

ROWAN
EVENTS

May 26

9:30 a.m. - Bus Trip to the Lazy 5 Ranch, Rufty-Holmes Senior Center, 1120 S. Boundary St., Salisbury. Bus leaves Center at 9:30 a.m. enroute to Western Rowan County for drive tour of animal area which features 400 animals from six continents, will stop at the Petting Zoo and have dutch-treat lunch at Big Daddy's in Mooresville, before returning to the center by 4 p.m. Cost: \$18. For information call: 633-7862.

May 28

11 a.m. - Graduate Recognition Service, First Calvary Baptist Church, 400 S. Long St., Salisbury.

3 p.m. - "Senior Citizen Auction," Gethsemane Baptist Church, 719 S. Caldwell St., Salisbury. Sponsored by Odessa Davis Missionary.

3 p.m. - 85th Church Anniversary, Lilly's Chapel Church of God, 618 W. Thomas St., Salisbury. Pastor: Elder Thomas H. Clawson. Guest speaker: Rev. Larry Ellis of Dorsett Chapel United Church of Christ, Salisbury.

3 p.m. - Men on the Move for Christ, Rose of Sharon Church of God, 255 Camp Road, Salisbury. Pastor: Rev. Lewis Walker.

May 29

10 a.m. - Registration for Summer Camp 2000, Dunbar Center, 820 S. Long St., E. Spencer. Camp dates: June 5-July 21, Monday thru Friday, 8 a.m.-4 p.m. For grades 1-8. Schedule will include: math and reading, organized games, supervised free time, swimming, skating movies, trips. Cost for six weeks: \$50. Register early. Call: 647-0054.

10 a.m. - Registration for High School Girl's Fast Pitch Softball Games, Salisbury. For girls in grades 9-12. Register at Hall's Gym, 1400 W. Bank St., Salisbury. League will develop skills, teach teamwork & build character. Games will be played at the Sports Complex on Tues. & Thurs., 6-9 p.m., beginning June 6, at the Sports Complex. For information, call 638-5289.

May 30

7:30 a.m. - Summer Camp, Miller Recreation Center, 1402 W. Bank Center, Salisbury. Ages 5-12. Through Aug. 4. Theme this week: "Roller Derby." Friday's trip: "Kate's Skating." For further information call: 638-5297/98.

May 31

7:30 p.m. - Public Meeting of State Department of Transportation, Rowan County Agriculture Center, 2727A, Old Concord Road, Salisbury. North Carolina and Virginia will hold public workshops to gather input on a proposed high speed rail system connecting Washington, Richmond, Raleigh and Charlotte. For information call toll free: 1-877-749-7245.

June 1

1 p.m. - Workshop on Preserving Photographs Electronically, Rufty-Holmes Senior Center, 1120 S. Boundary St., Salisbury. Bring your own 3.5 disk and photographs to scan and store photographic images on disk for use in various applications. Pre-register early. Call: 633-7862.

6 p.m. - Youth Night, Hall Gym, 1400 W. Bank St., Salisbury. For boys and girls ages 7-14. Compete in various structured activities and contests each Thursday night, June 1-29. No charge.

7 p.m. - NAACP Meeting, Housing Authority, 200 S. Boundary St., Salisbury.

June 2

6 p.m. - Kids' Night Out, Civic Center, 315 S. Boundary. Ages 6-12, 6-9 p.m. Movie, popcorn, games and pizza. Cost: \$3 resident, \$6 non-resident.

To send in announcements call Gwen Plummer: 636-9219.

Bond encourages local NAACP to keep up the fight against flag

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

COLUMBIA - South Carolina's Confederate flag controversy is one of many battles being waged against civil rights nationwide by the "wacky radical right," the NAACP's national chairman warned last week at the state group's 22nd Annual Freedom Fund banquet in West Columbia.

Julian Bond, a 40-year civil rights campaigner and former

Georgia lawmaker, told about 1,500 people gathered at the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People dinner that Republican Presidents Reagan and Bush have stacked the courts with conservative judges and congressional leaders, such as former House Speaker Newt Gingrich and Sen. Trent Lott, have catered to opponents of the NAACP.

"They have become the running dogs of the wacky radical

right," Bond said. "Last year, most of us wanted to be Y2K compliant. These people seemed to be KKK compliant."

"We believe the Confederate flag should be in a museum. They believe it should fly over the Statehouse grounds."

Bond after the NAACP pledged to continue its economic boycott of South Carolina to force the state to remove the Confederate flag from the Statehouse grounds. More than 40,000 peo-

ple marched to protest the flag in January when the sanctions officially began.

Lawmakers last week agreed on a compromise that will remove the flag from atop the Statehouse dome and put a similar one at the Confederate Sol-



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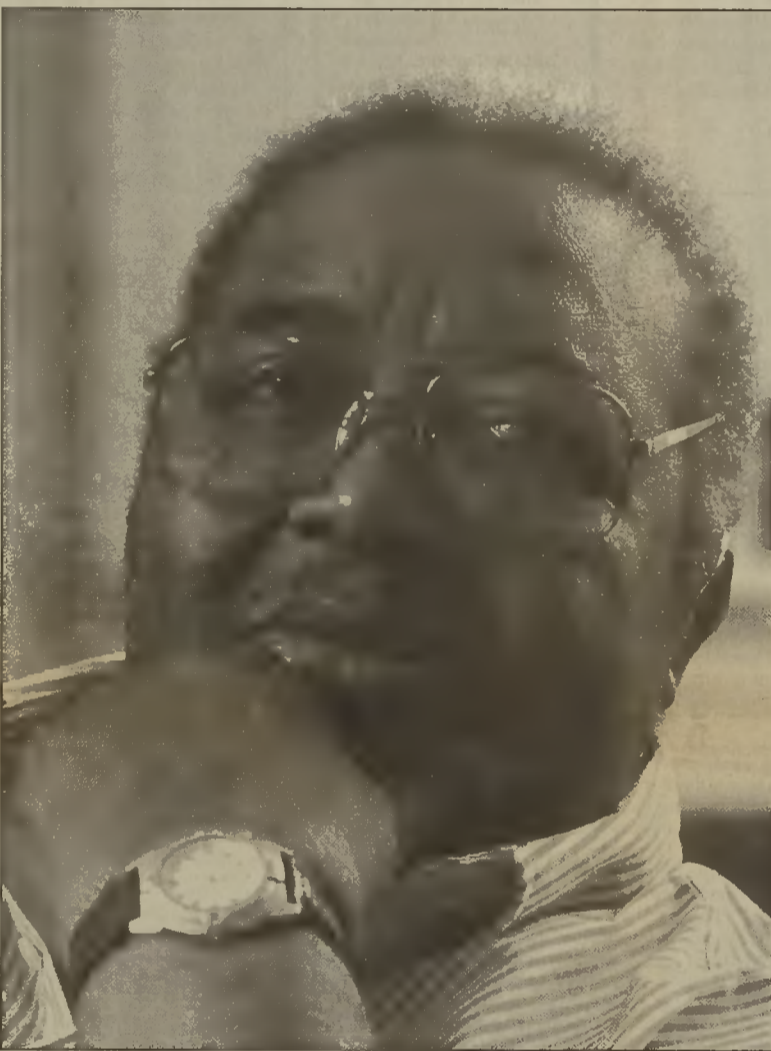
dier Monument on the grounds. The NAACP has said the compromise is not acceptable because it flies a battle flag at one of the capital city's busiest intersections.

Gov. Jim Hodges signed the flag compromise bill Tuesday, before television cameras and with some black legislators in attendance. The flag will be removed by July 1, according to the legislation.

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Duke scholar was noted author

FROM STAFF REPORTS



Duke University professor emeritus C. Eric Lincoln

DURHAM - Duke University professor emeritus C. Eric Lincoln, who died on Mother's Day at age 75, was one of the nation's foremost scholars of the black church in the U.S. and a friend of the late Rev. Martin Luther King Jr.

Lincoln, an Athens, Ala., native who was cited in 1990 by Pope John Paul II for his "scholarly service to the church," was the author, co-author or editor of 22 books, written from both historical and sociological perspectives.

Among his best known books are "The Black Muslims in America" (1961) and "The Black Church in the African-American Experience," written with former student Lawrence H. Mamiya and published by Duke University Press in 1990. The book, considered the definitive work on the subject, revealed the strength of the black church in America but also raised troubling issues, including the failure of the black church to pay attention to young black males and the lack of young blacks entering the ministry.

"Eric Lincoln was a distinguished scholar and author whose convictions and humanity made him a leading voice for racial reconciliation in our country," said Duke President Nannerl O. Keohane. "His commitment to justice was reflected in his work and in his life and we are all diminished by this loss."

Lincoln's most recent work, "Coming Through the Fire: Surviving Race and Place in America" (1996, Duke University Press), drew national acclaim for its insightful and personal look at racism in America. Lincoln related anecdotes as a boy growing up in Alabama, such as being given a nickel for a sack of cotton that should have brought \$3.60. When he objected, he was beaten. The book's wide-ranging essays (the O.J. Simpson trial, Louis Farrakhan and black-on-black crime) as well as Lincoln's views on ending racism drew praise from critics throughout the nation.

Lincoln, the William Rand Kenan Jr. professor emeritus of religion and culture at Duke, and long-time member of the American Academy of Arts and Sciences, also is the author of a novel, "The Avenue: Clayton City" (1988, William Morrow), which received the 1988 Lillian Smith Book Award for best southern fiction.

"Eric Lincoln was a distinguished leader in African-American religious scholarship," said L. Gregory Jones, dean of the Duke University Divinity School. "His pioneering work has enabled those after him to stand on his shoulders."

A graduate of LeMoyne College, Lincoln earned a bachelor of divinity degree from the University of Chicago and master's degrees from Fisk University and Boston University. In 1960, he received a Ph.D. from Boston College in 1960. He began his teaching career at Clark College in Atlanta in 1954. He taught at Brown University; the University of Ghana, where he served as director of the American Forum of African Studies; Union Theological Seminary; Vassar College and Columbia University. He left his faculty position at Fisk University to come to Duke in 1976.

At Duke, he received numerous honors, including the 1989 Howard Johnson Distinguished Teaching Award. He retired in 1993, but continued to write, lecture and serve as a media expert on race relations and religion. He was a frequent media source on the black church and black political issues.

St. Aug's wrestles with censorship

By Angela Burris

CONSOLIDATED MEDIA GROUP

RALEIGH - Sometimes the truth can paint an ugly picture.

But should it be withheld?

Absolutely not, according to student staff members of Saint Augustine's College's award-winning newspaper, The Pen.

"It's the truth," former managing editor Billy Williams III said. "It has to be heard. We learned in class to tell the real story. We're not trying to prove something. It's not about anything to anybody. We're just making people aware. Because you die in ignorance, why would we sit here and not tell you what's going on?"

However, Williams' journalistic code of ethics didn't please faculty members after the final issue of the paper was distributed.

Hours after The Pen's staff distributed the paper across campus, school officials seized more than 1,000 copies as a result of a front-page story about campus security.

The story focused on last month's assault of student Grover Davis, who was stabbed several times in his dorm room at Atkinson Residence Hall. Allegations of drugs being involved prompted an investigation by Campus Security and the Raleigh Police Department that has not yet been proven.

Although the story focused on the attack, officials ripped the drug allegations.

St. Augustine's officials, including President Dianne Boardley-Suber refused comment to The

St. Aug's The Pen published this photo of stabbing victim



Tribune.

The Pen's former editor in chief, Tracy Ethridge, defended including the drug allegations as part of a complete and fair story.

"My personal feeling on the matter was even though it was wrong for whatever drugs he had in his possession," she said. "The fact still remains that somebody was able to get into what is supposed to be a locked dorm to injure somebody. By them getting into the dorm, there's no telling who they could have injured."

"The incident wasn't a secret. It had been on the news and the article itself was a very fair article (in that quotes came) from the dean of students Byron Bullock and Grover Davis."

Suber questioned the paper's picture of Grover, which she

described as "inappropriate" because "all his body was showing, including his backside."

Ethridge disagreed.

"After hearing about the picture, I came back onto the computer with the picture in color and blew it up," she said. "There was nothing you could see anyway because he had on shorts. Not that you could see anything, anyway, because it was dark."

"I'm sure the photographer that took the picture wouldn't have taken a picture of him half-naked."

The Pen's advisor, Calvin Hall, said he thoroughly looked at the picture before it ran.

"The day after the (photographer) who was working on the story, I saw them and there was nothing

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Shaw president to take a sabbatical

By Jim Davenport

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

RALEIGH - Shaw University President Talbert O. Shaw announced Monday to the faculty and key staff members that he would be taking an eight-month sabbatical, effective June 1. Shaw indicated that the Executive Committee of the Board of Trustees unanimously approved his initial request in February and gave final approval, also unanimously, Friday during a scheduled Board of Trustees meeting. Shaw, who been at the helm for 13 years, will return to the University in February 2001.

According to Shaw, the Board of Trustees has agreed that Ernest L. Pickens, Executive Vice President, will lead the University in his absence. Pickens has been executive vice president since 1987.

"He loves the University as if it were his alma mater," Shaw said. "He is a dedicated man with a good heart and has committed himself to providing the necessary leadership to move the university ahead."

Since his appointment as 12th president, student enrollment has increased from 1,400 to an average of 2,500. Shaw's innovative leadership is reflective not only in the growth of the University's student population but in the academic programs, physical facilities and financial base.



Talbert O. Shaw

His commitment to expansion and innovation in academic programs was made evident in 1993, when he made courses in ethics and values central to the general education of all its students in order to emphasize the University's commitment to high personal standards and citizenship in its graduates.

Shaw was recently recognized in the Templeton Guide: Colleges that Encourage Character Development 2000 edition for his outstanding leadership in the field of student character development.