

The Campus Echo

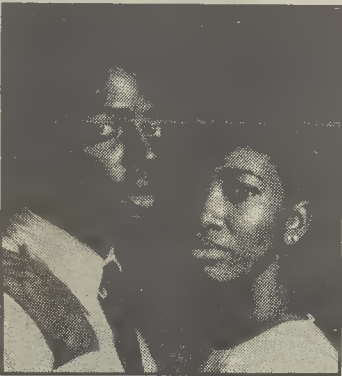
SPECIAL 1992 HOMECOMING EDITION

Eagles Come Home From Near and Far

by Robin Tucker & Kim Coles

North Carolina Central Universities homecoming is not just for students, it's also a time for alumni to return and reunite with classmates and friends.

Each year NCCU



Mr. & Mrs. Jones, NCCU Alumni

alumni affairs sends information for the homecoming weekend. Their festivities began Friday morning celebrating Founder's Day in B.N. Duke Auditorium, followed by the reunion class registration (reunion classes present were 1932-1987). The Tau Psi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi fraternity celebrated their 60th reunion with Gala at Ventures in Durham, and a banquet was held in the

W.G. Pearson Cafeteria for the reunion classes, ending Friday's activities.

The alumni began their day Saturday by attending the homecoming parade up Fayetteville Street, followed by the Tau Psi Line Reunion in the J.E. Shephard Library Bowl. After the homecoming football game against Johnson C. Smith University, an Alumni Coffee Hour was held after the game in the Shephard Library Breezeway, and Tau Psi held a reception at the Hayti Heritage Center. The main event of the evening was the Alumni Dance held at the Omni Durham Hotel.

Mr. William Penn, a class of 1957 graduate said he returns to NCCU to see classmates and his old friends. Mr. Penn also said, "I plan to attend the game and other festivities, and I look forward to seeing the Marching Eagle Band."

Ms. Christine Brown, also a class of 1957 graduate said, "The university made a great impact on my life since leaving, this is my 35th class reunion, I could not miss the

opportunity to see old friends, and make any contribution needed." Ms. Brown said she attended school with the new Chancellor (Julius Chambers) and regretted missing his speech at Founder's Day.

Mr. William Lewis is a 1953 graduate of NCCU and says he has been coming back for homecoming for the last five years. This year Mr. Lewis returned to celebrate the Tau Psi Chapter of Omega Psi Phi fraternity's 60th reunion.

Cynthia Gary-Jones, class of 1985, said she enjoyed the parade, game and other activities. She also said, "I especially enjoy seeing old teachers and classmates. Being that I reside in Durham, I always like to come back on campus every now and then to check things out on the homefront." Mrs. Gary-Jones also seemed to be very concerned with the issues about NCCU that she read about in the local newspaper.

Michael Jones, class of 1988, also attended NCCU's



Alumni enjoying homecoming

homecoming festivities. Mr. Jones says he was impressed with the game and fan turnout. He wishes he could have seen more of his classmates. Mr. Jones said, "Living in Durham helps me keep up with NCCU happening directly, also I have

facts to tell other Central alumni when I encounter them.

During the festivities the alumni laughed and remembered their times together at Dear Old NCCU!!!

Founder's Day Exemplifies Homecoming

By Maurice Crocker

North Carolina Central University celebrated its Forty-Fifth Annual Founder's Day Convocation on Friday, November 6, 1992.

The service was held at Benjamin Newton Duke Auditorium, Dr. Donna F.

Benson, Interim Chancellor, presided. The faculty and members from the Class of 1942 were in charge of the processional. Dr. Arthell D. Sanders was chief faculty marshal. The invocation was given by Rev. J. C. Cheek, president of the Interdenominational Ministe-

rial Alliance.

Mr. Bert Collins, chairman of the Board of Trustees, presented the speaker. The address was given by NCCU Chancellor-Elect, Mr. Julius L. Chambers. His message consisted of his five steps

for success. It was one of hope and inspiration. Chambers urged students to get involved in working to change and make this university better.

The Truth and Service ceremony was performed by



James E. Shephard

SEE PAGE 8