



Olympic Medalist

Wilma Rudolph makes appearance at SciWorks to speak to kids.

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African Queen

Miss Africa/African-American crowned at pageant last weekend.

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"Power concedes nothing without a struggle." — Frederick Douglass

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Minority Business Owners Told to "Anticipate Success"

▲ Classic Cadillac named top minority business

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Success is a never-ending journey. That's how Jim Caldwell, the new football coach at Wake Forest University, recently described his philosophy to achieving success to several minority business owners recently.

"The only time success comes before work is in the dictionary," Caldwell said. "You have to vividly imagine, believe and act upon it and it will inevitably come to pass.

"Anytime you're competing, there's two types of people," Caldwell said. "There's a dilettante and there's a professional. A dilettante is someone who dabbles in a craft in his spare time. But a professional thinks about his craft all the time. He's trying to better his craft. You have to think like a winner and anticipate success."

Caldwell used his experience as a coach as the keynote speaker at the East Area Council of the Greater Winston-Salem Chamber of Com-

merce's Minority Business Awards Gala Saturday at the Stouffer Winston-Plaza Hotel, where he said there's not much difference in competing on a football field and competing in the business world. "Anytime you're competing, there's two types of people," Caldwell said. "There's a dilettante and there's a professional. A dilettante is someone who dabbles in a craft in his spare time. But a professional thinks about his craft all the time. He's trying to better his craft. You have to think like a winner and anticipate success."

Although Caldwell's comments were filled with humorous anecdotes and analogies, his message of success seemed to hit home with the minority business owners.

"As business owners, you have to do the same thing I'm trying to do at Wake Forest University," Caldwell said. "You have to go out and build a broad base and lay groundwork. You've had the opportunity to watch a skyscraper being built. The first six months, they're digging deep into the ground. That's exactly what you have to do in the business world. You have to reach out to the community, make sure you're connected and your network is sound and solid. But in order to build a structure that sound, you've got to build a firm foundation."

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Guest speaker Jim Caldwell, left, and an onlooker listen to W. Curtis Brown.

National NEWS

King Wanted Papers in South

BOSTON (AP) — The widow of Martin Luther King Jr. testified this week that her husband sent papers to Boston University for safekeeping but wanted them returned eventually to the South, where the civil rights movement was born. Coretta Scott King took the stand in the fourth day of a Suffolk Superior Court trial over whether King's papers at BU are owned by the university or by King's estate. Coretta King sued to transfer the papers to the Martin Luther King Jr. Center for Non-violent Social Change in Atlanta.



Coretta Scott King

King deposited personal papers and memorabilia at BU — where he earned his doctorate degree — in 1964 at the school's urging. "Essentially, my memory is Martin still felt his papers should be returned to the South at some point when there was a suitable facility," she said.

Hero of L.A. Riots Dies

LOS ANGELES (AP) — The Rev. Benny Newton, who defied an angry mob in last spring's riots to save the life of a stranger, has died of leukemia. He was 60. The pastor was honored for his bravery with an extensive list of citations and awards from politicians and community leaders. He was publicly lauded by then-Pres. George Bush, Los Angeles Mayor Tom Bradley and Gov. Pete Wilson. Last week, Wilson praised Newton in a speech delivered one day after a federal jury convicted two police officers accused of beating Rodney King.

ANC Leader Tambo Dies

JOHANNESBURG, South Africa (AP) — Oliver Tambo, a shrewd tactician who in exile led the then-banned African National Congress for decades, has died of a stroke. He was 75. Although Nelson Mandela came to symbolize South Africa's anti-apartheid movement during his 27-year imprisonment, Tambo is widely regarded as the man who brought the ANC through its toughest times as a struggling liberation movement.



Cain Hope Felder

Noted Biblical Scholar says Africans Were Central to Earliest Civilization

▲ Felder says blacks' role overlooked

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For years, Cain Hope Felder, a noted biblical scholar, has taken on the personal mission of informing people of the role of Africans in the Bible.

"There are many references to people working together in the Bible," Felder said. "There are stories of people in Asia during the first century. There are stories of people from Hispania. Africans are referenced in Psalm 68, verse 31 and Psalm 87, verses 1-4. But these stories have been overlooked by so-called biblical scholars."

Felder said in this context, Afrocentricism is not a "Black Nationalist Movement," as some have termed it. To him, the term does not attempt to demean any other race.

"We have to avoid the dangers of trying to claim that we as black people are a chosen race," Felder said.

"If any person is 'chosen,' it is by virtue of his works and not by his race."

Felder, who is a professor of literature and languages at Howard Divinity School in Washington, D.C., spoke to about 200 WSSU faculty, administration and students and others last Friday morning on the topic, "Bible, Afrocentricism and Social Change: Forging a New Partnership Between University and Church."

It was the culmination to a series of lectures on religion during the school year.

In his hour-long speech, Felder said it is time for people of all races to become more tolerant of each other's cultures.

"All over the world, we are witnessing tribalism," said Felder, the author of three books on the subject. "Instead of breaking down the walls that divide us, we are becoming intolerant of each other's cultures. It's sad when the nation has to hold its breath while waiting for a verdict. It's sad when we cannot expect a routine, fair system of justice."

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Gibbs, A&T Chancellor During Student Sit-ins, Mourned

Special to the Chronicle

Warmouth T. Gibbs, president emeritus of North Carolina A&T State University died last week after a brief illness. He was 101.

Gibbs, a native of Baldwin, La., and a graduate of Wiley College and Harvard University, contributed to the progress of A&T from 1926 until his death. He led the university to great accomplishments at A&T in his five years as president, including getting the university accredited for the first time by the Southern Association of Schools and Colleges. But he really carved his niche in the university's history during the historic 1960 lunch-counter sit-ins at Woolworth's department store.

During the height of the demonstrations, the city's power structure wanted Gibbs to clamp down on stu-

dents who were marching in the streets. He politely told them: "We teach our students how to think, now what to think."

The rest is history, as students successfully launched a national protest movement against segregation.

Gibbs well remembered his handling of that event. "I had studied government, history and international relations and that prepared me for handling that situation," he said in an interview years after the successful sit-ins. "It didn't bother me."

He received a lot of honors during his lifetime, but one that genuinely touched him was the Board of Governors' University Award, which he received in 1991 for illustrious service to higher education.

Gibbs, who had been a resident of Greensboro for 67 years, served as president of A&T 1955 to 1960. He retired in 1966. As a teacher of Government at A&T, Gibbs became a legend to thousands of students whom he taught. They remember him as a no-nonsense teacher, but who always ejected a bit of humor in his classes. Whenever A&T alumni gather across the nation, they still want to know how "Dean" Gibbs is doing, remembering the second-most important position he held at the university for so long.

He is survived by a daughter, Elizabeth Gibbs Moore of Greensboro; a son, Chandler Gibbs of Poughkeepsie, N.Y.; 12 grandchildren; and four great-grandchildren.

His funeral was held last Friday at St. Matthews United Methodist Church in Greensboro.

Seeking Amenities, Students Choose Off-Campus Living

▲ WSSU builds new dorm, raises tuition

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When Takesha Patterson stepped into her small, baby-blue colored, cinder-block room in Atkins Hall at Winston-Salem State University in August 1991, she knew immediately it was a far cry from her personally decorated, private bedroom back home in Charlotte.

With her luggage in one hand and key in the other, Patterson was forced to settle down and make the most out of a wooden desk, a dresser and a twin bed with a used mattress.

She knew it would be difficult adjusting

to life as a freshman on an unfamiliar campus.

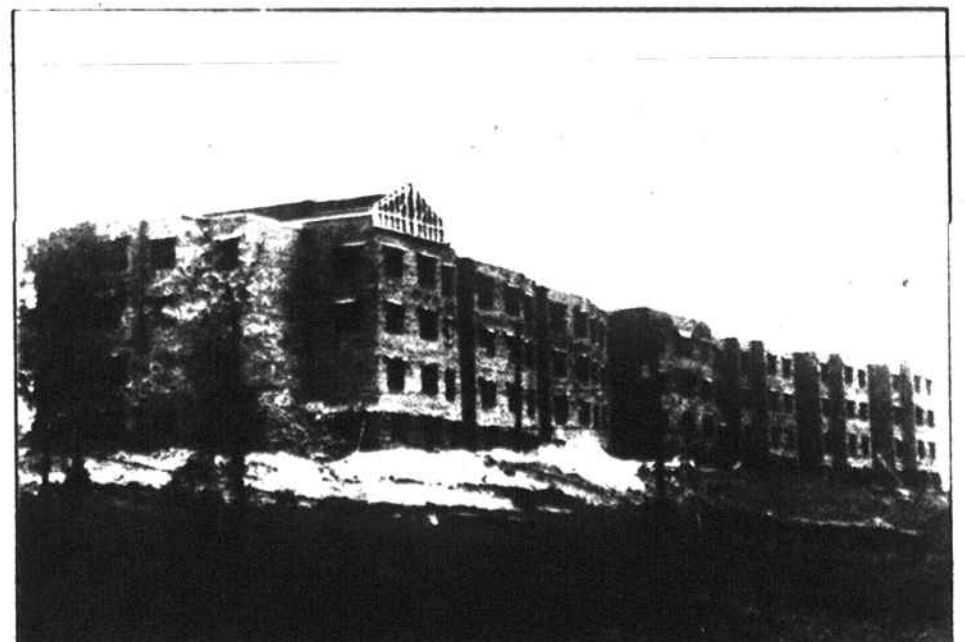
Now a sophomore, Patterson has become weary of campus life — she said she's planning to rent an apartment off campus next year.

"I'm tired of campus life now, Patterson said. "I want to try something different and find out what it's like to have to pay bills."

Across the country, there is an increasing trend of students like Patterson who are choosing to live off campus. The decline in students' requests for on-campus housing is being felt in the pocketbooks of universities.

Officials at Winston-Salem State are addressing that concern in two ways: they are increasing fees for room and board and building a luxury dormitory that offers many

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WSSU new dormitory to be completed by spring semester.

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THIS WEEK IN BLACK HISTORY
On April 28, 1971, Samuel Lee Gravely Jr. became the first black admiral in the United States Navy.