a loud "boo" when told to leave the computer and go to lunch at the end of

"People are hearing about it and are calling to ask how they can get their children in the program."

— Dr. Marie Williamson

class one day last week.

Dr. Manuel Vargas, a WSSU faculty member working with Young and others this summer, said the students were being taught the basics about the Apple II GS, Apple II E and McIntosh computers. Word processing, data base building and graphics will be covered in their study.

Young is participating with 53 other youngsters in the Kenan College Preparatory Program being held at WSSU.

The project is designed to fit the needs of the

average student — as opposed to the gifted or the slow learner.

Students entering the program must score at or above the 50th percentile on the California Achievement Test (CAT), said Dr. Melvin Gadson of the Department of Education at WSSU who is director of the program. If a child hits the 50 percent mark on the CAT, that means half of the youngsters in the same grade across the nation who take the test score higher and half score lower.

"There are no programs for the average student for the most part," Gadson said. And average students constitute the largest portion of the enrollment in the school system, roughly 67 percent.

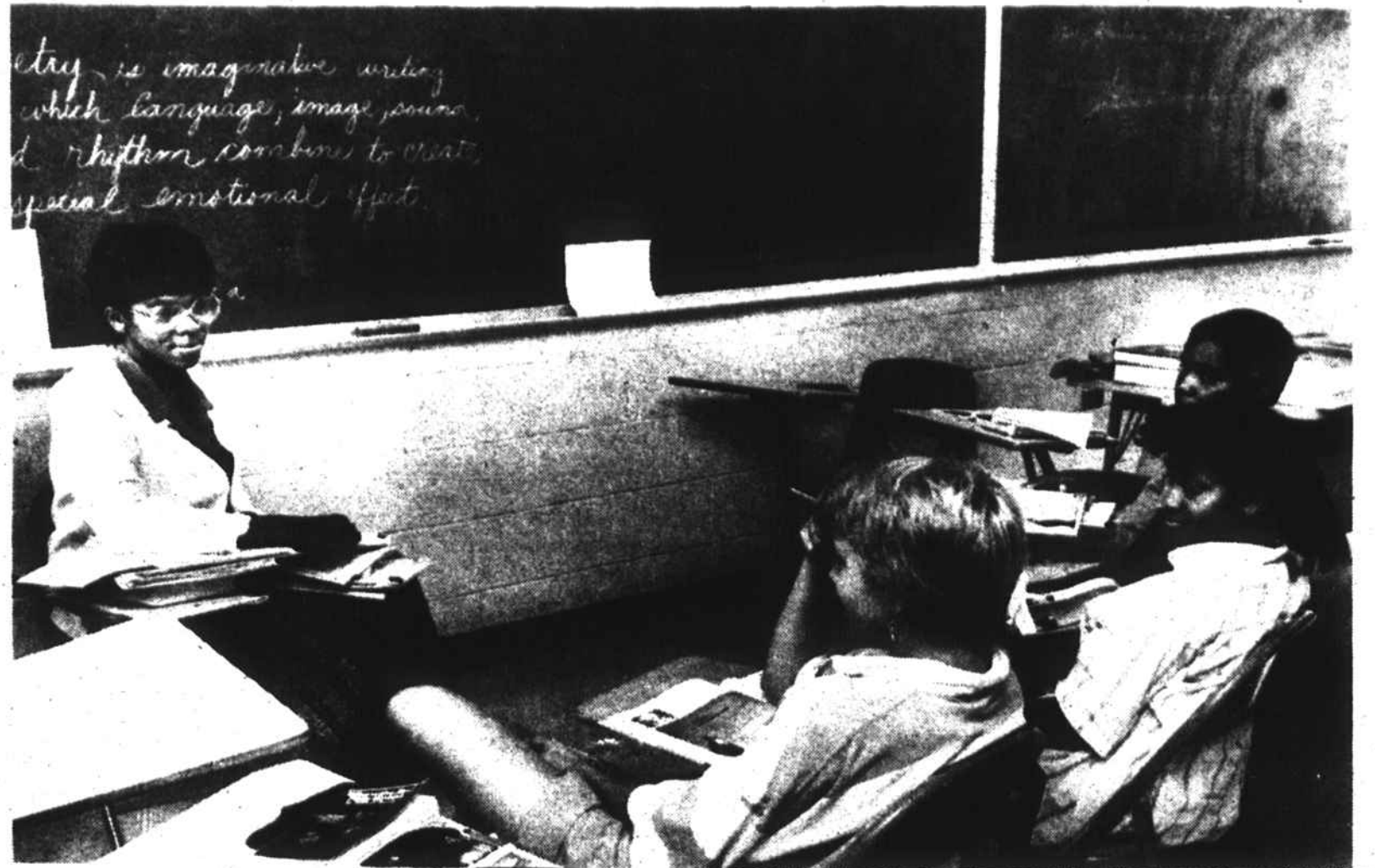
"Many of the children in the average group tend to underachieve," he said.

Numerous factors can influence underachievers like poor study habits, lack of concentration, inconsistency in completing an assignment, lack of appropriate motivation and, in some instances, the lack of sufficient parental support, he added.

For the past year, Gadson has helped coordinate the development of the Kenan project. The venture is funded by the William R. Kenan Jr. Charitable Trust.

Kenan was a wealthy businessman from North Carolina who died in 1965 and left \$65 million to establish the trust that supports several educational programs, according to Dr. David Spense of the Southern Regional Education Board in Atlanta. The board administers the Kenan project funds which are intended to assist traditionally black colleges.

The program and all activities organized through



These local high school students are studying writing skills at WSSU as part of a \$500,000 college preparatory program (photo by Michael Cunningham).

it are free for the youngsters participating

The Winston-Salem students entered the program June 22 for the first summer institute. For two weeks they will live on campus at WSSU and only go home on weekends.

Judging from responses made by some students after their first week in the program, it is already a success. They especially liked staying on campus. "It's like a sleep-in every night for two weeks," said Dr. Mavette Aldrich, program planner for the

Kenan project and a computer instructor at WSSU.

Mrs. Aldrich stressed that while they want the students to learn, they also want to make the learning fun.

Each class is staffed by a teacher and two tutors. The tutors are a certified teacher and a college student.

The young people participating in Kenan are receiving intensive instruction in English and math. Please see page A12

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

FRIDAY, JULY 3

• The Paisley High School Class of 1967 will celebrate its 20th-year reunion through July 5. Any class member not yet contacted should call Nancy Lash at 761-8189.

• The Yadkin County High School Reunion will be held through July 5. There will be a reunion banquet Friday night at the Holiday Inn in Elkin. For more information call Bill Armstrong at 969-9343 or Maryland Scales at 367-7964.

SATURDAY, JULY 4

• The Kimberly Park Tennis Club will sponsor its first Fourth of July Summer Dance from 10 p.m. to 2 a.m. Saturday, July 4, at the convention center. Dress is casual. For more information or tickets contact any member of the club.

• The Scout Committee of Mount Zion Baptist Church will sponsor an educational trip to Cherokee to see the historical drama, "Unto These Hills," July 18. Round trip fare is \$25.50, which includes one meal. For more information call Barbara P. Benson at 723-3426 or Mary Philson at 725-6055.

MONDAY, JULY 6

• The YWCA will provide a six-week program for newly widowed men and women from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Mondays. The sessions will include stages of grief, stress management, coping with bereavement relationships with family and friends, facing practical problems and the problem of loneliness. The cost is \$25 and pre-registration is required by 5 p.m., Monday, July 6. For more information call 722-5138.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 8

• The YWCA's "Lunch at the Y" program will feature a talk on women and burnout at noon. Ann Compere will speak on "Can Women Afford Burnout?: Balance Between Self-care and Expectations." Participants may brown bag or call by 5 p.m. Monday and order lunch. The fee is \$2 for members and \$3 for non-members. Lunch is an additional \$3.50. The nursery will be open until 1 p.m. for the program. For more information call 722-5138.

• The Forsyth County Genealogical Society will meet at 7 p.m. in the auditorium of the Forsyth County Public Library. A program titled, "The Great Philadelphia Wagon Road," will be presented by Joe Matthews. For more information call 766-8482.

THURSDAY, JULY 9

• The Triad Songwriters Association will sponsor Writers' Night from 6 to 8:30 p.m. at the Southside Branch Library. For more information call Bill Chaplin at 722-0805.

• The Pink Broomstick picnic will be held at Miller Park, shelter No. 5 at 11 a.m. The organization, sponsored by the Forsyth Cancer Service, is for women who have had breast surgery. For more information call 725-7421.

PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT

• Volunteers are needed for the Jim Thorpe Golf Classic which will be held at the Winston Lake Golf Classic July 4 and 5. Call Conrad's Hair Design at 725-3074 for more information.

SOCIAL NOTES

Boykin receives award for academic efforts

American Legion Post No. 220 has awarded a scholarship to Bianca Boykin, a Reynolds High School graduate. The award was presented at the post's annual fashion show event held Sunday.

Miss Boykin, the 17-year-old daughter of Bobby and Lucy Boykin, was presented the check by Martha G. Jones, the coordinator of the fashion show. Miss Boykin plans to attend Forsyth Technical College in the fall and hopes to become a computer engineer.

The fashion show's models included Alexander Shelton, Joyce Mouzon, Tamont Lewis, Ann Simmons, Lakela Gillis, H.B. Jones, Carolyn Donaldson, Clara Shelton, Tina Garrett, Majorie Thomas, Nicole Bell, Carole Gillis, Carolyn Clowney, Lynwood Gillis, James Young, Beverly Robinson, Bettye Wardlow, Rod Williams and Nina Williams.

Post members served as escorts



Members of Post No. 220 join to present a scholarship check to Bianca Boykin. Pictured, from left, are James McWillis, Mary G. Thomas, Ms. Boykin, Lois E. Smith, Joan B. Bell, Martha Jones and Arthur R. Spencer (photo by James Parker).

for the evening. They included James McWillis, the post's commander, H.B. Jones, Jason Hawkins, Paul Ferguson and Alec Gambill.

Music for the occasion was provided by Sweet Breeze.

Also, the auxiliary inducted officers for the 1987-88 year. Officers will be Jean Bell, president; Barbara Williams, first vice president; Roberta Young, second vice president; Lois Smith,

secretary; Naomi Lone, treasurer; Janice Murray, chaplain; Joyce Mouzon, sergeant-at-arms; Minnie Polite, financial secretary; and Sandra Chiles, historian.

W-S Urban League's BEST graduates urged to 'be all you can be'

"Be the best that you can be" was the challenge given to 13 graduates of the Winston-Salem Urban League's Building Experience in Skilled Trades program at the fourth annual commencement ceremony.

The 20-week skills training component is funded through the job Training Partnership Act (JTPA) in conjunction with the Human Services Department and Forsyth Technical College.

BEST participants receive intensive classroom training and "hands-on" experience in construction trades. In addition, program staff offer a special employability skills curriculum which prepares trainees as they seek gainful employment. Eighty percent of the class has obtained jobs.

The Rev. John Mendez, pastor of Emmanuel Baptist Church, delivered the message at the program and commended graduates

on their accomplishment. He also urged them to forge ahead with courage, conviction and self-control.

Music for the occasion was provided by Betty Mack, the Rev. Ray Porter and Darrell Blackman.

Other participants included staff members Cleo Solomon and Lee Fay Mack.

Jimmie Sudler, project director, and Roy Gerald, classroom

instructor, presented certificates to the graduates.

The graduating class included Darrell Blackmon, James Coleman, Danny Coley, Barry Fulp, George Fulp, Larry Haynes, Donald Hynes, Sandra Kernes, Beverly Knight, Kay Lynch, Vincent McDowell, Benjamin Thompson and Robert Wright.

The staff is now recruiting for a new training session which will begin July 13.

ABOUT TOWN

Lindsay grows with N.C. State sports program

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Edwin Lindsay has been informed by North Carolina State University that he will receive special financial assistance to cover the cost of his room, tuition and fees at the university next year.

Lindsay, who will return to the university for his sophomore year, was notified of his award in a letter from James M. Rehbock, coordinator of sports medicine at NCSU. Rehbock has designated Lindsay as one of the student trainers at the school to receive the special athletic scholarship.

News of his financial award



Edwin Lindsay, a local resident, has enjoyed his years of sports trainer experience at North Carolina State University (photo by Santana).

came to Lindsay at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmo Lindsay.

This will be Lindsay's second year as a student trainer at NCSU, but it will be the first year in which he will be compensated for his work.

Lindsay was familiar with most of the operations which were assigned to him in his freshman year. This he credits to the experience he received at Carver High School, where he performed the same type services for the athletic teams. It was his Carver coach, Alfred Poe, who recommended Lindsay to the coaching staff at NCSU.

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